

Humanity's Goal?

A sustainable, global, benign-source, equitable, energy economy

Rapid Climate Change (GCC)
Global Warming (GW)

MUST Run the World on Renewables – plus Nuclear?

- Climate Change
- Demand growth
- Depletion of Oil and Gas
- Only 200 years of Coal left
- Only Source of Income:
 - Sunshine
 - Tides
 - Meteors and dust
 - Spend our capital ?



MUST Run the World on Renewables – plus Nuclear ?

- Emergencies:
 - Climate change
 - Energy prices
 - Energy security
- Quickly invest:
 - Conserv + efficiency
 - GW-scale renewables
 - Beyond electricity grid
 - Hydrogen, ammonia, ?



WE'RE HERE: 385.92 ppm

WE NEED TO GET BELOW: 350 ppm

www.350.org

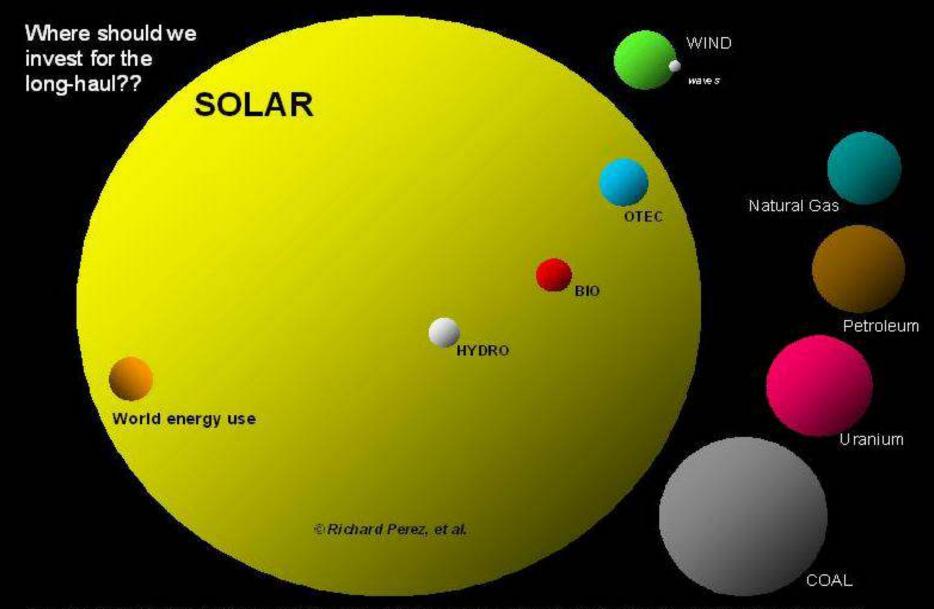
CO₂ in the Atmosphere

MUST Run the World on Renewables – plus Nuclear?

- Global
- Indigenous
- Firm: available
- C-free
- Benign
- Abundant
- Affordable
- Equitable
- Perpetual:
 - Solar
 - Geothermal
 - Tidal



Comparing the world's energy resources*



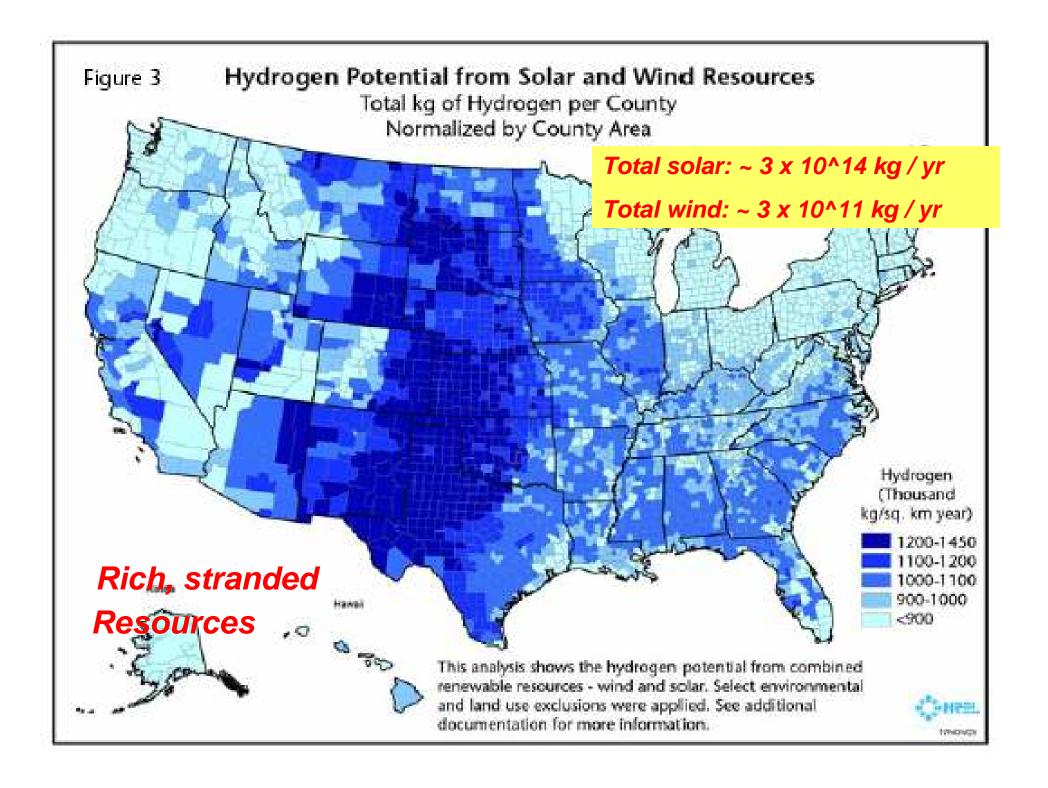
^{*}yearly potential is shown for the renewable energies. Total reserves are shown for the fossil and nuclear "use-them, lose-them" resources. Word energy use is annual.

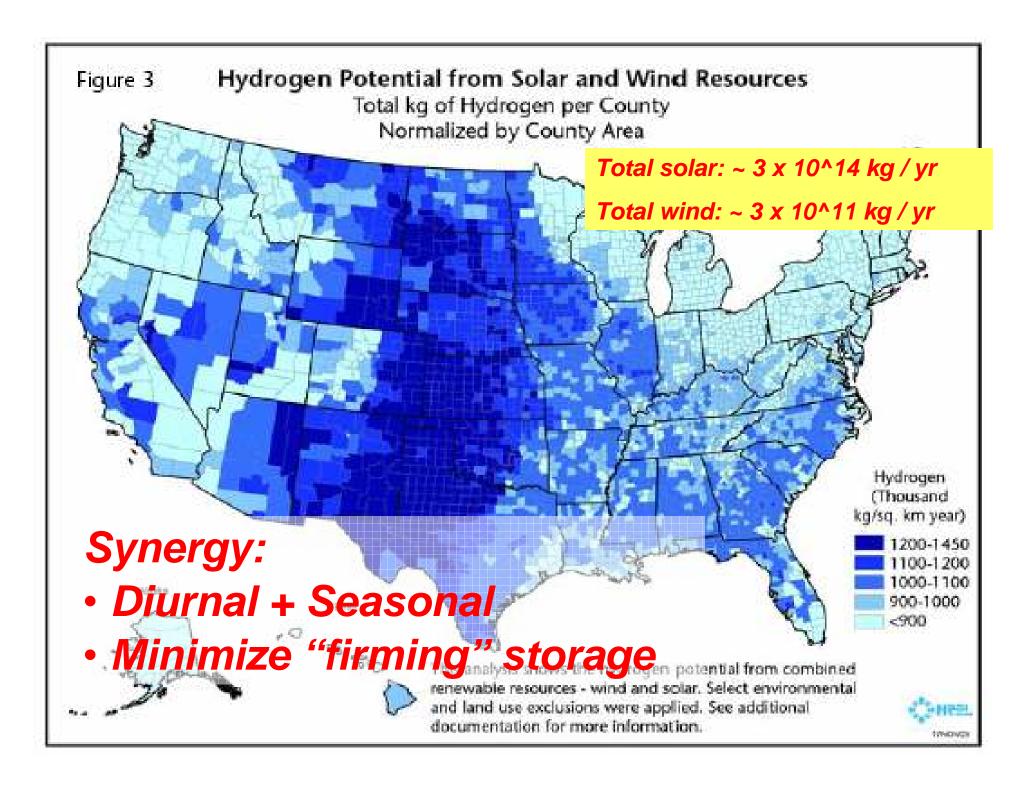


Exporting From 12 Windiest Great Plains States

Number of GH2 pipelines or HVDC electric lines necessary to export total wind resource Wind energy source: PNL-7789, 1991 * at 500 miles average length

State	AEP, TWh	Wind Gen MW (nameplate) (40% CF)	6 GW 36" GH2 export pipelines	\$ Billion Total Capital Cost *	3 GW export HVDC lines	\$ Billion Total Capital Cost *
North Dakota	1,210	345,320	50	50	100	60
Texas	1,190	339,612	48	48	100	60
Kansas	1,070	305,365	43	43	100	60
South Dakota	1,030	293,950	41	41	100	60
Montana	1,020	291,096	41	41	90	54
Nebraska	868	247,717	35	35	80	48
Wyoming	747	213,185	30	30	70	42
Oklahoma	725	206,906	29	29	60	36
Minnesota	657	187,500	26	26	60	36
lowa	551	157,249	22	22	50	30
Colorado	481	137,272	19	19	40	24
New Mexico	435	124,144	17	17	40	24
TOTALS	9,984	2,849,316	401	\$ 401	890	\$ 534





Jan '09 Transmission Backlog

California: 13,000 MW wind

30,000 MW solar

Upper Midwest 70,000 MW wind

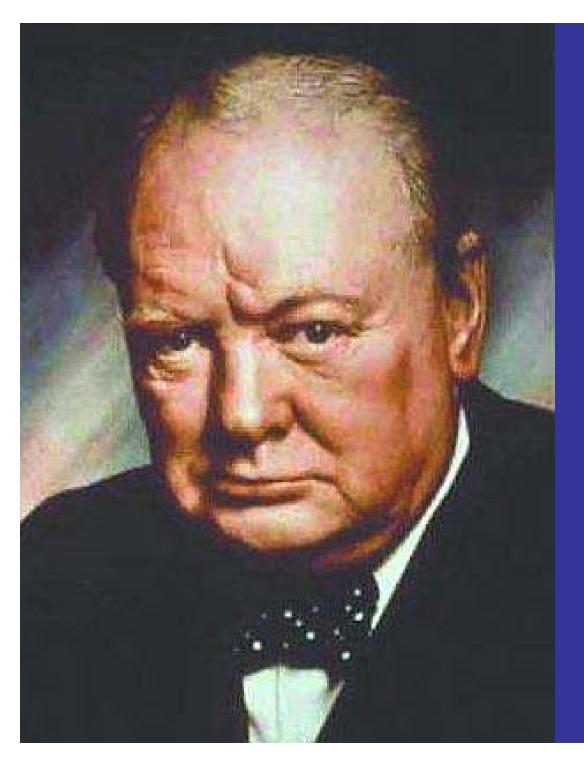
Lower Midwest 40,000 MW wind

Great Lakes + Mid Atlantic 40,000 MW wind

Texas 50,000 MW wind

Total 243,000 MW

Potential Great Plains 3,000,000 MW



" Americans can be counted on to always do the right thing –

but only after they have tried everything else "

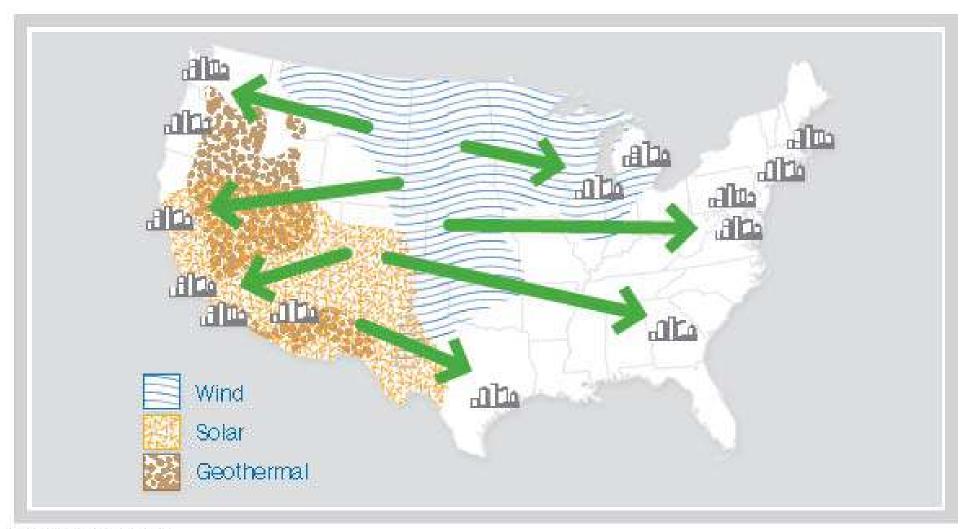
Winston Churchill

The dog caught the car.

