



# Ammonia Project Features

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## Renewable ammonia projects in Sub-Saharan Africa



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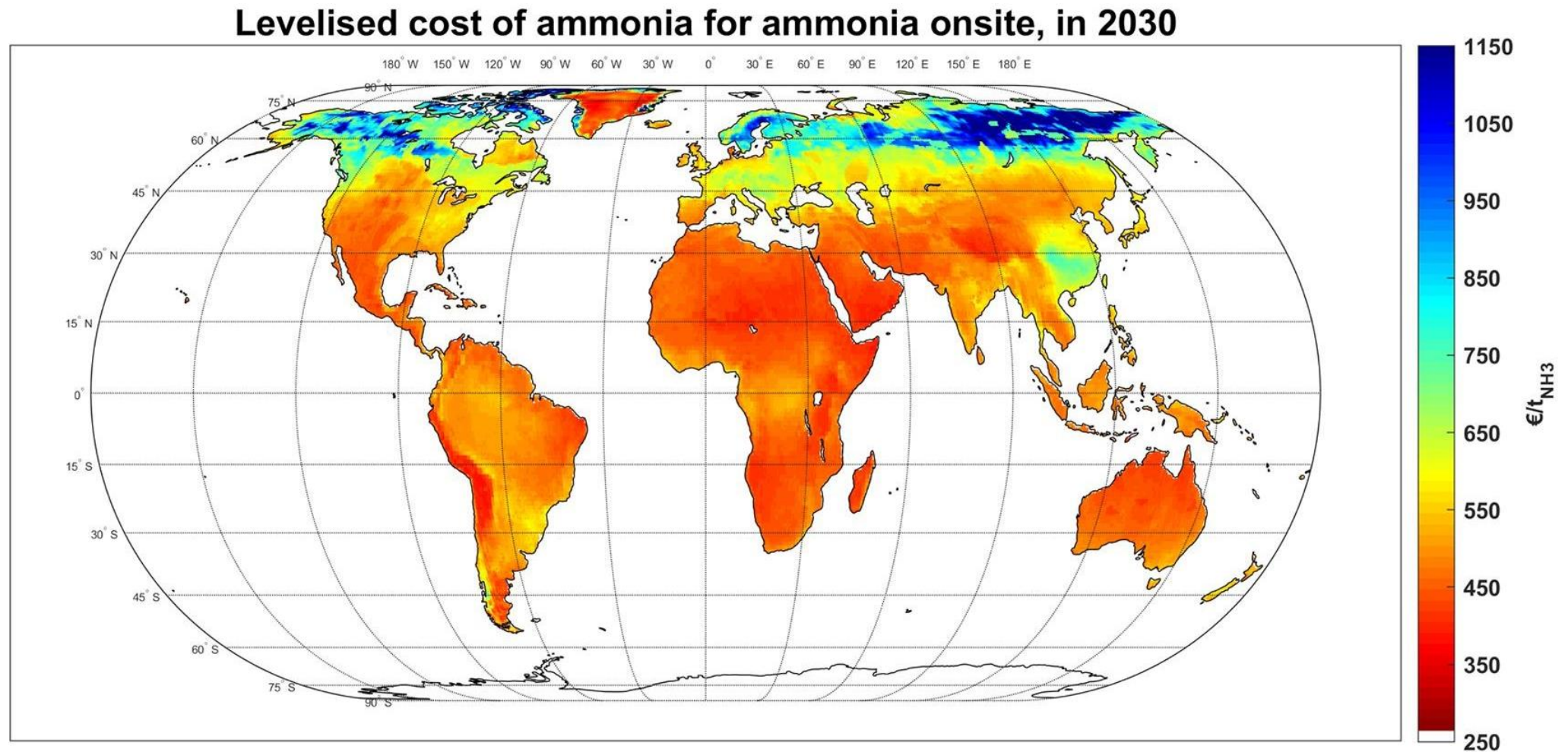
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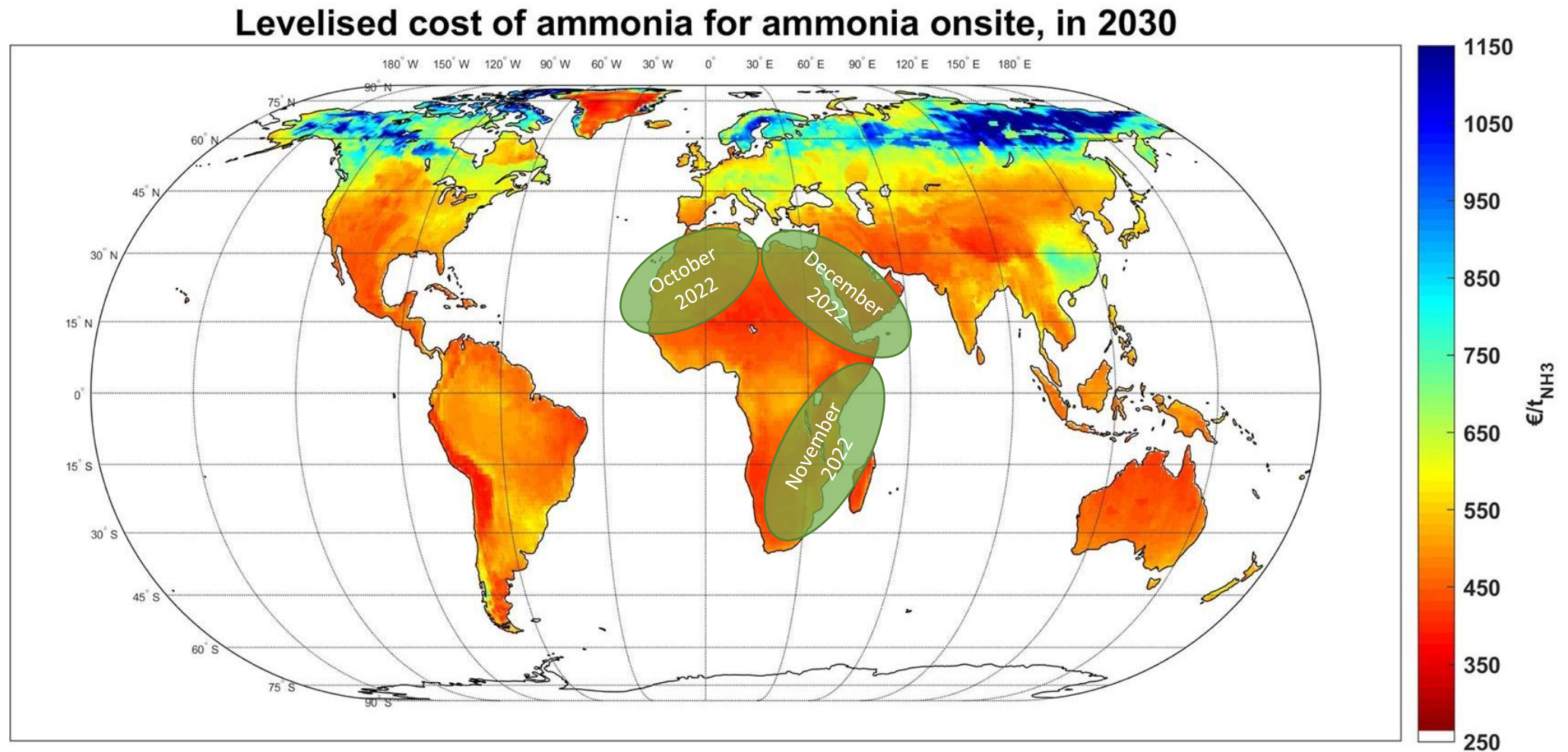
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## Ammonia opportunities in Egypt



