



# Heat Recovery in Oxy-Fuel Glass Furnaces – A Path to Increased Efficiency and Lower CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions

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# Path to Decarbonizing Glass Melting



## Oxy-fuel combustion



- Oxygen Supply
  - Built on-site oxygen supply system for 1<sup>st</sup> large oxy-fuel glass furnace
  - **Installed over 60 VPSAs in glass plants**
- Burner Technologies
  - Developed 1<sup>st</sup> low NO<sub>x</sub> oxy-fuel burner
  - Broad portfolio of burners optimized for oxy-fuel furnaces

## OPTIMELT® Waste Heat Recovery Systems



- ThermoChemical Regenerator (TCR) System
  - Reduces energy consumption and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 20% vs oxy-fuel, 30% vs air-regen & 50% vs recuperative
  - Smaller regenerators relative to air-regen
- Batch and Cullet Preheating Systems
  - Exclusive access to commercially proven technology from Johansson Industries
- Compatible with oxy-H<sub>2</sub> furnaces

## Low Carbon Fuels



- Hydrogen Supply
  - 120+ SMRs
  - Largest liquid H<sub>2</sub> capacity
  - Electrolyzers: 80+ units (40 MW), JV ITM Linde Electrolysis GmbH
  - FOx SMR for blue H<sub>2</sub>
- Oxy-H<sub>2</sub> firing to be more economic than air-H<sub>2</sub> firing
- Other low carbon fuels, e.g. biomass, biogas, ethanol
  - Refer to Kobayashi, H. et al., "Oxy-Fuel Combustion toward CO<sub>2</sub> Neutral Glass Production", Glass Trend Seminar, April 2018

## CO<sub>2</sub> Capture



- Multiple carbon capture demonstrations
- Oxy-fuel simplifies CO<sub>2</sub> capture process relative to air-fuel
- Long term CO<sub>2</sub> offtake agreement can improve economic viability

# State of the art technologies. Linde's portfolio for glass melting.

**Oxygen supply**

- Cylinder, bulk and on-site supply modes available
- Automatic gas management system: ACCURAB, SECCURAB
- Over 50 VPSAs in glass plants

**Waste Heat Recovery**

- Patented technology to reduce operating expenses by increasing energy efficiency: OPTIMELT™

**State-of-the-art technologies for glass melting: COROX®, OPTIFIRE™**

- Pure carbon-based processes for glass forming: CARBOLAM®
- Flame treatment with O<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub> for polishing: HYDROPOX®

**Sustainability**

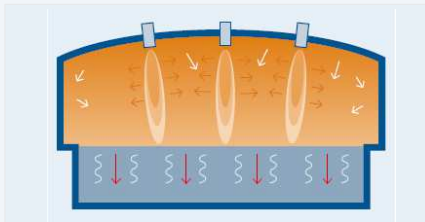
- Carbon footprint reduction with thermochemical regeneration and collect pre-heating
- Lower NO<sub>x</sub> emissions with staged combustion

Linde's integrated supply model for the glass industry



## Linde's glass melting portfolio. Increasing process efficiency with oxygen.

### Oxyfuel melting



#### OPTIFIRE® CGM oxyfuel melting

Roof burner for enhanced heat transfer capabilities

- More melting capacity
- Less raw material needed
- Further energy savings
- Improved glass quality



#### OPTIFIRE® Wide Flame Burners

Wide flame coverage and high luminosity

- Low momentum flames that reduce particulate emissions and crown corrosion
- Significantly lower NO<sub>x</sub> vs conventional oxy-fuel burners
- Easy to install and maintain
- Effective at foam mitigation



