

An Industry-Government-Public-Academia Collaborative to Install and Operate a Demonstration Project in the GOM to Establish Feasibility of Repurposing for Clean Energy



ROICE Program Overview July 1, 2024

UH Energy ROICE Program



ROICE Objective: Develop a comprehensive framework for

successful clean energy repurposing projects in the Gulf of Mexico (GOM)

ROICE-TE	ROICE-PIF
Techno-Economic Analysis of ROICE Installations in the GOM	Project Implementation Framework
	for ROICE Installations
	in the GOM

- Funded by current and future research grants from state and federal agencies and support by industrial clients
- Advised by experts from industry, academic, research and community organizations who form the ROICE Project Collaborative (RPC)
- Phase Gate approach to implementing and operating a demonstration project

ROICE Vision

To implement a **ROICE H2 Pilot Project** by 2032 - a wind to H2 project on a repurposed oil & gas facility in the Gulf of Mexico



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ROICE Phases

- □ Phase 1 Screening Studies (complete)
 - ✓ Levelized Cost (LC) Model and LC Heat Maps developed for Wind and Hydrogen ROICE projects in the GOM
 - Chartered Regulatory and Technical workgroups to develop project implementation framework
- Phase 2 Feasibility Studies by 2Q24
 - ✓ Screen offshore GOM assets for ROICE implementation potential; refine ROICE designs
 - ✓ Understand path to profitability of ROICE projects capex reduction, incentives etc.
 - Develop ROICE Project Implementation Framework –for Regulatory and Technical aspects, for base scenarios



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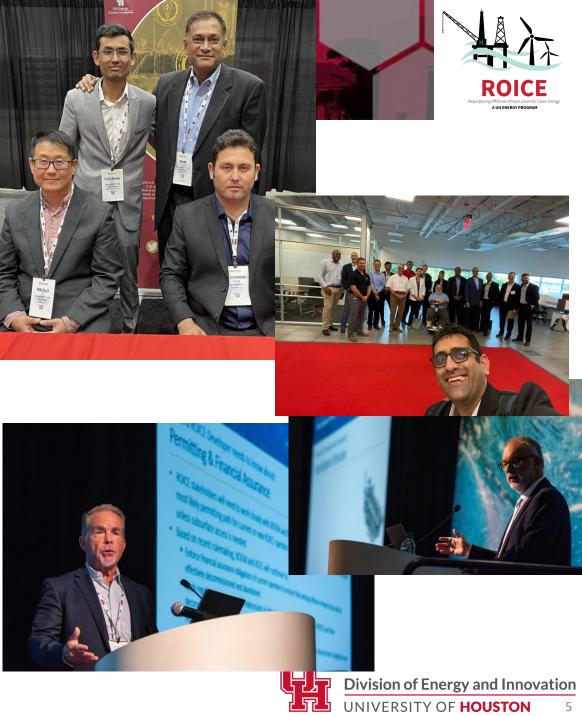


- □ Phase 3 Demonstration Project Design by YE25
 - □ Develop scope and refined design for short list of demo project locations
 - Expand ROICE Project Implementation Framework
 - Apply to shortlisted assets as case studies
 - □ Launch and complete commercial framework for all scenarios
 - Envision how it would work for 2 pilot locations as case studies
 - Solicit partners (asset owners, funding agencies, OEM and EPC companies) and develop scope and project execution plan for ROICE H2 Pilot
- Future Phases
 - □ '26 '29: Detailed design and execution
 - □ '30 '32: Start up Window



ROICE Program Admin Update

- Phase 2 work completed; documenting results in technical paper / final report
- □ Phase 3a kickoff meeting held on June 19th
 - DOE NETL Funded focus on comprehensive PIF, asset selection and optimal power systems design
- Funding being sought for Phase 3b
 - Demonstration project planning; economic modeling; stakeholder engagement and decommissioning incentivization
- □ Publications 7 papers
 - OTC: Published two papers on Phase 1 TE and PIF
 Overview
 - Two ROICE GOM Phase 1 papers submitted "Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews" -
 - □ One ROICE California paper to be submitted to journals
 - Phase 2 PIF: 2 Research Reports released through SSI



ROICE Program Collaborative (RPC)



- The ROICE Program is advised by experts from over 40 organizations – engineering and OEM companies, operators, national labs, associations
- Three categories of members with increasing influence on project direction
 - □ Informed invited to meetings
 - Active signed agreements to provide consultation; shape program scope
 - Sponsor joint ownership of program; outreach to stakeholders; greater influence on demonstration project
- No funding expectation currently; program funded through research grants

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ROICE Phase 3: RPC Membership



- ~20 Active RPC Members signed
 Association Agreement in 2022 will request confirmation of extension
- ~20+ others on RPC mailing list to be requested to sign AA and formalize RPC Membership
- Request company logo for display in ROICE publicity materials
- Expectations and benefits of "active" and "sponsor" RPC Members outlined
- Option to simply stay as "informed" on ROICE mailing list and receive invitations to monthly and annual meetings

ACTIVE AND SPONSOR MEMBERS EXPECTATIONS & BENEFITS

Provides expert consultation time and data; letters of support and cost share for funding proposals

