

Life Cycle Assessment of Logistics Supply Systems



Project 11.2.4.2 Analysis and Sustainability

May 22, 2013

Kara Cafferty, PI
Idaho National Laboratory

Support the Bioenergy Technology Office sustainability efforts

BETO Sustainability Activity Areas

Water Quantity and Quality

Soil Health and Agronomics

Climate Change and Air Quality

Land Use

Biodiversity

Quad Chart Overview

Timeline

Project Start Date: Oct. 1, 2011

Project End Date: Sept. 30, 2013

Completion: 75%

Barriers

St-D Indicators and Methodology

St-B Sustainability Data Across
Supply Chain

Budget

DOE Share: 100%

Funding for FY13: \$90K

Funding for FY12: \$90K

Years Funded: 2 years

Average Annual Funding: \$90K

Partners

National Renewable Energy Lab

Argonne National Laboratory

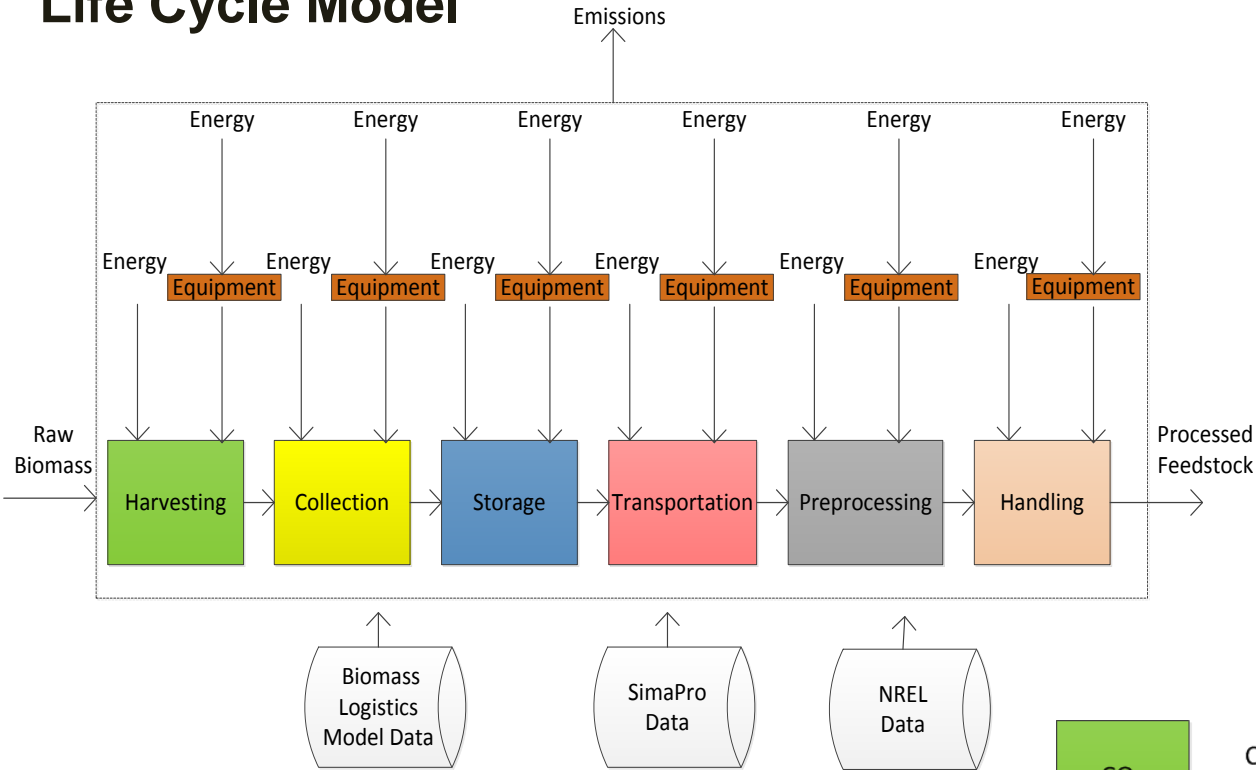
Drexel University

Focus: Determine sustainability performance for feedstock supply systems

Objectives:

- Develop methodology for assessing sustainability performance for feedstock logistics
- Assess sustainability performance for the conventional and advanced feedstock logistics supply systems
- Identify high impact operations through statistical analysis to help direct further research