#### OPTIFIRE® JL Burner

Oxygen staging allows for ultra-low NO<sub>x</sub> operation

- No burner cooling required
- Works with liquid and gaseous fuels

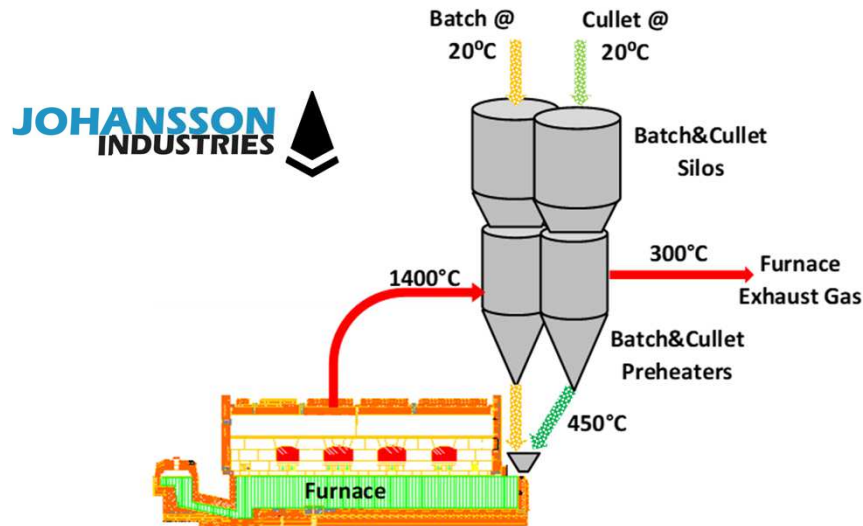
### Comprehensive OPTIFIRE® Oxy-Fuel Burner Portfolio

Type	Glass Type
J	Container, fiberglass, float
COROX I & II	Container, frit furnaces
CGM	Composite fiberglass
JL	Container, tableware, float
WFB	Container, float
XD	Fiberglass, container



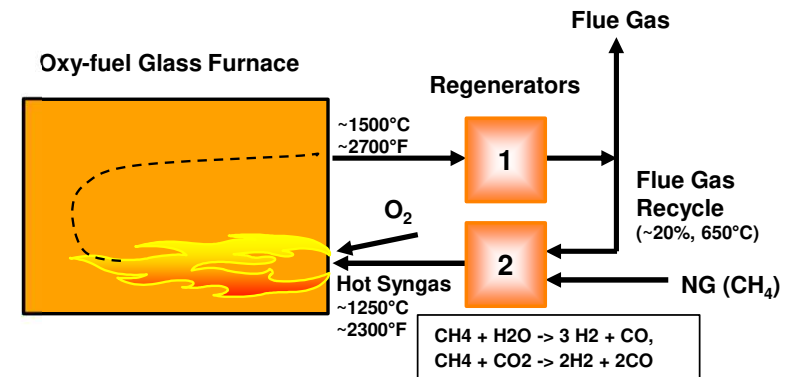


## Batch Cullet Preheater (BCP)



- Exclusive agreement technology from Johansson Industries
- Several commercial references with multinational glass companies (US and EU)
- Energy savings of ~10 – 25% depending on cullet only or batch and cullet preheating

## Thermochemical Regenerator (TCR)



- Regenerative non-catalytic reforming of natural gas using high furnace operating temperatures
- Technology owned by Linde
- Two commercial references in Mexico and Europe
- Energy savings of ~15 – 25% depending on multiple factors

