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#### **Hydrogen and Fuel Cells Overview**

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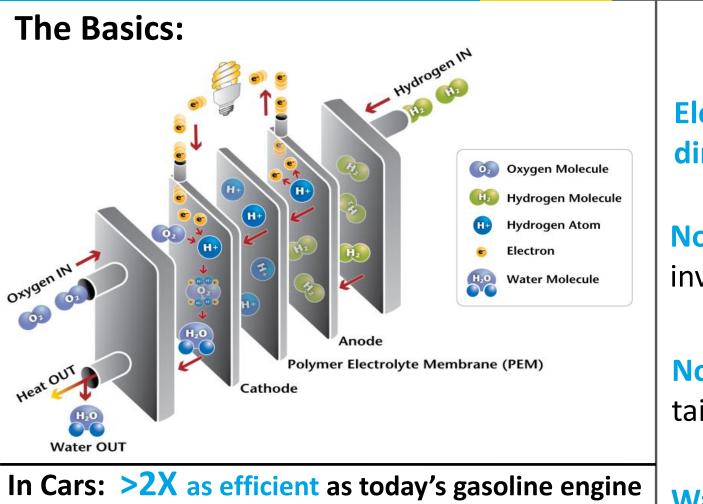
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# **Fuel Cells Introduction**

60 MPG

**Fuel Cell** 

Fuel Cell



VS.

# Highlights

Electricity produced directly

**No combustion** involved

No pollution from tailpipe

Water and Heat only byproducts

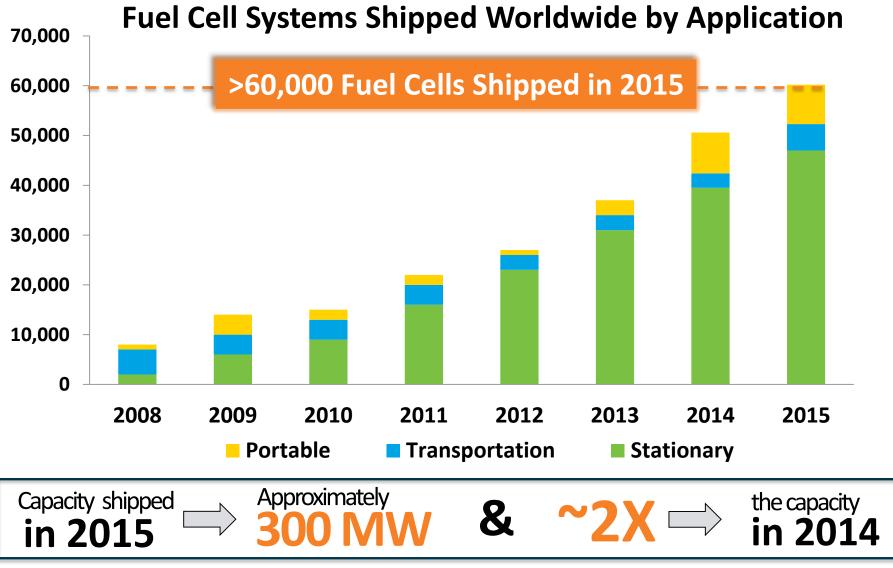
Similar to batteries producing electricity without combustion

Gasoline

<30 MPG

**Gasoline Engine** 

#### Market Growth in Fuel Cell Sales



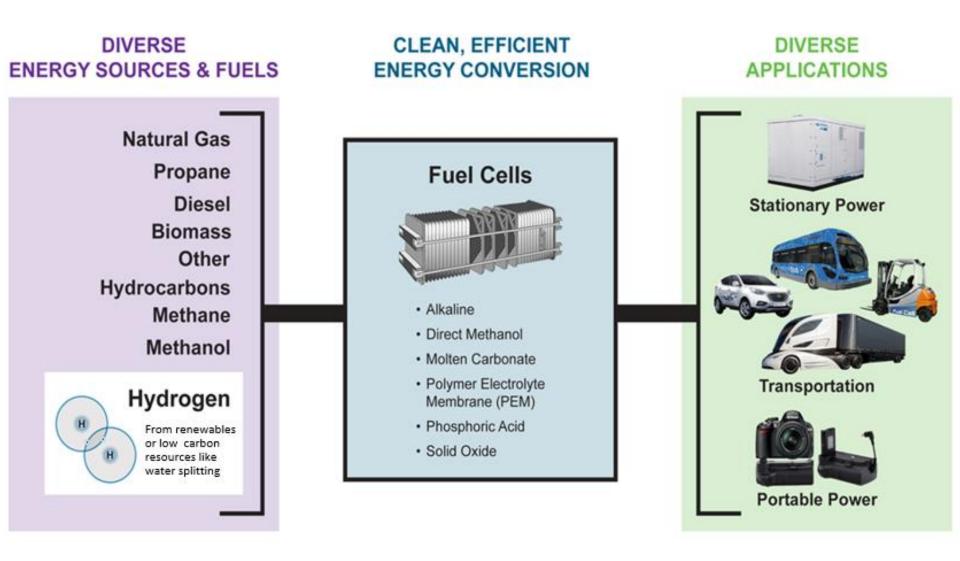
Source: Navigant Research (2008-2013) & E4tech (2014-2015)

