

HYDROGEN COMMERCIALIZATION, DEPLOYMENT AND SCALABILITY

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AGENDA

Clean Hydrogen 101

Panelist Presentations

Q&A





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Connecticut Green Bank is the nation's first green bank. Established in 2011 as a quasi-public agency, the Green Bank uses limited public dollars to attract private capital investment and offers green solutions that help people, businesses and all of Connecticut thrive.

Our **mission** is to confront climate change by increasing and accelerating investment into Connecticut's green economy to create more resilient, healthier, and equitable communities

Guiding this mission is our **vision** for "...a planet protected by the love of humanity."



HYDROGEN IS A MATURE TECHNOLOGY

Global Hydrogen Value Chains

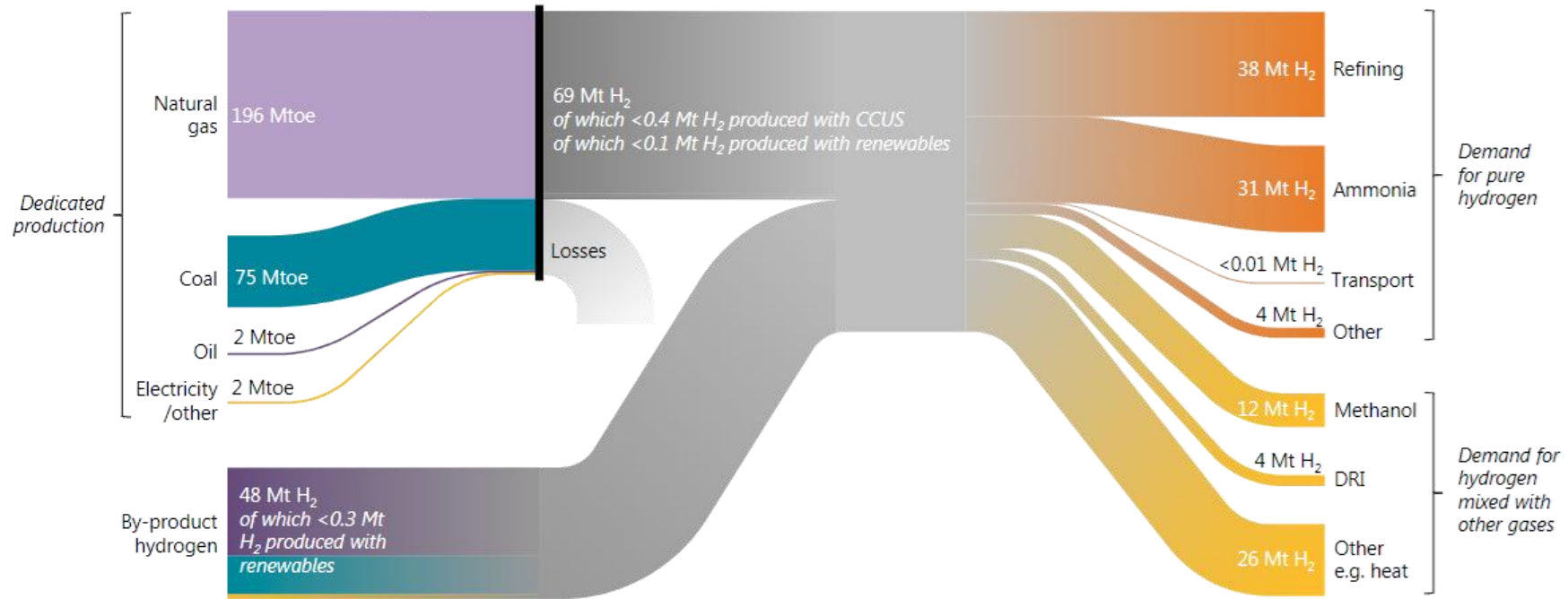


Image from “The Future of Hydrogen: Seizing today’s opportunities” report prepared by IEA for the G20, Japan. Mtoe=million tons of oil equivalent. Mt=million tons

Today >99% of hydrogen is made from fossil fuels

WHY HYDROGEN?

Hydrogen offers a solution to **eliminate fossil fuels** for end uses where there are no alternate solutions



High-Heat
Industrial Processes



Critical Facilities



Cargo Ships



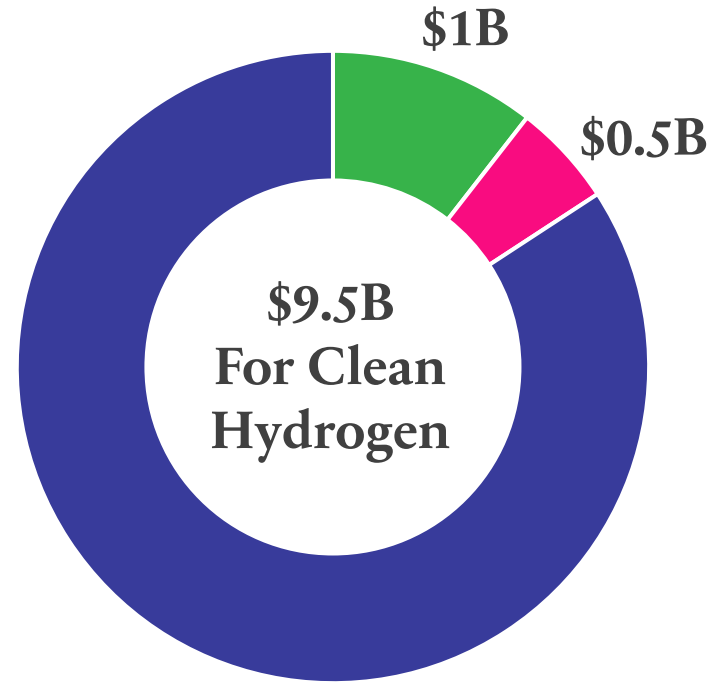
Aviation



Long-Haul, Heavy-
Duty Trucking

WHY NOW?

The US Government has created an **unprecedented incentive** to construct hydrogen facilities through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) and the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)



- Electrolysis research, development, and demonstration
- Clean hydrogen Technology manufacturing and recycling R&D
- Regional clean hydrogen hubs

Source: White House (2022), [Building a Better America](#).

DIVERGENT DEFINITIONS

	Hydrogen Type (e.g. clean, renewable, green)	Based on a carbon intensity calculation	Technology agnostic (e.g. includes biomass, biogas, electrolysis, nuclear)	Electrolysis with renewables only	Excludes use of fossil fuels
<i>US DOE</i>	Clean	X	X		
<i>Montana</i>	Green		X		X
<i>Washington State</i>	Renewable		X		
<i>Oregon</i>	Renewable		X		X
<i>Australia</i>	Clean		X		
<i>Canada</i>	Green			X	X
<i>Canada</i>	Low Carbon Intensity	X	X		
<i>Chile</i>	Green			X	X
<i>France</i>	Renewable	X		X	X
<i>France</i>	Low Carbon	X	X		
<i>Germany</i>	Green			X	X
<i>Sweden</i>	Renewable/Clean		X		
<i>CertifHy</i>	Green	X	X		X
<i>CertifHy</i>	Low Carbon	X	X		

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FuelCell Energy Platforms for Clean Power and Hydrogen



FuelCell Energy snapshot

Our purpose

Enable a world empowered by clean energy

Our technology

Decarbonizes power:

- Produce** low- to zero-carbon power from a flexible array of inputs including biogas, natural gas, and hydrogen.
- Capture** carbon dioxide (for use or sequestration) while making power.

Produces hydrogen:

- Supply** hydrogen from power and water through electrolysis, or co-produce hydrogen, power, and water from fuel.
- Store** energy from intermittent renewables by converting excess power to hydrogen – then converting hydrogen back into power when it's needed.



Headquarters Danbury, CT

- Corporate Headquarters
- Research labs
- Engineering design
- Global Service center



Manufacturing Torrington, CT

- Module Assembly & Stacking
- 167,000 sq. ft.

