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Hydrogen Student  
Design Contest

# On-Campus Tri-Generation Fuel Cell Systems Featuring Winners of the 2011-2012 Hydrogen Student Design Contest

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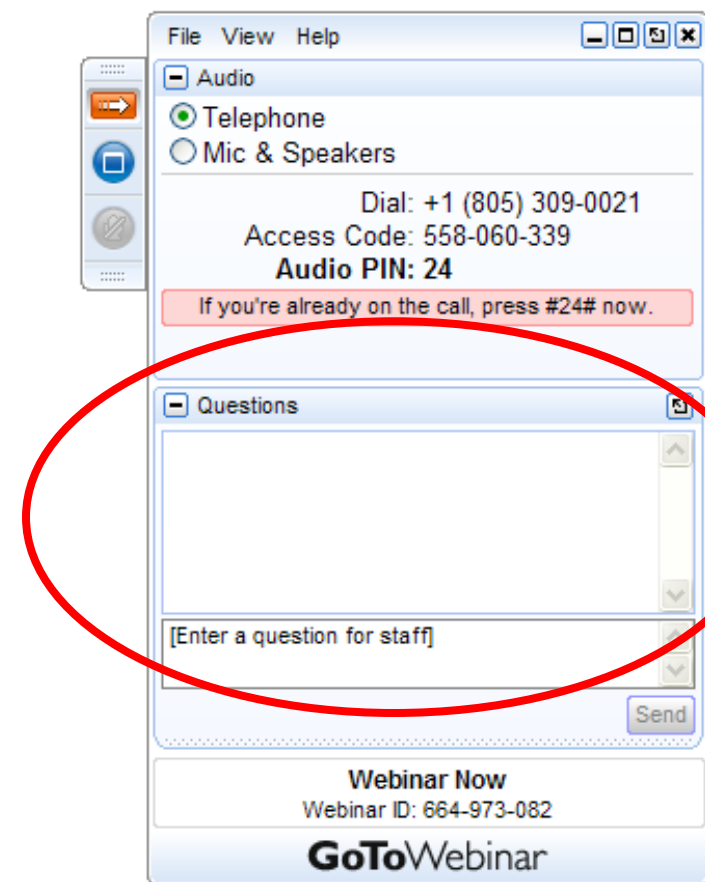
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# Contest Overview

- Emanuel Wagner, Hydrogen Education Foundation




HEF Contest Manager

# Hydrogen Education Foundation

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- Programs include:
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  - H2andYou
  - Hydrogen Student Design Contest
  - Washington Fuel Cell Summit
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# What is the Contest?

- The annual Hydrogen Student Design Contest challenges university students to design hydrogen energy applications for real-world use.
- Technical, multidisciplinary competition
  - Engineering
  - Architecture/planning
  - Industrial design
  - Economics
  - Business/marketing
  - Environmental science
  - Political science
  - Chemistry

# History of Contest

- Began in 2004
- Past themes:
  - Residential Fueling
  - Designing a Hydrogen Community
  - Green Buildings with Hydrogen
  - Hydrogen Applications for Airports
  - Hydrogen Power Park
  - Hydrogen Fueling Station
- Several winning designs were built, e.g. the 2008 winning design is now an active hydrogen fueling station at Humboldt State University







## 2011-2012 Contest Supporters



## Media Partners



## 2011-2012 Theme:

**Design a Combined Hydrogen,  
Heat and Power System for your  
University Campus  
– Using Local Resources**

# Why CHHP?

- Companies around the world are working to make hydrogen technologies a more common reality
- Decentralized renewable hydrogen production supports the transition to the hydrogen economy
- CHHP is a new and effective way to produce clean energy, reducing GHG emissions, health risks and supporting clean air
- Reduction of organic waste materials and capturing methane emissions for energy production

## Theme Details

- Plan and design a CHHP system using local resources
- System should be designed for an existing facility or proposed new construction
- System must use available on-site or local fuel, may utilize natural gas when needed
- Design must provide uses for all three end-products

# Contest Sections

1. Resource Assessment
2. Technical Design
3. Plan for End Uses
4. Safety Analysis
5. Economic Analysis and Business Plan
6. Environmental Analysis
7. Marketing and Public Education Plan



# Who Participated?

- 33 teams from 10 countries registered for 2011-2012 Contest
- 20 team submitted final entries
- Top Teams:


| University                         | Award                    | Score  |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------|
| <b>University of Maryland</b>      | <b>Grand Prize</b>       | 91.10% |
| <b>Washington State University</b> | <b>Honorable Mention</b> | 89.70% |
| <b>UC Davis</b>                    | <b>Honorable Mention</b> | 88.30% |
| Missouri S+T                       | Top Ten Finisher         | 85.80% |
| National University of Malaysia    | Top Ten Finisher         | 85.80% |
| Ohio University                    | Top Ten Finisher         | 77.70% |
| Latvia University                  | Top Ten Finisher         | 68.80% |
| Kyushu University                  | Top Ten Finisher         | 68.70% |
| Florida International University   | Top Ten Finisher         | 65.50% |
| University of Bridgeport           | Top Ten Finisher         | 63.70% |

# System Overview

## ○ Joe Daly, FuelCell Energy



Manager Test & Validation Services at  
FuelCell Energy



# Combined Heat, Hydrogen and Power from DFC<sup>®</sup> Fuel Cell

FCE Information Towards Design:  
Hydrogen Education Foundation's  
2011-2012 CHHP Contest

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# Outline

- Fuel Cell Background
- Process
- Design Specifications
- End Products and Uses



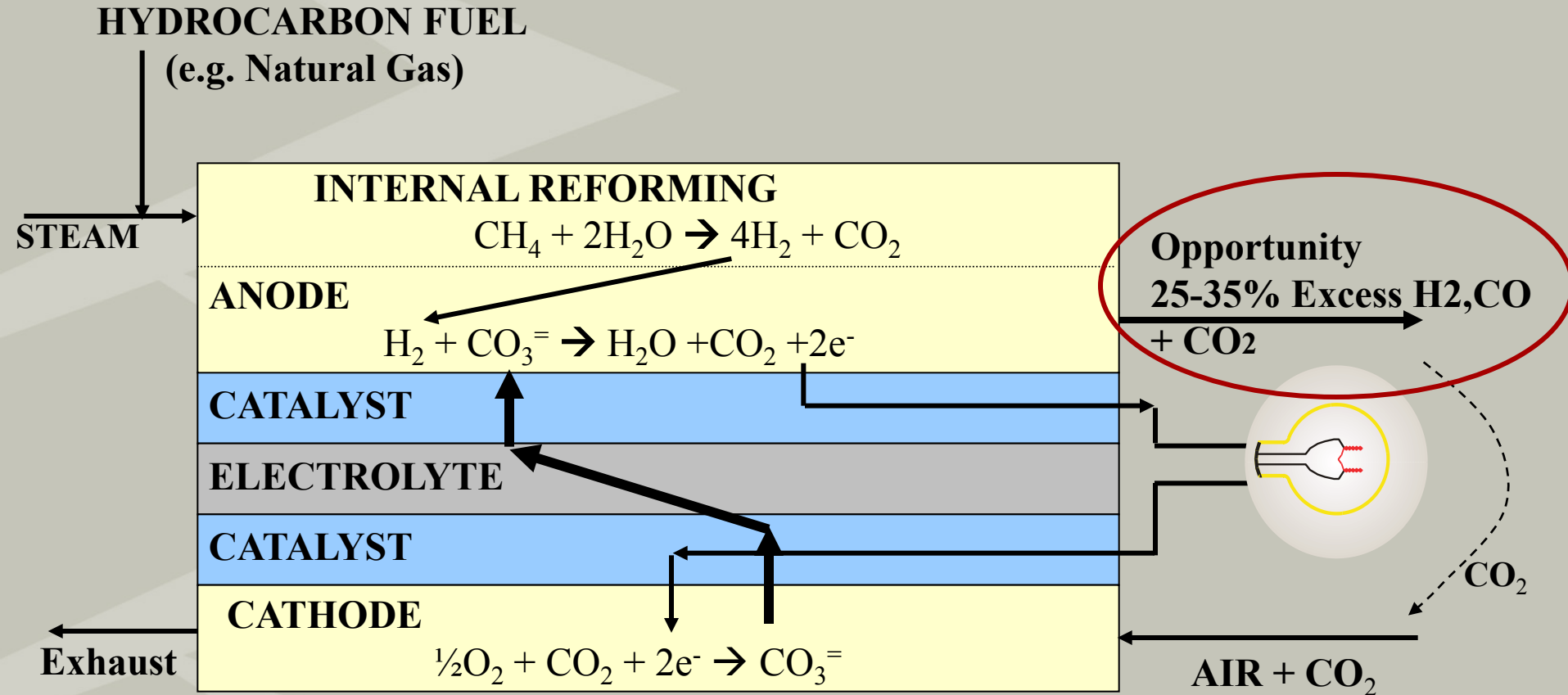
# Background – Fuel Cell Technologies

|                    | Fuel Cell Type               |                 |                              |                              |
|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                    | Polymer Electrolyte Membrane | Phosphoric Acid | Carbonate Direct Fuel Cell®  | <u>Future</u><br>Solid Oxide |
| Electrolyte        | Ion Exchange Membrane        | Phosphoric Acid | Alkali Carbonate             | Yttria Stabilized Zirconia   |
| Operating Temp. °F | 200                          | 400             | 1200                         | 1800                         |
| Charge Carrier     | H <sup>+</sup>               | H <sup>+</sup>  | CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>=</sup> | O <sup>=</sup>               |
| Cell Hardware      | Carbon /Metal Based          | Graphite        | Stainless Steel              | Ceramic                      |
| Catalyst           | Platinum                     | Platinum        | Nickel                       | Perovskites                  |





# Internal Reforming DFC® Technology



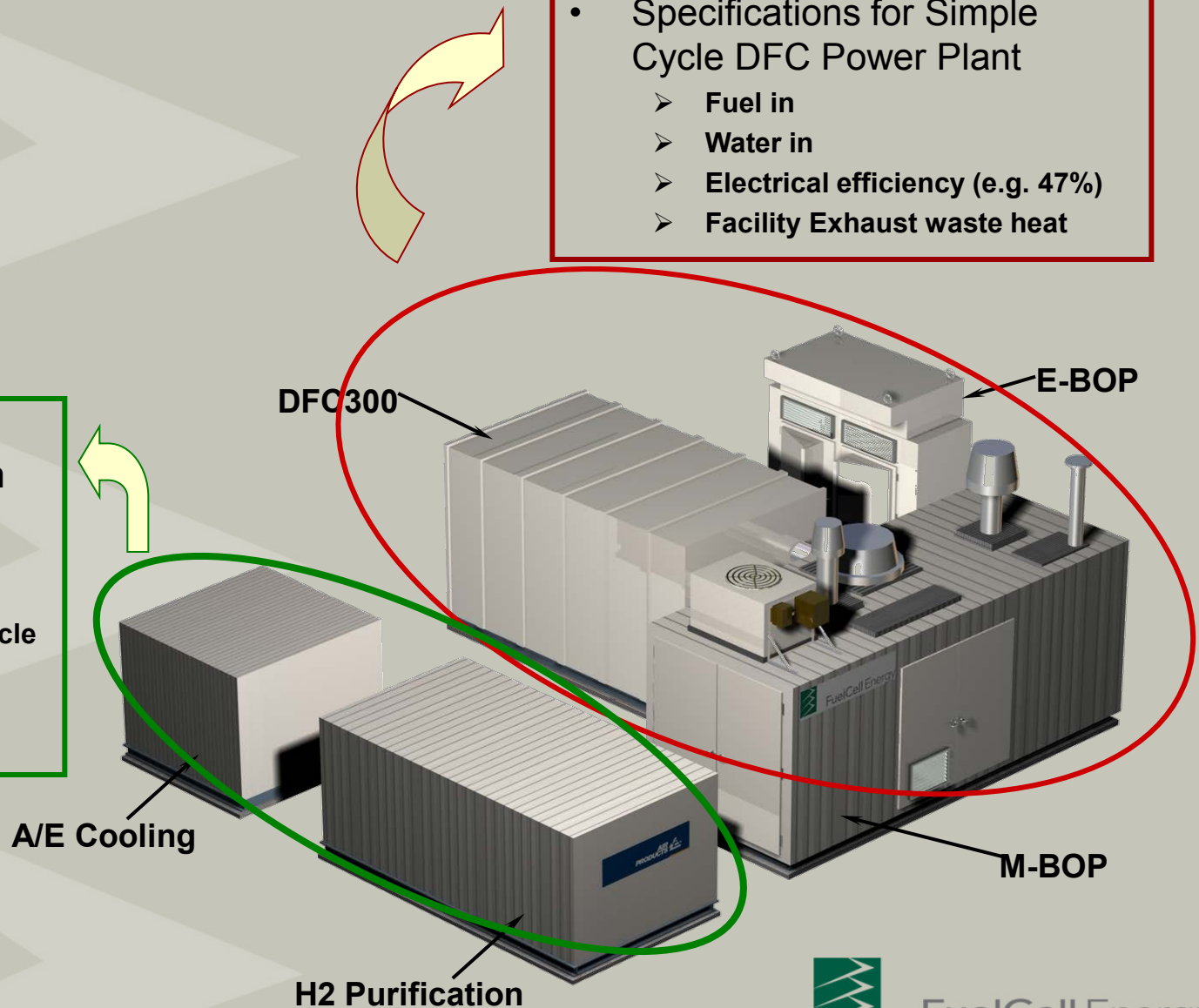
H<sub>2</sub> Co-production expands market for fuel cells



