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Project Goals were formulated to address the major issues

- Develop world-class eco-industrial chemical cluster alternatives for Greater Edmonton
- Leverage Kline’s understanding of the international chemical industry, chemical markets, and the competitive environment to quantify and qualify the potential in Greater Edmonton
- Develop an objective view of Alberta’s potential for the development of a world class chemical cluster in Greater Edmonton
- Benchmark the best in class clusters in order to input key learning's into Greater Edmonton’s cluster
- Encourage a coordinated, integrated cluster development strategy for Greater Edmonton
- Evaluate the strategic and economic impact of the cluster alternatives, with a view to eliminating associated risks
- Set a clear path to action and results
Definition of Eco-Industrial Complex

A community of businesses that cooperate with each other to efficiently share resources (information, materials, energy, infrastructure and natural habitat), leading to economic gains, improvements in environmental quality and equitable enhancement of human resources for business and the local community.

-- U.S. President’s Council on Sustainable Development
This Study has been developed to provide:

- **Global perspectives** on the potential for the development of a world-class eco-industrial chemical cluster for Greater Edmonton. This will include an examination of other major international chemical clusters and the issues relevant to Greater Edmonton.

- An overview of the current raw-material processing approaches and how these lead to the spectrum of base chemicals, intermediates, specialty chemicals and materials produced world-wide.

- An overview of the approach for selecting the most viable product clusters for Greater Edmonton including:
  - Market analysis
  - Economic viability
  - Eco-industrial factors
Convincing the international oil refining and chemical industry to invest downstream is the key challenge.
Key focus of Kline study is complementary to other studies as it looks much further downstream.

### Adding Value Downstream

#### Accelerating Downstream Development

**Previous Studies**
- Upgrading Technology
- Exploration Opportunities
- Infrastructure Requirements
- Upgrading Financial Analysis
- Logistics and Transportation
- Key Success Factors

**Kline Study**
- Global Competitive Context
- Market Opportunities
- Role of Government
- Cluster Integration Value
- Stakeholder Strategy Input

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Benefits of this Study to Greater Edmonton

- Review of leading global practices and trends
- Enhance Greater Edmonton’s existing upgrading, refining and petrochemical cluster to take advantage of global opportunities and challenges
- Recommend specific product clusters
- Promote ongoing partnership for development of existing industry expansion plans
- Develop the foundation for a coordinated investment attraction strategy
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We proposed a two-staged study with clear objectives

Stage 1: Developing the Cluster Alternatives

1. Lay the Groundwork
   - Build understanding of the potential with the regional players at Stakeholder leader and working group levels
   - Lay a solid foundation for the project in terms of process, team interactions, communications and knowledge base

2. Define the Context and Develop Concept
   - Develop the integration opportunities based on Value Chain analysis
   - Evaluate the Market opportunities
   - Benchmark against best practice clusters
   - Develop alternative cluster concepts
   - Review cluster alternatives with Steering Group and Stakeholder groups
   - Recommend cluster alternative

Stage 2: Selection, Promotion and Acquisition Strategies

3. Cluster Marketing Strategy
   - Select cluster alternative
   - Prioritize Products for investment
   - Identify target investor groups
   - Develop promotional strategy
   - Develop investment acquisition strategy

4. Investment Acquisition Support
   - Develop a comprehensive investment acquisition support program to enable Greater Edmonton to implement the Cluster marketing strategy in:
     - Pre-Start Up Phase
     - Start Up Phase
     - Post Start Up Phase
   - Recommend Additional expertise required to fully implement the investment acquisition strategy
The development of the Cluster Alternatives are based on several Key Underlying Assumptions (1/2)

- Bitumen Upgrading will exceed **3.0 million BBL/day by 2025** and Upgrader bottoms production will exceed demand for:
  - **Energy generation** in the region (as bottoms or coke)
  - **Coke** for energy generation in export markets

**Outcome: this will result in a significant quantity of “Stranded Upgrader Bottoms” in Alberta**

Whilst this appears to be a problem - this is the key opportunity for Alberta to become the leading Syngas production region in the world
The development of the Cluster Alternatives are based on several Key Underlying Assumptions (2/2)

- **Additional refinery capacity** will be added in Alberta, serving export markets
- **Pipeline infrastructure will be expanded** to include clean products and possibly olefins
- **Upgrader and refinery off-gases** will become increasingly important sources of petrochemical feedstock
- **Gasoil and possibly Naphtha** will become feedstocks of choice for crackers in North America due to dwindling economic supplies of Ethane
- **Methane** will be an increasingly uneconomic source of hydrogen for Upgraders, Refineries and Petrochemical producers

Unlocking Alberta’s Downstream chemical potential requires the industry to recognize the opportunities that “unconventional” raw materials and feedstocks provide
## Product Value Chains

