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# **Hydrogen and Infrastructure Costs**

**Hydrogen Infrastructure Market Readiness Workshop**

**Washington D.C.**

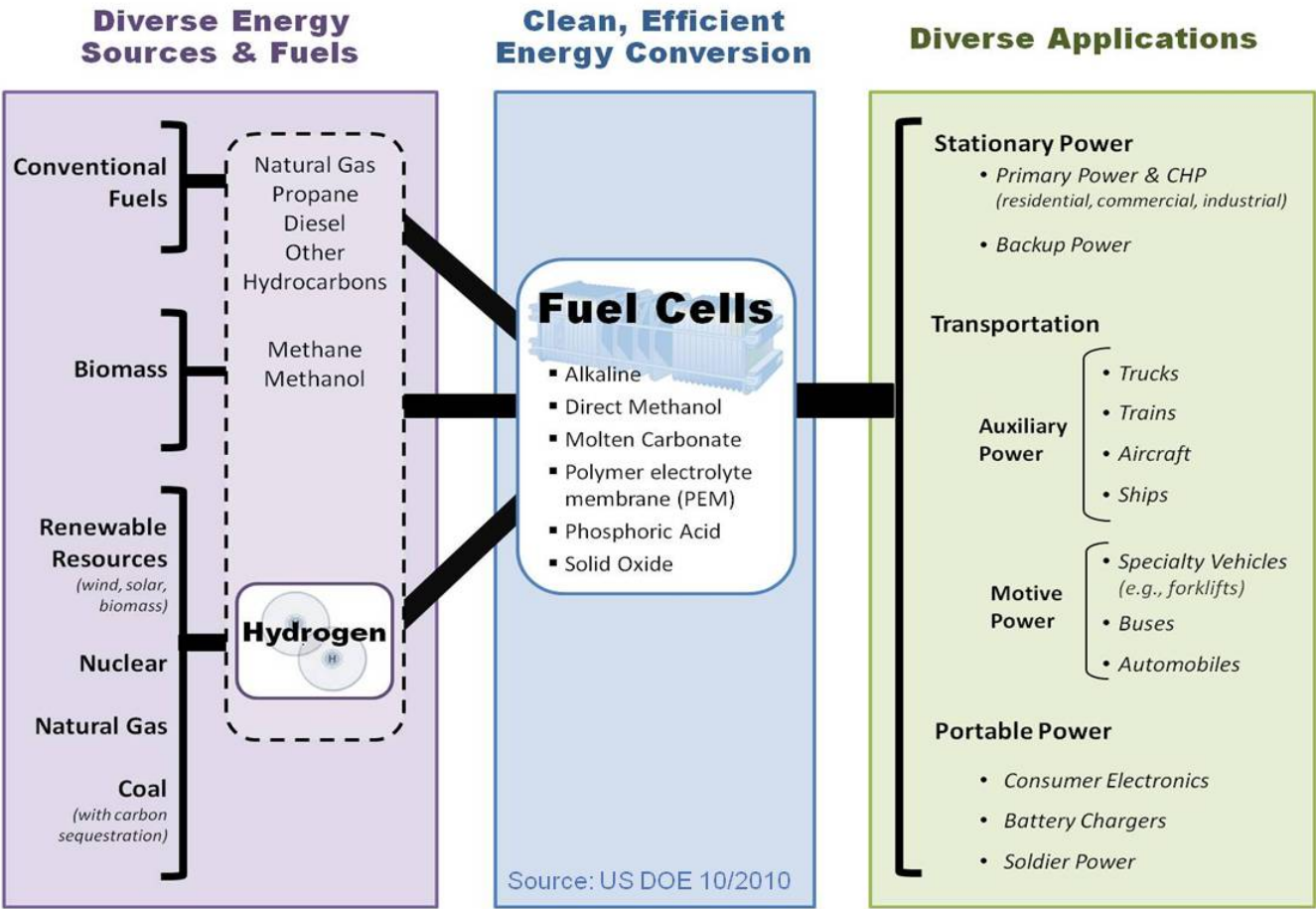
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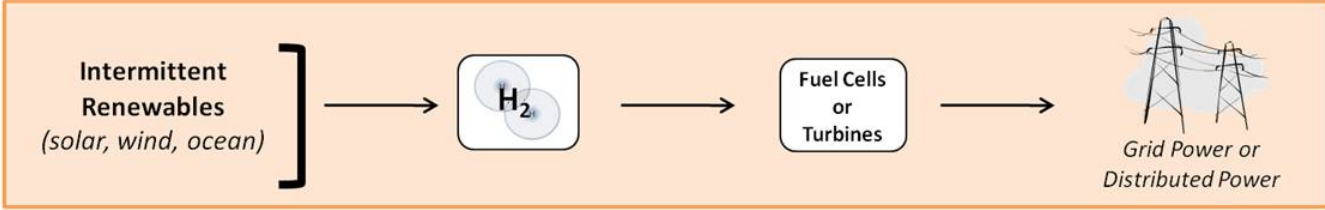
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# Fuel Cells: Diverse Fuels and Applications