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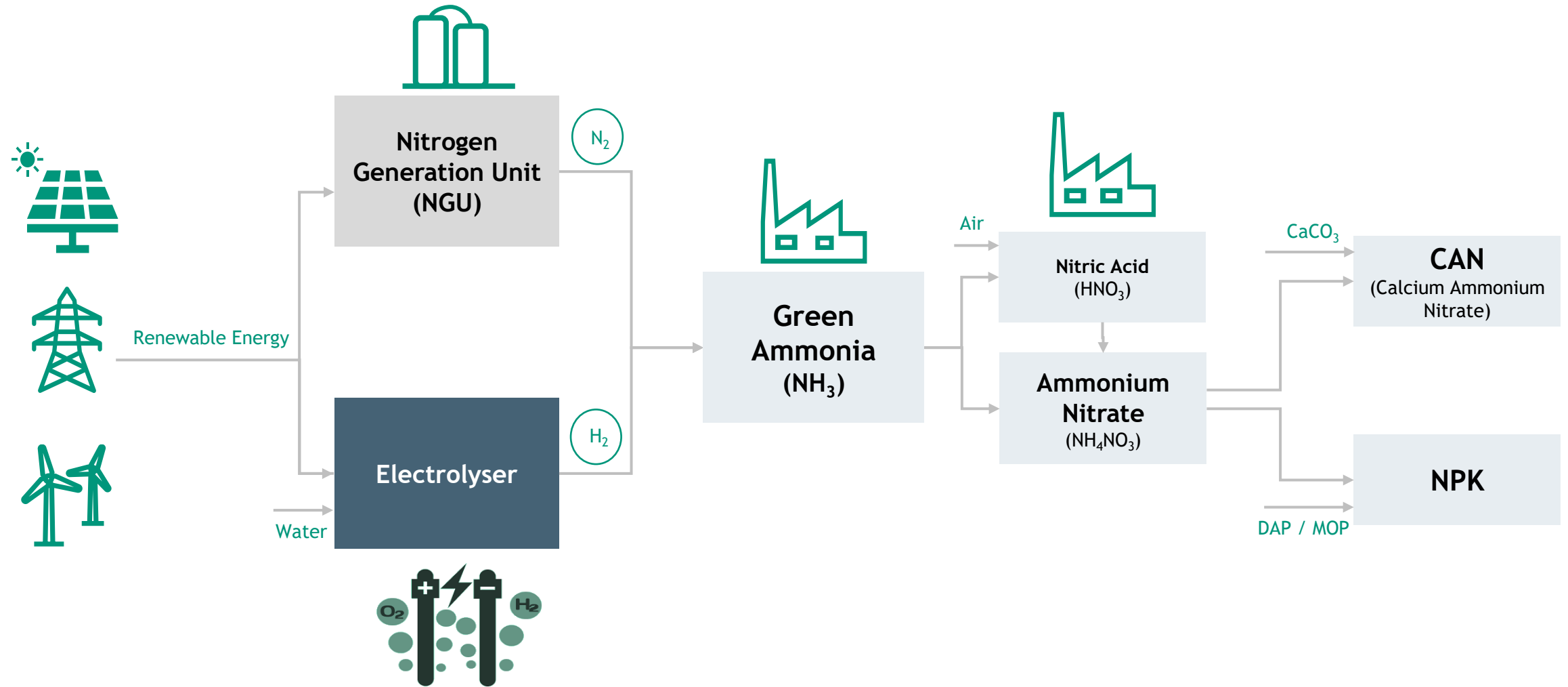
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# Renewable fertilizers for Sub-Saharan Africa

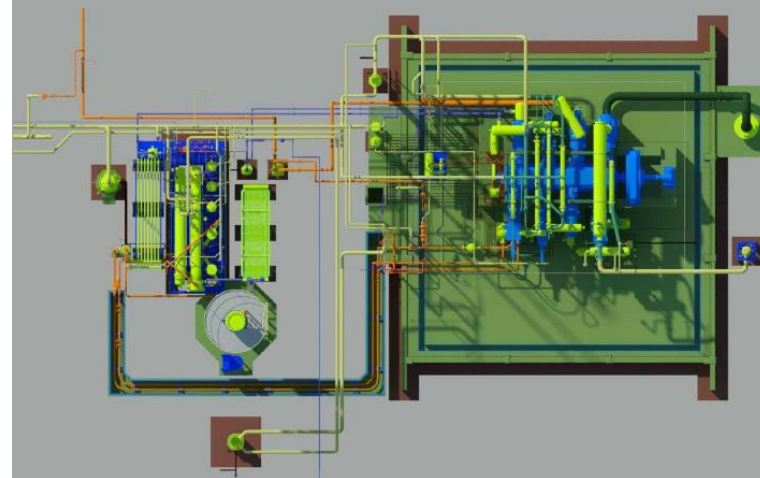
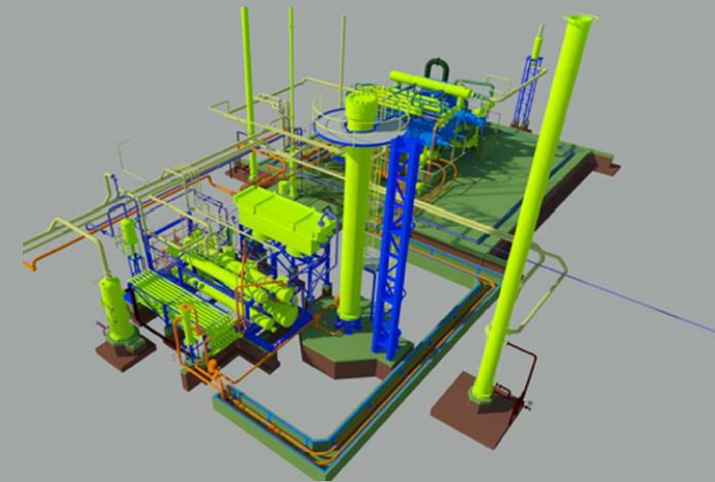


# SUSTAINABLE NITROGEN FERTILIZER - THE PROCESS





- **Stamicarbon Green Ammonia technology key features:**
  - Design optimized for **low CAPEX** expenditure
  - Strong reference base in small-scale plants with **4 plants in operation**
  - Full modularization
  - High reliability, thanks to a multi-service reciprocating compressor
  - Dedicated operator training simulator available
  - Access to digital solutions, such as a process monitoring tool and OTS



# PROJECT INTRODUCTION GREEN FERTILIZER KENYA

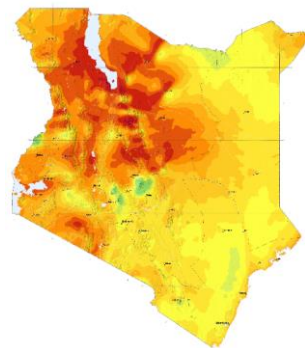
- Green Fertilizer plant for the production of 200,000 tons of the most **locally** consumed fertilizers: **CAN-26** and **NPK 26-5-5**.
- The production will be based on renewable electricity and water as feedstock
- Strong consortium with partners over the value chain

## Value chain approach

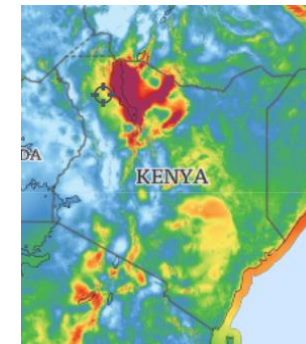


- Electricity grid is for 90% renewable in Kenya
- Kenya has an overcapacity of electricity (~500 MW installed capacity)