Consistent ~30% annual growth since 2010

Many Fuel Sources and Applications for Fuel Cells

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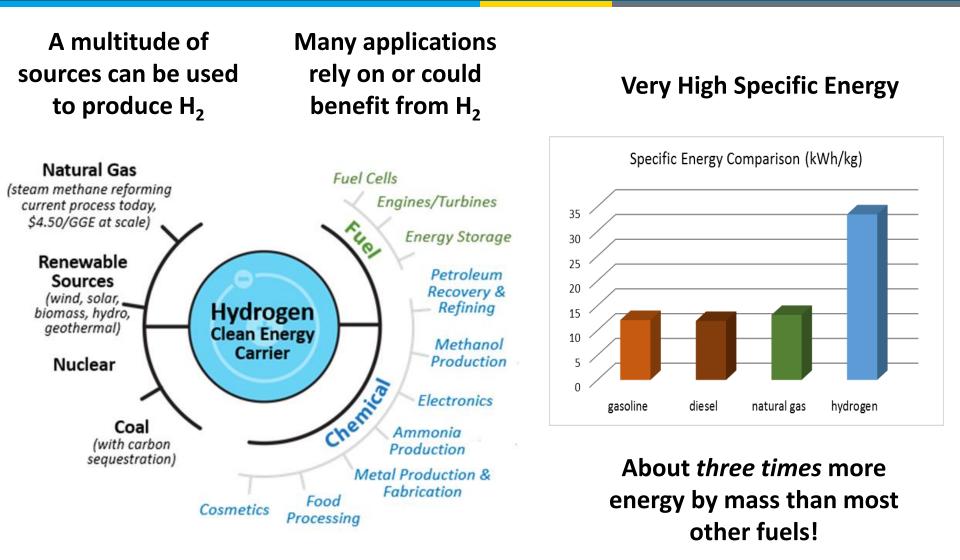
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Fuel cells can be supported by different fuels and used in many applications

#### Advantages of hydrogen as an energy carrier

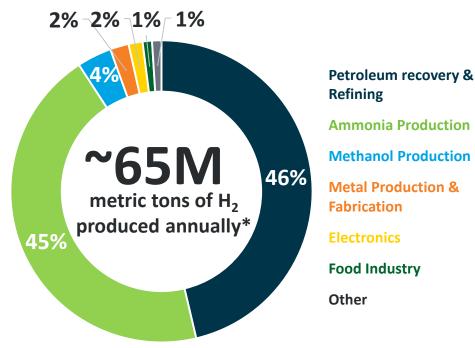
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Hydrogen is a clean, sustainable, versatile, and efficient energy carrier

#### H<sub>2</sub> Production & Infrastructure: Current Status Fuel Cell Technologies Office | 6

# **Global Annual H**<sub>2</sub> **Production/Demand**



#### Steam methane reforming of natural gas (SMR):

currently most cost-competitive process to produce H<sub>2</sub> \*CryoGas International. Hydrogen Production and Consumption in the US- the last 25 years (Sep 2015).

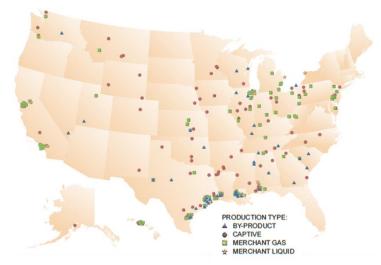
## **Current H**<sub>2</sub> Infrastructure: 1,600 miles of H<sub>2</sub> pipeline ~50 H<sub>2</sub> Stations (~25 public)

# **Centralized H<sub>2</sub> production** facilities in the U.S.

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10 million metric tons of H<sub>2</sub> produced every year in the U.S.

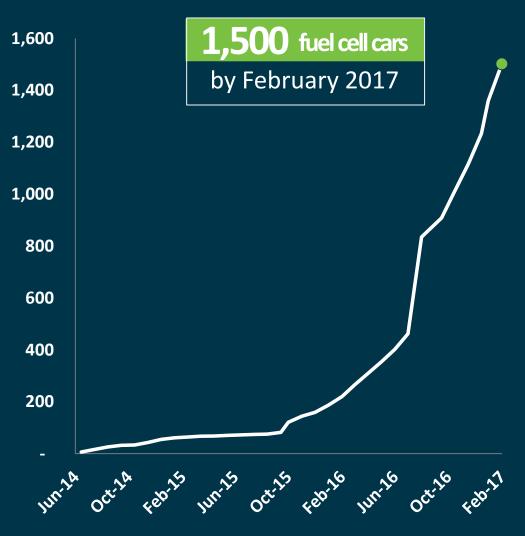
# **Near-Term Strategy** Cost- Competitive H<sub>2</sub> Fuel

- H<sub>2</sub> from Natural Gas through SMR
- At-scale production ٠
- <\$2/gge produced (\$4.50/gge delivered)