## Energy Storage for Renewable Electricity



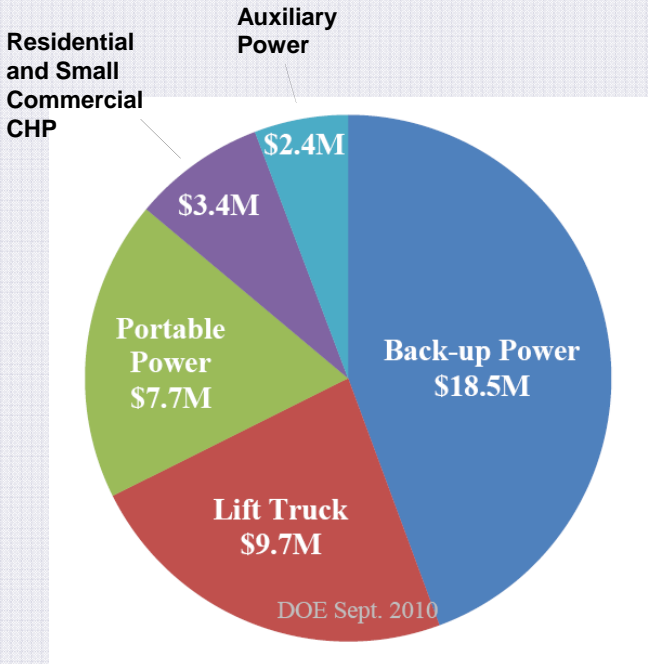
# Recovery Act Funding for Fuel Cells



*More than \$40 million from the 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to fund 12 projects to deploy up to 1,000 fuel cells*

FROM the LABORATORY to DEPLOYMENT:

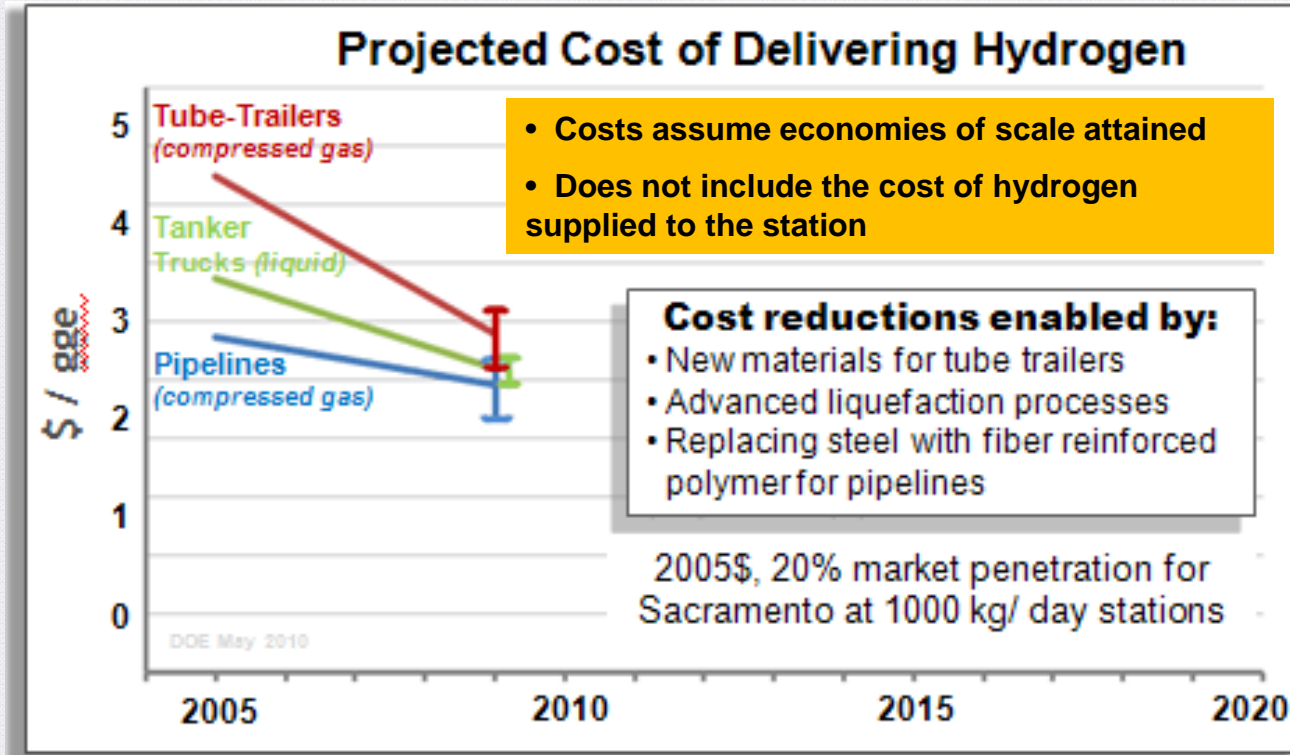
*DOE funding has supported R&D by all of the fuel cell suppliers involved in these projects.*



Approximately \$54 million in cost-share funding from industry participants—for a total of about \$96 million.

