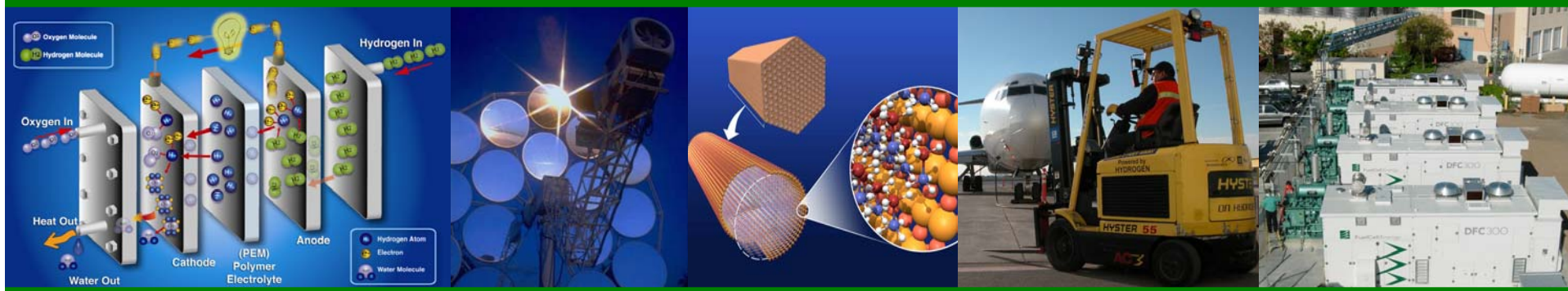




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Overview of Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Activities

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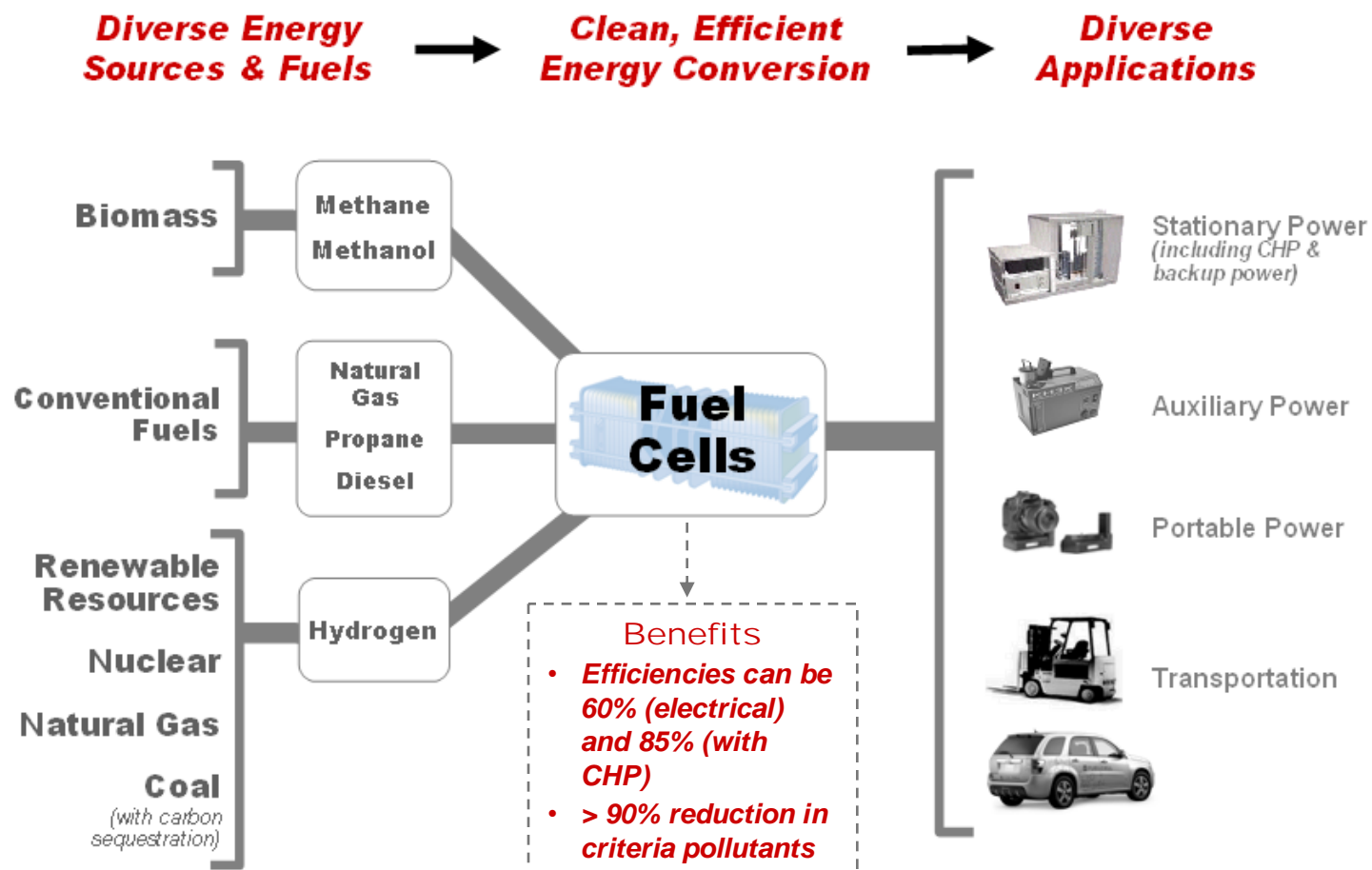
Fuel Cells: Addressing Energy Challenges

Energy Efficiency and Resource Diversity

→ *Fuel cells offer a highly efficient way to use diverse fuels and energy sources.*

Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Air Pollution:

→ *Fuel cells can be powered by emissions-free fuels that are produced from clean, domestic resources.*



Fuel Cells — *Where are we today?*

Fuel Cells for Stationary Power, Auxiliary Power, and Specialty Vehicles

The largest markets for fuel cells today are in stationary power, portable power, auxiliary power units, and forklifts.

~52,000 fuel cells have been shipped worldwide.

~18,000 fuel cells were shipped in 2008 (> 50% increase over 2007).



Fuel cells can be a cost-competitive option for critical-load facilities, backup power, and forklifts.