Participates in Workgroups to develop white papers

Influences key segments of work through small group working meetings

Has early access to results

Has access to student and faculty time for companyfunded projects

Has First Right of Refusal to participate in ROICE Demo Project



ROICE Program Sponsorship



□ More formal partnership –

Sponsorship of the ROICE Program

- □ Sign MOU with UH or UH Energy
- Public and website announcements, shared media releases
- Greater influence on project direction and demonstration project scope
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- Participation in meetings with key stakeholders and influencers

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* Argonne National Lab has an overarching MOU with the University of Houston and is an RPC Member





ROICE-TE Phases 1 – 2 Overview

Funding

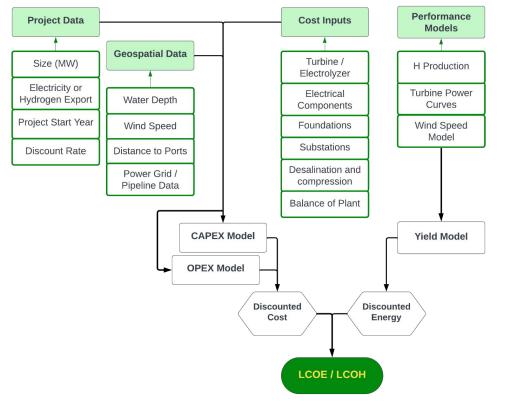
Phases 1 and 2 of the ROICE Program was paid for with federal funding from the Department of the Treasury through the State of Texas under the Resources and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities, and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast States Act of 2012 (RESTORE Act). The statements, findings, conclusions, and recommendations are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily reflect the views of the State of Texas or the Department of the Treasury.

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Phase 1 Refresher – Levelized Cost Model





Workflow of our Model

- ROICE projects (Repurposing Offshore Infrastructure for Clean Energy) have the potential to transition significant fraction of offshore infrastructure in the GOM and other areas into clean energy projects
- ROICE Levelized Cost (LC) model built for wind or wind to hydrogen projects; LC values estimated for all locations in the GOM
- Levelized costs for ROICE projects are a complex function of various variables – wind speed, water depth, distance to shore, project size, new build vs. repurposed

Phase 1 Refresher – Levelized Cost Model High-level Results



Shallow Water / Near shore locations appear to have the lowest LC for all cases

• New Build or Repurposed, Power or Hydrogen

Repurposing improves the LC by 1 to 10%

In deeper waters (Further away from shore), repurposing can reduce the LC by

- up to 15% for larger scale projects
- up to 40% for smaller scale projects.

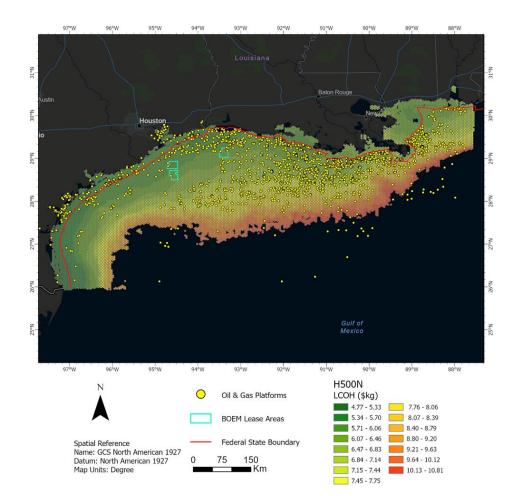
Incremental economics on additional CAPEX for hydrogen generation is likely to be promising, with healthier federal incentives for hydrogen production.*

Unlike power projects, hydrogen projects maintain their economic feasibility in deeper waters and over a range of project sizes.*

* Later proved to be challenging after more detailed work in Phase 2

Phase 1 Refresher – Levelized Cost Maps





Heat Map for 435 MW New Build Hydrogen Export Project

Ratios of Repurposed CAPEX to New Build CAPEX

Power	Shallow	Deep
435 MW	99%	93%
105 MW	98%	81%
Hydrogen	Shallow	Deep
Hydrogen 435 MW	Shallow 97%	Deep 85%
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Capex Reduction from repurposing existing structures

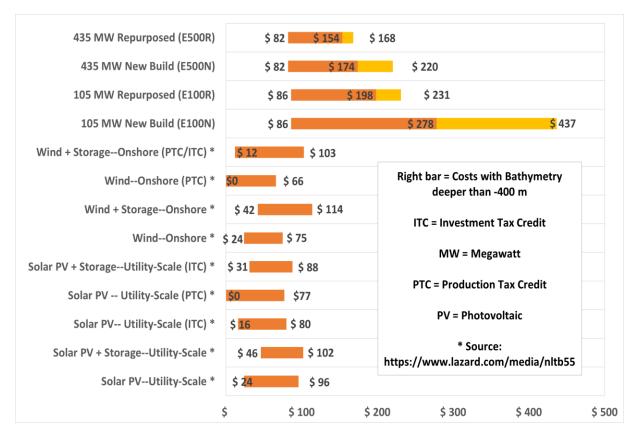
- 1 to 12% for shallow water locations
- 7 to 39% for deeper water locations

Phase 1 Refresher – Economic Challenges



NOTE:

- LC's based on 2023 CAPEX no cost reduction trends assumed
- No incentive credits applied





LC Comparison for Power Projects

LC Comparison for Hydrogen Projects

Phase 1 Refresher – Economic Challenges



Challenges remain:



Levelized Costs (LC) range is higher than equivalent lowcarbon renewables-based onshore projects, and even more challenged versus high-carbon alternatives.



