TITLE Negative-Carbon Cement (NC2)

CASE NUMBER

VALUE PROPOSITION

- » Manufacturing process for a net negative carbon cement product, as compared to net neutral or net positive products that lead to atmospheric CO2 emissions.
- » Addresses the need for greener building materials as regulations around greenhouse gas emission become tighter.
- » Comparable strength and durability to standard cement products.

UNMET NEED

- » The cement industry produces 4 billion tons of CO2 that is released into the atmosphere every year.
- » Currently, most cement and cement products are manufactured with a kiln that requires the burning of coal or natural gas. This contributes to greenhouse gas emissions and does not recapture any of the emitted CO2.
- » There is a strong need develop cement manufacturing and curing methods that reduce CO2 output and recapture emitted CO2.

TECHNICAL OVERVIEW

- » Researchers at Johns Hopkins have developed a cement manufacturing and curing process that allows for net negative carbon emissions.
- » Alternative processes are used to produce the heat necessary to fire raw materials, cure the cement, and recapture carbon.
- » Recaptured CO2 is solidified and incorporated into building materials.

STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT

» Lab-based validation of the technology and process.

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TECHNOLOGY CLASSIFICATION

- » Energy
- » Engineering

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