Dan Reicher

Major Electricity Transmission Studies

• EWITS-NREL	'09
• WWSIS-NREL	'09
Brattle Group	'09
• SEIA-AWEA	'09
• JCSP	'08
• AEP-AWEA	'07
 Frontier Line 	'07
 Transwest Express 	'07

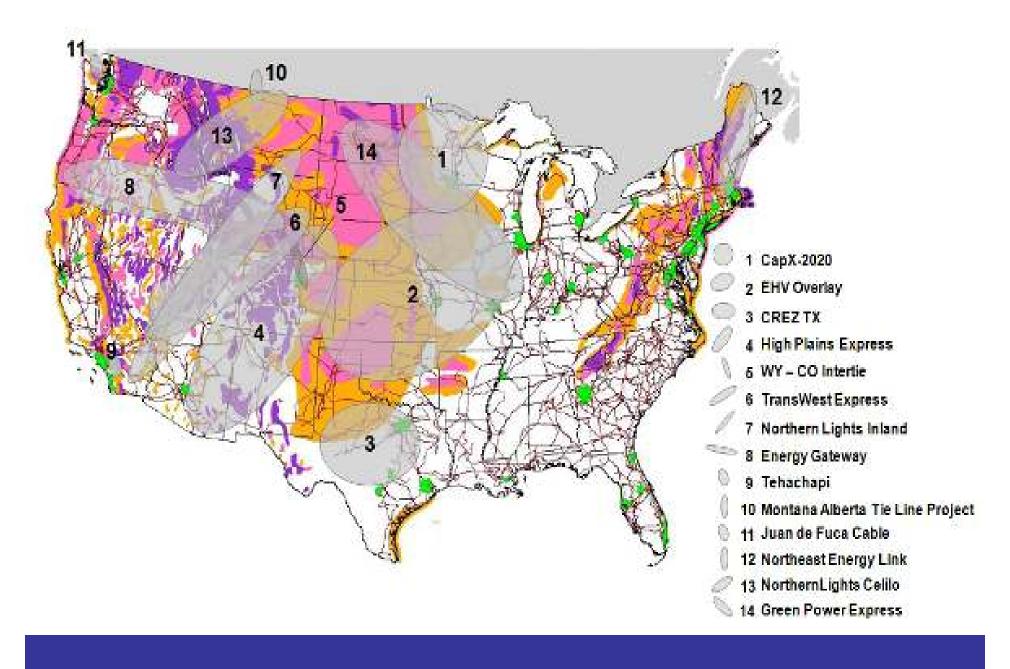


Source: AWEA and SELA.

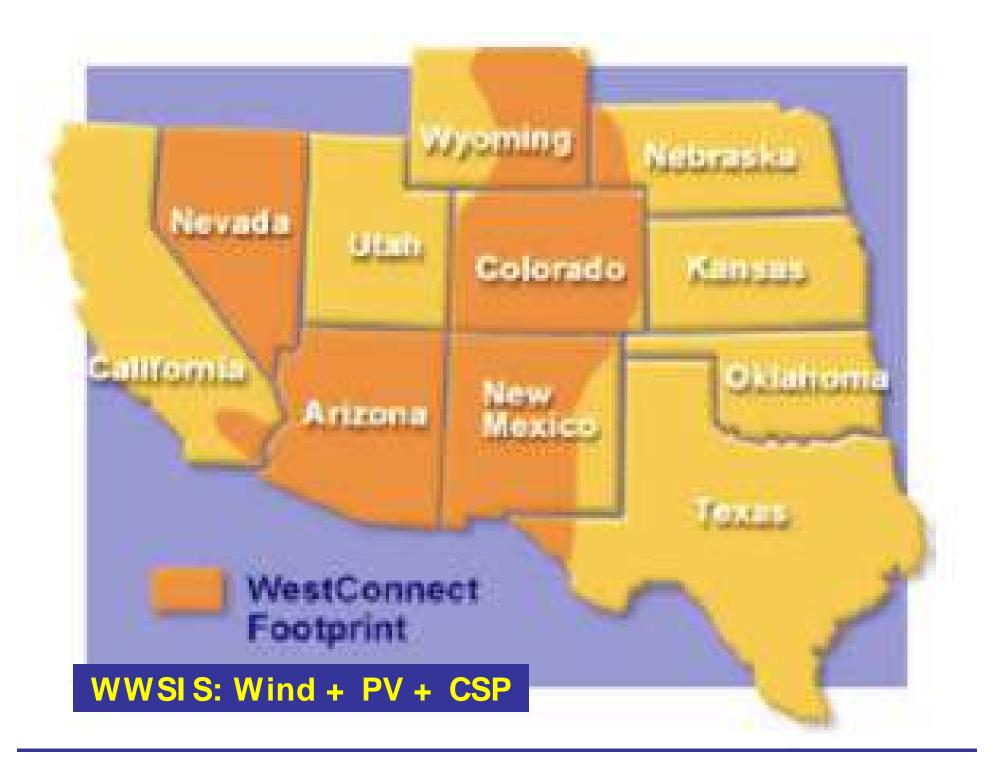
SEIA – AWEA Feb 09

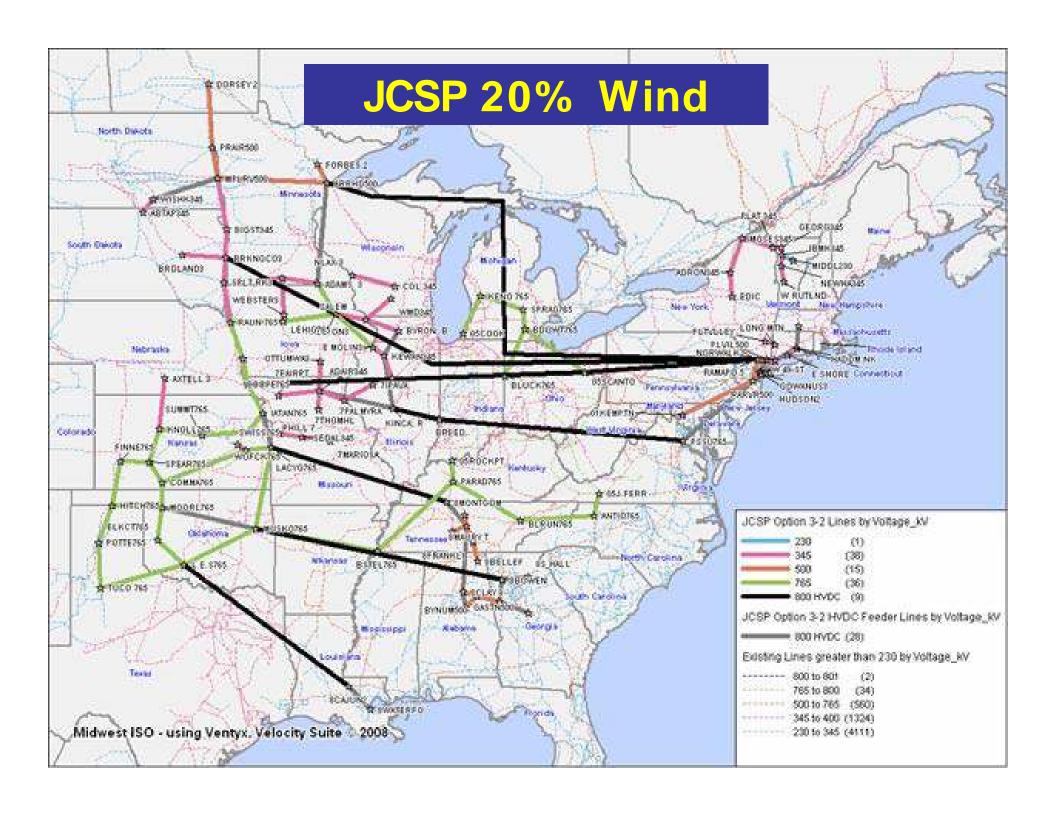
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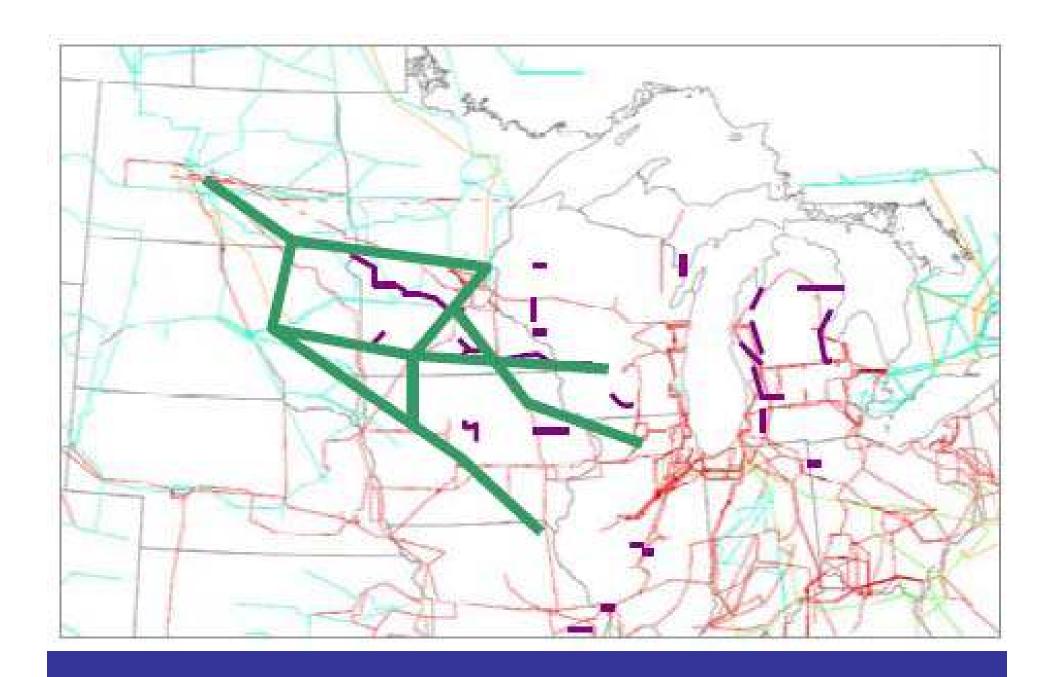


