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Advanced Vehicle Testing Activity

Hydrogen Station & ICE Vehicle Operations and Testing

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Presentation Outline

- **Background and Goal**
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AVTA Background and Goal

- **AVTA is part of the U.S. Department of Energy's FreedomCAR and Vehicle Technologies Program**
- **These activities are conducted by the Idaho National Laboratory (INL) and the AVTA testing partner Electric Transportation Applications**
- **AVTA Goal - Provide benchmark data for technology modeling, research and development programs, and help fleet managers and other vehicle purchasers make informed purchase and operations decisions**

AVTA Background

- Full-size pure EVs (40 models, 5 million test miles)
- Neighborhood EVs (15 models)
- Urban EVs (3 models, 1.75 million test miles)
- Hybrid EVs (9 models, 28 HEVs, 1.75 million miles)
- Hydrogen ICE vehicles (several models, 300k miles)
- Oil bypass filter testing (17 vehicles, 1.2 million miles)



APS Alternative Fuel (Hydrogen) Pilot Plant - Partners

- **Arizona Public Service (APS)**
- **Electric Transportation Applications (ETA)**
- **U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)**
- **Idaho National Laboratory (INL)**

Operating since June 2002



Pilot Plant & Hydrogen ICE Vehicle Testing Objectives

- Evaluate the safety & reliability of operating ICE vehicles on 100% hydrogen and hydrogen/compressed natural gas (HCNG) blended fuels (15 to 50% HCNG)
- Evaluate hydrogen fueling infrastructure costs
- Quantify hydrogen and HCNG ICE vehicle costs, performance, and emissions