Even where the impact of repurposing is high, The overall cost remains a challenge

However:



Stronger government incentives and major cost reductions will be needed to make these competitive.



Federal and state incentives (up to \$3 / kg of hydrogen) could make projects at the lower end of LC range competitive

LC Ranges:



Repurposed wind projects in the GOM: \$82 to \$231 per MWh. Equivalent new build projects: \$82 to \$437.

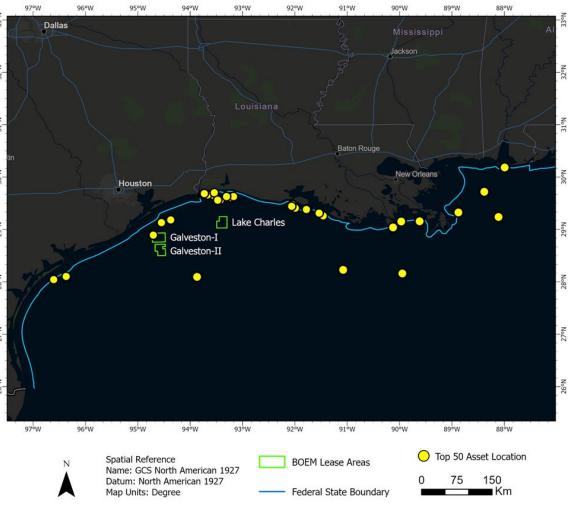


Repurposed hydrogen projects in the GOM: \$4.76 to \$8.44 per kg of hydrogen. Equivalent new build projects: \$4.77 to \$19.64.

Phase 1 Refresher – Asset Selection



- LC's estimated for all ~1500 assets in the federal waters of the GOM
- 40 assets selected with favorable LC's (mostly near shore assets); 10 other assets added based on other criteria
- Optimized ROICE designs for these 50 locations were to be developed in Phase 2; however, access to asset information proved difficult
- Switched to design work on typical platforms based on data received from RPC members on recently decommissioned assets
- Can revisit asset list in Phase 3



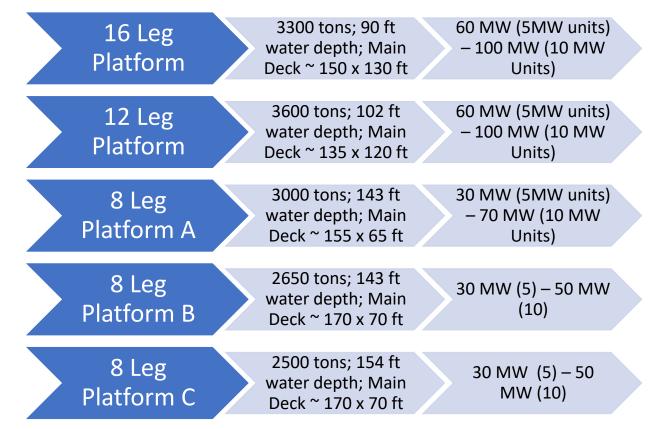
Spatial Locations of Top 40 Assets

ROICE Phase 2 – Project Sizing Wind Power to Hydrogen Projects



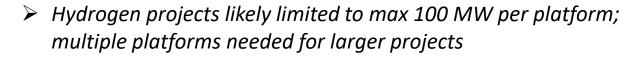
Project Sizes for Typical Structures from a West Delta Complex

> 5MW IMI Design and 10 MW NEL Design used to estimate footprint



Pathways to larger H2 Projects

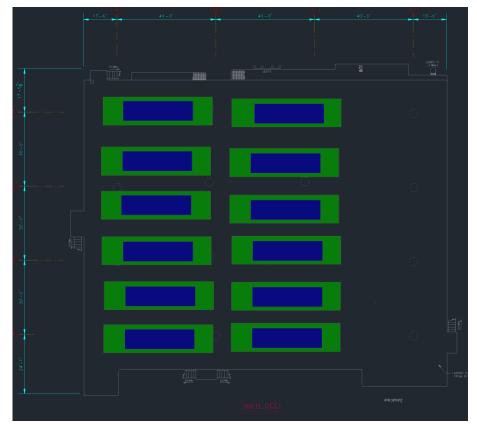
- Subsea hydrogen gen
- Onshore hydrogen gen
- Efficient footprint designs
- Stick build design