Emerging Energy Research LLC

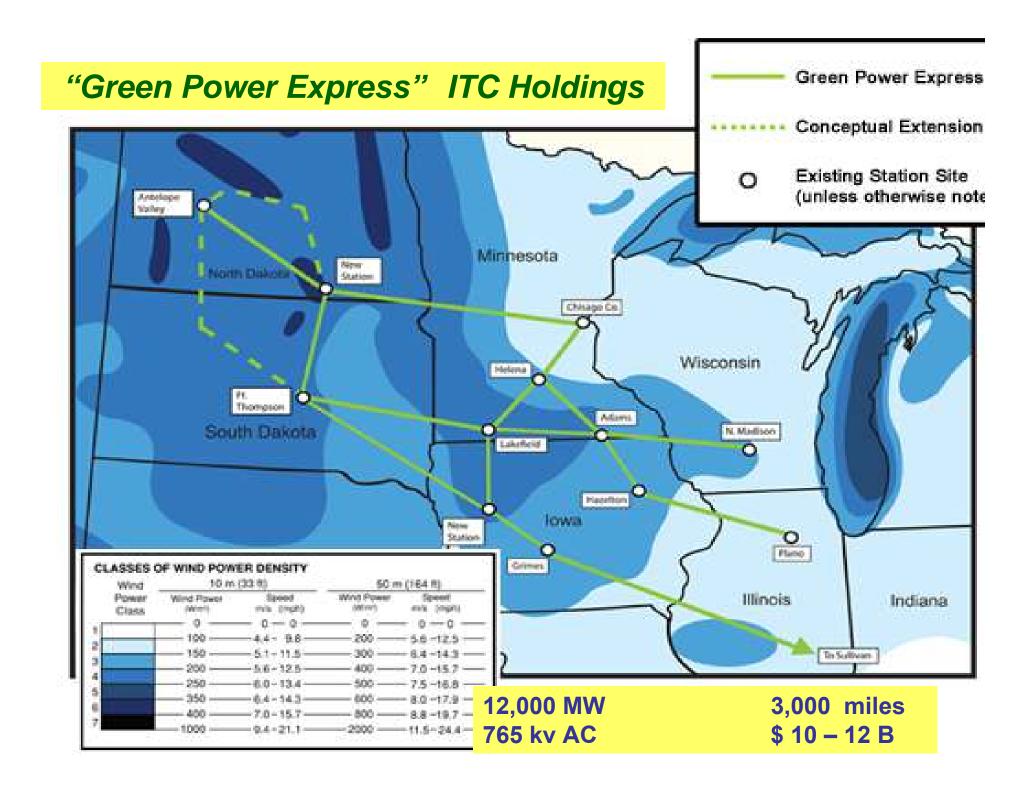




Mega Project Scenario Legend: **WWSIS** Final Wind MW (Change from In-Area MW) New Transmission MW (GW-miles) 13770 (+11430) +3200 (1600) 2 x 500kV NE 3600 P400 PM 1000 (300) x 345kV 2490 1440 (-3150)(-5610)(-810) Total Wind MW: 24040 (801 sites) (\$48.1B) +3000 (900) Change from in-area MW: 2 x 345kV -5940 (-197 sites) (-\$11.88) Total Solar MW: 5700 MW (-100 MW) (-\$0.4 B) 1890 4350 (-9330)(+1560) **Total Additional Transmission:** + 6900 GW-miles (+\$11 B) Total Change in Capital Cost: - \$1.2B



Brattle Group



Frontier Line

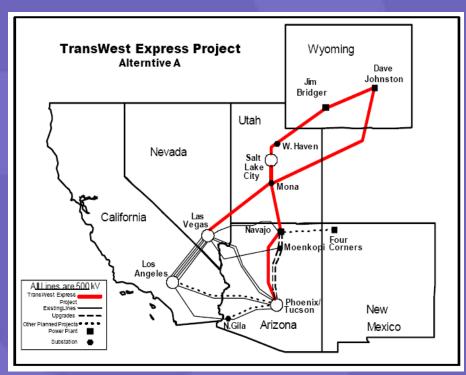


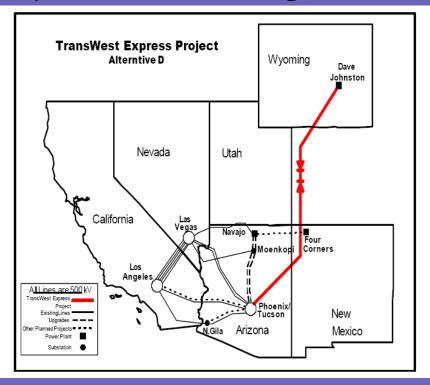
Example pathway by California Energy Commission, *Wyoming-California Corridor Transmission Expansion Study*, Global Energy Decisions, June 2006, CEC-700-2006-008.

- Proposed transmission corridor to interconnect Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, California and possibly other states
- MOU signed on April 4, 2005

TransWest Express

Several alternatives proposed, including:





Statement of Robert Smith on behalf of Arizona Public Service Company and the TransWest Express Project before the House Subcommittee on Water and Power and the House Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, June 27, 2006.



(Sources: Edison Foundation 12, AEP13)

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Major Electricity Transmission Studies

•	EWITS-NREL	225 - 330	GW
•	WWSIS-NREL	30	GW
•	Brattle Group	24	GW
•	SEIA-AWEA	300	GW
•	JCSP	745	GW
•	AEP-AWEA	350	GW
•	Frontier + Transwest	115	GW

Total ~ 1,000 GW

Great Plains Potential: 3,000 GW wind, nameplate

3,000,000 GW solar, nameplate

Total USA energy @ 33% CF: ~ 3,460 GW

@ 5 GW / 765 kv AC line: ~ 700 new lines

Electricity Capital Cost per GW-mile

		KV	Capacity <u>MW</u>	\$M / GW-mile
•	SEIA:	765	5,000	1.3
		345	1,000	2.6
•	AEP-AWEA	765	5,000	3.2
	Consensus	?		2.5

GW-scale Transmission + Storage Options

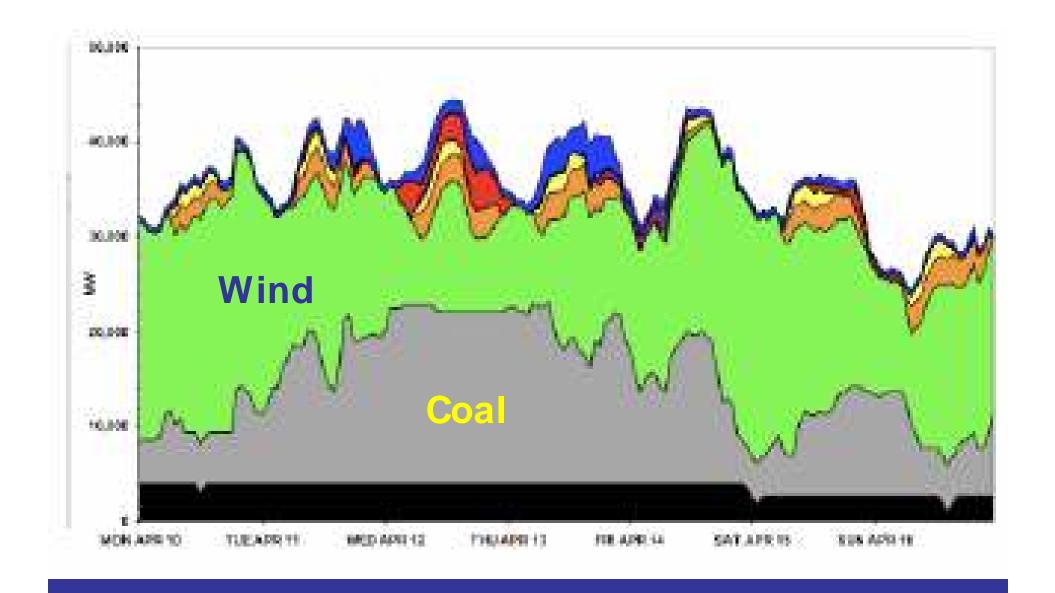
- Electricity: HVAC, HVDC
 - CAES compressed air energy storage
 - Vanadium Redox battery (VRB Power Systems)
 - Sodium-sulfur battery
 - PHEV (distributed)
- Gaseous Hydrogen (GH2)
 - Pipeline
 - Geologic: salt caverns (man-made)
 - Geologic: natural formations? Terra incognita
- Liquid Hydrogen (LH2)
 - Pipeline, truck, rail car, ship
 - 1/3 energy to liquefy Ammonia (NH3) liquid
 - Tank, refrigerated, 10K 60K ton
 - Truck, rail car, ship
- Liquid anhydrous ammonia (NH3)
 - Pipelines
 - Tanks
- Liquid synthetic HC's zero net C
 - Pipeline
 - Tank, truck, rail car, ship
 - Geologic: salt caverns (man made)
- "Energy Pipeline", EPRI: LH2 in pipeline, SC LVDC electric
- Chemicals
 - Hydrides
 - Al Ga ← → Alumina

Trouble with Renewables

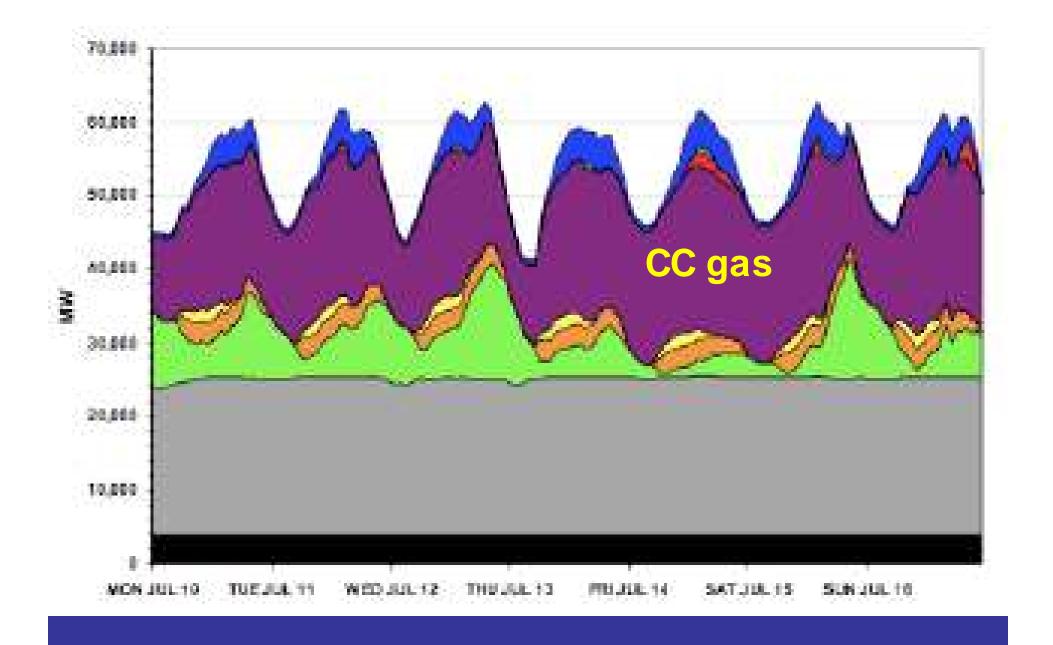
- Diffuse, dispersed: gathering cost
- Richest are remote: "stranded"
- Time-varying output:
 - "intermittent"
 - "firming" integration + storage required
- Transmission:
 - low capacity factor (CF) or curtailment
 - NIMBY
- Distributed or centralized?