COMPANY	AWARD	APPLICATION
Delphi Automotive	\$2.4 M	Auxiliary Power
FedEx Freight East	\$1.3 M	Lift Truck
GENCO	\$6.1 M	Lift Truck
Jadoo Power	\$2.2 M	Portable
MTI MicroFuel Cells	\$3.0 M	Portable
Nuvera Fuel Cells	\$1.1 M	Lift Truck
Plug Power, Inc. (1)	\$3.4 M	CHP
Plug Power, Inc. (2)	\$2.7 M	Back-up Power
Univ. of N. Florida	\$2.5 M	Portable
ReliOn, Inc.	\$8.5 M	Back-up Power
Sprint Nextel	\$7.3 M	Back-up Power
Sysco of Houston	\$1.2 M	Lift Truck

*The Program is developing infrastructure technologies to deliver hydrogen from centralized production facilities, efficiently and at low cost.*



**We've reduced the cost of hydrogen delivery\* —**

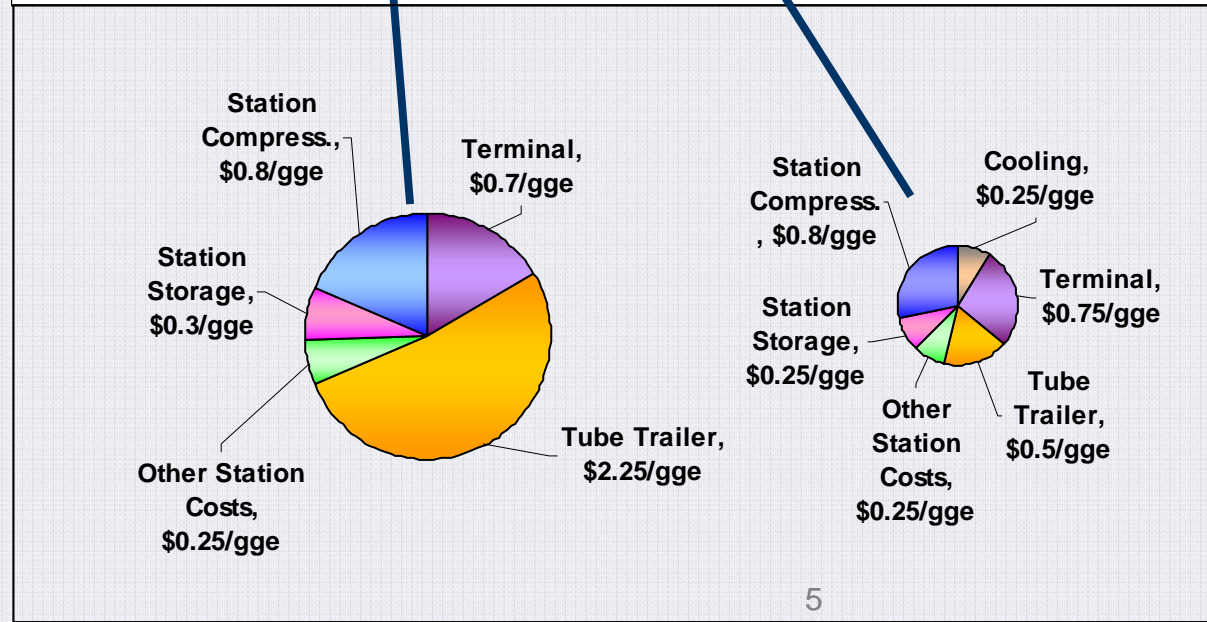
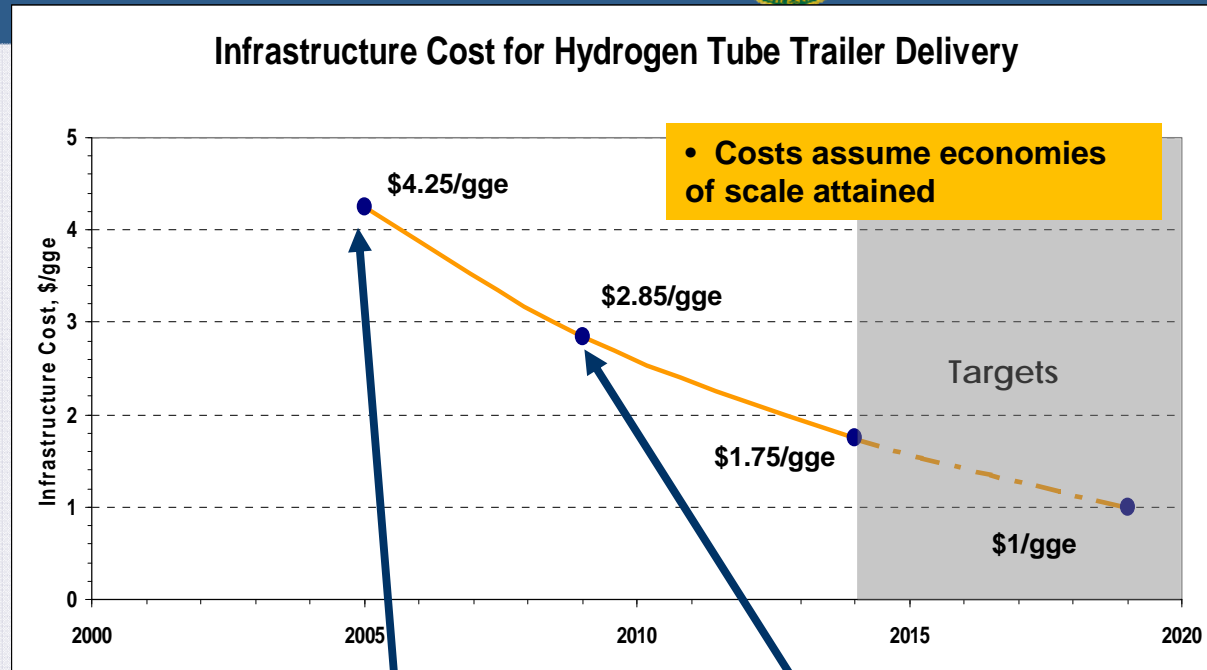
- ~30% reduction in tube trailer costs
- >20% reduction in pipeline costs
- ~15% reduction liquid hydrogen delivery costs