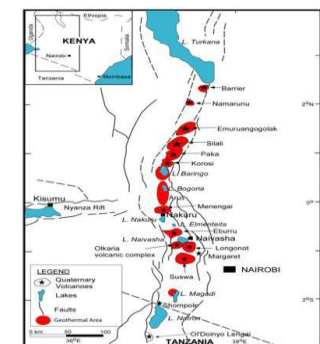
### Solar



### Wind



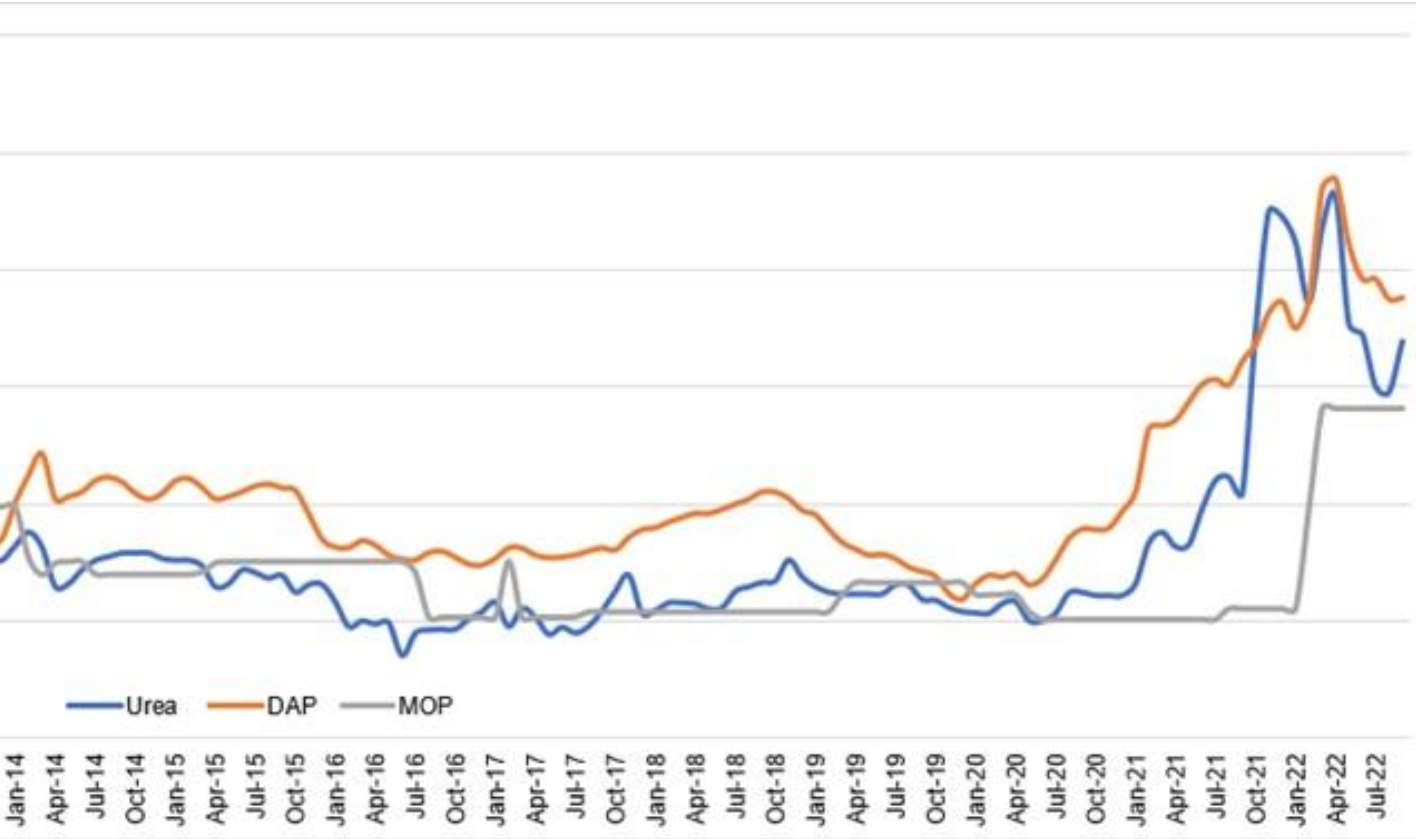
### Geothermal







# MAIN PROJECT DELIVERABLES



Food Security



Import substitution



Affordable fertilizer

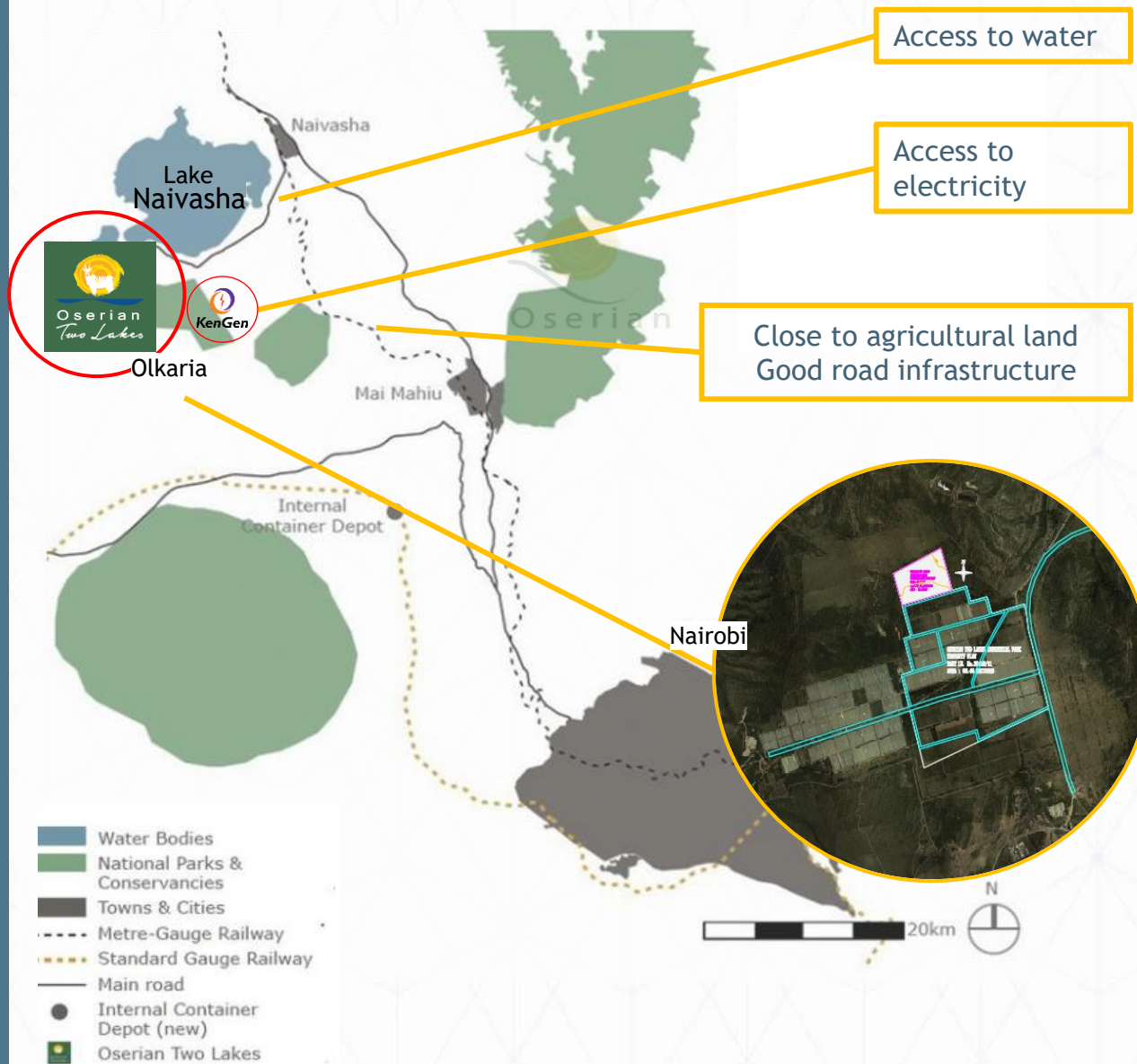


Sustainable process



Export potential

# LOCATION - OSERIAN INDUSTRIAL PARK



- Privately owned Industrial Park operated by Oserian Development Company
- The Industrial Park has the structure required for the project such as water access, grid connection and main infrastructure (roads etc.).

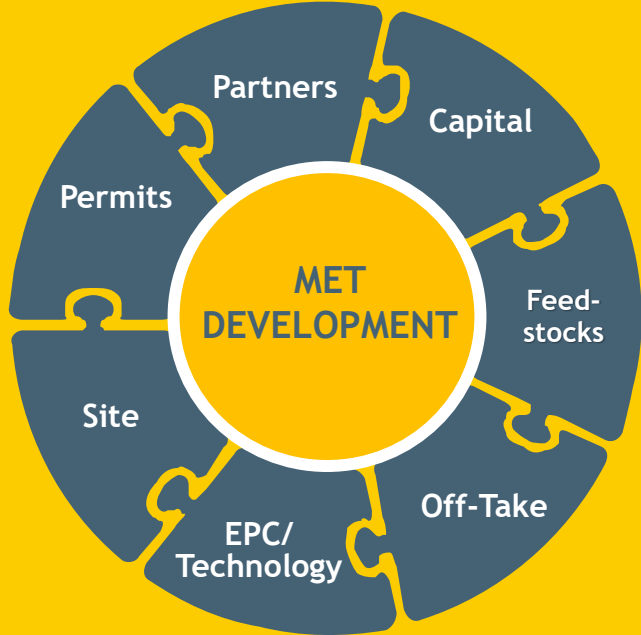
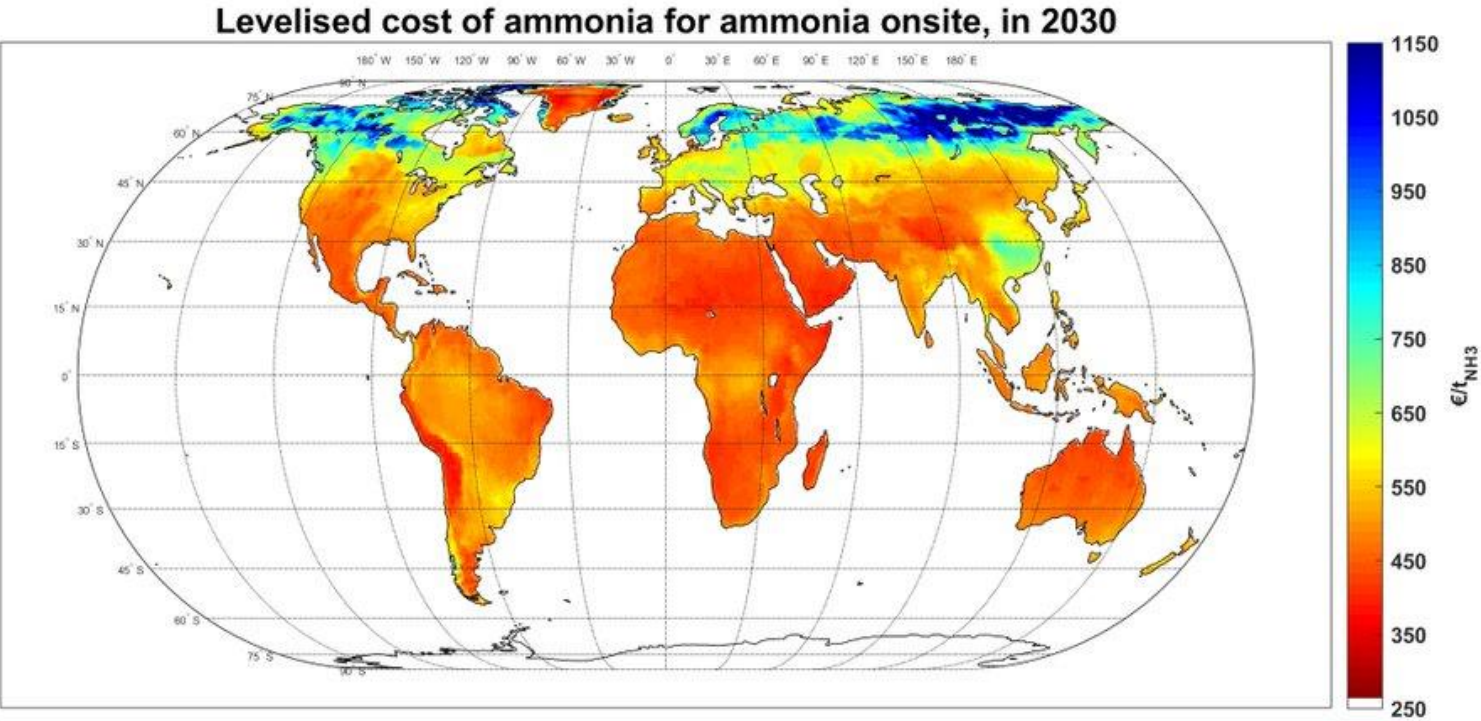