## “LIFE OPTIMELT” Program for Tableware Furnace at Libbey, Leerdam



<https://lifeoptimelt.com/pdf/Life-Optimelt-a4-EN.pdf>

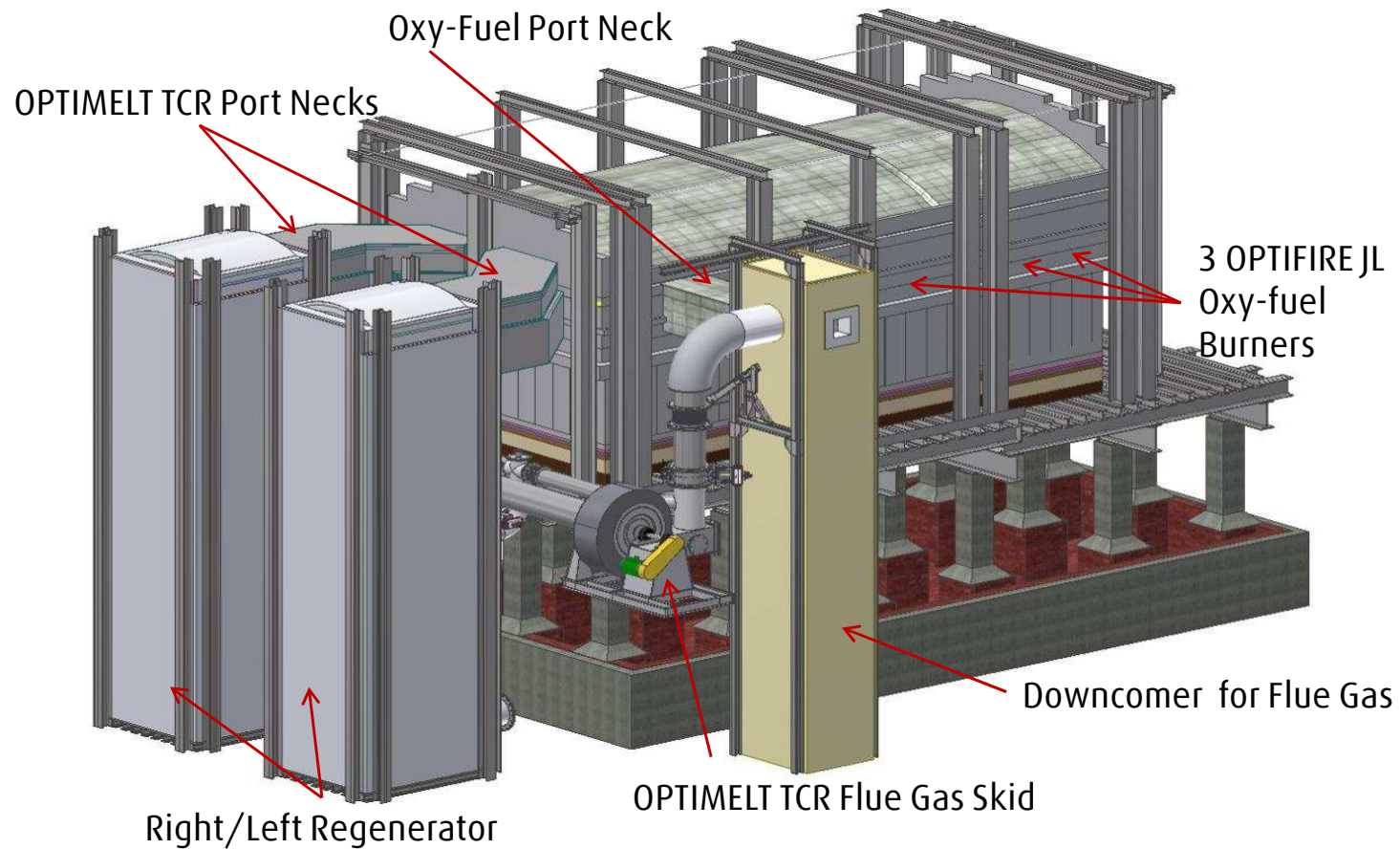
## The Program's Results

A considerable reduction in emissions has been achieved at Libbey's factory in Leerdam. The innovative OPTIMELT™ Technology has been implemented in oven L1 at Leerdam's glass plant, with a capacity of 80 tons of glass/day, replacing two old 40 tons of glass/day furnaces.

**Natural Gas** consumption dropped by 48% = 131,238 GJ / year equivalent to the power produced by 4 super modern wind turbines / year = Heating of 2750 houses / year.

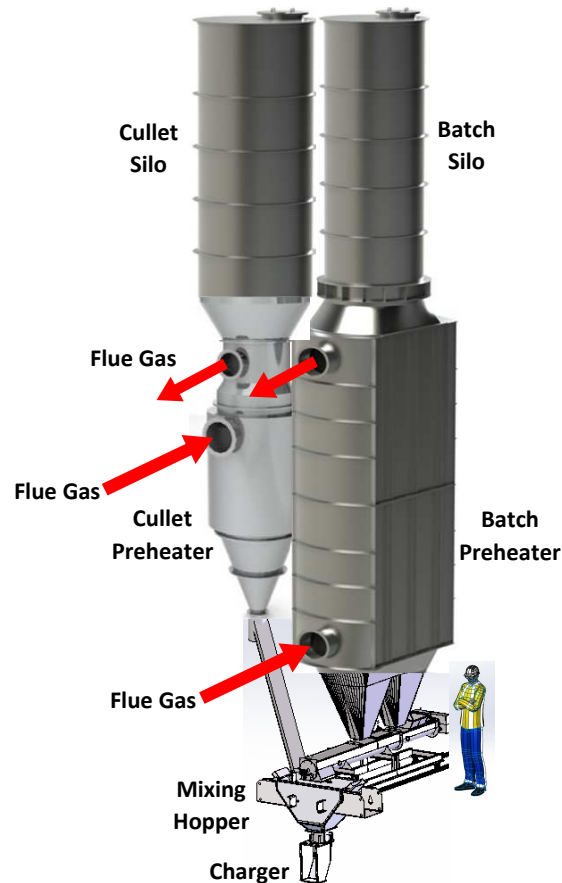
- CO<sub>2</sub> emissions dropped **by 47%** = 6940 tons / year.  
**Equivalent to the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by 4,500 cars / year.**
- NO<sub>x</sub> emissions dropped **by 86%** = 117 tons / year.  
**Equivalent to the NO<sub>x</sub> emitted by 11.700 cars / year.**
- SO<sub>x</sub> emissions dropped **by 80%** = 35 tons / year.  
**Equivalent to the SO<sub>x</sub> emitted by 140.000 cars / year.**