#### **Commercial Fuel Cell Cars are Here**

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#### Fuel Cell Cars Sold/Leased in the U.S



Note: Cumulative number of vehicles sold/leased. Source: hybridcars.com





Honda Clarity

# Power, Performance & Petroleum-Free

# **Fuel Cell Electric Vehicles can:**

✓ Refuel in minutes
 ✓ Have a 366 driving range
 ✓ Get more than 66 miles per gallon (equivalent)
 ✓ High power (torque and acceleration)

And all with no gasoline on board and zero pollution from the tailpipe- only clean water vapor And the cars don't need to be plugged in to charge

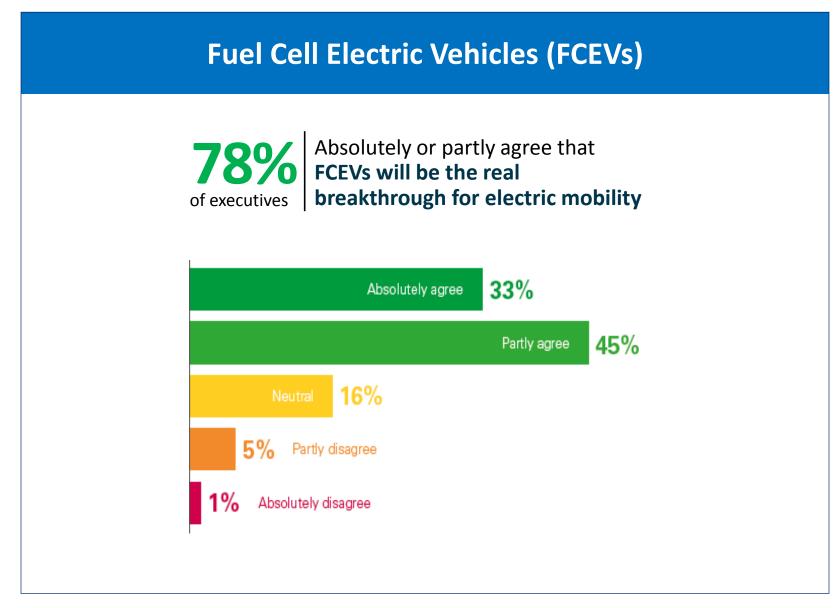
#### **Fuel Cells: Recent Progress**





# ZH2: TARDEC and GM collaboration First of its kind

# **Executive Opinions Worldwide- Jan 2017**



Source: KPMG, Global Automotive Executive Survey 2017 (Jan. 2017)

#### **Fuel Cells: Recent Progress**

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# Fuel cell buses surpass 15 million passengers

# **Fuel Cells: Material Handling Applications**





# Over 10,000 fuel cell forklifts ~ 5 million H<sub>2</sub> refuelings

# **Fuel Cell Benefits - Forklifts**

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#### **Value Proposition - Example**

- Commercial warehouses
- Operation of 2-3 shifts per day

#### **Benefits**

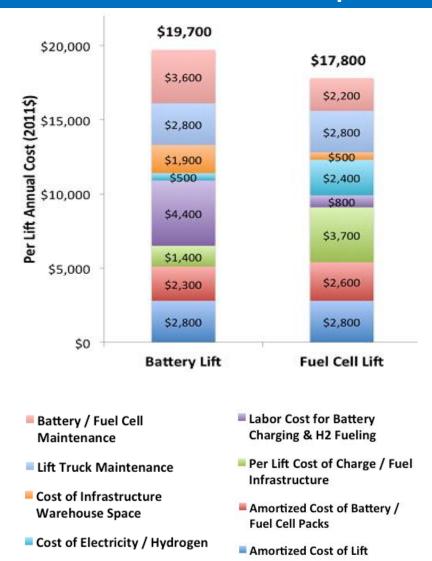
- Lower total cost of ownership than comparable battery forklifts
- Can operate for more than 12 hrs.
- No performance degradation
- Fuels in minutes
- No emissions

#### Performance Validation- Examples

- Over 100 forklifts deployed in Defense Logistics Agency distribution warehouses\*
- Over 700 forklifts cost-shared through DOE (Recovery Act) led to more than 11,000 forklift orders from industry\*\*

\*\*Source: DOE Program Record #1602

(https://www.hydrogen.energy.gov/pdfs/16012\_industry\_deployed\_fc\_powered\_lift\_trucks.pdf)



MHE: Material Handling Equipment (MHE), Type I and II

\*Source: NREL.. An Evaluation of the Total Cost of Ownership of Fuel Cell –Powered MHE (2013)

#### Annualized Cost Example

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## **Fuel Cells: New Applications Demonstrated**

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# World's first hydrogen fuel cell train in Germany

## **Fuel Cells: Global Progress**

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World's first 4-seater fuel cell plane takes off at German Airport

#### Fuel Cells: New Applications Demonstrated





# 1<sup>st</sup> fuel cell cargo tow trucks at U.S. airport

# **Aircraft and Ship Auxiliary Power**

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#### **Reduced Acquisition & Life Cycle Costs**

