Interoffice Correspondence

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Memorandum to: Team 6 – Group Members

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Subject: Assignment of ICE Design Topic Spring 2006

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Dear Team 6 – Group Members:

One of the challenges in reducing emissions from electricity generation is to remove the CO_2 from the flue gas. Most of the existing power plants in the US and for that matter around the world do not have any CO_2 capture technologies installed. Your task is to assess chemical looping as a way to lower CO_2 emissions and in particular to see if it could be used to retrofit existing coal fired power plants. You assignment for this next week is to develop a suitable option and develop a plan of attack.

You are not to discuss with your class mates either the technology you have been asked to evaluate or your findings as you progress with your designs. A separate handout describes the structure of the final report.