Company highlights

HQ Danbury, Connecticut

>500 Employees

95 Platforms in commercial operation³

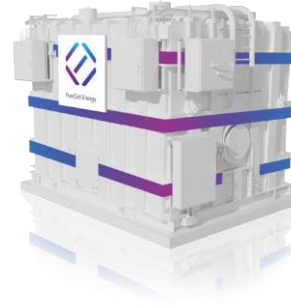
3 Continents

FCEL Listing: NASDAQ

>220 MW Capacity in field

>13 Million MWhs generated with patented technology

Two leading technologies providing solutions for the energy transition



Application

Carbonate

Solid oxide

Power generation/CHP w natural gas, biogas, or H₂ blends



Power generation/CHP from hydrogen fuel



CO₂ capture from platform



CO₂ capture from external source while making power



H₂/Power/Water production from natural gas or biogas



High efficiency electrolysis H₂ production

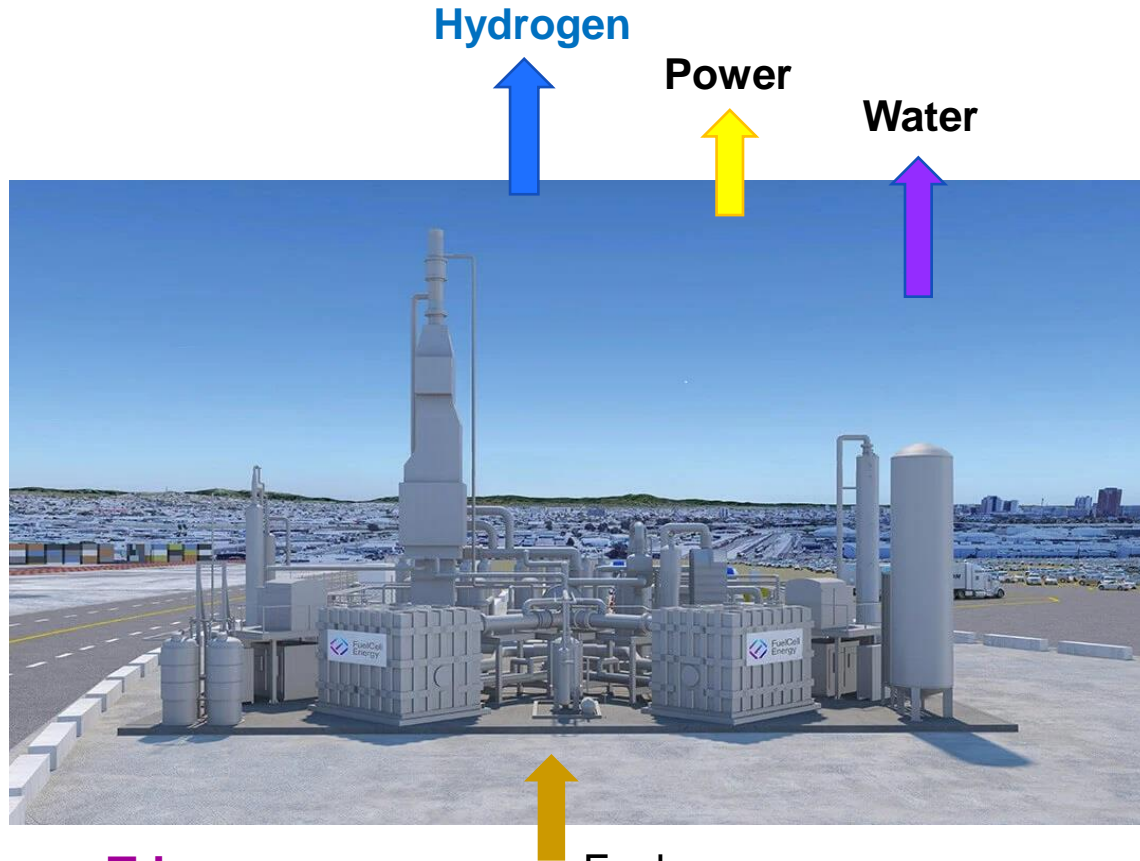


Long duration hydrogen based energy storage



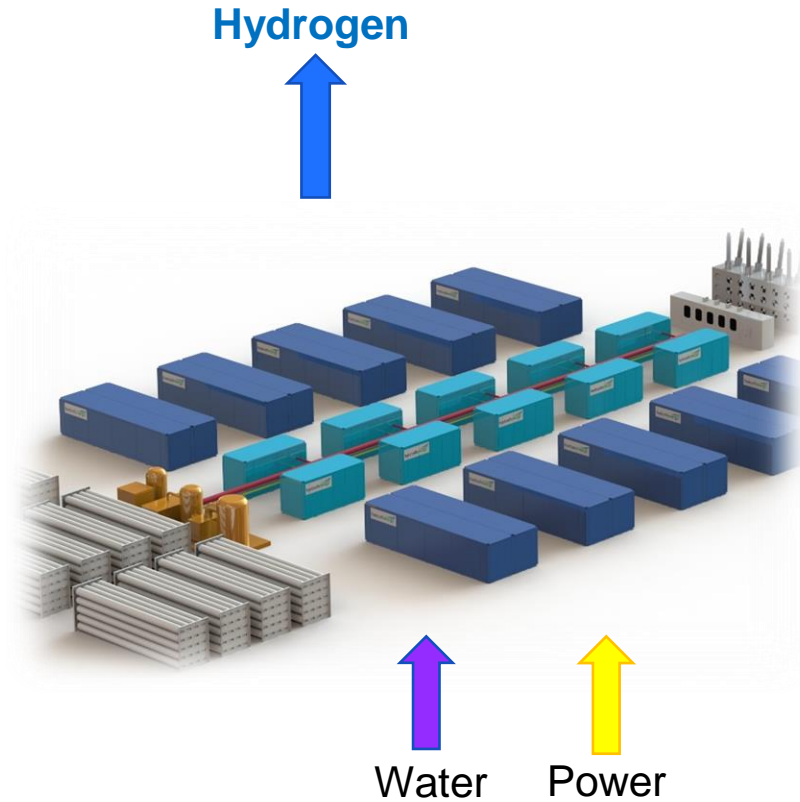
TWO ADVANCED HIGH TEMPERATURE ELECTROCHEMICAL PLATFORMS ADDRESSING MULTIPLE APPLICATIONS

FCE hydrogen producing solutions



Tri-gen

- Clean reforming driven by heat and water from fuel cell power generation process
- Power and Hydrogen revenue streams
- Net water producer



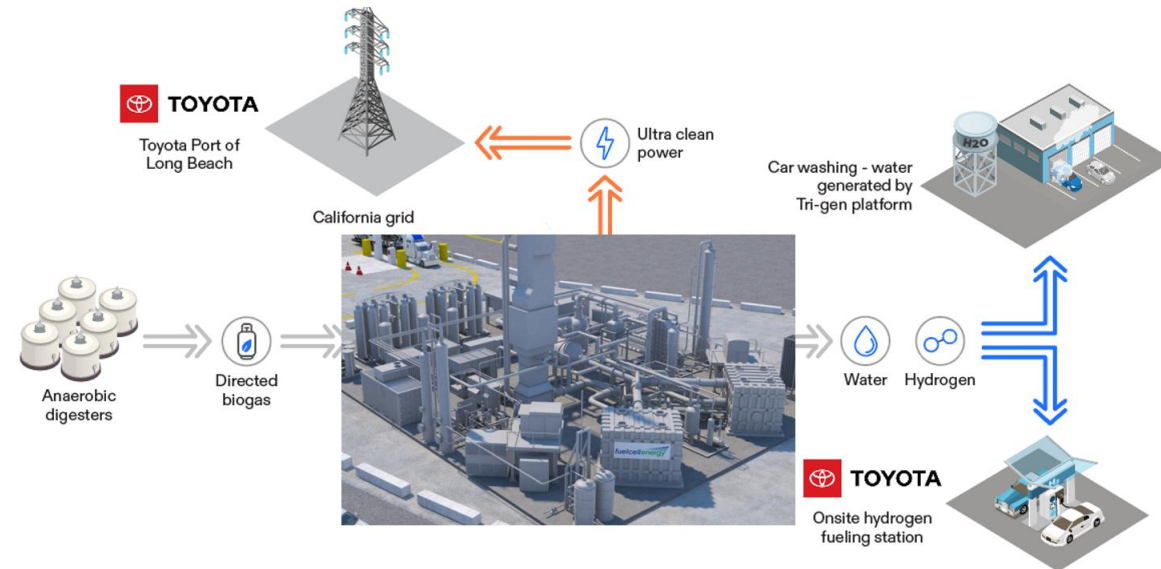
Solid Oxide Electrolysis

- High electrical efficiency
- Ability to increase efficiency with available waste heat

Toyota Long Beach Tri-gen project



- The system will generate:
 - **2.3MW electricity** – powering Toyota facility and supplying to grid
 - **1200kg/day hydrogen** – for fueling Toyota light and heavy-duty hydrogen fuel cell vehicles
 - **1400 gallons/day water** – to support Toyota car washing operations



Solid Oxide platforms



Solid Oxide Fuel Cell Power Generation Platform

- 250kW Rated Output
- Natural Gas, Biogas, or Hydrogen Fuel
- High electrical efficiency
- Higher total efficiency in combined heat and power applications



Solid Oxide Electrolysis Platform

- 1.1MW Rated Input
- 600 kg/day hydrogen production
- Power input reduced to 1.0 MW with supplied waste heat

Thank You



NEECE – Panel IV

Hydrogen: Commercialization, Deployment and Scalability

June 8, 2023
Providence, Rhode Island

Cyrus Tingley
Director, Electrolyzer Sales

Proprietary & Confidential



Green H2 Economy: Commercialization & Outlook

Hydrogen Market Opportunity

Material Handling

\$30Bn

Target addressable market

Fuel Cell EVs

\$300Bn+

Target addressable market

Stationary Power

\$350Bn

*Target addressable market
(US)*

Hydrogen Economy

\$10Tn

Target addressable market

Plug Today

Long-term Growth Trajectory

Forklifts

- More than 6MM forklifts deployed
- 1.5MM forklifts sold annually

Stationary Power & Data Centers

- Small footprint, high power density
- Lower TCO vs. diesel generators
- Plug & Play design mirroring operational flexibility of diesel generators

Fuel Cell EVs (Light Commercial & Heavy-Duty Vehicles)

- Energy density is ~10x BEVs
- High asset utilization
- Enables sharing economy
- Faster fueling
- Longer range
- Infrastructure expertise
- Less challenging operating conditions than material handling applications
- Constant power

Hydrogen & Equipment

- The Hydrogen Council projects that by 2050, hydrogen could provide up to ⁽¹⁾:
 - 18% of final energy demand
 - 6Gt annual CO2 abatement
 - 30MM jobs created



Hydrogen Demand

New Apps Create Multiplier Effect for Hydrogen Demand

1kg/day

Forklifts

6kg/day

LCV

40-50kg/day

HDV

1MW 24/7: >1TPD

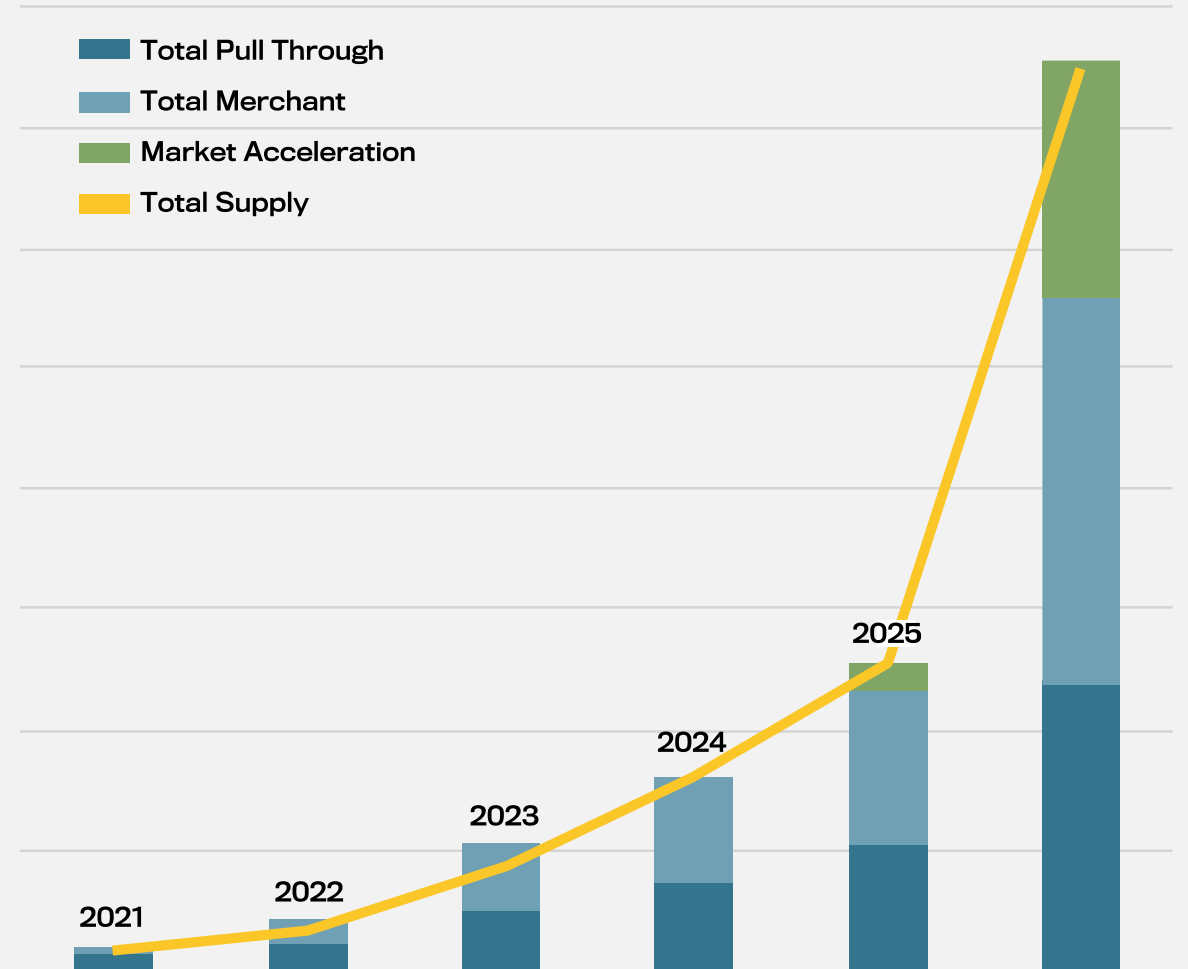
Stationary Power

500TPD of demand represents 5,000 class 7-8 trucks and less than 300MW of stationary power