- Greater System Efficiencies
- Reduced Maintenance Costs
- Enables Spiral Development

#### **Enhanced Survivability**

- Reduced IR & Acoustic Signature
- Distributed Power Generation

#### **Design Flexibility**

- Modular Approach to Ship Power
- Multi Platform Applicable

- Increased efficiency
- Reduced emissions
- On-board water generation
- Combined-heat-and-power opportunities
- Reduced generator size & weight

## **Fuel Cells: New Applications Demonstrated**





# World's first fuel cell for maritime ports

## **Fuel Cells: New Applications Demonstrated**





# **Fuel cell powered lights at the Super Bowl**

#### **Fuel Cells: Stationary Power**





Fuel cells for back up and emergency power for hospitals, telecommunications towers, supermarkets and more!

## **Stationary Fuel Cells- Opportunities Emerging**

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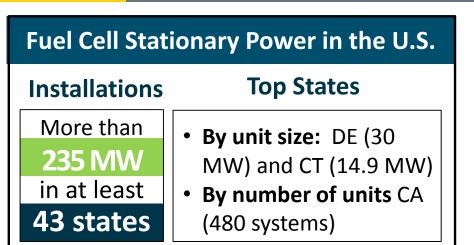
Data centers require non-stop electrical power



Reliable power is vital at hospitals



Supermarkets- growing interest for reliable power



Source: DOE Fuel Cell Technologies Office. State of the States Report (2016)



New World Trade Center using fuel cells

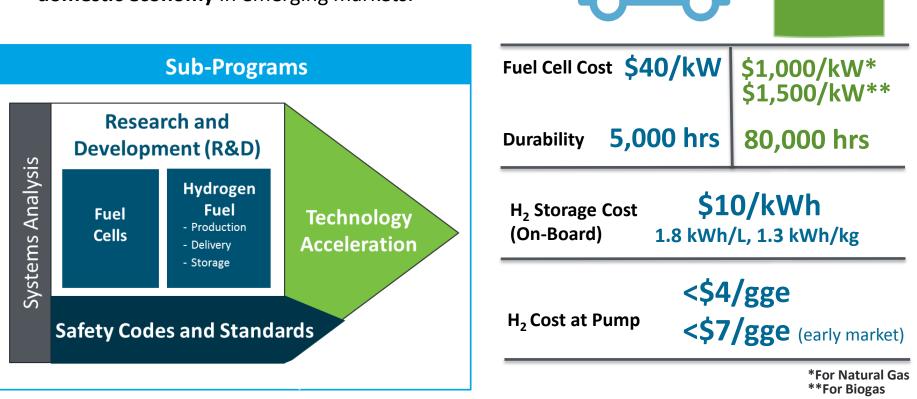
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#### Focus

Applied research, development and innovation of hydrogen and fuel cell technologies that enable energy security, resiliency, and a strong domestic economy in emerging markets.

#### 2020 Targets by Application



Strengthening U.S. energy security and the economy through R&D on hydrogen and fuel cells

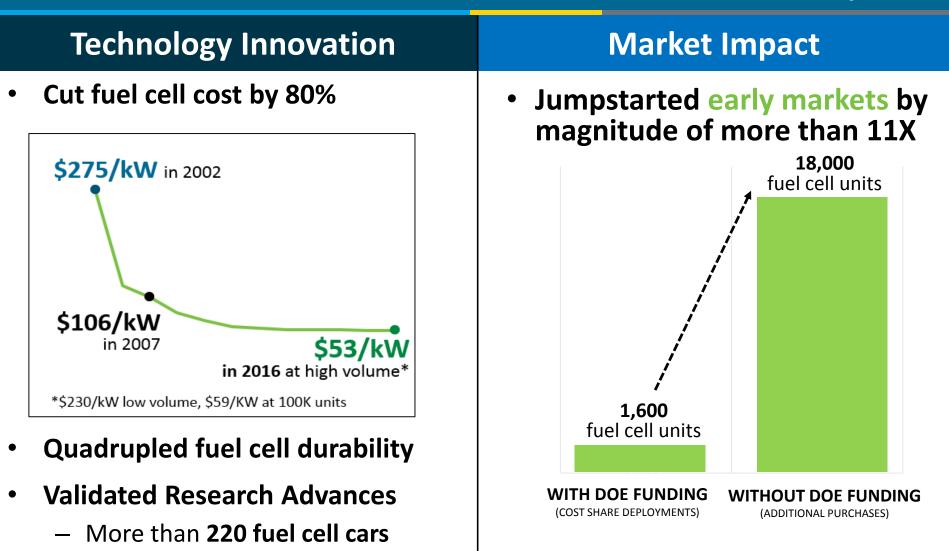
# The Role of the Government Enabling Progress

