

Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technologies: A MHDV Perspective

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Heavy-Duty Trucks: Energy Consumption and Emissions

Heavy-duty trucks: 5% world's energy consumption

World Energy Consumption: Share of Freight Transportation Total Energy Consumption

in 2020: 595 quad BTU



Transportation is largest source of greenhouse gas emissions in the U.S. – Trucks contribute to 7% total GHG



U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions by Sector

Snapshot of Hydrogen and Fuel Cells in the U.S.





Hydrogen Energy Earthshot

Hydrogen

"Hydrogen Shot"

"1 1 1" \$1 for 1 kg clean hydrogen in 1 decade

Strategy also includes delivery and storage infrastructure cost reduction

High-Impact Uses of Hydrogen

Clean Hydrogen Demand and Costs for Market Penetration



Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

- Includes \$9.5B for clean hydrogen:
 - \$1B for electrolysis
 - \$0.5B for manufacturing and recycling
 - \$8B for at least four regional clean hydrogen hubs
- Requires developing a National Clean
 Hydrogen Strategy and Roadmap



President Biden Signs the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill into law on November 15, 2021. Photo Credit: Kenny Holston/Getty Images

Inflation Reduction Act

• Includes significant tax credits (e.g., up to \$3/kg for production of clean hydrogen)

Focus on Regional Networks and Ramp-up Scale



Tens of Billions of Dollars in Non-Federal Investment

ARCHES Alliance for Renewable Clean Hydrogen Energy Systems California Hydrogen Hub



PNWH2 Pacific Northwest Hydrogen Hub







HFTO BIL FOA Selections

Clean Hydrogen Manufacturing and Recycling



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BIL 816 FOA Funding Impacts





RD&D and manufacturing for domestic supply chain

Enables \$2/kg H₂ by 2026



RD&D for domestic manufacturing and support for H2 Hubs



Electrolysis 10 GW/yr

Supports production of 1.3M metric tons of H₂/year





Total Project Costs

Including **~\$470M** in federal cost share and **~\$590M** in cost share

900+

Direct jobs created

Plus, thousands of indirect jobs across the U.S.

23 States

Benefiting 24 disadvantaged communities across the U.S. with initiatives in workforce development, energy equity, and DEIA

Real-World Truck Demo Projects – SuperTruck 3





- Demonstrate 2 total (Class 8) HD
- long-haul fuel cell electric trucks (B-sample & final truck demo)
- 6.0 mi/kg H₂ fuel economy
- 600-mile range (onboard LH₂ storage)
- 65,000 pounds GVW
- 25k hour lifetime



Goals:

- Demonstrate 5 total (Class 4-6) MD vocational trucks
- 300+kW_{net} vehicle power, H₂ PEMFC + Li-Ion battery
- 300-mile range (700 bar H₂ storage)
- 10K/20K pounds payload/tow capacity
- Meet or exceed 7.3L gas performance

gm general motors

Southern Company



Goals:

- Demonstrate 8 total (Class 4-6) MD trucks- 4 fuel cell & 4 battery
- Fuel Cell System: 65% peak efficiency, <\$80/kW system cost (100K units/yr), 20K-30K hour life
- Demonstrate microgrid with electrolyzer & fuel cell (H₂ fueling & fast charging)

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Analysis: Heavy-Duty Truck Fuel Cell Durability-Adjusted Costs (for 25,000-hour lifetimes)



Cost status (2021, 2022, 2023) in 2016\$ (blue bars) and 2020\$ (orange bars) compared to the interim target (2025) for a manufacturing volume of 50,000 systems/yr. 2030 and ultimate targets are at 100,000 systems/yr.

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Emphasis on Key Areas Drives Cost Reduction



* For 1,000 systems/yr in 2020\$

Pathway towards cost target requires both technology improvements and manufacturing innovations

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RD&D Consortia Approach to Accelerate Progress

Consortia leverage the world-class capabilities, expertise, and research activities of core national labs, and foster collaborations among the labs, industry and universities



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RD&D to improve fuel cell durability, performance and cost to better position fuel cells as a viable option for heavy-duty applications (*Core Labs: LANL, LBNL, ANL, NREL & ORNL*)



R&D of PGM-free catalysts/electrodes for use in fuel cells and electrolyzers (Core Labs: ANL,LANL, NREL & ORNL)



MEA manufacturing technology advancements to reducecosts for fuel cells and electrolyzers (Core Labs: NREL, ANL, ORNL, LBNL & SNL)

www.energy.gov/eere/fuelcells/mypp

Hydrogen Program RDD&D Portfolio across TRLs



Resources and Opportunities for Engagement



www.energy.gov/eere/fuelcells/fuel-cell-technologies-office-newsletter

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