# CHHP System Design Basis

- Specifications for Simple Cycle DFC Power Plant
  - Fuel in
  - Water in
  - Electrical efficiency (e.g. 47%)
  - Facility Exhaust waste heat

- Specifications for Hydrogen Production
  - Anode exhaust composition
  - DFC Fuel Utilization
  - Impact on simple-cycle waste heat
  - Supplemental Fuel Option



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# Design a CHHP System for your University Campus

- CHHP means Co-production of Hydrogen Heat and Power.
- Power source is high efficiency internal reforming fuel cell.
  - ▶ e.g., FuelCell Energy's Direct Fuel Cell (DFC)
  - ▶ The internal reforming creates hydrogen for the fuel cell reaction and excess hydrogen for export.
- DFC simple cycle power plant size options and costs:

| Model   | Net AC kW | Cost (\$/kW) |
|---------|-----------|--------------|
| DFC300  | 300       | \$3,500      |
| DFC1500 | 1,400     | \$2,400      |
| DFC3000 | 2,800     | \$2,300      |

- Fuel Options: Natural Gas, Biogas, Propane, etc.
- Simple Cycle Product Specifications available at:  
<http://www.fuelcellenergy.com/products.php>
  - ▶ Heat rate, fuel consumption, efficiency (47%), emissions (NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>x</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>), exhaust temp. and heat capacity, flow rate, sound levels, etc.



# Fuel Specification for CHHP System

- Baseline Fuel: Natural gas
- Examples of Renewable Fuels:
  - ▶ Biogas derived from anaerobic digester, landfill
    - Minimum methane content 60%
  - ▶ Syngas derived from thermal gasification.
    - Must be methane rich, at least 50% methane
- Fuel pretreatment
  - ▶ Non required for pipeline natural gas
  - ▶ Clean up required for renewable/other fuels
    - Sulfur, siloxane, and halogens down to sub-PPMV level.
- Renewable fuels may be blended with natural gas.



# Basis for Hydrogen Co-Production

## ■ Anode Exhaust Composition (at fuel utilization of 65%)

|          |                             |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| ➤ $H_2$  | 10%                         |
| ➤ $H_2O$ | 40%                         |
| ➤ $CO$   | 5%                          |
| ➤ $CO_2$ | 45%                         |
| ➤ $N_2$  | 0.3 – 0.8% (fuel dependent) |
| ➤ $CH_4$ | <1%                         |

**(Shifted and Dried)  $H_2$  = 23%**  
 **$H_2O$  negligible**  
 **$CO$  < 1%**  
 **$CO_2$  = 77%**

## ■ Impact of Hydrogen Co-Production on Heat Energy available for recovery:

- Available heat energy is reduced from simple-cycle specification on a one-for-one basis of the heat value of hydrogen product exported.

## ■ Supplemental Fuel Option:

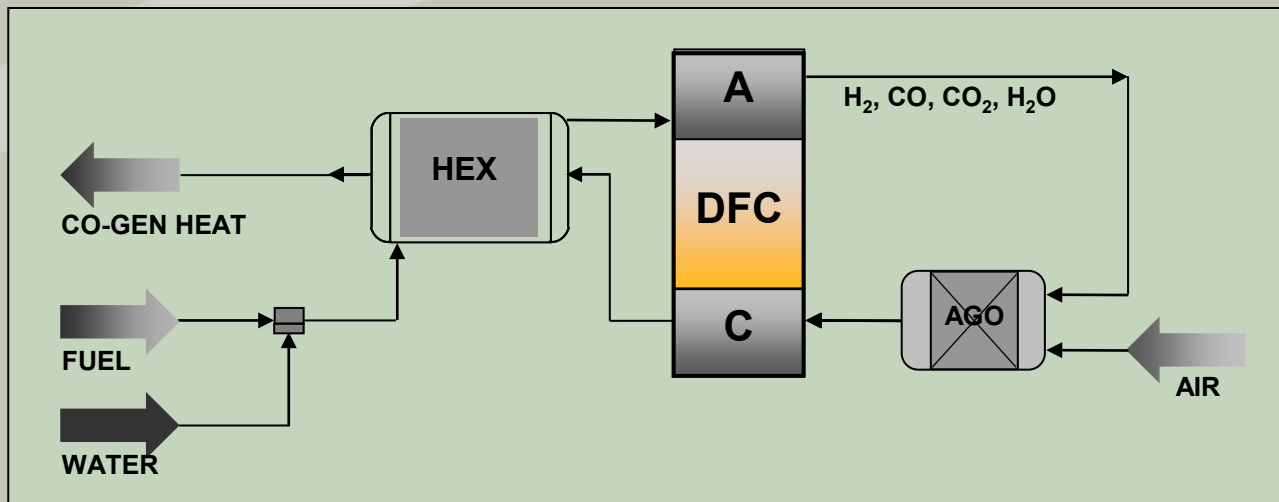
- Supplemental fuel may be added to facilitate greater hydrogen production.

## ■ Fuel Utilization – maintain 65%.

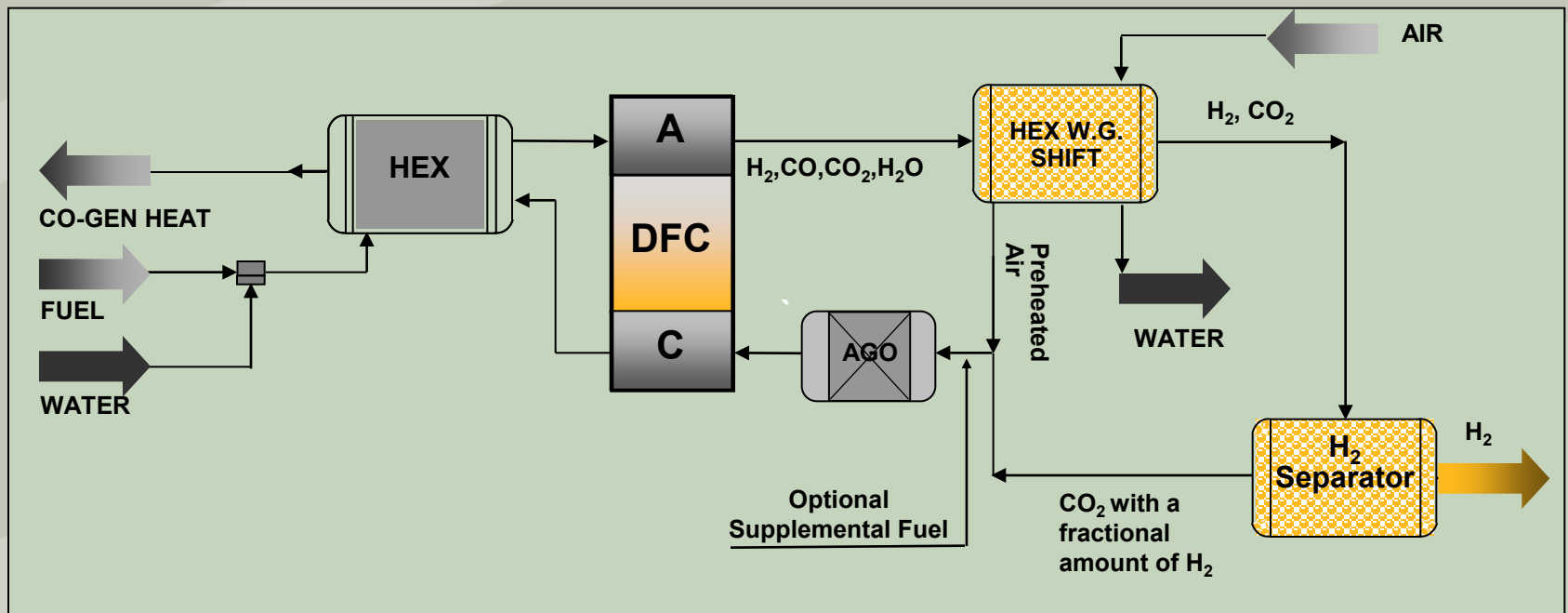




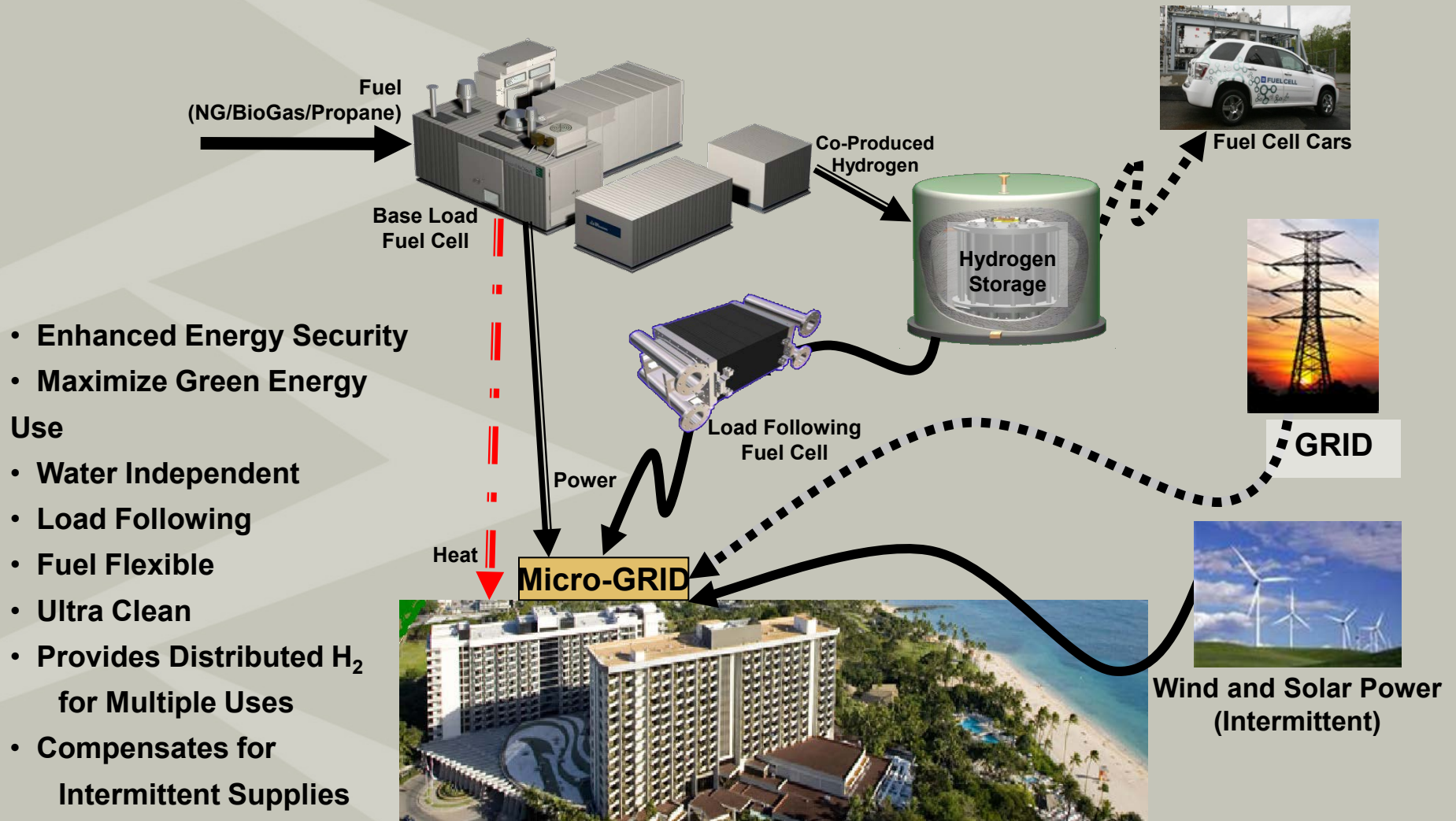
# Configuration – Simple Cycle



# Configuration – H<sub>2</sub> Recovery



# CHHP System: Enabler for FCV, EV, Smart Grid



# Winning Design

○ University of Maryland

○ Presenters:

- Jennie Moton
- Daniel Spencer
- Richard Bourne
- Kyle Gluesenkamp
- William Gibbons