Trouble with Renewables - Electricity Transmission

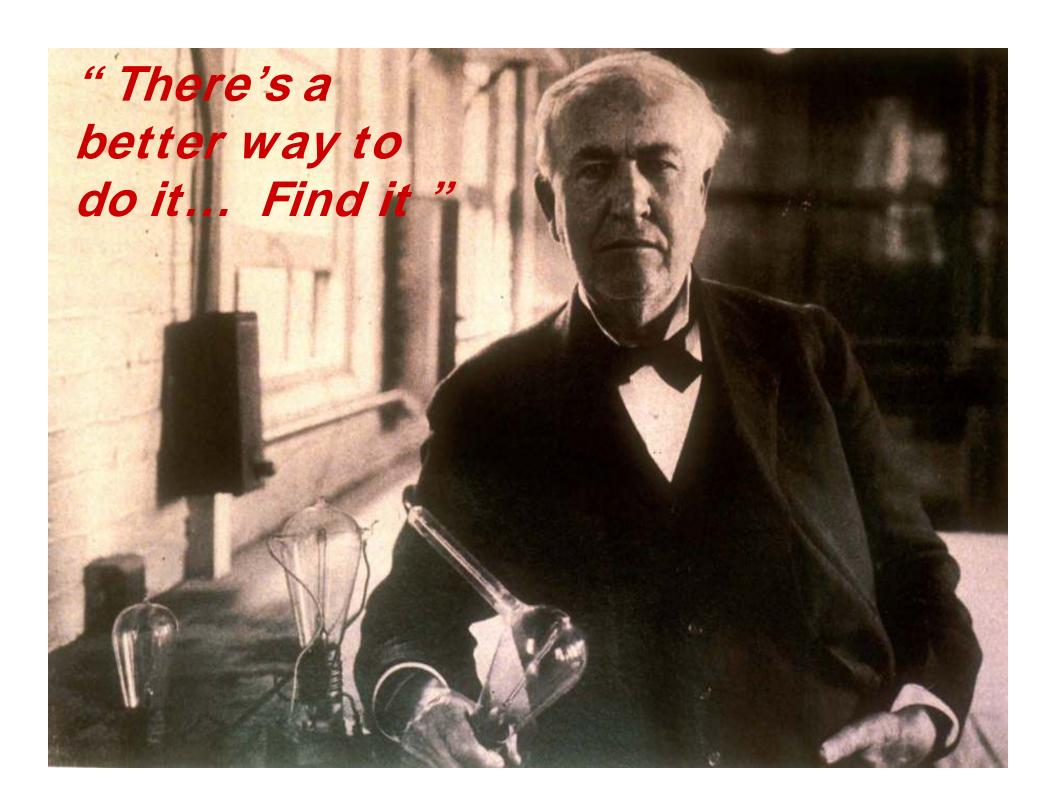
- Grid nearly full
 - New wind must pay for transmission
 - Costly: AC or DC
- NIMBY
- Low CF or curtailment
- Costly "firming" storage: CAES, VRB
- Overhead towers vulnerable: God or man
- Underground: Only HVDC
- FERC no interstate jurisdiction



WWSIS: April week: 30% RE



WWSIS: July week: 30% RE



Wind seasonality, Great Plains

Normalized to 1.0

• Winter 1.20

• Spring 1.17

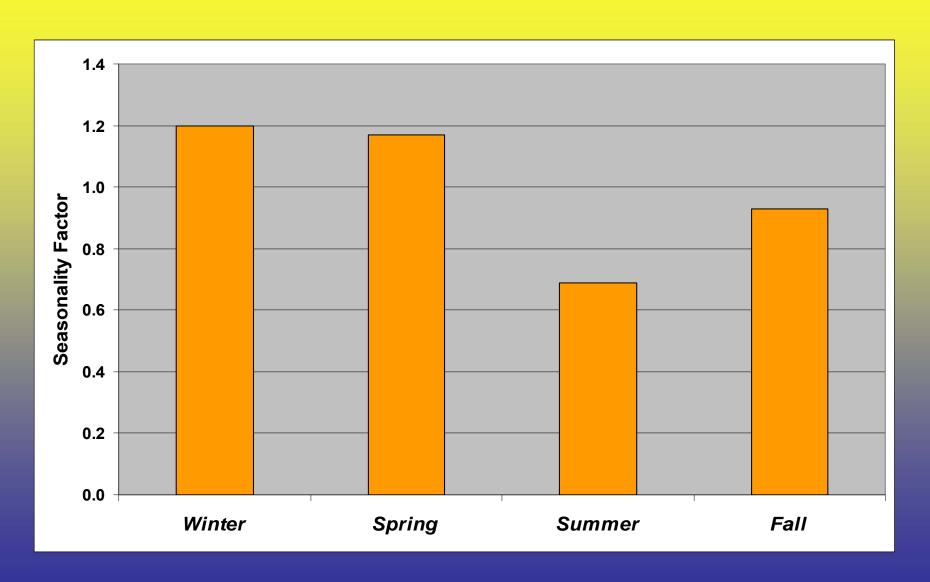
• Summer 0.69

Autumn 0.93

Source: D. Elliott, et al, NREL

Wind Seasonality, Northern Great Plains

Normalized to 1.0 per season

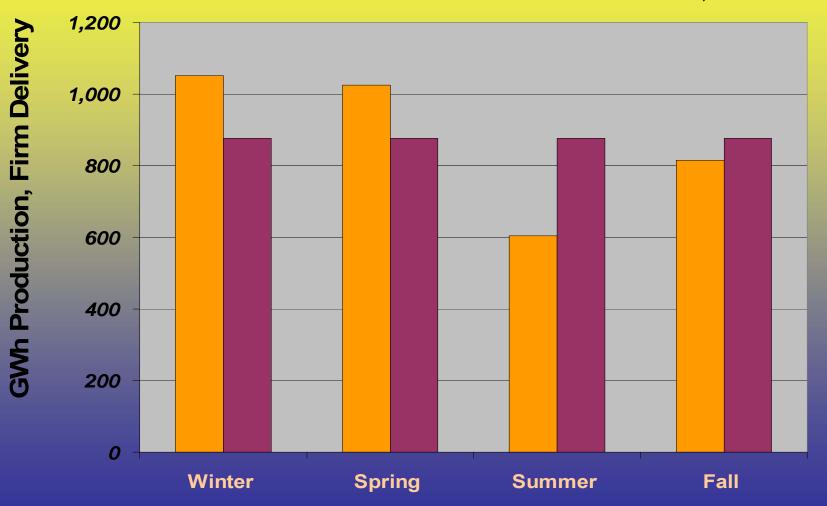


Wind Seasonality, Northern Great Plains

1,000 MW windplant: AEP = 3,500 GWh/yr

"Firm" goal = 875 GWh / season Storage: 320 GWh per 1,000 MW wind

Source: NREL, D. Elliott



320,000 MWW wind

- CAES (compressed air energy storage)
 - O&M: \$46 / MWh typical
 - lowa: Power = 268 MW

Energy capacity = 5,360 MWh

Capital: 268 MW @\$800 / kW = \$214 M

@ \$40 / kWh = \$13 Billion

@ \$1 / kWh = \$325 Million

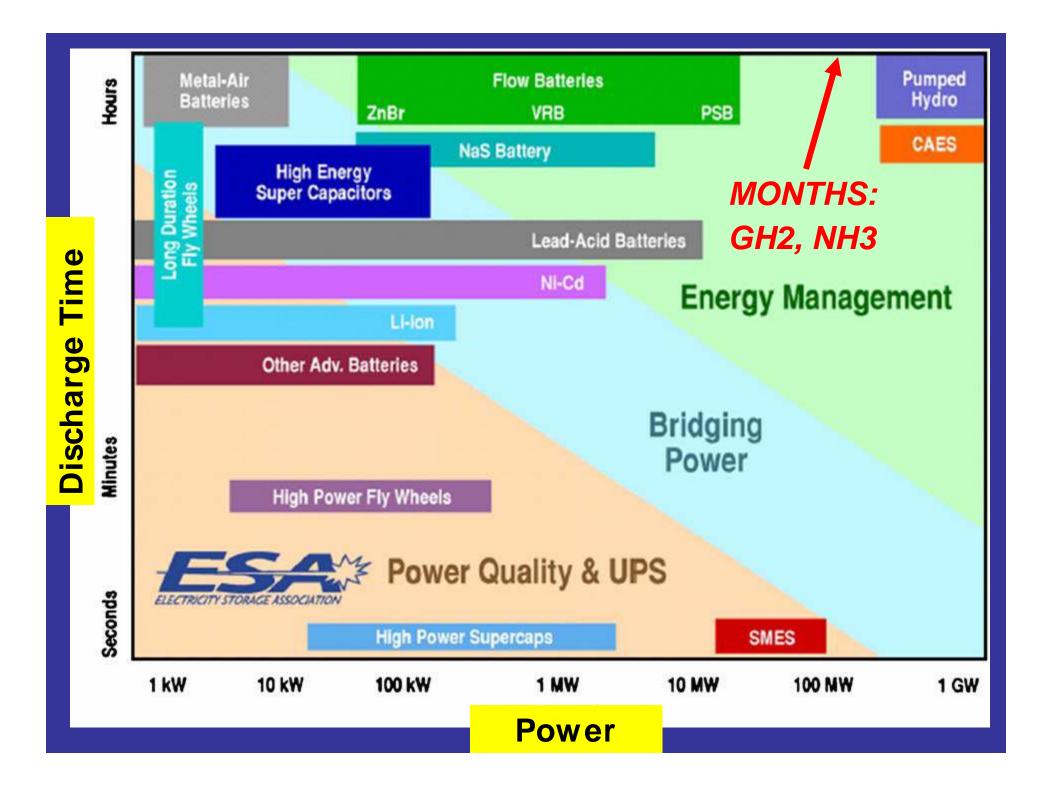
- VRB flow battery
 - O&M: 80% efficiency round-trip
 - Capital: \$500 / kWh = \$160 Billion