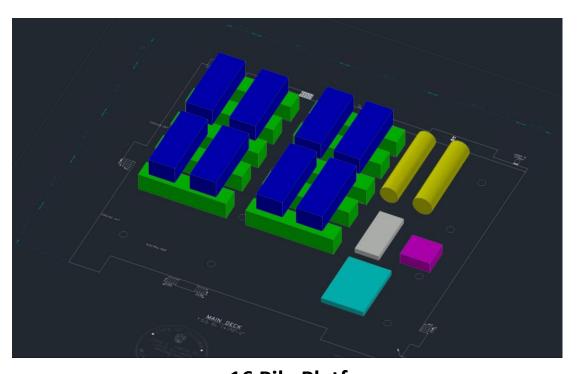


ROICE Phase 2 – Project Sizing Wind Power to Hydrogen Projects





16 Pile Platform 5 MW Electrolyzer Units from IMI on Main Deck



16 Pile Platform 10 MW Electrolyzer Units from NEL

on Main Deck

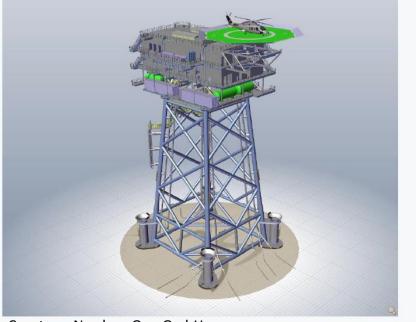


ROICE Phase 2 – Project Sizing Wind Power Projects

- Power Export projects will require significantly lower footprint than equivalent MW hydrogen export projects
- Repurposed decks can house larger power projects than hydrogen projects
- Offshore Power Export Project examples from literature:
 332 MW uses three decks 32 x 16 m (~15 K Sq Ft)*
 400 MW uses three decks 20 x 20 m (~13 K Sq Ft)**
- Based on size of current power export projects, a 500MW power export project could potentially fit on a West Delta 16 Leg Platform
- Caveat: Offshore support components may need to be divided into smaller modules for placement on ROICE repurposed platforms

Dimensions

Topside (L x W x H):	32 x 16 x 18 Meter
Jacket (H):	51 Meter
Water Depths:	28 Meter
Topside Weight:	2,293 tons full operational
Jacket Weight:	1,683 tons excl. piles
Topside Decks:	4 incl. Roof Deck with helicopter landing deck



Courtesy: Nordsee One GmbH



*https://www.nordseeone.com/engineering-construction/offshore-substation.html

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ROICE Phase 2 – CAPEX Refinement ROICE Cost Estimator



- CAPEX estimates refinements built into ROICE Cost Estimator; also models power and hydrogen generation
- Major CAPEX components for key project cases shown below
- Existing pipelines assumed to be repurposed for low pressure (<30 bar) hydrogen transport to shore; onshore compression costs included
- Pre-ROICE Decommissioning costs ~10% of ROICE project
 capex for small projects and 1
 to 3% for larger projects

CAPEX PARAMETERS \$K	1	0 MW H	60	MW H	10	MW E	60) MW E	50	0 MW E
Fixed Project Development Cost	\$	8,640	\$	51,840	\$	8,640	\$	51,840	\$	432,000
WTG Costs	\$	31,401	\$	160,624	\$	31,401	\$	160,624	\$	1,125,900
Foundations & Installation	\$	9,146	\$	15,097	\$	10,721	\$	15,860	\$	67,457
Cable Cost	\$	220	\$	786	\$	28,670	\$	29,243	\$	35,382
Onshore Substation	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,430	\$	6,073	\$	46,929
Offshore Substation Topside	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,861	\$	12,146	\$	93,857
Hydrogen Production	\$	16,079	\$	80,872	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Repousrposing Pipelines for H2	\$	26,194	\$	26,194	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Pre-ROICE Decommissioning	\$	7,625	\$	11,150	\$	7,625	\$	11,150	\$	11,150
Total	\$	99,306	\$	346,563	\$	91,349	\$	286,937	\$	1,812,676
OPEX PARAMETERS										
Power OPEX (\$/year)	\$	1,164	\$	6,981	\$	1,164	\$	6,981	\$	58,175
H2 OPEX (\$/year)	\$	1,152	\$	6,864	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-

Nomenclature: [Project Capacity] MW [Primary Export] *Only array cable cost included for Hydrogen projects



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ROICE Phase 2 – Project Economics ROICE Economic Model Cases



Project economics estimated for five projects (3 Power, 2 Hydrogen); limited by topsides footprint

- Demonstration Size Project: 10 MW Wind Power Export; Wind Power to Hydrogen; on a single deck of 8-pile platform
- Commercial Size Hydrogen Project: 60 MW Wind Power Export; Wind Power to Hydrogen; on a 16-pile platform
- Commercial Size Power Project: 500 MW Wind Power on a 16pile platform

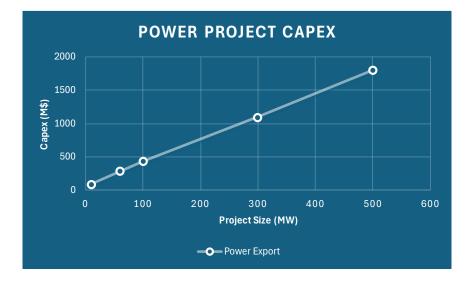
Favorable conditions for profitability applied to all cases