**Report is available at:**

<http://www.hydrogencontest.org/pdf/2012/University%20of%20Maryland%20-%20CHHP%20Phase%20II%20Submission.pdf>



# Combined Heat, Hydrogen, and Power Plant Design for the University of Maryland

**UMD CHHP Design Team**

represented by Jennie Moton, Daniel Spencer,  
Richard Bourne, Kyle Gluesenkamp, and William Gibbons

Advisor: Prof. Greg Jackson, Associate Director, UMERC

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# Hydrogen Education Foundation's 2011-2012 Competitive Challenge

## Design Objective:

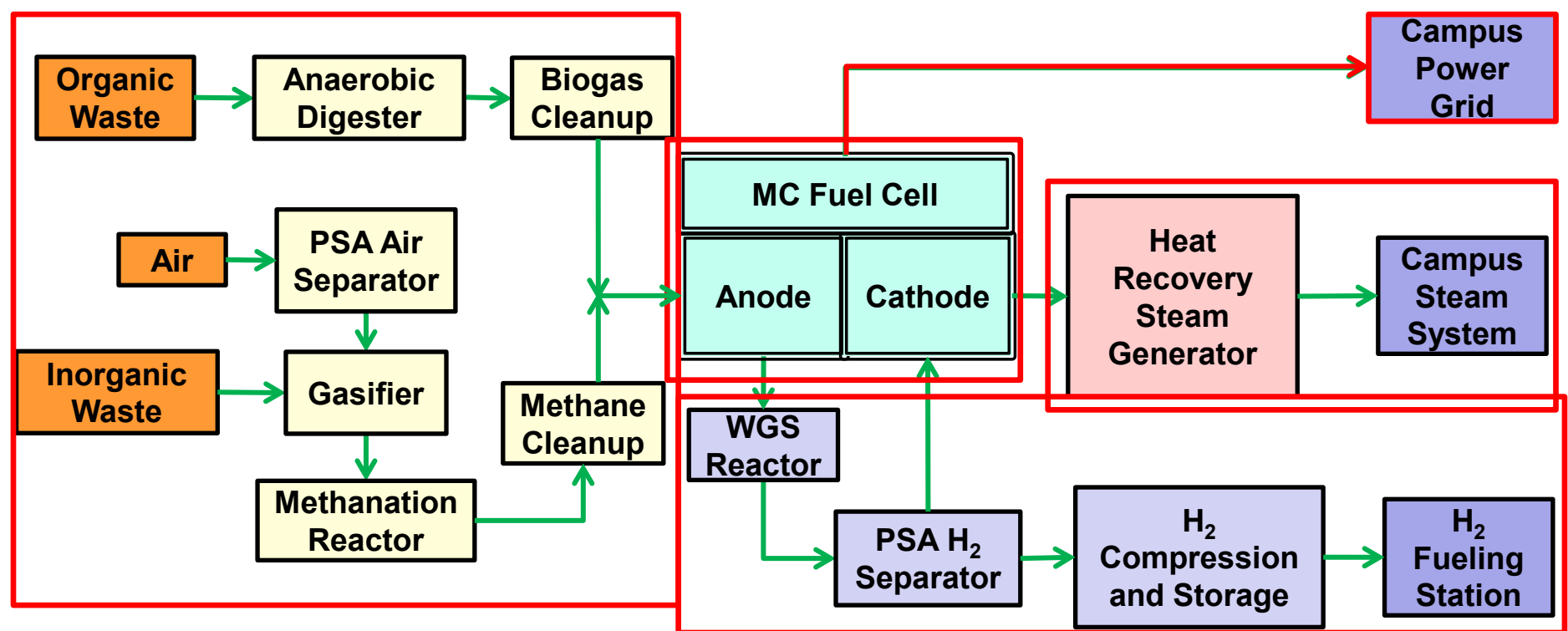
*Combined Heat Hydrogen and Power (CHHP) plant for a campus utilizing local renewable waste resources.*

## UMD System Design Value Proposition:

- Reduction of ~6,700 metric tons/yr landfill waste removal
- Electric power: average 1.2 MWe to reduce external load
  - *offsets power purchased from the grid*
- Steam: ~160 kg/hr at 900 kPa, 260°C for on-campus cooling/heating
- Hydrogen Fueling Station: ~17.8 kg H<sub>2</sub>/hr
  - *approximately 250 kWe net power in PEMFC systems for UMD shuttles, i.e., ~ 6 – 8 fuel cell powered buses*

# CHHP System Summary

- Waste streams converted to methane via gasification and digestion
- Methane is reformed to  $H_2$  in anode and utilized to produce electricity
- Excess  $H_2$  is recovered from the fuel cell anode exhaust
- Remaining thermal energy in exhaust is used to create steam for cooling and heating



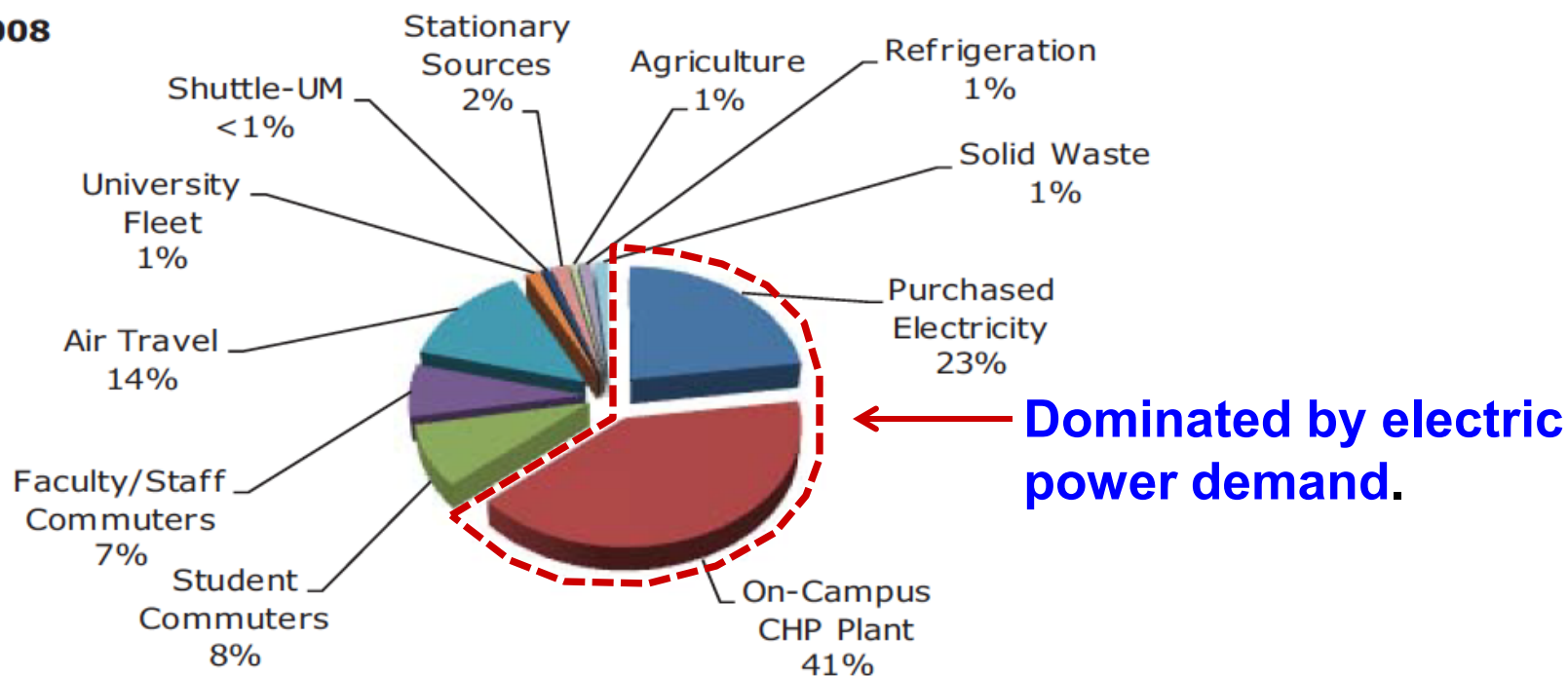
# UMD Campus Existing Infrastructure

- Existing infrastructure on campus was considered in the design stages of the project.
- UMD has on campus a natural-gas-fired combined cycle power plant that produces up to 25.9 MW<sub>elec.</sub>
- Intermediate pressure steam (900 kPa, 260 C) shipped around campus
  - Above 70 MW of heating for campus buildings in winter
  - Approximately 13 MW of building cooling in summer provided by steam-turbine-driven chillers