*\*Projected cost, based on analysis of state-of-the-art technology*

# Infrastructure (Station with Tube Trailer Delivery) — Progress: Cost

The projected delivered hydrogen cost at high-volume with tube trailer delivery was projected to be ~\$2.85/gge (2009)\*

- **More than 30% reduction since 2005**
- **Majority of cost reduction from tube trailer advancements**



As station and delivery costs are reduced, compressor, terminal, storage components are responsible for a larger % of costs.

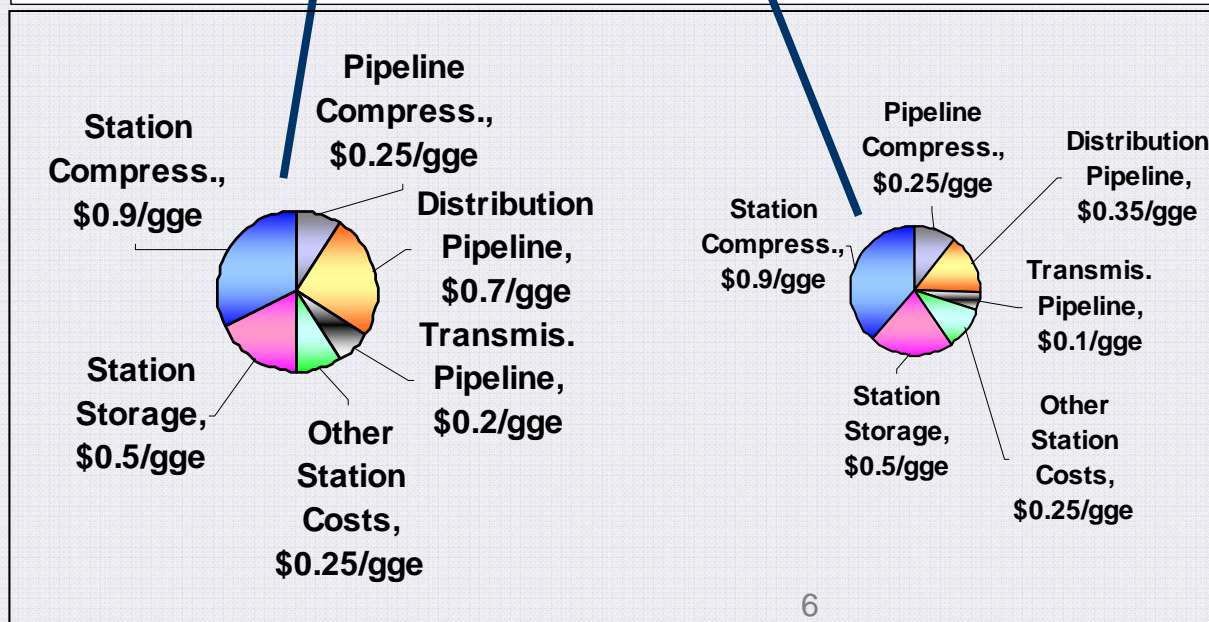
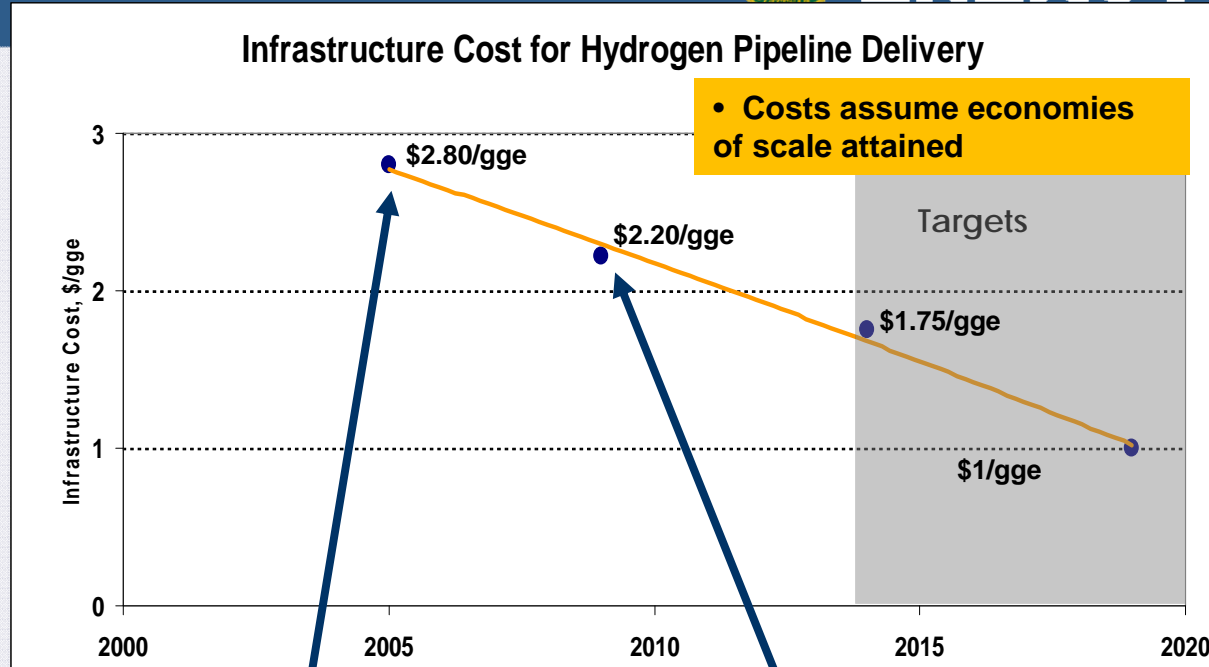
\*Based on projection to high-volume hydrogen delivery.