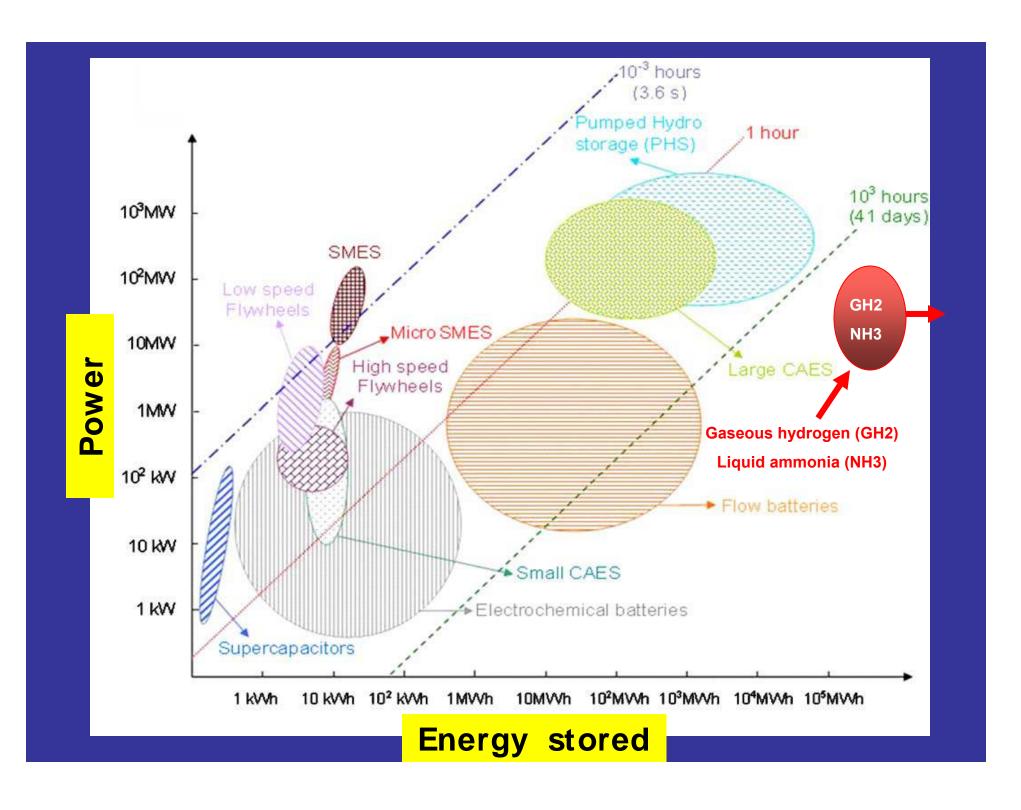
"Firm" energy worth more

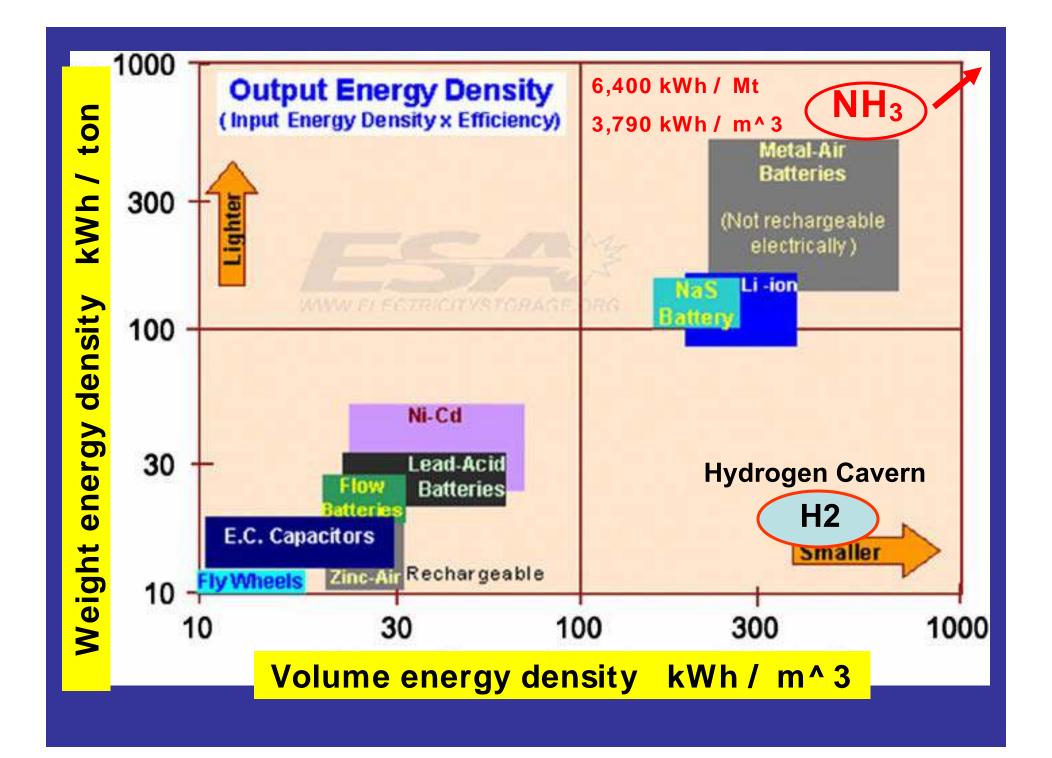
- Essential
- Every hour, every year
- Strategic: indigenous, secure
- Dispatchable
- Market price
- Bankable large projects
- Risk avoidance: rapid climate change
- C-taxes acceptable: RE

Energy Storage System Characteristics -- Hydrogen and Ammonia off the charts?

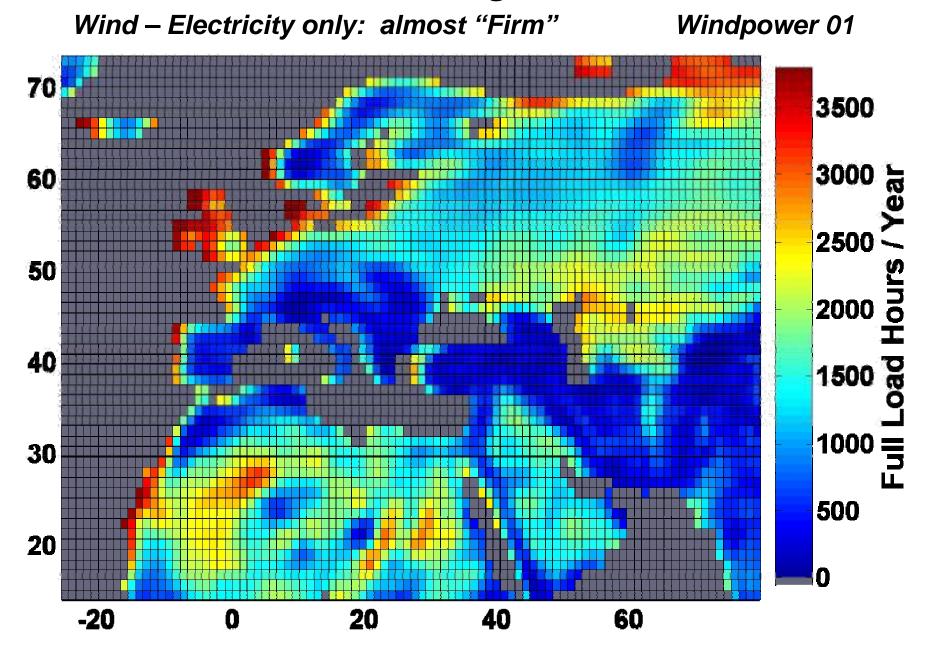
- Storage capacity (Mwh, scf, nM3, Mt, gallons)
- Power (MW, scfm) In / out rate
- Costs
 - Capital
 - 0&M
- Efficiency
- Response time
- Durability (cycling capacity)
- Reliability
- Autonomy
- Self-discharge
- Depth of discharge
- Adaptation to the generating source
- Mass and volume densities of energy
- Monitoring and control equipment
- Operational constraints
- Feasibility
- Environmental





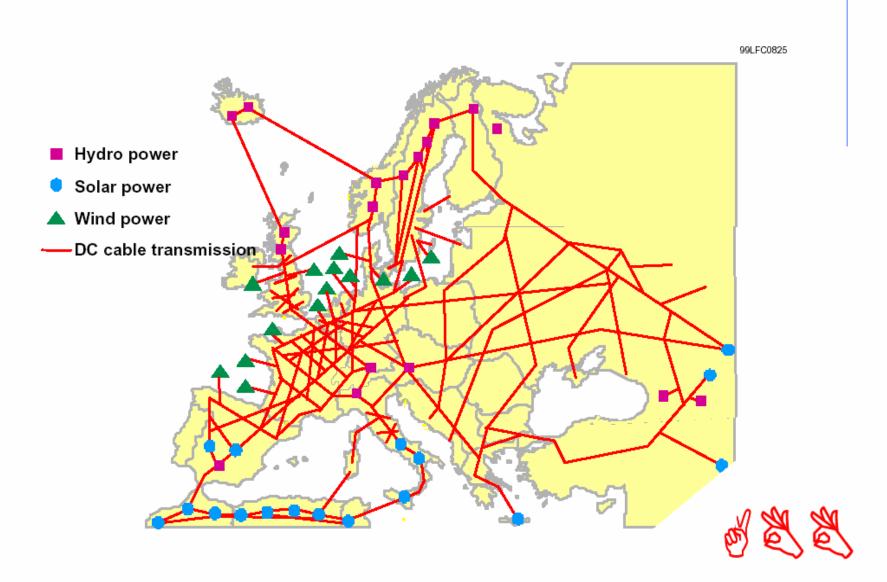


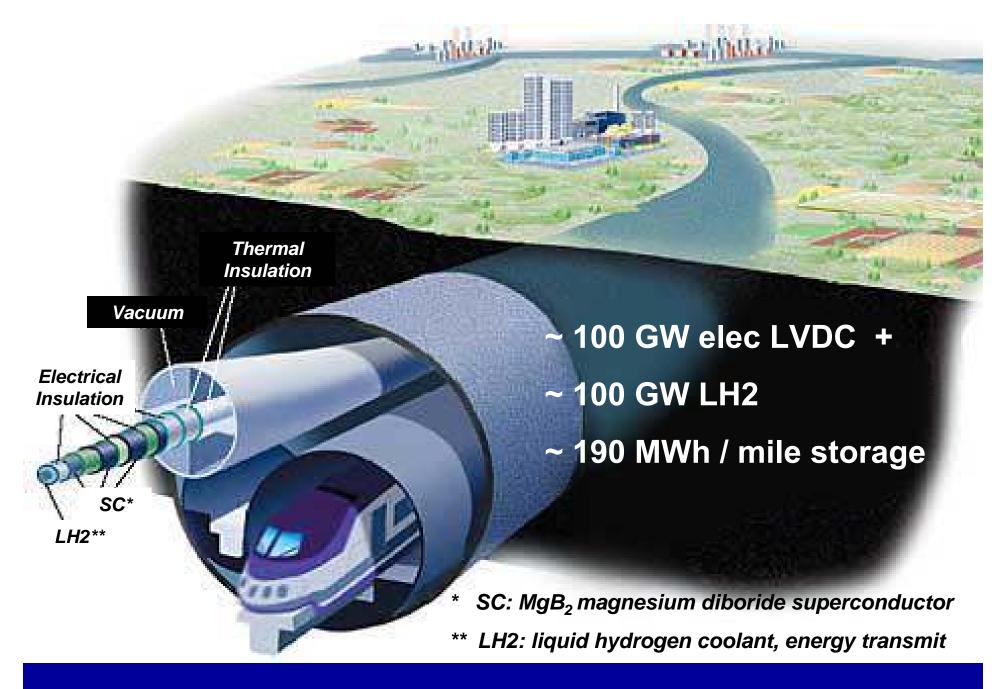
ABB, ISET Kassel "Huge Catchment Area"



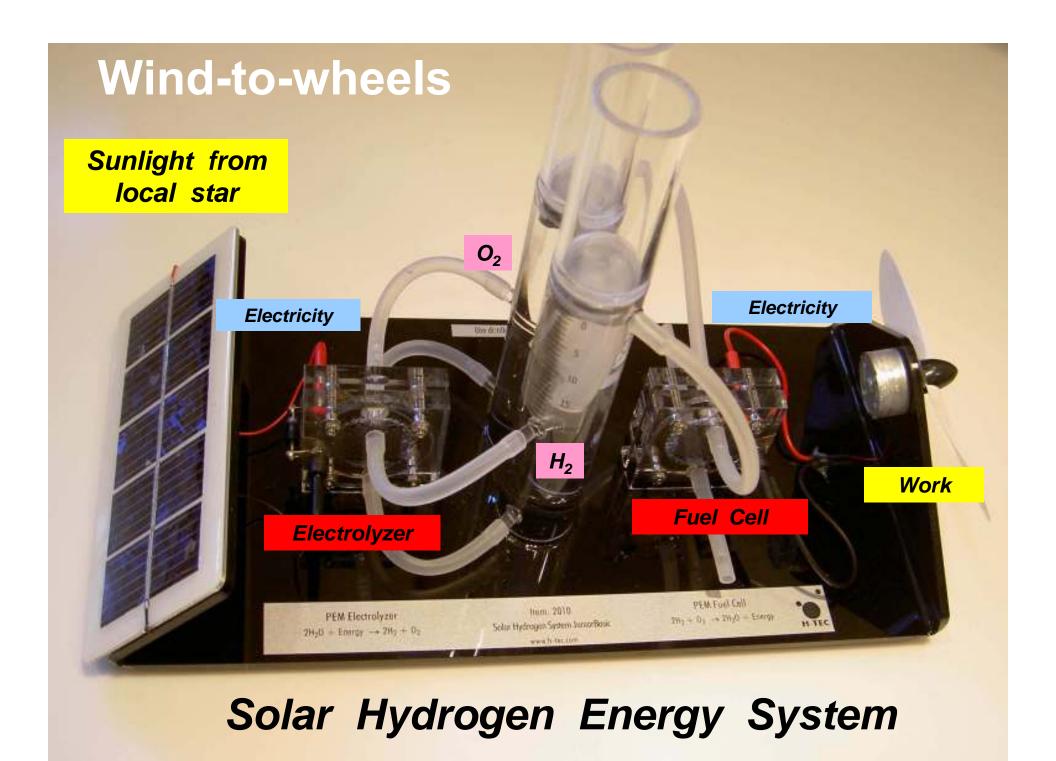
Vision: Remote renewable energy sources

connected to loads by DC grid





Continental Supergrid – EPRI concept "Energy Pipeline"