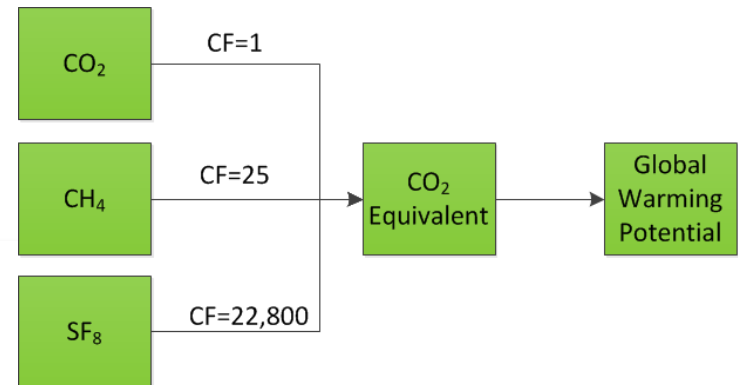
Cradle-to-Cradle Life Cycle Model



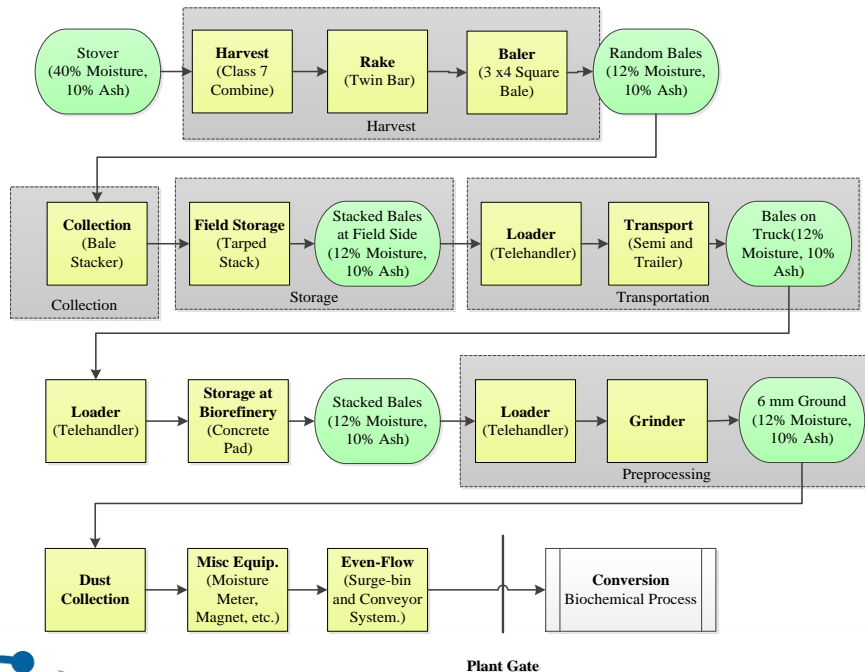
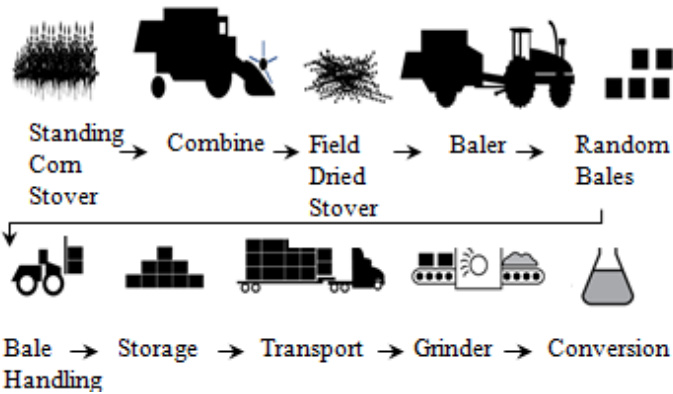
Life Cycle Inventory

Substance	Compartment	Unit	Total
1-Butanol	Air	ng	12.5
1-Butanol	Water	mg	1.27
1-Pentanol	Air	pg	0.0772
1-Pentanol	Water	pg	0.185
1-Pentene	Air	pg	0.0583
1-Pentene	Water	pg	0.14
1-Propanol	Air	ng	247
1,4-Butanediol	Air	µg	4.02
1,4-Butanediol	Water	µg	1.61
2-Aminopropanol	Air	pg	0.093
2-Aminopropanol	Water	pg	0.234
2-Butene, 2-methyl-	Air	pg	1.29E-5
2-Methyl-1-propanol	Air	pg	0.244
2-Methyl-1-propanol	Water	pg	0.586
2-Methyl-2-butene	Water	pg	3.11E-5
2-Nitrobenzoic acid	Air	pg	0.168
2-Propanol	Air	mg	75.4
2-Propanol	Water	pg	0.677

