**Coal Power as seen by Conventional Wisdom ...** 

## Coal + Air $\longrightarrow$ Energy + Ash + CO<sub>2</sub>



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**AIT CleanCem co-production process** 

#### **IN-BOILER BENEFICIATION OF COAL ASH INTO**

#### A HIGH PERFORMANCE CEMENT SUBSTITUTE

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**Coal Power as seen by AIT: the epitome of co-production** 





### **Coal Ash: a global Environmental catastrophe**





## Ash is piling up ...

India: ~170 million tons / year

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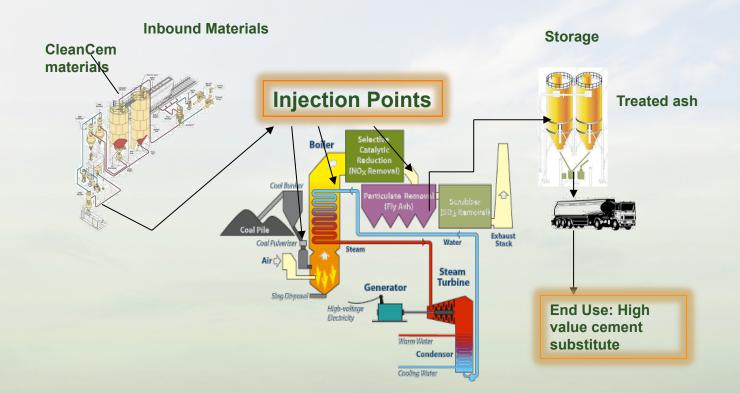
USA: ~130 million tons / year

China: ~400 million tons / year

# AIT Solution: a novel process that eliminates waste ash, creates low cost cement

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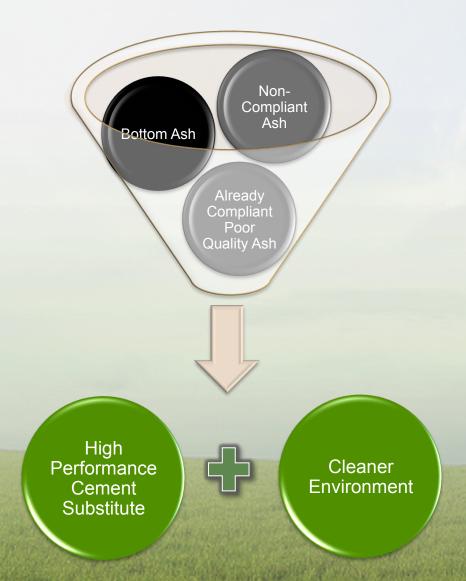
#### The CleanCem process at the Coal Fired Power Plant



AIT's quality controlled process converts a coal-fired plant into a manufacturing plant for a value added cement substitute

### The Value of AIT'sCleanCem process

CleanCem creates a cost-saving green building material, which avoids CO2 emissions and eliminates a substantial environmental liability.



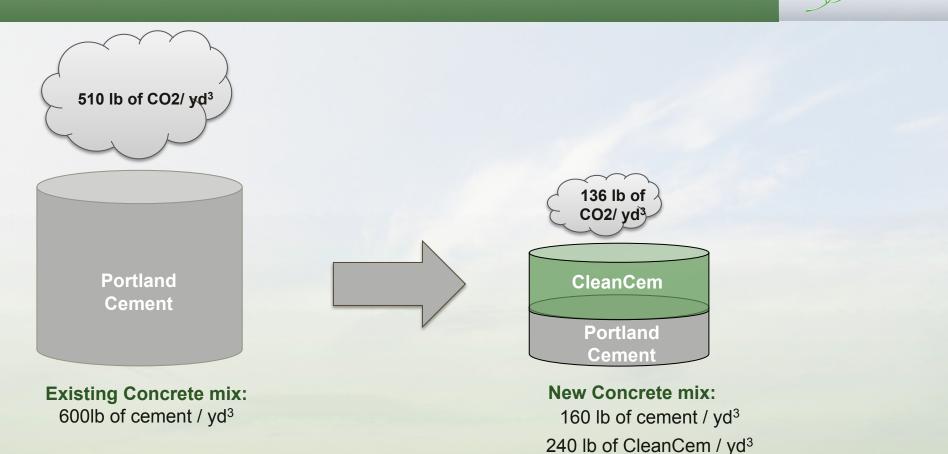
Less Ash Waste disposal & storage

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- Less CO2 emissions
- > High Value Cement Replacement
- LOI reduction

### CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions: huge potential to reduce emissions



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#### **IMAGINE** ... If all Concrete was made with CleanCem this would mean:

## 1.85 billion tons less CO2 emissions every year (like taking half of the world's cars off the road)

## What's important in the CleanCem process

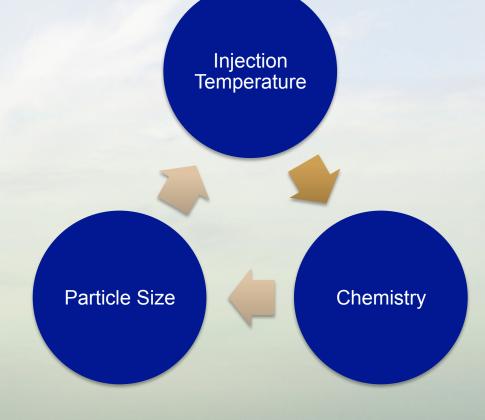


**Variables**: Each Coal source / boiler combination will have different for adjustments in:

- Raw material selection / dosages
- Injection points (temperature)
- Raw material particle sizes

**End Product**: Controlled production of high performance cement substitute:

- Target specific performance attributes (strength, durability, LOI)
- Control consistency of end material

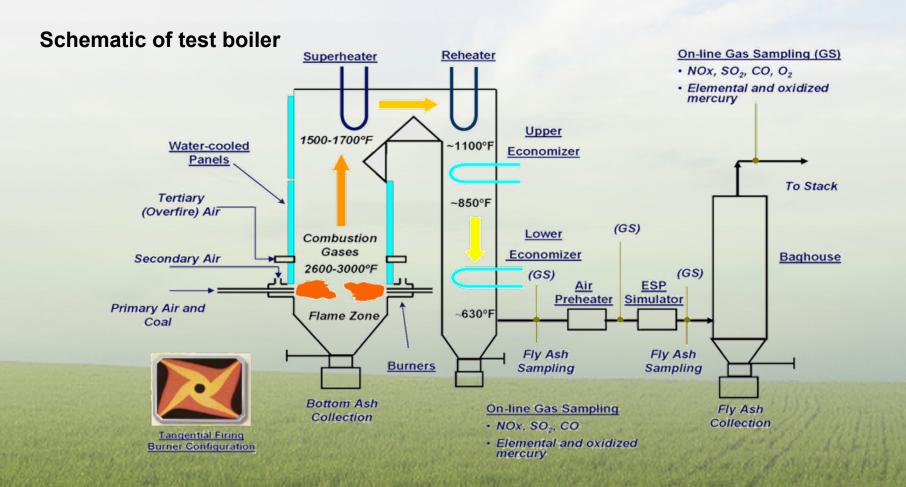


#### Case Study 1: ash reactivity enhancement

**Objective:** more reactive ash – improve compressive strength at substitution rates up to 60%

Boiler type: PCC, tangentially fired

Coal types tested: PRB (Eagle Butte) and bituminous (Illinois – Triad)



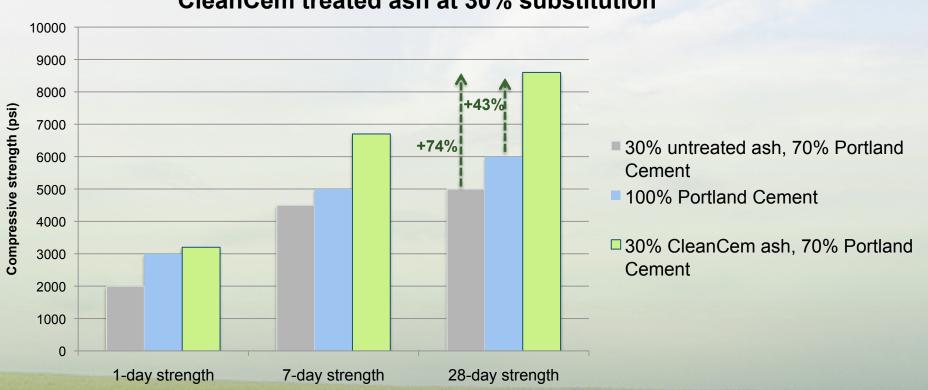
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Our modified ash product: superior compressive strength at 30% replacement ...