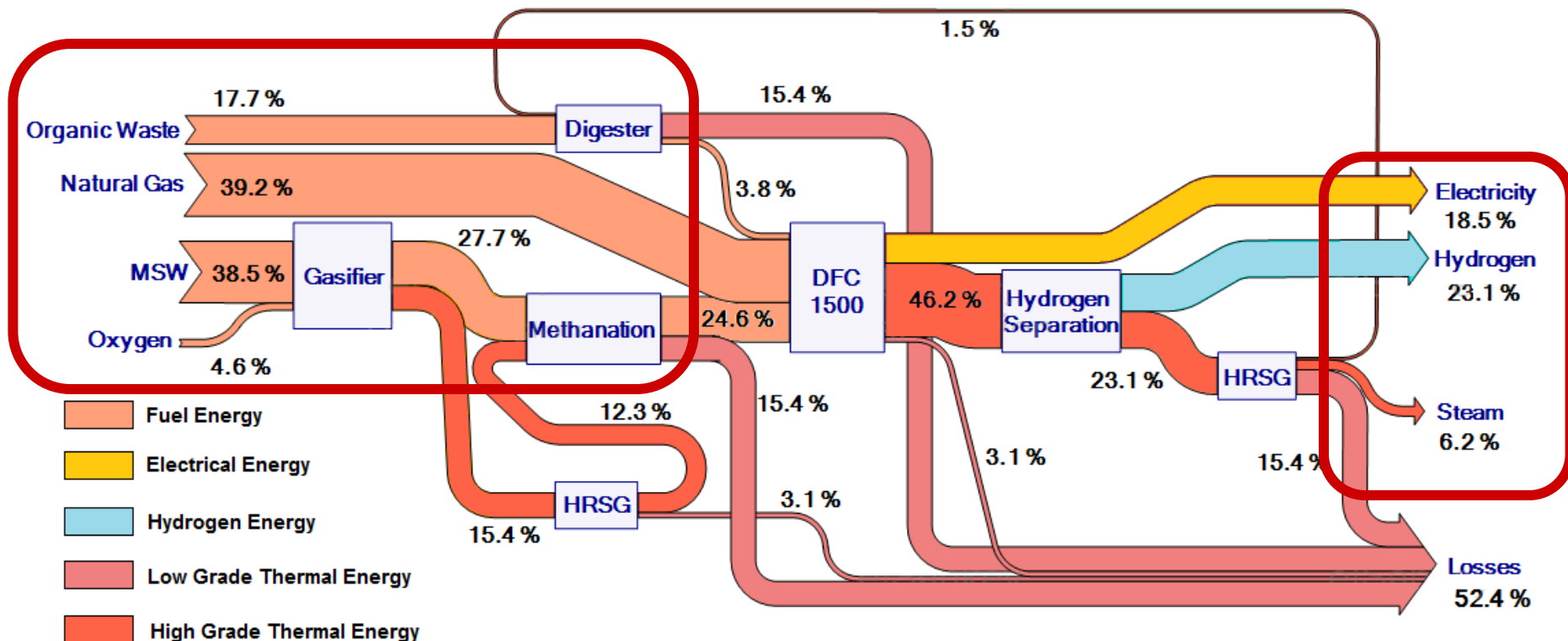
# UMD Campus Carbon Foot Print

FY 2008

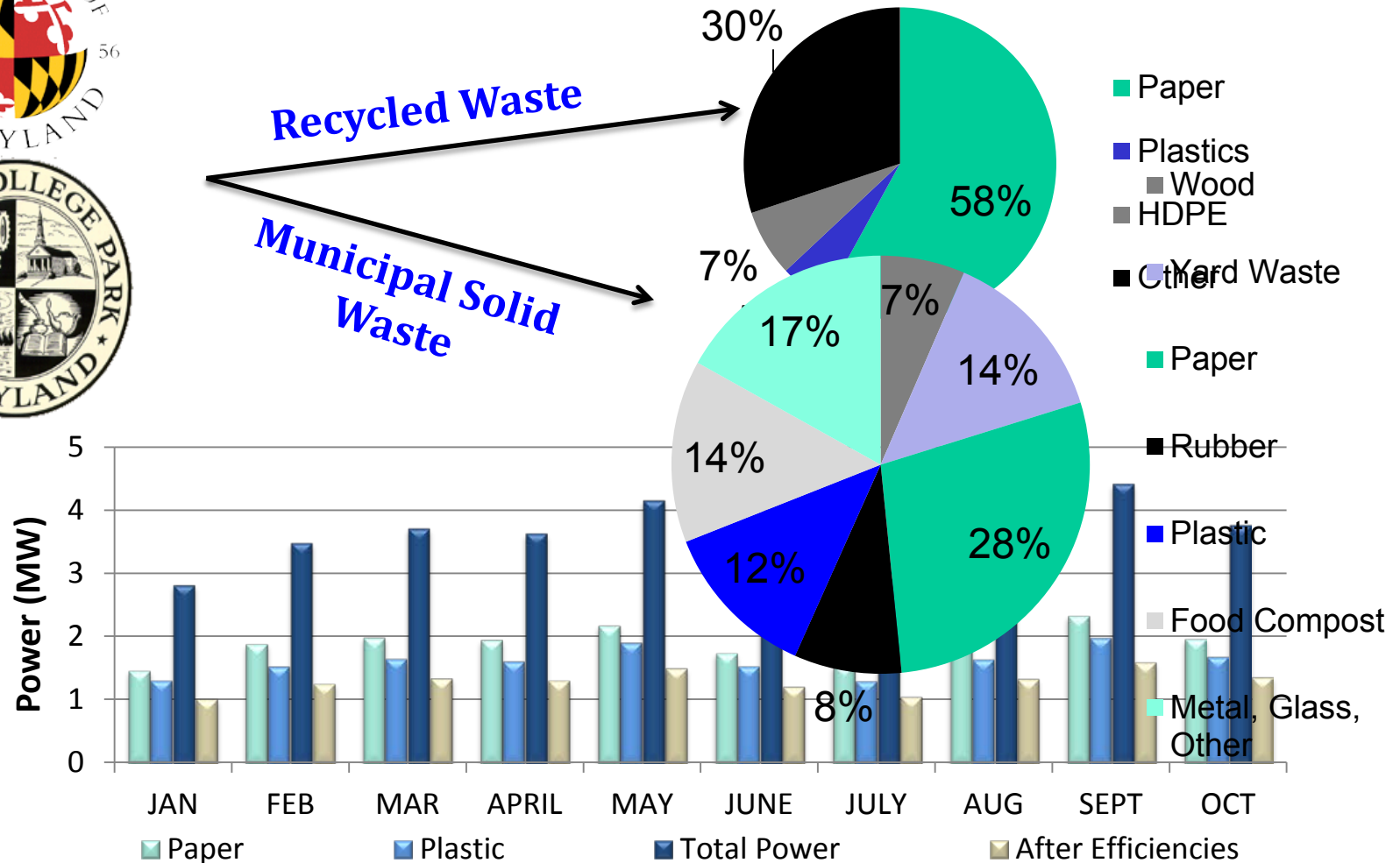


- Greatest gains to be made in reduction of power demand and transportation.
- UMD Carbon Footprint (FY 2008) based on “Carbon Footprint of the University of Maryland College Park: An updated inventory of greenhouse gas emissions: 2002-2008”

# CHHP Sankey Diagram (Energy)



# Feedstock Waste Streams

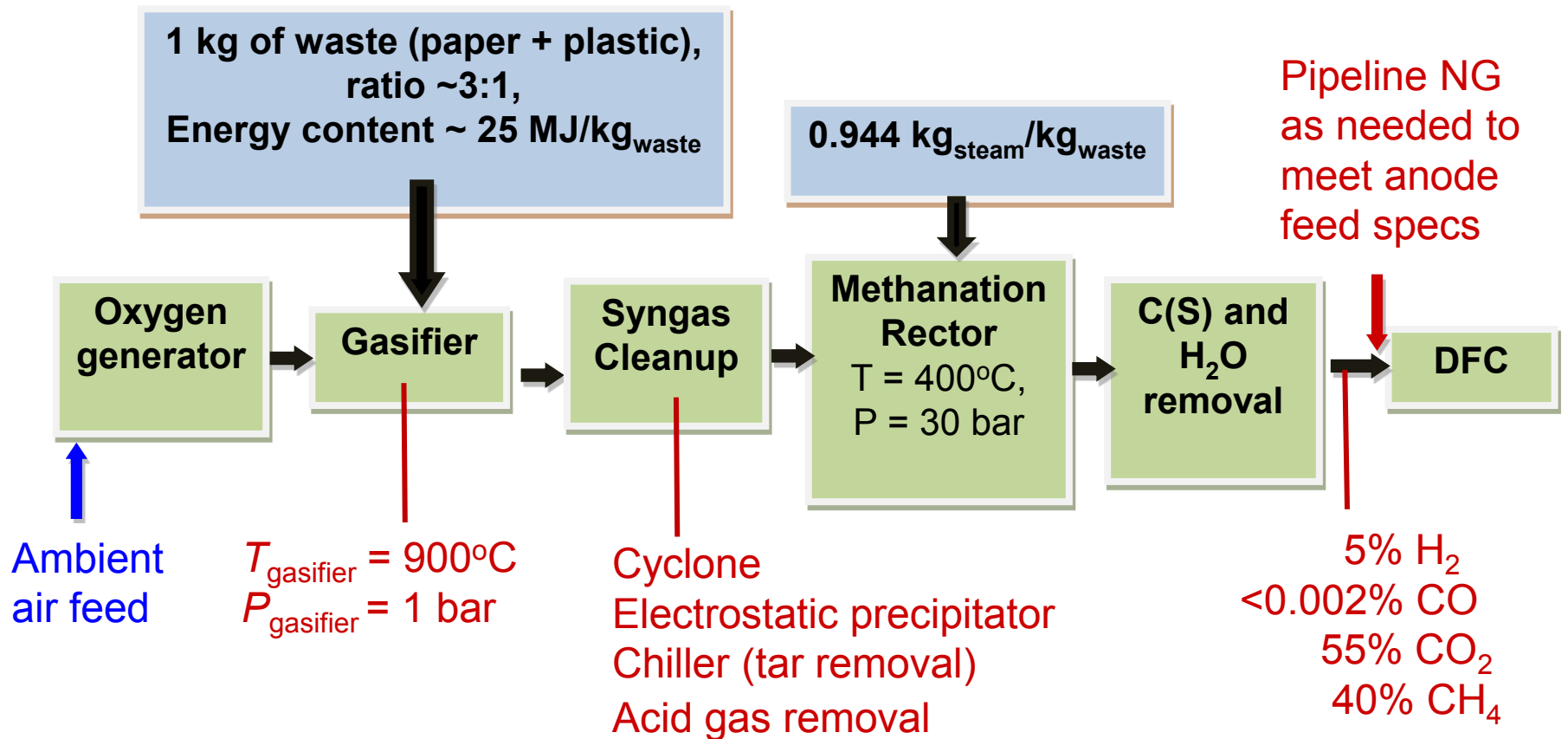


**Combined monthly power from waste streams collected from UMD campus and City of College Park for 10 months in 2011.**



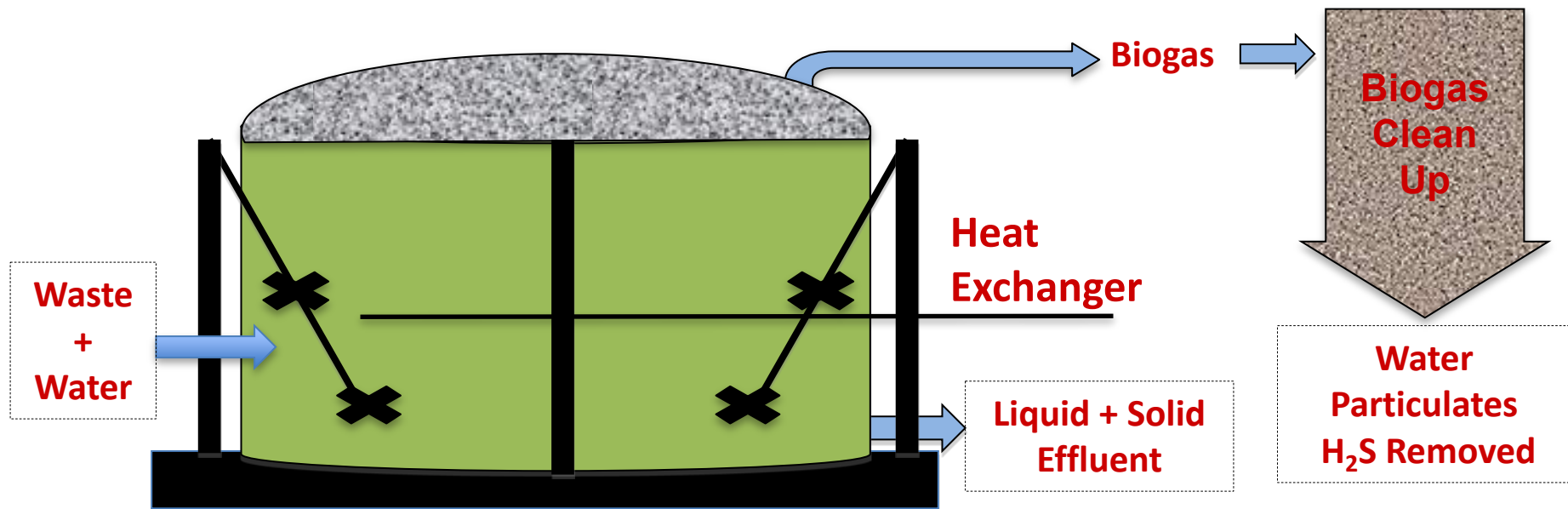
# Gasifier and Fuel Processing

- Metal separator, shredder, feed to gasifier (Thermogenics Model # 106)
- $O_2$  gasifying agent - high reaction rates and minimal syngas dilution
- Moving bed, refractory lined to enable high temp operation



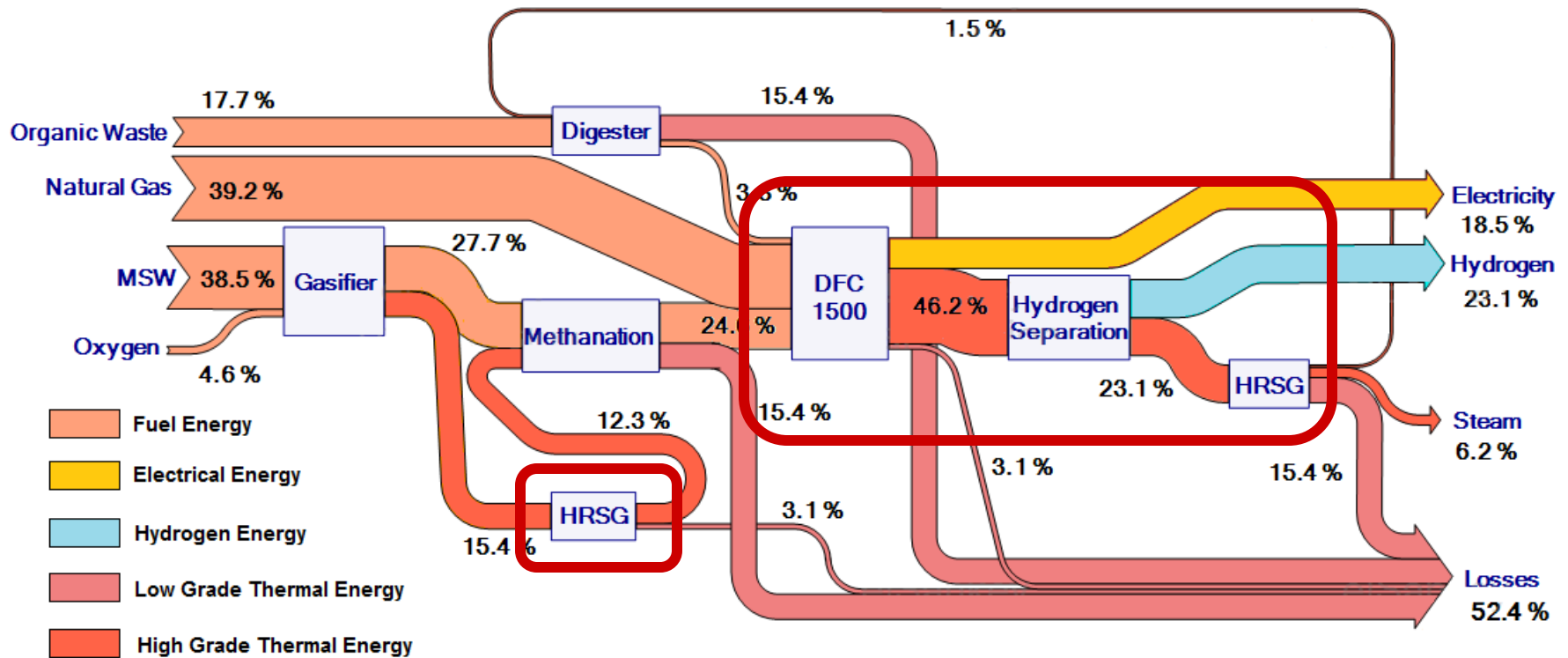
# Anaerobic Digester

- Complete mix, mesophilic (32-35 °C; 21-day retention; 1,520 m<sup>3</sup> )
- Wastes Processed: food, stall waste, leaves, yard waste
- Amount of waste processed: 1.56 m<sup>3</sup>/hr
- Amount of biogas produced: 32.7 m<sup>3</sup>/hr



\* Commercial Designs Available from: Advanced Green Energy Solutions LLC , New Energy Solutions, Inc.