## Furnace L1 with OPTIMELT TCR at Libbey Leerdam (Netherlands)



- **Dual Firing Systems**
  1. TCR Syngas Firing
  2. Oxy-fuel Cross Firing
- **Programmed switching of two firing modes**

## Batch Cullet Preheating System



- Separate Batch & Cullet Preheaters
- Direct contact heat exchange
- Batch & Cullet preheated to 450°C
- Substantially improves waste heat recovery
- Relative to BCP Systems for air-fuel furnaces
  - Smaller sized modules
  - Reduced gas flow to ceramic filter by 75%
  - No air dilution required
- Benefits
  - 20%+ fuel, oxygen savings
  - Faster melting of batch / cullet mixture shortens batch line
  - Potential to increase pull rate similar to electric boost
  - Better glass redox control



## Oxyfuel with Batch/Cullet Preheater (BPH/CPH) Commercial Installation Summary



Location	Pull Rate (t/d)	Year Installed (BPH/CPH)	Glass	Cullet Ratio	Cullet Rate (t/d)
US	250	1997 (CPH)	Flint	50%	130
US	330	2011 (BCPH)	Flint	50%	160
Europe	270	2014 (CPH)	Flint	50%	135
Europe	170	2015 (CPH)	Flint	80%	140
Europe	410 <sup>^</sup>	2016 (CPH)	Green/ Amber	75%	310
Europe	340	2017 (CPH)	Flint	70%	240