Production & Delivery of Hydrogen

In the U.S., there are currently:

~9 million metric tons of H₂ produced annually

> 1200 miles of H₂ pipelines



Fuel Cells for Transportation

In the U.S., there are currently:

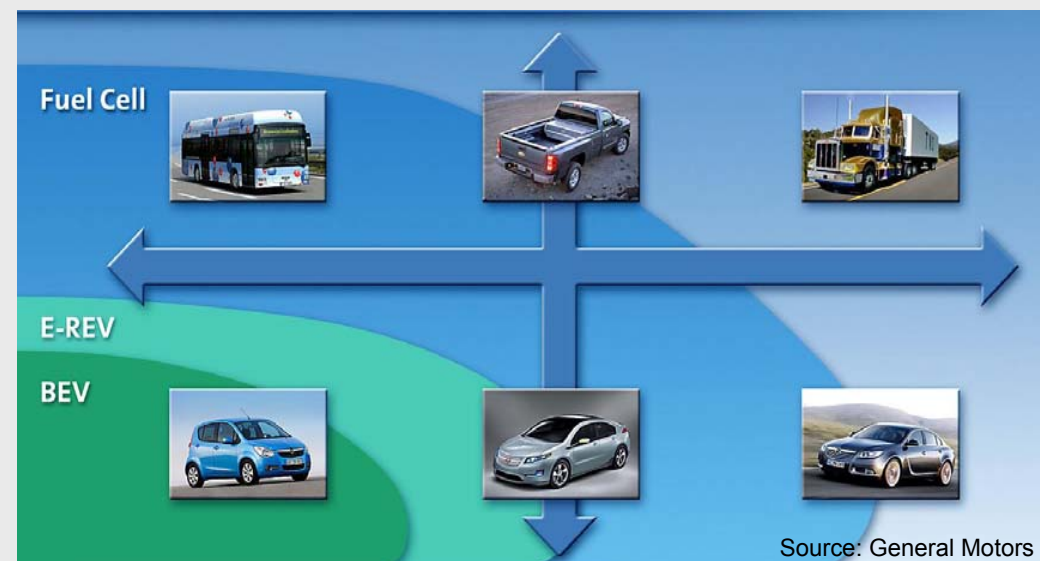
> 200 fuel cell vehicles

> 20 fuel cell buses

~ 60 fueling stations

A variety of technologies—including fuel cell vehicles, extended-range electric vehicles (or “plug-in hybrids”), and all-battery powered vehicles—will be needed to meet our diverse transportation needs.

The most appropriate technology depends on the drive cycle and duty cycle of the application.

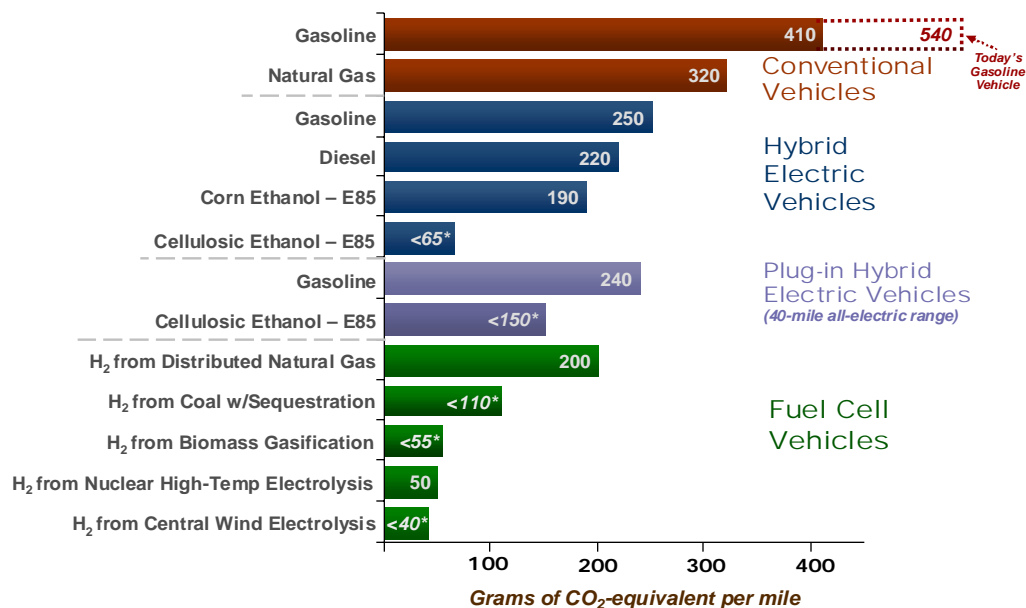


Source: General Motors

Systems Analysis — Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Analysis shows DOE's portfolio of transportation technologies will reduce emissions of greenhouse gases and oil consumption.

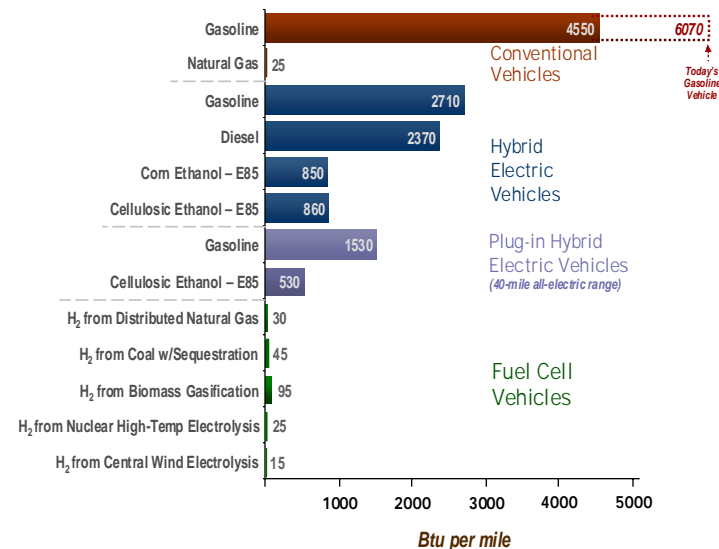
Well-to-Wheels Greenhouse Gas Emissions
(life cycle emissions, based on a projected state of the technologies in 2020)



*Net emissions from these pathways will be lower if these figures are adjusted to include:

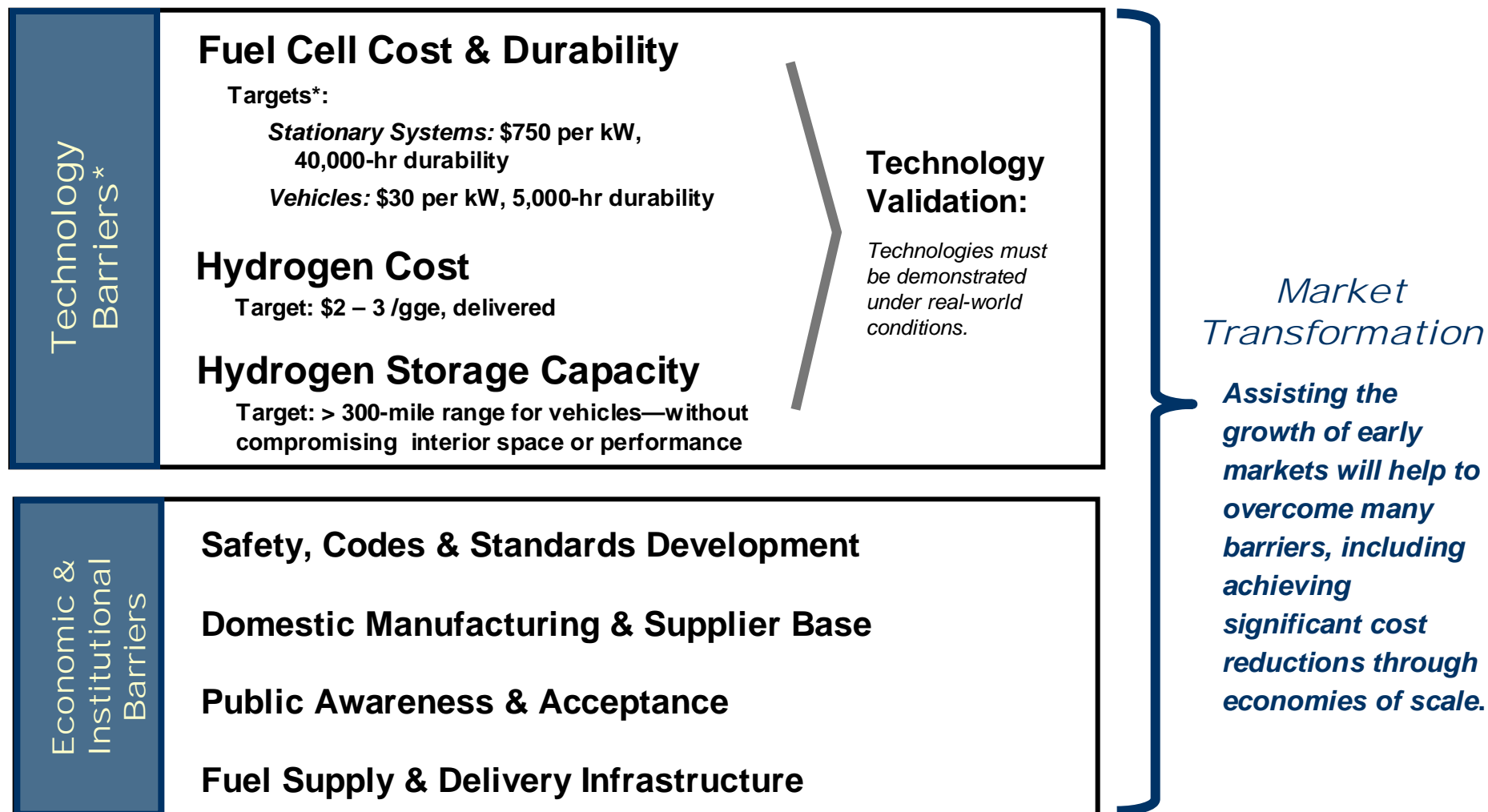
- The displacement of emissions from grid power-generation that *will* occur when surplus electricity is co-produced with cellulosic ethanol
- The displacement of emissions from grid power-generation that *may* occur if electricity is co-produced with hydrogen in the biomass and coal pathways, and if surplus wind power is generated in the wind-to-hydrogen pathway
- Carbon dioxide sequestration in the biomass-to-hydrogen process

Well-to-Wheels Petroleum Energy Use
(based on a projected state of the technologies in 2020)



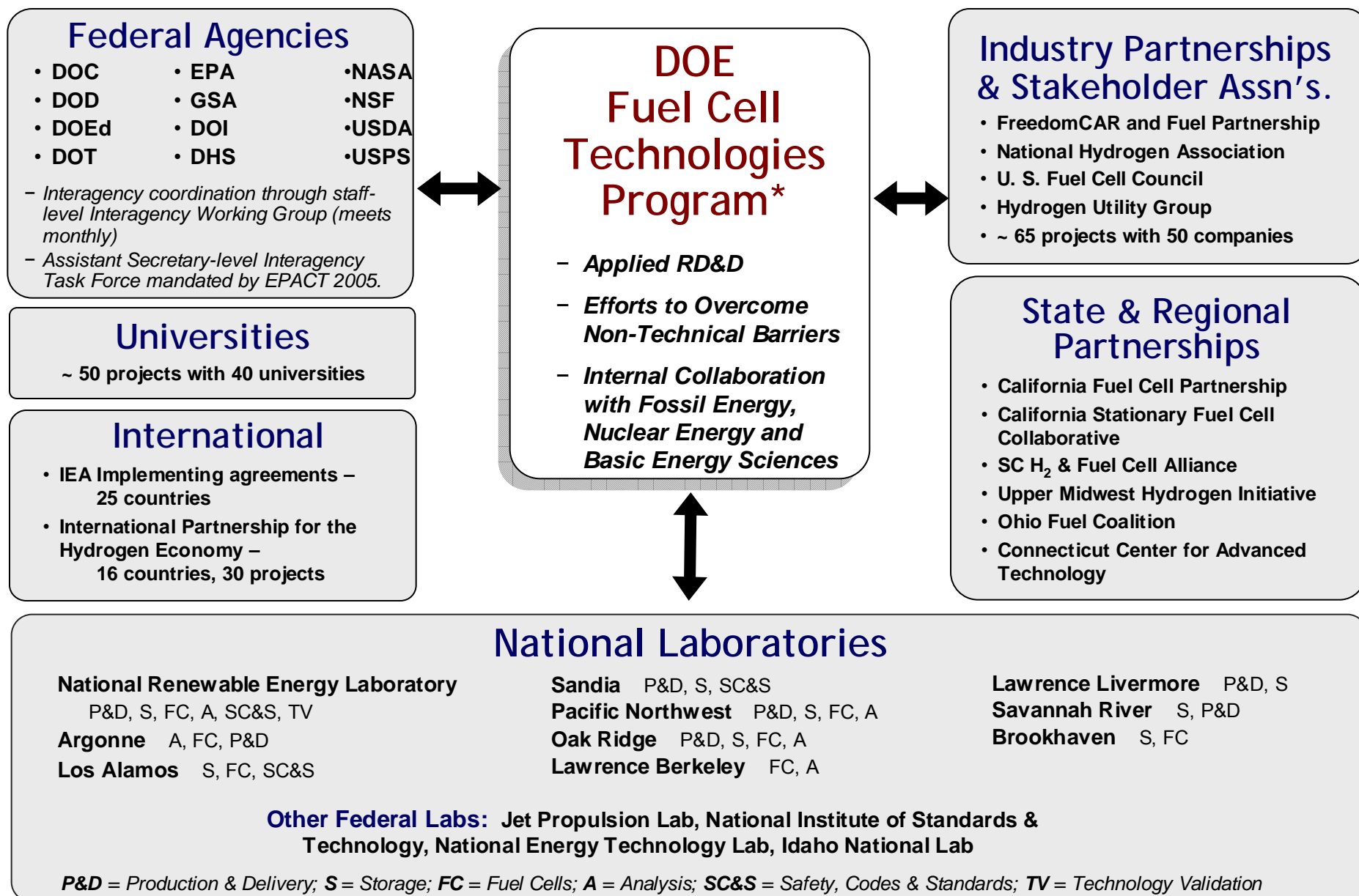
Key Challenges

The Program has been addressing the key challenges facing the widespread commercialization of fuel cells.