Driving over 6 million miles

gasoline vehicles

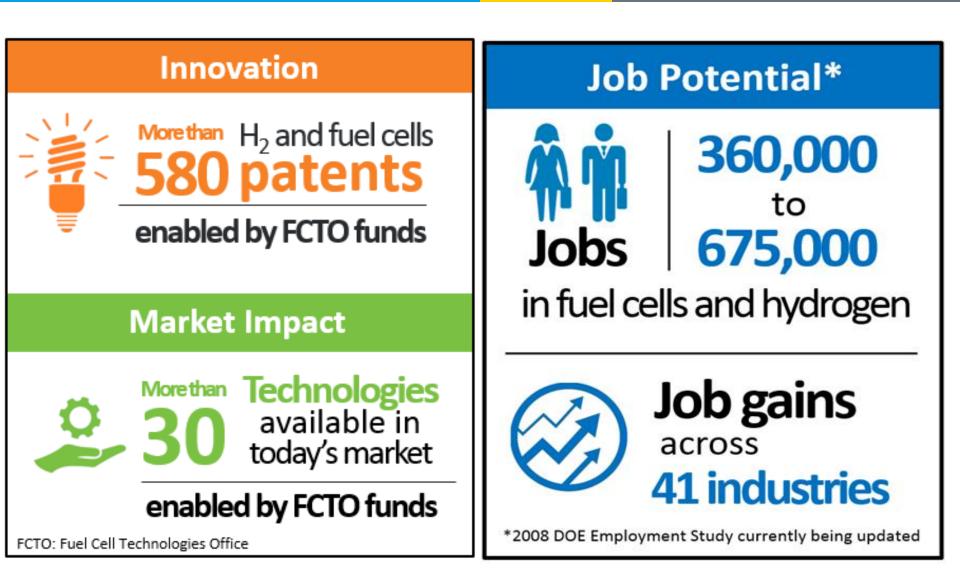
– >360 mi range, >2X efficiency of

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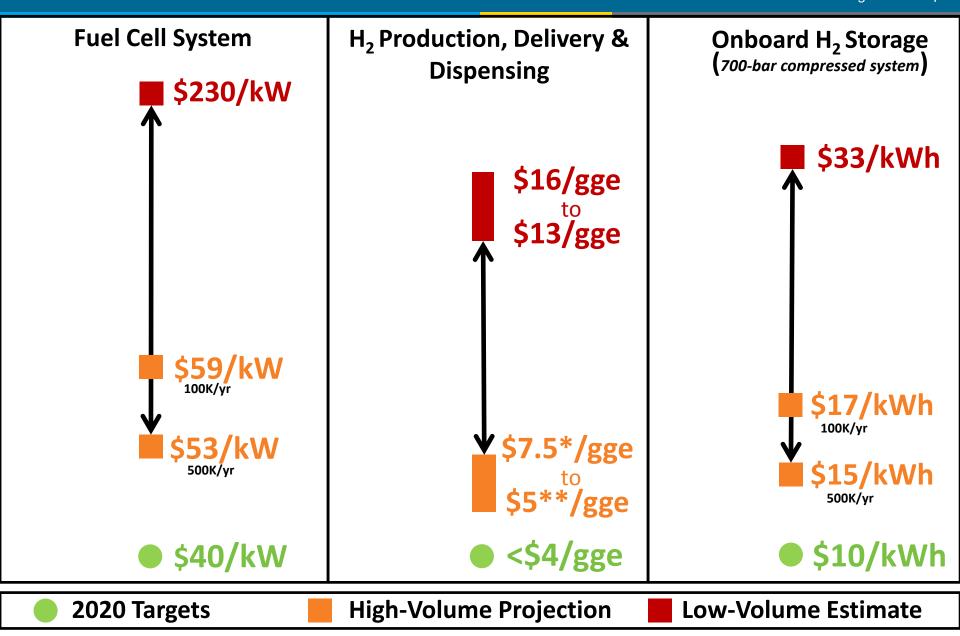


Catalyzed Additional Private
 Investment

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#### **DOE Cost Status and Targets**



\*Based on Electrolysis \*\*Based on NG SMR

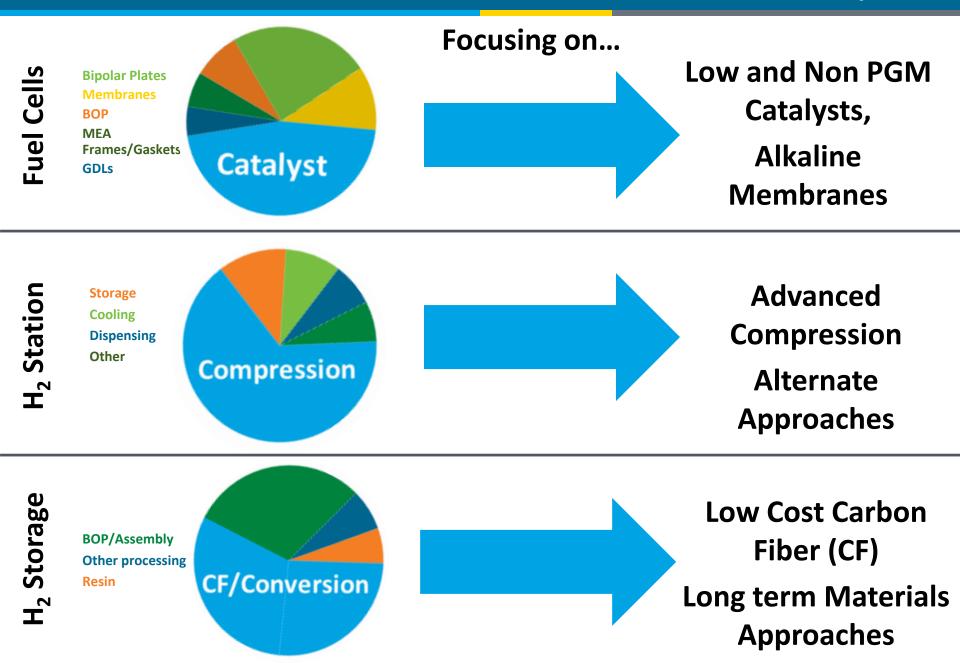
\*For illustration purposes only, not drawn to scale

