



# **KBR Blue Hydrogen**

Single-Stream large-scale blue hydrogen plant

## SINGLE-STREAM BLUE HYDROGEN PLANT USING KBR'S WELL PROVEN SMR AND KRES™ BASED TECHNOLOGY

KBR offers its commercially well-proven and reliable Steam Methane Reforming (SMR) and KBR Reforming Exchanger System (KRES<sup>TM</sup>) based single-stream blue technology to leverage economy of scale and expand single-train production capacity beyond the classic threshold, using industry standard equipment sizes and catalysts.

Commercially proven technology-SMR, KRES and process Reduced CAPEX & CO2 capture units OPEX - Smaller sizeemployed in numerous count of equipment large-scale ammonia and syngas applications Large-scale, single-train units Proven safety and **KBR BLUE** - with proven reliability record vis-à-**HYDROGEN** and demonstrated vis O2-fired ATR/ASU HIGHLIGHTS expertise in designing based processes large SMR units

> Highest energy efficiency – Maximizing Hydrogen production potential

Lower environmental footprint – Reduced CO<sub>2</sub>

and NOX emissions

#### PROVEN DESIGN, LOW CAPEX AND OPEX

KBR's large-scale blue hydrogen process uses its proprietary KRES and well-proven SMR-based technology for expanding single-stream hydrogen capacity. Bulk of the CO<sub>2</sub> generated in the process is captured as pure CO<sub>2</sub>, readily available for CO<sub>2</sub> capture applications. KBR large-scale blue hydrogen process uses a single top-fired Primary Reformer that is not limited by size, unlike competing technologies that employ an Auto Thermal Reformer (ATR) to overcome this limitation. The design uses an optimized equipment/piping count and sizes, and the factors that make it low on capital and operating expenditures are:

No oxygen-fired ATR and Air Separation Unit (ASU)
Enhanced process safety, higher reliability, lower

operational complexity and lower OPEX & CAPEX

- All equipment except standby pumps in single unit i.e.:
  - One Steam Methane Reformer
  - One KRES
  - One Waste Heat Boiler
  - One vessel each for HT and LT Shift
  - One CO<sub>2</sub> Absorber, HP/LP Flash Column and Stripper for primary hydrogen purification
  - One small PSA unit for final hydrogen purification
  - All exchangers in single unit
  - Optimized Plot size

#### **BENEFITS**

- Single-train steam methane reformer proven demonstrated capability
- KBR Proprietary KRES for lowering steam export and stack flue gas emissions proven references
- KBR Proprietary Reformed Gas water tube thermosyphon boiler well proven for over four decades
- Flue gas generation is about 50% lower than conventional processes
- Steam export is about 60 -70% lower than conventional processes
- PSA unit is four times smaller than the conventional processes, reducing plant footprint and lowering SMR size
- KBR's two-stage Hydrogen purification is CAPEX-neutral as compared to conventional processes but results in lower energy consumption due to better heat integration
- About 72% of the total CO<sub>2</sub> generated is recovered directly as process CO<sub>2</sub> with purity >99% maintaining high energy efficiency of the process
- CO<sub>2</sub> recovery >95% of the total CO<sub>2</sub> generated as process CO<sub>2</sub> is feasible with minor energy penalty. This can eliminate requirement of post combustion CO<sub>2</sub> capture plant High CAPEX and OPEX savings
- Overall, low CAPEX/low OPEX SMR-based operator-friendly process with flexibility to capture process CO<sub>2</sub> in the range of 72% >95%



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