

Continuous Mining – Opportunities for more sustainable mining Stefan Blunck, Principal Mining Engineer

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Agenda for this session

- 1. RWETI Who we are
- 2. Carbon / GHG Reduction through Utilization of Continuous Mining Equipment
- 3. Summary Conclusion

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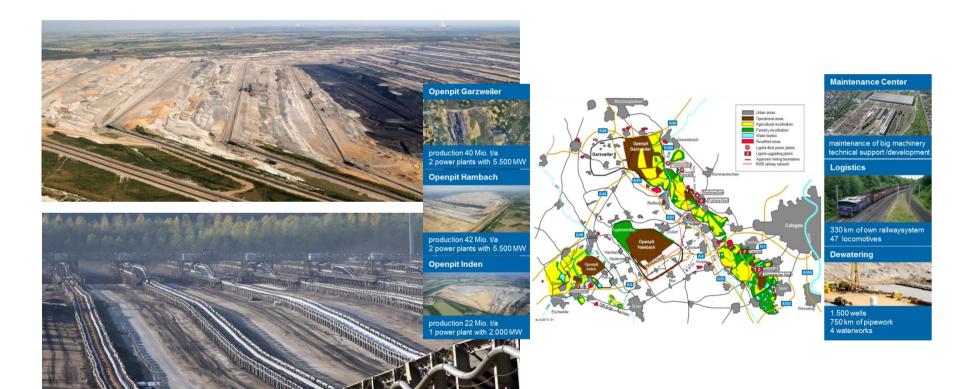
Strengthening and future proofing of the core operating business

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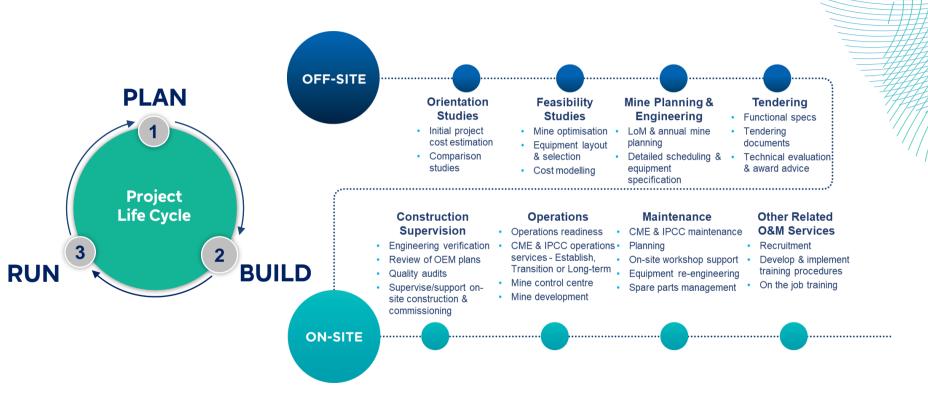
stable and attractive dividends

¹ Expected future share of adj. EBITDA.

RWE TI's proven operational experience in CME



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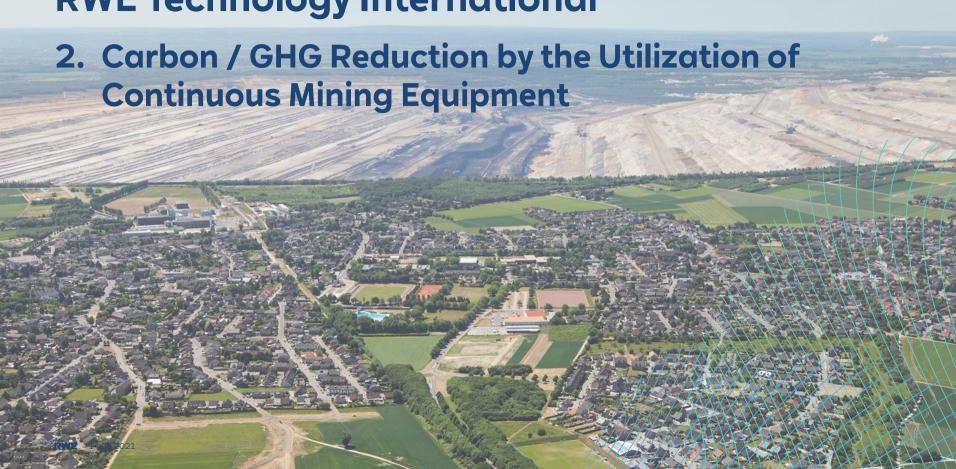


Typical Examples of our Work



Innovative Technologies (think out of the box)

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Is CME a sustainable GHG emission reducing substitution for conventional Truck/Excavator technology?