Strength development of mortar with **30%** CleanCem binder vs. untreated ash and pure Cement



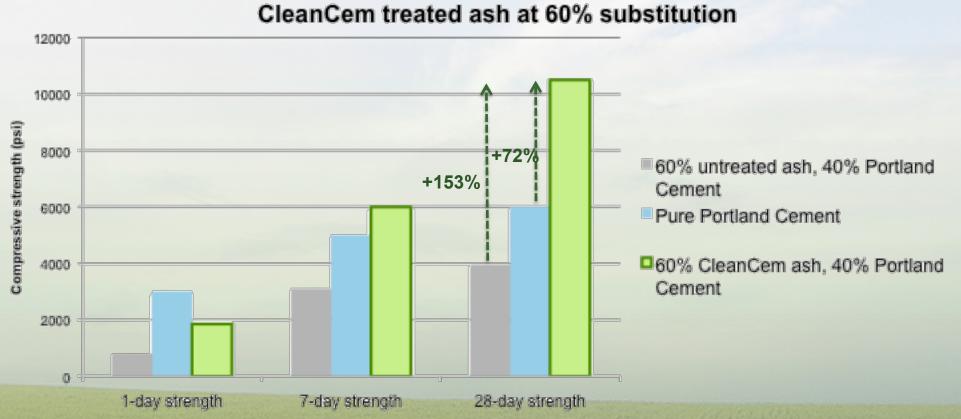
Compressive Strength CleanCem treated ash at 30% substitution

Proper additive selection and process can drastically improve strength properties of fly ash in a 30% substitution mix

Performance results: CleanCem has superior compressive strength at 60% replacement ...

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Strength development of mortar with 60%CleanCem binder vs. untreated ash and pure Cement

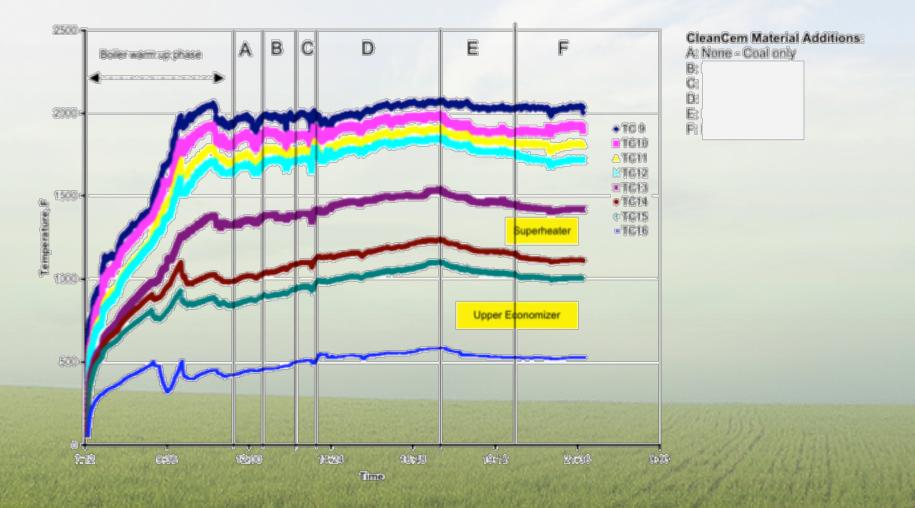


## Compressive Strength

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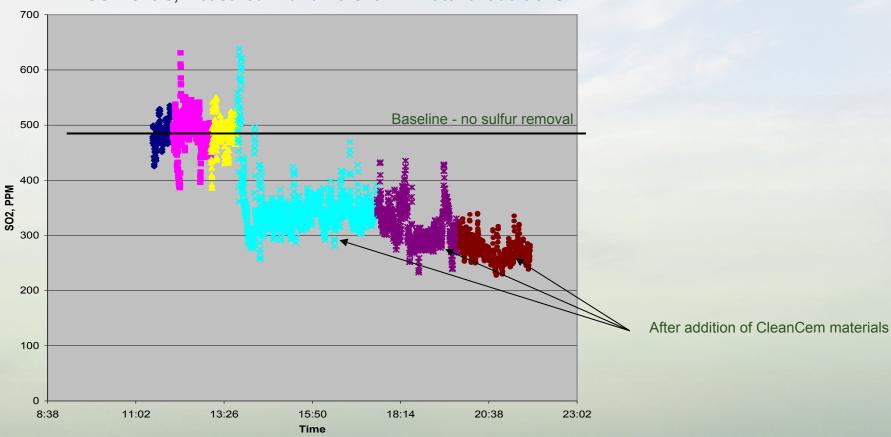
In solid fuel combustion processes, boiler efficiency is not affected: boiler temperatures stay constant at equal coal input as CleanCem materials are added in the process