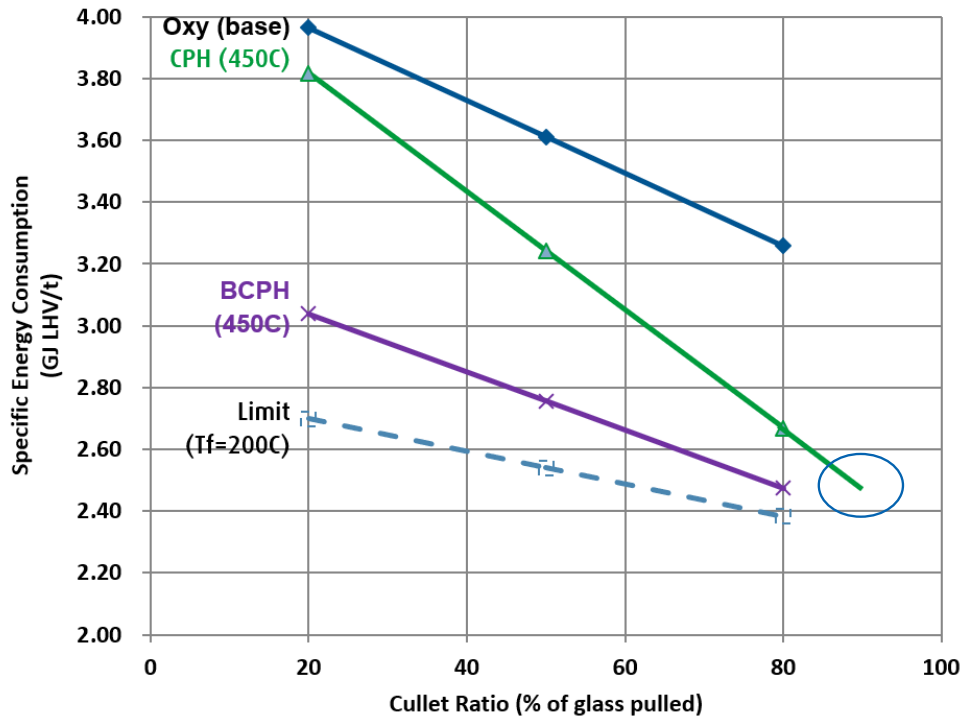
*^Two identical CPHs installed*

- Multiple references with multinational glass companies
- Demonstrated energy savings of 11 – 15% with CPH and 20% with batch cullet preheater (BCPH) vs oxy-fuel

# Energy Consumption and Heat Recovery Options: CPH, BCPH, BPH and TCR (Oxy-Fuel Fired Container Furnace at 350 mTPD with 1000 kW electric boost)