*Metrics available/under development for various applications

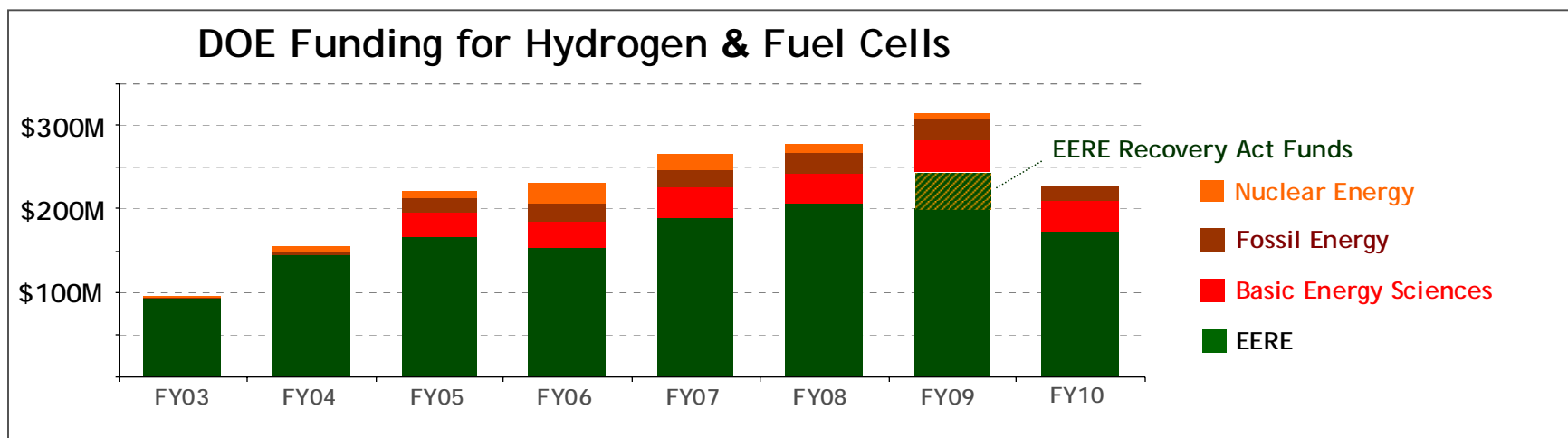
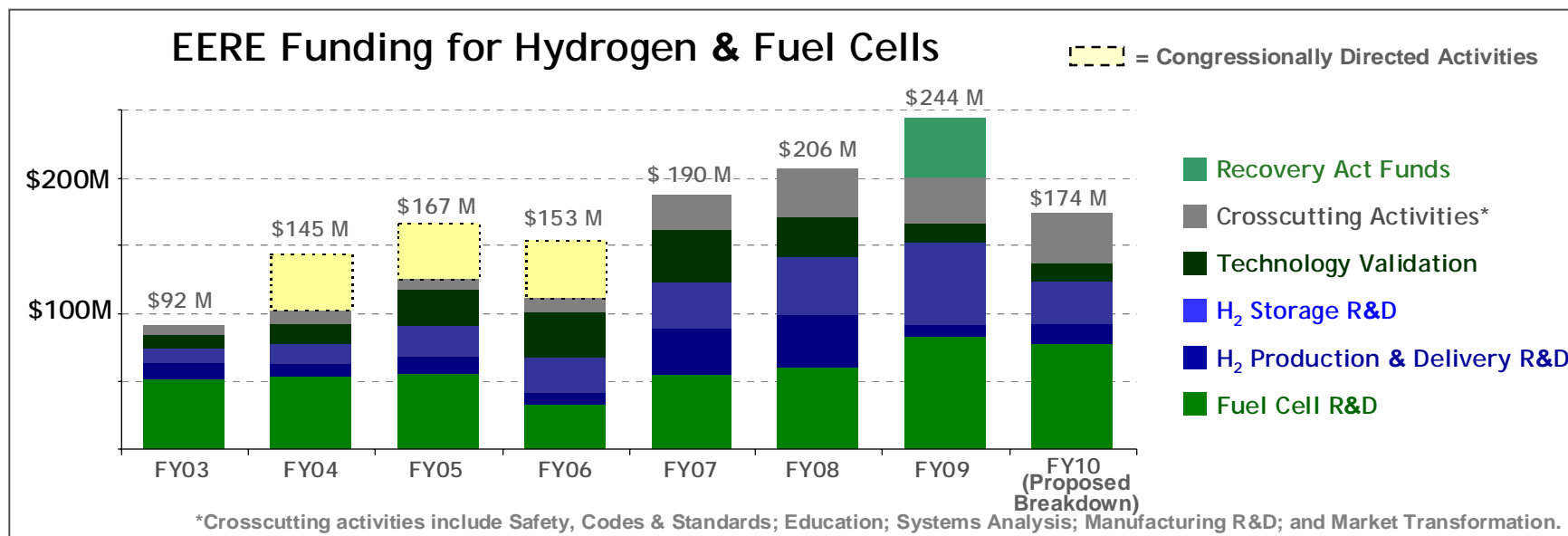
Collaborations



* Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Budget

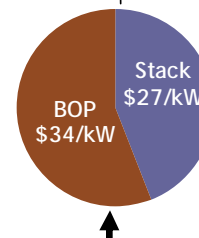
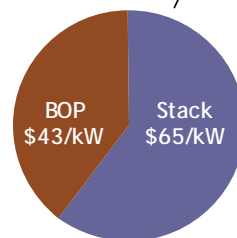
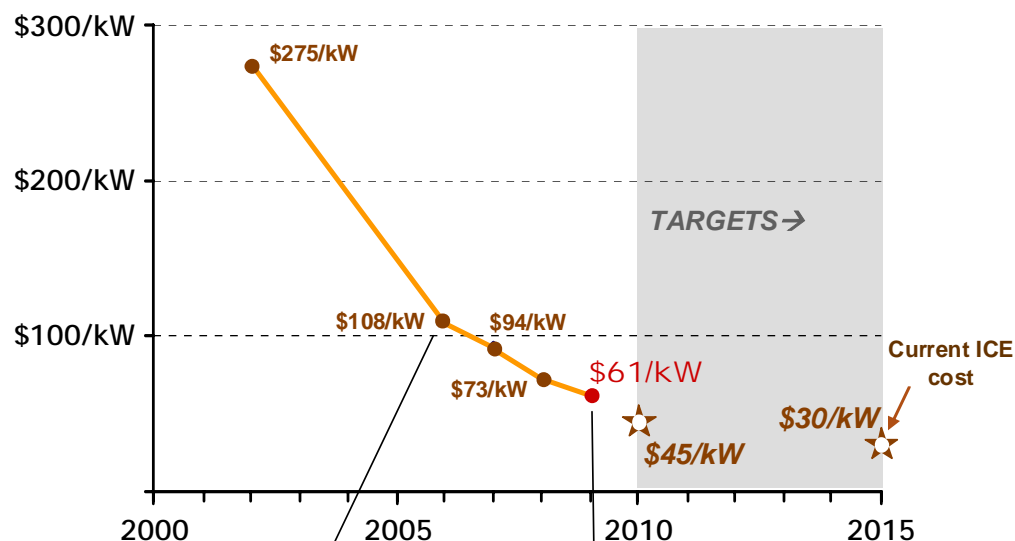
Program activities are an integrated, comprehensive effort addressing the full range of technical, institutional, and economic barriers.