Key Findings

Electric power continuous mining equipment - incl. IPCC - can substantially and sustainably reduce the GHG emission footprint of an diesel based operation, provided that

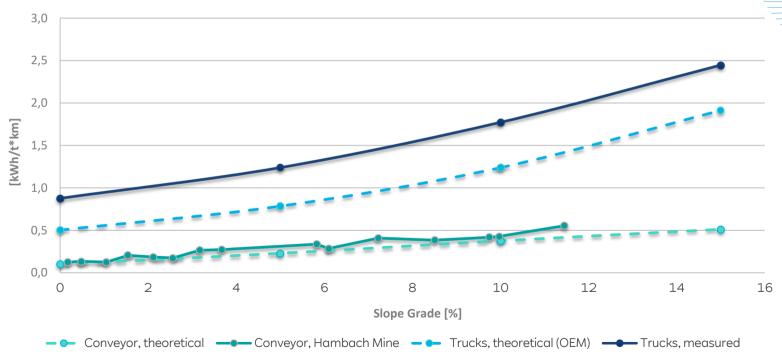
- High mass movement is required
- Vertical transport component (rise) is significant
- Lifetime of operation justifies the corresponding investment
- The source of electric power has a renewable component
 - Renewable Energy is the Key

The substitution of diesel powered fleet by electric powered equipment can have further positive side effects such as a

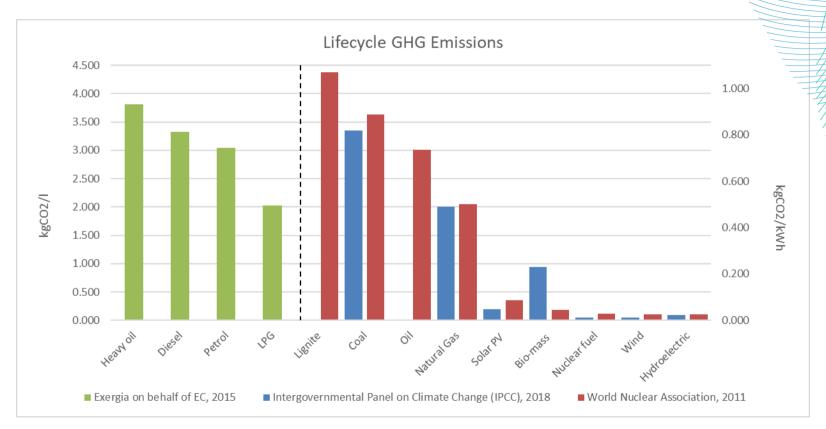
- High degree of automation
- Reduction of dust emissions and water consumption
- Significant reduction in operating costs
- Reduced exposure to (future) carbon taxes
 - > Balancing technological solutions LCA economics vs CO₂ footprint

Energy Consumption of Material Transport Modes



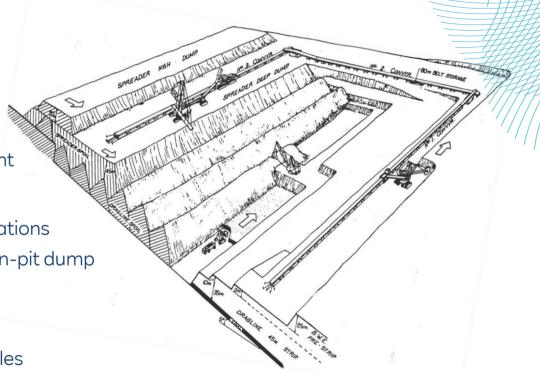


GHG Footprint Comparison of different Energy Sources



General Assumptions for GHG Emission Calculations

- Typical strip mine
- Base Case:
 - > 800 t hydraulic excavator
 - > 360 t ultra class truck
 - > corresponding ancillary equipment
- Base Case vs alternate Option:
 - > Bench wise comparison of applications
 - > Overburden: Face around pit in-pit dump
 - > Coal: Face out of pit ROM pad
- Energy Mix of Power Supply:
 - $\rightarrow \frac{1}{3} \cos 1 + \frac{1}{3} gas + \frac{1}{3} renewables$