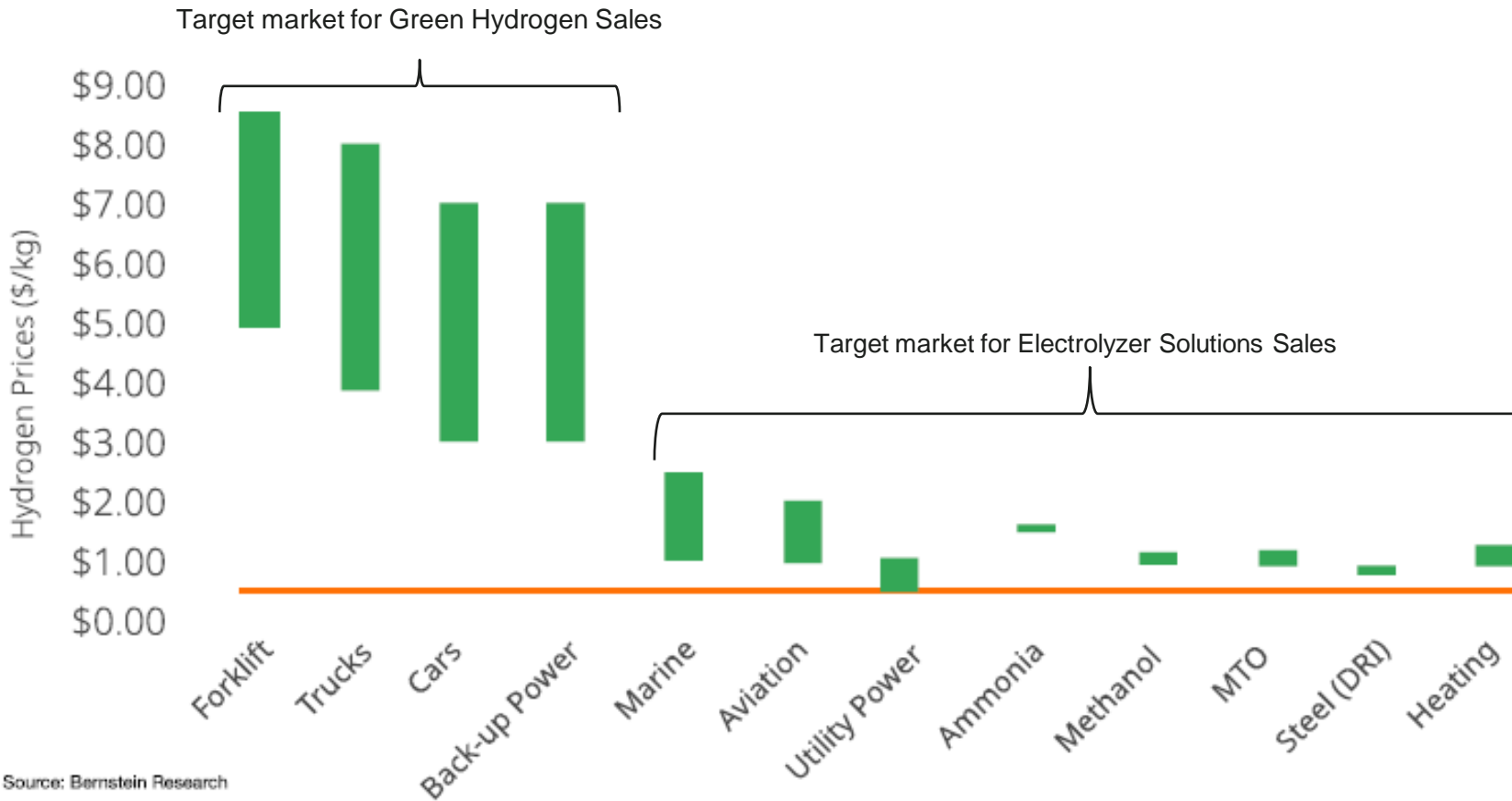
Long haul trucking in NA alone requires 200,000TPD of green hydrogen to displace diesel



Base Case = 500TPD 2025



Inflation Reduction Act Implications



Source: Bernstein Research

Green Hydrogen Price with PTC (Orange Line) vs. cost of alternative in each market



- \$3/kg PTC makes Green Hydrogen competitive in all hydrogen applications and processes immediately
 - All new plants before 2032 will receive 10 years of PTC. 5 years direct pay, then 5 years tax credit
 - Improves original GH plant paybacks by ~4-5 years
- Lowers the total cost of ownership for hydrogen fuel cell productions, accelerating adaption
- Makes the United States the lowest cost producer of Green Hydrogen in the world

