

FLASHCO₂

CO₂ Recovery from Hydrogen Manufacturing Units



Pentair FlashCO₂ is a patented CO₂ recovery technology designed for hydrogen plants and steam reformers. It uses PSA off-gas with up to 50 % CO₂ concentration, eliminating the need for steam.

By combining chilled methanol absorption with advanced CO₂ liquefaction, FlashCO₂ delivers high-purity, food-grade CO₂ at low cost – without the need for steam stripping. With a recovery rate of 92 %, FlashCO₂ outperforms conventional amine systems while offering unmatched installation flexibility and energy efficiency.

KEY BENEFITS

High Efficiency & Output

- ◆ Up to 92 % CO₂ recovery – exceeding industry minimums by 12 %
- ◆ Boosts hydrogen production by up to 115%

Low Operating Costs

- ◆ No steam consumption – eliminates need for LP steam
- ◆ Low energy use – typically 1 GJ/ton CO₂
- ◆ No chemical waste or effluent treatment required

Superior CO₂ Quality

- ◆ Produces high-purity, food-grade liquid CO₂
- ◆ Enables recovery of valuable fuel gas byproducts

Flexible & Scalable Installation

- ◆ Stand-alone units possible
- ◆ Can be installed outside hydrogen plant fence
- ◆ Minimal changes to existing infrastructure

Environmental Impact

- ◆ Reduces greenhouse gas emissions
- ◆ Supports long-term CO₂ reduction goals

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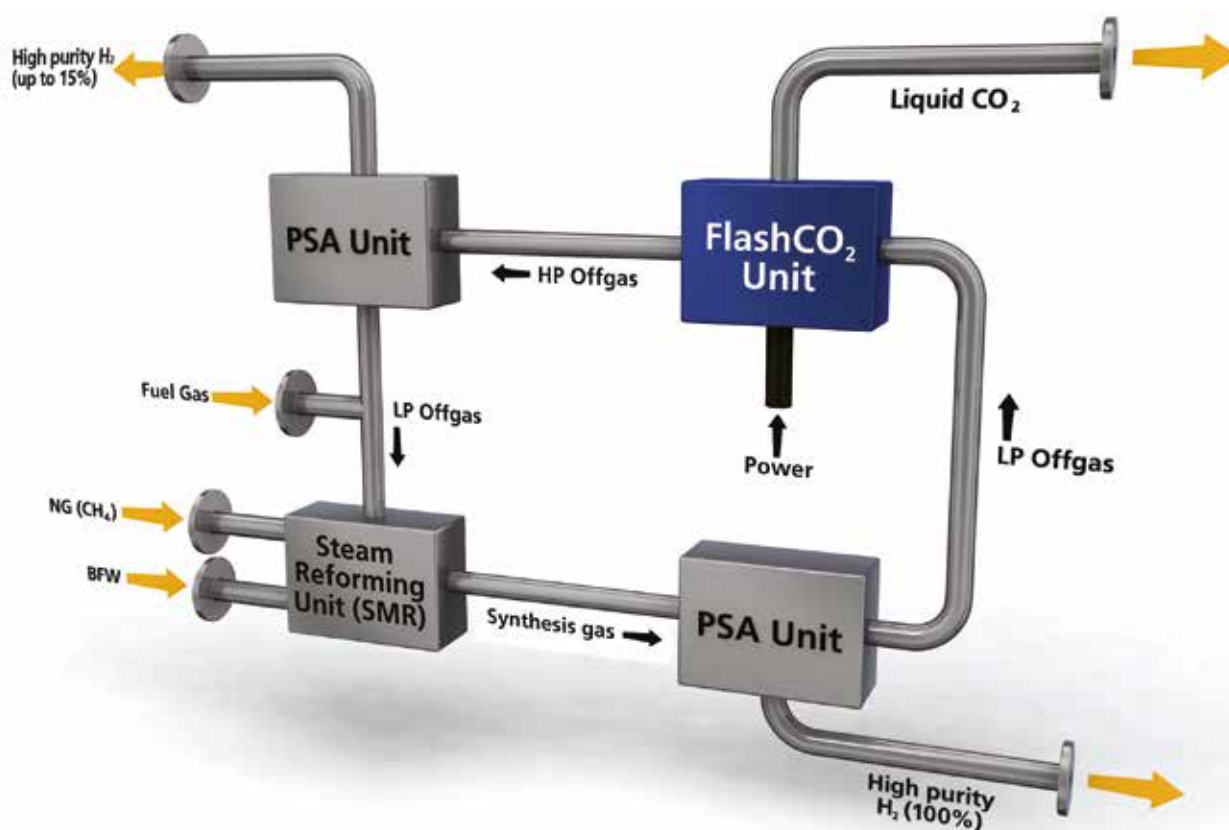
CHALLENGE

Access to low-pressure steam and high operating costs are major challenges for CO₂ recovery using MDEA, which typically consumes 1 ton of steam per ton of liquid CO₂. MDEA systems also require complex modifications to hydrogen plants and installation in ATEX zones, often facing licensing hurdles.

SOLUTION

FlashCO₂ was designed to overcome these issues with a simple, end-of-pipe solution that uses PSA off-gas and requires no steam. The unit can be installed outside the hydrogen plant fence, minimizing disruption. An optional PSA can recover up to 10 % additional high-purity hydrogen. Steam methane reforming remains the leading hydrogen production method, converting methane and steam into syngas, followed by shift conversion and PSA purification to separate hydrogen from CO, CO₂, and CH₄.

CO₂ RECOVERY FROM HYDROGEN PRODUCTION (AND ADDITIONAL H₂ PRODUCTION)



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