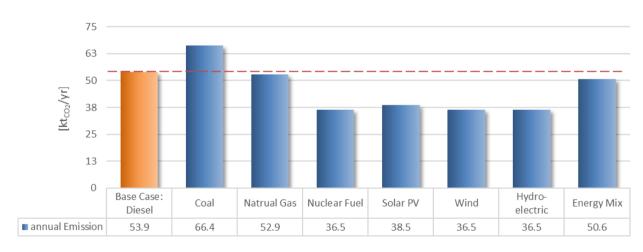


Waste Option B: TEx vs fully mobile Crushing Unit GHG CAPEX OPEX ■ TFx ■ FMC ■ TFx ■ FMC ■ TEX ■ EMC. 34 % 41 % 200 1.600 175 1.400 150 1,200 125 1.000 100 75 600 20.0 400 25 200 initial re-invest 20 yrs 20 yrs annual 30 m 2 x 15 m 2 x 15 m 30 m 20 m

Waste Option C: TEx vs semi-mobile Crushing Unit CAPEX OPEX GHG ■ TFx ■ SMC ■ TFx ■ SMC ■ TEx ■ SMC 200 1.600 175 1,400 150 1,200 125 1.000 100 600 400 25 200 re-invest 20 yrs 20 yrs annual 30 m 2 x 15 m 2 x 15 m 30 m 20 m

GHG Footprint Comparison of different Energy Sources for the semi-mobile IPCC option





Results and Limitations of GHG Emission Calculations

- Energy Mix used in model was mainly based on conventional energy sources.
 - contribution of renewables will increase, electric powered equipment will substitute diesel
- Calculations for Strip Mine Bench only
 - > Applications can be modelled for any type of open-pit mine
 - > The more rise is in the haulage profile, the greater is the potential for GHG emission reductions
 - > Steep angle conveying is an application for hard rock mines which is worthwhile to investigate
- Only direct job costs are shown, no indirect and/or ownership costs
- Carbon taxation costs are not considered!
- GHG emission reductions can be accompanied by savings in operating expenditures (on cost of initial capital expenditures, which will be more than offset eventually)

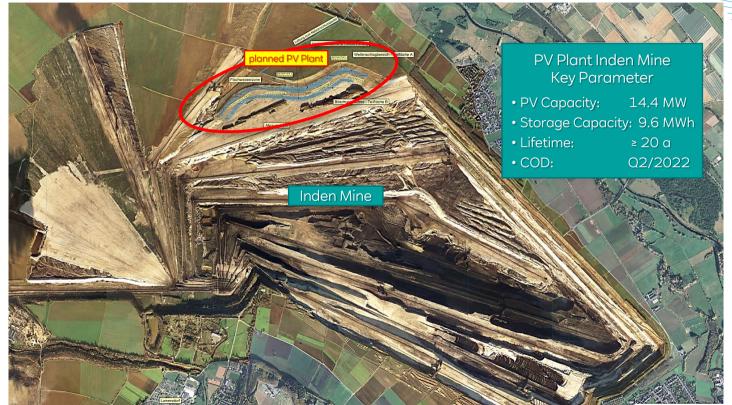
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Summary - Conclusion

- RWE TI is a highly specialized consulting and engineering firm for electric powered Continuous Mining Equipment (CME), including In-pit Crushing and Conveying (IPCC)
- RWE TI fully understands the key factors to reduce your carbon emission in your mine form generation to consumption
- A more sustainable operation through Carbon Footprint reductions can be achieved in any mine operation on any commodity
- RWE TI has innovative solutions to reduce your GHG emissions which can reduce your operational costs at the same time
- The substitution of diesel powered fleet by electric powered equipment can have further positive side effects such as a high degree of automation or reduction of dust emissions and water consumption
- RWE TI is ideally positioned to guide you to the new energy world of tomorrow

At RWE we realize the integration of renewable power generation at our own operation



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