The Global Leader in hydrogen solutions

Focus on hydrogen solutions for 25 years

Offerings across entire hydrogen ecosystem

World's largest user of liquid hydrogen

Has built more hydrogen refueling stations than anyone in the world

Unmatched footprint of experience with H₂



25 years
of innovation

60,000+
systems in service

258
granted patents

1 billion
hours of operation

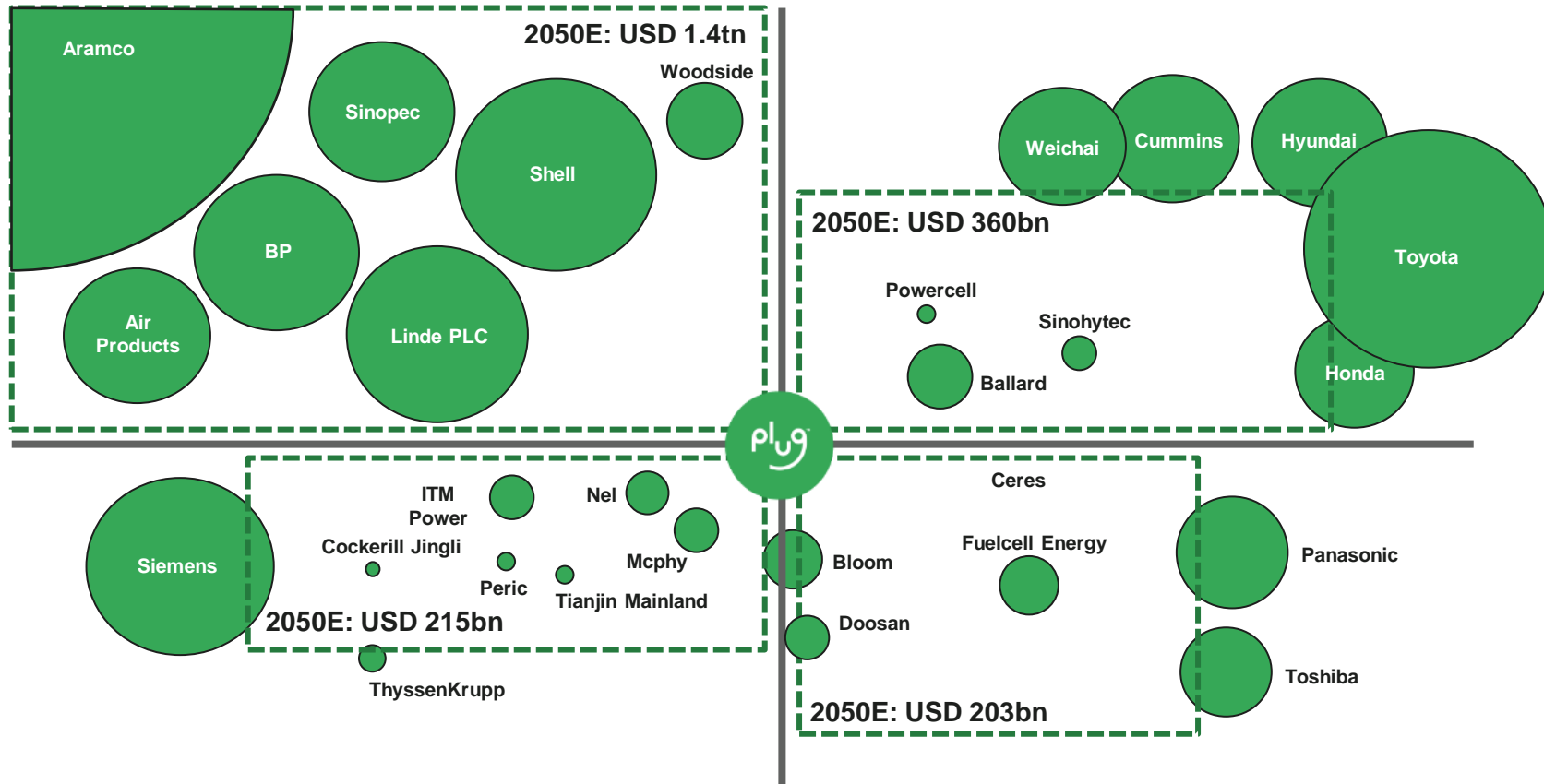
40+ tons
of hydrogen
handled daily

3,000+
employees

Plug Power is uniquely positioned at the center of the hydrogen economy

Hydrogen

Fuel cells for transport

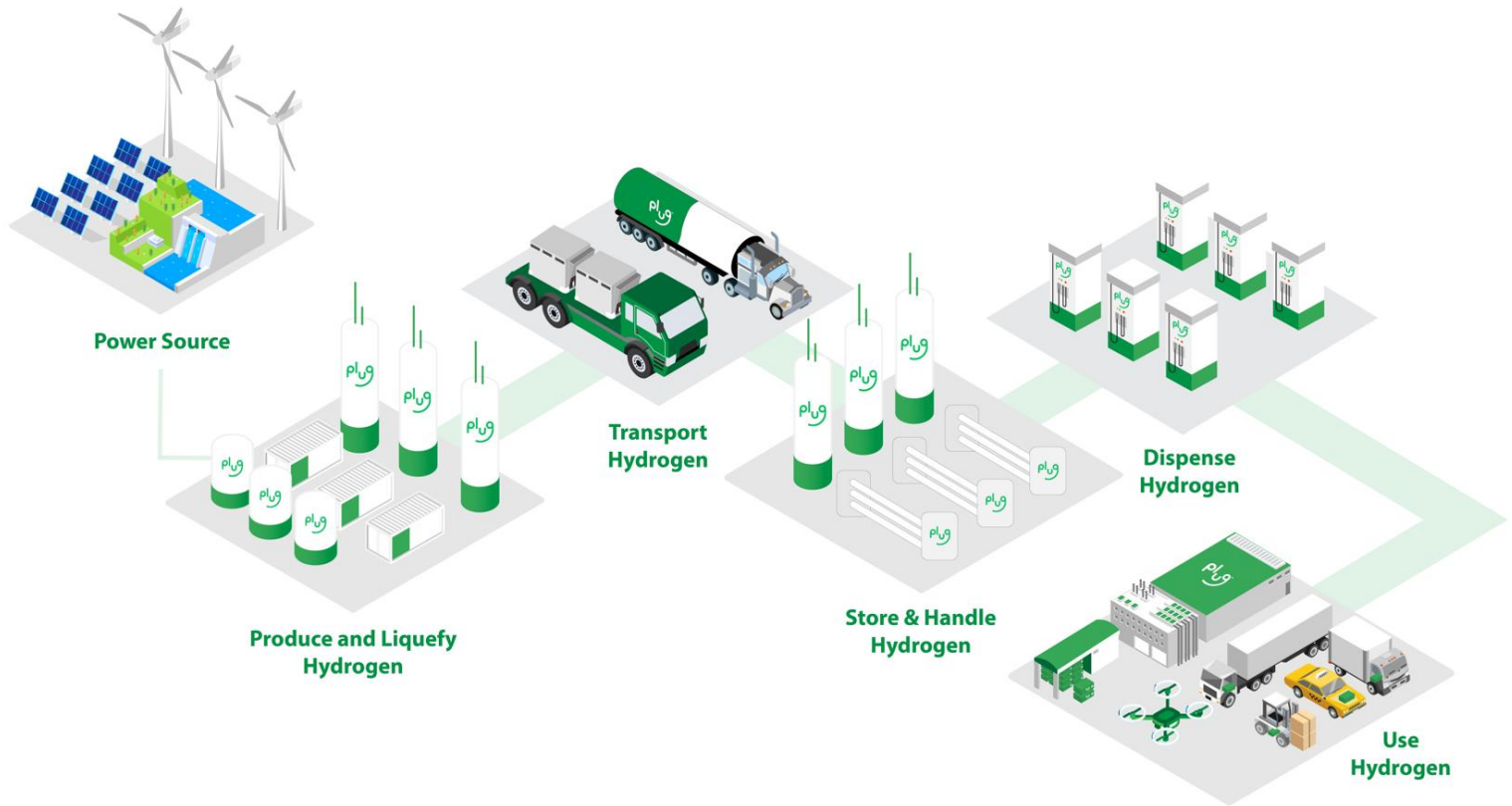


Electrolyzers

Fuel cells for stationary



Source: Bloomberg and Bernstein analysis and estimates



Plug is building an end-to-end green hydrogen ecosystem, from production, storage and delivery to energy generation, to help its customers meet their business goals and decarbonize the economy.



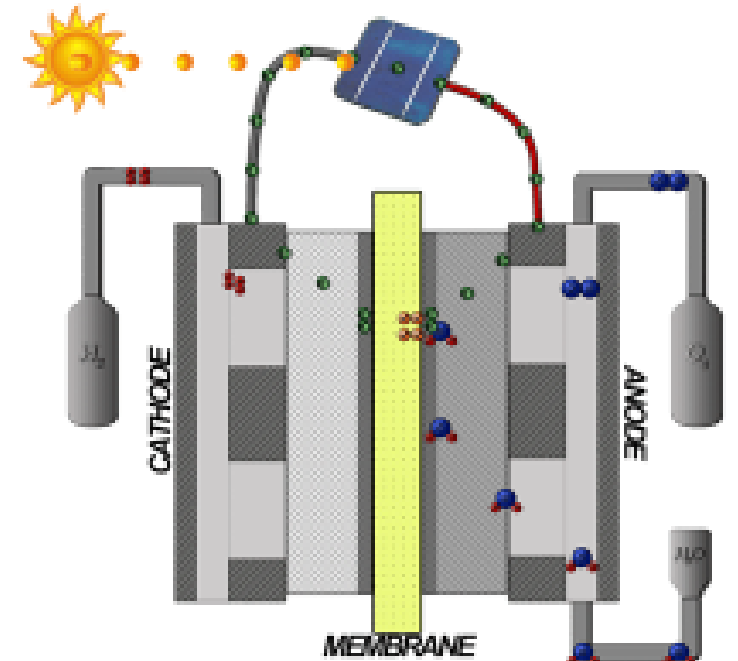
Electrolyzer Solutions



ELX Process Overview

Electrolyzers split water into H_2 and O_2

- 1 Electricity applied to water (from a renewable source for the H_2 to be "green")
- 2 Hydrogen (H_2) is split from the Oxygen (O), converting electrical energy to chemical energy
- 3 The chemical energy (H_2) can then be stored and/or transported in gaseous or liquid form



Plug Brings **Reliable Performance**

- ✓ **PEM Technology** delivers H₂ at 40barg and 99.999% purity
- ✓ **Highest Performance** at 75-85% efficiency and >99% availability
- ✓ **Operational Range** from 1 - 100% rated output
- ✓ **80,000 Hour** Stack life expectancy
- ✓ **Fast start** in under 5 minutes
- ✓ **Instant load following** capability



Plug PEM Electrolyzer Products:

Containerized Systems

Large Plant Solution



EX-425D

EX-2125D

EX-4250D

1 MW PEM stack

5 x 1 MW PEM Stacks

10 x 1 MW PEM Stacks

Fully integrated BoP for plug-and-play deployment from simple municipal water and AC power inputs

Efficient, modular building block for industrial-scale H₂ plants

480V feed to 40' ISO footprint

Included MV transformer customized to on-site voltage

Shared BoP optimized around process skids in building

Up to 432 kg H₂/day

Up to 2,160 kg H₂/day

Up to 4,320 kg H₂/day

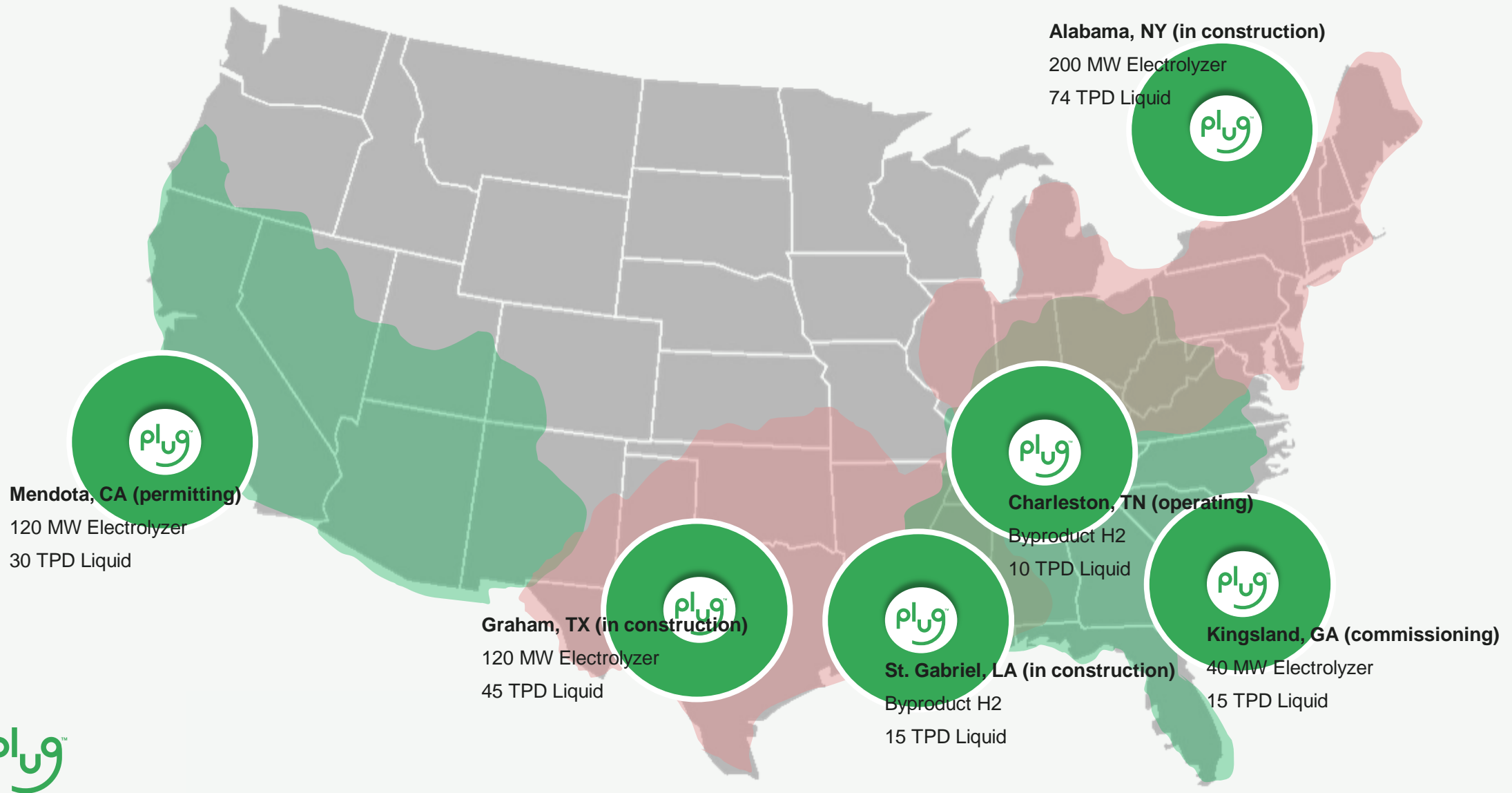




Deployment & Scalability



Plug's Current Hydrogen Generation Status:



Global Green Hydrogen Network



Plug to Build Large-Scale Green Hydrogen Generation Plant in Europe at Port of Antwerp-Bruges

Plug's 100 MW Electrolyzers Will Produce 35 Tons Per Day of Green Hydrogen for European Market

June 08, 2022 04:00 ET | Source: Plug Power, Inc.

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30-year concession signed

2nd largest port in Europe

Permitting underway, H2 in 2024



Conceptual 1 GW Green Hydrogen Plant Design – collaboration with Tier 1 EPC McDermott Inc.