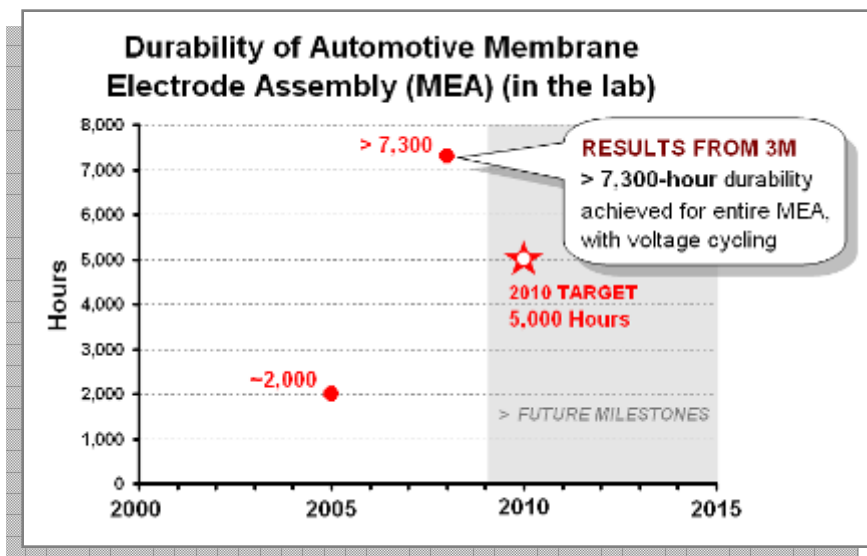
Fuel Cell R&D

We've reduced the cost of fuel cells by 75% since 2002*

- **2008 cost projection validated by independent panel****



As stack costs are reduced, balance-of-plant components are responsible for a larger % of costs (BOP costs shown here include system assembly & testing).



Demonstrated >7,300-hour durability

*Based on projection to high-volume manufacturing (500,000 units/year).

**Panel found \$60 – \$80/kW to be a “valid estimate”: http://hydrogendoedev.nrel.gov/peer_reviews.html

Hydrogen Production & Delivery R&D



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The Program is developing technologies to produce hydrogen from clean, domestic resources at reduced cost.

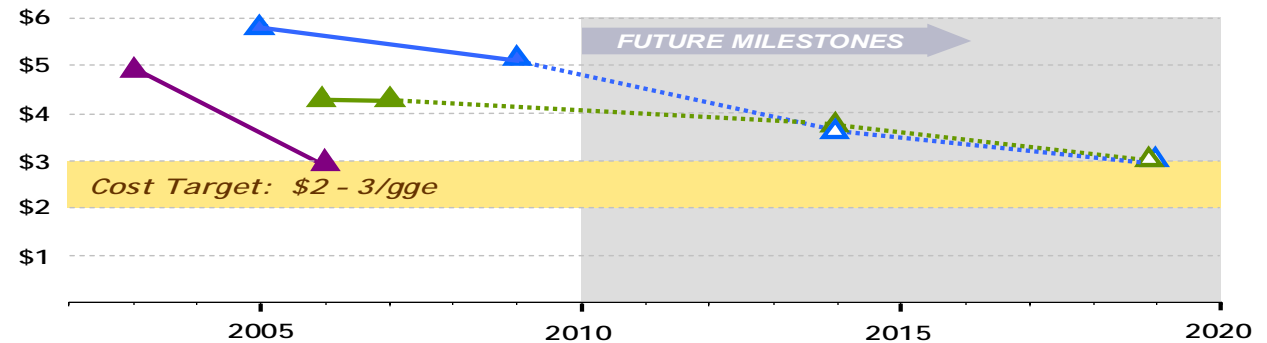
KEY PRODUCTION OBJECTIVE: Reduce the cost of hydrogen (delivered & untaxed) to \$2 – 3 per gge (gallon gasoline equivalent)

Projected* High-Volume Cost of Hydrogen (Delivered) — Status & Targets

— \$/gallon gasoline equivalent (gge), untaxed —

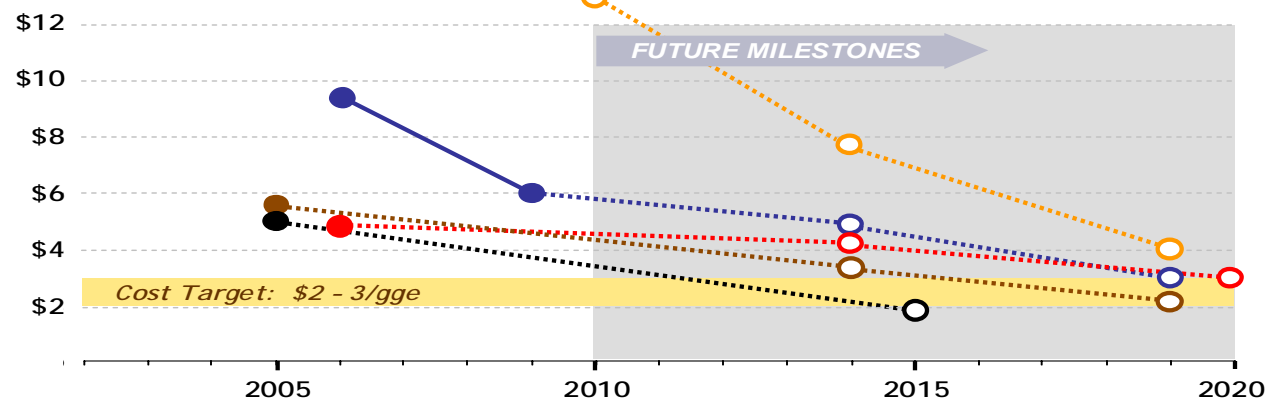
NEAR TERM: Distributed Production

- ▲ H₂ from Natural Gas
- ▲ H₂ from Bio-Derived Renewable Liquids
- ▲ H₂ from Electrolysis