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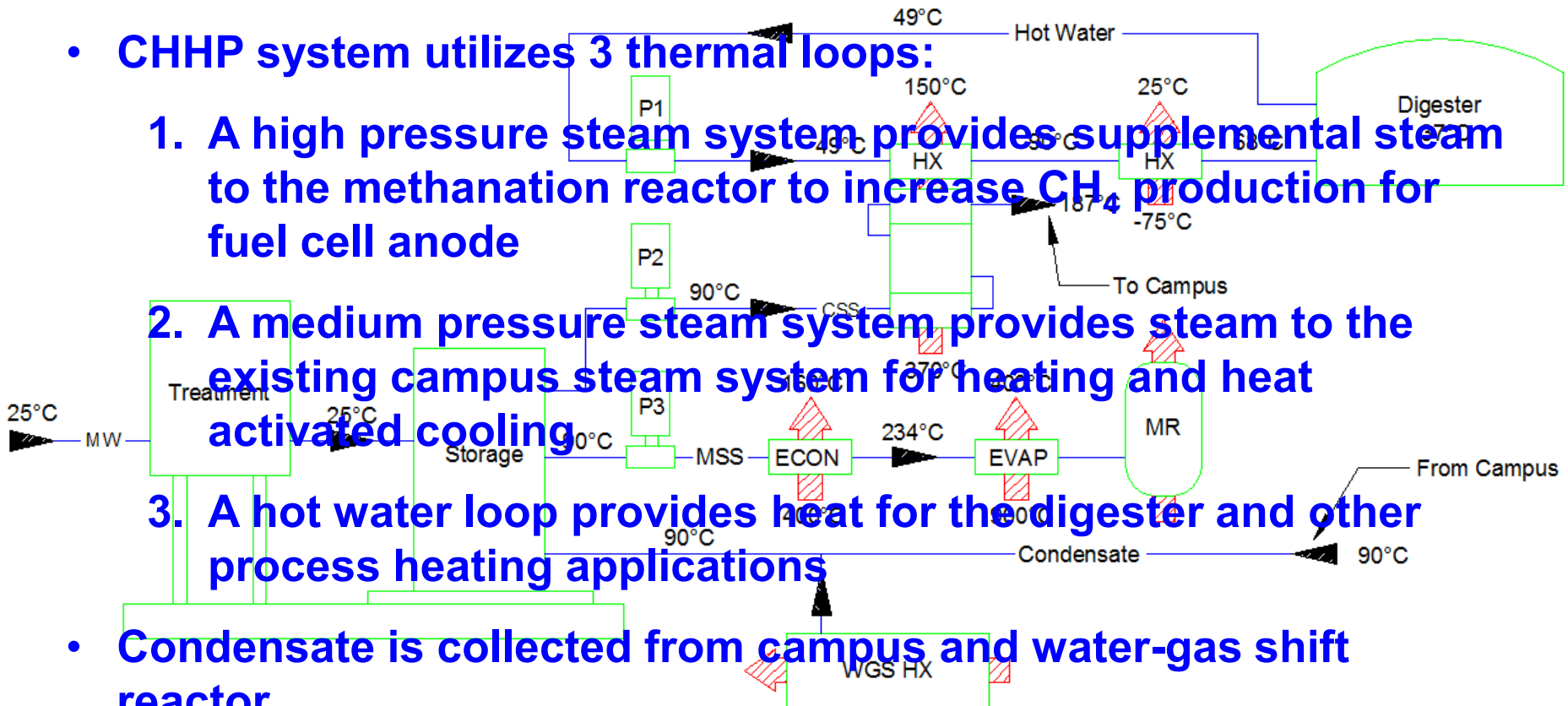
# Fuel Cell Energy 1.5 MW MCFC

- 1.5 MW<sub>elec</sub> Molten Carbonate Fuel Cell (MCFC) used as power plant and H<sub>2</sub> production
  - *Electric efficiency in simple-cycle configuration: 47%*
  - *Net electrical output in plant: 1.4 MWe*
  - *Fuel consumption: 308 standard m<sup>3</sup>/hr*
  - *Average water consumption: 1.0 m<sup>3</sup>/hr*
  - *Exhaust temperature: 370 +/- 30 °C*



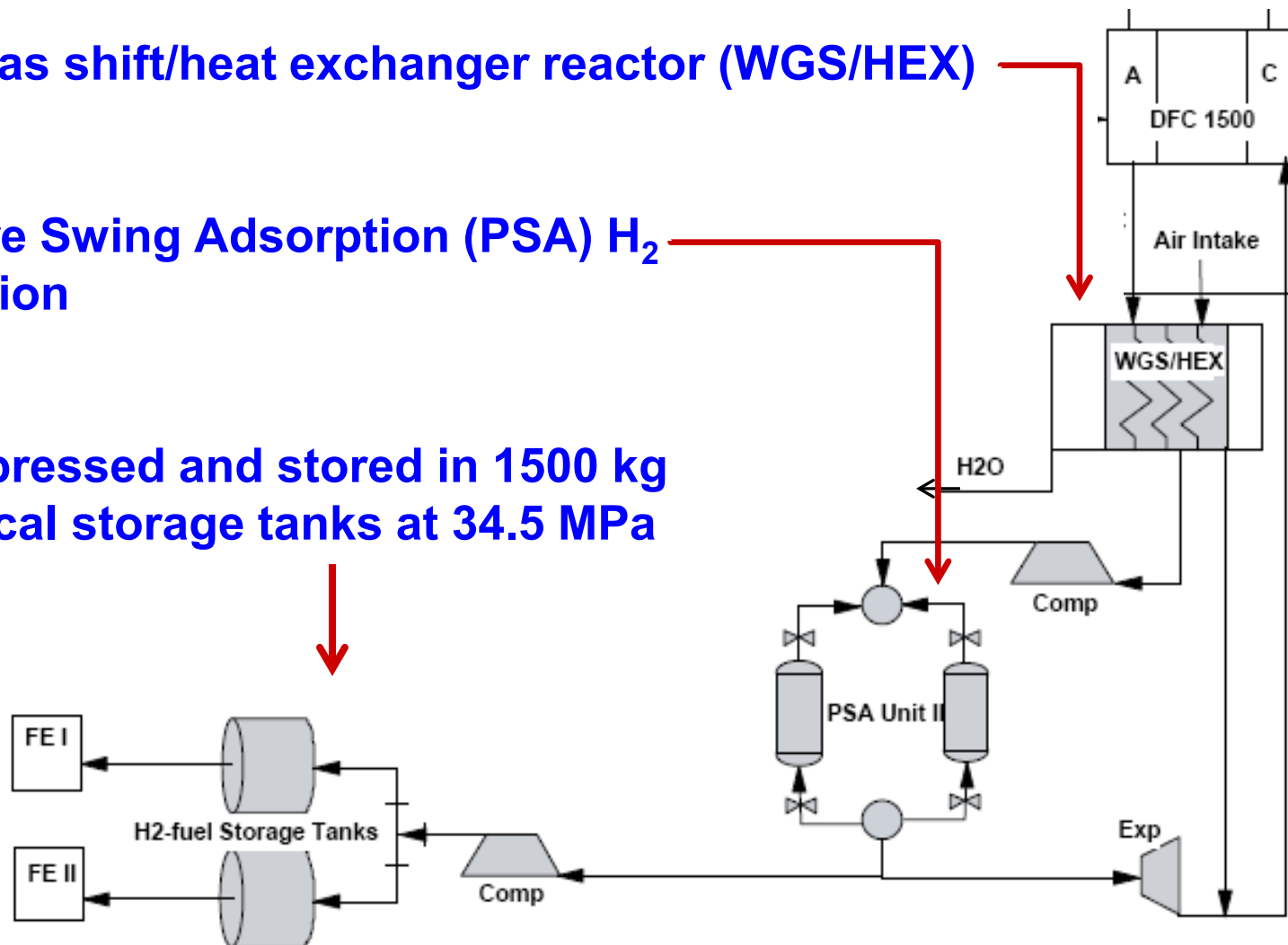
# Heat Recovery System

- CHHP system utilizes 3 thermal loops:
    - A high pressure steam system provides supplemental steam to the methanation reactor to increase  $\text{CH}_4$  production for fuel cell anode
    - A medium pressure steam system provides steam to the existing campus steam system for heating and heat activated cooling
    - A hot water loop provides heat for the digester and other process heating applications
  - Condensate is collected from campus and water-gas shift reactor
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- The diagram illustrates the CHHP system's thermal integration. It features three main loops: a high-pressure steam loop (top), a medium-pressure steam loop (middle), and a hot water loop (bottom). The high-pressure loop includes pumps P1 and P2, and heat exchangers HX. The medium-pressure loop includes pumps P2 and P3, and heat exchangers HX and WGS HX. The hot water loop includes a digester and a WGS HX. The system shows the flow of steam and hot water between these components and external systems like the campus steam system and digester. Key temperature points are marked throughout the system, such as 150°C, 25°C, 90°C, and 234°C.



# H<sub>2</sub> Recovery, Compression, and Storage

- Water gas shift/heat exchanger reactor (WGS/HEX)
- Pressure Swing Adsorption (PSA) H<sub>2</sub> Separation
- H<sub>2</sub> compressed and stored in 1500 kg cylindrical storage tanks at 34.5 MPa

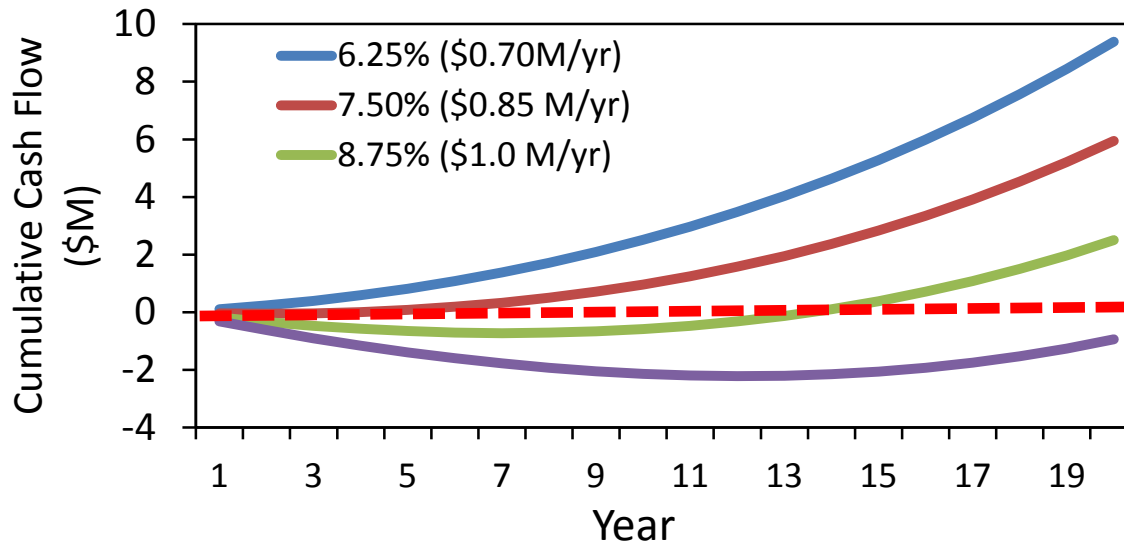


# Environmental Analysis

- **Avoided fuel consumption: 52,000 MW-hr/yr.**
- **Equivalent CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduction:**
  - 13,000 metric tons/yr
  - Over 4% of 300,000 metric tons/yr. for entire campus and commuter operation. (according to campus Carbon Footprint Report)