Plug Power plans \$6 billion hydrogen projects in Finland

Reuters

May 30, 2023 9:36 AM EDT · Updated 2 days ago

Finnish grid: 87% renewable power

H2 Applications: ammonia, green steel, transportation



Plug – Peachtree Project: 40 + 5 MW

Kingsland, Camden County, GA



April 2023 drone footage still

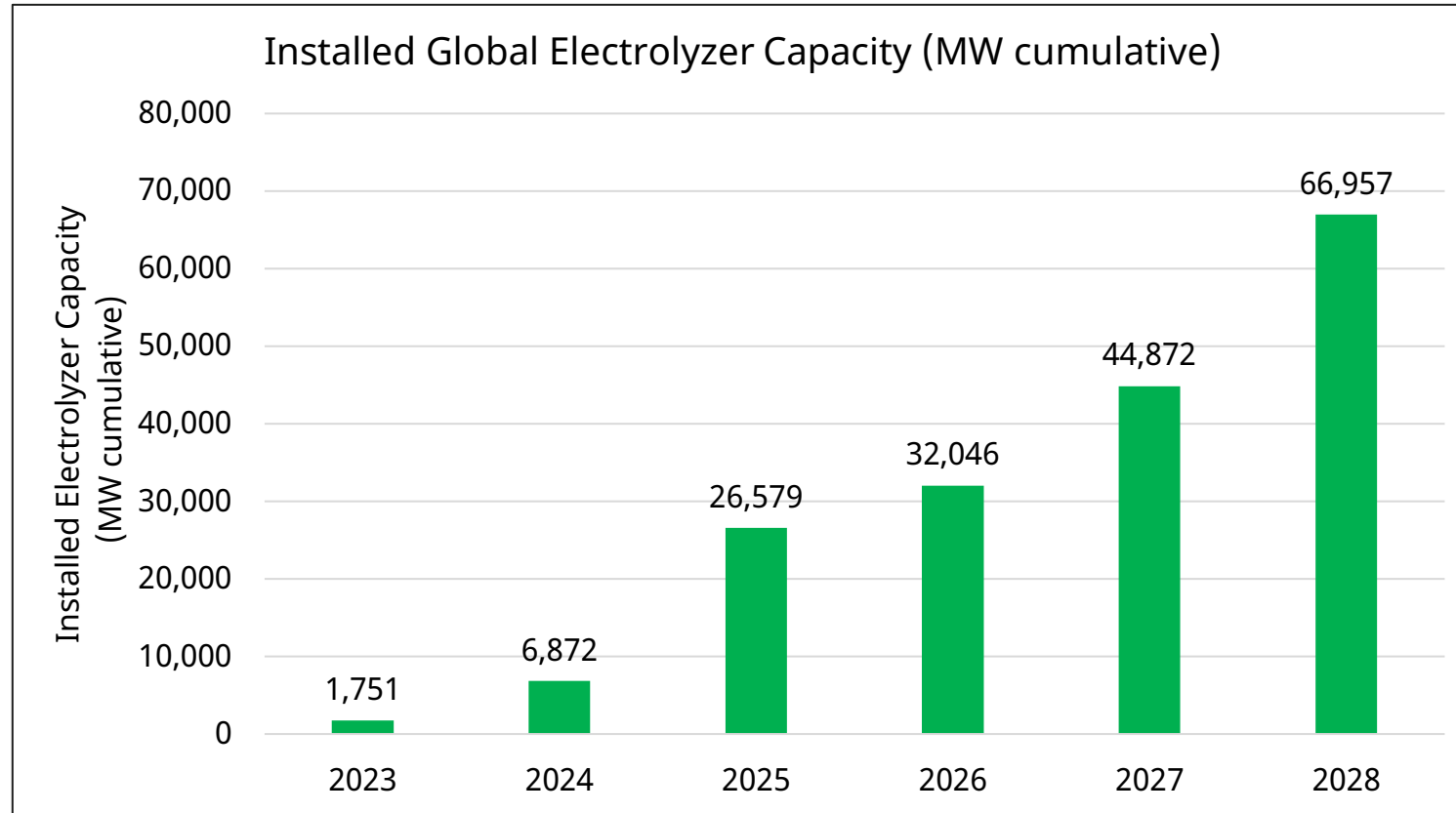


May 2023 Video Tour Update: [CLICK HERE](#)

- “Pathfinder” 5 MW PEM operational since Fall 2022, nearly 1000 operational hours, exporting high-pressure H2 gas in trailers to customers
- “Peachtree Phase 1” 40 MW PEM + 15 TPD liquefaction construction completed in 11 months; commissioning Q223
- Plug uniquely OEM + owner/operator gaining valuable experience deploying and operating which will grow along with our on-balance sheet portfolio, with high value to 3rd party equipment customers
- “Peachtree Phase 2” 80 MW PEM (8x10 MW EX-4250D) + 30 TPD liquefaction immediately underway adjacent

Installed Global Electrolyzer Capacity (MW cumulative)

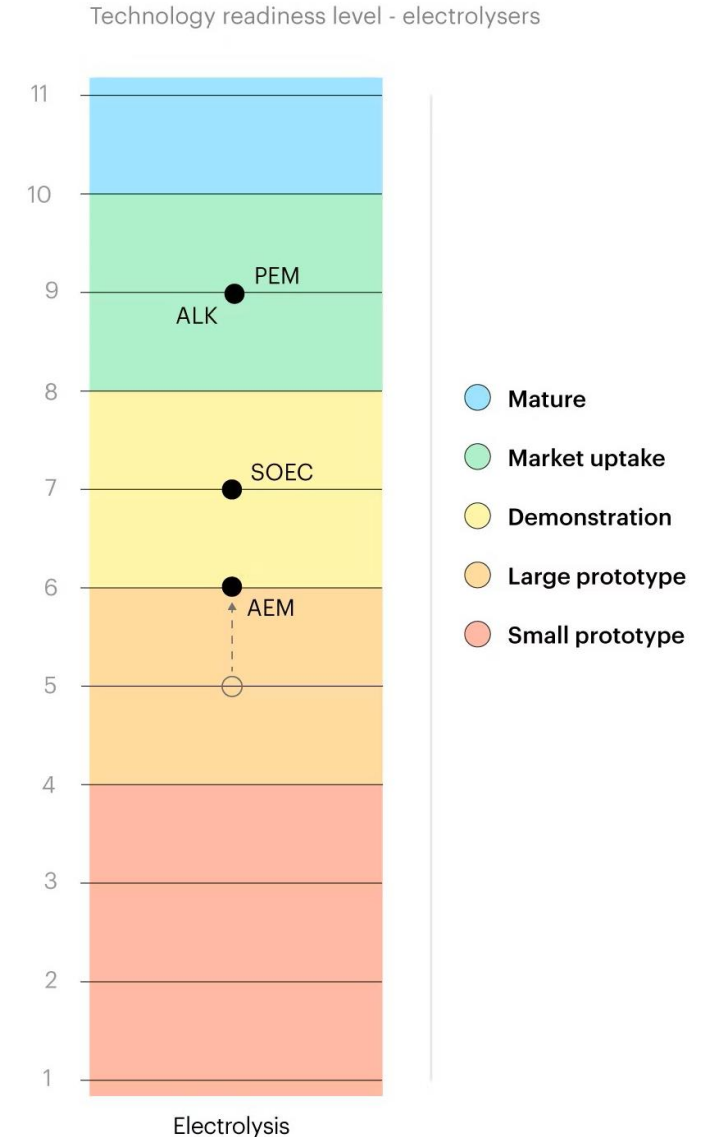
projection based on projects currently in planning or in construction (not just announced)



Data source: IHS Markit (May 2023)

Projected installed electrolyzer Capacity in MW (cumulative)

Based on project level data, for projects that are either in planning or construction stages





Plug Innovation Center and Gigafactory
Rochester, NY

Plug Innovation Center & Factory

Industry-First proudly sited in USA



GlobeNewswire
Plug Announces Record Production of PEM Electrolyzer Stacks in Q1 2023; On Track to Meet 100MW per Month Target in Q2



\$150M+ investment / 400+ new jobs / 155K ft² / Rochester, NY, USA



Unlocking Credible Green Hydrogen (GH₂) Deployment: An Effective & Compatible H₂ Tracking & Attribution Framework

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Genesis of this work

- Self-initiated by Sustainable Energy Advantage (SEA) in 2021 to address a perceived gap
- Advanced in 2022/23 in examination of *Green Hydrogen & Tracking Systems: Implications for the New York Generation Attribute Tracking System (NYGATS)*, funded by New York State Energy Research & Development Authority (NYSERDA), unpublished/internal, May 2023

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déjà vu.. We've been here before



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Transacting Generation Attributes Across Market Boundaries:

Compatible Information Systems and the
Treatment of Imports and Exports

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Sustainable Energy Advantage, LLC

Ryan Wiser

Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

Environmental Energy
Technologies Division

November 2002

Download from: <http://eetd.lbl.gov/EA/EMP/>

The work described in this study was funded by the Assistant Secretary of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy of the U.S. Department of Energy under Contract No. DE-AC03-76SF00098.



What is Green Hydrogen? (GH₂)

- Hydrogen (H₂) created by electrolysis (electrolytic hydrogen) is used for
 - ✓ Electricity production
 - ✓ Directly in hard-to-electrify transportation, heating, and industrial process uses
- **Green Hydrogen (GH₂)** is produced from **renewable energy** sources
- Other hydrogen 'colors' are also of interest for policy & market purposes
- Deployment of GH₂ is central to GHG reduction plans
 - Federal production incentives
 - State GH₂ policy initiatives
 - GH₂ production & use applications are progressing rapidly

The hydrogen 'rainbow'

Brown/Black - Produced from Coal

- GHG emissions: High

Grey - Steam methane reformation using Natural Gas

- GHG Emissions: Medium

Turquoise - Pyrolysis of Natural Gas

- GHG Emissions: solid carbon

Blue - Steam methane reformation using Nat. Gas + CCS

- GHG Emissions: Low

Pink - Electrolysis using nuclear

- GHG Emissions: Minimal

Green - Electrolysis using renewable energy

- GHG Emissions: Minimal

Source: Sustainable Energy Advantage, LLC, amalgamated from sources so numerous one can't tell where they started