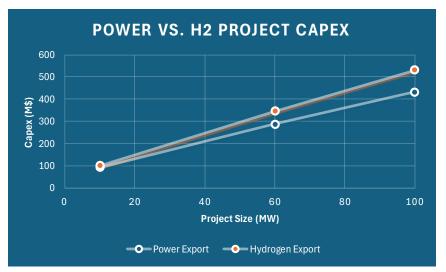
- Most favorable wind conditions
- Shallow water projects (<150 ft water depth)



ROICE Phase 2 – Project Economics ROICE Economic Model Cases







Hydrogen projects only require 10 to 20% additional CAPEX over equivalent power export projects

• Projects further from shore may even see capex reductions

AVP from ROICE projects more than sufficient to cover pre- and post-ROICE decommissioning

• Example: For a 60 MW Project with Incentive Offtake Pricing, AVP is 2 to 30 times decommissioning costs





	10 MW Power Project				
	Offtake	CpxRed	CAPEX		
(cents/kwh)	(M\$)		
	8	0%	91		
	8	30%	66		
	8	50%	50		
	10	0%			
	10	30%			
	10	50%			
	15	0%			
	15	30%			
	15	50%			

0% Borrowing Costs		5% Borrow	ving Costs
AVP	IRR	AVP	IRR
(M\$)	(%)	(M\$)	(%)
3	1.9%		
5	1.6%		
22	4.7%		
27	2.9%		
52	6.3%		
69	10.0%	6	1.5%

10 MW H2 Project

Offtake	CpxRed	CAPEX
(\$/kg)		(M\$)
2	0%	101
2	30%	85
2	50%	67
5	0%	
5	30%	
5	50%	
10	0%	
10	30%	
10	50%	

0% Borrowing Costs		5% Borrowing Costs
AVP	IRR	AVP IRR
(M\$)	(%)	(M\$) (%)
-7	0.1%	
45	3.9%	
60	<mark>5.6%</mark>	
79	8.5%	-6 0.1%

Borrowing costs have a major impact on profitability – low- cost loans critical

10 MW Demonstration size project unlikely to generate a return on investment

Path to Profitability – defined as minimum required to achieve a 5% return:

• Zero Cost Loans

- 50% Capex Reduction + 10 c/kwh for a power project
- 30% Capex Reduction + 10\$/kg for a hydrogen project



ROICE Phase 2 – Project Economics Results Summary – 60 MW Cases



Path to Profitability – defined as minimum required to achieve a 5% return:

- Assuming 5% borrowing rate
- 30% Capex Reduction + 15 c/kwh for a power project
- 30% Capex Reduction + 10 \$/kg for a hydrogen project

60 MW	Power Pr	0% Borrow	ving Costs	
Offtake	CpxRed	CAPEX	AVP	IRR
(cents/kwh)	(M\$)	(M\$)	(%)
8	0%	287	27	1.1%
8	30%	204	110	4.2%
8	5 0 %	149	165	7.6%
10	0%		140	3.8%
10	30%		223	7.3%
10	50%		278	11.1%
15	0%		424	8.9%
15	<mark>30</mark> %		506	13.2%
15	50%		561	17.9%

	5% Borrowing Costs		
	AVP	IRR	
_	(M\$)	(%)	
	88	3.3%	
	58	1.2%	
	246	<mark>5.9%</mark>	
	371	10.9%	

60	MW	H2	Proj	ject
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Offtake	CpxRed	CAPEX
(\$/kg)		(M\$)
2	0%	345
2	30%	276
2	50%	210
5	0%	
5	30%	
5	50%	
10	0%	
10	30%	
10	50%	

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95 162

540

609

676

AVP

(M\$)

IRR

(%)

0.9% 2.9%

5.6%

9.3%

12.0%

15.8%

5% Borrowing Costs

IRR
(%)
1.7%
4.6%
8.7%





Path to Profitability (min req for 5% return): 50% Capex Reduction + 10 c/kwh

> **500 MW Power Project** Offtake CpxRed CAPEX (cents/kwh) (M\$) 0% 1806 8 30% 1268 8 8 50% 909 0% 10 10 30% 10 50% 15 0% 15 30% 50% 15

0% Borrowing Costs			5% Borrowing Costs		
AVP	IRR		AVP	IRR	
(M\$)	(%)	_	(M\$)	(%)	
1347	6.6%				
1706	10.3%		547	3.0%	
1753	6.2%				
2292	10.0%		675	2.6%	
2651	14.2%		1492	7.2%	
4114	11.8%		1811	4.7%	
4653	16.6%		3037	9.9%	
5012	21.8%		3853	15.6%	

