



## **Heating Up: Options for Decarbonizing Industrial Process Heat**

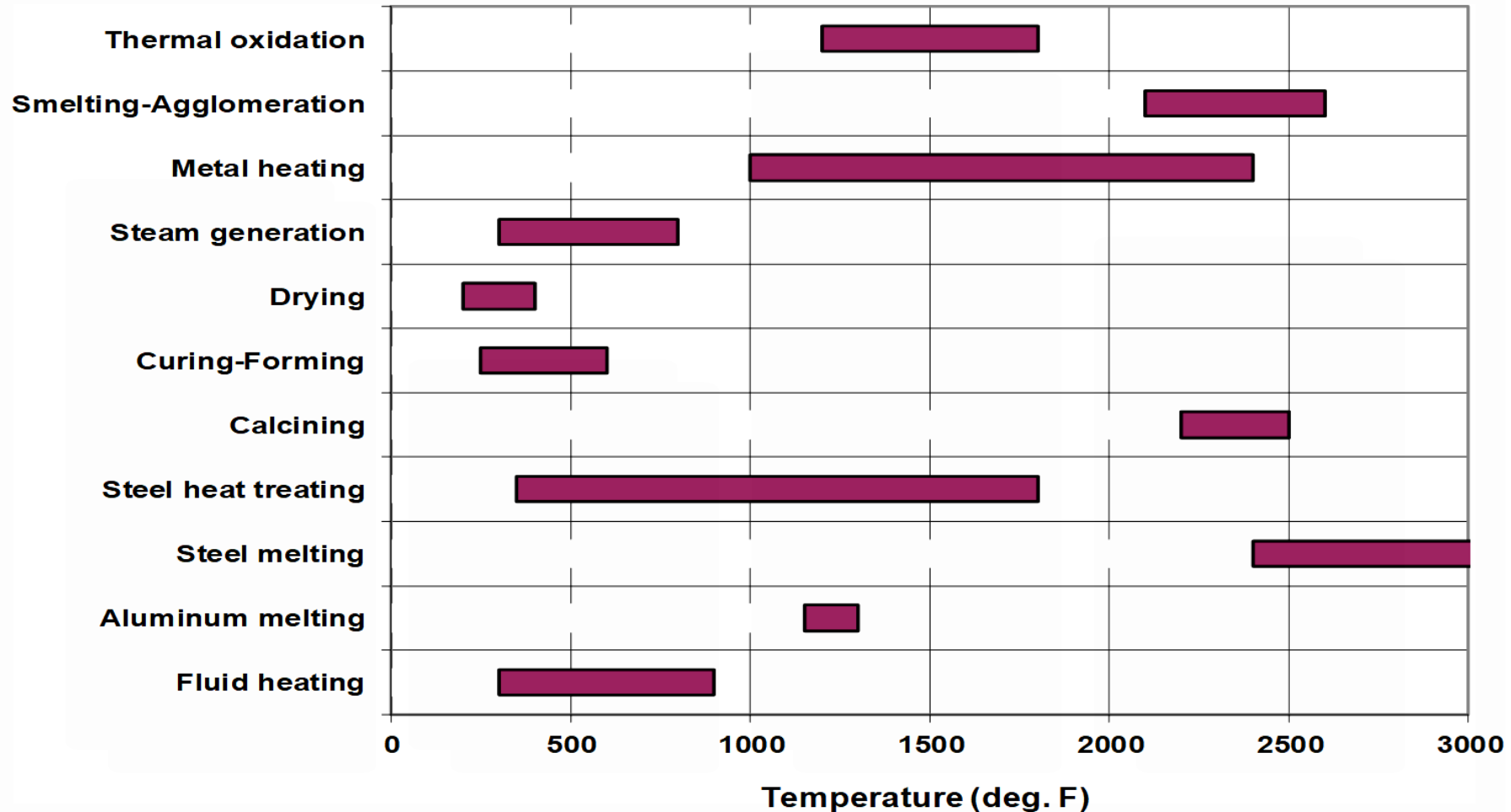
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# Introduction to Industrial Thermal Loads and Decarbonization Technologies

# What is Process Heat?

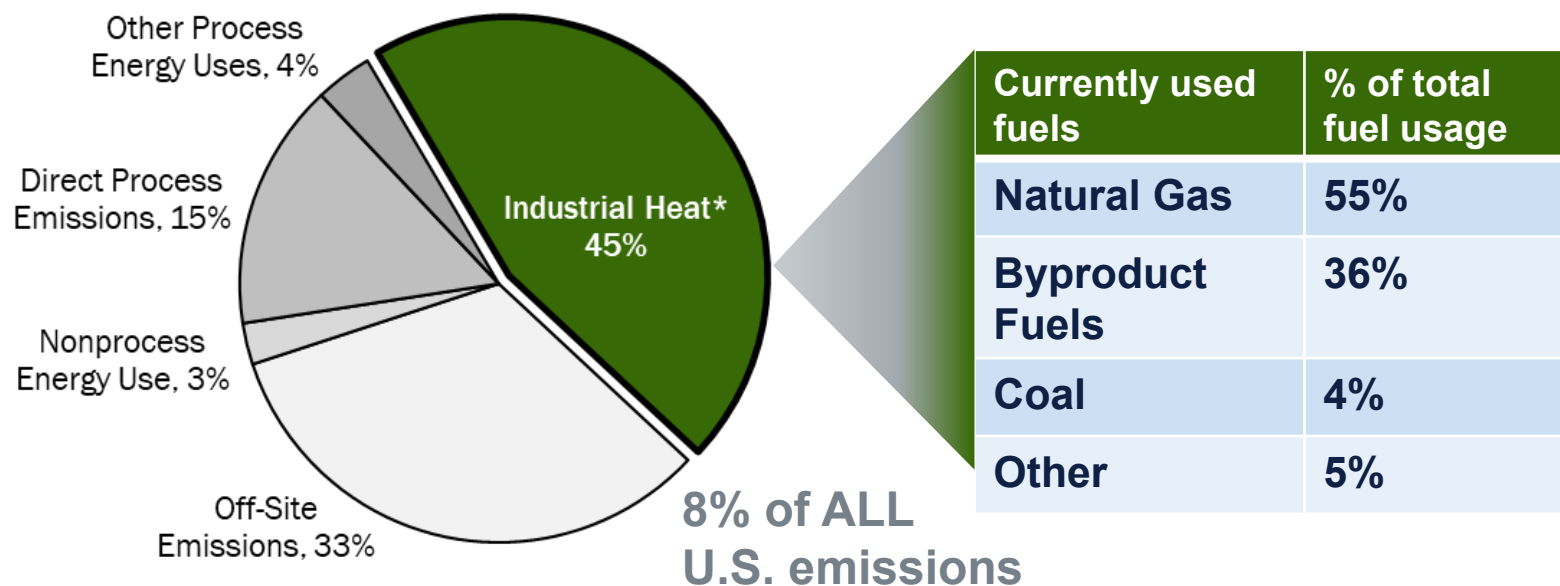
Process heat is the application of heat in industry to manufacture materials, goods, and products.



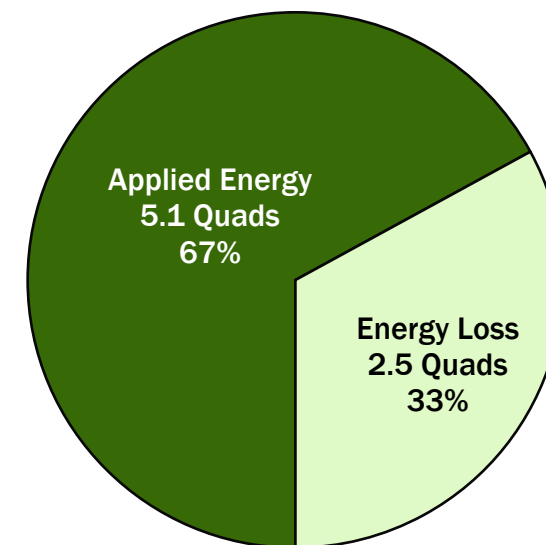
# To Reach Net-Zero, We Must Decarbonize Industrial Process Heat

**90%** of process heat is generated from the unabated burning of fossil fuels

## GHG emissions from U.S. manufacturing



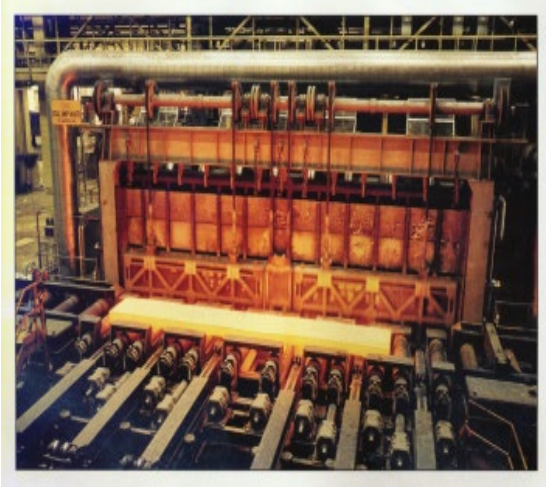
**One-third** of energy consumed for process heating is ultimately lost as waste heat