### Product Flows from Primary Raw Materials (generic)

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The Potential Products for Cluster Development were obtained through systematic screening

**Approach**

1. **Initial universe of over 140 potential products**
2. **1st Screen selection Market**
   - **MUST HAVE ATTRIBUTES**
     - Scale
     - Domestic market critical mass
     - Demand Growth rate
     - Import substitution potential US

3. **2nd screen selection Market Attractiveness**
   - **DESIRED ATTRIBUTES**
     - Above average profitability
     - Technology available

4. **Final screen Economics and Risk**
   - **NEXT STEPS**
     - Further investigation
     - Feasibility studies

5. **Most Viable Growth Options**
   - **Detailed product analysis**
     - Clear growth drivers
     - No excess capacity in the US
     - Good cluster Integration potential

**NEXT STEPS**
- Further investigation
- Feasibility studies

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A “Product Universe” was developed which would provide the best fit for Greater Edmonton

- Using **value chains** a list of chemical products was compiled containing **140 potential products**.

- In developing the **Product Universe** the following were also considered:
  - Product portfolio’s of the **successful chemical clusters**
  - **Stakeholder interview** feedback

- **End User products** cover applications in many sectors such as adhesives, agriculture, automotive, coatings, cosmetics, detergents, dyestuff, fuels, packaging, pharmaceuticals, plasticizers, plastics, resins, solvents, textiles, etc.

- **A detailed database** covering feedstock, market size, growth, technology, trade, profitability etc. was constructed to allow detailed screening and analysis.
## Approach

### The Chemical Universe - 140 key products

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Excludes N and Cl Value Chains

Total: 135
The 1st Stage “Market Screen” focused on North American Imports

- Is the market large enough?
- Is there a net import requirement in North America?
- Is the market growing world-wide?
- Are there any immediate threats?
- Is there sufficient capacity in the US for their domestic market?

The expectation was that a significant percentage of the candidate products selected for the Product Universe would be eliminated in the first screening stage.
## 1st screen selection

### “1st Screen” - North American Market Net Imports

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Excludes N and Cl Value Chains

Total: 109
The 2nd screen selection process focused on Market Attractiveness

- The outcome of the first screen was primarily based on numerical analysis.
- The 2nd screen provided a qualitative assessment of the overall market attractiveness using the same data collected for the 1st screen selection.
- This ensured that only products with sufficient market attractiveness were kept in the selection so that further screening was focused on those products with the best potential and fit in the cluster.
- In the 2nd screen a further 20 chemicals were eliminated.
- The reasons for elimination vary, but are mainly related to:
  - Regional capacity distribution (e.g. overcapacity)
  - Poor growth rates in N.A.
  - Low capacity utilization combined with growth below GDP
### 2nd Screen Selection

#### “2nd Screen” - North American Market Attractiveness

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Total: 90

Excludes N and Cl Value Chains
Final screen selection

The Final screen focused on Economics and Risk

- **Economics** screen - final product selection and Kline recommendation
  - Are there any logistical or environmental issues?
  - Are the product margins attractive?
  - Is there sufficient cluster integration potential?

- A total of 77 chemicals were selected from the 90 chemicals remaining after the 1\textsuperscript{st} and 2\textsuperscript{nd} screen selection.
- The cluster of 77 chemicals include 18 products which are **currently manufactured in Alberta**.
- The **selected chemicals** cover several product clusters which are key to a number of **growing industries**:
  - PET
  - Acryls
  - Fertilizers
  - Polyurethane
  - Polycarbonate
  - High performance Plasticizers
  - Barrier resins for packaging materials (EVOH, PVOH)
## Final screen selection

"Final screen" - Economics and Risk

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*Of 77 chemicals selected, 18 are already made in Alberta

Excludes N and Cl Value Chains

Total: 77*

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### Final screen selection

**Selected products - alphabetical order (1/2)**

| 1. Acetic Acid | 18. Cumene | 35. IPA (isopropanol) |
| 3. Acrolein | 20. Di-isooctyl phthalate (DIOP) | 37. iso-butene / Butene-1 |
| 4. Acrylic Acid | 21. Dimethyl carbonate (DMC) | 38. Linear Alpha Olefins (LAOs) |
| 5. Acrylic acid esters | 22. Dimethyl ether (DME) | 39. MEG |
| 6. Acrylate polymers | 23. dioctyl phthalate (DOP) | 40. Maleic Anhydride |
| 7. Adipic Acid | 24. DPC | 41. MDI -- Methylene di-phenylene isocyanate |
| 8. Adiponitrile | 25. 2-Ethyl Hexanol (2-EH) | 42. Melamine |
| 10. Ammonium Nitrate | 27. Ethylene | 44. Methanol |
| 12. Benzene | 29. Ethylene Glycol Ethers | 46. MMA |
| 15. Butene -1 / Isobutene | 32. EVOH (Ethylene-Vinyl Alcohol Copolymer) | 49. Nylon-6 (PA -6) |
| 16. Butyraldehyde | 33. Formaldehyde | 50. Nylon-6,6 (PA -66) |
| 17. Caprolactam | 34. Gamma-Butyrolactone (GBL) | 51. o-Xylene |