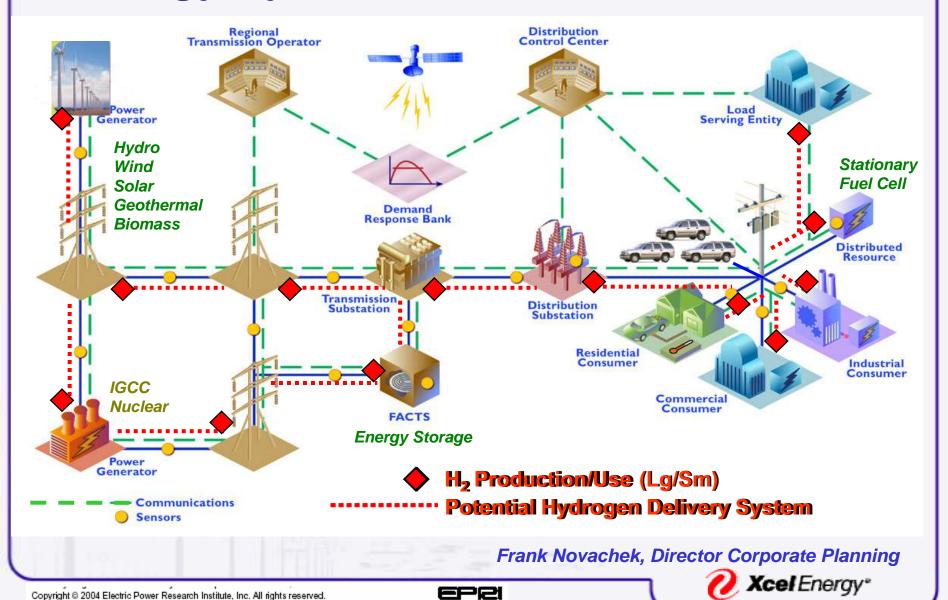


Hydrogen Fuel Cell Proton Exchange Membrane (PEM) type

Hydrogen (H2) combines with Oxygen (O2) to make electricity + heat + water (H2O)



Energy System of the Future



Hydrogen Utility Group (HUG)



















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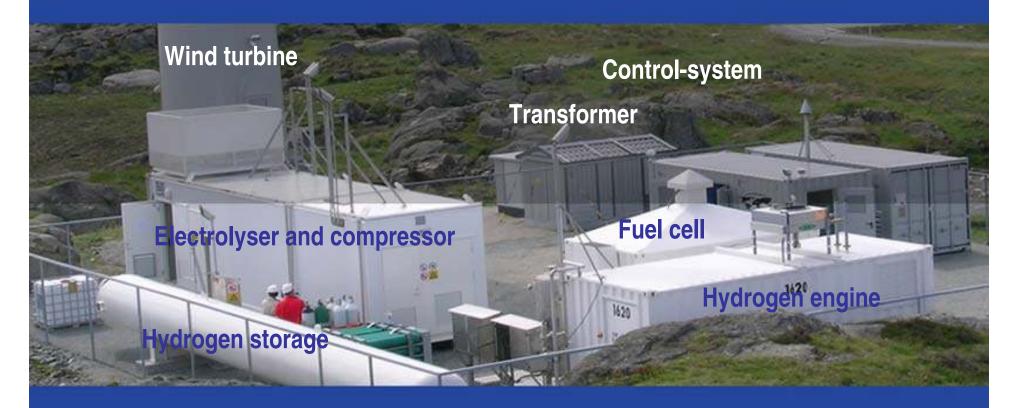
Utsira Island, Norway





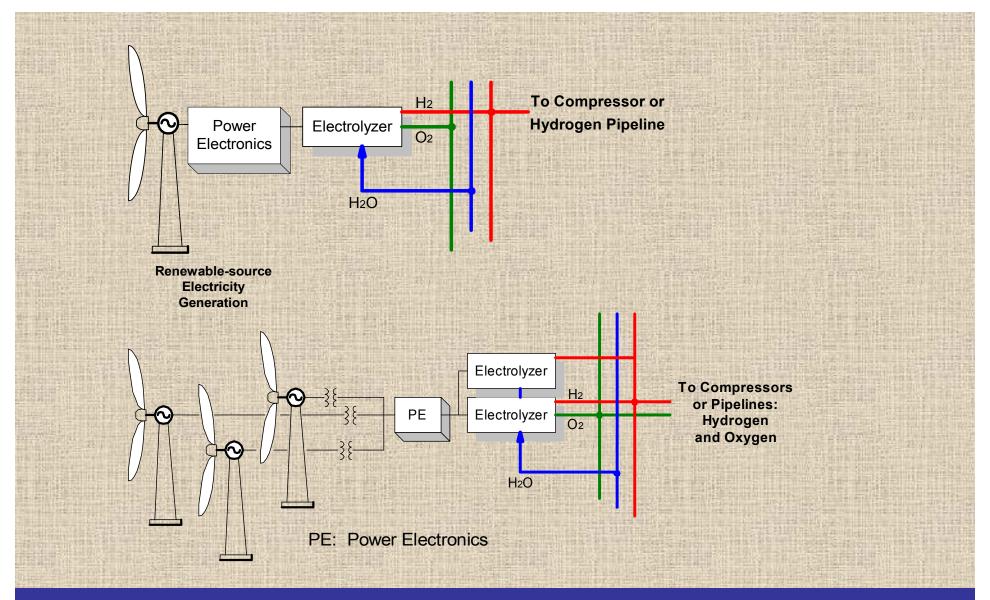
The wind - hydrogen plant at Utsira

A vision becoming reality







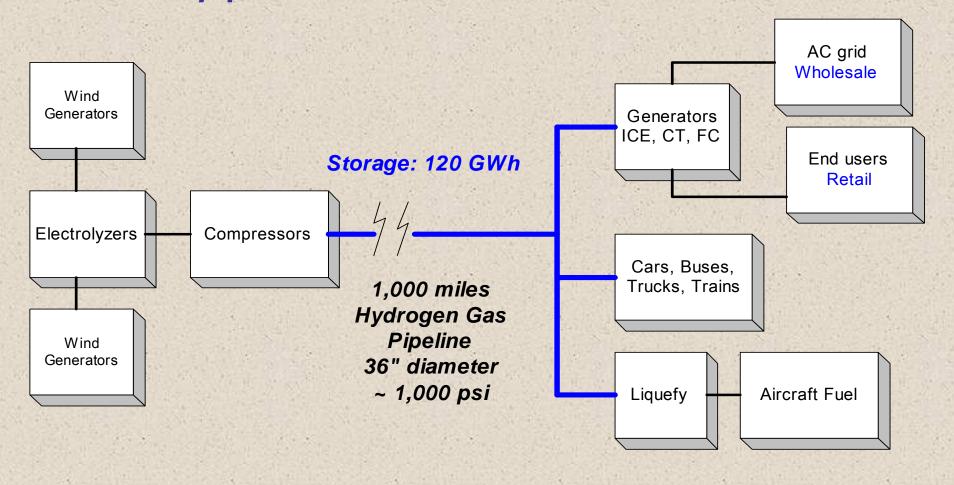


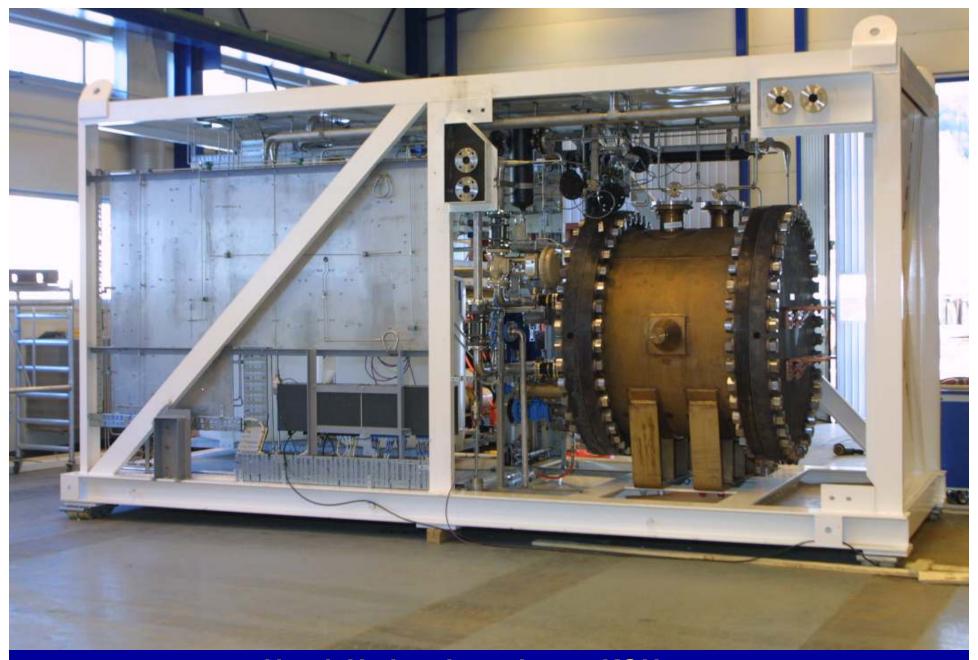
Topology Options: H₂ and O₂ Production and Gathering from Renewable Energy Generation



Hydrogen Transmission Scenario

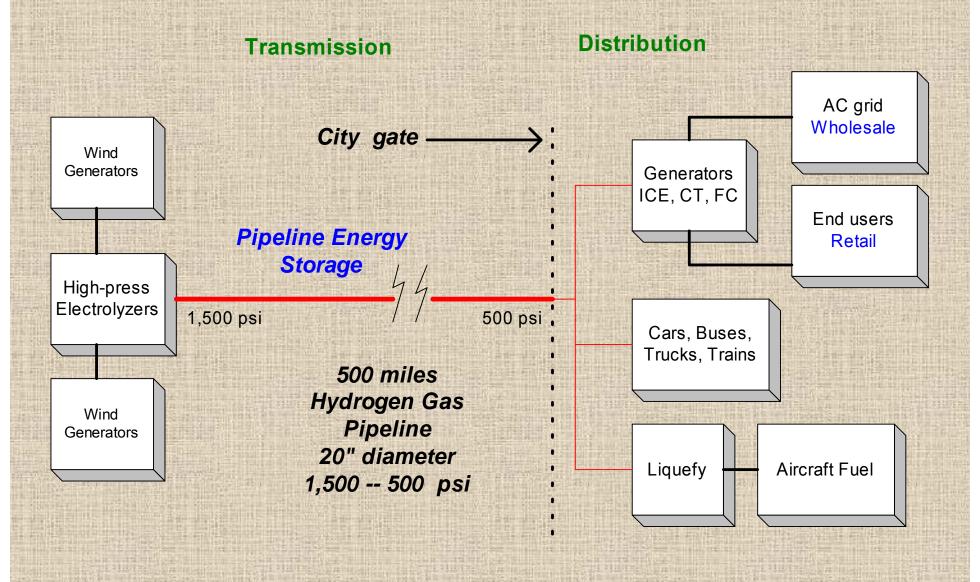
- Low-pressure electrolyzers
- "Pack" pipeline: ~ 120 GWh