0% Capex

Reduction +

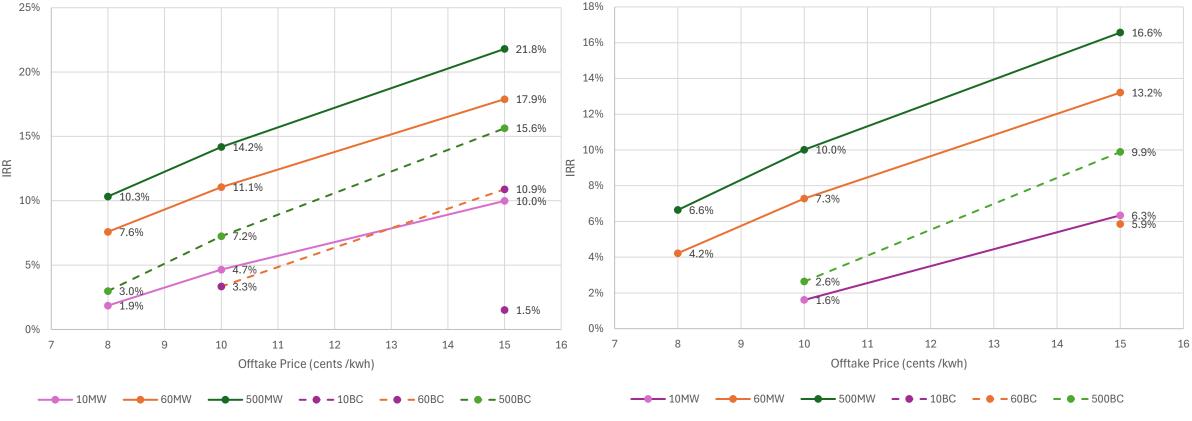
15 c/kwh



ROICE Phase 2 – Project Economics Economic Model Results: Wind Power Projects



ROICE Power Projects Capex Reduced to 50% of 2023 Estimate Solid Lines - Without Borrowing Costs Dashed Lines - 5% Borrowing Cost ROICE Power Projects Capex Reduced to 30% of 2023 Estimate Solid Lines - Without Borrowing Costs Dashed Lines - 5% Borrowing Cost

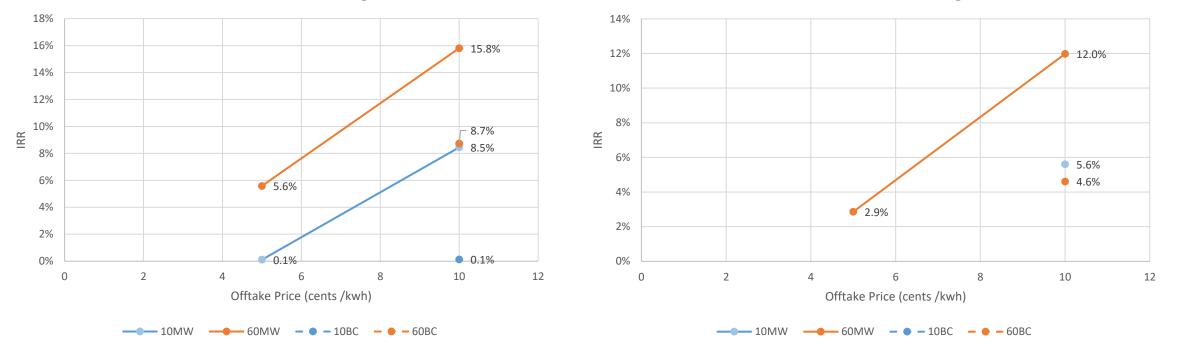




ROICE Phase 2 – Project Economics Economic Model Results: Hydrogen Projects



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ROICE Phase 2



- □ ROICE Cost Estimator model refined; ROICE Economic Model built
- □ Hydrogen and power module placement exercise carried out for several typical offshore deck layouts
- □ Project economics estimated for a range of project sizes, offtake prices, capex reduction, loan rates
- □ ROICE projects can cover the cost of decommissioning
 - □ Pre-ROICE Decommissioning costs ~10% of ROICE project capex for small projects and 1 to 3% for larger projects
 - □ AVP from ROICE projects more than sufficient to cover pre- and post-ROICE decommissioning
- □ Challenge is in generating an acceptable rate of return on ROICE capex
- □ All projects power, H2, varying sizes challenged at today's capex
- □ Borrowing costs have a major impact on project profitability low-cost loans needed



Conclusions and Next Steps



- ❑ Keys to profitability of ROICE projects
 - Scale: hydrogen topsides footprint limits max project size to ~ 100 MW; power projects less limited can be as large as 500 MW
 - Green Premiums / Offtake Incentives: 2 to 5 cents of additional PTC incentives needed for power; 2 to 5 \$/kg additional 45V incentives needed for hydrogen
 - Capex Reductions / Additional Investment Incentives: 50% reduction needed from 2023 capex; through design and technology improvements, supply chain resolution, tax incentives etc.
 - □ Low-Cost Loans
- Hydrogen projects more challenged than power export project
 - □ Incremental CAPEX minimal, but high offtake prices / green premiums needed to generate sufficient IRR
- Demonstration size project (10 MW) not likely to generate an acceptable return can break even with enhanced incentives
- Next Steps
 - Document Phase 2 results in report and technical paper
 - Plan and carry out Phase 3 work scope





ROICE-PIF Phases 1 – 2 Overview



ROICE-PIF Overview



Phase 1: 6 ROICE-PIF Workgroups Formed

Regulatory Considerations (RC) Workgroups

- RC-1: Regulatory Requirements & Pathways
- RC-2: Financial Assurance & Decommissioning