**Currently manufactured and marketed in Alberta**

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## Final screen selection

### Selected products - alphabetical order (2/2)

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Currently manufactured and marketed in Alberta
Market Critical Mass

US net imports: a measure for the potential in regional petrochemical markets

US net imports 2006 - products > 1 million KTa
(excludes trade with Canada)

- Methanol (units = million litres)
- Ethylene
- Benzene (in million litres)
- Propylene
- Ethanol
- UAN - Urea ammonium nitrate solutions
- Toluene (million litres)
- Cumene

Included
Excluded (final selection)
Market Critical Mass

US net imports: a measure for the potential in regional petrochemical markets

US net imports 2006 - products, > 100 KTa, < 1 million KTa (excludes trade with Canada)
US net imports: a measure for the potential in regional petrochemical markets

US net imports 2006 - products < 100 kTa
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A Cluster benchmarking study was performed to provide “key learnings” for Greater Edmonton

- A number of **key attributes** were identified to **characterize the world class clusters**
- These attributes are considered as the “**Key Performance Drivers**” - high scores on these attributes are expected to result in a very successful cluster
- A **qualitative rating** of these attributes enabled a high level comparison between the clusters
- This provided an **understanding** of why these clusters are **successful**
- The following clusters were reviewed in this study:
  - Antwerp, Belgium
  - Houston, Texas, USA
  - Jurong Island, Singapore
  - Tarragona, Spain
  - Chemsite, Ruhrgebiet, Germany
  - Chemelot, Geleen, Netherlands
  - SCIP : Shanghai Chemical Industry Park, China
Cluster Benchmarking

Identifying the appropriate set of benchmarking criteria enables an objective comparison

- Considered cluster attributes ("Key Performance Drivers"):  
  - Infrastructure (e.g. proximity of main port, transport infrastructure, pipelines etc..)  
  - Presence of leading global companies  
  - Product Diversity: broad versus narrow product range  
  - Sector Diversity: commodity focus or specialty focused  
  - Proximity of key markets  
  - Degree of cluster integration (degree to which feedstock and products are linked)  
  - Cluster synergy (e.g. sharing utility services, environmental management, infrastructure, manufacturing JV’s)  
  - Investment environment (Role and support of the authorities in providing incentives and support in the development of infrastructure)  
  - Cluster leadership  
  - Energy supply structure (degree to which the energy supply infrastructure provides advantages to the cluster companies, energy cost)  
  - Overall Supply chain structure
Cluster Benchmarking

Cluster profiles were compared using overlays on “Spider Charts”
As would be expected with world-class clusters, profiles are quite similar (1/2)
Grouping contrasting clusters together provides a tangible “visual” difference (2/2)
Key learnings

The detailed analysis highlighted several important “key learnings” for Greater Edmonton (1/2)

- Government participation and leadership helps in the overall growth of the cluster in a phased manner
  - Government plays a primary role, e.g. Jurong, SCIP
  - Public Private Partnership (PPP) model, e.g. ChemSite

- Involving global players early in the cluster development helps in achieving faster cluster growth & stronger integration
  - Influences more players to invest in the cluster
  - Contributes through being a part of cluster leadership team

- Investment by government/private sector in infrastructure, services, etc
  - Builds confidence/commitment amongst the existing players towards the cluster
  - Induces further investment by private players, e.g. Chemelot

- Better cluster integration together with product diversity helps in
  - Promoting internal consumption within the cluster with efficient material flows, e.g. Jurong, SCIP
  - Consumption in local markets which further helps reduce supply chain costs
Key learnings

Insights (2/2)

- Good infrastructure is common to all world class clusters
  - Good transport network (rail, road, sea, pipeline network) helps to increase cluster’s critical mass through efficient delivery to the customer
  - Communal utilities help reduce costs and ensures better service

- Limited cluster scale (e.g. Tarragona) can be compensated by a less diversified, yet fully integrated, product range

- Some clusters are successful even in the total absence of a local market (e.g. Jurong)

- Most clusters serve a large geographical area, shipping mostly final products rather than commodities or intermediates

- The establishment of a "cluster promotion body" (e.g. Chemelot) can be a key success factor (stakeholder representation & strong leadership)

- Most successful clusters are purpose built

- All clusters have strengths and weaknesses, the key is to progressively and consistently focus on the promotion and development of strengths
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Interview scope & questions

Interviews were used to obtain the views and inputs of the regional Stakeholders

- Interviews were conducted with key stakeholders in the Hydrocarbon value chain. These include exploration & production/upgraders, refiners, petrochemical producers, intermediates/specialty producers, utilities/services companies, pipeline companies, government and industry associations.