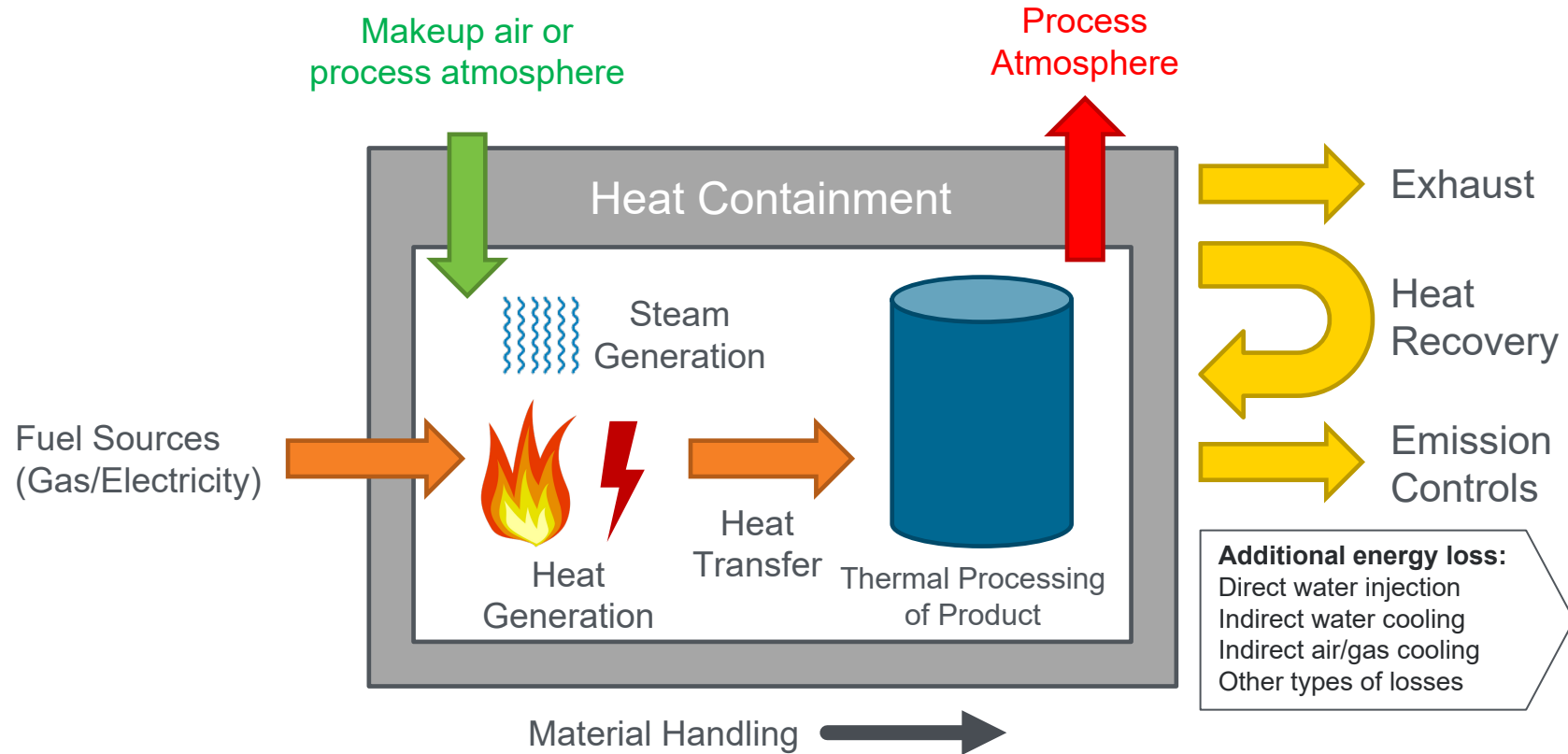
*Industrial Heat includes process heating, conventional boilers, and CHP/cogeneration. Manufacturing sector excludes agriculture, construction, or mining.*

DOE AMO. 2021. Manufacturing Energy and Carbon Footprints. <https://www.energy.gov/eere/amo/manufacturing-energy-and-carbon-footprints-2018-mecs>

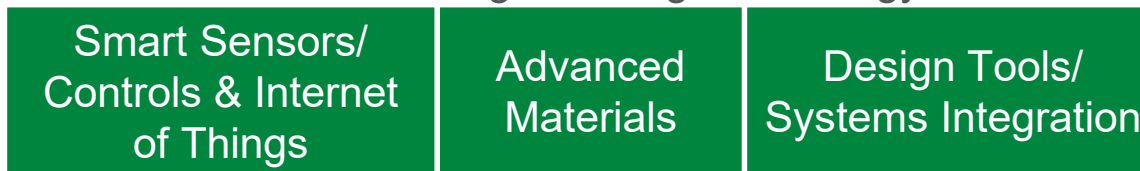
# Process Heating Systems are Exceptionally Heterogeneous



# Process Heating System Components



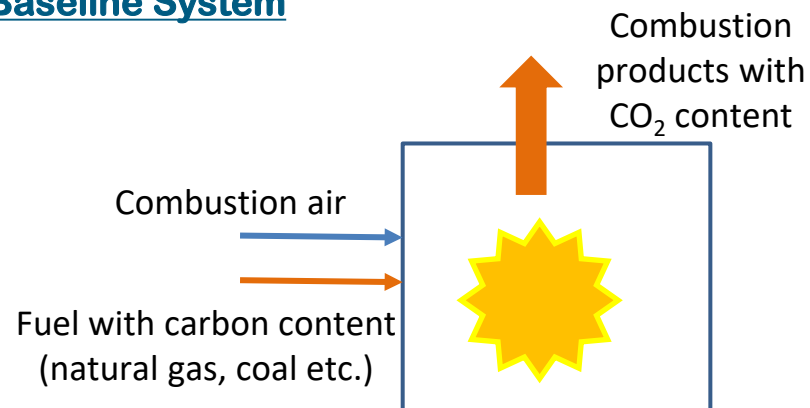
## Crosscutting Enabling Technology



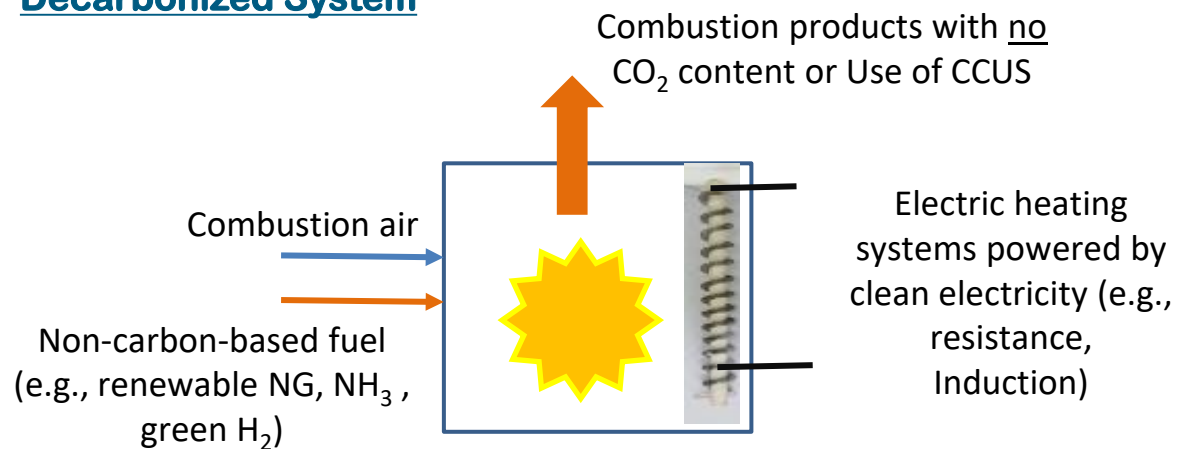
# Different Categories of GHG Emissions from Industrial Thermal Processes