# GREEN FERTILIZER, A PROMISING FUTURE FOR AFRICA

How we support our partners



- Attract sponsors & partners
- Coordinate capital funding & debt financing
- Secure long-term feedstock & off-take
- Access to best-in-class technologies and EPC capabilities
- Identify locations for the project
- Support in permit applications

Source:M. Fasihi, R. Weiss, J. Savolainen, C. Breyer, Global potential of green ammonia based on hybrid PV-wind power plants (2021)



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### Responsible areas:

- Power-to-ammonia
- Power-to-fertilizer







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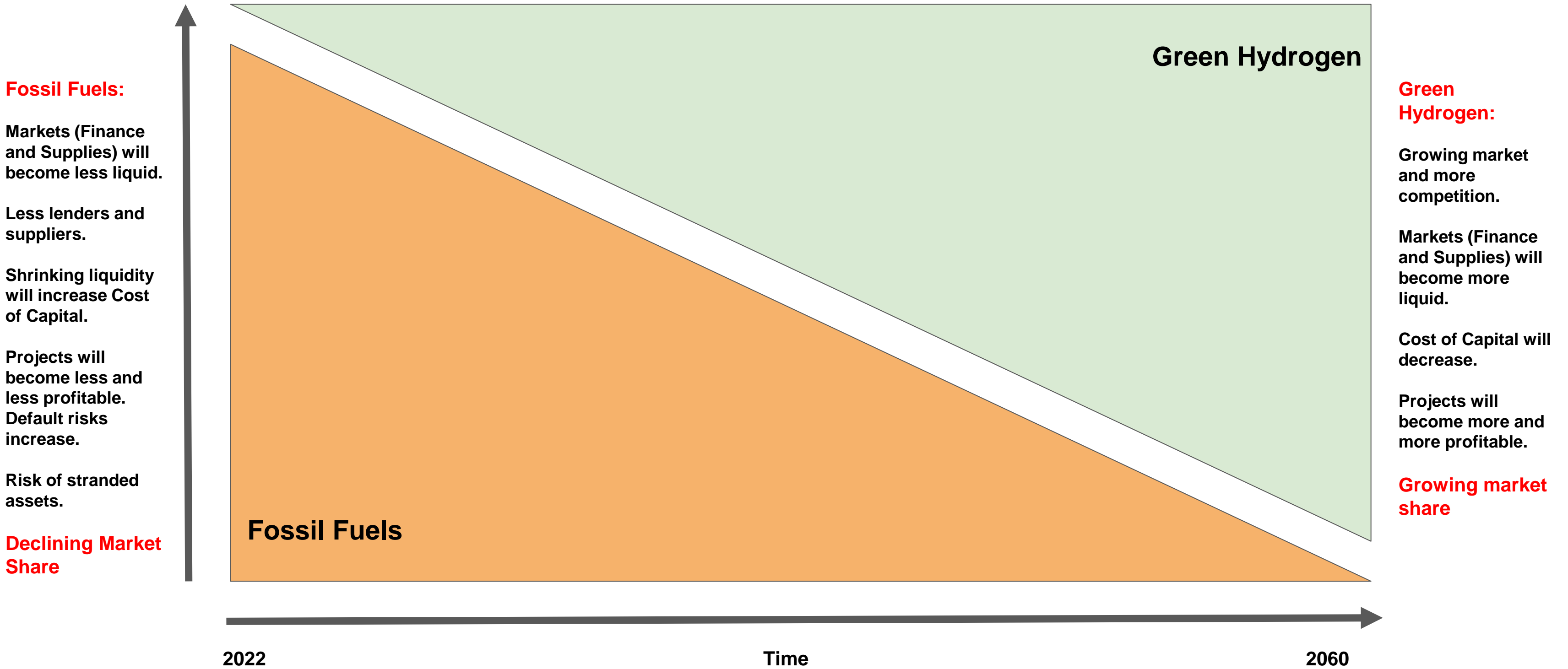
# Renewable ammonia projects in Sub-Saharan Africa

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# Fossil Fuels, Green Hydrogen - Energy Transition





## Green Hydrogen and Green Ammonia

Green hydrogen is hydrogen produced by electrolysis whereby water is split into hydrogen and oxygen through the application of electrical energy from renewable energy sources, such as wind or solar. Green Hydrogen is the only universally applicable clean, sustainable and renewable energy carrier. Green hydrogen and its derivatives (e.g. **green ammonia** or synthetic hydrocarbons) can facilitate the management of the intermittent character of renewable energy sources by virtue of hydrogen's superior ability to store large amounts of energy, and to efficiently use this energy by coupling or connecting the power sector to the residential/commercial, transport and industry sectors.

Green Ammonia is produced by combining green hydrogen and nitrogen extracted from the air. It's a clean, green, sustainable and carbon-free process which can be safely transported using pipelines, tankers or other means of transport.

### Process Flow

- Renewable Electricity
- Nitrogen Gas
- Hydrogen Gas
- Green Ammonia

### Renewable Electricity Sources

1. Geothermal Energy
2. Hydropower Energy
3. Wind Energy
4. Solar Energy

### Gas Production

5. Air separation unit for Nitrogen gas production
6. Water electrolysis for Hydrogen gas production

### Green Ammonia Production

7. Green Ammonia produced from Nitrogen and Hydrogen

### Green Ammonia: Applications, Usage

8. Fertilizer for farms
9. Feedstock for many industrial processes, including the production of green fertilisers
10. Fuel for independent power supply of residential buildings
11. Fuel for independent power supply of commercial buildings
12. Shipping fuel
13. Energy to be exported to other regions