#### Boiler temperatures measured at different stages during material addition



#### SOx control is not affected

#### Materials added in the process do not harm SOx control



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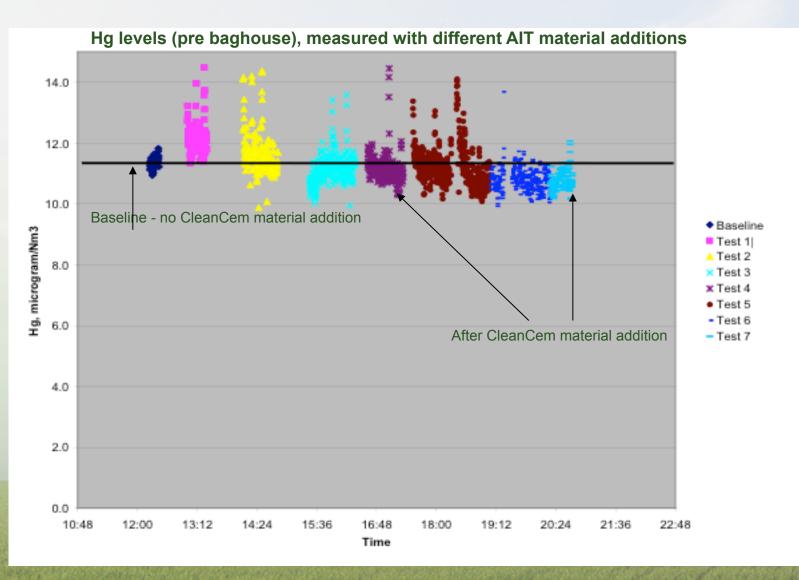
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SO2 levels, measured with different AIT material additions

#### No Negative Impact on Hg control



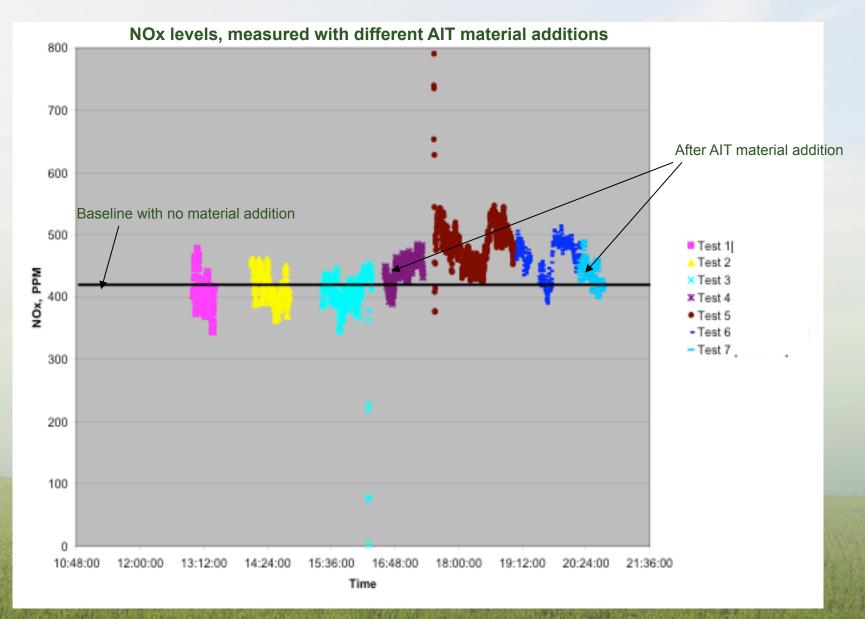
#### Materials added in the process are neutral as related to Mercury control



### No negative impact on NOx Control



#### Materials added in the process have a neutral effect on NOx control



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### **Case Study 2: Introduction**



#### **Objective: reduce LOI from 7%+ to 4%**

Boiler type: AFBC

Coal types tested: Bituminous (India)