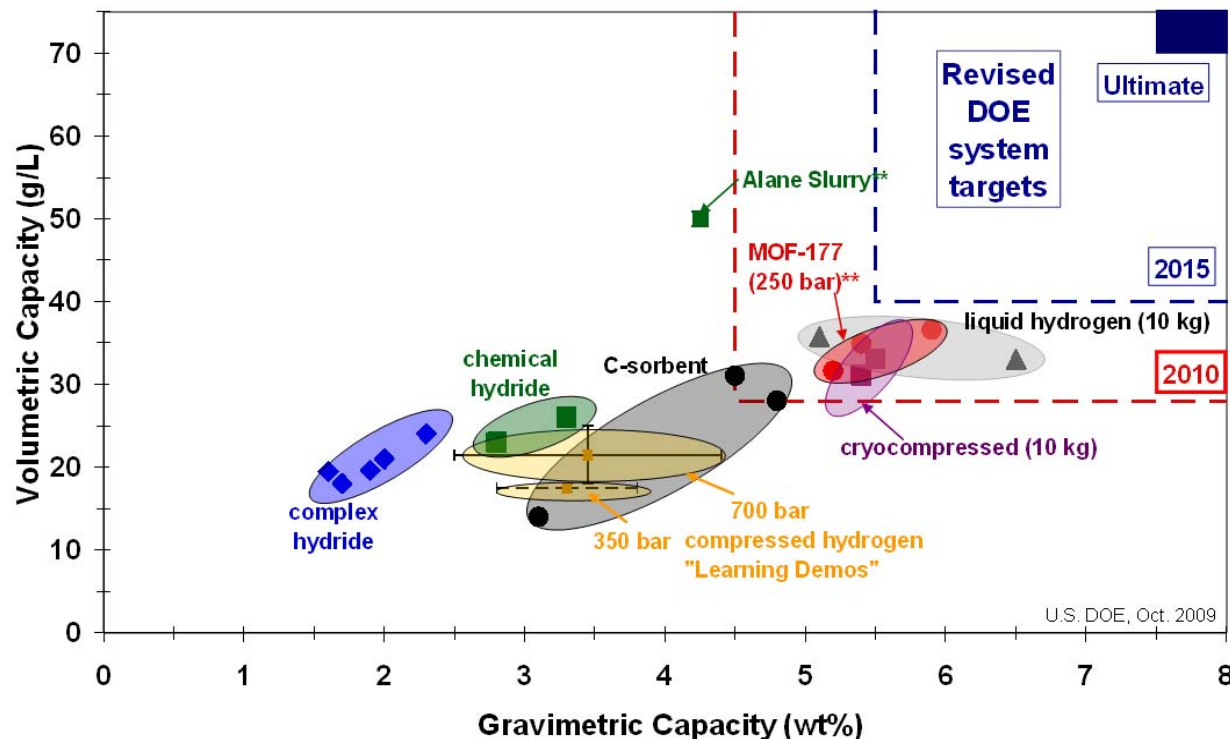
LONGER TERM: Centralized Production

- Biomass Gasification
- Central Wind Electrolysis
- Coal Gasification with Sequestration
- Nuclear
- Solar High-Temperature Thermochemical Cycle



* Distributed status and targets assume station capacities of 1500 kg/day, with 500 stations built per year. Status and targets for centralized production assume the following production capacities: biomass gasification—155,000 to 194,000 kg/day; central wind electrolysis—50,000 kg/day; coal gasification—308,000 kg/day; nuclear—768,000 kg/day; and solar high-temperature thermochemical—100,000 kg/day.

Storage System Capacities (weight vs. volume)



- Assessed and updated targets as planned — based on real-world experience with vehicles, weight and space allowances in vehicle platforms, and needs for market penetration
- Developed and evaluated more than 350 materials approaches
- Launched the Storage Engineering Center of Excellence — to address systems integration and prototype development; efforts coordinated with materials centers of excellence

Technology Validation

Demonstrations are essential for validating the performance of technologies in integrated systems, under real-world conditions.

DOE Vehicle/Infrastructure Demonstration

Four teams in 50/50 cost-shared projects with DOE



- 140 fuel cell vehicles and 20 fueling stations demonstrated
- > 2.2 million miles traveled, > 90,000 kg H₂ produced & dispensed
- Analysis by NREL shows:
 - **Efficiency:** 53 – 58% (>2x higher than gasoline engines)
 - **Range:** ~196 – 254 miles
 - **Fuel Cell System Durability:** ~ 2,000 hrs (~60,000 miles)



Demonstrations of Specialty Vehicles: *NREL is collecting operating data from federal deployments and Recovery Act projects—to be aggregated, analyzed, and reported industry-wide.*

- **Will include data such as:** reliability & availability; time between refueling; operation hours & durability; efficiency; H₂ production; refueling rate; costs (installation, operation, and lifecycle); and others.
- 40 forklifts at a Defense Logistics Agency site have already completed 7,000 refuelings in 7 months.

Other Demonstrations: *DOE is also evaluating real-world bus fleet data (DOD and DOT collaboration) and demonstrating stationary fuel cells — e.g., tri-generation (combined heat, hydrogen & power w biogas).*

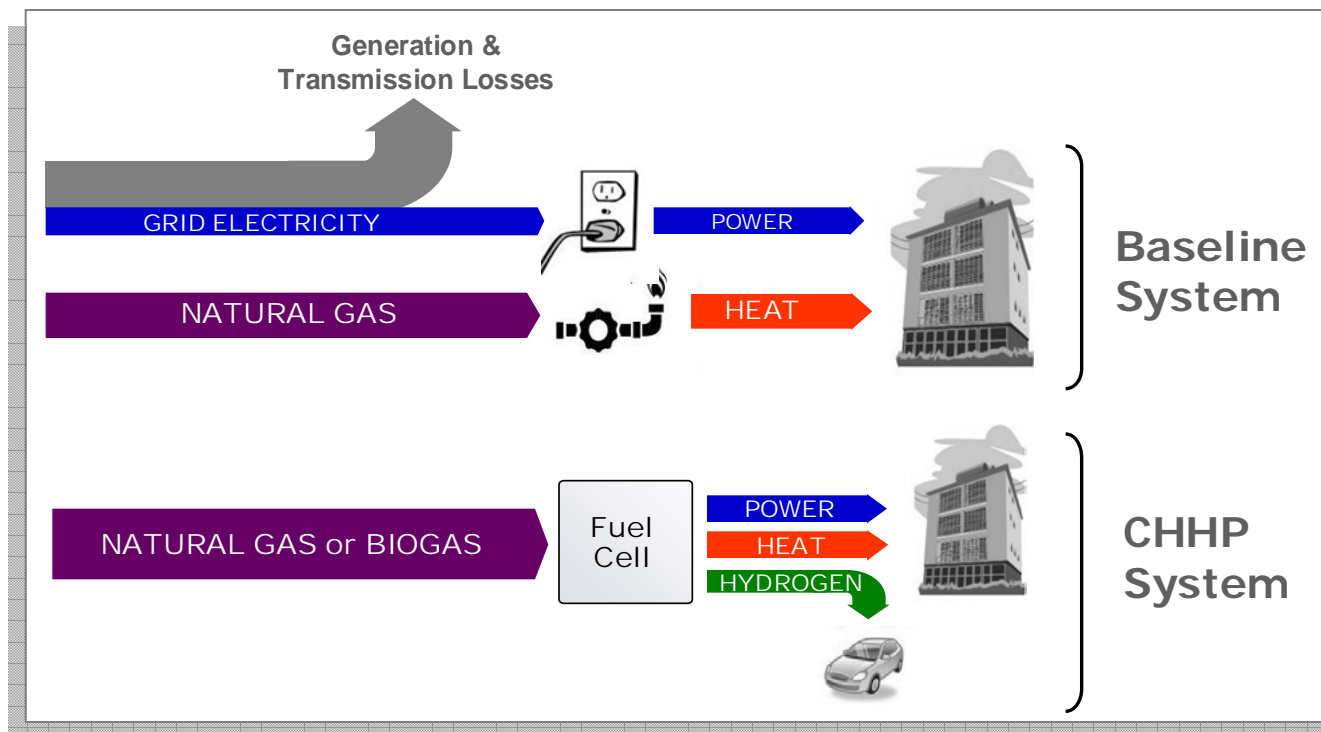
Technology Validation — *Tri-Gen Highlight*