## Category 1 – Heating system with combustion generated GHG emissions

### Baseline System



### Decarbonized System

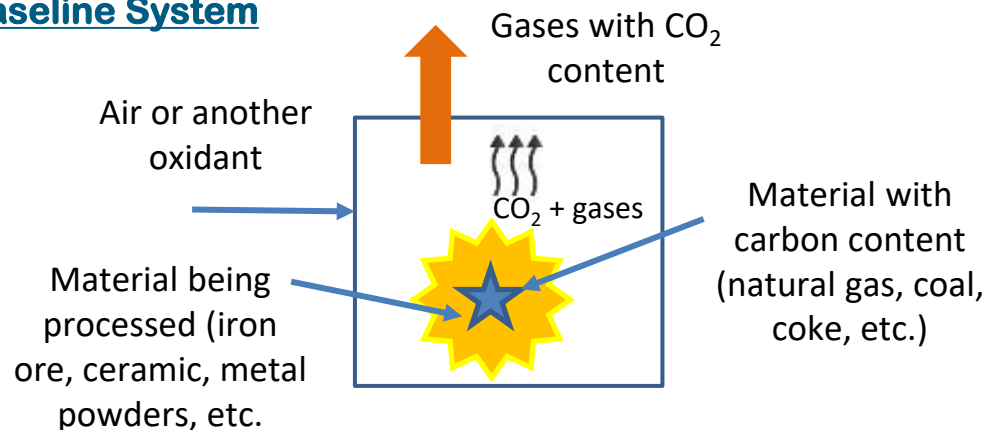


**Examples:** Fuel fired furnaces for metal/non-metal heating, metal melting, boilers, process heaters, etc.

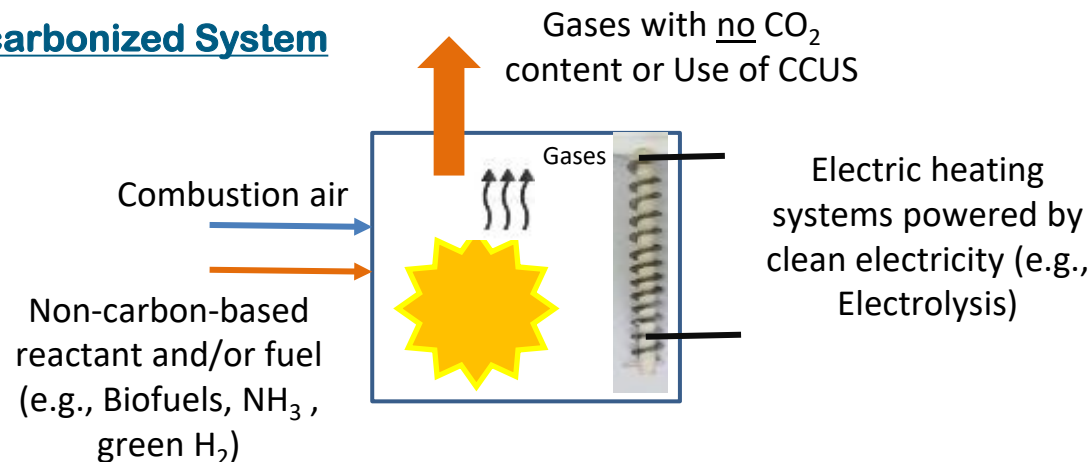
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## Category 2 – Reactive heating system using carbonaceous material for heat and reactions

### Baseline System



### Decarbonized System



**Decarbonization Strategies:** Reactive heating system (e.g., reduction, oxidation) using alternative reactive material or reaction paths (i.e., electrolysis) that do not produce GHGs. Energy efficiency can help decarbonize by reducing the effective thermal load. Carbon capture is an alternative pathway to decarbonizing these systems

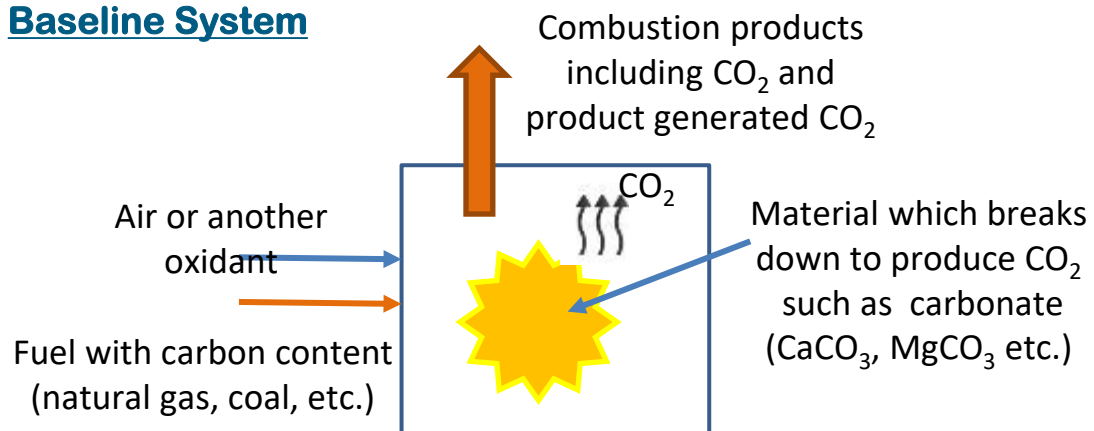
**Examples: Blast furnace, cupola furnace, sintering furnace, etc. using mixed carbon for reaction and heat generation.**



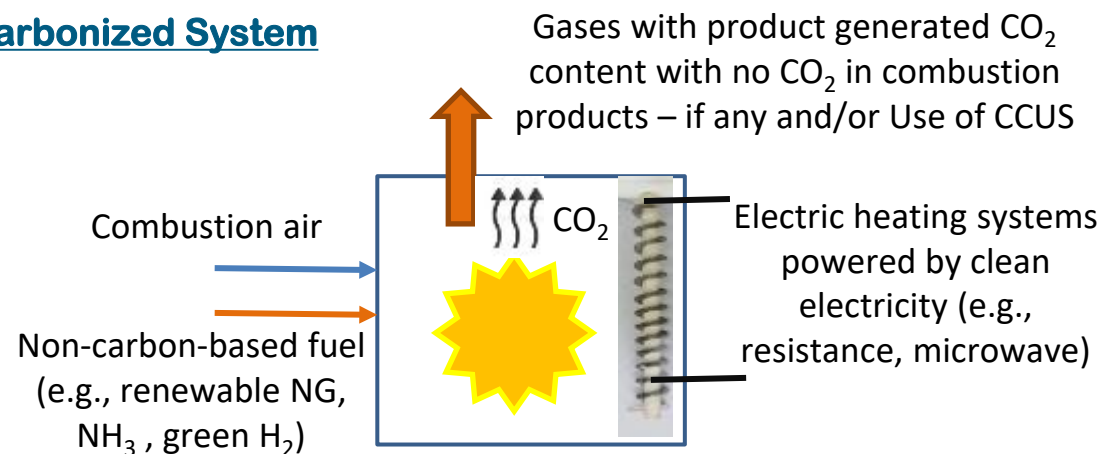
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## Category 3 – Heating system with product/process generated GHG emissions

### Baseline System



### Decarbonized System

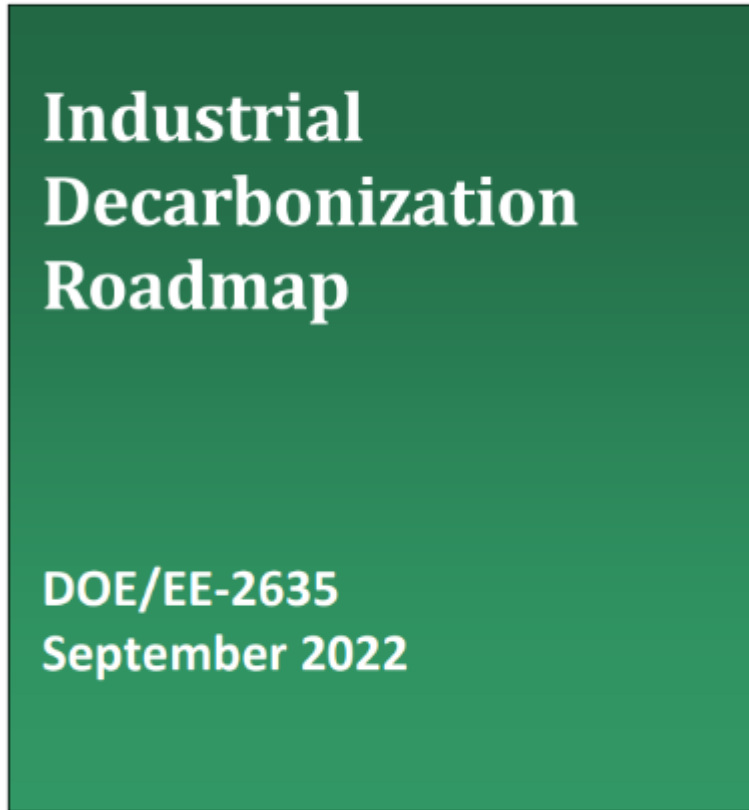


**Decarbonization Strategies:** Heating system using low carbon fuels and/or electric heating powered by clean electricity can reduce combustion related GHGs. However, the product/process generated GHGs cannot be eliminated by this and will need a suitable carbon capture technology.

**Examples: Clinker making kilns in cement industry, Lime kilns, reaction vessels, certain reformers, etc.)**

# Industrial Decarbonization Pillars

(Source: DOE's Decarbonization Roadmap)



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Washington, DC 20585

Energy Efficiency	Industrial Electrification	Low-Carbon Fuels, Feedstocks, and Energy Sources (LCFFES)	Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Storage (CCUS)
<p>Energy efficiency advancements minimize industrial energy demand, directly reducing the GHG emissions associated with fossil fuel combustion.</p>	<p>Industrial process technologies that utilize electricity for energy, rather than combusting fossil fuels directly, enable the sector to leverage advancements in low-carbon electricity from both grid and onsite generation sources.</p>	<p>Substitution of low- and no-carbon fuels and feedstocks for fossil fuels can further reduce combustion-associated emissions for industrial processes.</p>	<p>This multi-component strategy for mitigating difficult-to-abate emissions involves capturing generated CO<sub>2</sub> before it can enter the atmosphere; utilizing captured CO<sub>2</sub> whenever possible; and storing captured CO<sub>2</sub> long-term to avoid atmospheric release.</p>
<p><u>Energy efficiency technology examples:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Energy management approaches</li> <li>• Thermal integration of process heat</li> <li>• Smart manufacturing</li> <li>• Improved technologies and processes; system integration</li> </ul>	<p><u>Industrial electrification technology examples:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Electrification of process heat (e.g., heat pumps)</li> <li>• Electrification of hydrogen production for industrial process use</li> </ul>	<p><u>LCFFES technology examples:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fuel-flexible processes</li> <li>• Clean hydrogen fuels and feedstocks</li> <li>• Biofuels and biofeedstocks</li> <li>• Concentrating solar power</li> <li>• Nuclear</li> <li>• Geothermal</li> </ul>	<p><u>CCUS technology examples:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Post-combustion chemical absorption of CO<sub>2</sub></li> <li>• CO<sub>2</sub> pipelines and other CCUS-supportive infrastructure</li> </ul>

