

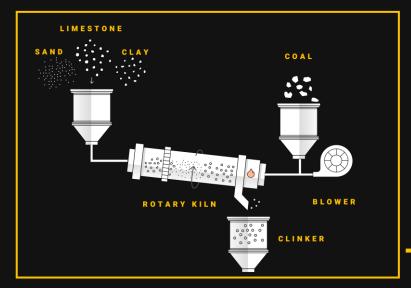
## Sublime Systems

**Electrochemically-Activated Silicates** 

ACI Spring 2025 – Emerging Technologies in Pozzolan



## Sublime Systems eliminates fossil and limestone CO2 emissions while making the same hardened concrete



### **OPC Process**

Coal + limestone = CO<sub>2</sub> 1 tonne OPC = ~1 tonne CO<sub>2</sub>

### **Downstream process**



Drop-in replacement

# MATERIALS LIME SILICA ELECTROLYTIC REACTOR

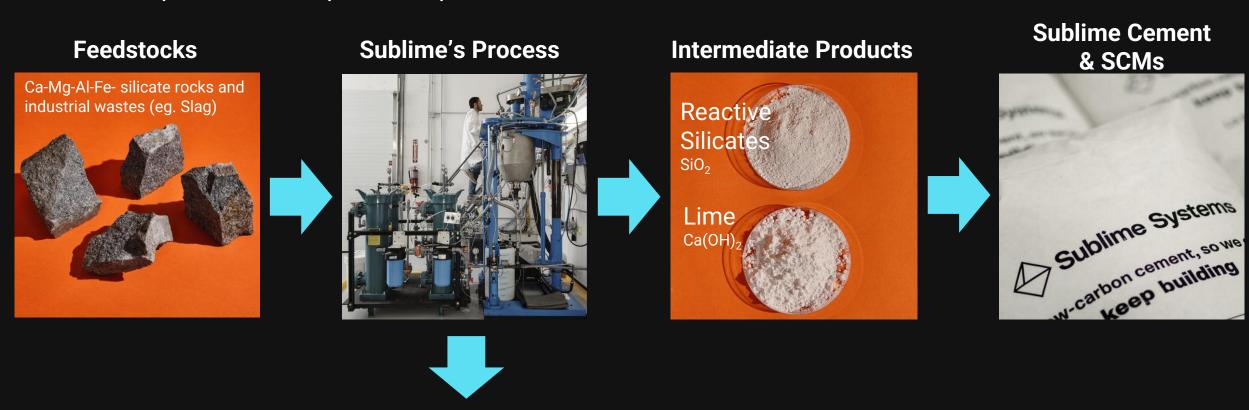
## **Sublime Systems**

Electricity + non-carbonate rocks = CO<sub>2</sub> avoided



## **Sublime Process Overview**

Sublime's process dissolves rocks into constituent minerals, so that we can assemble the ideal cement composition from pure components.



High-value co-products
Iron oxide pigments
Aluminum oxide
Mg(OH)<sub>2</sub>

## We've worked *hard and fast* to set up for scale

## We are here

	2020	2023	2027	2030	
Capacity	R&D Lab 1g Proof of concept	Pilot 250t/y Precursor to FOAK	1 <sup>st</sup> Commercial <b>22kt/y</b> <i>Holyoke, MA</i>	MegaPlant 1Mt/y Full-scale	
Technology Readiness Level (TRL)	TRL 4	TRL 6  ✓ 1000+ hours of operations ✓ ASTM C1157 achieved ✓ Preliminary EPD	TRL 7  ✓ Lease activated  ✓ DD complete  ✓ State & local incentives obtained	TRL 8-9  ✓ Siting underway ✓ Early diligence complete on top pick	
Objective	Proof of Concept	Product / Process Validation	Build Full-Scale Production Customer Pipeline	Full Scale Deployment	



## **How We Develop and Validate New Products**

Sublime uses an iterative methodology: pilot production, test, validate, test with industry partners and incorporate feedback to continually improve our products