Does not include the cost of hydrogen supplied to the station.

# Infrastructure (Station with Pipeline Delivery) — Progress: Cost

The projected delivered hydrogen cost at high-volume with pipeline delivery was projected to be ~\$2.20/gge (2009)\*

- **More than 20% reduction since 2005**
- **Majority of cost reduction from pipeline advancements**



As station and delivery costs are reduced, compressor, terminal, storage components are responsible for a larger % of costs.

**Does not include the cost of hydrogen supplied to the station.**

\*Based on projection to high-volume hydrogen delivery.

# Infrastructure (Station with Liquid Truck Delivery) — Progress: Cost

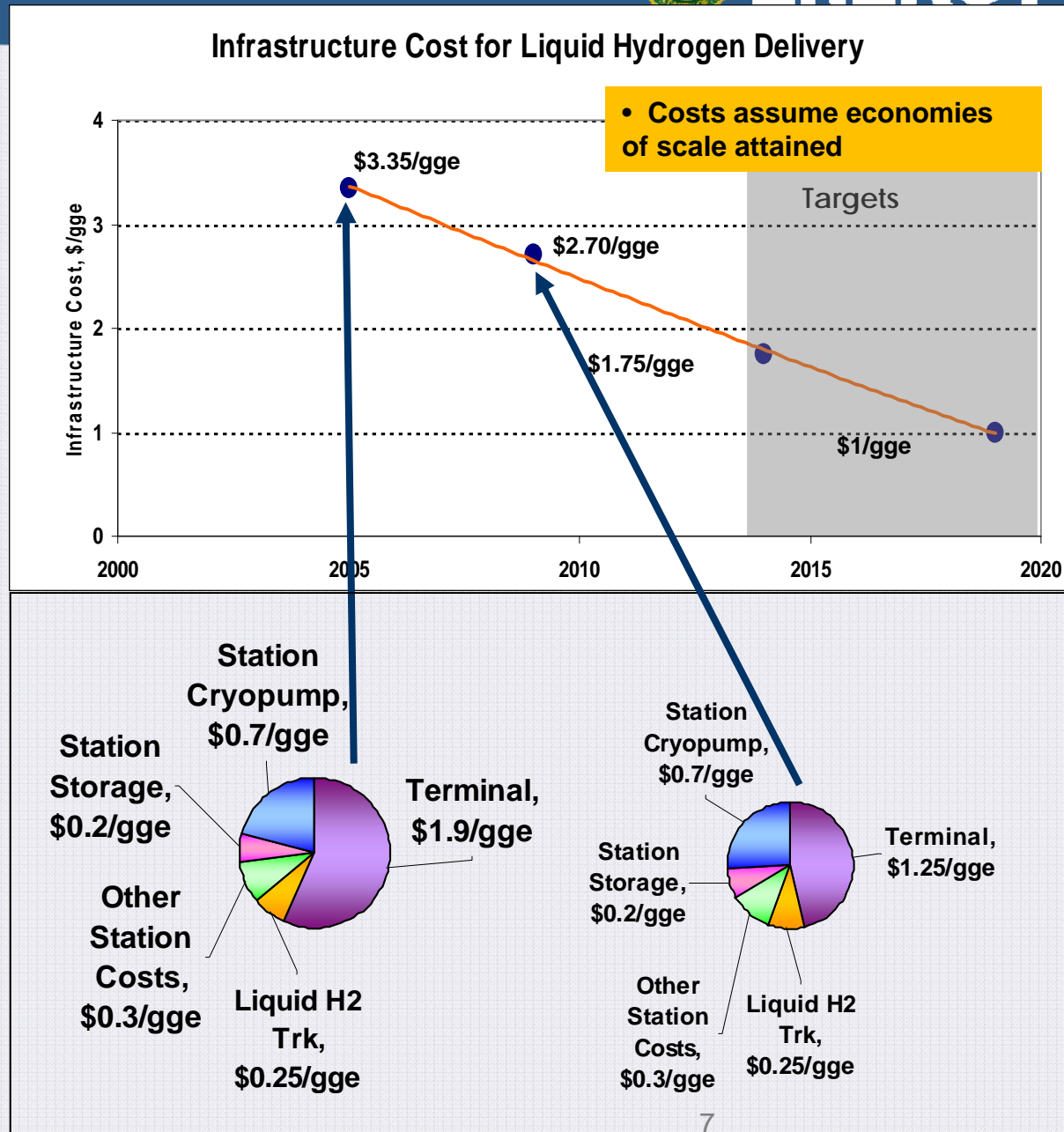
The projected delivered hydrogen cost at high-volume with liquid truck delivery was projected to be ~\$2.70/gge (2009)\*

- **~20% reduction since 2005**
- **Majority of cost reduction from terminal advancements**

As station and delivery costs are reduced, cryopump and terminal components are responsible for a larger % of costs.