# Lessons Learned from our Low-Emission Alternatives to Industrial Thermal Loads Working Group

Energy Efficiency	Electrification	Low Carbon Fuel, Feedstocks, and Energy Source (LCFFES)	Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Storage (CCUS)
<p>Discussed <b>EE technologies to decarbonize</b> industrial thermal loads.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EE improvement of process heating systems by implementing:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operations-related opportunities</li> <li>• Routine maintenance activities</li> <li>• Retrofits (e.g., WHR)</li> <li>• Use of new technologies (e.g., SM/IoT)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Discussed <b>steps to improve thermal efficiency</b> and major areas for energy-saving potential</li> </ul>	<p>Reviewed <b>common and advanced electrification strategies</b> in industry (i.e., infrared curing, electric boilers, electric steam generators, etc.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussed Electrification Assessment Framework               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establish inventory and energy use</li> <li>• Assessing a facility's electrification readiness</li> <li>• Identifying strategies for electrification</li> <li>• Evaluating and implementing projects</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Discussed Available Tools: MEASUR, Thermal Processing Cost Comparison, Electrification Impact Calculator</li> </ul>	<p>LCFFES: Includes hydrogen, bioenergy, biofuels, bio-feedstocks, and renewable/clean sources of heat (solar, geothermal, and nuclear)</p> <p>Considerations by Energy Source:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>Hydrogen</b> - Pure H<sub>2</sub> combustion is not deployed commercially beyond pilot and demonstration projects;</li> <li>➤ <b>Biomass and Biofuel</b> - Transport costs, process generation, cost competitiveness</li> <li>➤ <b>Renewable Heat</b> - Spatial and temporal availability; Transport and infrastructure; temperature limitations with integration into large scale plants</li> </ul>	<p>The industrial sector is <b>difficult to attain “Net-Zero” CO<sub>2</sub> emissions</b> due to hard-to-abate subsectors without the adoption of CCUS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Point Source CCUS Technologies:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pre/Post Combustion (Uses Liquid Solvent)</li> <li>• Oxyfuel Combustion Capture (Solvent-free)</li> <li>• Calcium or Chemical Looping (Solid Adsorbent)</li> <li>• Pre-Combustion Membrane</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Technology is <u>not</u> the primary challenge for CCUS deployment, rather <b>current cost implications impede CCUS adoption</b> of which government policy &amp; regulation are needed.</li> </ul>

# INDUSTRIAL HEAT & THE INDUSTRIAL HEAT SHOT



Better Plants Summit

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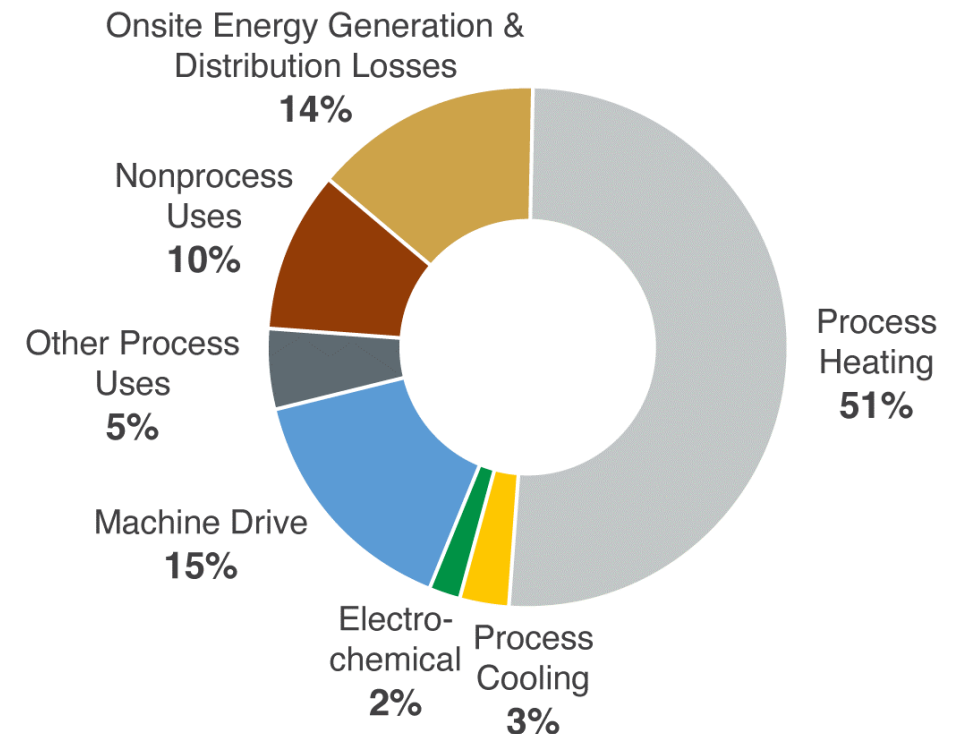
Joe Cresko, Chief Engineer  
Industrial Efficiency and  
Decarbonization Office (IEDO)

# KEY OPPORTUNITY FOR CROSS-SECTOR DECARBONIZATION

## Process Heating

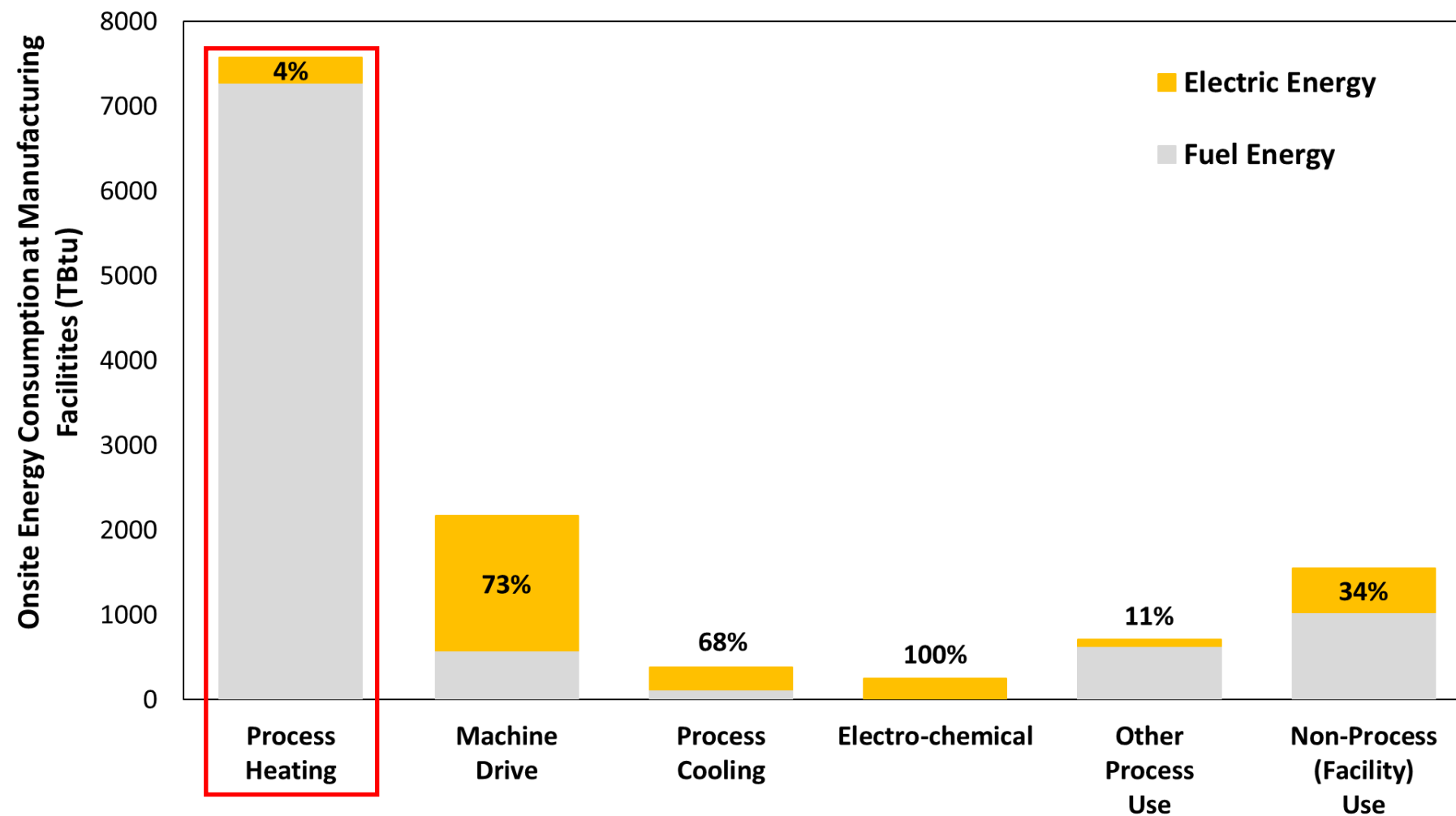
- Largest opportunity for cross-sector impact
- Accounts for **>50% of manufacturing energy use, >90% of this energy is from fossil-fuels**<sup>1</sup>
- Technologies that reduce heating requirements and/or convert to clean heat are critical to decarbonization