### Green Hydrogen: Applications, Usage

14. Hydrogen trucks, buses, cars and many other applications

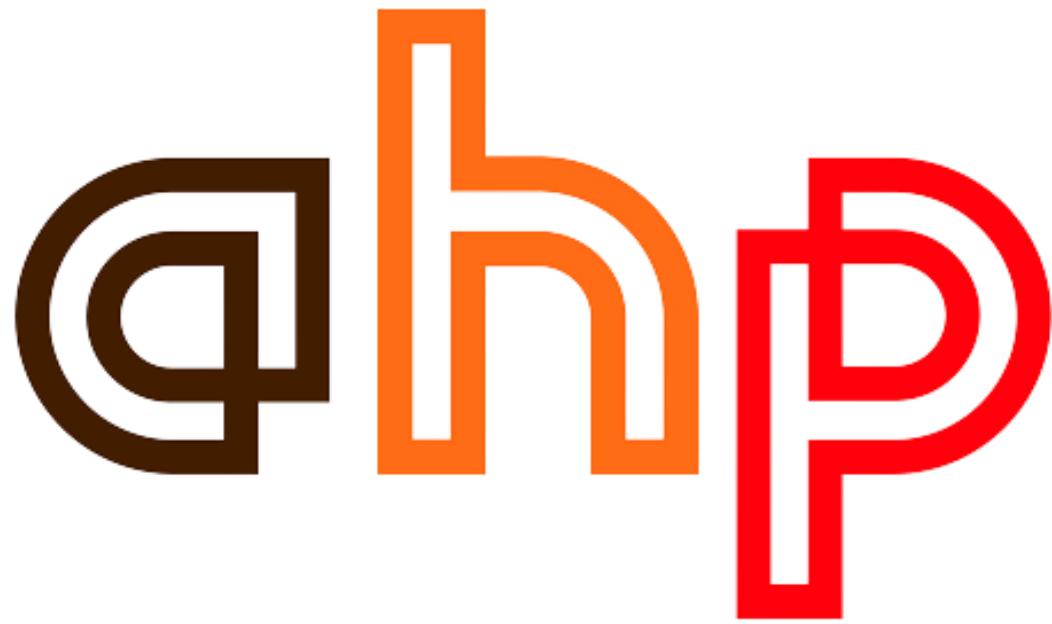
## Hydrogen Ecosystem

- **Baseload Renewable Power using Hydrogen**
- **Green Fertilizer Production**
- **Grid Independent Power Supply**
- **Waste-to-(Hydrogen)Power**
- **Maritime Sector, Shipping Fuel**
- **Mining, Land Transport, Industry**





# The African Hydrogen Partnership (AHP)



- The only the **only continent-wide African umbrella association** dedicated to the development of **green and natural (native) hydrogen**, hydrogen based chemicals, fuel cell technology and related business opportunities in Africa; The AHP represents the **whole African continent and all African nations**.
- Promotes **fair business practice** and provides the necessary support to facilitate the establishment of African hydrogen value chains; Supports and strives to achieve the **climate targets of the Paris Agreement** as well as the **UN Sustainable Development Goals**.

# Thank you

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# Sable's Legacy on Green Ammonia

Presentation on Green Hydrogen (and Ammonia)



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# LOCATION OF SABLE



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# Sable Chemicals @ A Glance

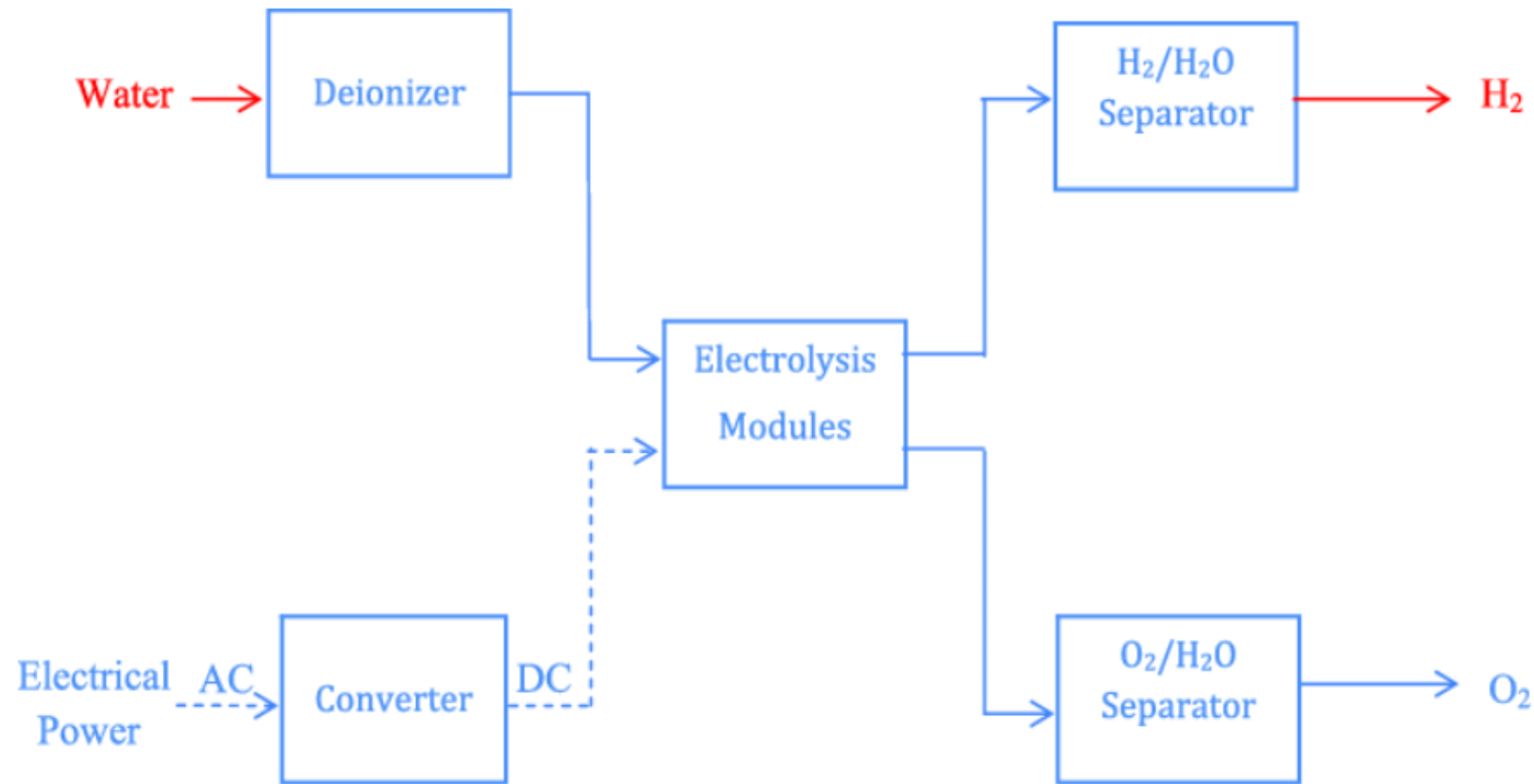


- Sole Ammonium Nitrate (AN) manufacturer in Zimbabwe
- Started operations in 1969 based on 100% imported ammonia
- Added Ammonia making section in 1972, including Electrolysis
- Required 115 MW of power at full capacity
- Based on hydro power from Kariba - "Green" ammonia till 2015
- Sable plant was the largest of 10 in the world = (70% of  $\text{NH}_3$  requirements)
- Full capacity – 240 000 tonnes of Ammonium Nitrate (AN) annually.
- Employed 480 people



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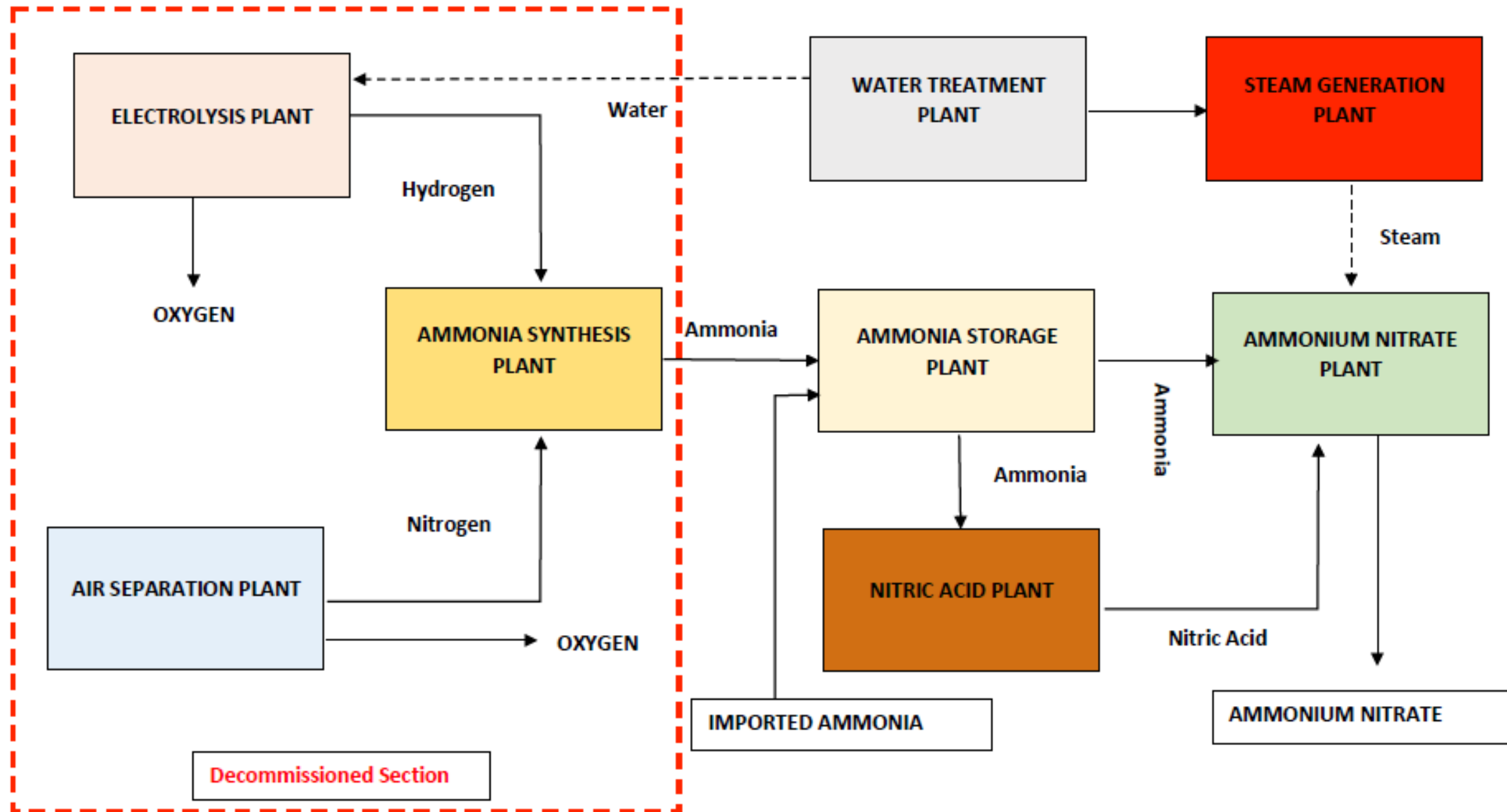
# TYPICAL ELECTROLYSIS PROCESS