\*Based on projection to high-volume hydrogen delivery.

**Does not include the cost of hydrogen supplied to the station.**



# Current Delivered Hydrogen Cost to the Station



## Liquid H2 Pricing (\$/kg)

Delivered Volume, k g/d	East, \$/kg	West, \$/kg
8-24	\$7.00	\$10.20
24-47	\$6.40	\$9.30
47-79	\$5.70	\$8.00
79+	\$4.90	\$7.00

## Gaseous H2 Pricing (\$/kg)

4-8	\$18.40	\$19.70
8-16	\$17.60	\$18.80
16-24	\$16.70	\$18.00

Source: TTC Hydrogen Market Study 2009

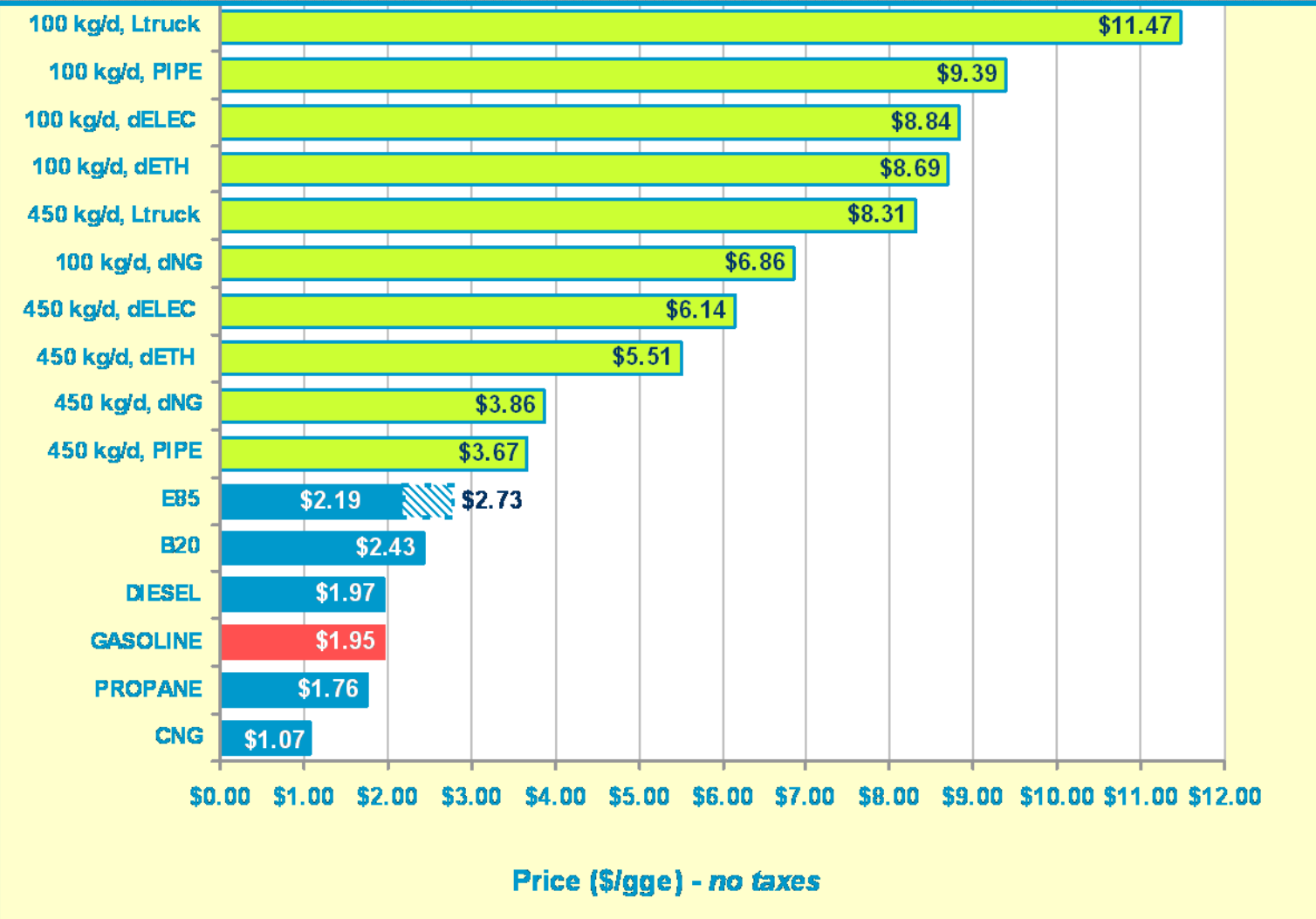
Costs are for volumes delivered by truck.