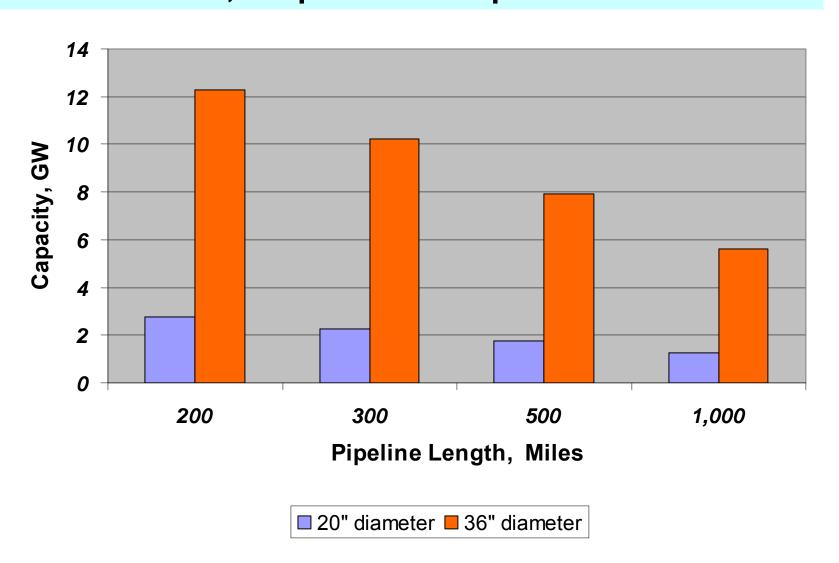


Norsk Hydro electrolyzer, KOH type 560 kW input, 130 Nm3 / hour at 450 psi (30 bar)

Compressorless system: No geologic storage



Compressorless 20", 36" GH2 Pipeline Capacity 1,500 psi IN / 500 psi OUT



Capital Cost per GW-mile

-mile		

• SEIA: 765 5,000 1.3

345 1,000 2.6

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• AEP-AWEA 765 5,000 3.2

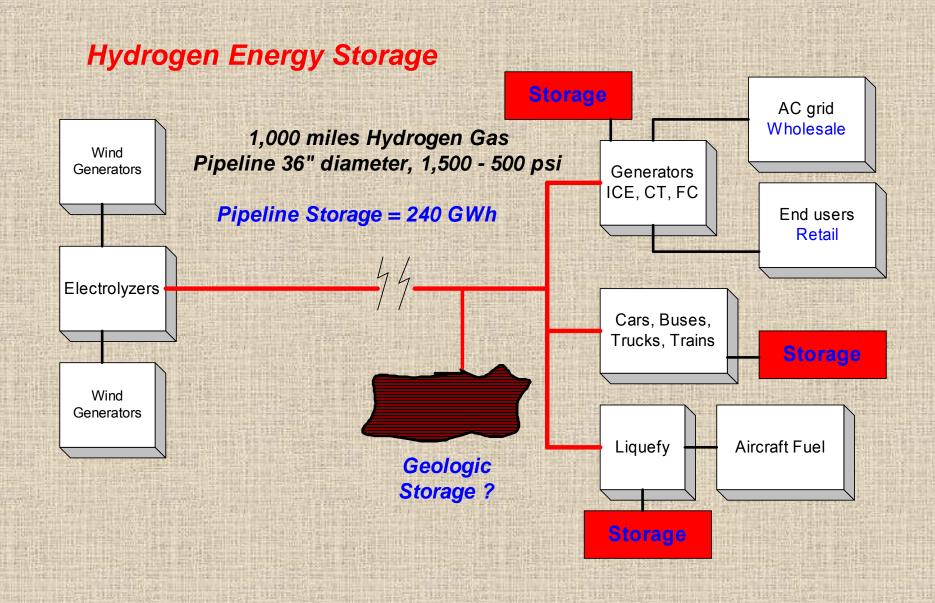
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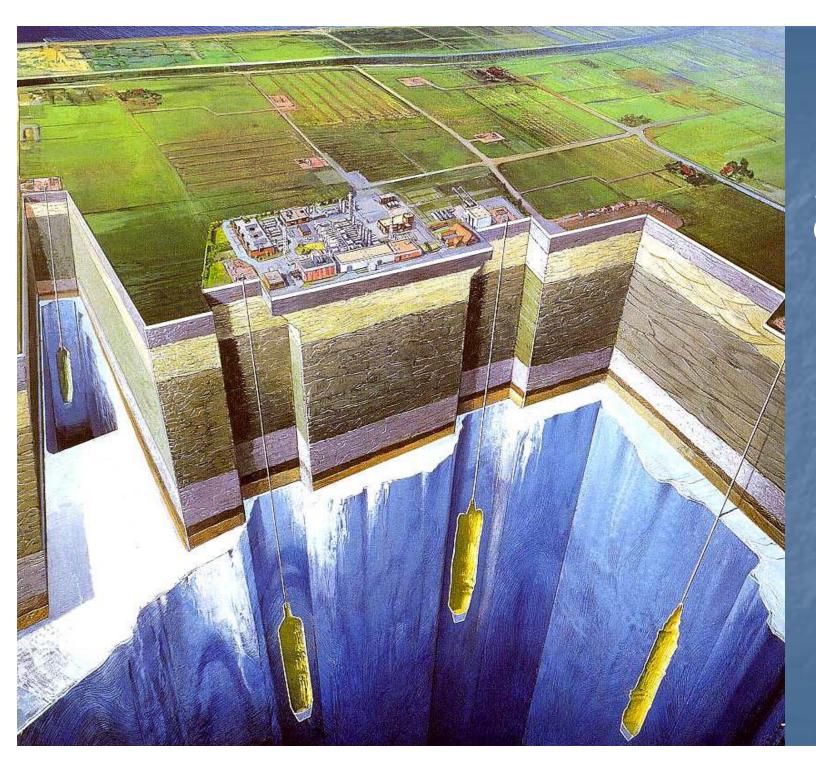
Hydrogen pipeline:

Floctricity.

36", 100 bar, 500 mi, no compress 0.3

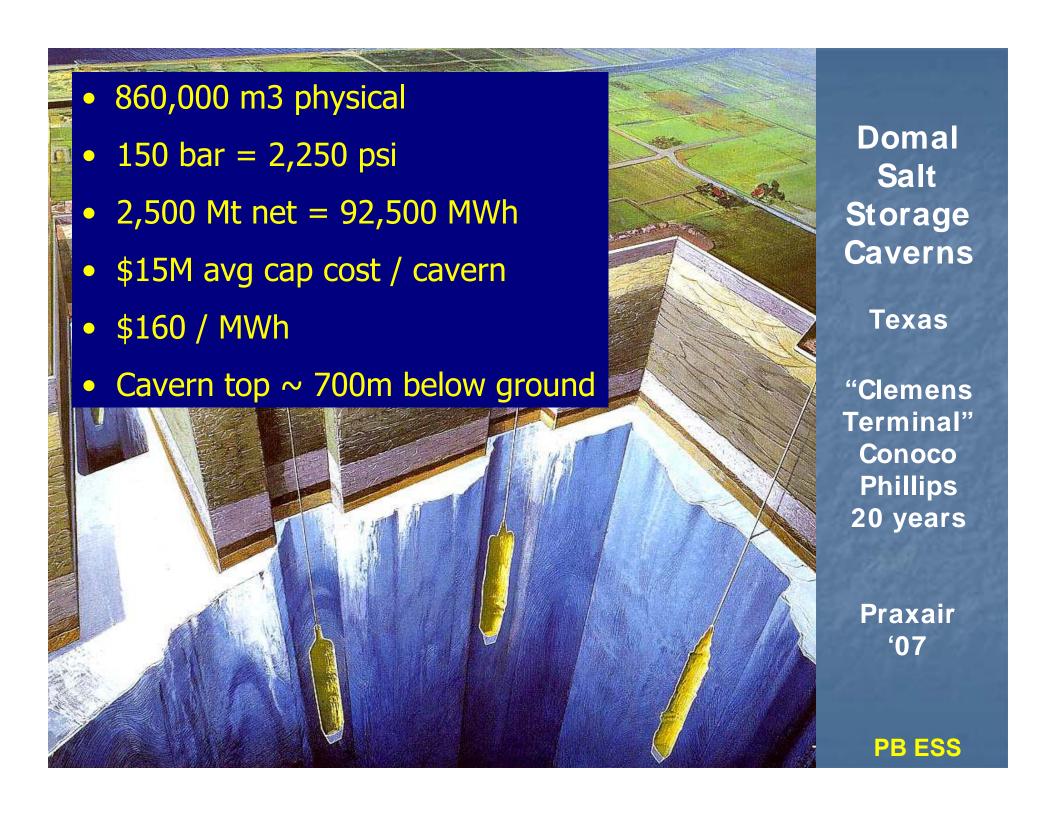
(100 bar = 1,500 psi)