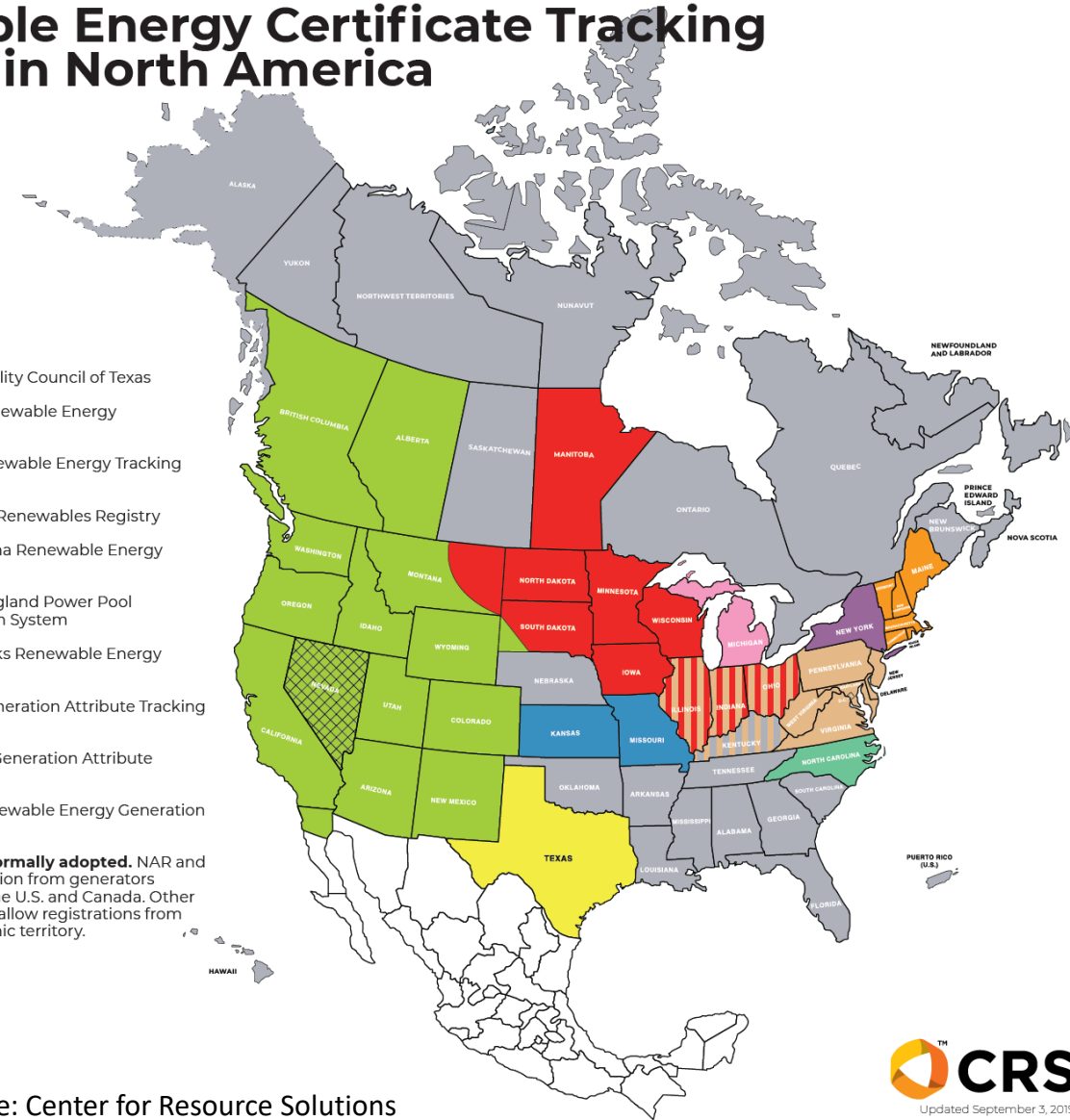
The GH₂ Tracking & Attribution Challenge: Context

- Unique attribution of **renewable energy** via established generation attribute certificate, or **renewable energy certificate (REC) tracking systems**
- GH₂ is stored & transported → GH₂ ecosystem inherently complex → introducing need to track it:
 - **Between** production, transportation, storage & use
 - **Back & forth** between media (electricity & chemical)
 - **Across** geographic boundaries, when transported
 - **Over periods of time**, when stored
- Federal incentives for ‘**Clean H₂**’ production & use...
 - associate lifecycle per-kg emissions with H₂
 - will also need to associate H₂ with its source
 - Ongoing debate over details rooted in additionality
- **At present, there is no established system for GH₂ tracking and attribution from source, through transportation and/or storage, to usage**

Renewable Energy Certificate Tracking Systems in North America

KEY

- ERCOT: Electric Reliability Council of Texas
- MIRECS: Michigan Renewable Energy Certification System
- M-RETS: Midwest Renewable Energy Tracking System
- NAR: North American Renewables Registry
- NC-RETS: North Carolina Renewable Energy Tracking System
- NEPOOL-GIS: New England Power Pool Generation Information System
- NVTREC: Nevada Tracks Renewable Energy Credits
- NYGATS: New York Generation Attribute Tracking System
- PJM-GATS: PJM EIS's Generation Attribute Tracking System
- WREGIS: Western Renewable Energy Generation Information System
- No tracking system formally adopted. NAR and M-RETS allow registration from generators located anywhere in the U.S. and Canada. Other tracking systems may allow registrations from outside their geographic territory.



Source: Center for Resource Solutions

The GH₂ Tracking & Attribution Challenge: Implications

Developers, investors, buyers, etc. **lack a framework to document/verify unique GH₂ use and claims...** How can you contract, invest?

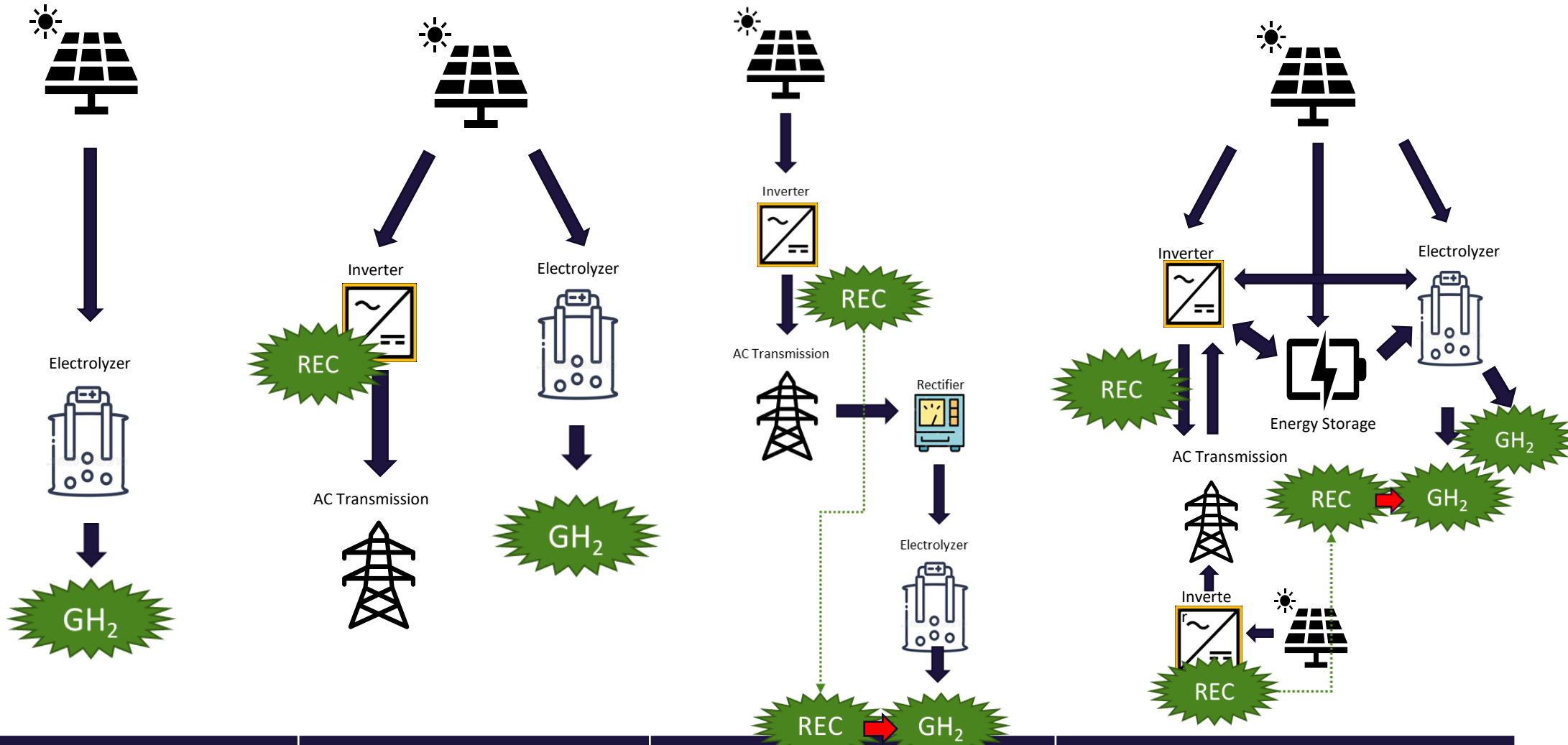
Federal efforts re: attribution for Clean H₂ *production* incentives proceed **without considering existing REC attribution**, state clean energy or GHG policy needs that focus on *usage*

Without a synchronized framework supporting state, federal and private needs, **expect conflict with established REC & GHG tracking, inadvertent double counting or intentional malfeasance**

GH₂ initiatives & investments in applications are moving quickly → deployment of a framework is needed now

GH₂ Production Scenarios Likely to be Deployed Near-Term

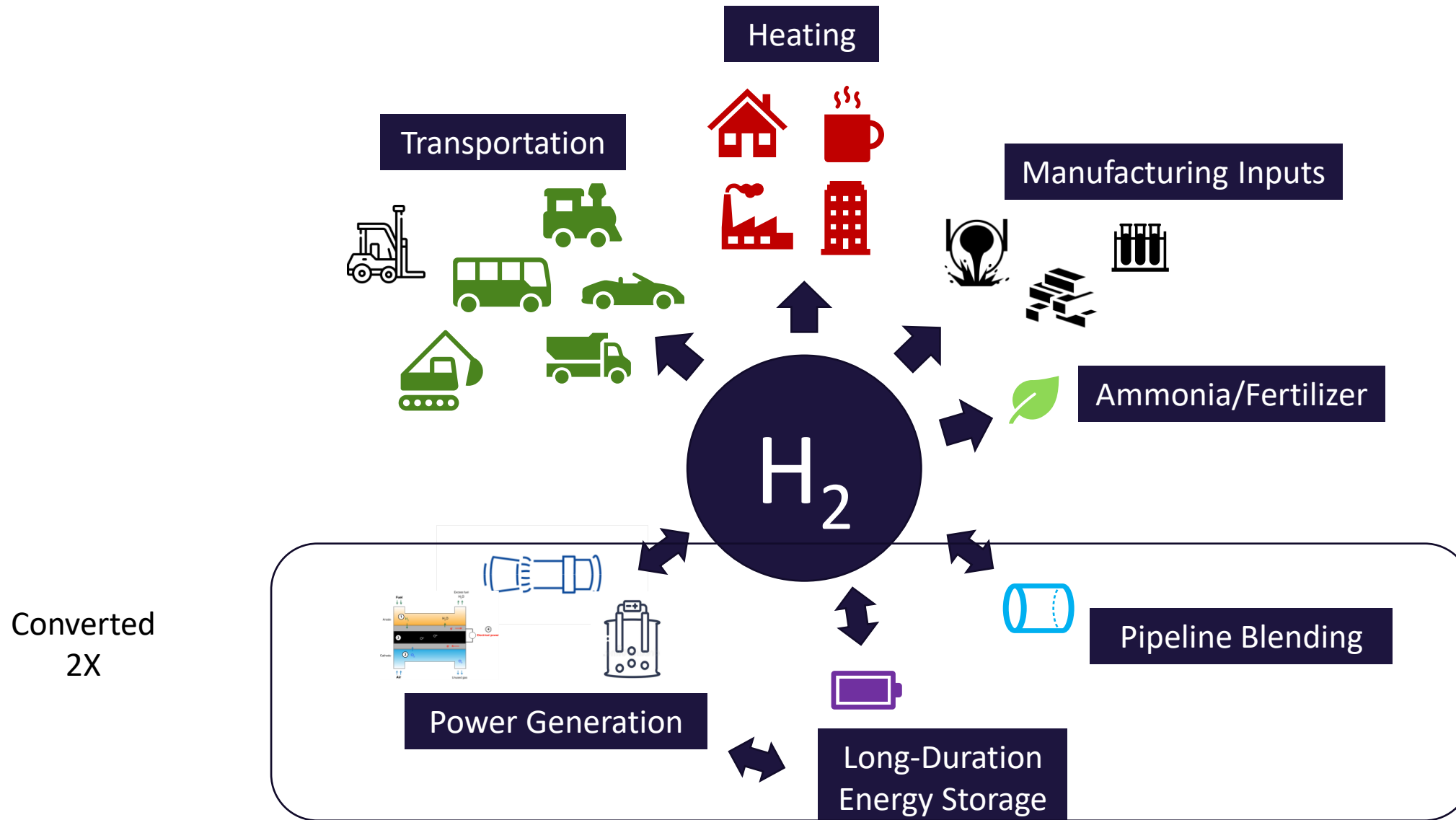
Depicted here for solar, but work the same for wind, hydro, other RE