Location: Chhattisgarh, India

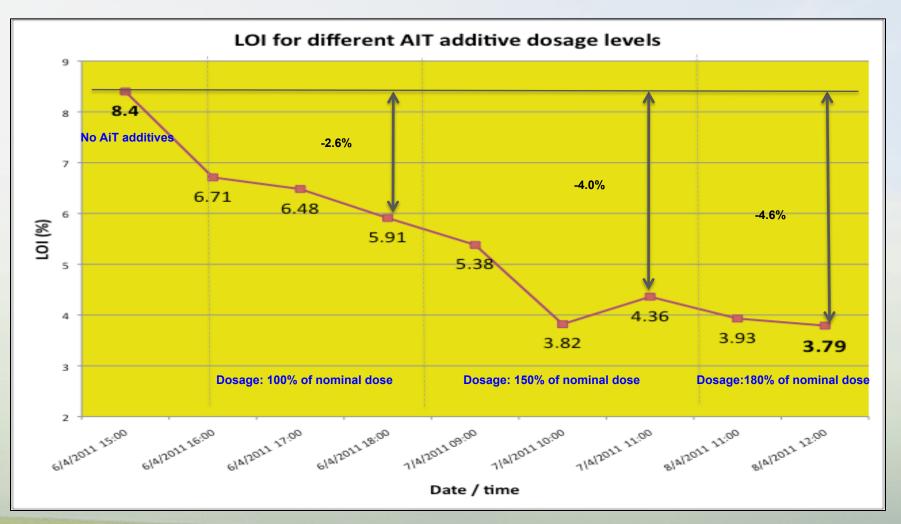






#### **Results:** Impact of AIT process on LOI





**Conclusion:** 

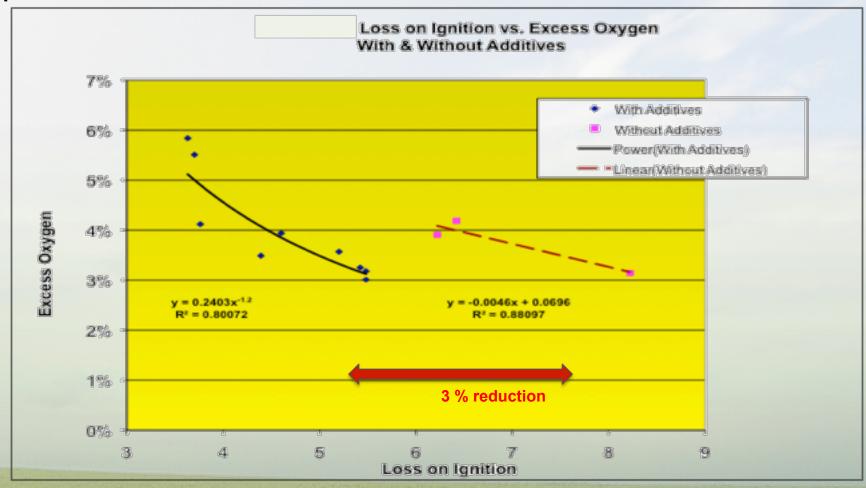
There is a direct relationship between LOI reduction and AIT material dosage.

The AIT process brought LOI down from 8.4% to 3.79% as dosage of AiT additives gradually increases.

### Results: Impact on average LOI at constant oxygen



## Impact of AIT Material injection on average LOI isolating Oxygen levels as an independent variable

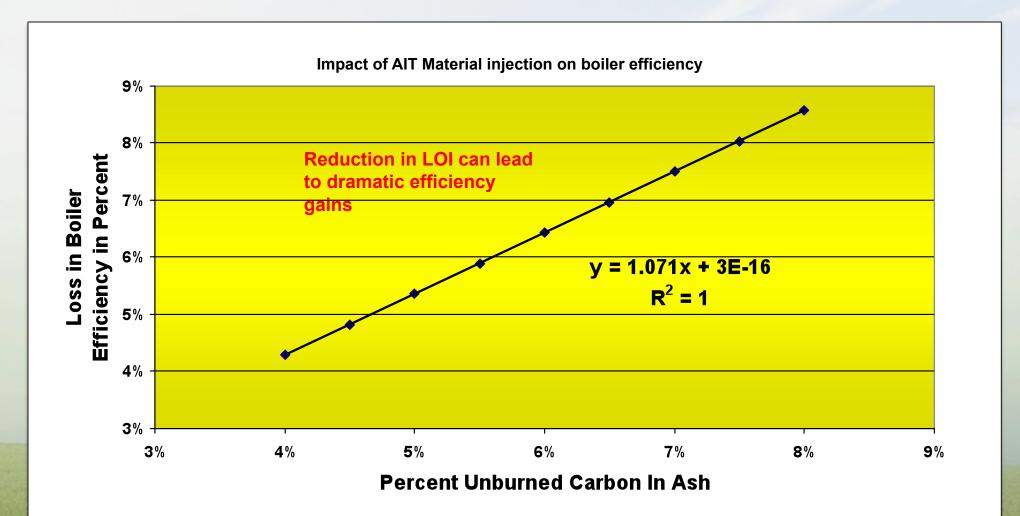


#### Conclusion:

At constant O<sub>2</sub> levels in the boiler flue gases, the injection of AIT materials at target levels (80% to 150% of nominal dosage) consistently lowers LOI by ~3 percentage points

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Due to the high ash content of the local coal (46%) unburned carbon in ash has a dramatic impact on boiler efficiency





#### **Conclusion – the AIT CleanCem process can be used to:**

- > Convert any fly ash into a high value cement substitute
- Contribute to net CO2 emissions reductions
- Improve SO2 removal rates
- Reduce LOI and improve boiler efficiency



## Thank you !

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