- Questions were divided into 2 categories
  - General/common questions covering common challenges/issues for cluster development
  - Specific questions pertaining to their role in the cluster supply chain

- Interviews were conducted either in person or telephonically with prior appointments and questionnaires sent out in advance

- Feedback from the interviews was used to build the various views from the industry, extract issues and capture additional opportunities in developing a World-class Eco-Industrial Chemical Cluster.
In order to provide an objective view, a cross-section of stakeholders were interviewed - 37 in total.
Feedstocks, existing Industrial base and Quality of Workforce are seen as key Strengths of the Region

1. Secure and abundant feedstock availability
2. Quality of labour force: skills + education
3. Strong industrial base (infrastructure, players, know-how)
4. Government support / policies
5. Industry friendly environment / public support
6. Political stability
7. Project capabilities / technical expertise
8. Fiscal regime (low taxes)
9. Entrepreneurial spirit
10. Favourable investment climate

% of respondents
Infrastructure, Market Access, and Labour availability are seen as key weaknesses.

- Infrastructure to access markets
- Access / distance to markets
- Labour availability
- High capital cost (projects)
- Lack of clear vision + policies
- Insufficient infrastructure
- High cost of doing business
- Environmental constraints
- High power cost
- Government insufficient capability

% of respondents
Conclusion & recommendations

Over 90% of stakeholders are confident that the fundamentals to develop a world-class petrochemical cluster in Alberta are present.

Enhancing the confidence of potential investors will require a strong message with regards to tackling the shortage of skilled labour, the high cost of projects and approach to the further development of Alberta’s infrastructure and energy supply network.

The concept of a World-class Eco-Industrial Chemical Cluster needs to be better defined and communicated.

The dilemma of reduction in greenhouse gas emissions and large scale industrial expansion needs to be tackled (uncertainty increases investment risk).
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Stage 1 provides the platform for action - Stage 2 addresses the action

Stage 1: Developing the Cluster Alternatives

1. Lay the Groundwork
   - Build understanding of the potential with the regional players at Stakeholder leader and working group levels
   - Lay a solid foundation for the project in terms of process, team interactions, communications and knowledge base

2. Define the Context and Develop Concept
   - Develop the integration opportunities based on Value Chain analysis
   - Evaluate the Market opportunities
   - Benchmark against best practice clusters
   - Develop alternative cluster concepts
   - Review cluster alternatives with Steering Group and Stakeholder groups
   - Recommend cluster alternative

Stage 2: Selection, Promotion and Acquisition Strategies

3. Cluster Marketing Strategy
   - Select cluster alternative
   - Prioritize Products for investment
   - Identify target investor groups
   - Develop promotional strategy
   - Develop investment acquisition strategy

4. Investment Acquisition Support
   - Develop a comprehensive investment acquisition support program to enable Greater Edmonton to implement the Cluster marketing strategy in:
     - Pre-Start Up Phase
     - Start Up Phase
     - Post Start Up Phase
   - Recommend Additional expertise required to fully implement the investment acquisition strategy

To be covered in a future proposal

Path forward
Phase 3: Developing the promotion and acquisition strategies

Objective
- Select cluster alternative and establish product priorities
- Identify target investor groups
- Develop promotional strategy
- Develop investor acquisition strategy

Key Tasks
- Select the appropriate cluster alternative
- Establish product priorities for investment acquisition
- Develop a prioritized target investor list
- Develop an outline promotional strategy for the region
- Formulate the investor acquisition strategy together with the Steering Group
  - Approach to potential investors
  - Develop business cases
- Develop strategies to obtain buy-in from authorities to support the promotion and acquisition strategies

Deliverables
- Selected cluster alternative
- Product priority list
- Investor database
- Promotional “content”
- Qualified business cases for each product
- Prioritized investor acquisition strategy and schedule
Phase 4: Supporting the region in the implementation of these strategies

Objective
- Develop a comprehensive investment acquisition support program to enable Greater Edmonton to implement the Cluster marketing strategy in:
  - Pre-Start Up Phase
  - Start Up Phase
  - Ongoing development
- Recommend additional expertise required to fully implement the investment acquisition strategy

Key Tasks
- Draw up a comprehensive investment acquisition support program for the implementation of the Cluster Marketing strategy for the:
  - Pre-Start up phase
  - Start Up phase
  - Ongoing development
  - Special tasks/initiatives
- Identify qualified expertise in specific areas

Deliverables
- Support plan for all three phases
- Expert recommendations
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