# COMPARISON W/ OTHER ALTERNATIVE FUELS on \$/gge basis



On a **\$/gge** basis, hydrogen does not compete well. Central (450 kg/d) production from NG with pipeline delivery is cheapest hydrogen option and comes somewhat close to ethanol's price, **if** ethanol **did not** have any subsidies. Small-scale (100 kg/d) production from NG with liquid truck delivery the costliest option.

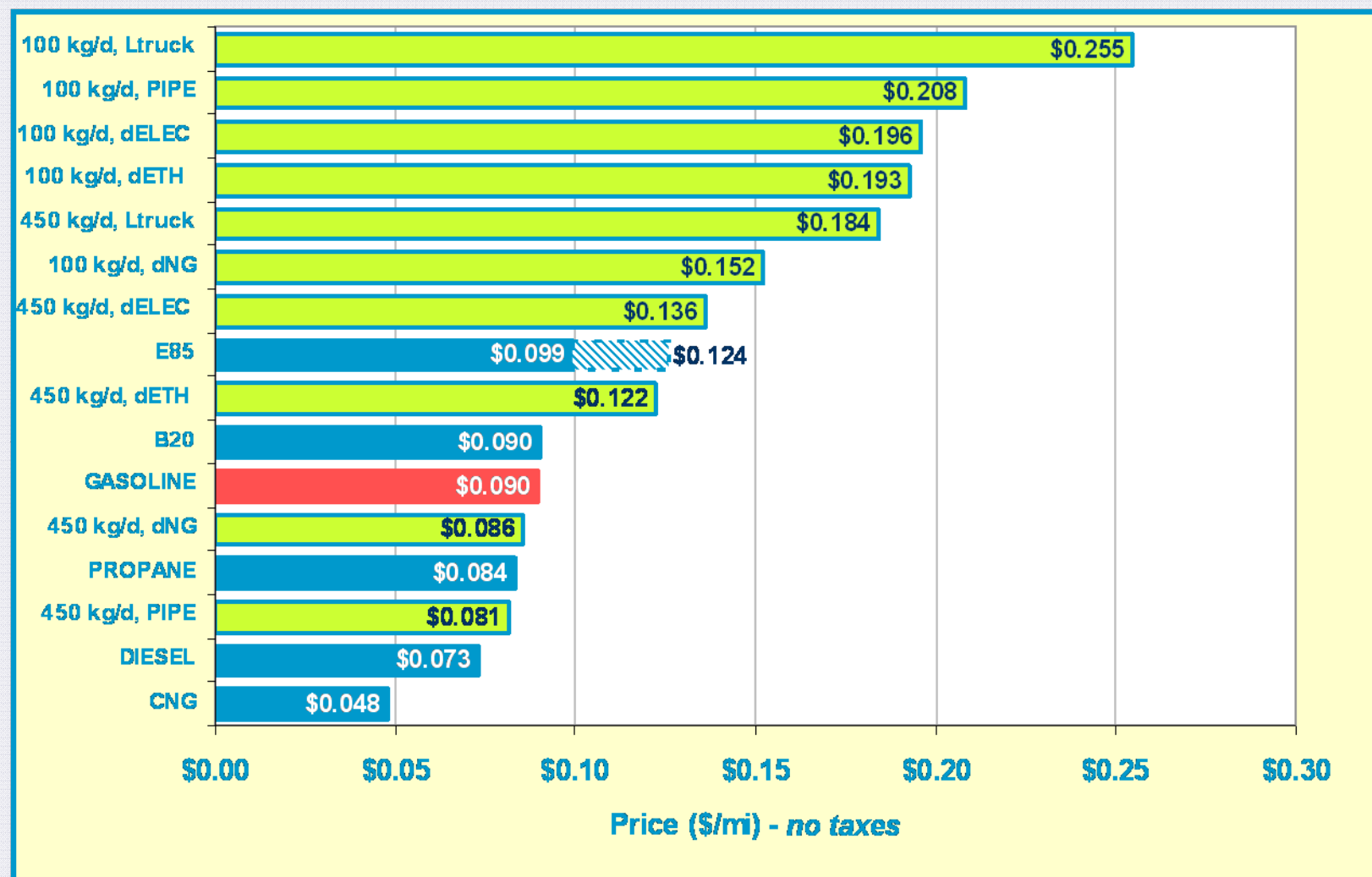


Hydrogen costs based on H2A model results

# COMPARISON W/ OTHER ALTERNATIVE FUELS on \$/mi basis



On a **\$/mi** basis, hydrogen starts competing. Central production with pipeline delivery and distributed – both at 450 kg/d - are cheapest hydrogen options and competes with several alternative fuels and gasoline. Small-scale (100 kg/d) production from NG with liquid truck delivery still the costliest option. Distributed hydrogen from ethanol (450 kg/d) and ethanol are very close in price, especially if ethanol **does not have** subsidies.