Pilot Plant - Layout



Hydrogen Fuel Cell

2 H2 High psi tanks

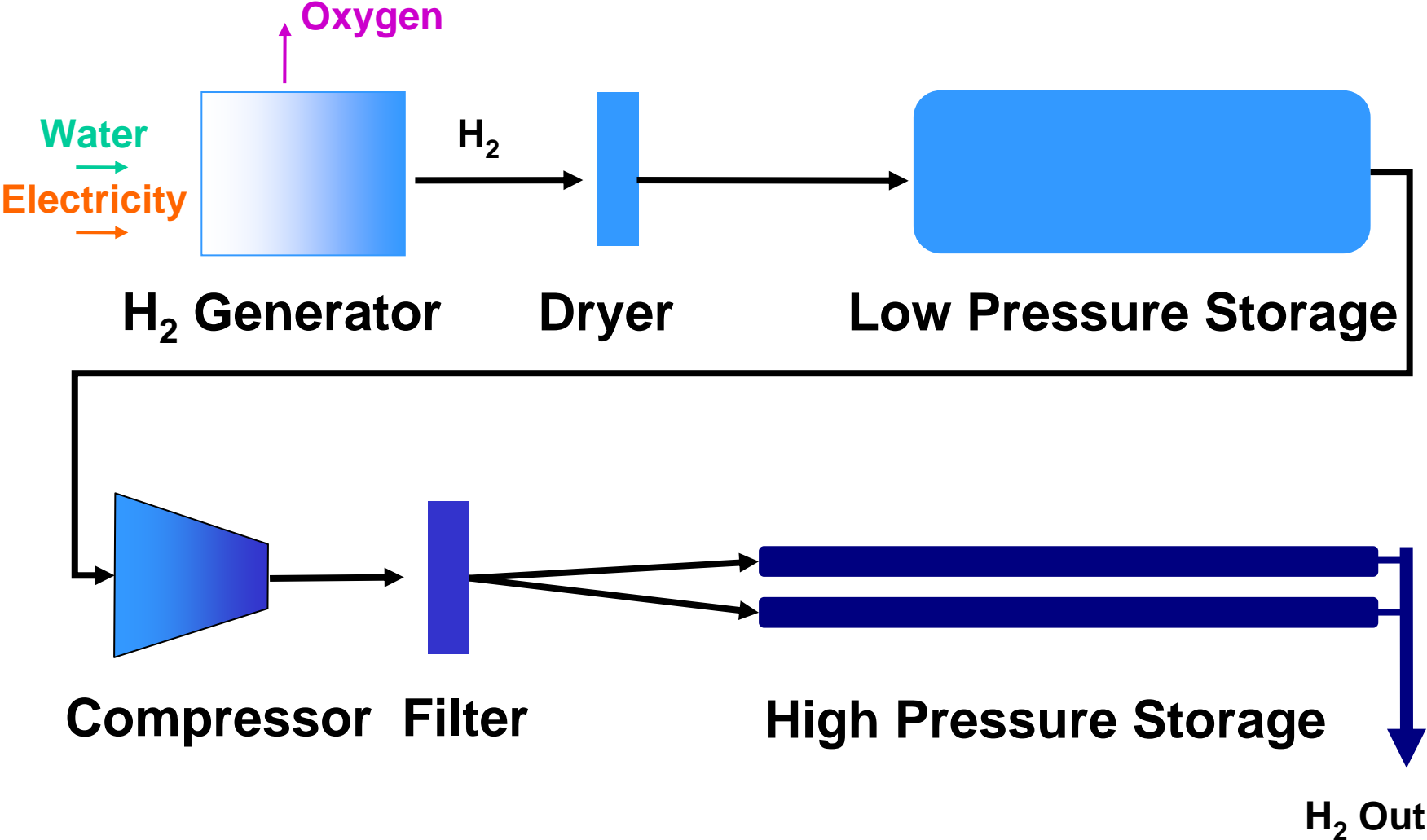
H2 Low psi tank

H2 Compressor

2 CNG Compressors

6 CNG Tanks (3 psi levels)

Pilot Plant - Hydrogen Subsystem

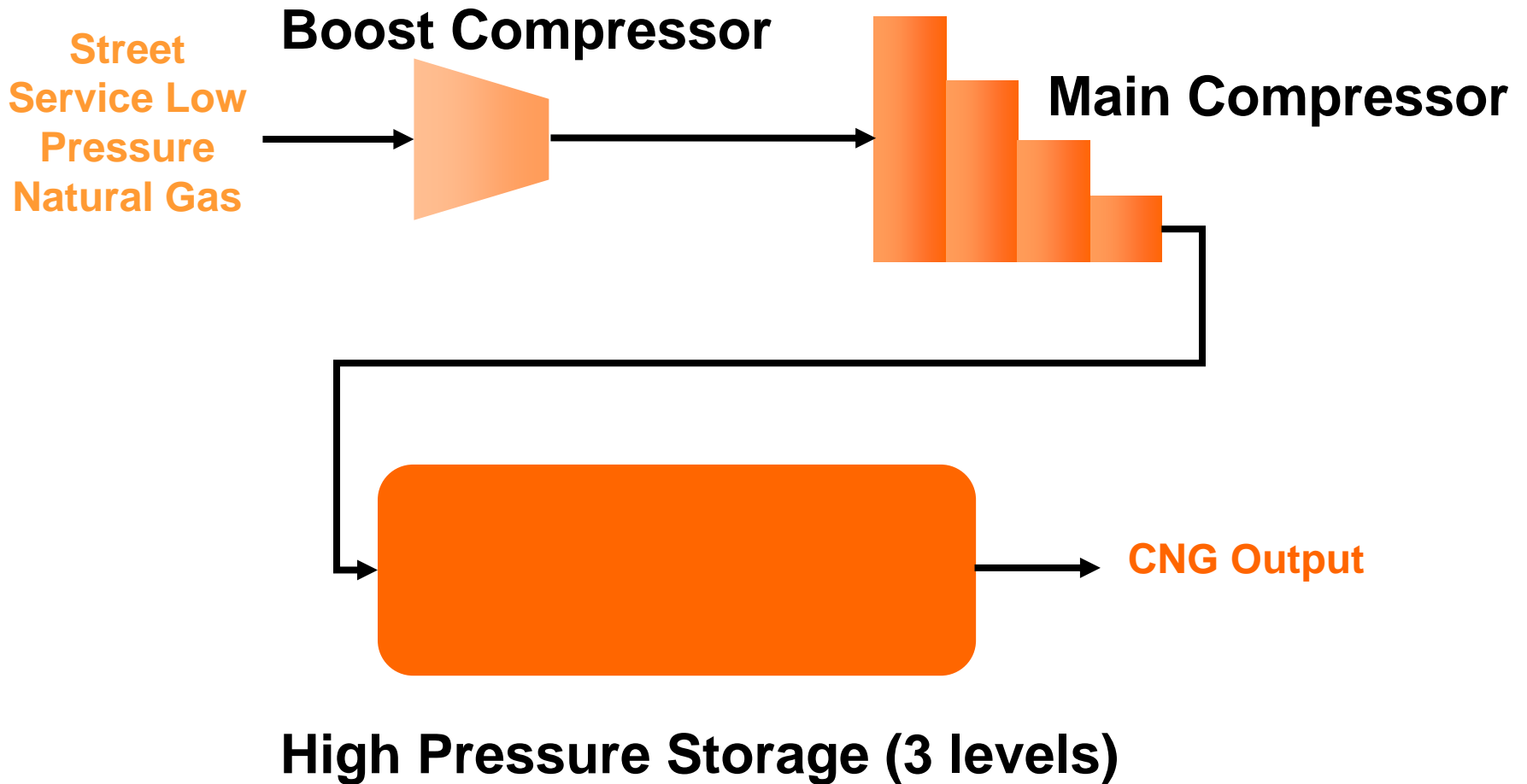


Pilot Plant - Hydrogen Storage

- Low pressure hydrogen storage (lower tank) - 8,955 SCF @ 150 psi
- High pressure hydrogen storage (upper 2 tanks) - 17,386 SCF @ 6,000 psi (total both tanks)



Pilot Plant - CNG Substation



Pilot Plant - Fueling Dispensers

- Includes metering and electronic billing interface
- Fully permitted for motor fuel dispensing
- Public access



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FIRE PERMIT

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Permit # **F203 0200731** Issue Date **05-MAR-2002** Expires **02-MAR-2012**
Permit Description **FUEL DISPENSING @ 435 S. 2ND AVE.**
Project **99-22738** APS
Address **NOT FOUND** Zoning

Description/Scope of Work: **MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL DISPENSING STATION**
MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL-DISPENSING STATIONS:
Operate.