#### Techno-Economic Analysis Guides R&D Portfolio

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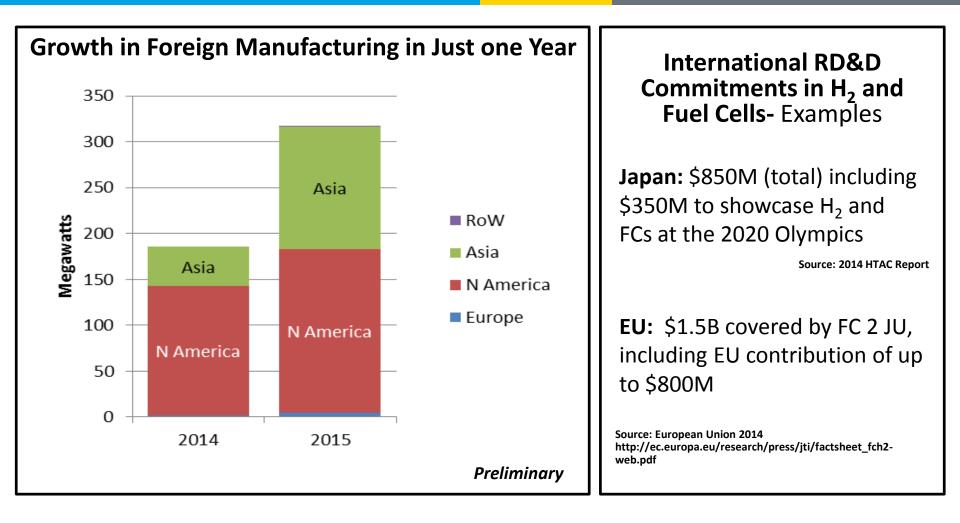
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## **Global Landscape: Recent Trends**

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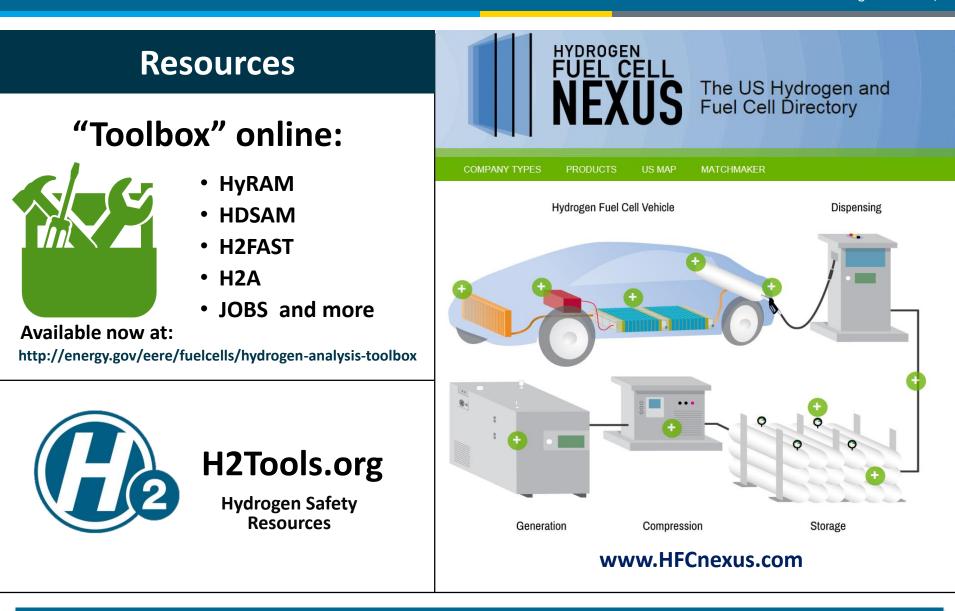