Commercial Considerations (CC) Workgroups

• CC-1: Project Business Models, Financing & Uncertainties

Technical Considerations (TC) Workgroups

- TC-1: Decommissioning & Reuse
- TC-2: Re-certification
- TC-3: Transportation & Storage

Phase 2:

- RC-1, RC-2, TC-1 and TC-2 convened and began to address Phase 2 scope
- Two research reports issued

ROICE-PIF Phase 2 Scope - Develop research reports that:

- Answer the question: "What do ROICE Project Stakeholders need to know about ______ for a ROICE project and energy transition – repurposing fixed offshore structures for wind power generation, hydrogen generation and CO₂ sequestration?"
- □ For the following areas
 - □ RC-1: Regulatory Oversight
 - RC-2: Financial Assurance
 - □ TC-1: Decommissioning
 - □ TC-2: Recertifying & Reuse of Assets
- □ For the following scenarios:
 - a. Current owner ceasing O&G operations and switching to a ROICE project
 - b. Current owner leasing assets to a ROICE developer
 - c. Current owner selling assets to a ROICE developer
 - d. NOTE: Case studies, bankrupt asset scenarios, hybrid scenarios* and floating assets to be handled in Phase 3
- Assume that ROICE project will only re-use the jacket, topsides structures and potentially some pipelines. All the rest of the O&G infrastructure will need to be decommissioned as per normal process.



ROICE-PIF Phase 2 Paper – Regulatory Considerations





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Repurposing Offshore Infrastructure for Clean Energy – Regulatory Considerations

Authored by ROICE-PIF Workgroups:

- RC-1 Regulatory Requirements and Pathways
- RC-2 Financial Assurance and Decommissioning



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ROICE-PIF Phase 2 Paper – Regulatory Considerations





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ROICE-PIF develops detailed guidance for all stakeholders of such projects:

- Regulatory compliance requirements
- Liability transfer pathways
- Financial assurance mechanisms
- Commercial and operational frameworks
- Technical certification of structures
- Pre- and post-ROICE decommissioning requirements

The most likely regulatory pathway for a ROICE project:

1. The existing oil and gas operator or owner to submit an alternate use permit application under Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 30 Part 285 and assign it to the new ROICE operator, of which the current operator or owner will be a stakeholder.

2. The ROICE operator could also apply directly for an alternate use permit after demonstrating its legal, financial, and technical qualifications to do so.



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ROICE operators will likely use commercial agreements to address the respective rights and obligations of stakeholders:

- division and distribution of green energy profits and tax credits
- the allocation of costs for modifying the existing infrastructure for use as a ROICE project and for post-ROICE decommissioning.

The RPC recommends that stakeholders in a ROICE project focus on the following pillars of success:

- **1. Communication:** Being transparent and holding proactive discussions with all regulators, agencies, communities and investors
- **2. Regulatory Compliance:** Consider using 30 CFR Part 285 to obtain permits; stay up to date with regulatory changes from BOEM and BSEE

3. Financial Assurance: Straightforward and comprehensive transition of decommissioning and regulatory liability and responsibilities from current oil and gas operator to ROICE operator







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Repurposing Offshore Infrastructure for Clean Energy – Technical Considerations

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- TC-1 Decommissioning and Reuse
- TC-2 Recertification



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- TC-2 Recertification



ROICE-TE is building detailed design and economic models for clean energy repurposing projects and charting a path to their profitability.

 Technical aspects that would need to be addressed when an existing oil and gas platform in the US GoM is being considered as a candidate for repurposing for a ROICE project.

This paper demonstrates that it is technically feasible to decommission, reuse, and recertify existing and ageing oil and gas platforms for clean energy uses. This paper is organized in steps:

1. Introduction

Goes over what a ROICE operator needs to know and the scope of the project

2. Selecting the Right Platform

There are guidelines for deck space, structure and height. Platforms must be larger, with 4 or more leg platforms and have an airgap



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3. Risk Assessments

Assessments should be performed to help determine an existing asset's suitability. Consequence scenarios(life safety, environment, business disruption) are identified

4. Decommissioning Challenges for US GoM Operators

Required decommissioning must be completed; existing wells must be plugged and abandoned; oil and gas processing equipment and risers and conductors removed prior to commencing a ROICE project

5. Platform Recertification Challenges

Structural inspections, a life extension study, and a structural integrity management plan to validate the existing condition

6. Conclusions

Develop a roadmap for reusing, recertifying, and finally decommissioning a ROICE project while addressing BOEM and BSEE mandates

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Key Conclusions and Recommendations:

- Develop case studies to quantify feasibility, extent, and options for repurposing offshore installations. This includes asset, risk, and cost assessments.
- Ensure BOEM and BSEE mandates are addressed, including a thorough structural reassessment and recertification process.
- Determine the need for, or otherwise of having to engage a CVA. If a CVA is needed, they should be engaged as early as possible in the ROICE project.
- A ROICE platform must meet certain requirements, including meeting the airgap as defined in API-RP-2A-WSD and API-RP-2MET.
- Develop a structural integrity management(SIM) plan that considers structural changes and life extension of a platform and perform risk analysis vision of Energy and Innovation