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We are participating in a project to demonstrate a combined heat, hydrogen, and power system using biogas.

- System has been designed, fabricated and shop-tested.
- Improvements in design have led to higher H₂-recovery (from 75% to >85%).
- On-site operation and data-collection planned for FY09 – FY10.



Combined heat, hydrogen, and power systems (CHHP) can:

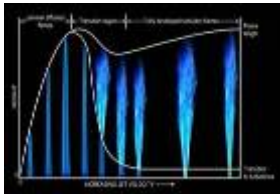
- *Produce clean power and fuel for multiple applications*
- *Provide a potential approach to establishing an initial fueling infrastructure*

Safety, Codes & Standards *and* Education

Safety, Codes & Standards

- ***Facilitating the development & adoption of codes and standards for fuel cells***
- ***Identifying and promoting safe practices industry-wide***

ACTIVITIES



Develop data needed for key codes & standards (C&S)

Harmonize domestic and international C&S

Simplify permitting process

Promote adoption of current C&S and increase access to safety information



PROGRESS (key examples)

Published Web-based resources, including:
Hydrogen Safety Best Practices Manual;
Permitting Hydrogen Facilities

Through R&D, enabled harmonized domestic and international Fuel Quality Specifications

Developed safety course for researchers and hands-on training for emergency responders

Growing number of C&S published

Education: ***We are working to increase public awareness and understanding of fuel cells.***

ACTIVITIES



Educate key audiences to facilitate demonstration, commercialization, and market acceptance



PROGRESS (key examples)

Launched courses for code officials and first responders (>7000 users)

Conducted seminars and developed fact-sheets and case studies for end-users

Conducted workshops to help state officials identify deployment opportunities

Market Transformation activities seek to overcome barriers to commercialization

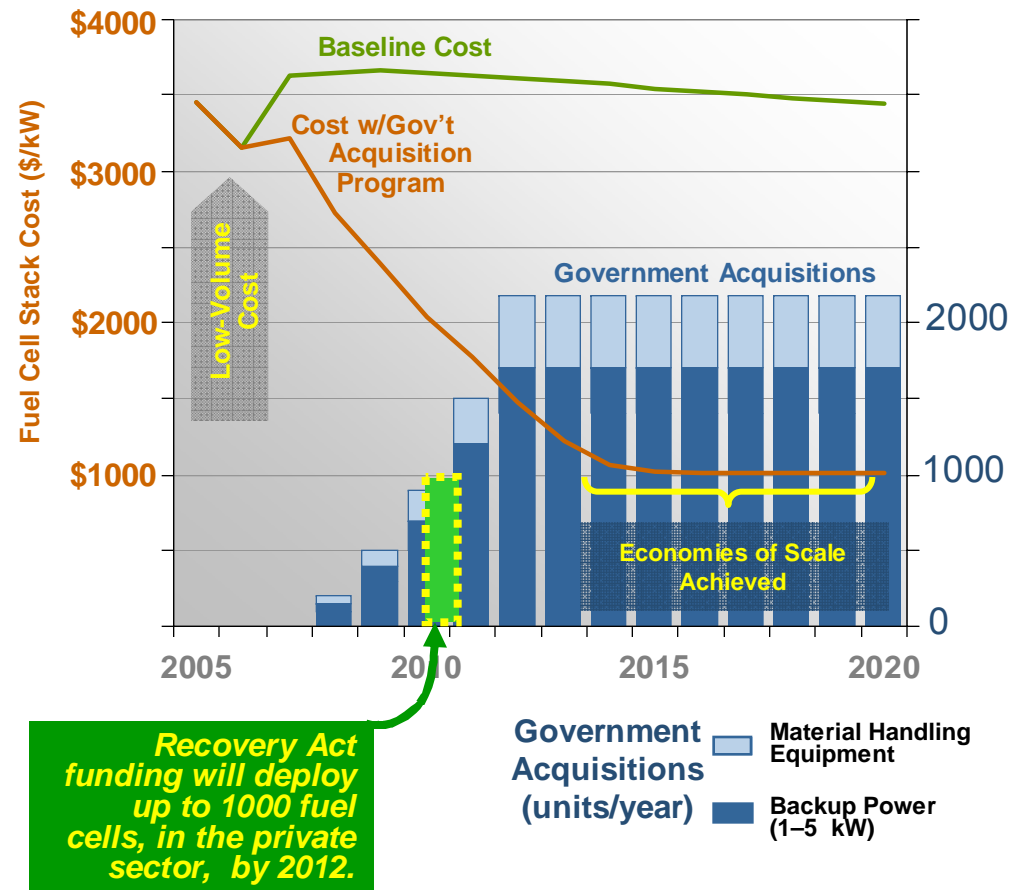
BARRIERS

Market/Industry	Lack of domestic supply base and high volume manufacturing. Estimated backlog > 100 MW
	Low-volume capital cost is >2-3x of targets
	Policies — e.g., many early adopters not eligible for \$3,000/kW tax credit
Delivery Infrastructure	Significant investment needed—~\$55B gov't funding required over 15 years for ~5.5M vehicles (\$~10B for stations)*
Codes and Standards	Complicated permitting process. 44,000 jurisdictions
	H ₂ -specific codes needed; only 60% of component standards specified in NFPA codes and standards are complete
	Need for domestic and international consistency
Education	>7,000 teachers trained; online tools average 300-500 visits/month, but negative public perception and safety concerns remain.