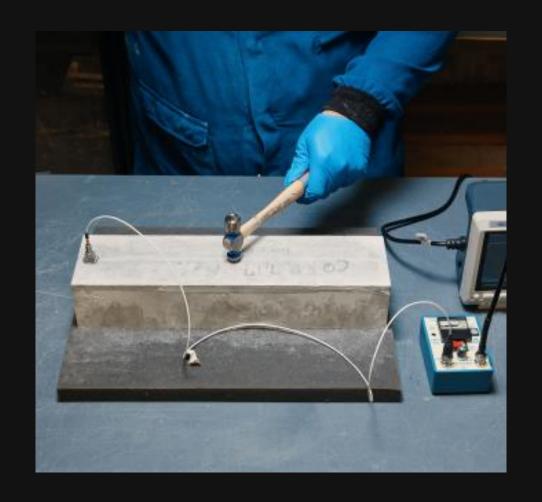
	Internal			External			
Phase	Process R&D	Calorimetry & Mortar Testing	Concrete Testing	Certified 3rd Party	Ready-Mix Lab Testing	Truck Trials & Mockups	Field Pours
Attributes Evaluated	<ul><li>Particle size distribution</li><li>Morphology</li></ul>	<ul><li>Reactivity</li><li>Workability</li><li>Water Demand</li></ul>	<ul><li>Workability</li><li>Durability</li><li>Compatibility</li></ul>	- ASTM Compliance - SDS - LCA Analysis	<ul> <li>Trial Batching</li> <li>Fresh &amp;         Hardened         properties</li> <li>Admixture         Compatibility</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Plant         Validation</li> <li>Finishability</li> <li>Impact of         larger         volume         batching</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Pumpability</li><li>Finishability</li><li>Environmental Impacts</li></ul>

#### SEQUENCE

## Sublime Cement™ shows **superior durability** to portland cement

When benchmarked against OPC, Sublime Cement outperforms in most key durability categories\*

Property	Rating vs OPC		
Alkali-Silica Reaction	Much Better		
Chloride Permeability	Much Better		
Electrical Surface Resistivity	Much Better		
Drying Shrinkage	Better		
Sulfate Attack	Better		
Scaling Resistance	Comparable		
Freeze-Thaw Resistance	Comparable		



## Sublime Cement: Validated by 3rd-Parties

#### ASTM C1157 compliance

October 12, 2023



Subj.: Interim Report on Sublime Cement V1.0 Physical Testing

Dear Ms. Buzzell

Attached are the referenced test results. You submitted a sample of "Sublime Cement V1.0" which arrived at AET on April 7, 2023.

At your request, the sample was tested in accordance with the referenced test methods of ASTM C1157/C1157M-23, "Standard Performance Specification for Cement". We understand this material is a proprietary formulation. However, test results obtained to date indicate that the material meets the performance requirements for Type GU, HS and MS cements, given in Table 1 of ASTM C1157/C1157M-23. Sulfate expansion testing is still in progress.

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For further information, please contact me at the number listed below.

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An AASHTO Accredited Laboratory – Aggregates, Cement & Concrete Report Prepared by: Report Reviewed by:

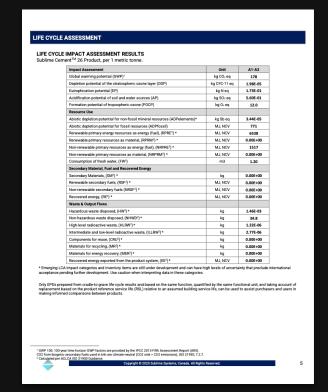
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**Environmental LCA** 



#### Safety Data Sheet



## **Field Deployment Progress Thus Far...**

Mud Slab



**Lobby Topping Slab** 



Sidewalk



**External SOG** 



Date: 1/19/24

Location: Boston

Conditions: 28°F /

windy

Volume: 6 yds

Pumped ~250 ft

conditions

Set in cold weather

Highlights:

Date: 4/22/24

Location: Boston Conditions: Interior

Volume: 12 yds

Date: 7/03/24

Location: Boston

Conditions: 80°F,

humid

Volume: 7 yds

Highlights:

- Eggshell finished and polished
- Batch-to-batch variability negligible (2x6 yard loads)

Highlights:

- Entrained air
- Place & finish completed in typical 4-hour window

Date: 12/20/24

Location: VA Beach

Conditions: 40°F /

windy

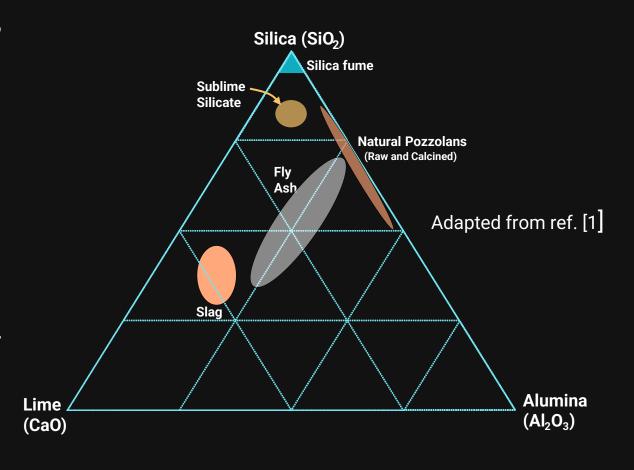
Volume: 7 yds

Highlights:

- Entrained air
- Broom finish/sawcut

## Sublime's Electrochemically-Activated Silicates

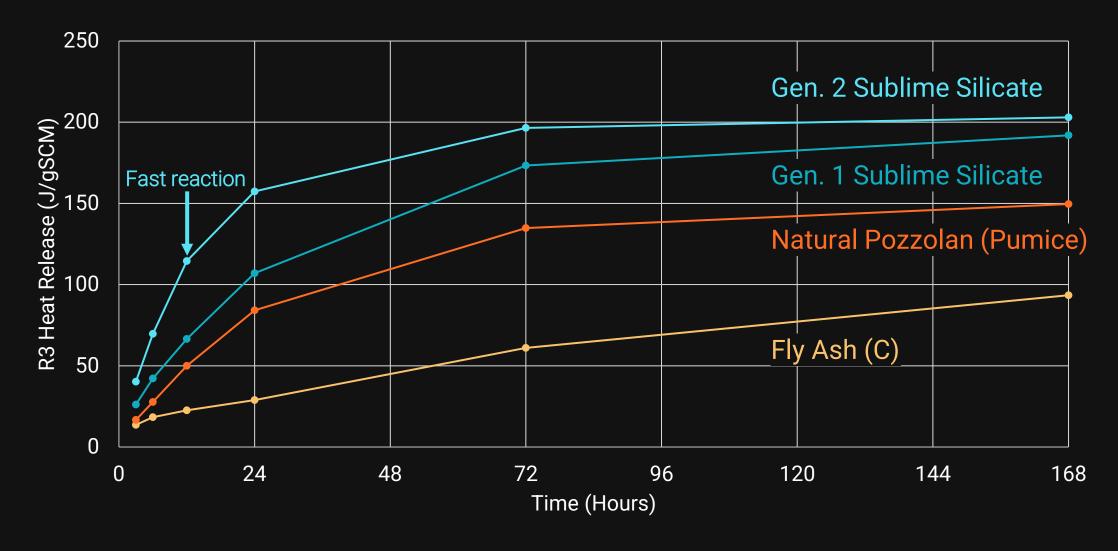
- Engineered for enhanced durability, strength, and reactivity
- Meets or exceeds the durability of fly ash:
  - Mitigates ASR
  - Reduces permeability
  - Improves sulfate resistance
- Provides predictable and repeatable results
- Light and consistent color that are ideal for cosmetic applications



<sup>1.</sup> Suraneni, P.; Hajibabaee, A.; Ramanathan, S.; Wang, Y.; Weiss, J. New Insights from Reactivity Testing of Supplementary Cementitious Materials. *Cement and Concrete Composites* **2019**, *103*, 331–338. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cemconcomp.2019.05.017">https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cemconcomp.2019.05.017</a>.

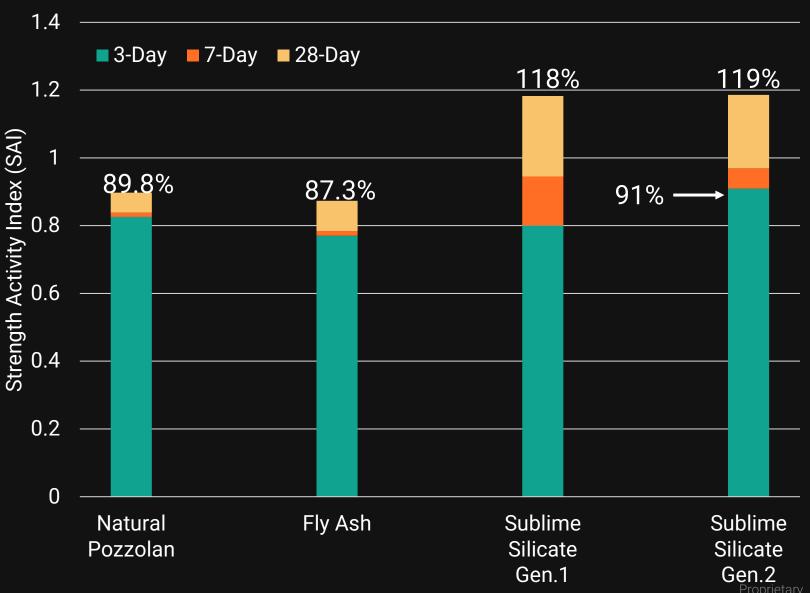


# Sublime Silicates have faster initial heat release than other pozzolans in R3 isothermal calorimetry testing



## Our silicates outperform other pozzolans in ASTM C618 SAI testing

- Sublime Silicates maintain set times, reach strength faster, and obtain 28-day strengths in excess of other pozzolans
- No retardation of set times allows for high-replacement in binary and ternary mixes.
- At 20% replacement, 3-day strengths of >90% are possible with Sublime Silicates.







## Sublime Systems

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# Keep building