#### Need to strengthen efforts and enable domestic leadership

# Collaboration is Critical

# **Tools, Models and Databases Online**

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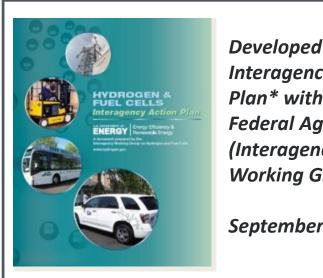
Supplier engagement & collaboration & information readily and publicly accessible

## **DOE - DOD Coordination**



#### Coordination

- Interagency Task Force
- **Interagency Action Plan**
- Interagency Working Group
- Workshops
- Hawaii Hydrogen Initiative (H2I)



Interagency Action Plan\* with 10 Federal Agencies (Interagency Working Group)

September 2010

#### **DOD** Partners

- Defense Logistics Agency
  - Nearly 100 FC lift trucks deployed
- Office of Naval Research
  - Grid management and utility scale renewable hydrogen generation for transportation fuel
- Army/Marine Corps



- Soldier power: battery rechargers for forward operation bases
- Navy, Army, Air Force



- Deploy fuel cell vehicles and infrastructure at bases in Hawaii.
- Army/AF (Joint Base Lewis McCord)



**Biogas reforming and material** handling equipment.

#### **Interagency Collaborations: Technology**

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#### **Completed: Validation of fuel cell forklifts**



Collaboration: Dept. of Defense- The Defense Logistics Agency (DLA)

#### Ongoing: Analysis and Testing of Emergency urban power and fuel cell buses



Collaboration: NREL and Dept. of Transportation- Federal Transit Administration (FTA)

#### Potential: Light duty vehicles for military applications



Potential collaboration: Army

#### Potential: Unmanned Underwater Vehicles (UUV)



Potential collaboration: Navy

#### Potential: Unmanned Aviation Vehicles (UAV)



Potential Collaboration: DOT - Pipeline Management

## **DOD-DOE R&D Collaboration: Portable Power**

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- Application: Wearable Soldier Power
- R&D Focus Low cost alane-based hydrogen storage
- **Broader impact:** portable power, back up power, UAVs and vehicles
- Collaboration: Ongoing US Army-DOD FCTO Hydrogen Production and Storage R&D Initiative



System cartridge containing alane



#### Soldier portable power weight: fuel cells vs. battery



- PRC 154A Rifleman Radio Batteries
- 12 Batteries per Soldier for 72hrs

14.4 lbs



- Conformal Wearable Battery
- 3 Batteries per Soldier for 72hrs
- 7.86lbs



- Wearable Power System
- 1 System with 6 fuel cartridges per Soldier for 72hrs

3.52 lbs

Over 70% weight savings with fuel cells

Source: AEWE 2016

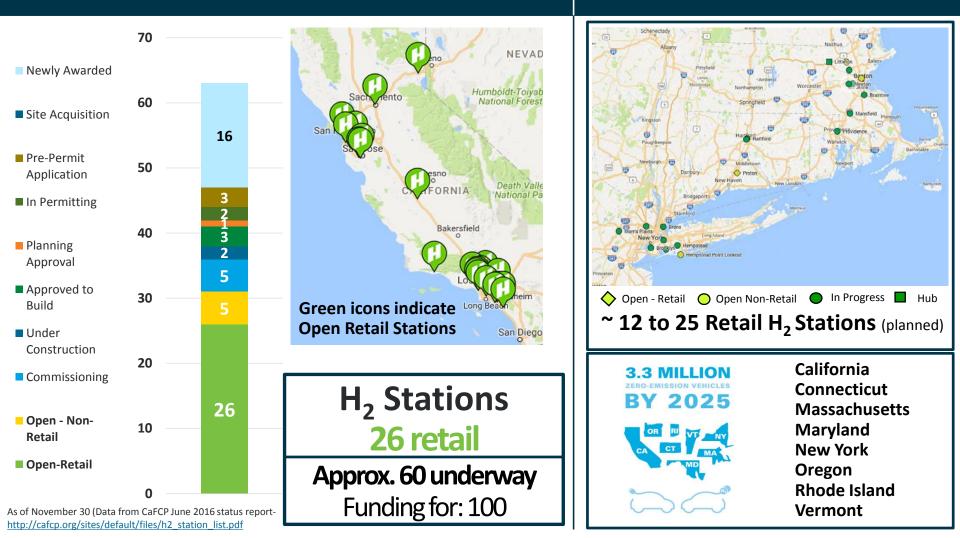
Enabling low cost alane-based hydrogen storage for military portable power devices

## Hydrogen Infrastructure Activities- Status

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#### California

#### Northeast



To find a H<sub>2</sub> station near you: **afdc.energy.gov/locator/stations/** 

## **Complementing Retail Stations: H<sub>2</sub> Refuel H-Prize**

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# \$1M Competition: On-site H<sub>2</sub> fueling

Winner Announced: More at hydrogenprize.org



#### **Competition Timeline**

- Launched- Oct. 2014
- Testing phase completed- Dec. 2016
- Winner announced- Jan. 2017

