

Department for Energy Security & Net Zero



CCUS as part of the UK Energy Transition and Industrial Decarbonisation: strategic policy enablers and stages

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UK Government's perspective on CCUS as part of the energy transition

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How much CCUS will we need?



The UK has both the capability and potential to be a leader in CCUS

Our **2050 Net Zero Strategy** emphasised the importance of decarbonising industry and energy, generating hydrogen and negative emissions

All industrial clusters need to be decarbonised to achieve net zero.

The UK has potential to store more than **78 billion tonnes of carbon dioxide (CO₂)** in its continental shelf

Industrial CCUS clusters can be the starting point for a new **carbon** capture industry with a sizeable export potential

First Track-1 clusters announced as **HyNet** and **East Coast Cluster**. Track 2 clusters **Acorn and Viking** to be operational by 2030





The UK government has clear ambitions for CCUS

By mid 2020s	Deploy at least 2 industrial clusters
	Deploy at least one power CCUS plant and 3Mt of industrial CCUS
By 2030	Deploy 4 industrial clusters
	Capture 20-30 MtCO2 pa by 2030 including 6 MtCO2 from industrial CCUS
	Deploy up to 10GW of hydrogen production
	Deploy at least 5MtCO2 pa of engineered greenhouse gas removals (GGRs) by 2030
	50,000 jobs in CCUS
By 2035	Deliver a fully decarbonised power system
	Legally binding target of 78% emissions reductions by 2035

UKG providing support across the CCUS value chain via Business Models

Industrial Carbon Capture

Contract for difference to incentivise deployment of carbon capture technology for industrial users who often have no viable alternatives available to achieve deep decarbonisation.

Power Generation with CCUS

The Dispatchable Power Agreement (DPA) will incentivise private finance to enable power CCUS to play a valuable mid-merit role in our generation mix.

Hydrogen Production with CCUS

The Hydrogen Production Business Model will provide revenue support to producers to overcome the operating cost gap between low carbon hydrogen and high carbon counterfactual fuels.

Greenhouse Gas Removals – BECCS and DACCS

Business models are being developed to attract private investment in a portfolio of engineered GGR technologies including Direct Air Carbon Capture and Storage (DACCS).

Transmission and Storage Regulatory Investment Model (TRI)

Based on the successful regulated asset base model. It has three key objectives: to attract investment in the T&S network to establish a new CCUS sector; enable low-cost decarbonisation in multiple sectors; and develop a market for carbon capture – a long-term vision.

The UK's CCUS Clusters

Track-2



Key considerations when developing CCUS Policy in the UK



We have made significant progress on delivering CCUS in the UK

£20bn of funding announced to start sector

Legislation passed through Parliament

Eight Track 1 projects being negotiated

Expanding Track 1 and launched Track 2

CCUS Vision for 2030s being developed



Thank you & Questions