Breakdown of Energy Use Onsite at Manufacturing Facilities, 2018<sup>1</sup>



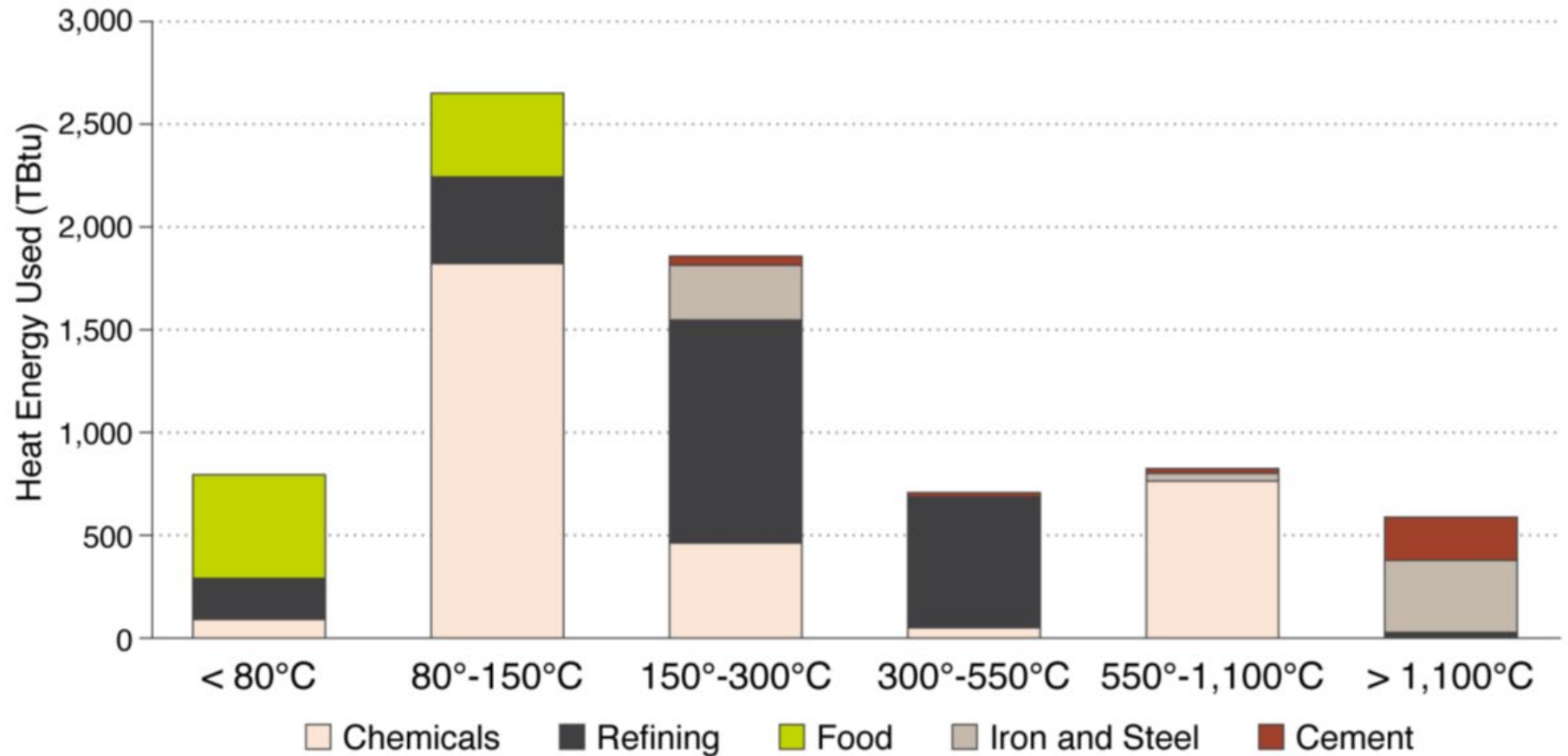
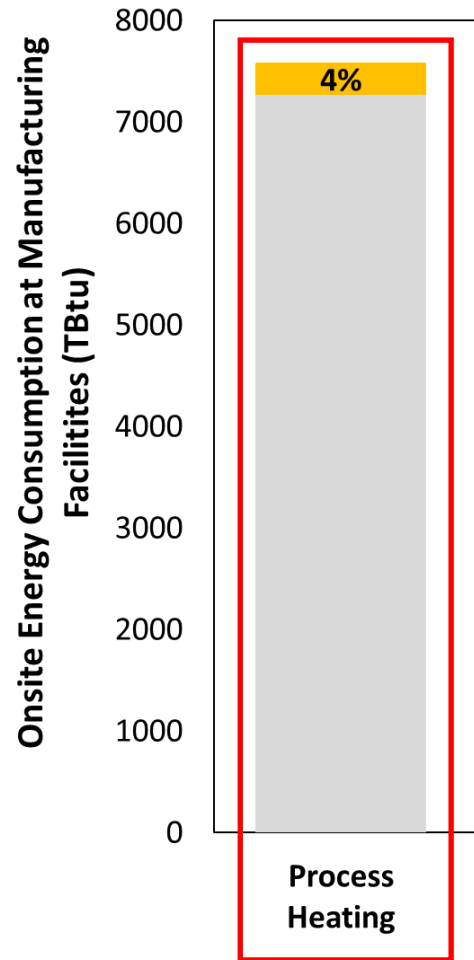
<sup>1</sup>DOE [Industrial Decarbonization Roadmap](#)

# INDUSTRIAL HEAT DEMAND BY OPERATION



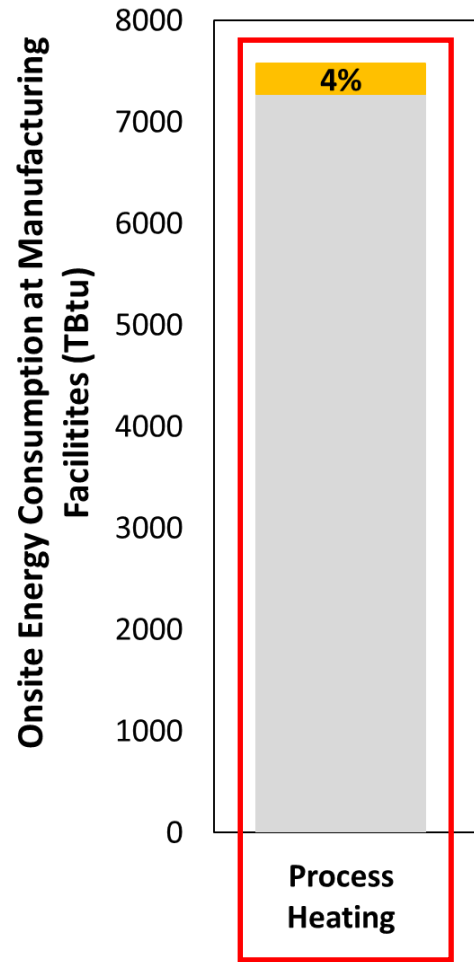
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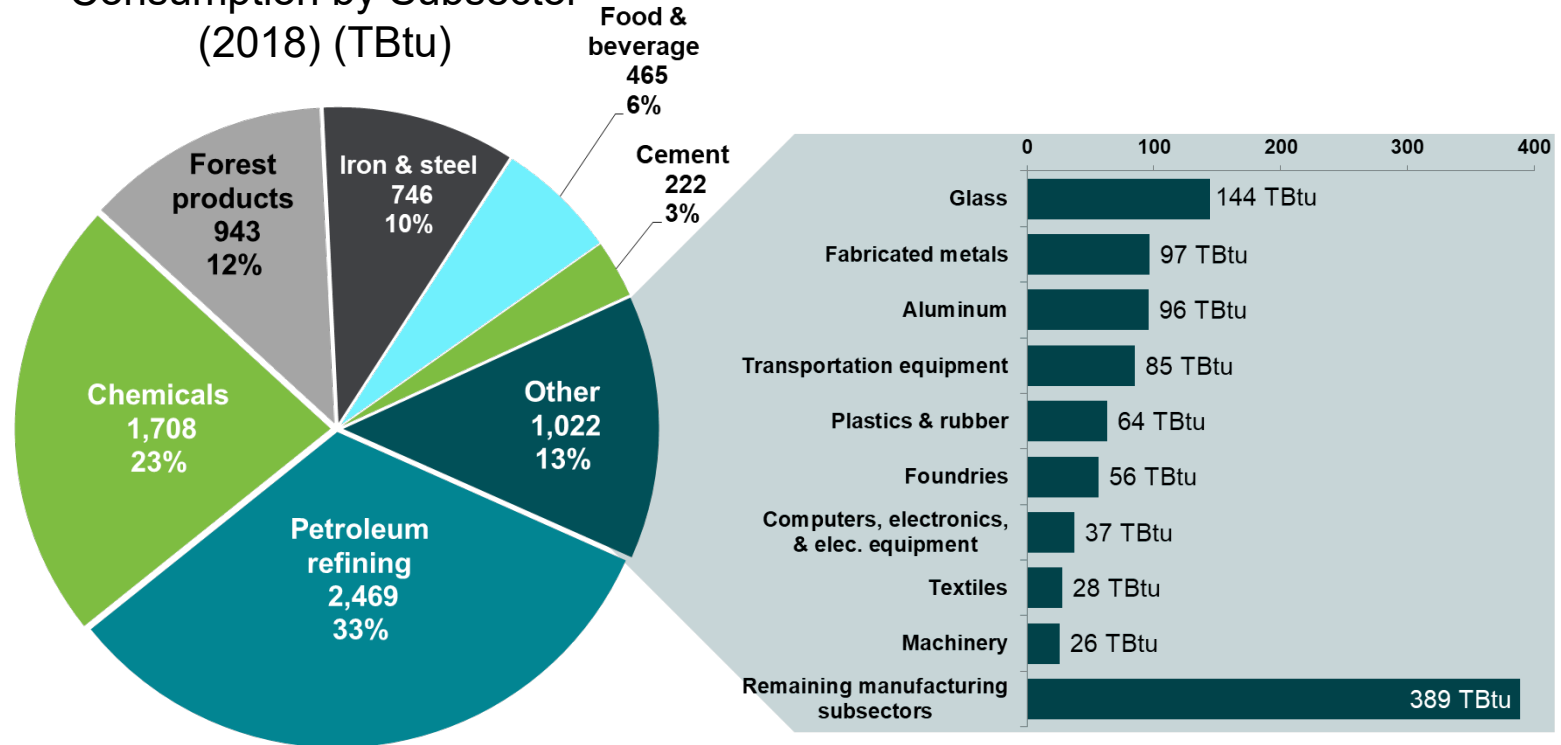


