Supplementary information for

Tuning CO₂ reaction enthalpy *via* metal complexes for advanced amine technology

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| MEA-CO ₂ -H ₂ O reaction ^a | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|--|-------------------|--------|------------|--|--|--|
| No. | Reactions | $lnK = A + \frac{B}{T} + ClnT + DT$ Equilibrium Constant | | | | | | |
| | | Α | В | С | D | | | |
| R1 | | 170.7 | -8477.7 | 21.9 | 0.005781 | | | |
| R2 | $\leftrightarrow H^+ + HCO_3^-$ | 231.46 | -12092.1 | -36.8 | 0 | | | |
| R3 | $HCO_{3}^{-} \leftrightarrow H^{+} + CO_{3}^{2-}$ | 216.0 | -12431.7 | -35.5 | 0 | | | |
| R4 | $MEA + H^+ \leftrightarrow MEAH^+$ | 1974.4 | -7.5 | 56.0 | 0 | | | |
| R5 | $MEACOO^- + H_2O \leftrightarrow MEA + HCO_3^-$ | 47.7 | -1.67 | -13.07 | 0.0651 | | | |
| | Ni-I | MEA complexa | tion ^b | | | | | |
| | Reactions | Equilibrium Constant lgK | | | ΔH, kJ/mol | | | |
| R6 | $Ni^{2+} + MEA \leftrightarrow Ni(MEA)^{2+}$ | 3.12 | | | -14 | | | |
| R7 | $Ni^{2+} + 2MEA \leftrightarrow Ni(MEA)^{2+}_{2}$ | 5.60 | | | -30 | | | |
| R8 | $Ni^{2+} + 3MEA \leftrightarrow Ni(MEA)^{2+}_{3}$ | 7.30 | | | -41 | | | |

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Note: ^a Equilibrium constants are from Kim et al²²; ^b stability constants and enthalpies are from NIST Data Gateway²³.

Table S2 CO₂ loading performance in CO₂ absorption-desorption experiments in 2M MEA solution

| | CO ₂ loading | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--|
| Ni(II) concentration | Ni/MEA=0 | Ni/MEA=0.05 | Ni/MEA=0.10 | Ni/MEA=0.15 | |
| CO ₂ absorption at 25 °C | 0.53 | 0.51 | 0.46 | 0.41 | |
| CO ₂ desorption at 40 °C | 0.47 | 0.47 | 0.36 | 0.30 | |
| CO ₂ desorption at 60 °C | 0.33 | 0.32 | 0.25 | 0.21 | |
| CO ₂ desorption at 80 °C | 0.26 | 0.22 | 0.20 | 0.15 | |
| Cyclic loading between 25°C and 40 °C | 0.06 | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.16 | |
| Cyclic loading between 25°C and 60 °C | 0.20 | 0.19 | 0.21 | 0.20 | |
| Cyclic loading between 25°C and 80 °C | 0.27 | 0.29 | 0.26 | 0.26 | |



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