

**DEER 2003**

**Noxtech's PAC System Development  
and Demonstration**

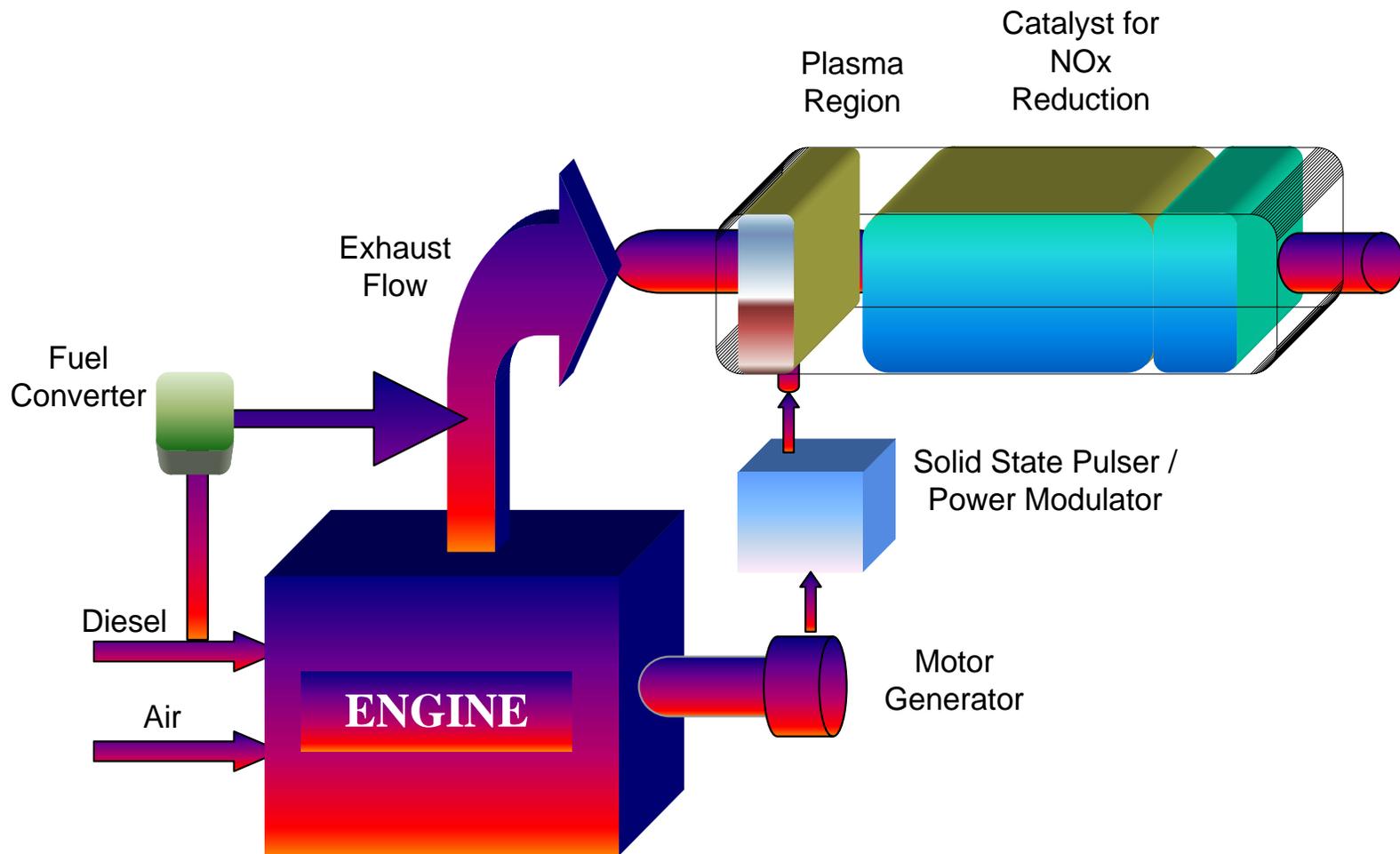
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**With the Support & Cooperation of DOE**