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# INDUSTRIAL HEAT DEMAND BY "OTHER" INDUSTRY

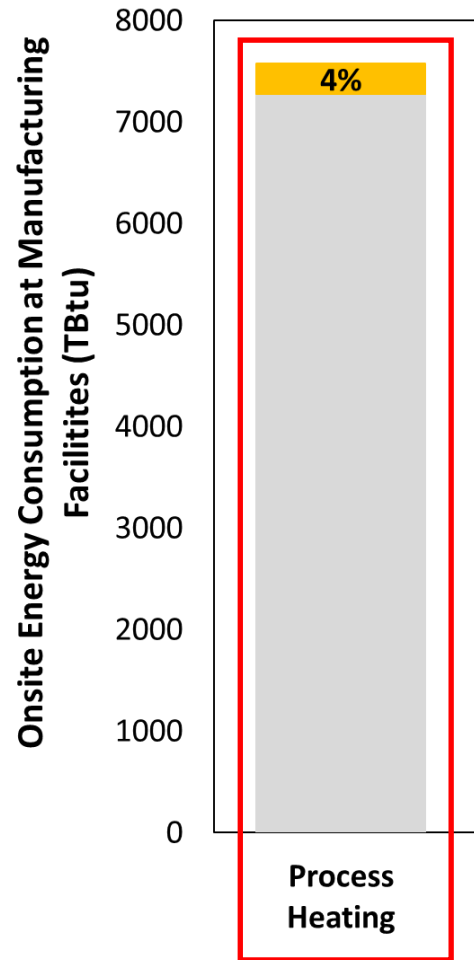


Process Heating Fuel Consumption by Subsector (2018) (TBtu)





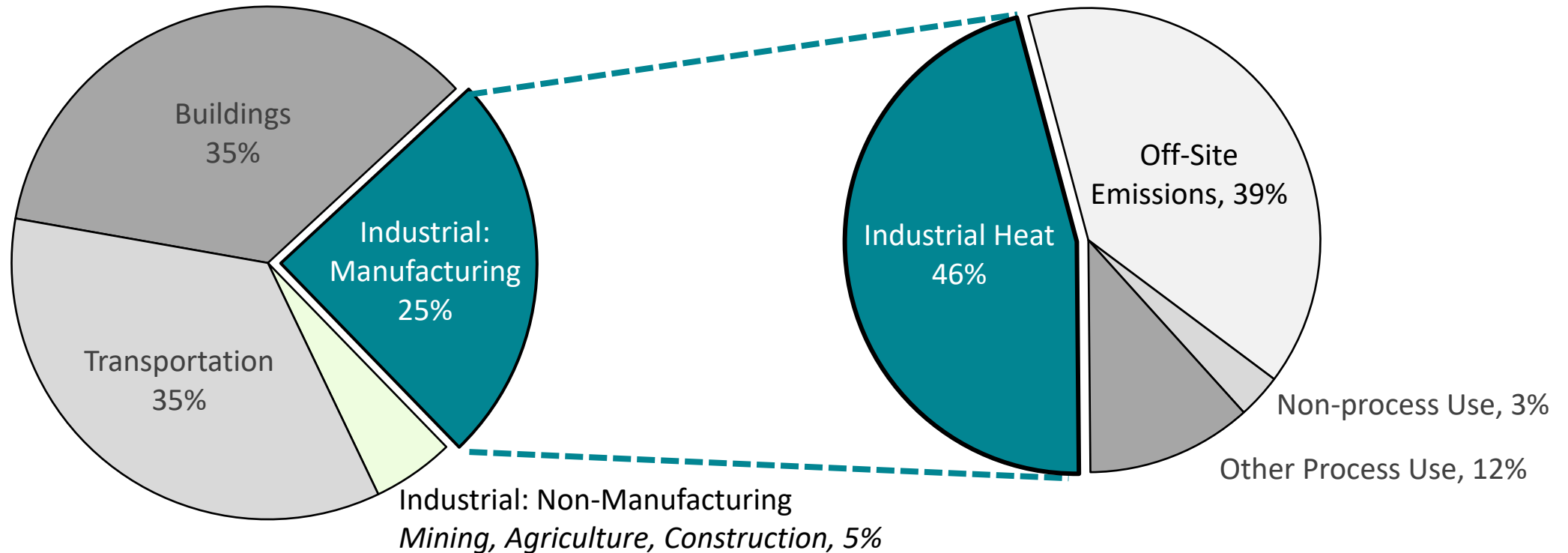
# INDUSTRIAL HEAT DEMAND BY CORE PROCESSES



Thermal process	Industrial sector							
	Iron and steel	Petroleum refining	Chemical industry	Glass	Aluminum	Pulp and paper	Food processing	Cement
Calcining	Red		Red		Red	Red		Red
Bonding, curing and forming			Blue	Red				
Drying	Blue	Blue	Yellow	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Fluid heating		Yellow	Yellow			Blue		
Heat treating (metal and nonmetal)	Yellow			Yellow	Yellow			
Metal and nonmetal reheating	Red				Yellow			
Metal and nonmetal melting	Red			Red	Yellow			
Other heating: processing			Yellow					
Reactive thermal processing	Red	Yellow	Yellow					
Smelting, agglomeration etc	Red		Yellow					
Steam generation	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow		Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	

# U.S. ENERGY-RELATED EMISSIONS:

**~11% IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO INDUSTRIAL HEAT**



2020 Energy-Related CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions by U.S. Economic Sector

2020 Estimated Industrial: Manufacturing Energy-Related CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions by Source

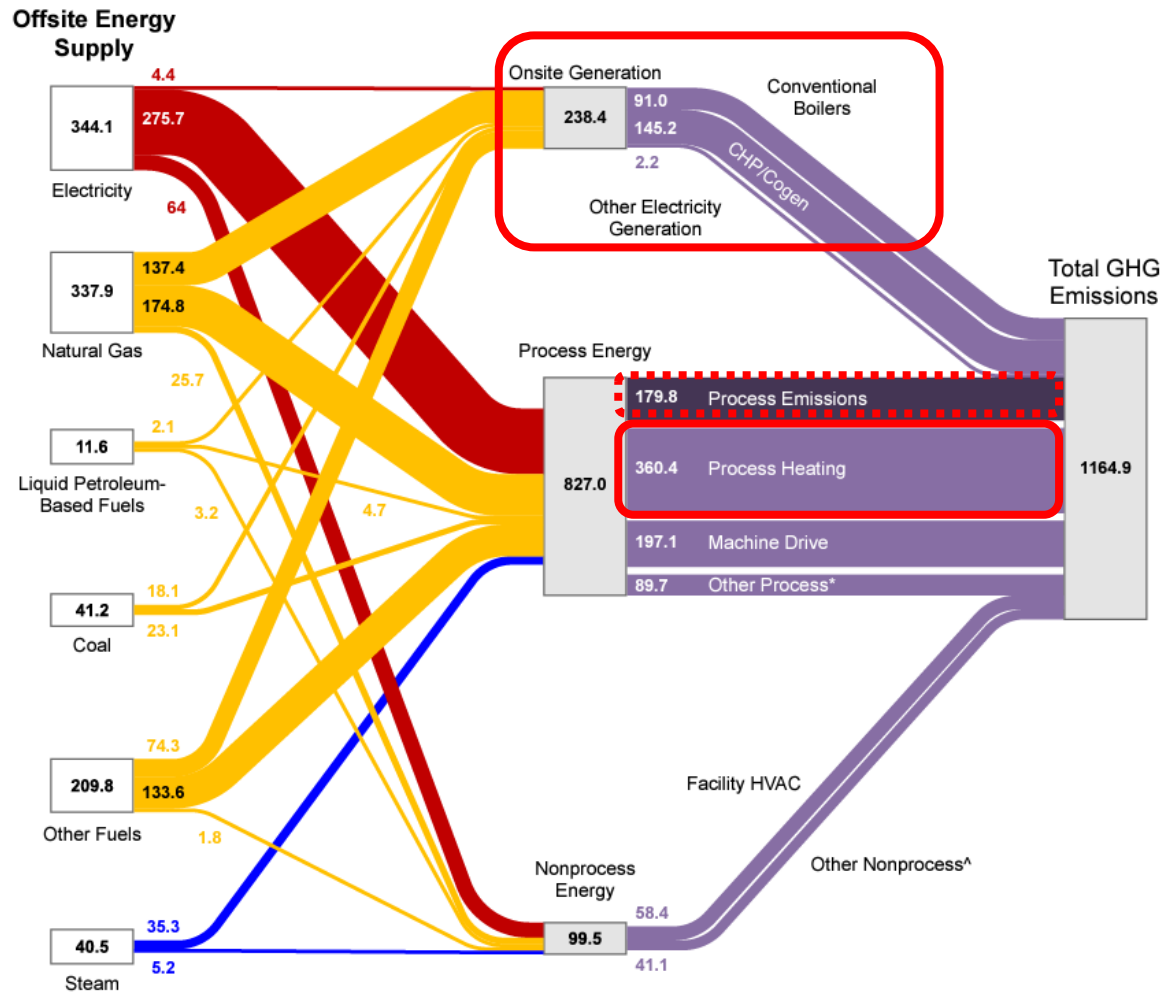
**The Industrial Heat Shot is an All-Hands-on-Deck Effort to Lower the Emissions from Industrial Heat.**