Aggregated Inventory/ Impact Assessment



Technical Accomplishments (cont)



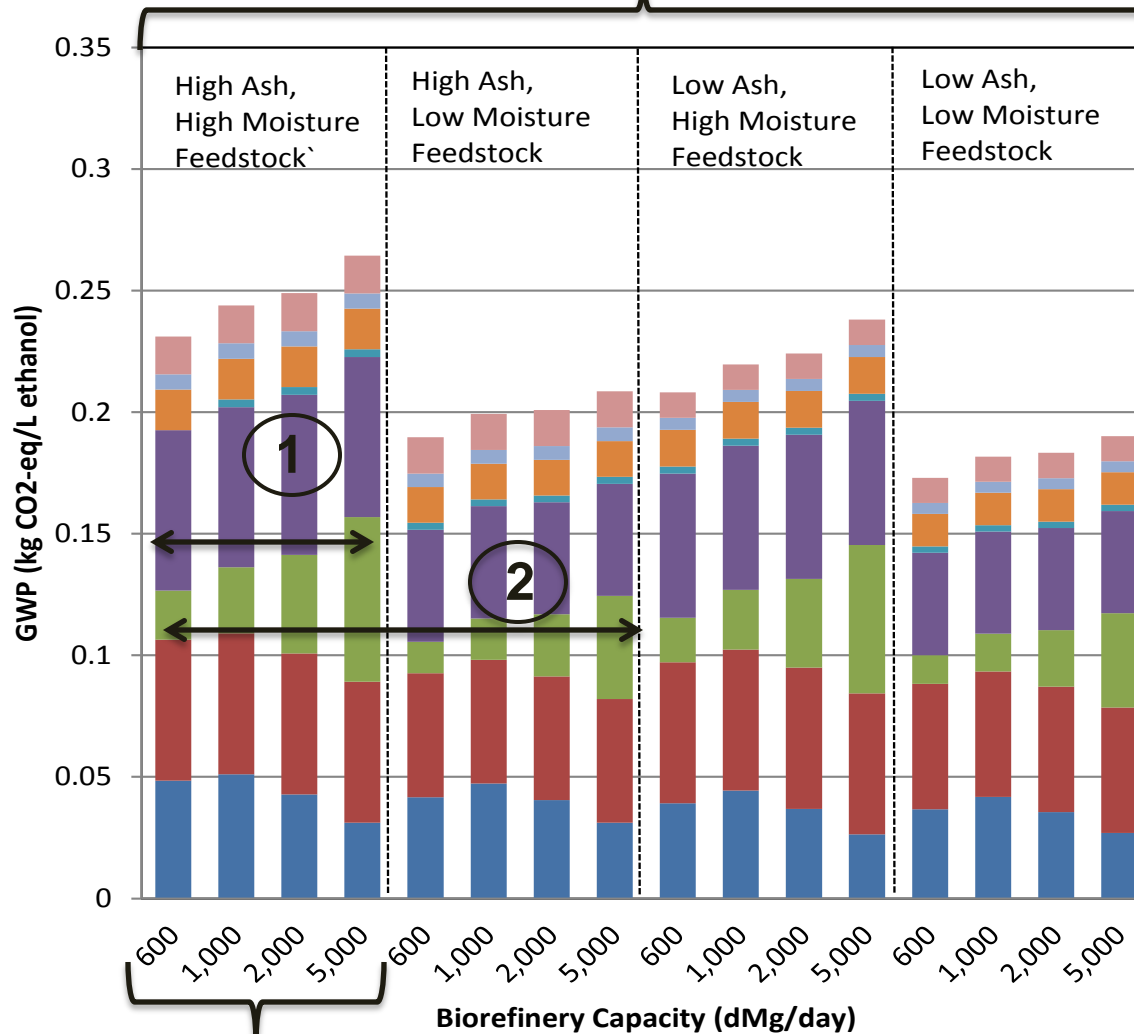
Plant Gate

2012 State of Technology Supply System Design

	GWP Kg CO ₂ -Eq/Mg
Harvesting	7.52
Baling	8.45
Collection	1.19
Transportation	4.07
Preprocessing	150.01
Storage	2.52
Handling	3.38
Total	177.14

Technical Accomplishments (cont)