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# Sable "Green" Process Flow: 1972~2015



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# CHALLENGES WITH THE MODEL



Cost of Power

Availability of power

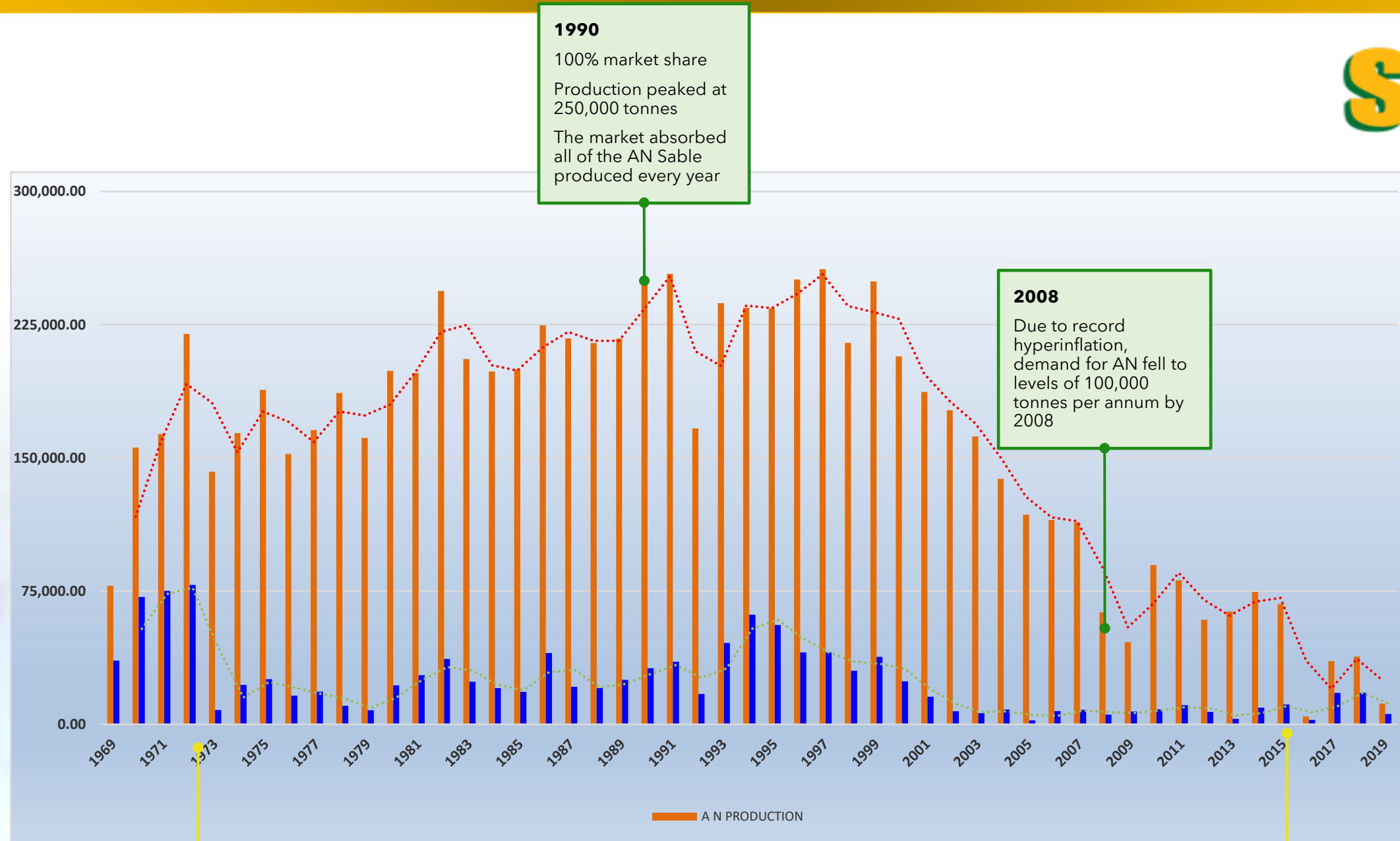
Energy Intensive Technology,  $>12.5\text{MWh/mt (NH}_3\text{)}$



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# PRODUCTION FACTSHEET



**1990**

100% market share  
Production peaked at 250,000 tonnes  
The market absorbed all of the AN Sable produced every year

**2008**

Due to record hyperinflation, demand for AN fell to levels of 100,000 tonnes per annum by 2008

**1972**

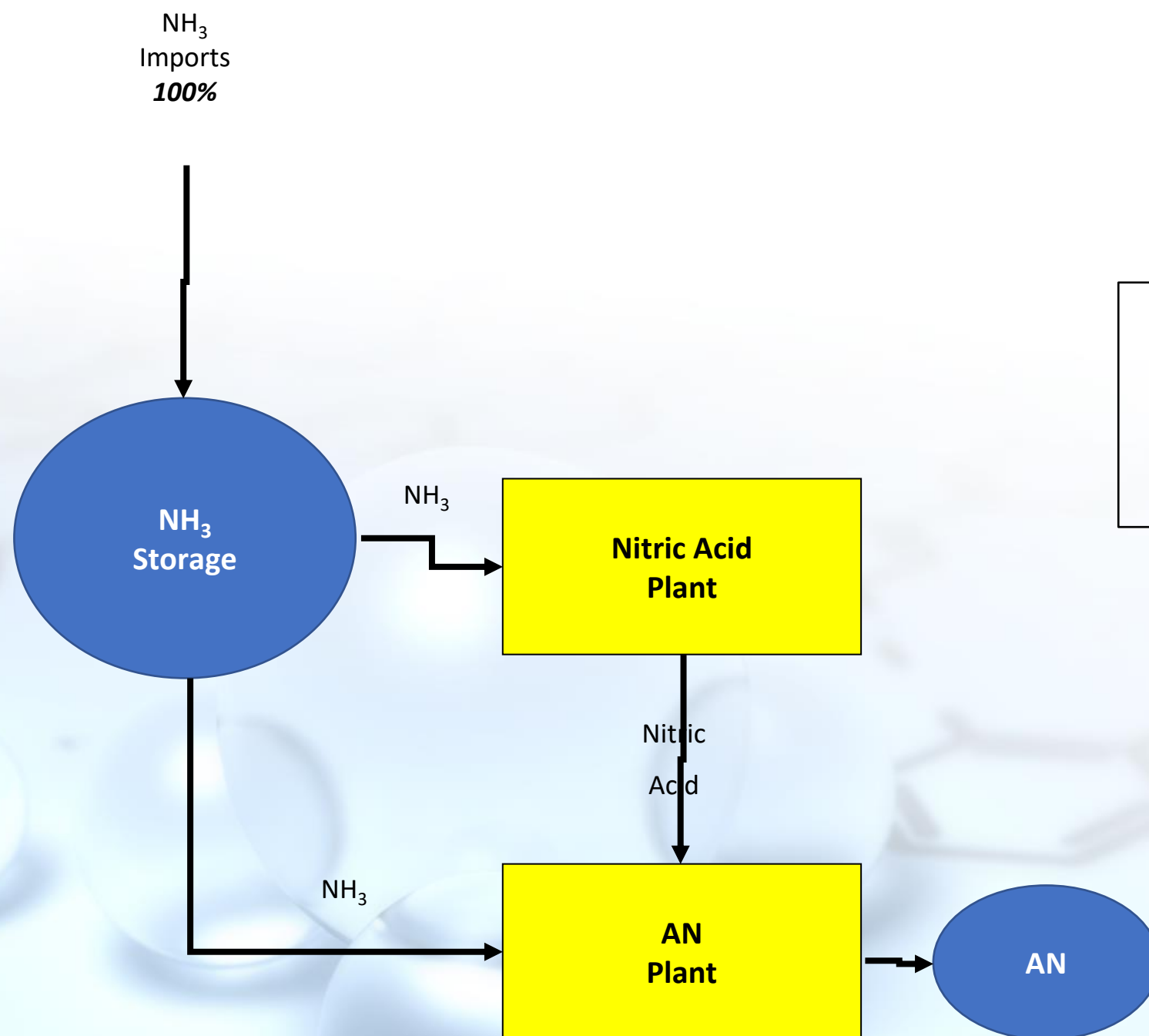
Phase 2: Ammonia Gas Manufacturing Section commissioned  
Production based 100% on electrolysis