# MANUFACTURING EMISSIONS FROM PROCESS HEATING

## U.S. Manufacturing GHG Emissions (MMT CO<sub>2</sub>e), 2018

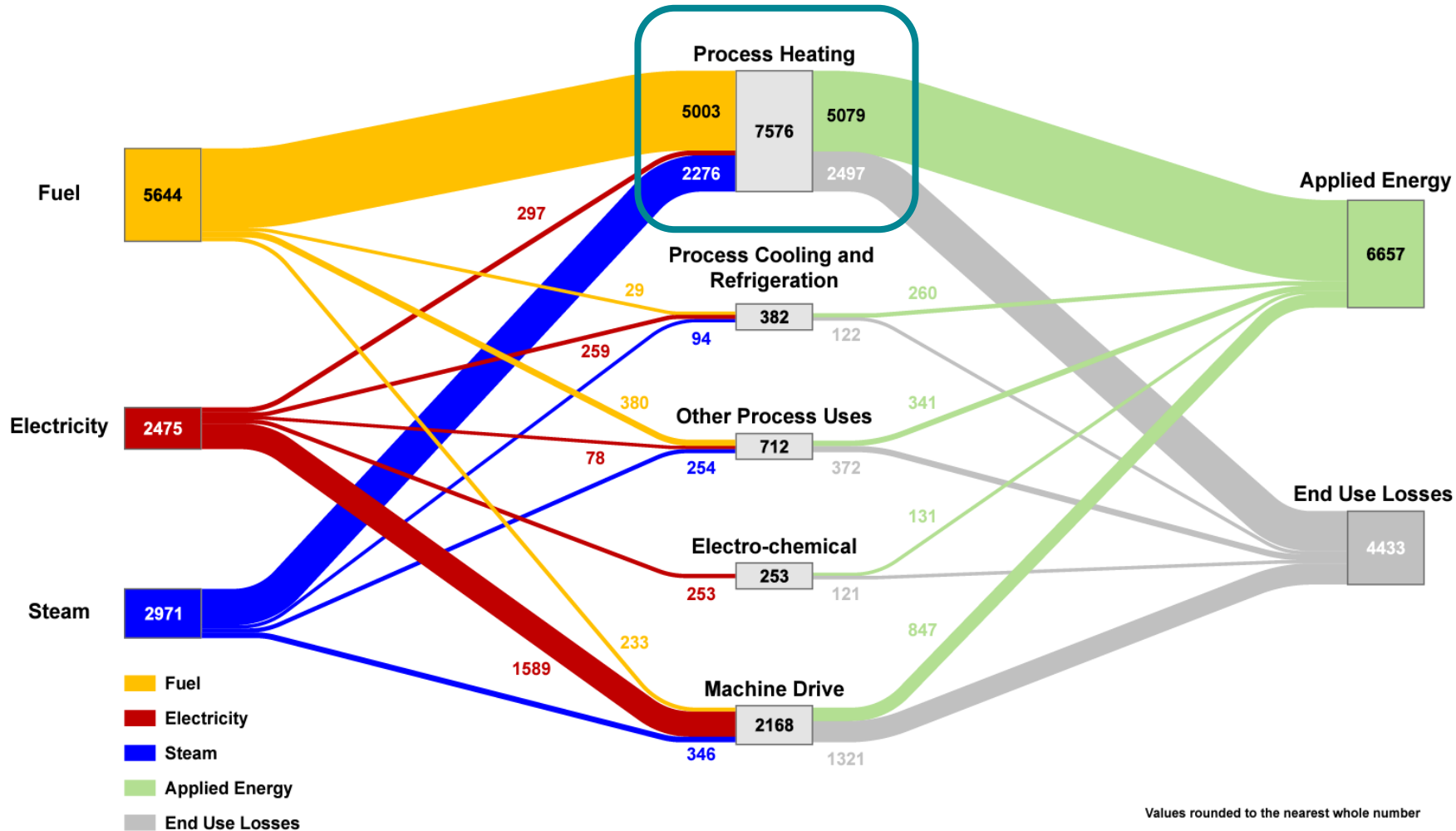
*Onsite combustion of fossil fuels provides > 95% of energy used for to power thermal systems in the manufacturing sector.*



- Process heating emissions are the largest source of industrial emissions
- CHP/Cogen systems contribute to onsite emissions
- Process emissions arise from chemical reactions that are typically thermochemical

# PROCESS HEATING IS THE LARGEST SINGLE SOURCE OF ENERGY LOSS IN MANUFACTURING

U.S. Manufacturing Process Energy (TBtu), 2018



Values rounded to the nearest whole number

- ~1/3<sup>rd</sup> of process heating energy is lost
- Energy efficiency improvements are important, but alone are insufficient
- Transformational approaches are needed to reduce emissions and improve productivity

# A CROSS-SECTORAL APPROACH IS NEEDED

Thermal processes and systems are essential and pervasive in industry, but every major industrial subsector uses heat in different ways...

**drying**

paper,  
batteries



**steam**

pasteurization of food  
& beverage



**distillation**

high purity  
chemicals



**melting**

formed plastics,  
semiconductors



**smelting**

iron, copper,  
aluminum



**calcining**

cement,  
lime



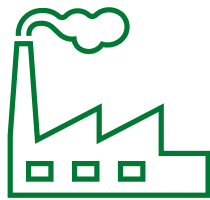
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Process Temperatures Needed

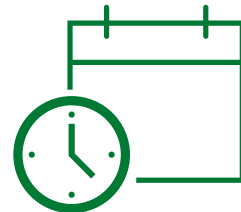
>800°C



Develop cost competitive industrial heat decarbonization technologies with at least 85% lower greenhouse gas emissions by 2035



**>85% Lower Emissions**



**2035**

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# INDUSTRIAL HEAT SHOT: THREE PATHWAYS TO DECARBONIZE INDUSTRIAL HEAT

Goal: Reduce the amount of heat and/or emissions from heat to make cleaner products



## Generate Heat from Clean Electricity

### Reduce Emissions:

electrify equipment & use clean electricity, improve energy efficiency

### Examples:

heat pumps, microwave heating, resistive heating, etc.



## Integrate Clean Heat from Alternative Sources

### Reduce Emissions:

switch to low-emissions heat sources and increase thermal storage

### Examples:

solar thermal, nuclear, geothermal, hydrogen, some sustainable fuels, etc.



## Innovative Low- or No-Heat Process Technologies

### Reduce Emissions:

new chemistry and emerging approaches to reduce heat demand

### Examples:

advanced separations, electrolysis, ultraviolet curing, biobased manufacturing, etc.

Enabling technologies and systems: e.g. energy storage, materials, modeling, data analytics, etc.

# INDUSTRIAL HEAT SHOT: KEY CHARACTERISTICS

U.S. manufacturing is diverse, with a heterogeneous array of processes and operations that use heat in multiple ways.