4 Scenarios



1

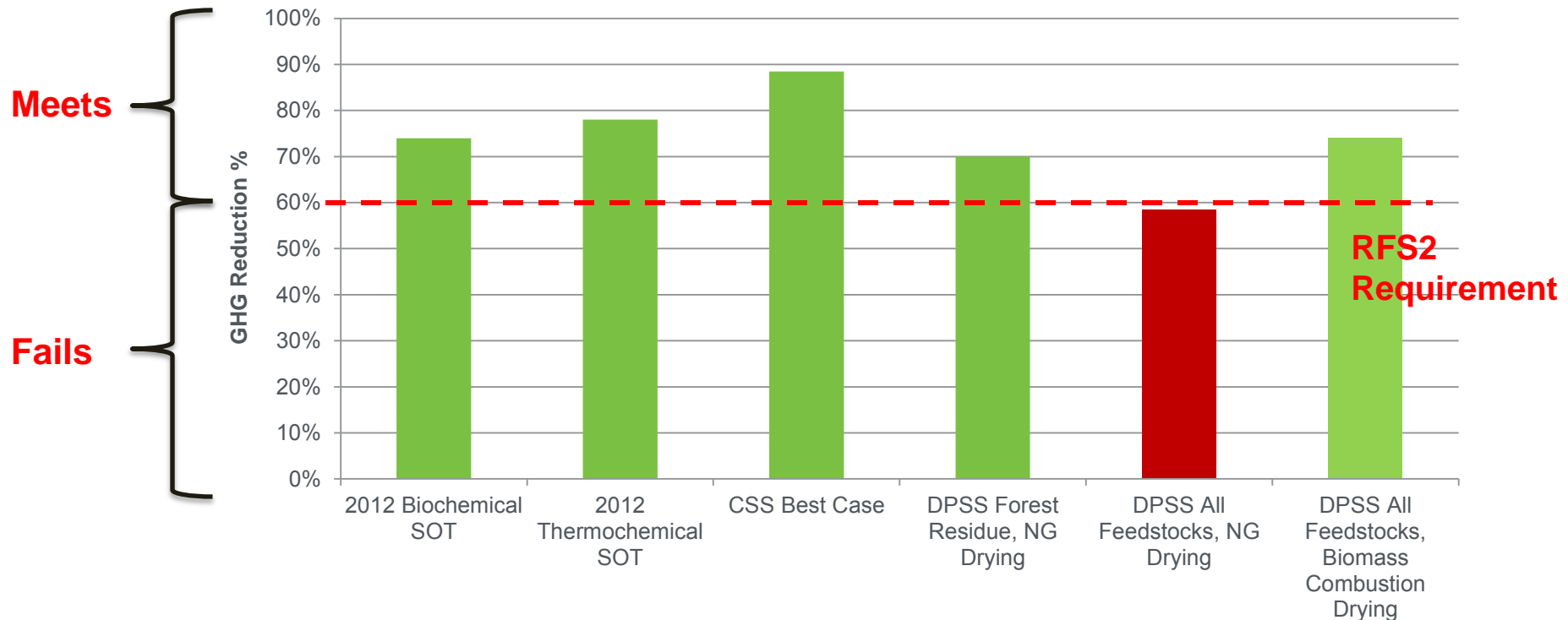
BR Waste Disposal
BR Plant Indirect
Handling & Queuing
Feed Storage
Feed Preprocessing
Feed Transportation

Harvest & Collection
Feedstock Production

2

Transport of
excess
moisture

Comparison of GHG Reduction



**RFS2 Requirement to Qualify as Cellulosic Ethanol:
60% reduction of GHG from 2005 levels**

BETO Relevance:

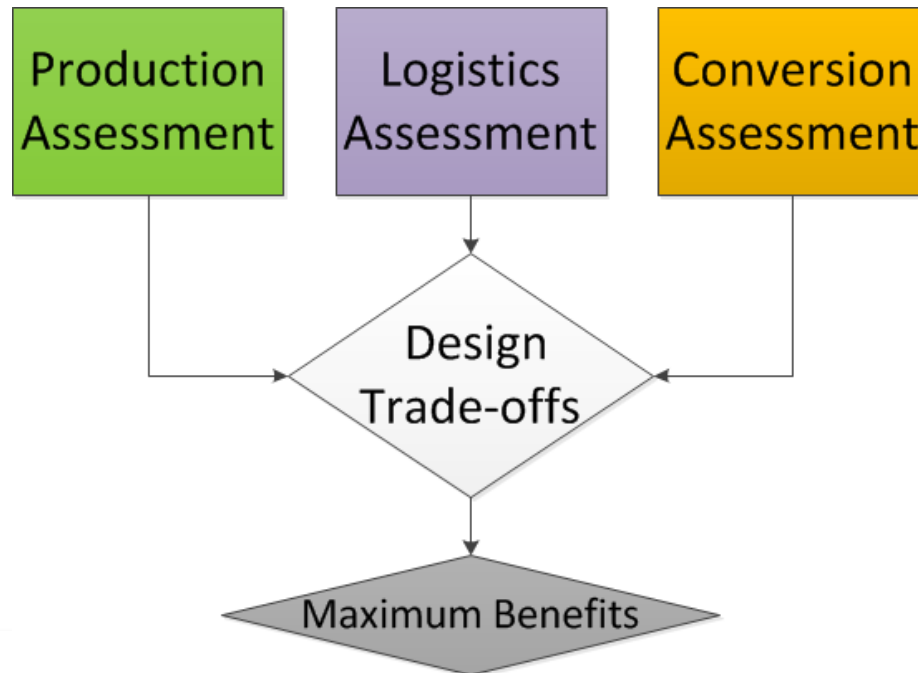
- Assesses environmental performances for feedstock supply chains
- Provides information to guide program decisions
- Allows for investigation of system-trade offs for maximum benefits

Industry Relevance:

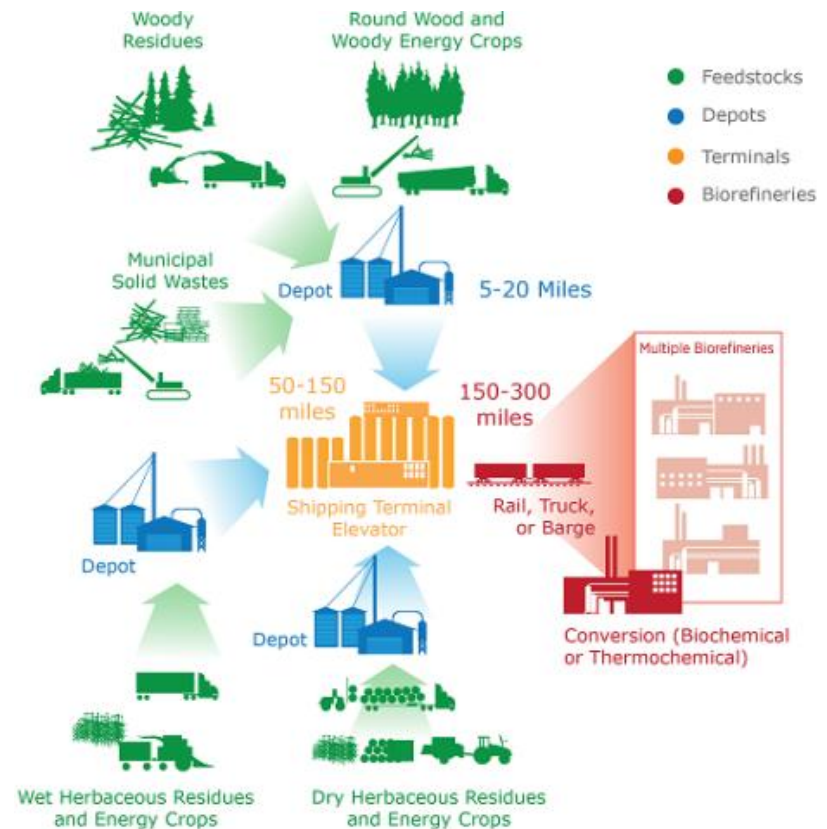
- Evaluates RFS2 compliance for cellulosic ethanol



This project enables the investigation of environmental performance and the trade-offs of system designs in order to achieve maximum benefits