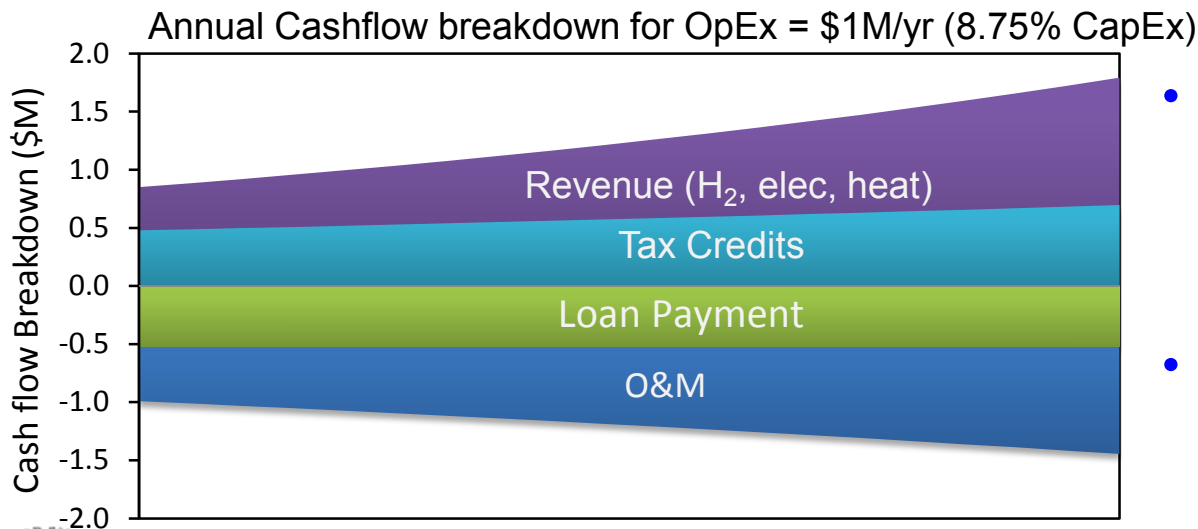


# System Economics



## Analysis assumptions

- 20-year system lifetime
- 3 % financing (fixed payment) over 20 years
- 2 % inflation
- Operating costs: variable fraction of capital cost (6.25%, 7.5%, 8.75%, 10%)



- **System feasibility strongly dependent on managing operating costs.**
- Operating costs of ~\$1M/yr are realistic

# Challenges and Opportunities for CHHP Technology Advances

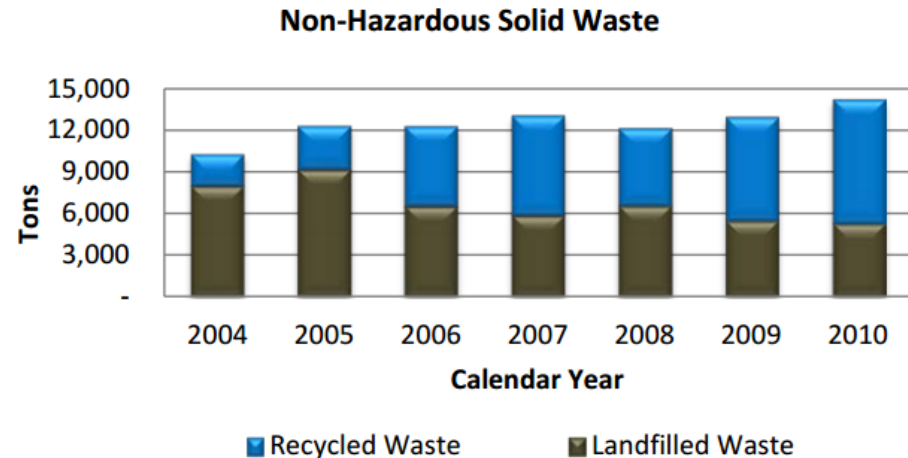
- Cost effective waste separation
- Efficient O<sub>2</sub> from air separation
- Durable methanation catalyst and reactor designs
- Regenerable sulfur and/or silicon traps for fuel cell and/or reactors.
- *Current capital costs of overall plant requires minimal operating costs for a reasonable payback, even with existing credits. Capital cost reduction in major components remains the critical challenge.*
- *A test plant at a university campus (like UMD) facility provides ideal location for implementing urban waste for CHHP in order to promote such technological advances*
  - *Educational vehicle for industry, R&D community, future engineers*
  - *Flexible and forward thinking facilities managers with aggressive mandates to reduce energy requirements and carbon footprint*

# Is CHHP feasible?

## Technical/Economic Challenges and Future Studies

- Detailed assessment of available waste resources
- Appropriate solution for recyclable waste?
- Arrangement for times of low resource input.
- CHHP System upfront cost/profitable waste.

### UMD Sustainability Report



### University's Commitment to Sustainability

*"I hope we will have some form of waste to energy on campus before I retire, and hopefully we can use some of your design concepts."*

*from Joan Kowal, Energy Facilities Manager at UMD*



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# Honorable Mention

- Washington State University

- Presenters:
  - Brennan Pecha



**Report is available at:**

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# **CougsCARE: Clean And Renewable Energy at Washington State University**



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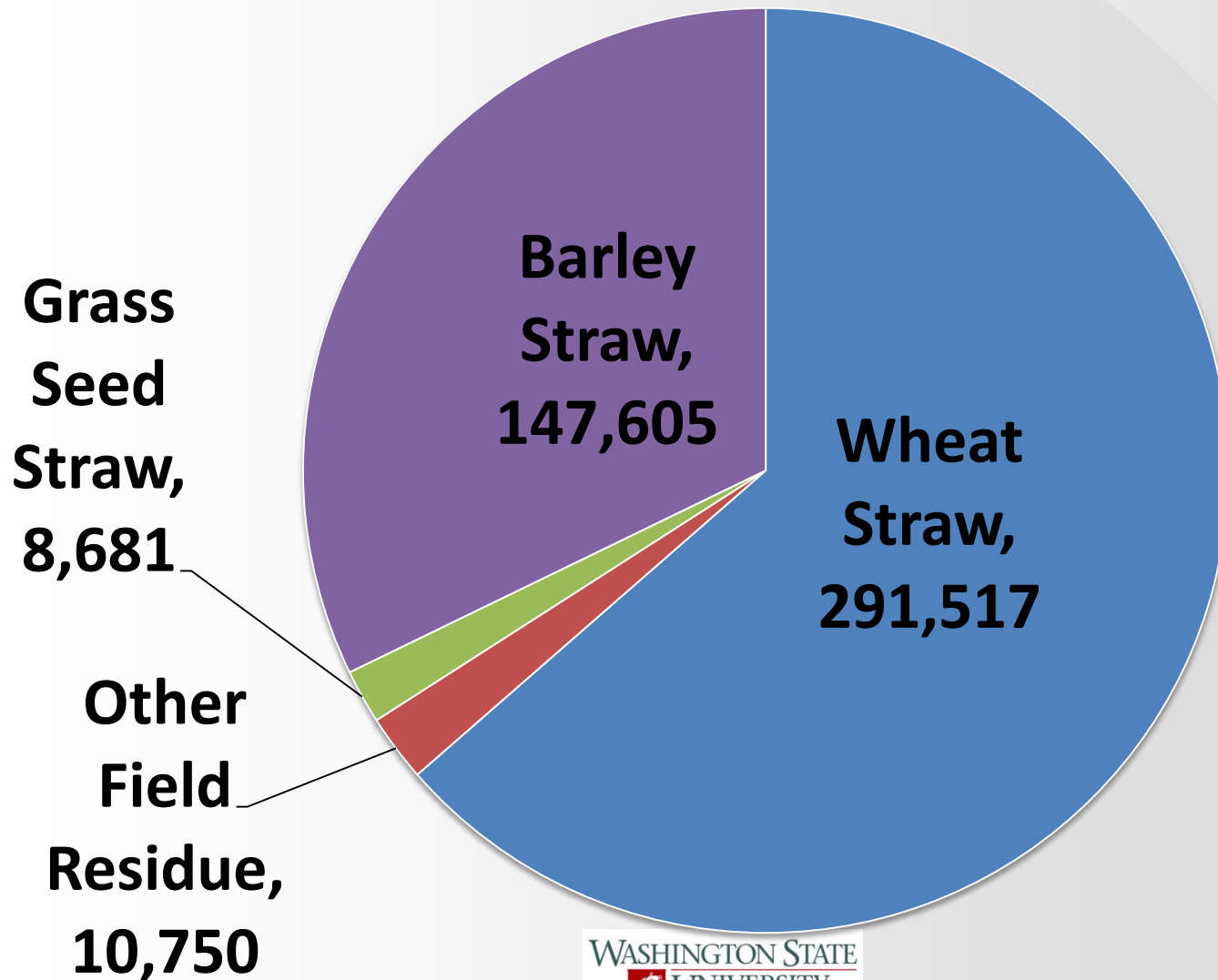
# Special Thanks to Hydrogen Education Foundation

- Opportunity to learn about technologies
- **Competitive incentive to come up with something feasible**
- Finally something tangible to put knowledge to work

# Problem and Solution

- WSU “Climate Action Plan”: President Elson Floyd vows **15% CO<sub>2</sub> reduction** by 2020
- EPA restricts field burning for farmers
  - (No use for field residue)
- Lignocellulose feedstock- what do we do with it?
- Technologies exist, unique to each situation

# An Abundance of Wheat Straw: Palouse Biomass Residue 2005 (tonnes)



# Solution

- System mass/energy balance, economic analysis
- **Thermochemical conversion-** step by step
- Production of **methane** to feed to DFC

**Pyrolysis**



**Gasification**



**Methanation**



**Syngas  
Upgrading**



**Fuel Cells**



**H<sub>2</sub>  
Separation**



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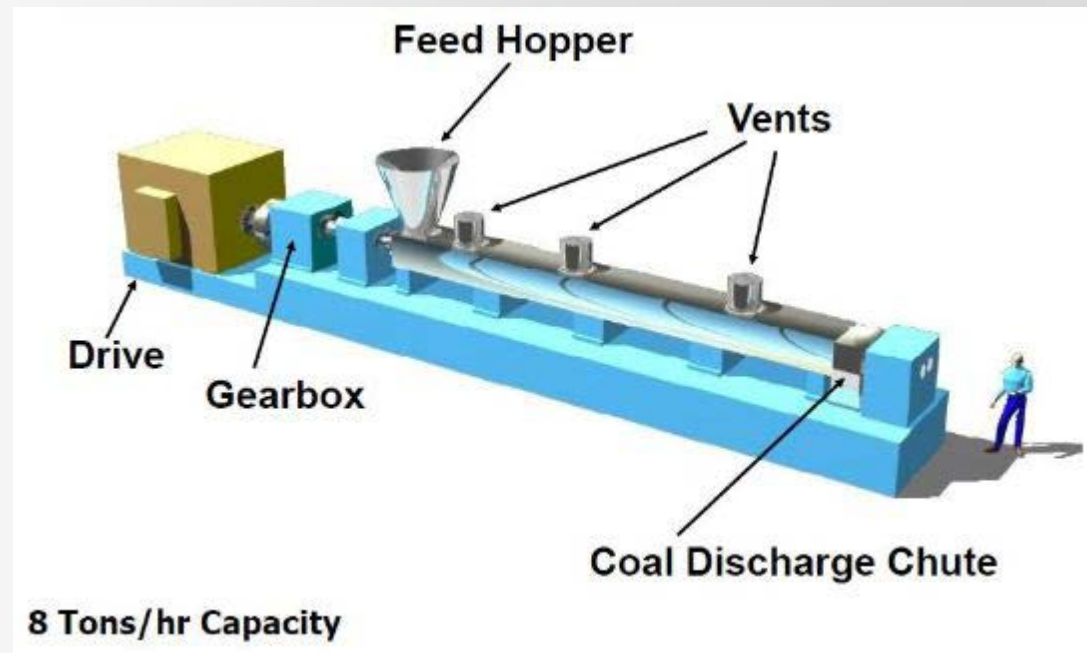
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# Pyrolysis

- The **pyrolysis reactor**, producing char and pyrolysis vapor
- 68 wt% pyrolysis vapor, 32 wt % char