# Noxtech, Inc.

- Delaware Corporation registered to do business in California
- MBO from Cummins Engine CO 1996: Total \$28 million invested (Cummins & Noxtech) emissions control technology
- DOE, CEC & AQMD supplied significant funding for all technology developed.
- Stationary Markets: patent protected (four) Autocatalytic Process for boilers and IC engine powered generators:
  - ICE Generators: Currently being produced and sold
  - Boilers: Successfully demonstrated 200 MW boiler & being marketed under license Mitsui Babcock
- Transportation Market patent (one basic) protected Plasma process: 80 hp Plasma System prototype demonstrated 94% NOx reduction next generation system being fabricated

# PAC System Schematic

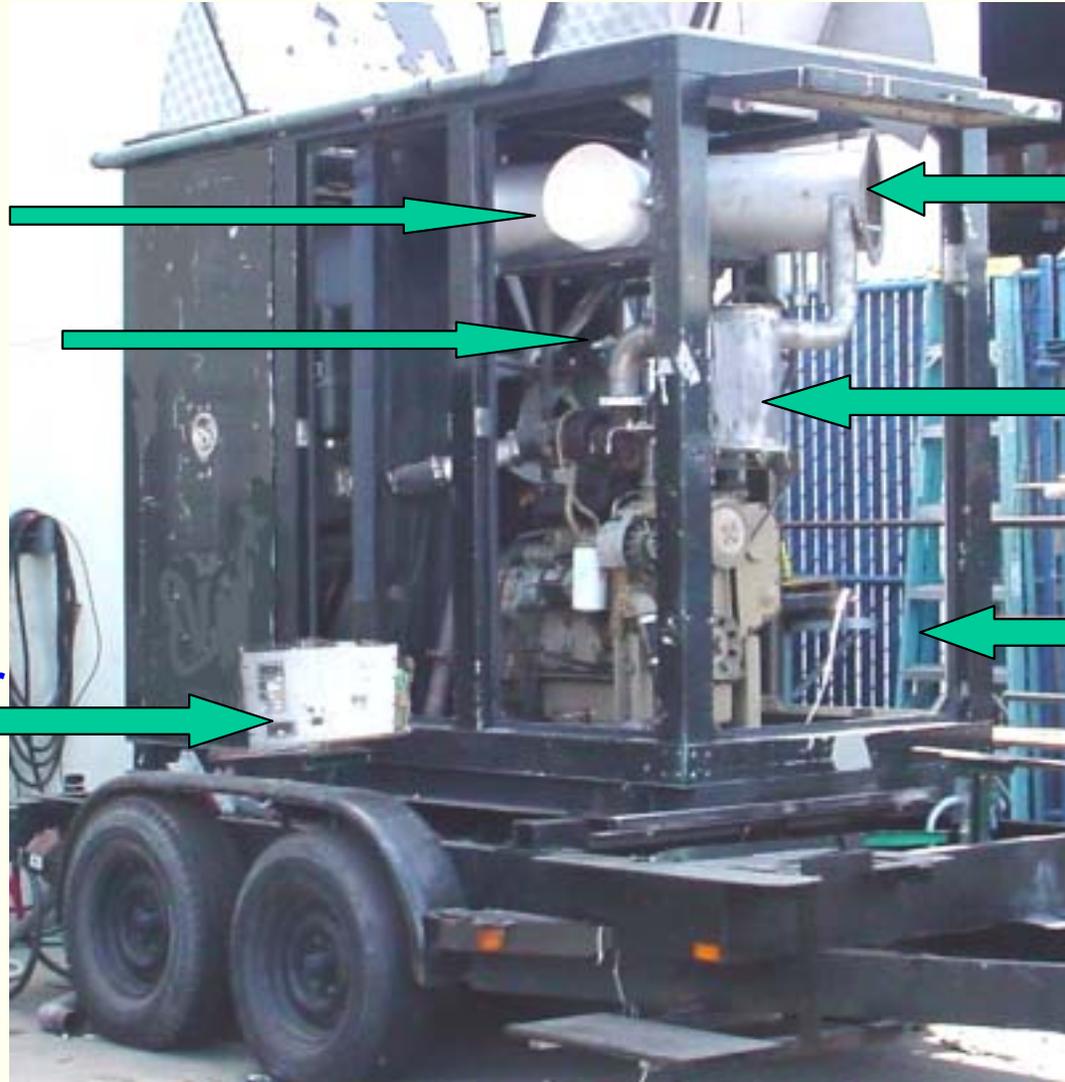


# Plasma Program

## 02' Accomplishments

- **Demonstrated 94% NO<sub>x</sub> reduction @30,000 sv on original design 80 hp system**
- **Performed parameter studies to obtain design data for advanced unit**
- **Redesigned, built and currently evaluating an advanced version of the original 80 hp capable prototype.**
- **Demonstrated technical viability & improved design/performance of all system components:**
  - **Diesel fuel converter: demonstrated ability to use No. 2 (500 ppm off-highway) diesel fuel as a reductant**
  - **Pulser: converted to solid state major reduction in size and components**
  - **Plasma reactor: reduced size, improved efficiency, simplified construction/fabrication**
  - **Demonstrated a sulfur tolerant ceramic catalyst, with broad temperature activation range**

