

### **Economics of Hydrogen Refueling Stations**

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### Ricardo will provide versions of its Truck TCO and Hydrogen Refueling Station models for use by CaFCP staff and members



#### Background

- Ricardo created a Total Cost of Ownership model for evaluating economics of different alternative powertrain technologies in various commercial vocations
- The model leverages Ricardo's technology roadmaps to provide insights on economics of alternative powertrains today and in future



#### Models for CaFCP

- A Truck TCO Model will be provided with two example vocations:
  - Class 8 Short Haul Daycab
  - Class 6 Parcel Delivery
- A **Hydrogen Refueling Station Model** will be provided which covers few scenarios of hydrogen procurement and station capacities and builds up the resulting price
- Both models are in MS Excel format with comments and layout to ease use and can be adapted by users to their own applications

# TCO model is a detailed build up of capital expenditures and operating costs over an agreed ownership period





for diesel

Total Cost of Ownership Model

# The TCO model leverages Ricardo's technology roadmaps to evaluate economics of alternative fuel vehicles in future



Cost roadmap of alternative powertrain components



Fuel economy improvement driven by mandates and technology improvements



Maintenance cost decline with technology maturity



Fuel price forecasts



# Economic model of H<sub>2</sub> station is based on detailed CAPEX, OPEX and procurement cost from gas suppliers

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#### Delivered Hydrogen

- Hydrogen generation
- Compression / Liquefaction
- Logistics
- Sales tax
- Transaction price

#### **Capital Expense**

- Forecourt production equipment
- Hydrogen storage
- Compressor
- Pump & evaporator
- Chiller
- Dispenser
- Design, engineering & construction
- Financing
- Economic incentive

#### **Operational Expense**

- Feedstock & utility
- Labor
- Electricity
- Land lease
- Maintenance & repair
- Insurance
- Property tax
- Trailer demurrage cost
- Economic incentive

H<sub>2</sub> Price (\$/kg)

# The model is configured for different station capacities and hydrogen generation and dispensing pathways



Parameters that can be manipulated to create different H<sub>2</sub> refueling scenarios

- Station capacity (kg/day)
- Capacity utilization
- H<sub>2</sub> generation location (Central / Forecourt)
- H<sub>2</sub> generation method (SMR / Electrolysis)
- H<sub>2</sub> delivery method (Gaseous / Liquid)
- Onsite storage method
- Dispensing pressure (35 MPa / 35 & 70 MPa)
- Subsidies (Capital, Operational)

## Resulting costs incurred at the refueling station



- Hydrogen Price
- Capital Expenditure
- Operational Expense
- Equipment footprint

### **Gaseous Hydrogen Delivery**





Gaseous Hydrogen Flow

Data for the model was obtained from suppliers, station owners, proposals to CEC grant solicitations, and other public domain sources

### Liquid Hydrogen Delivery





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# The version of the model created for fuel cell partnership provides a high level analysis of the refueling stations

This version is still based on a public station model like the ones being built for fuel cell cars but with few changes:

- Hydrogen generated centrally and delivered
- Low pressure (35 Mpa) dispensing
- High stations capacities and utilization

Hydrogen Price Calculator								
Station Online Calendar Year	2015						2030	
Hydrogen Procurement Method	Gaseous Delivered		Liquid Delivered		Liquid Delivered		Liquid Delivered	
Station Capacity (kg/day)	200		400		800		800	
Station Utilization		80%		80%	80%		80%	
Capital Cost Recovery Period (years)		10		10	10		10	
Capital Cost includes equipment, engineering & consutruction	\$	1,250,000	\$	1,970,000	\$	2,100,000	\$	1,260,000
Fixed Operating Cost (\$/year) includes land lease, labor, maintenance & repair, insurance, taxes	\$	90,000	\$	115,000	\$	115,000	\$	90,000
Variable Operating Cost (\$/kg) includes feedstock and utlities	\$	0.09	\$	0.05	\$	0.05	\$	0.05
Subsidy in Capital Cost	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Hydrogen Price Breakdown (\$/kg)								
Cost of Delivered Hydrogen (\$/kg)	\$	5.12	\$	4.68	\$	4.68	\$	2.20
Station CAPEX (\$/kg)	\$	2.14	\$	1.69	\$	0.90	\$	0.54
Station OPEX (\$/kg)	\$	1.63	\$	1.03	\$	0.54	\$	0.44
Fee charged by operator (\$/kg)	\$	1.00	\$	0.50	\$	0.25	\$	0.25
				Total Hydr	ogen	Price		
Total Price of Hydrogen (\$/kg)	\$	9.89	\$	7.90	\$	6.37	\$	3.42
Total Price of Hydrogen (\$/DGE)	\$	11.18	\$	8.93	\$	7.20	\$	3.87



Legend User Input Output Ricardo Data Calculations

### **Questions**