Production Configuration	1. Renewable to GH ₂ , all 'on-site'	2. Renewable to Grid or GH ₂	3. Standalone electrolyzer producing GH ₂ using grid power claimed as renewables	4. Hybrid Renewable to Grid, BESS, or GH ₂ and Grid Renewable ¹ to GH ₂
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Footnote: 1: RECs must be associated with the energy for it to be "green" hydrogen

Hydrogen End Uses

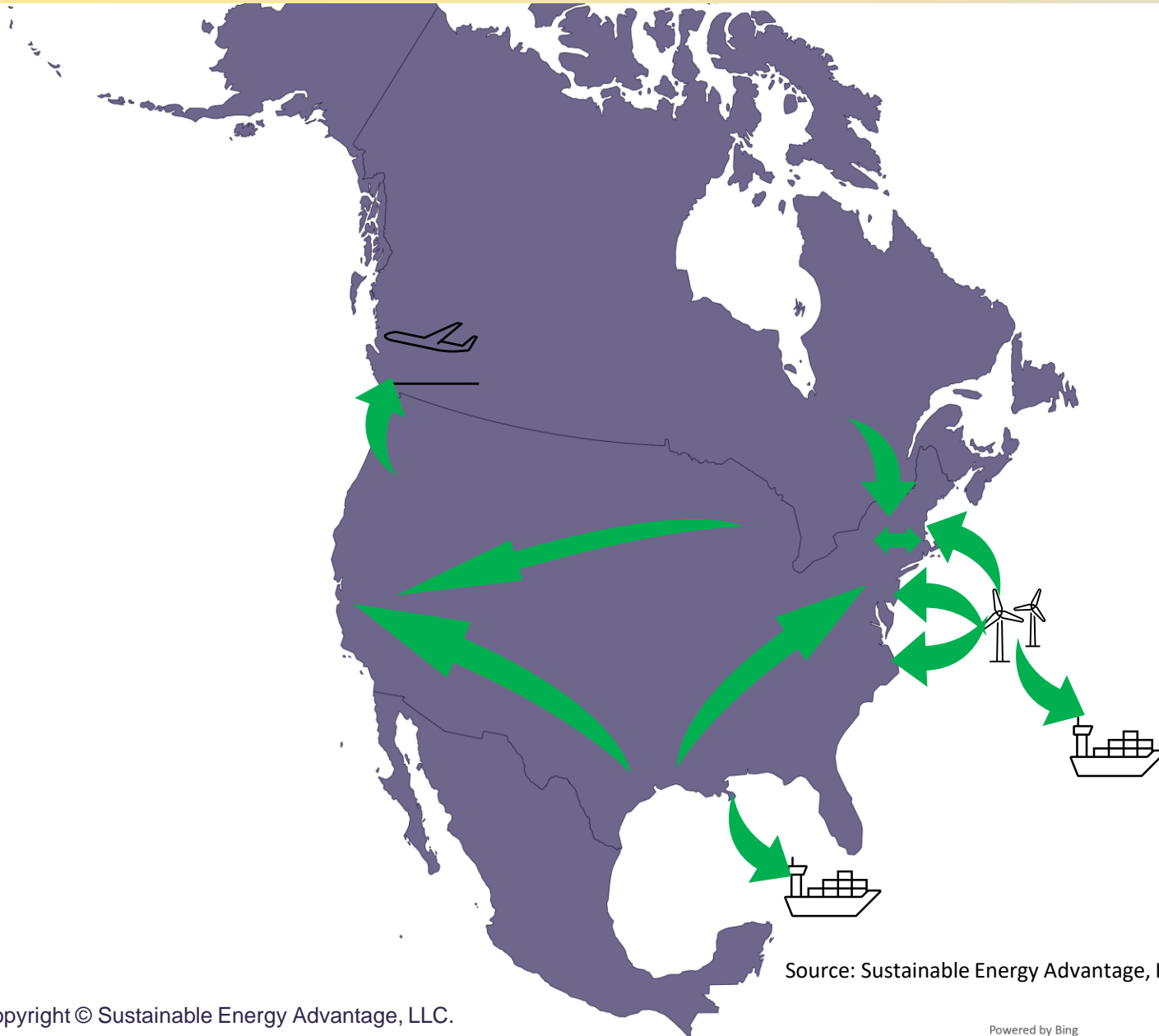


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Illustrative Geographic Considerations (GH₂ moves)

Consider all the types of transactions, for example...



- GH₂ made in Quebec fueling forklifts in Buffalo or heavy-duty trucks in border states
- [GH₂ produced in Lancaster County, PA](#) → converted to electricity in a NY fuel cell
- OSW [hydrogen island](#) in Federal waters delivering electricity over an offshore network to NY, MA and NJ, while creating GH₂ for use in international maritime mobility applications, electricity generation and heavy industry
- GH₂ made from bottled-in wind production in the wind belt, shipped to users far and wide
- Interstate pipeline blending
- Aviation fuel for international flight

Source: Sustainable Energy Advantage, LLC

With GH₂ electricity production, REC systems & states will have choices to make, and to accommodate... and may not make the same decisions

Examples of Choices

- H₂ Blending
- RPS Eligibility rules
- Distant RECs?
- Credible treatment of conversion losses

- *Further discussion in appendix*

Updates to REC Tracking System Rules

- Guidance to verify GH₂ provenance
- REC Retirement (metered MWh → GH₂)
- BTM electricity to electrolyzer: Metering/REC minting (or not)
- Combining RECs + grid power = GH₂?
- Metering
- Hybrid configurations
- Accounting for losses
- Multi-fuel blending conversion to RECs, treatment of losses, disaggregation

Universal Design Requirements for GH₂ tracking & attribution

Same principles applicable to H₂ generally and other renewable fuels

A credible, accurate and effective *framework* must...

- 1. Assure unique attribution** & no double counting/claim of electricity sources creating GH₂
- 2. Assure the ultimate *user* can claim & verify** their resource is GH₂ or generated from GH₂
- 3. Dovetail** with state GHG tracking & Federal production credit lifetime emissions calculations, attribution & verification
- 4. Track transportation** of GH₂ across geographic boundaries
- 5. Track H₂ through storage over time** periods different from timing of production
- 6. Accurately account for losses** through each conversion
- 7. Accommodate H₂ fuel blending** with non-renewable fuels
- 8. Recognize & support state/regional/voluntary eligibility & data requirement differences** to support provenance verification

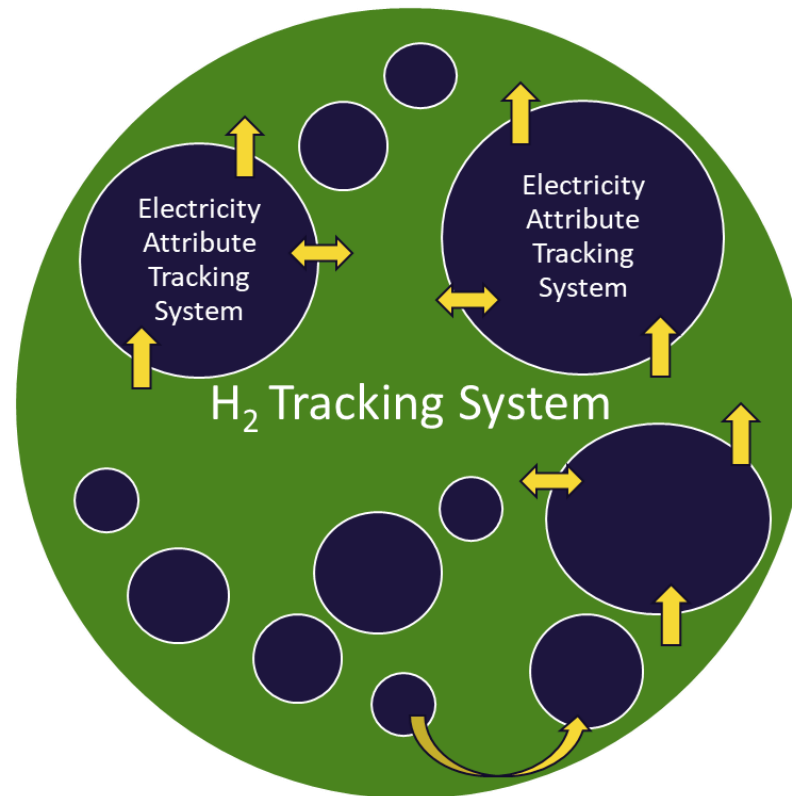
When? To survive investment due diligence, in time to accommodate all realistic or likely use cases **prior to reaching financial investment decision**



What does a system capable of tracking and attributing GH₂ (and other colors of the H₂ rainbow) look like?

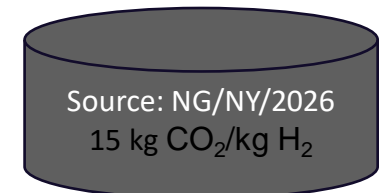
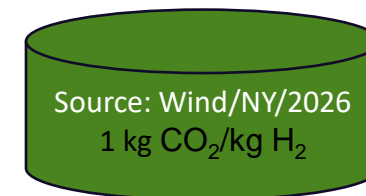
... and how does it interact with existing REC tracking?

A Single Hydrogen Registry,
Untethered from Geography!



How would H₂ be 'labeled'?

- a) Generation source (or blend)
- b) Provenance info (production location, vintage, etc.) required to assess RPS or other eligibility, additionality, etc.
- c) Lifecycle GHG emissions



Wrap Up

- Key points:
 - A clean/green H₂ tracking system is needed (and soon) to enable credible GH₂ implementation
 - Because of the geography of the H₂ ecosystem, individual electric generation attributed/REC tracking systems can't do it alone... a system of broad scope (national, international, untethered from geography?) is required
 - No such system is under development... it's time to get to work

- Where to go from here?