# Noxtech Advanced 80 hp Plasma System



Monolith Catalyst

Fuel converter

Solid State Power  
Supply

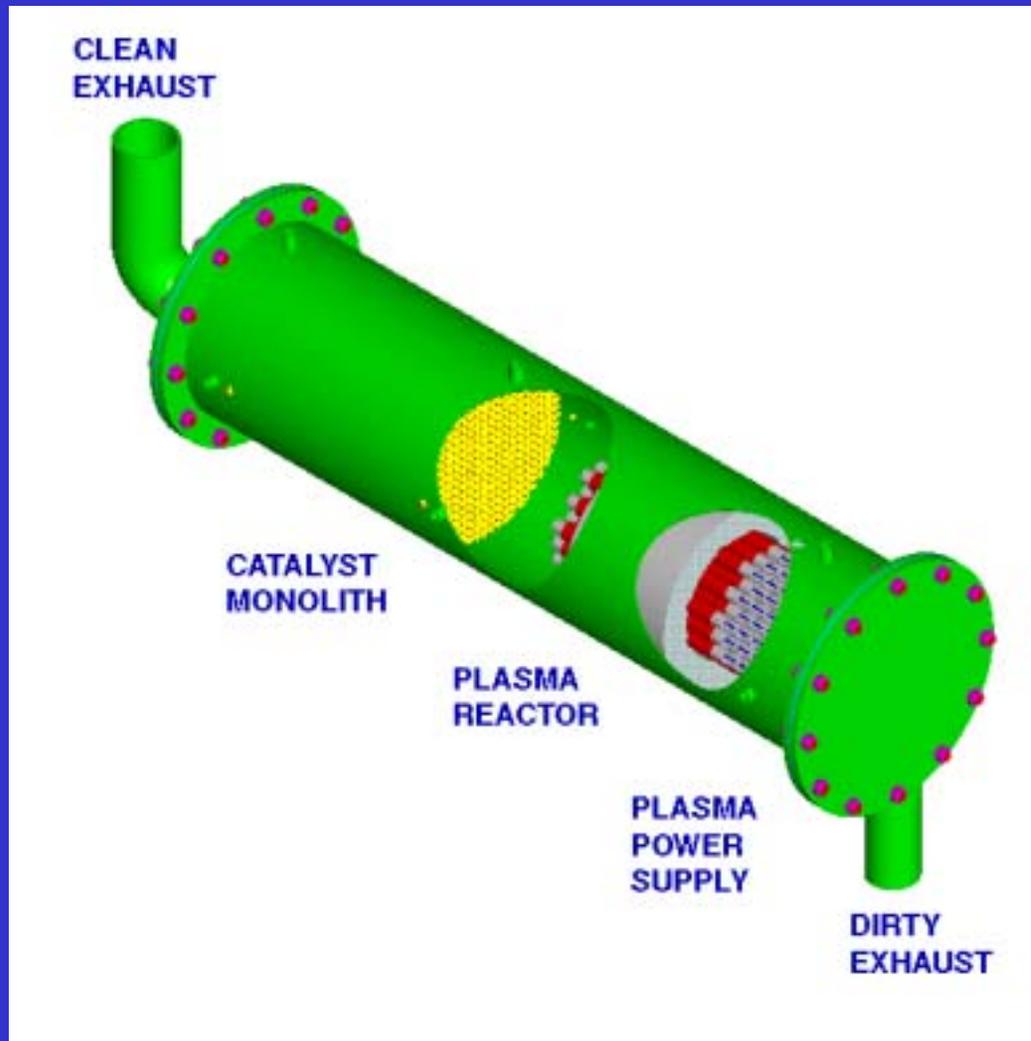
Plasma/catalytic  
reactor

Particulate Filter

Cummins series B  
80 HP diesel Genset

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# Noxtech's Integrated 80 hp PAC System



**Overall**

**10" OD X 45" Long.**

**Integrated in current  
80 Hp Genset.**

**Passive system**

# Advanced Noxtech Solid State Pulsar



# 2003 Program Objectives

- Perform third party demonstration on 80 hp diesel generator
  - 90% NO<sub>x</sub> reduction
  - 30,000 hr<sup>-1</sup> and 275-500 deg F
- Component Improvement Work
  - Catalysts: increase hr<sup>-1</sup>, more selective, improve low temp activity
  - Pulser: reduce size, improve efficiency, simplify fabrication
  - Reductant: refine reductant & optimize to catalyst
  - Plasma reactor: simplify fabrication, improve efficiency, reduce size