**2015**

Ammonia Gas Manufacturing Section decommissioned  
Revert back to 100% importation of anhydrous ammonia

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# Current Sable Process Flow

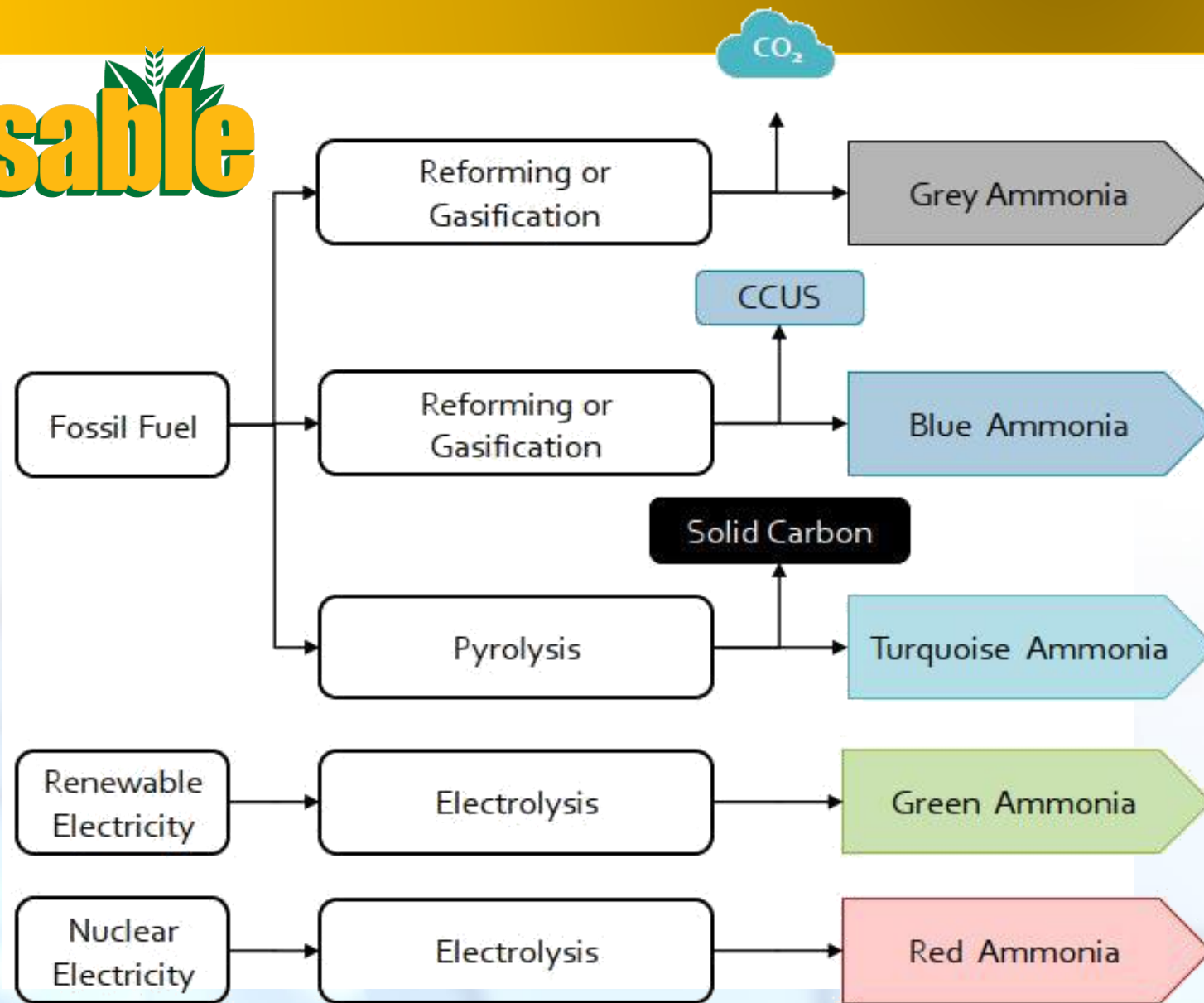


Post decommissioning of ammonia making plants in 2015, Total Power Requirement: 10MW

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# TYPES OF AMMONIA BY SOURCE

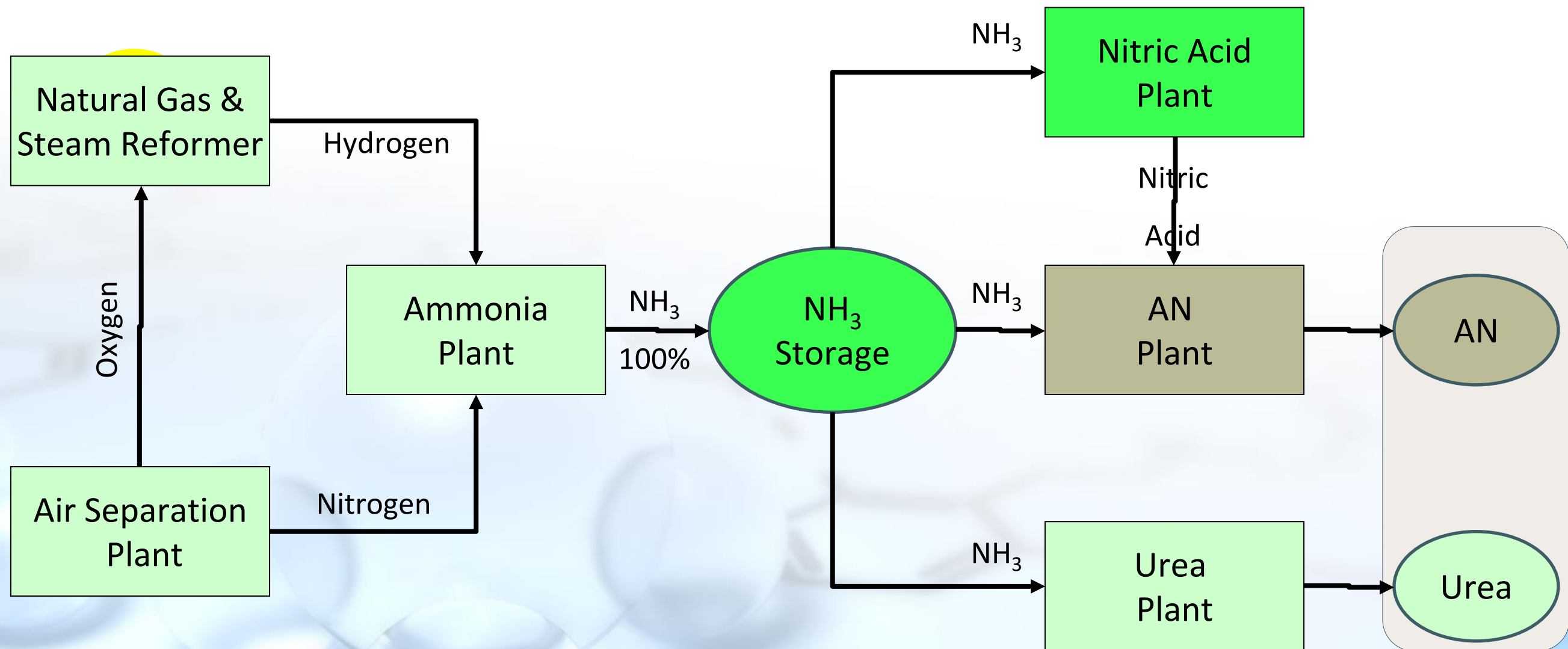


- **Sable** commissioned its **green ammonia hydrogen plant based on Alkaline Water Electrolysis (AWE)** and hydropower from Kariba dam in 1972
- **Sable** ammonia section unfortunately decommissioned in 2015 **on account of increasing power tariffs and shortage of electricity**
- Sable ammonia was one among about 10 same technology (LURGI) plants of which **top 3 were the Sable one, the Peru one and one in Aswan, Egypt**, with most decommissioned due to lack of competitiveness against natural gas based plants in face of rising power tariffs



