

### Wood Bio Refinery Co-Products A NARA Report

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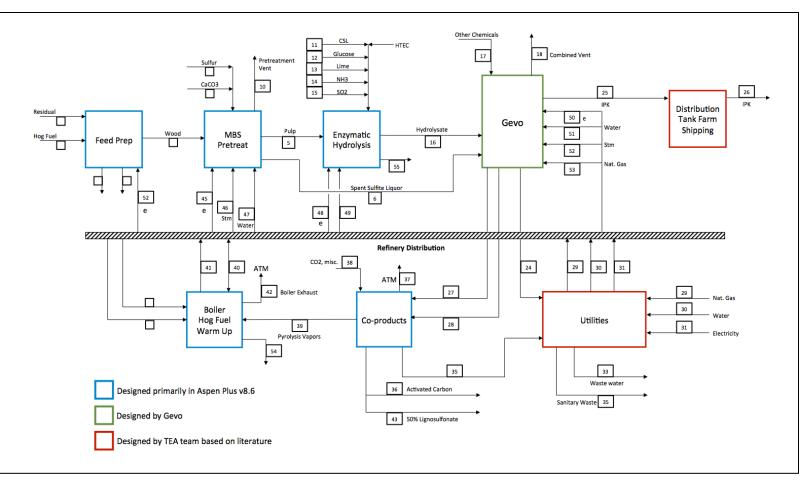
## **Opening Remarks**

- Agenda
- WWII, DOD, wood pulp mill waste, ethanol.
- Today, 70 years latter, wood waste, butanol/ jet fuel
- Personal irony

## Today's Outline

- Definitions of NARA Wood Bio Refinery Co Products
- Bio Refinery Feedstock and Co Products Raw Material
- Potential Co Products
- Nara Co Product Teams and Research Projects
- Selected Revenue Generating Co Products for TEA
- What have we learned

### NARA Process Flow Overview

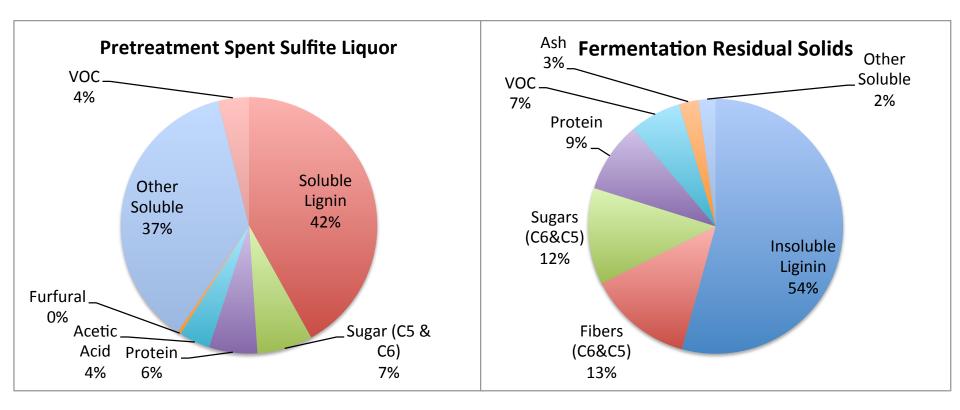


### What are NARA Wood Bio Refinery Co Products

IPK (Jet Fuel) = 13%Feedstock = 100% Extractives 7% + Chemicals Everything Else: Lignin & Processing 31% Fermented Calcium Lignosulfonate Hexan FRS – Activated Carbon 56%  $CO_2$ Fines as boiler fuel Pentan **Miscellaneous Other** 6% - Boiler Ash - Anaerobic NG - Light Ends - Protein sludge

Techco-Economic Analysis

### NARA Co Product Raw Material



• Co Product, A specific product with positive revenue, targeted to a specific consumer with agreed quality specifications

### NARA Co Products by Research Team

- Manuel Garcia-Perez (WSU) and Weyerhaeuser Team
- Activated Carbon
- Simo Sarkanen (University of Minnesota)
- Lignin derived plastic (Polystyrene)
- Weyerhaeuser Co Products Team
- Characterization of MBS SSL and FRS
- Concrete Dispersant
- Jinwen Zhang/Mike Wolcott (WSU)
- Partially Depolymerized Lignin (PDL), Epoxy-Asphalt
- Xaio Zhang (Bio-Products, Science and Engineering Lab, WSU)
- Carboxylic acids
- Milled wood lignin characteristics

#### NARA Co-Products Research Portfolio

- Activated Carbon:
  - D. Fish, I. Dallmeyer, C. Fox, M. Garcia-Perez, and W. Suliman; (Weyco & WSU)
  - Utilizes total FRS mass, carbonizes, CO2 Activated (22% total yield)
  - AC captures Hg from coal power plant stack emissions, Hg tests performed
  - Pretreatment is important in porosity formation
- Plastic:
  - Simo Sarkanen, University of Minnesota
  - Twice Ultra filtered Lignosulfonate for intermediate MW
  - Lignosulfonate-based polymeric materials ..... Polystyrene and Polyethylene
- Epoxy Asphalt:
  - Jinwen Zhang, Junna Xin, and Mike Wolcott
  - Catalytically partially depolymerized Lignin (PDL) reacted with Epichlorohydrin yields a PDL-epoxy
  - PDL-epoxy appears to be comparable to bisphenol A type epoxy in asphalt modification
  - Compared to original asphalt, PDL-epoxy asphalt shows better viscoelastic performance
- Concrete Dispersant
  - D. Fish, C. Fox (Weyerhaeuser)
  - SSL; Preliminary Concrete Testing
- Dicarboxylic Acid (DCA) and Milled Wood
  - Xiao Zhang, WSU and BSEL, Richland, WA (joined team in August, 2015)
  - DCA via  $CuFeS_2$  in the presence of  $H_2O_2$  (e.g., muconic, maleic, succinic acids)
  - Micronized wood lignin characterized

### Co Products Selected for TEA

- Fermented Ca-LS
- Concrete test positive
- Market Size and Risk
- Price estimated at \$200 per dry ton
- Activated Carbon
- Gas Absorption
- Hg capture in coal power plant flue gas
- Market size and risk
- Price estimated at \$1500 per dry ton

## "Lignin" Supply History, Caution Required

World Production of Paper (MM Tonnes) Lignin to Fuel 400 394 Lignin to Waste **Lignin to Chemicals** 300 **Recycled Paper** 1930 Recovery Boiler 1867 Bisulfite Patent 200 1877 First Bisulfite Mill 1890 First Kraft Mill 100 1900 2000 1825 1875 1925 1975 2025 1850 1950

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NARA Co-Products Perspective

## Moving Forward Messages

- Wood Bio Refinery residuals are many molecules not just "Lignin"
- Pretreatment makes a difference in Activated Carbon properties
- High margin Co Products are required for total bio refinery success
- "Lignin" is too broad a term. More specificity is required.
- A successful commercial "lignin" product faces a potential huge raw material supply
- Separation technology is essential

### Thank You

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Questions