Pyrolysis

Gasification

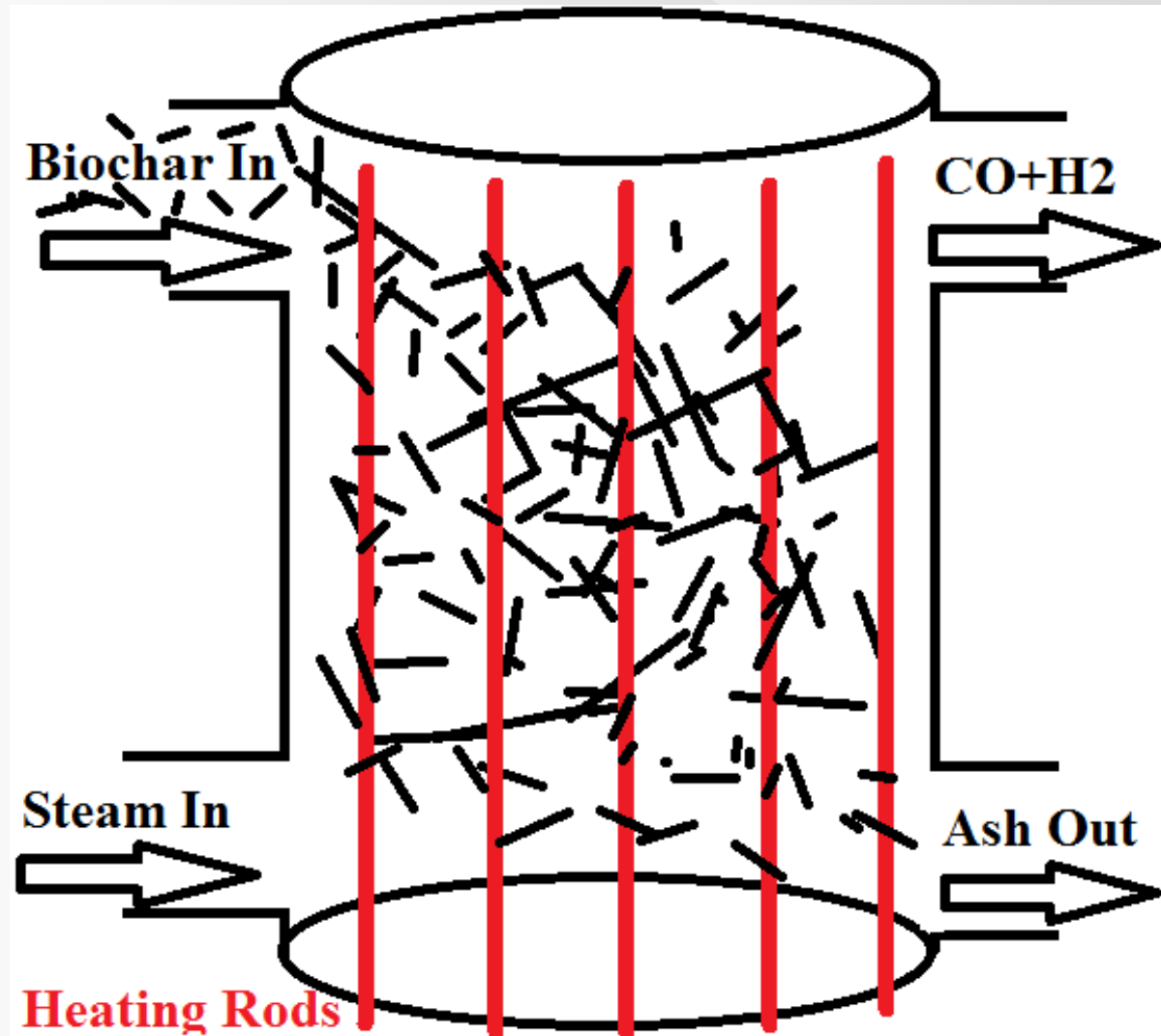
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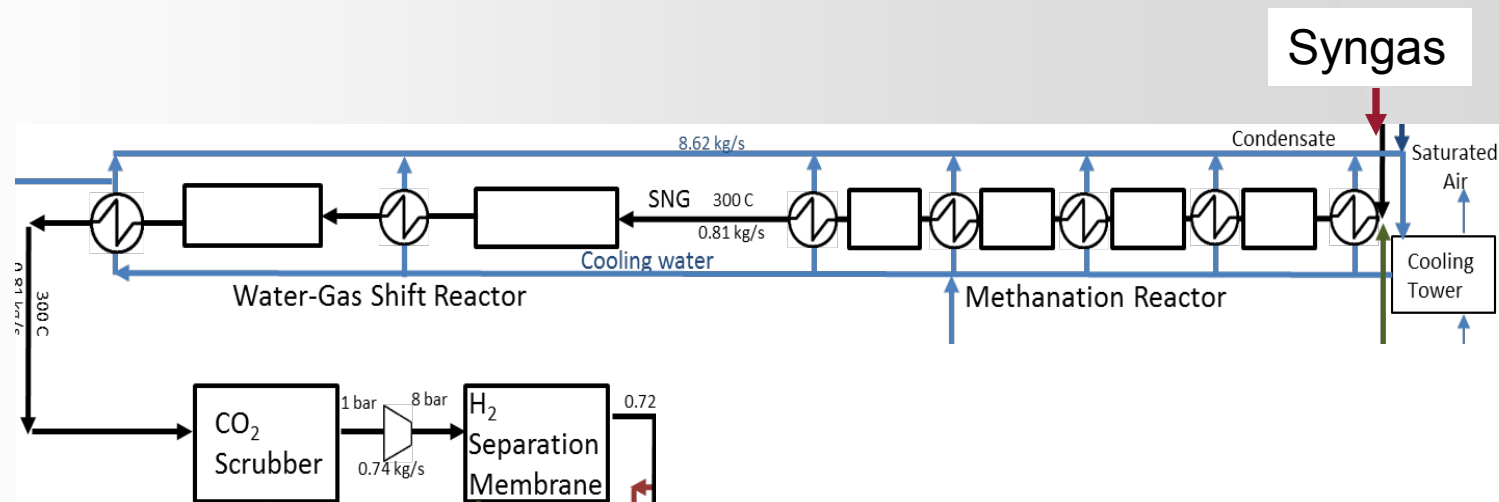
# Gasification





# Methanation and Syngas Upgrading

- **Methanation:**  $\text{H}_2 + \text{CO} \rightarrow \text{CH}_4$
- The methane concentration raised with a **water gas shift** reactor, a **CO<sub>2</sub> scrubber**, and a **H<sub>2</sub> separation membrane**



Pyrolysis

Gasification

Methanation

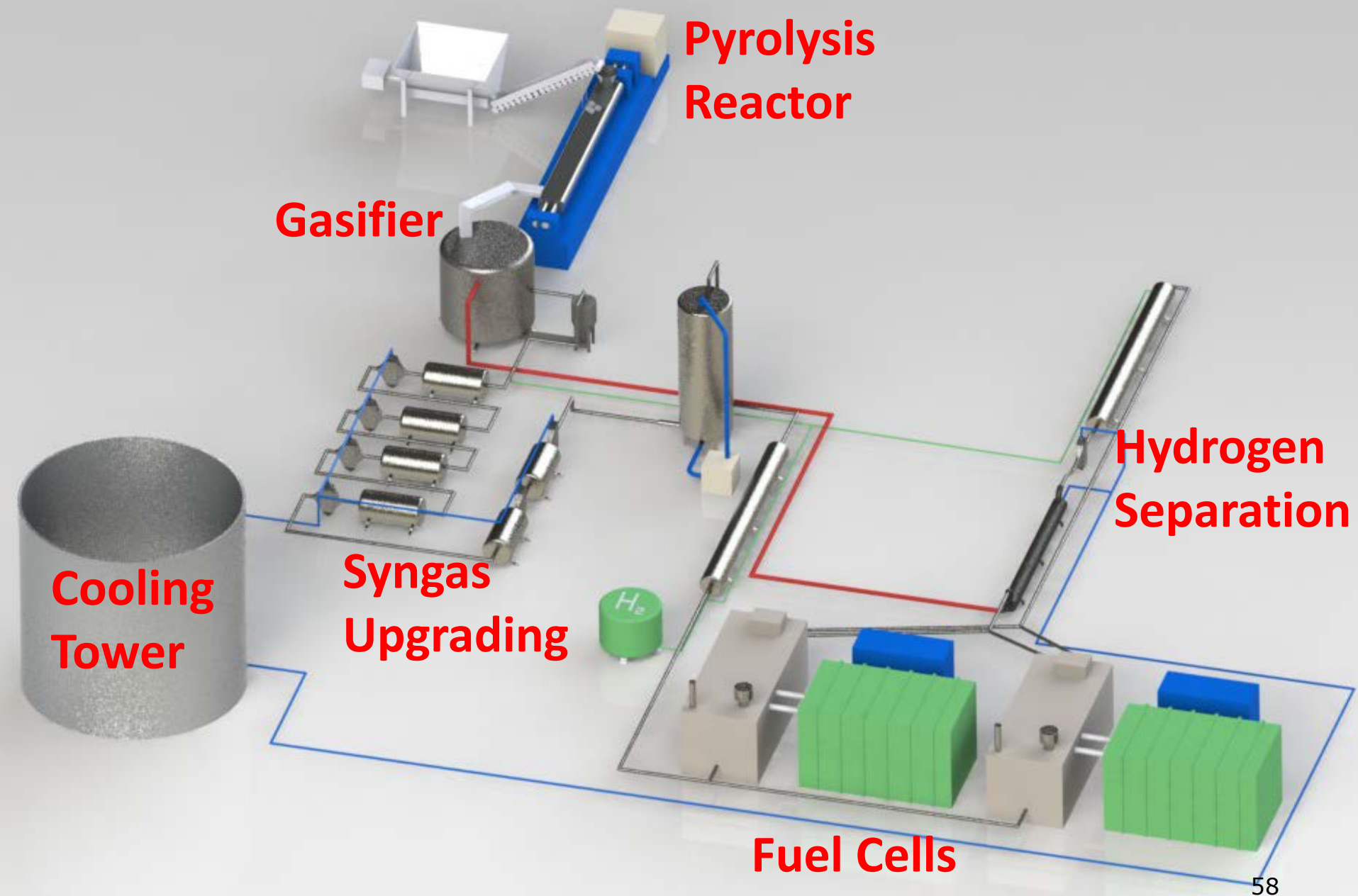
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H<sub>2</sub>  
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# Fuel Cell Electricity + H<sub>2</sub> Separation

- DFC: Reformer + molten carbonate fuel cell
- Residual hydrogen can be separated and used



# Plant and Straw Storage Location

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Steam Plant



Plant & Straw Storage





# Overall Daily System Balance

| <b><i>In</i></b> |                   | <b><i>Out</i></b>      |                      |
|------------------|-------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Straw</b>     | <b>104 tonnes</b> | <b>Ash</b>             | <b>7.97 tonnes</b>   |
| <b>Water</b>     | <b>164 tonnes</b> | <b>Pyrolysis Vapor</b> | <b>29.8 tonnes</b>   |
|                  |                   | <b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>  | <b>15.8 tonnes</b>   |
|                  |                   | <b>CO</b>              | <b>18.2 tonnes</b>   |
|                  |                   | <b>H<sub>2</sub></b>   | <b>428 kg</b>        |
|                  |                   | <b>Electricity</b>     | <b>105,600 kW-hr</b> |
|                  |                   | <b>Heat</b>            | <b>86,400 kW-hr</b>  |

# Primary Uses for Products

- Hydrogen to **mass transit**, vehicles, and **system recycling**
- **4.4 MW** electricity to grid (Pullman's draw is 18.5 MW)
- Heat to adjacent **greenhouses**
- Excess pyrolysis vapor to supplement natural gas at the **steam plant**



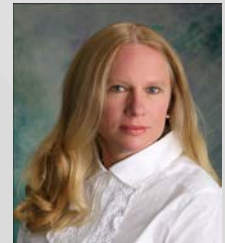
# Conservative Cost & Environmental Analysis 62

|  | 2012                      | 2012 With CHHP            |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Electricity Usage from Avista            | 162,352,083<br>kW-hr/year | 125,630,000<br>kW-hr/year |
| Estimated Unit Cost (\$)                 | 0.062/kW-hr               | 0.062/kW-hr               |
| Electricity Cost (\$)                    | 10,065,000                | 7,789,000                 |
| Natural Gas for Steam Production (\$)    | 5,837,000                 | 4,404,000                 |
| Fueling Cost for Campus Vehicles (\$)    | 833,000                   | 372,000                   |
| <b>Avoided CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions</b>  | <b>0 tons/year</b>        | <b>54,000 tons/years</b>  |
| CHHP System Op. Cost (\$)                | -                         | 5,560,200                 |
| Total Energy Costs (\$)                  | 16,735,000                | 18,125,200                |
| <b>Net Savings with CHHP System (\$)</b> |                           | <b>(1,390,200)</b>        |



# Future Development, Now!

- **Refining plant** location, size, equipment selection (Ha, Garcia-Perez, Mehrizi-Sani)
- **Ammonia synthesis** via Haber reactions (Leachman, Haselbach)
- **Economic & soil-mineral** nitrogen & phosphorous cycle analyses (Fortenbery, Pan)
- Production of **plastics, concrete** from **char/ash**, preliminary proposal and marketing (All above)



# A Win-Win for the Community

1. It **minimizes air pollution** to benefit overall community health
2. It **creates clean energy** to supplement the grid of an expanding WSU campus
3. It finally gives **Whitman County farmers** a use for their wasted straw





# Thank You!



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- View full report at [www.HydrogenContest.org](http://www.HydrogenContest.org)

# Honorable Mention

- University of California, Davis
- Presenters:
  - Mengjing (Irene) Yu



**Report is available at:**

<http://www.hydrogencontest.org/pdf/2012/UC%20Davis%20-%20Hydrogen%20Contest%20Entry-2012.pdf>