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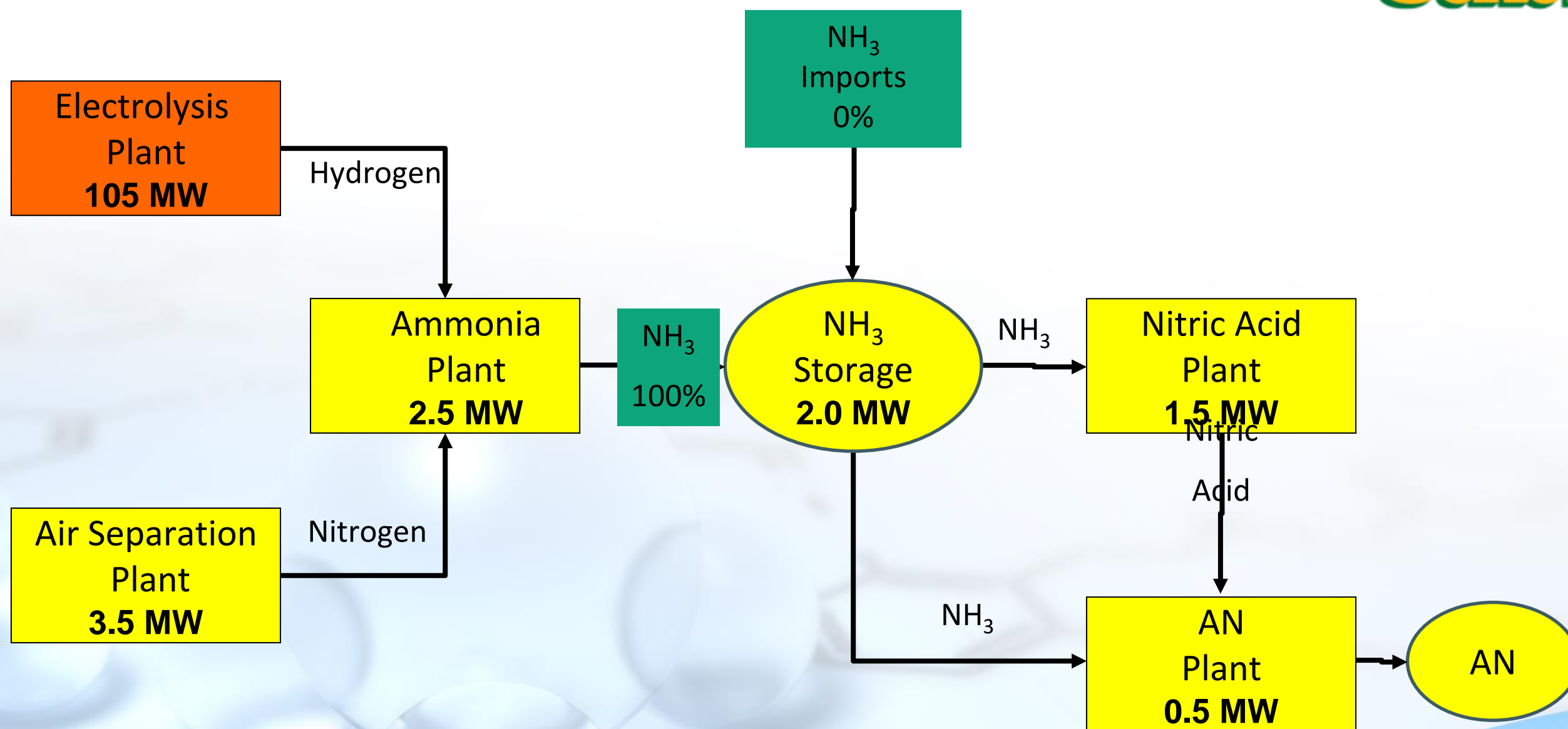
# Process Flow – “Grey”



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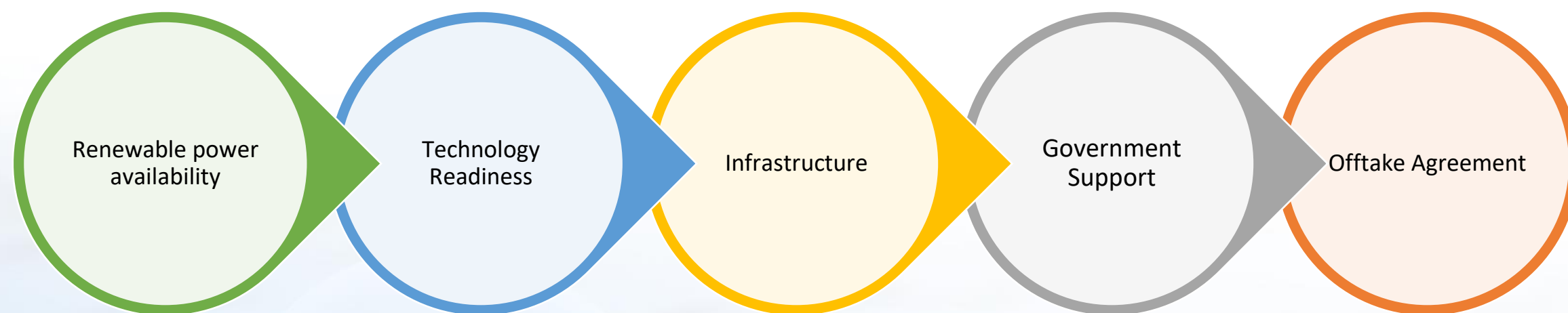


# Resuscitated Sable “Green” Process Flow



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# PROJECTED PATHWAY



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# SABLE GREEN ASSETS



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# WAY FORWARD FOR SABLE



	Sable Solar Energy
Production Type/ Capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 400MW Solar Park</li><li>• 50MW Phased development</li></ul>
Key Markets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sable “Green” ammonia plant</li><li>• Zimbabwe (ZETDC)</li><li>• Mining firms around Kwekwe</li></ul>
Feedstock	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• N/A</li></ul>
Key Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The good road and rail access for development requirements</li><li>• Cost efficient evacuation as the ZETDC Sherwood Sub-station is within 5km</li><li>• High irradiation</li></ul>
Key Developments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Power generation license issued</li></ul>



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# PROJECTED PATHWAY



Sable Chemicals looks into current and future green ammonia and hydrogen economy with keen interest as it has the potential to reshape the organization and the nation at large in as far as Nitrogenous fertilisers are concerned.

In Sable's case, we already have the Ammonia Synthesis and ASU plants- what is required in a Renewable Energy Source and a New Generation Electrolysis plant

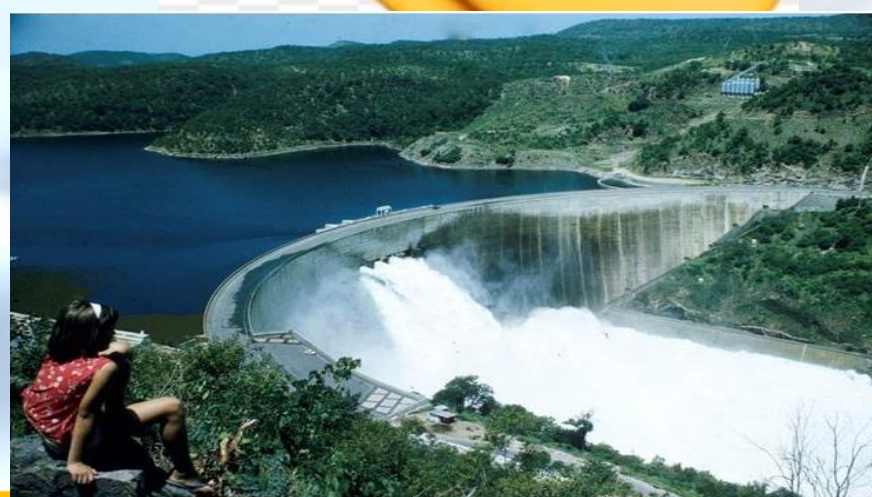
Going this direction is critical to remove the temptation to implement a fossil fuel based solution for Sable that would lead to Carbon lock-up for next couple of decades

Project currently at Pre-Feasibility study stage where we may need assistance in completing same prior to launching full feasibility study



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# Thank You



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