Synthesis gas is produced by gasifying a carbonaceous fuel. The raw gas is cooled in a regenerator and processed and part of the gas is recycled to the gasifier after reheating in the regenerator. The processing operation comprises cooling the gas in

carbonaceous fuel in system with regenerator and gas processing

and recycle facilities

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Prodn. of synthesis gas with high methane content - by gasifying EMBODIMENT

The gasifier (1) is supplied with coal dust, O2, steam and recycle gas. The raw synthesis gas is cooled from 800 to 578°C in the cooling side of the regenerator (3) and then cooled to 60°C in the heat exchanger (4) and condenser (5). The CH4 and CO2 removed in the scrubber (6) are purged from the system and used for other purposes. The scrubbed gas is compressed (7), heated to 466°C in the heat exchanger (4), heated to 900°C in a heater (8) fired with CH, from the scrubber, and used for direct redn. of Fe ore in a redn. reactor (9). The steam from the heater is used to drive a turbine (10) and then recycled via the regenerator to the gasifier. The turbine supplies the electricity requirements of the process, including that for fractionation of air (11) to produce O, for the gasifier. The partially oxidised gas from the redn. reactor (9) is heated to 750°C in the regenerator and recycled to the gasifier.

a heat exchanger and then in a condenser, scrubbing the gas to remove CH, and CO,, and reheating the gas in the heat exchanger and then in a heater, which also serves to generate steam. At least part of the steam is recycled to the gasifier. USE/ADVANTAGE (14pp367RKMHDwgNo1/1). The process operates with low energy consumption and (G)ISR: No Search Report.

without a shift conversion step (cf. DE3223702), producing synthesis gas with a high CH4 content, esp. suitable for direct redn. of ores.

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