# COMBINED HYDROGEN, HEAT, AND POWER (CHHP) PLANT DESIGN

University of California, Davis

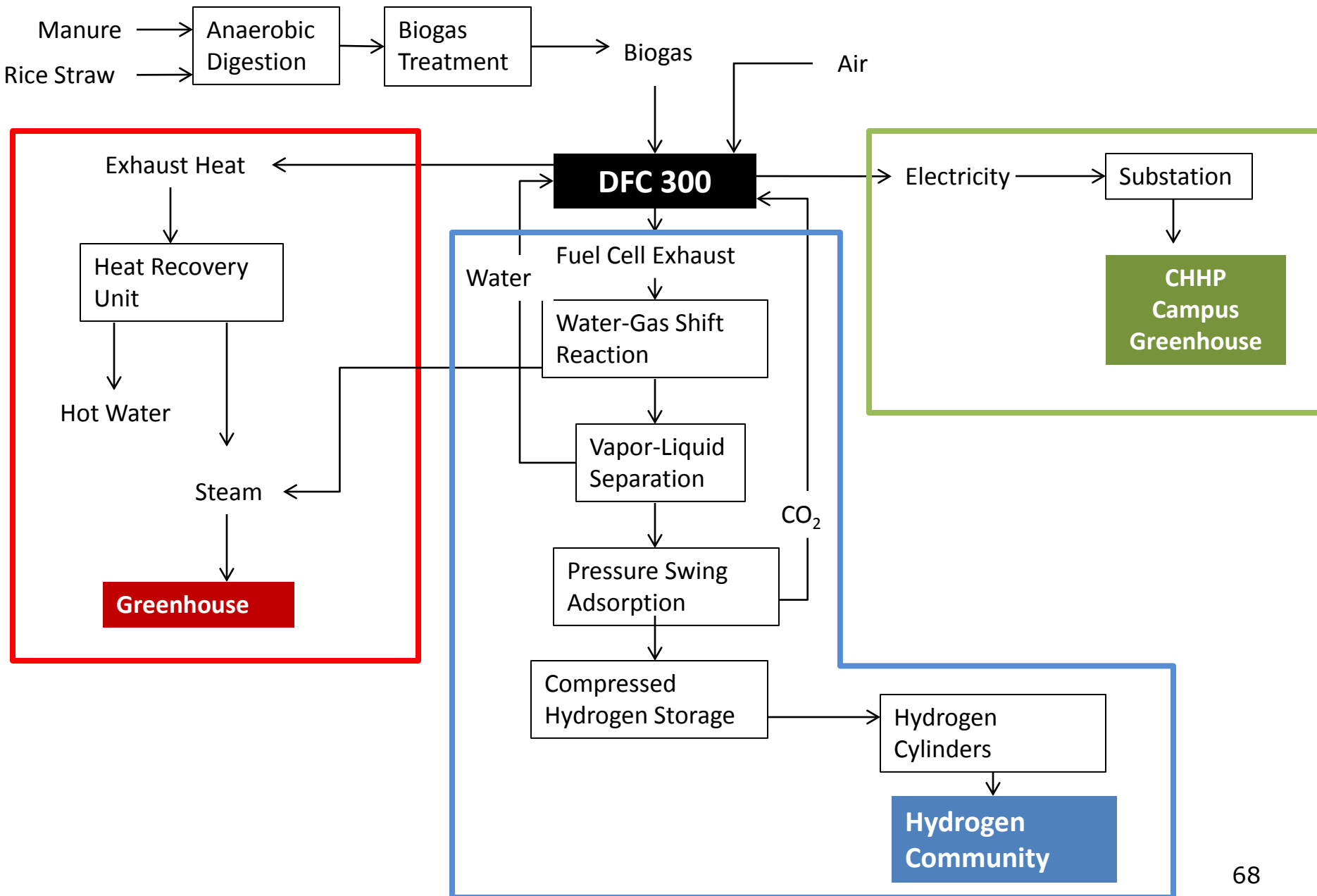
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# CHHP Overview





# Feedstock Overview

- The feedstock for DFC300 is biogas produced from digesting manure and rice straw, both readily available in Davis.
- Collectable manure can come from cattle, milk cow, horse, sheep, lamb, and goat. Total manure available per day is 27,387 kg.
- 95% of rice production in California takes place within 161km of Sacramento. Annually, California produces 1.3 billion kg of straw waste.
- Combination of manure and rice straw gives good carbon-nitrogen ratio and optimum moisture content.



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# Technical Design

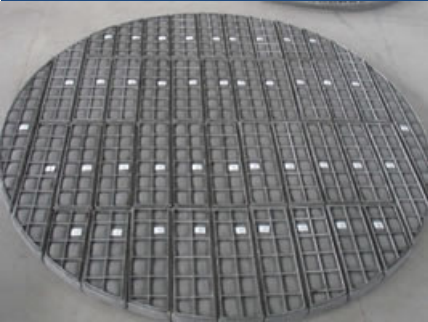
## Hydrogen Purification

## Water-Gas Shift Reaction

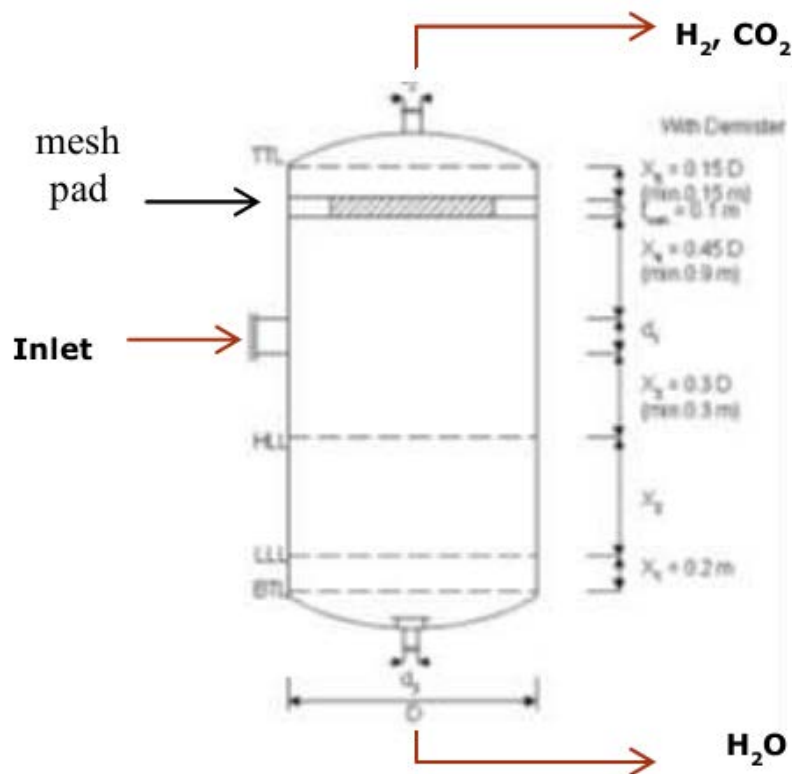


### Reactor Design:

- Fixed Bed Plug Flow Reactor with Shell and Tube Configuration
- Optimum Temperature is  $350^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Cooling Water Jacket
- Catalyst is Iron Oxide containing 5-15%  $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3$



## Vapor-Liquid Separation



### Vessel Specifications:

- Vessel Dimension is Calculated using Design Heuristic
- Liquid Hold-Up Time is 3 to 5 Minutes
- An Entrainment Wire Mesh Served as Mist Eliminator

# Hydrogen Purification

## Pressure Swing Adsorption (PSA)

- $\text{H}_2\text{-CO}_2$  Mixture is Compressed to 200 psig Before Entering PSA
- Catalyst is Zeolite, Activated Carbon, Silica Gel
- Cycling Schedule: Pressurization, Regeneration, Repressurization
- Minimum of 2 Adsorbers



Photo Credit: Full System Engineering Co., LTD.

# Hydrogen Storage

- Hydrogen is Stored at 5000 psig
- Hydrogen Flow Rate is 29 scfm
- Composite Material for the Tank
- Tuffshell® Fuel Storage Systems



Photo Credit: Lincoln Composites

- DFC300 produces 62 kg hydrogen per day
- Hydrogen is transported to the Hydrogen Community using hydrogen cylinders
- A 60 kW and a 5 kW Altery Freedom Energy PEM fuel cell is used to generate electricity
- Capable of supporting approximately 51 households



Photo Credit: Altery Freedom Energy



## Exhaust Heat

Exhaust heat is recovered to produce steam and hot water. Steam is used for steam heating greenhouses. Hot water is mainly for nearby buildings and facilities.



## Electricity

A substation including meters, breakers, transformer, and transmission lines is built to support the interconnection. CHHP itself consumes about 126 kW of electricity, so net electricity available is about 154 kW.



**Thank You**



## 2012-2013 Contest

The theme of the 2012-2013 Hydrogen Student Design Contest is **"Development of a Hydrogen Fueling Infrastructure in the Northeast United States"**.

The challenge for student teams is to create a feasible plan for the implementation of a hydrogen infrastructure, using only commercially available technology, designed to facilitate fuel cell vehicle travel within and between major urban areas in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic.

# 2012-2013 Contest

## ***Identifying the Hydrogen Production and Fueling Station Locales***

- develop a comprehensive list of potential hydrogen production locations using any commercially available technology for hydrogen production
- develop a comprehensive list of possible hydrogen refueling station locations

## ***Rollout Scheme***

- devise a detailed timeline to rollout their hydrogen infrastructure
- amount of hydrogen production and fueling stations must meet or exceed the demand for hydrogen at that time

## ***Cost and Economic Analysis***

- address all the costs associated with building the proposed infrastructure

## ***Hydrogen Storage and Fueling Station Regulations***

- review of existing regulation pertaining to hydrogen fueling and storage in the Northeast
- develop suitable regulations for the states in which new fueling stations are proposed

## ***Marketing and Education Outreach***

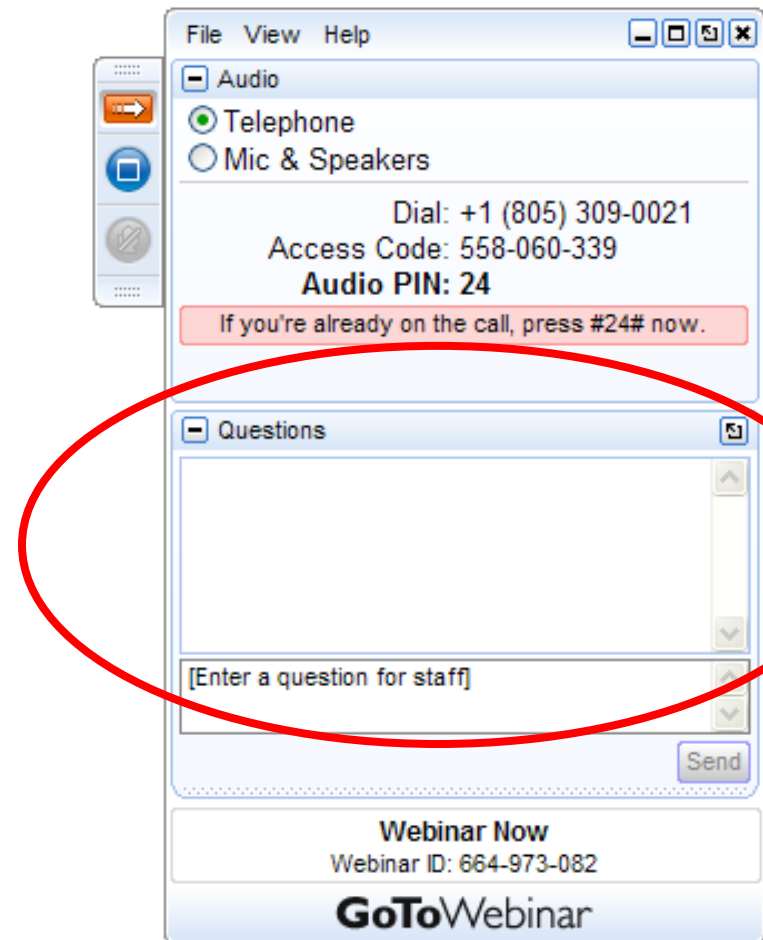
- develop a plan to educate and market the new hydrogen infrastructure to the public 79

# How to Register

- Details on the Contest and team registration at [www.hydrogencontest.org](http://www.hydrogencontest.org)
- Team leader is only person required to sign up
  - Registration Deadline - October 1, 2012
  - Team Member List due - October 15, 2012

# Question and Answer

- Please type your question into the question box



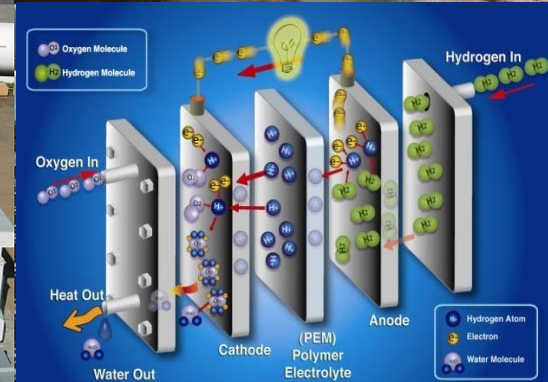
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