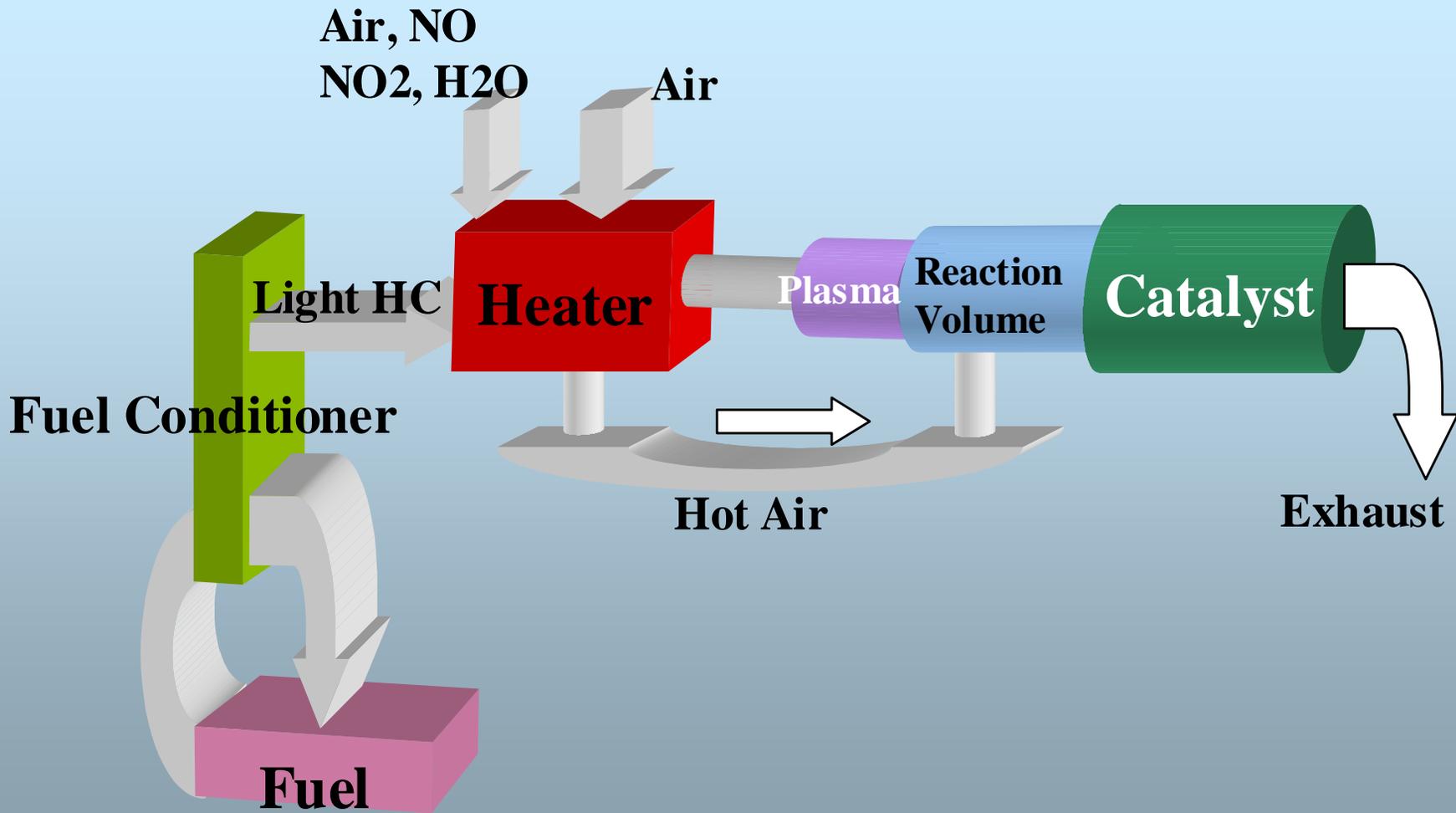
# Issues for 2003 Demonstration

- Catalyst loss of activity:
  - carbon/hydrocarbon deposits
  - wash coat active surface onto monolith
- Catalyst performance improvement:
  - higher  $\text{hr}^{-1}$  (50,000)
  - low temperature operation
- Optimization of hydrocarbon reductant:
  - for plasma reactor
  - for catalyst
- Plasma reactor/pulser: size, cost and performance

# 60 kW Demonstration

- Engine: Cummins 60 kW “B” powered generator
- Test Conditions:
  - Two steady state load points
  - Temp range: 300-500 deg C.
  - C/NO<sub>x</sub> ratio 4-5
  - 20-30,000 hr<sup>-1</sup> (catalyst)
- Measurements:
  - NO<sub>x</sub>, HC’s, CO, N<sub>2</sub>O
  - Exhaust: temperature, back pressure
- Test Laboratory: Olson
- Attendees: Industrial & governmental experts

# Noxtech Pilot Test Unit



# Catalyst Improvement Work

- Improvements:
  - Increase  $\text{hr}^{-1}$
  - Low temperature activity
  - Selectivity
- Approaches:
  - Increase surface area
  - Optimize pore distribution
  - Optimize dopent levels and basic composition
  - Reliable deposition method active catalyst on monolith
  - Optimize crystal structure

# Plasma Reactor Work

- Improvements:
  - Improve efficiency
  - reduce size
  - simplify fabrication
- Approach:
  - Monolithic ceramic reactor design
  - Optimize reactor geometry to minimize losses & enhance efficiency
  - Move reactor external to exhaust & treat portion of exhaust

# Reductant Work

- Improvements:
  - Fuel fraction separation
  - Optimization of fuel fraction:
    - for plasma reactor
    - for catalyst
- Approaches:
  - Fraction separation: ceramic membrane
  - Fraction conditioning:
    - Thermal
    - Catalytic

# Pulser Work

- Improvements:
  - Reduce size & cost
  - Improve efficiency (80--->90%)
  - Simplify fabrication
- Approach: (working with industrial partner)
  - Single crystal solid state ultra high frequency switcher
  - Tunable to optimize pulse width and frequency
  - Minimize components
  - Use magnetic amplification

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