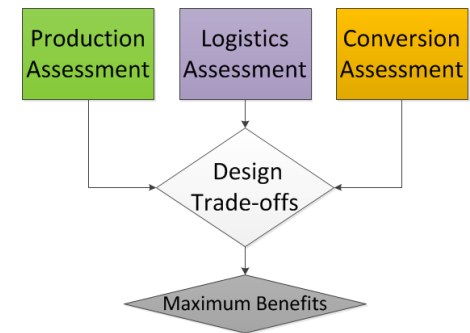
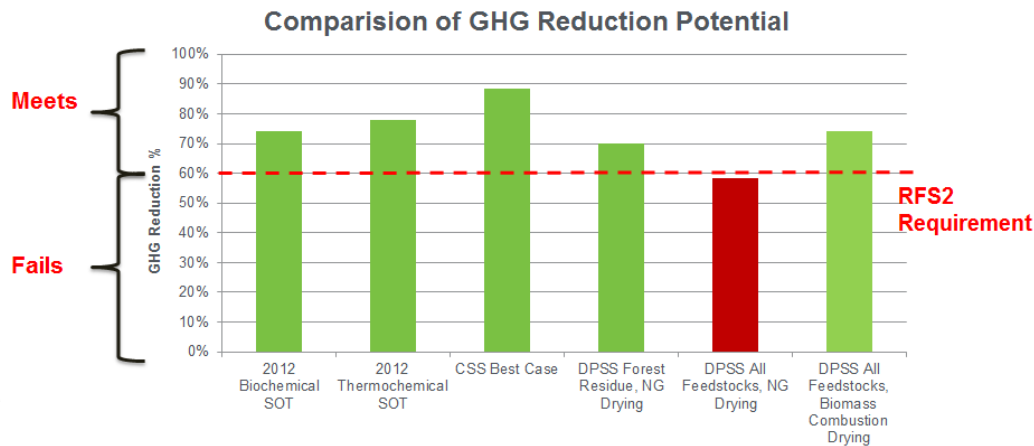
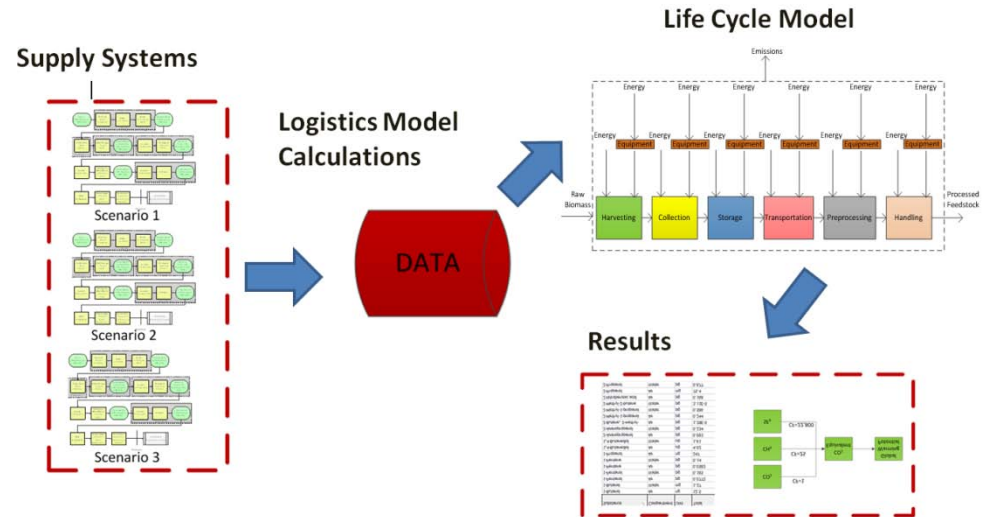


- Assesses environmental performances for feedstock supply chains
- Final Report September 2013
- Expand environmental performance to include other factors (water and air quality)



Summary

- Developed framework for assessing sustainability performance for feedstock logistics
- Stream-lined process
- Demonstrated capability
 - 2012 SOT
- Evaluate trade-offs



Questions

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
ENERGY

Energy Efficiency &
Renewable Energy



Publications

- *Investigation of Biochemical Biorefinery Sizing and Environmental Sustainability Impacts for Conventional Bale System and Advanced Uniform Biomass Logistics Designs*, R. Graham, M. Langholtz, L. Eaton, J. Jacobson, C. Wright, D. Muth, D. Inman, E. Tan, M. Wu, Y.-W. Chiu, S. Jones, L. Snowden-Swan, A. Argo. BioFPR, April 2013
- *Investigation of Thermochemical Biorefinery Sizing and Environmental Sustainability Impacts for Conventional Supply System and Distributed Preprocessing Supply System Designs*, David Muth, Matt H. Hangholtz, Andrew Argo, Eric Tan, Abhijit Dutta, Laurence Eaton, Crang C. Brandt, Jacob J. Jacobson, Erin M. Searcy, Kara Cafferty, May Wu, Yi-Wen Chiu, in development.