PERMITEE:
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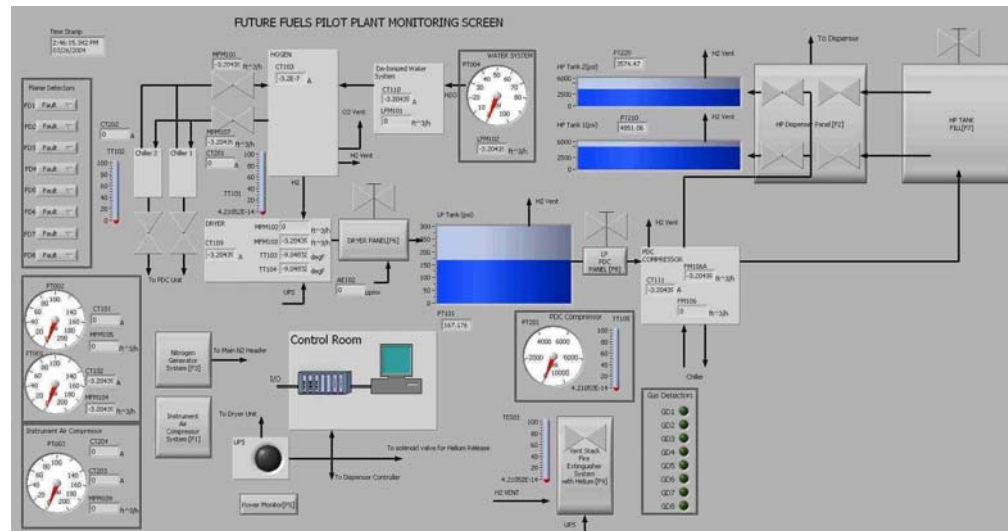
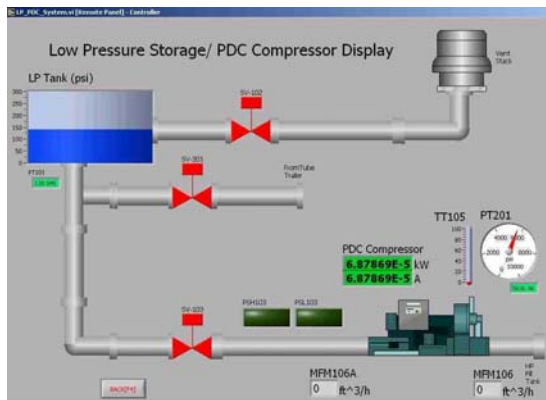
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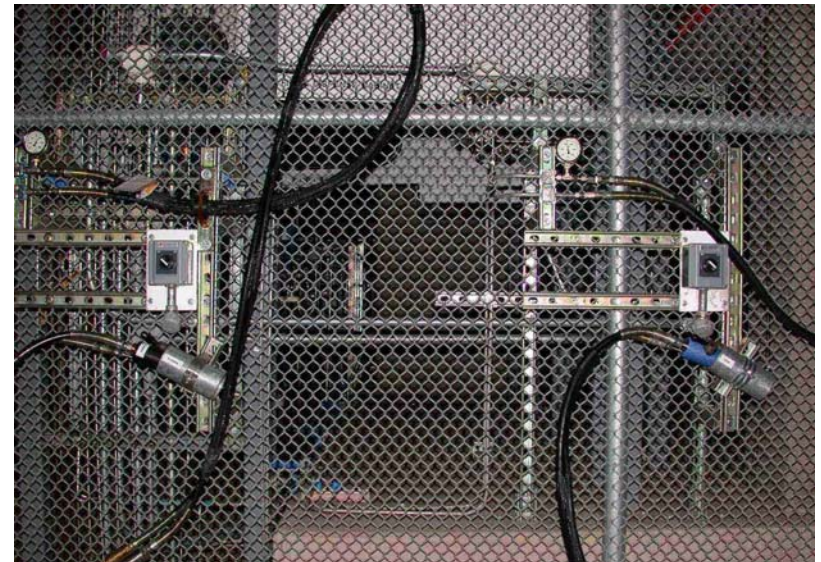
Pilot Plant - Monitoring

- 6,000 fueling events & 7,200 kg of hydrogen produced
- Hydrogen kg energy costs based on historical (26% to 49%) and projected (70%) plant factors
 - \$3.43 down (26% PF) to \$2.39 per kg (70% PF)
 - DOE 2005 energy cost target \$2.47
- Water cost per kg of hydrogen \$0.10