*2008 National Academies Study, *Transitions to Alternative Transportation Technologies—A Focus on Hydrogen*

ADDRESSING BARRIERS—Example:

A government acquisition program could have a significant impact on fuel cell stack costs



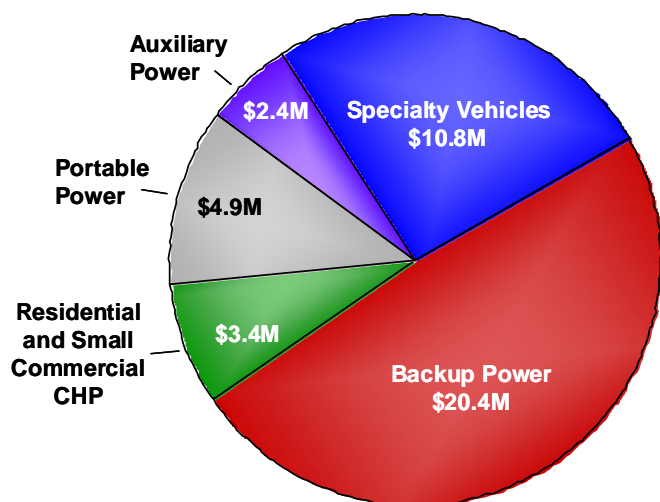
Source: David Greene, ORNL; K.G. Duleep, Energy and Environmental Analysis, Inc., *Bootstrapping a Sustainable North American PEM Fuel Cell Industry: Could a Federal Acquisition Program Make a Difference?*, 2008.

Recovery Act Funding for Fuel Cells

DOE announced \$41.9 million from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to fund 13 projects to deploy more than 1,000 fuel cells — to help achieve near term impact and create jobs in fuel cell manufacturing, installation, maintenance & support service sectors.

FROM the LABORATORY to
DEPLOYMENT:

*DOE funding has supported R&D
by all of the fuel cell suppliers
involved in these projects.*



Approximately \$72 million in cost-share proposed by industry participants—for a total of nearly \$114 million.

COMPANY	AWARD	APPLICATION
Anheuser-Busch	\$1.1 M	Specialty Vehicle
Delphi Automotive	\$2.4 M	Auxiliary Power
FedEx Freight East	\$1.3 M	Specialty Vehicle
GENCO	\$6.1 M	Specialty Vehicle
Jadoo Power	\$1.8 M	Backup Power
MTI MicroFuel Cells	\$2.4 M	Portable
Nuvera Fuel Cells	\$1.1 M	Specialty Vehicle
Plug Power, Inc. (1)	\$3.4 M	CHP
Plug Power, Inc. (2)	\$2.7 M	Backup Power
PolyFuel, Inc.	\$2.5 M	Portable
ReliOn Inc.	\$8.6 M	Backup Power
Sprint Comm.	\$7.3 M	Backup Power
Sysco of Houston	\$1.2 M	Specialty Vehicle

New and Expanded Policy Mechanisms



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Some tax credits affecting fuel cells have recently been expanded. Through new financing mechanisms, these credits can help facilitate federal deployments.

Hydrogen Fueling Facility Credit	Increases the hydrogen fueling credit from 30% or \$30,000 to 30% or \$200,000.
Grants for Energy Property in Lieu of Tax Credits	Allows facilities with insufficient tax liability to apply for a grant instead of claiming the Investment Tax Credit (ITC) or Production Tax Credit (PTC). Only entities that pay taxes are eligible.
Manufacturing Credit	Creates 30% credit for investment in property used for manufacturing fuel cells and other technologies
Residential Energy Efficiency Credit	Raises ITC dollar cap for residential fuel cells in joint occupancy dwellings to \$3,334/kW.
Fuel Cell Investment Tax Credit	Increases the investment tax credit to 30%, up to \$3,000/kW for business installations, and extends the credit from 2008 to 2016.

U.S. PARTNERSHIPS

- **FreedomCAR & Fuel Partnership:** *Ford, GM, Chrysler, BP, Chevron, ConocoPhillips, ExxonMobil, Shell, Southern California Edison, DTE Energy*
- **Hydrogen Utility Group:** *Xcel Energy, Sempra, DTE, Entergy, New York Power Authority, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, Nebraska Public Power Authority, Southern Cal Edison, Arizona Public Service Company, Southern Company, Connexus Energy, etc.*
- **State/Local Governments:** *California Fuel Cell Partnership, California Stationary Fuel Cell Collaborative*
- **Industry Associations:** *US Fuel Cell Council, National Hydrogen Association*

INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS



International Partnership for the Hydrogen Economy—
partnership among 16 countries and the European Commission



International Energy Agency — Implementing Agreements

- *Hydrogen Implementing Agreement — 21 countries and the European Commission*
- *Advanced Fuel Cells Implementing Agreement — 19 countries*

Past and Existing Collaboration

- **DOE-EC Science and Technology Agreement**
- **IEA Hydrogen and Advanced Fuel Cells Implementing Agreements**
- **IPHE**
- **Information Exchange and Cross Participation in Peer Reviews**
- **Technical collaborations in safety, codes & standards, hydrogen production, storage, fuel cells, and analysis.**

Potential Future Collaboration

- **Cross-participation in project solicitations**
- **Data exchange on projects (e.g., energy storage)**
- **Collaboration on technology readiness levels and targets**
- **Lessons learned on market transformation and policies**
- **Increase collaboration on analysis (e.g, CO₂ reduction potential)**

- Hydrogen and fuel cells are part of a diverse portfolio of strategies to address both stationary and transportation applications.
- RD&D has resulted in significant progress- future work is still needed and will continue.
- “Market transformation” activities will help to:
 - *Achieve and build upon synergies between the stationary and transportation sectors*
 - *Accelerate cost reduction*
 - *Promote consumer acceptance*
 - *Establish domestic supply and manufacturing base and increase employment opportunities*
 - *Acquire operational data and validate progress toward targets.*

Key Program Documents

Hydrogen Posture Plan

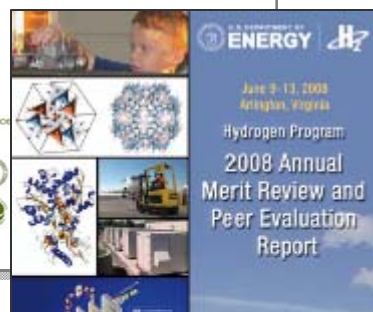
An Integrated Research, Development
and Demonstration Plan

Fuel Cell Program Plan

Outlines a coordinated plan for fuel cell activities in the Department of Energy

→ **Replacement for current Posture Plan**

→ **To be released in early 2010**

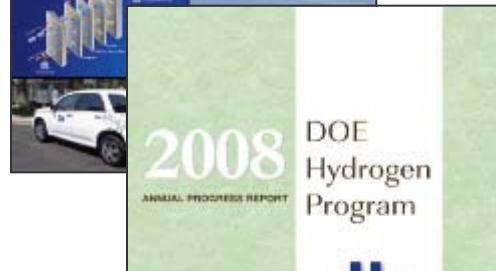


Annual Merit Review & Peer Evaluation Report

Summarizes the comments of the Peer Review Panel at the Annual Merit Review and Peer Evaluation Meeting

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Annual Progress Report

Summarizes activities and accomplishments within the Program over the preceding year, with reports on individual projects

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