We need a portfolio of solutions that:

- 1 Meet or Exceed Operational Demands
- 2 Are Cost Competitive
- 3 Can Achieve Industrial Scale



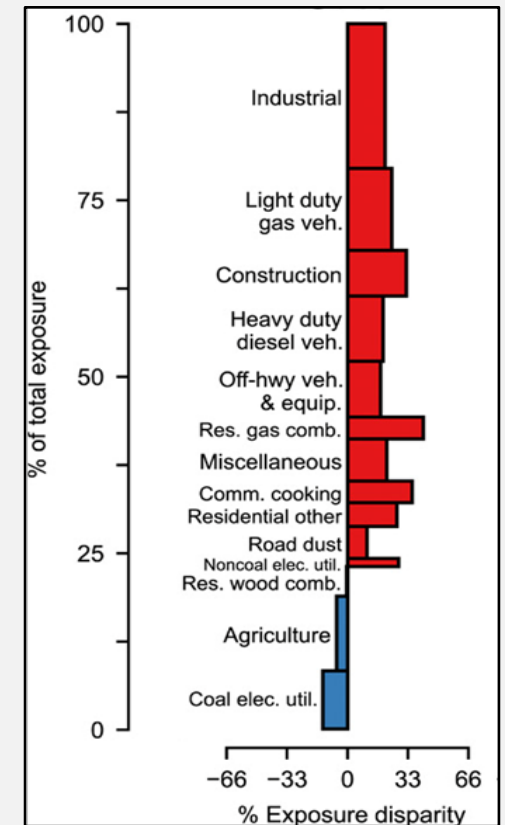
# THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS MORE THAN GREENHOUSE GASES

*GHG reductions are necessary but insufficient.*

*We must also address the disproportionate impacts experienced by historically disadvantaged communities.*

- **Communities of color** and **low-income communities** are more likely to be located near polluting industrial facilities
- Natural gas, coal, and fuel oil combustion for process heat produces **criteria air pollutants like NO<sub>x</sub>, CO, and particulate matter (PM)** that impact health
- Fugitive methane emissions drive global warming and **ozone formation.**
- **Sustainable manufacturing processes must address all human health and environmental impact categories.**

People of Color are disproportionately exposed to PM<sub>2.5</sub> from industrial sources



Tessum, et al. *Science* (2021)

# OTHER IMPACTS AND CO-BENEFITS

## Environmental Justice

- Improve health of local communities

## Economic Competitiveness

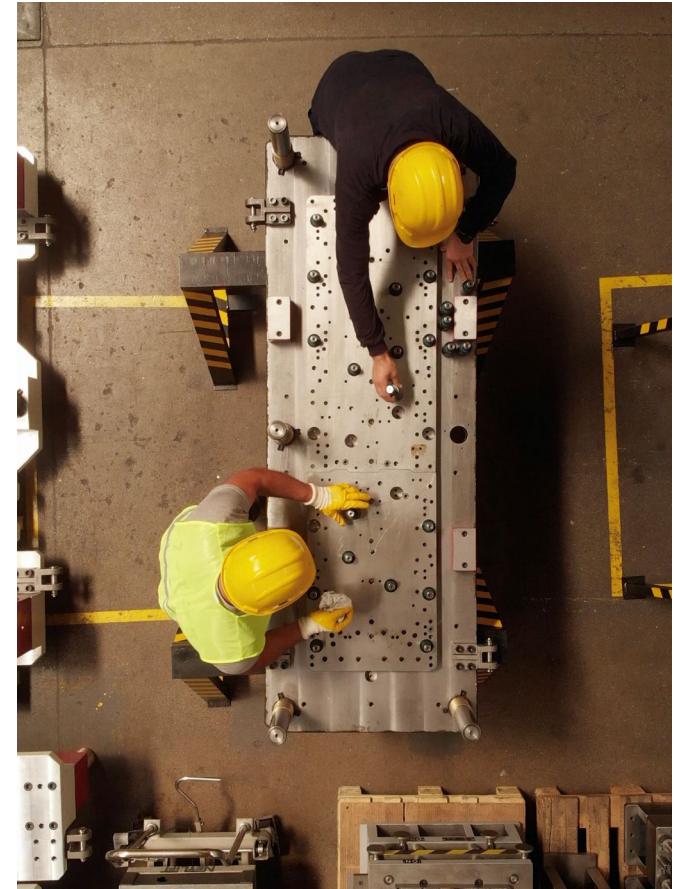
- U.S. leadership in low-carbon products
- Sustain and create new jobs

## Energy and Material Efficiency Improvements

- Cost and Value

## Energy Security

- Reduce exposure to volatile energy markets



# LEVERAGING DOE RESOURCES

*Optimize the source, type, and amount of heat used to minimize emissions and enable production of cleaner products by...*

## Challenges & Opportunities

Develop diverse technology portfolio to address industry's heterogeneous heat demands

Address cost competitiveness and quantify non-energy/non-emissions benefits

Scale-up towards commercialization

Meet or exceed operational demands



## RDD&D

### Advance Key Technologies

- Electrotechnologies & alternative heat systems
- Innovative low- and no-heat processes & advanced non-thermal separations (e.g., membranes)
- Advanced equipment and process control technologies

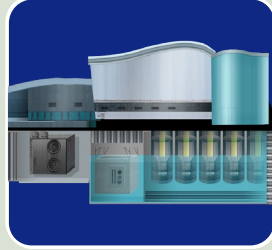
DOE tools and resources for technoeconomic analysis and life cycle assessment

Technical assistance, workforce development, and advanced demonstration offices

Multi-scale modeling



# ALL-HANDS-ON-DECK EFFORT



## Office of Science

- Foundational R&D Capabilities at the User Facilities
- High Performance Computing for Manufacturing

## Industrial Efficiency and Decarbonization Office

- RD&D in manufacturing processes, technologies, products, facilities, and supply chains

## Nuclear Energy

- RD&D to expand nuclear energy to industrial, transportation, and energy storage applications

## Bioenergy Technologies Office

- RD&D development of processes using alternative feedstocks and low/no heat manufacturing options

## Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technologies Office

- RD&D of clean hydrogen technologies for low-carbon feedstocks and fuels

## Fossil Energy and Carbon Management

- RD&D to convert captured carbon into products without the need for heat or using substantially less heat

## Solar Energy Technologies Office

- RD&D in concentrated solar thermal and thermal storage technologies

## Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations

- Industrial Decarbonization Demonstration projects

DOE National Laboratories RD&D

# INDUSTRIAL HEAT SHOT SUMMARY

## PATHWAYS



Heat from Clean Electricity



Clean Heat from Alternative Sources



Low- or No-Heat Process Technologies

## APPLICATIONS

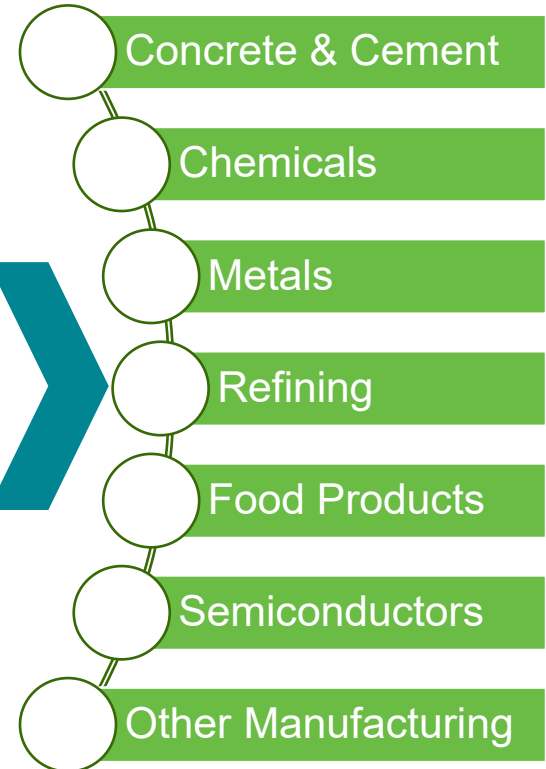


## TARGET



Develop technologies with an 85% reduction in GHG emissions

## INDUSTRIES



## IMPACT



# DOE INDUSTRIAL HEAT RD&D INVESTMENT EXAMPLES

## OCED Industrial Decarbonization Program (IDP) – Selections include “Process Heat”:

- [Steam-Generating Heat Pumps for Cross-Sector Deep Decarbonization](#) | Skyven Technologies (Up to \$145 million - TBD)
- [Vikrell Electric Boiler & Microgrid System](#) | Kohler (Up to \$51.2 million - Casa Grande, Arizona)

## Regional Clean Hydrogen Hubs



## Office of Clean Energy Demonstration

\$7B in federal funding to launch seven H<sub>2</sub> Hubs to accelerate commercial scale deployment of low-cost, clean hydrogen

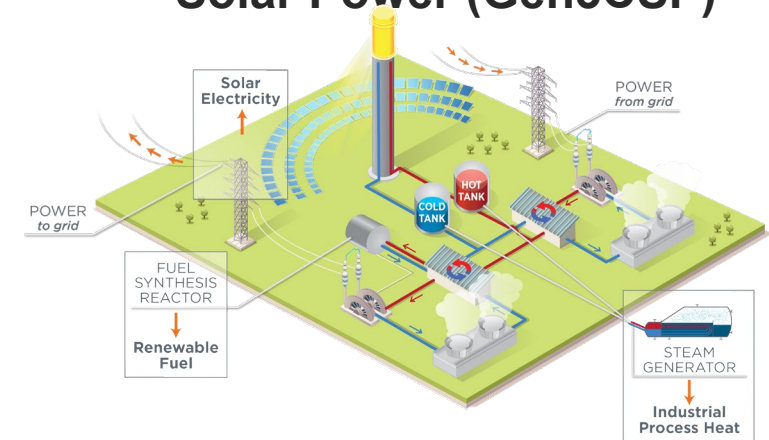


ELECTRIFIED PROCESSES FOR INDUSTRY WITHOUT CARBON

## Industrial Efficiency and Decarbonization Office

DOE's 7th Clean Energy Manufacturing Innovation Institute. \$70M in federal funding over the next 5 years to fund RD&D projects to replace fossil fuel-based heating with electric heating

## Generation 3 Concentrating Solar Power (Gen3CSP)



## Solar Energy Technologies Office

\$25M in federal funding for demonstration of integrated high-temperature particle system for CSP

**THANK YOU!**

<https://www.energy.gov/industrial-technologies/industrial-technologies>

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