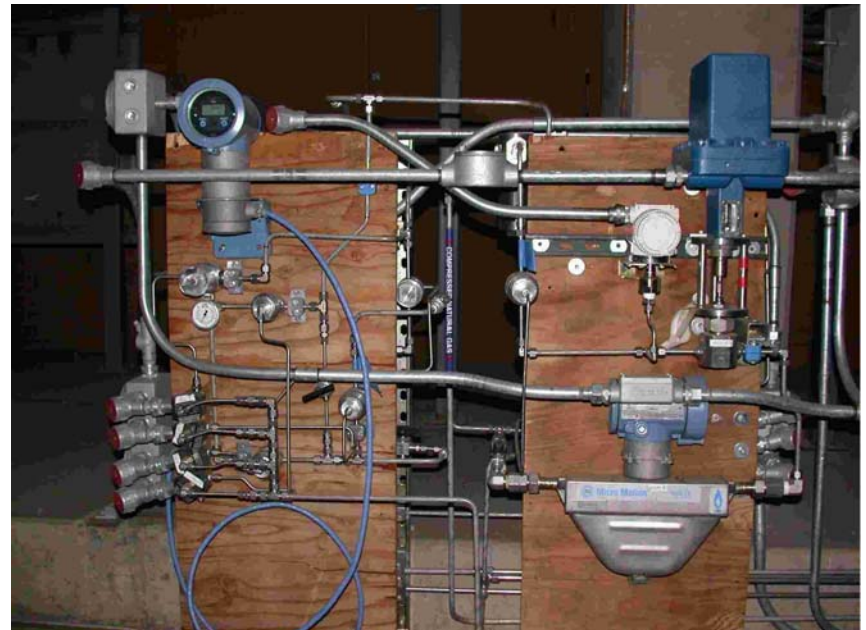
Prototype Dispenser Testing

- **Uses proportional flow control valves for hydrogen and CNG gas streams to control gas flow rates from 100 to 40,000 scfh**
- **Dispenser controller adjusts the control valves to provide real-time ratio control of blended fuels**
- **Control valves are trimmed by a digital dispenser controller using mass flow signals provided by coriolis mass flow transducers in the hydrogen and CNG gas streams**



Prototype Dispenser Testing

- **Delivers 100% hydrogen, 100% CNG, and blends of HCNG using two independent single nozzles to fuel AVTA test vehicles**
 - 1 Nozzle - CNG and HCNG fuels (15, 20, 30, and 50% hydrogen - by volume) at 3,600 psi
 - 1 Nozzle - 100% hydrogen dispensing at 5,000 psig
- **Next step - commercial package**



Hydrogen and HCNG ICE Vehicle Testing

- Initial ICE hydrogen and HCNG vehicle testing
 - Dodge van on 15% HCNG (continues in testing)
 - Ford F150 up to 30% HCNG (continues in testing)
 - Ford F150 up to 50% HCNG (testing complete)
 - 100% hydrogen Mercedes Benz van (operating)



15% HCNG Dodge Van Emissions Testing

- **5.2 L CNG V8 (no modifications) with 71,000 HCNG test miles - no problems**
- **27,000 miles of 15% HCNG fuel data - 15.5 miles/GGE**

Percentage change in 15% HCNG emissions compared to 100% CNG emissions	
Total hydrocarbons	-34.7%
Carbon monoxide	-55.4%
Oxides of nitrogen	+92.1%
Carbon dioxide	-11.3%



30% HCNG F150 Testing

- **5.4 L V8 CNG engine – added: supercharger, ignition modifications & exhaust gas recirculator**
- **Fleet testing - 54,000 30% HCNG miles: 17.5 miles/GGE**

Fuel Blend	0 to 60 mph (secs.)	Miles/GGE	Range (miles)
CNG	10.10	23.3	122
15% HCNG	10.97	22.6	110
30% HCNG	12.68	23.5	102



30% HCNG F150 Emissions Testing

Fuel Type	Percentage Change in Emissions Testing					
	NMHC	CH ₄	HC	CO	NO _x	CO ₂
Gasoline	Base	Base	Base	Base	Base	Base
CNG	-80	+967	+35	-63	-34	-24
15% HCNG	-78	+1000	+40	-70	-26	-27
30% HCNG	-89	+1050	+37	-73	-25	-28