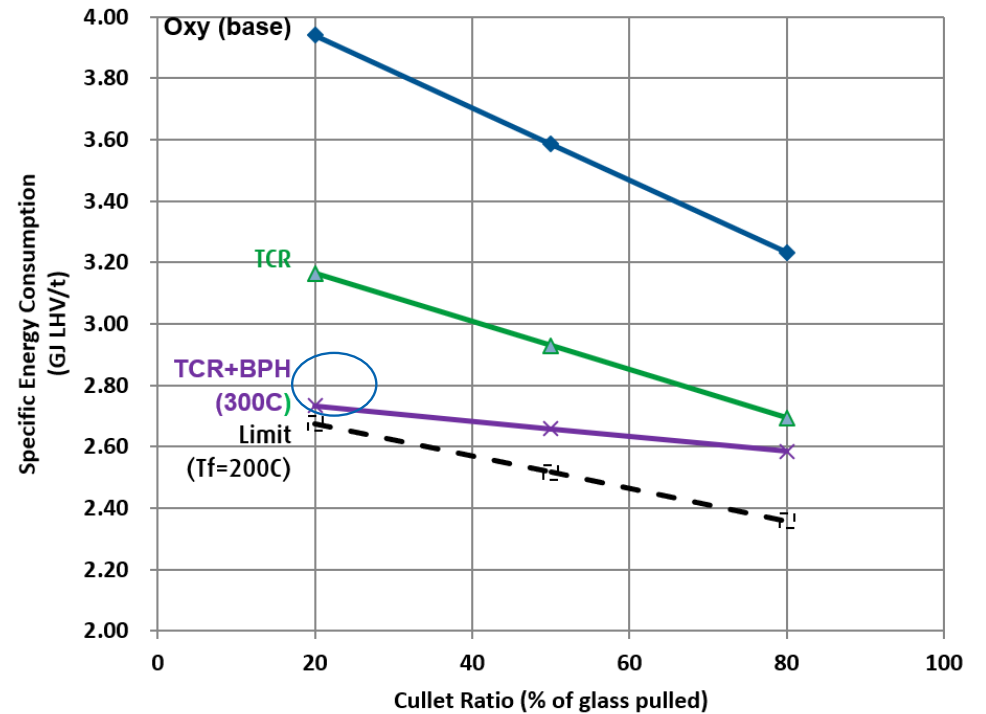


2.5 GJ/t feasible with CPH at 90% cullet



CPH – Cullet Preheating  
BCPH – Batch & Cullet Preheating

2.8 GJ/t feasible with TCR+BPH at 20% cullet



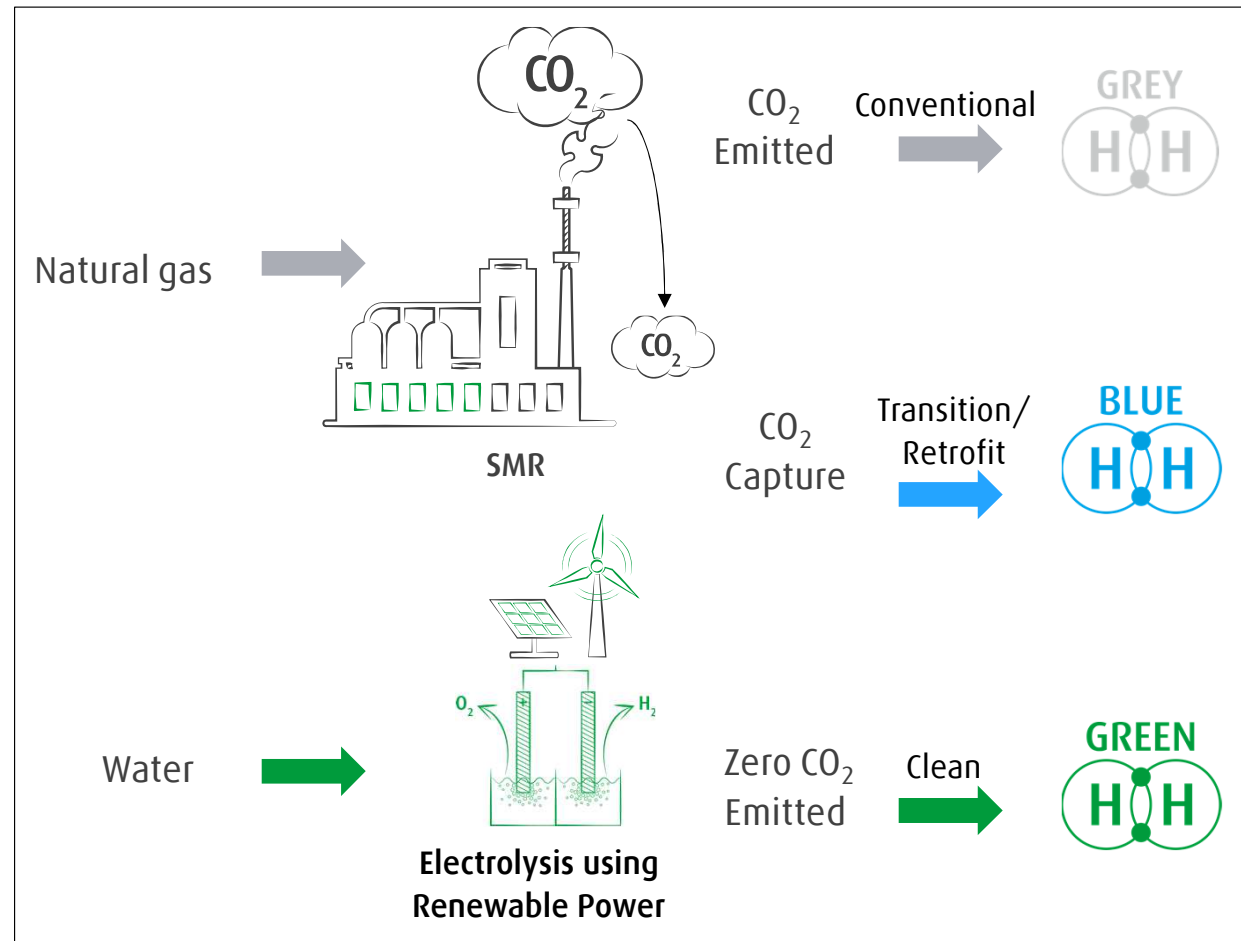
TCR – Thermochemical Regenerator  
BPH – Batch Preheating

*\*Specific energy consumption includes fuel + 0.25 GJ/t of electric boost.*

## Linde activities: H<sub>2</sub> for Glass



- Development of hydrogen fired oxyfuel burners
  - Testing underway at Combustion Labs in US and Germany
- External collaborations
  - CelSian R&D Projects (Glass industry)
    - Heat transfer from H<sub>2</sub>-rich flames in glass tanks
    - Effects of H<sub>2</sub>-rich combustion on foam and on heat transfer to glass melts
  - DNV (GL) Project (Glass, steel, ceramic industries)
    - H<sub>2</sub> as a fuel for industrial heating processes
- OPTIMELT® Waste Heat Recovery technologies
  - Compatible with oxy-H<sub>2</sub> furnaces
  - Bridge to future with H<sub>2</sub> or blends of H<sub>2</sub>-NG
- Clean H<sub>2</sub> production
  - Blue H<sub>2</sub>: SMR + CO<sub>2</sub> capture
    - Diverse portfolio of SMR & CO<sub>2</sub> capture technologies
  - Green H<sub>2</sub>: PEM Electrolysis
    - ITM Linde Electrolysis – JV between ITM Power and Linde Engineering



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**Thank you for your attention.**

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