- Identify sponsor(s)/funder(s)
- Engage stakeholders/reach consensus on approach/details for framework
- Develop functional specifications for tracking/attribution system
- Identify & fund an institutional home
- Develop detailed operating rules
- Build the system
- Press



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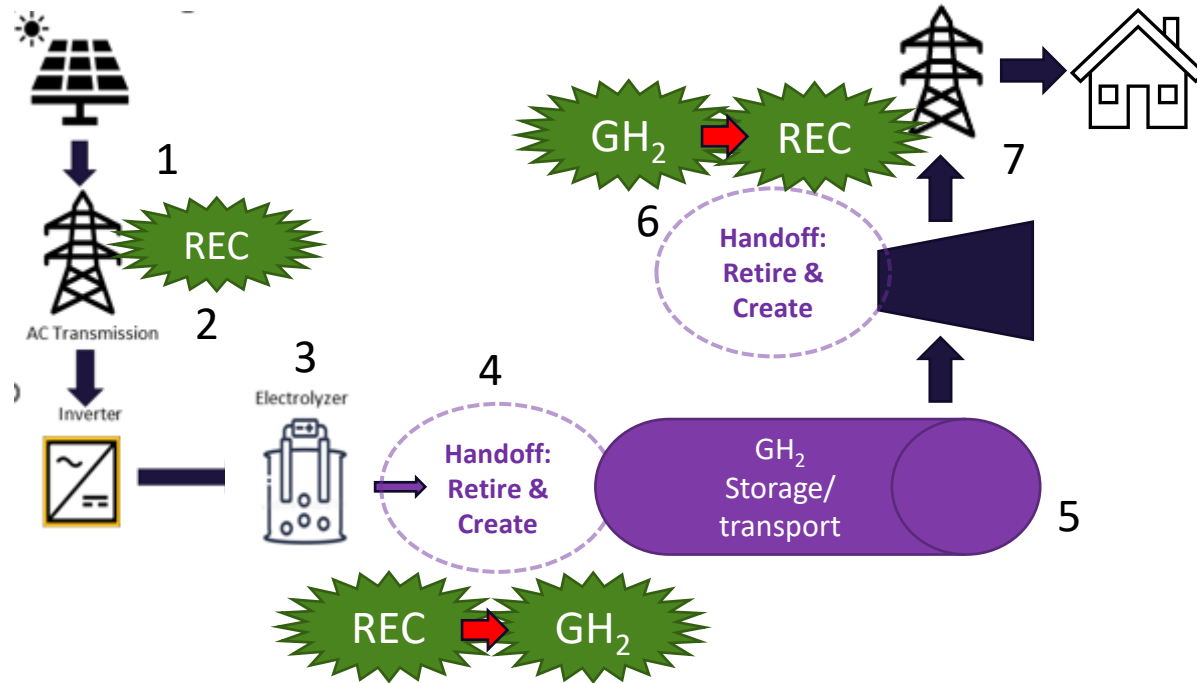
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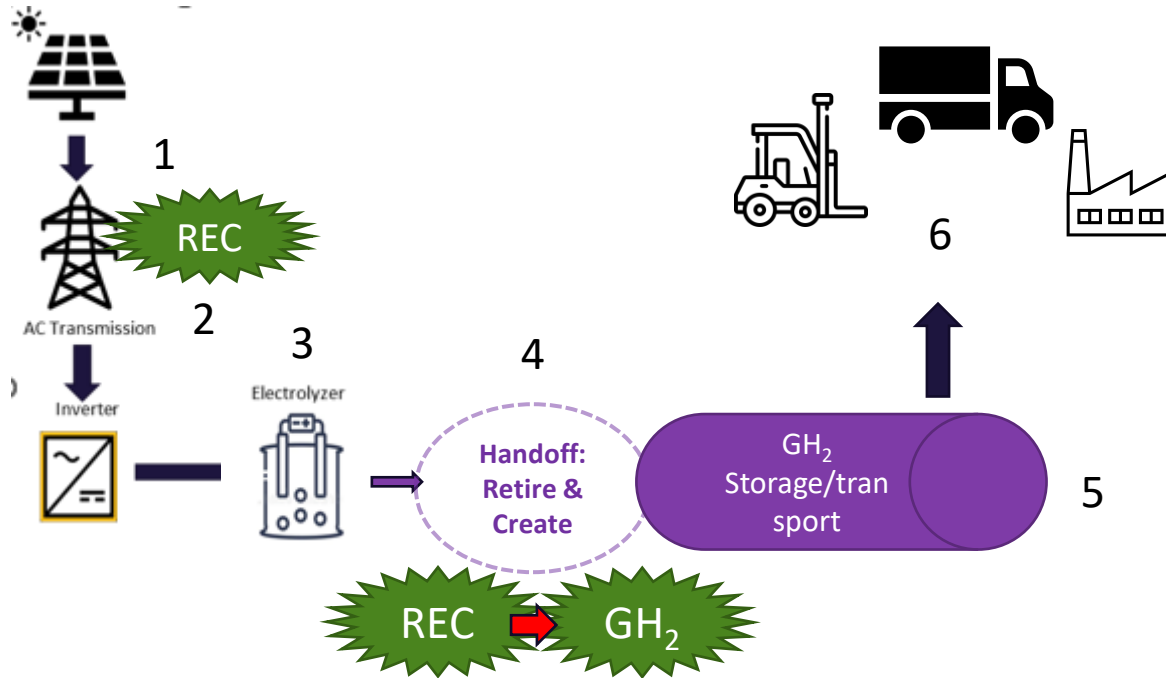
Use Case: Electricity to Hydrogen to Electricity



1. Renewable Energy put onto the grid in **source** market
2. RECs are created
3. Hydrogen is created using grid power
4. RECs are retired in **source** tracking system & H₂ production is registered in H₂ Tracking System
5. H₂ is sold/transported to **sink** market
 - a) H₂ certificate follows hydrogen
6. H₂ is used to create electricity
 - a) Hydrogen certificate is retired in H₂ tracking system
 - b) **Native** RECs are created in **sink** tracking system, *which may be same or different than **source***
7. Electricity settled to load, **native** RECS can be retired/used for compliance purposes in **sink** tracking system

Source = location of renewable energy generation
Sink = location of ultimate usage of GH₂
Native = location of electricity production from GH₂

Use Case: Electricity to Hydrogen to end use



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3. Hydrogen is created using grid power
4. RECs are retired in **source** tracking system & H₂ production is registered in H₂ Tracking System
5. H₂ is sold/transported to **sink** market
 - a) H₂ certificate follows hydrogen
6. H₂ is used in end use, e.g., forklift, heavy-duty vehicle, steel manufacturing, etc.
 - a) Hydrogen certificate is settled in H₂ tracking system

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Sink = location of ultimate usage of GH₂
Native = location of electricity production from GH₂

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Examples of Choices

- **H₂ Blending:**
 - Electricity RPS eligibility, disclosure, and/or tracking system rules already have approaches for blended biofuels that can be mirrored for H₂
 - Different REC tracking systems & states policies treat blended fuels differently for eligibility purposes, including whether disaggregation is allowed → a framework capable of handling different rules required
- **RPS Eligibility rules:**
 - Will certificate adopt characteristics (type, vintage) of the electricity source, *regardless of when the original GH₂ was produced*, if provenance and retirement of generation attribute certificates in source system is verifiable?
 - Can Tier 1-eligible certificates be generated from electricity produced using GH₂ created from non-Tier 1 renewable resources (type, vintage, location)?
- **Distant RECs?**
 - Will allowing RECs from a distant generation attribute registry, without electricity delivery, to be bundled with local 'brown power' to make GH₂ locally used to make RPS-eligible green electricity be incompatible with state policies to fully decarbonize? (e.g., Texas wind RECs + system power produced largely from northeast natural gas)
- **Credible treatment of conversion losses**
 - How are losses accounted for? Can losses in a fuel blend be disaggregated? (e.g., all losses associated with natural gas, preserving all renewable attributes through production or consumption conversion?)

Updates to REC Tracking System Rules

- Create guidance necessary to verify the provenance of GH₂ used to produce electricity in market sufficient to mint clean energy certificates?
- If MWh production metered, then converted to GH₂, retire associated RECs so they can't be settled to load
- Clarify whether or not MWh to electrolyzer are metered and corresponding RECs minted?
- Rules dictating combining RECs with grid power to make GH₂, and retiring RECs so they can't be settled to load
- In hybrid configurations (see production #4) rules governing the parsing/tracking of electricity and RECs between grid and onsite electricity (potentially cycled through battery) that is settled to load (for elec. consumption) vs. RECs retired or never minted because converted to GH₂
- Rules accounting for battery round-trip storage losses and attributing to associated source
- Rules for multi-fuel blending conversion to RECs, treatment of losses, and addressing disaggregation



Coordination Issues between the existing REC tracking ecosystem and new Federal H₂ incentives rules (1)

- **DOE, U.S. Treasury/IRS establishing rules to support Federal ‘Clean H₂’ Tax Incentive Eligibility**
 - Extensive comments received; rulemaking efforts ongoing
- **EPA Proposed 111(d) Power Plant Emissions Limits, if adopted:**
 - Set new & existing power plant Emission Guidelines, requiring states to develop plans for new/existing coal & gas plants to meet limits
 - Onsite mitigation/compliance possible via by co-firing with Clean H₂
- **Stakeholder interests differ:**
 - **Federal production incentives:** agencies interested in electricity tracking system identifying the *production source* of Clean H₂ and associated *embedded emissions*, but the interest stops before considering the *use* of Clean H₂
 - **EPA/state air agency purposes:** compliance tracking for states and obligated entities requires a mechanism to track/verify that a subject generator has *used* hydrogen from production sources with specific characteristics, through storage and transport to usage
 - **State clean energy policies, greenhouse gas policies** require data to support emission inventories (*production*) & compliance verification (*use*, e.g., for RPS) aligning with policy objectives and eligibility
 - **Consumers** of clean hydrogen, whether for end uses or for electricity production, require data that can verify provenance and eligibility consistent with applicable *usage* eligibility requirements or claims.

Coordination Issues between the existing REC tracking ecosystem and new Federal H₂ incentives rules (2)

- Nationally >25% of electricity supply from existing nuclear & hydropower, much lacking markets for their ZECs and RECs → could (in theory) divert existing clean generation being used to serve existing loads to serve H₂ demand → allowing national RECs to back Clean H₂ production claims risks deploying Federal Clean H₂ incentives without increasing clean energy → Stakeholders conveyed to DOE/Treasury several related implementation issues requiring resolution, including:
 1. Geographic proximity/deliverability
 2. Temporal matching (annual settlement versus hourly matching of clean energy resources to H₂ production)
 3. Additionality/vintage of electrolysis energy source
 4. Distinguishing between behind-the-meter and grid-connected electrolyzer supply
 5. Defining the accounting period over which to look at emissions associated with H₂ production

Rules development and consideration of these factors is ongoing.

- **The Risk of lack of coordination:** Federal production incentive rules and supporting tracking infrastructure could conflict with existing REC tracking systems throughout North America, resulting in competing claims, double counting, or activities that are compliant but not advancing the underlying policy objectives.

Q&A