NMHC=Non-Methane Hydrocarbons

HC=Total Hydrocarbons

NO_x=Oxides of Nitrogen

CH₄=Methane

CO=Carbon Monoxide

CO₂=Carbon Dioxide



50% HCNG F150 Emissions Testing

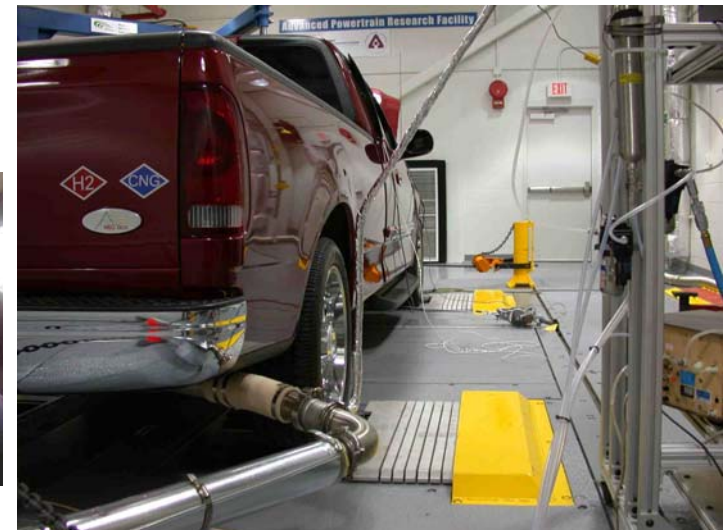
- **Modifications**

- SVO heads, exhaust intercooler and supercharger
- Exhaust gas recirculator and ignition modification
- Equipped with 3 Quantum hydrogen 3,600 psi tanks with 3 kg total storage

Percent reduction in emissions (HCNG versus gasoline-fueled F-150)

HC	CO	NO _x	CO ₂
-3.5%	-43.3%	-97.0%	-16.7%

HC = total hydrocarbons
CO = carbon monoxide
CO₂ = carbon dioxide
NO_x = oxides of nitrogen



HCNG ICE Vehicle Testing

- **APS meter reader fleet 12 Bifuel vehicles (GM)**
 - 1,600 fueling events, 190,000 miles using 10,600 GGE of 15% HCNG
- **Public Fleet - private party Bifuel conversions**
 - 350 fueling events, 36,000 miles (estimated) using 1,800 GGE of HCNG blends (mostly 15%)



5.4L 16-valve 100% Hydrogen ICE Vehicle

- **Baseline Performance testing results**
 - Maximum speed @ 1 mile: 81 mph and ¼ mile: 58 mph
 - Acceleration (0 to 50 mph): 18.1 seconds
 - SAE J1634 fuel economy (AC on): 14.5 miles/GGE
 - SAE J1634 fuel economy (AC off): 18.0 miles/GGE
 - 45 mph constant speed fuel economy: 27.0 miles/GGE
 - Range 95 (14.5 miles/GGE) to 175 miles (27 miles/GGE)
- **Fleet testing - 3,500 miles: 17.0 miles/GGE (110 miles range)**



5.4L 32-valve 100% Hydrogen ICE Vehicle

- 5.4L V-8, 100% hydrogen 32-valve Ford/ETEC pickup
- Automatic transmission, hydrogen fuel injectors, 12 pounds supercharger boost and air-to-air intercooler
- Hardened valves and seats, and forged pistons with 11.5:1 compression
- Motec fuel and spark controls, lean-burn mode
- 7,500 fleet testing miles - 15.3 miles/GGE
- Onboard hydrogen storage 3 Dynetek tanks @ 5,000 psi, 15.3 kilograms (230 miles range)
- To be baseline performance tested
- Converted by ETEC



6L V-8 100% Hydrogen ICE Vehicle

- **Base vehicle: Chevrolet 1500HD crew cab (4 door) with 6L V8 CNG engine**
- **Converted by ETEC/Roush to operate on 100% hydrogen**
- **4-speed automatic transmission, electronic port fuel injection, supercharger, liquid-to-air intercooler**
- **Integration of powertrain control module and development of hydrogen lean-burn control strategies**
- **Implementation of J1850 communications to maintain seamless integration with existing OEM equipment**



6L V-8 100% Hydrogen ICE Vehicle – cont'd

- 10.5 kg 100% hydrogen storage onboard @ 5,000 psi
- 180 Horsepower and 260 lb-ft torque
- Anticipated 15 miles per GGE and range 155 miles
- Targeted to meet NOx requirements for 2007 Tier II, Bin 7 standards
- HC < 10 ppm and NOx < 25 ppm on engine dynamometer
- Nine vehicles are being produced in 1st production run
- AVTA to baseline performance test and track 8 unit fleet in Vancouver



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