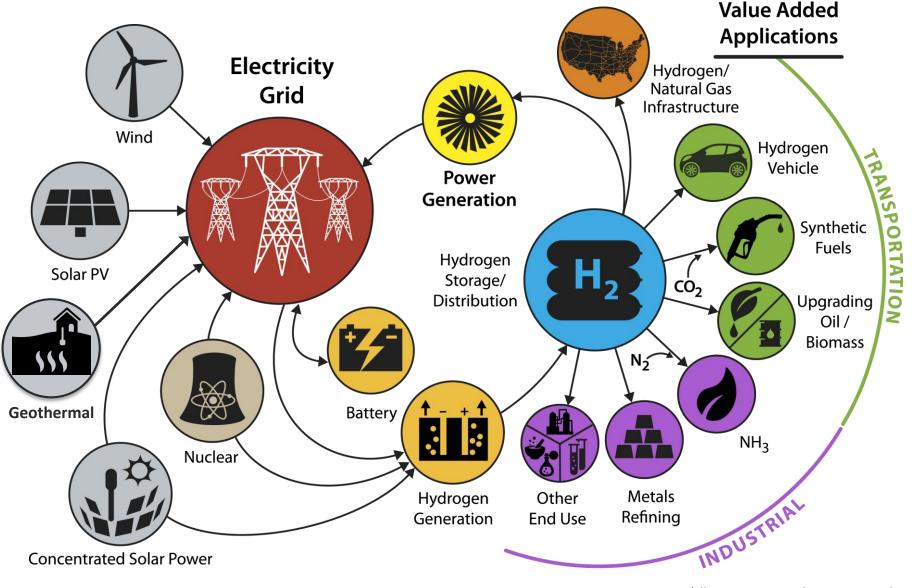
#### **System Details**

- Hydrogen produced via electrolysis
- Up to 10 kg H<sub>2</sub> per day
- 700 bar refueling

## Conceptual H<sub>2</sub> at Scale Energy System

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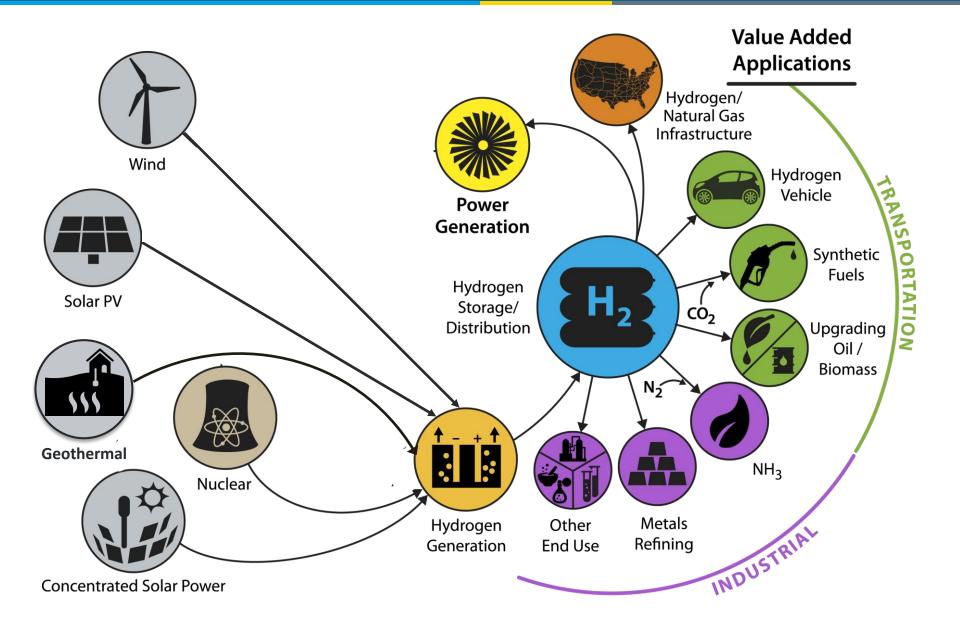
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\*Illustrative example, not comprehensive Source: NREL

### **Conceptual H<sub>2</sub> at Scale Energy System**

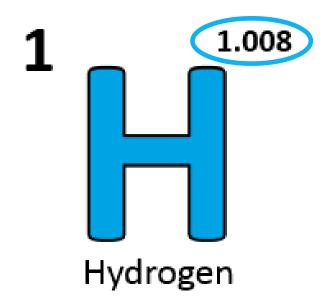
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## Increasing outreach and visibility...

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Celebrate National Hydrogen & **Fuel Cell Day** on 10/8 (Held on its very own atomic-weightday)

Learn more: energy.gov/eere/fuelcells



- Early R&D innovation and accelerate Tech to Market
  - Key Focus: H2@Scale, technology advancement
  - Safety, fuel cells & hydrogen R&D, and enable infrastructure
- Strengthen supply chain- infrastructure components
- Leverage activities to maximize impact
  - U.S. and global partnerships, H<sub>2</sub>USA, States
  - Strengthen collaboration on safety and information sharing

Save the date: Annual Merit Review (AMR) June 5-9, 2017- Washington DC 2018 Summer: AMR + Industry Expo!



# **Thank You**

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