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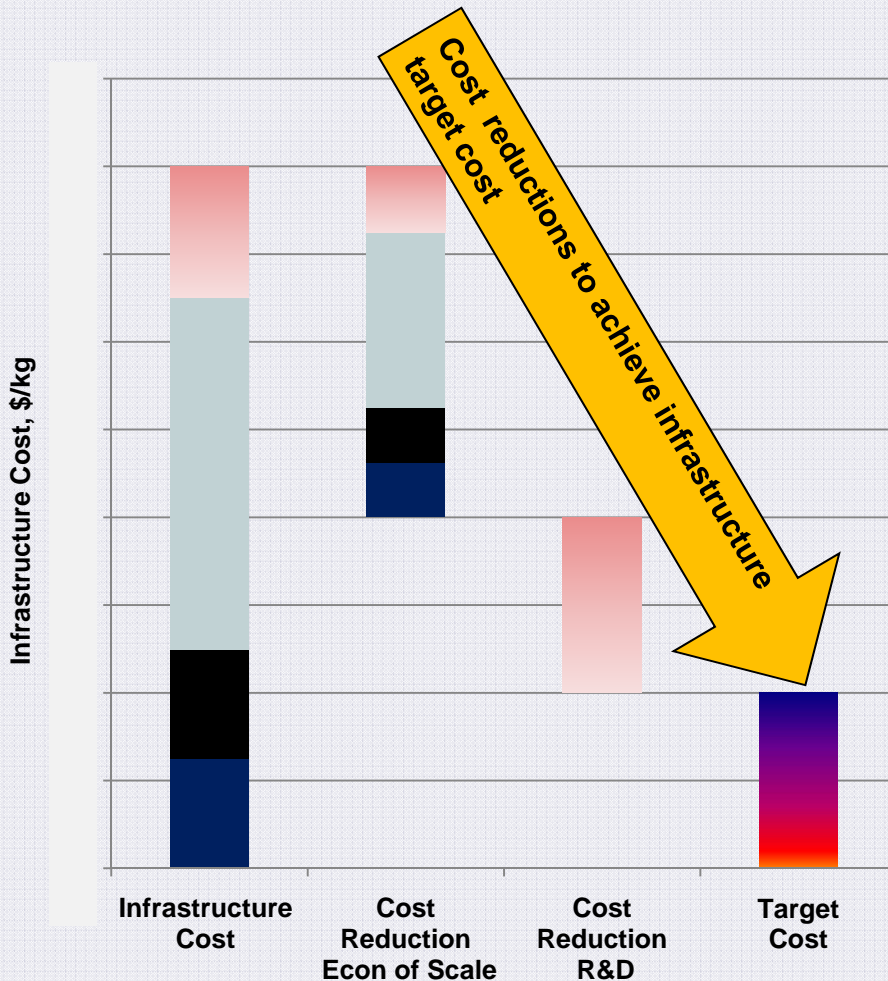
# Examples of Policies Promoting Fuel Cells



*Some tax credits affecting fuel cells and infrastructure were expanded. Through new financing mechanisms, these credits can help facilitate federal deployments.*

<b>Hydrogen Fueling Facility Tax Credit</b>	<i>Increases the credit for a hydrogen fueling station from 30% or \$30,000 to 30% or \$200,000.</i> Equipment must be installed by December 31, 2014.
<b>Fuel Cell Motor Vehicle Tax Credit</b>	A tax credit of up to \$4,000 is available for the purchase of qualified light-duty fuel cell vehicles. Tax credits are also available for medium- and heavy-duty vehicles. Expires December 31, 2014.
<b>Fuel Cell Tax Credit (other than residential)</b>	Offers tax credit of 30% for qualified fuel cell property or \$3,000/kW of the fuel cell nameplate capacity. Feature a 10% credit for combined-heat-and-power-system property. Equipment must be installed by December 31, 2016.
<b>Residential Energy Efficiency Credit</b>	Raises ITC cap for residential fuel cells in joint occupancy dwellings to \$3,334/kW. Equipment must be installed by December 31, 2016.
<b>Power Generation Credit</b>	Offers 1.8¢/kW-hr payment to the owner/operator of a qualifying advanced power system technology facility including those using advanced fuel cells. An additional 0.7¢/kW-hr shall be paid to the owner/operator of a qualifying security and assured power facility for electricity generated at such facility. Expires 2012.

## Potential Infrastructure Cost Reduction



## Planned Workshop Outcomes

- Identify potential infrastructure cost reductions from “economies of scale” and “learning by doing” (repetitive station installation of same design)
- Identify key areas of infrastructure cost reduction that require additional R&D

## Workshop Purpose

- **Identify key cost drivers for hydrogen supply infrastructure supporting light duty vehicles, buses, MHE, etc.**
- **Identify and quantify major cost reduction opportunities**
  - **Impact of economies of scale, learning by doing, redundancy of installation**
- **Identify actions required to achieve cost reductions**



# Thank you

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# BACK-UP SLIDES



## Assumptions

### GENERAL (all cases)

- Facilities are installed on existing station property.
- NO rent, land or labor costs included.
- H2A model used for all cases except production & delivery portion of central production with liquid truck delivery.

### LIQUID DELIVERY

- (Production + delivery) cost estimate based on quote from industry, which includes the production, liquefaction, storage and liquid truck delivery cost.
- Demand - summer surge = 10%; Friday surge = 8%.

### PIPELINE DELIVERY

- NO transmission and trunk pipeline – just 2 miles of *distribution* pipeline assumed.
- Pipeline inlet pressure = 400 psi & outlet pressure = 300 psi.
- Pipeline right of way land costs included.
- NO central terminal – delivery cost only includes distribution pipeline cost per kg H<sub>2</sub>.
- Dispensing station has 2 compressors total; both operational at any time.
- Demand - summer surge = 10%; Friday surge = 8%.





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