ROICE Phase 3 Plans



ROICE Phase 3



- Objective: Develop a comprehensive roadmap for ROICE (Repurposing Offshore Infrastructure for Clean Energy) Projects in the Gulf of Mexico
- Timeline: Kickoff 3Q 2024; Target Completion Date 4Q 2025
- Deliverables:
 - Project Implementation Framework for ROICE projects
 - Asset Selection Criteria for ROICE projects
 - Asset Selection (2) and Pre-FEED level design for a ROICE demonstration project
 - ROICE-based decommissioning incentivization program
- Scope:
 - Phase 3a: Expand Project Implementation Framework
 - Phase 3b: Expand Techno-Economic Toolkit
 - Phase 3c: Design Demonstration Project & Incentivization Program

ROICE Phase 3 Scope Details



- Phase 3a: Expand Project Implementation Framework
 - Develop a flow chart to cover ROICE project scenarios asset type, ownership, installation, clean energy options, asset condition etc.
 - Develop asset selection criteria & available ROICE options
 - Charter workgroups and deliver white papers on Commercial Considerations & Community Impact Considerations
 - Expand on Phase 2 papers regulations and technical re-certification
- Phase 3b: Expand Techno-Economic Toolkit Design Refinements and Economic Models for
 - Power equipment design optimization for ROICE projects
 - Energy storage and additional clean energy options
 - CO2 sequestration
- Phase 3c: Design Demonstration Project & Incentivization Program
 - Project Planning: Site selection (2), process design, execution planning
 - Stakeholder Engagement: operators, investors, funding agencies, EPC, OEM
 - Incentivization: framework for incentivizing decommissioning via ROICE projects

Funding obtained via DOE/NETL grant

Funding likely from existing sources

Proposal written and seeking funding

ROICE Phase 3a – DOE Funded Scope

- In January 2024, DOE announced selection of our proposal "A Comprehensive Roadmap for ROICE (Repurposing Offshore Infrastructure for Clean Energy) Projects in the Gulf of Mexico" for funding (\$750K, 24 months); Funding approved May 29, 2024
- The ROICE PIF will be a set of white papers providing transparent and comprehensive information to stakeholders to collaborate and advance ROICE projects.
- These papers will provide asset selection criteria, feasible repurposing options, project cost estimates, available state and federal incentives, details of relevant regulations and requirements, potential pitfalls and mitigations, equipment and design resources, workforce initiatives, community resources, community benefit assessments, and more.



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SUBJECT: Selection of Application for Negotiation Under Funding Opportunity Announcement Number DE-FOA-0003002, University Training and Research for Fossil Energy and Carbon Management



ROICE Phase 3a – DOE Project Deliverables



Task / Subtask Number	Task Title	Key Participants	Task / Subtask Number	Deliverable Title (Reports)	Due Date
1.0	Project Management and Planning	Lead: Harish Krishnamoorthy and Ram Seetharam Supported by: All Team Members Lead: Ram Seetharam Supported by: Brian Gibbs,	1.0	Project Management Plan	Update due 30 days after award. Revisions to the PMP shall be submitted as requested by the NETL Project
2.0	Asset Selection		2.0	Asset List	Initial Asset List in Month 3 after award. Quarterly revisits. Final Asset List submitted in month 21
3.0	Roadmap Preparation	Elena Keen, Gail Buttorff Lead: Brian Gibbs	3.0	Individual Roadmaps	Final version in month 21; draft versions issues periodically in months 9 and 15.
		Supported by: Ram Seetharam, Elena Keen, Gail Buttorff	4.0	Interactive GIS Tool	Final version in month 24 interim version in month 18
4.0	Resource Mapping	Lead: Gail Buttorff Supported by: Ram Seetharam		White paper detailing community resources and	
5.0	Community Resource & Needs	Lead: Gail Buttorff Supported by: Harish Krishnamoorthy and	5.0	needs; white paper on survey results; data integrated with interactive GIS tool	End of year one; end of year two; 90 days before end of project
6.1	Technical Pathways to Repurposing	Lead: Harish Krishnamoorthy Supported by Kaushik Rajasekara, Ram Seetharam	6.1	Recommendations on technical pathways to profitability	Month 18 (18 days before end of the project)
6.2	Community Capability	Lead: Gail Buttorff Supported by: Elena Keen	6.2	White paper detailing results of social impact analysis	f Month 18 (18 days before end of the project)
7.0	Transition Proposal	Lead: Ram Seetharam Supported by: All Team Members	7.0	ROICE PIF	At the end of the project (Month 24)

ROICE Phase 3 – 3Q24 Work Scope

- Deep Dive: Map out Scenario Space for PIF
- Charter Commercial, Community Workgroups
- Deep Dive: Asset Selection
- Expand Toolkit / Analysis Battery, large H2 Project, subsea H2; offtake pricing analysis
- Deep Dive: Vision for demonstration project
- Deep Dive: Incentivization Program