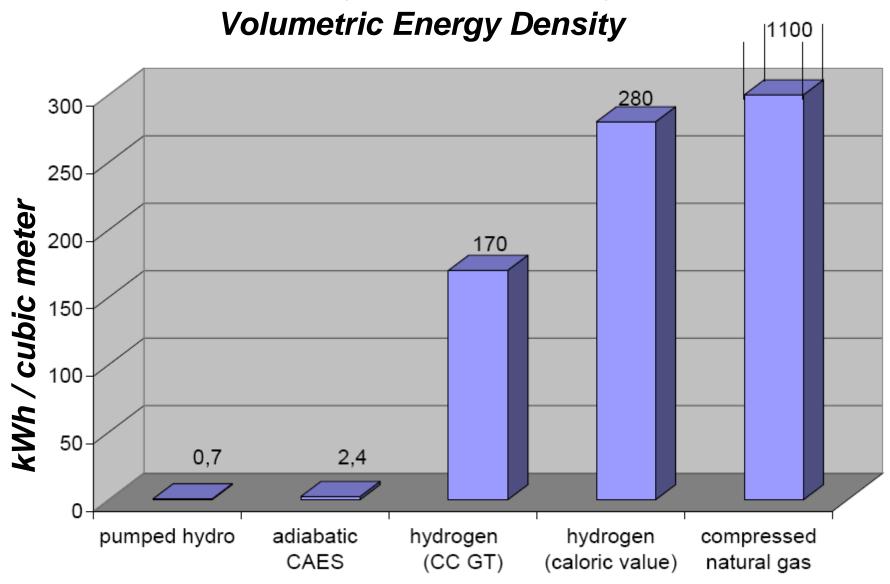


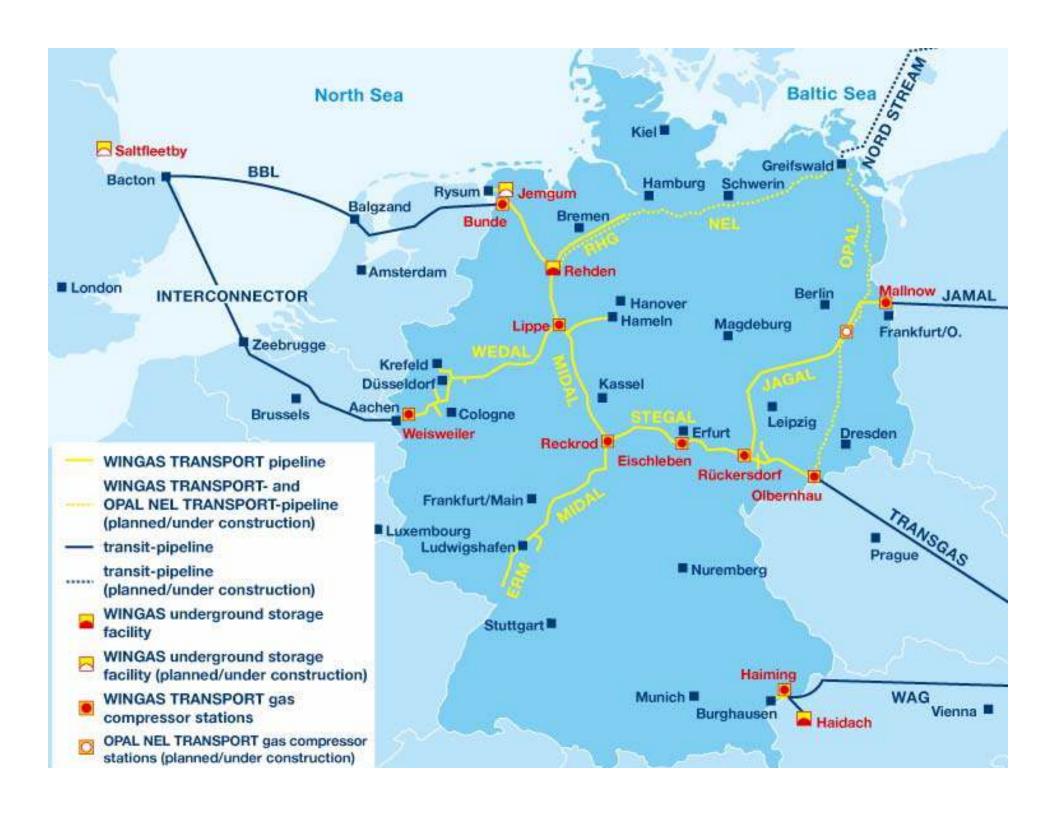
Domal Salt Storage Caverns

PB ESS



Germany Wind Industry

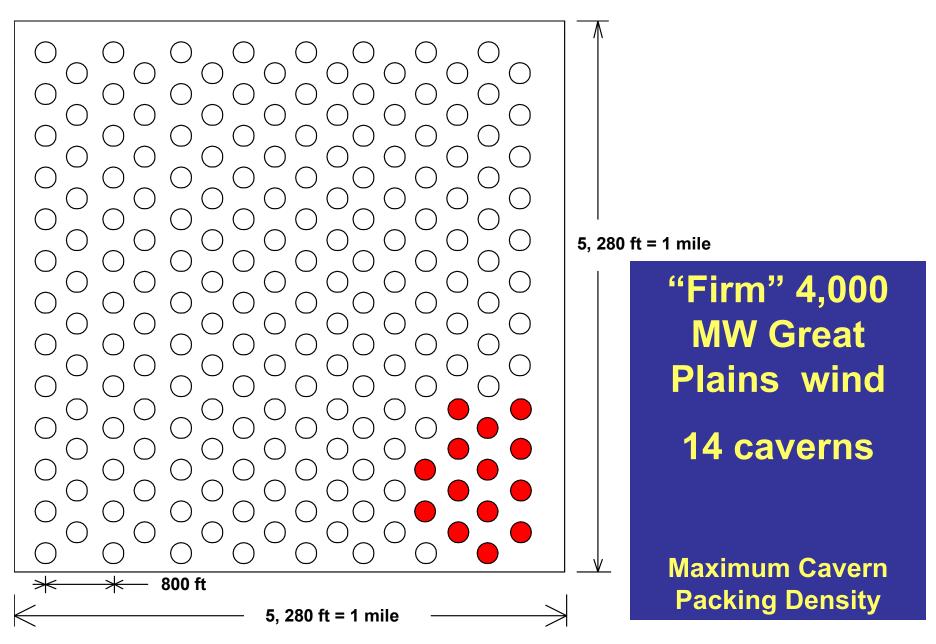






Renewable-source GH2 geologic storage potential.

Candidate formations for manmade, solution-mined, salt caverns



 $(8 \times 13) = 104 + (8 \times 12) = 96$ Total = 200 caverns per square mile Each cavern is 200 ft diam, with minimum 200 ft web separation.

Optimistic: Total Installed Capital Cost 1,000 mile Pipeline "Firming" GH2 cavern storage

Windplant size 1,000 MW [million]
Wind generators \$ 1,000
Electrolyzers 500
Pipeline, 20" 1,100
storage caverns [4]
Caverns @ \$10M ea 40
Cushion gas @ \$5M ea 20
TOTAL \$ 2,660

Cavern storage: ~ 3 % of total capital cost



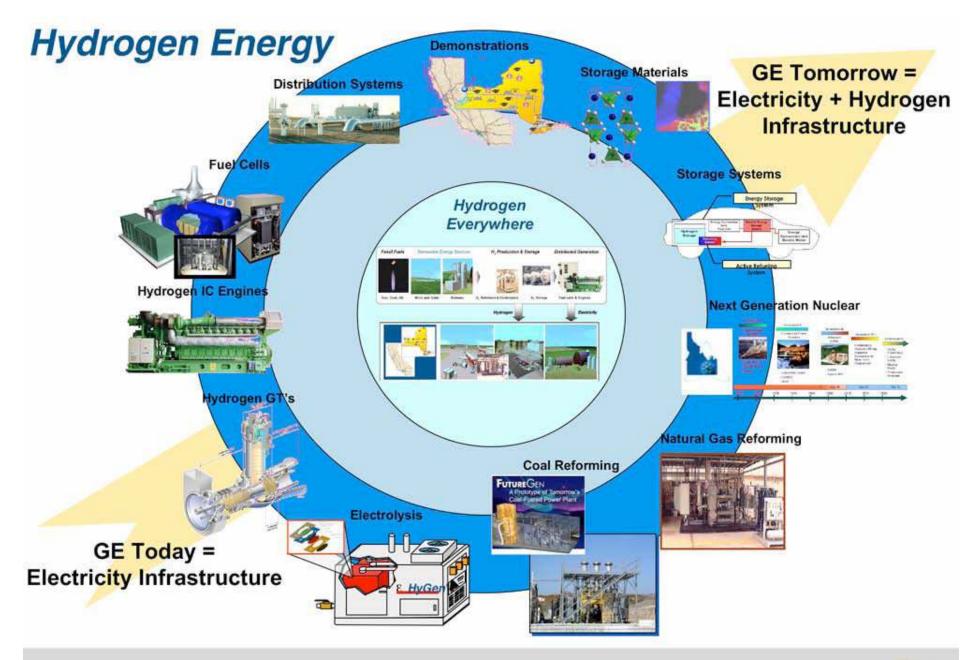
Hydrogen "sector" of a benign, sustainable, equitable, global energy economy

"Hydrogen and electricity become the primary currencies in the future energy economy"

Utility electrolysis vision

- MW-scale utility electrolyzers
- Affordable capital investment:
 Total system cost considerations
- Off-peak, wholesale electricity: Operated by utility
- Distributed, substation level operation
- Tightly integrated with electrical grid

Dan Smith GE Global Research, 2004

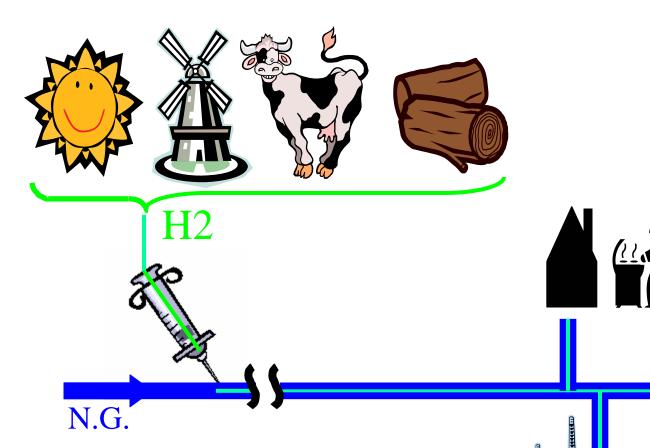


"Hydricity"

- Nexus of electricity + hydrogen: twin currencies
- GH2, NH₃ for annual-scale "firming" storage
- Long-term:
 - Clear: energy currencies
 - Fuzzy: sources
- Climate Change: drive transition
- Wood \rightarrow coal \rightarrow oil \rightarrow natural gas \rightarrow elec, GH2, NH3
- Conversion costs:
 - Capital
 - **O&M**
 - Energy losses:
 - 50 70% round-trip efficiency
 - CHP → 100%

The NATURALHY approach: EC, R+D







- Breaks "chicken-egg" dilemma
- Bridge to sustainable future







Pure H2



Carmakers Commit to Hydrogen Fuel Cell Cars?

- 9 Sept 09 "Letter of Understanding"
- Carmakers:

Daimler Ford

GM/Opel Honda

Hyundai/Kia Renault

Nissan Toyota

- Serial production ~ 2015: "... quite significant number"
 of electric vehicles powered by fuel cells
- Vague; lobbying for fed FCV funds restore?
- Will need H2 fuel: "... hydrogen infrastructure has to be built up with sufficient density ..."

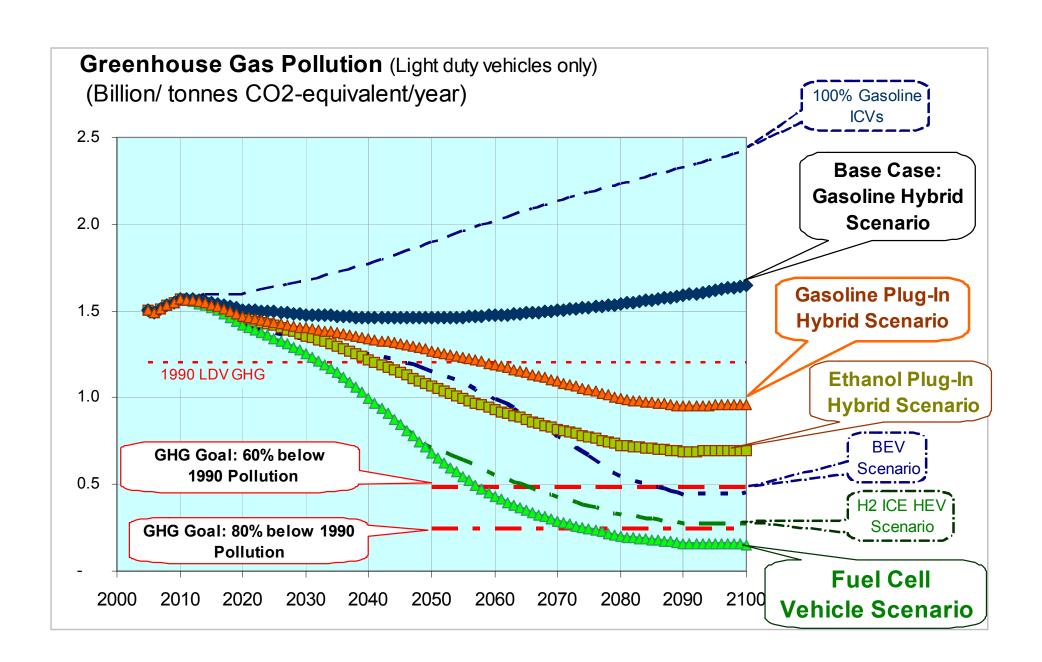
Carmakers' letter Oct 09: FCV's production 2015, Need H₂ fuel!

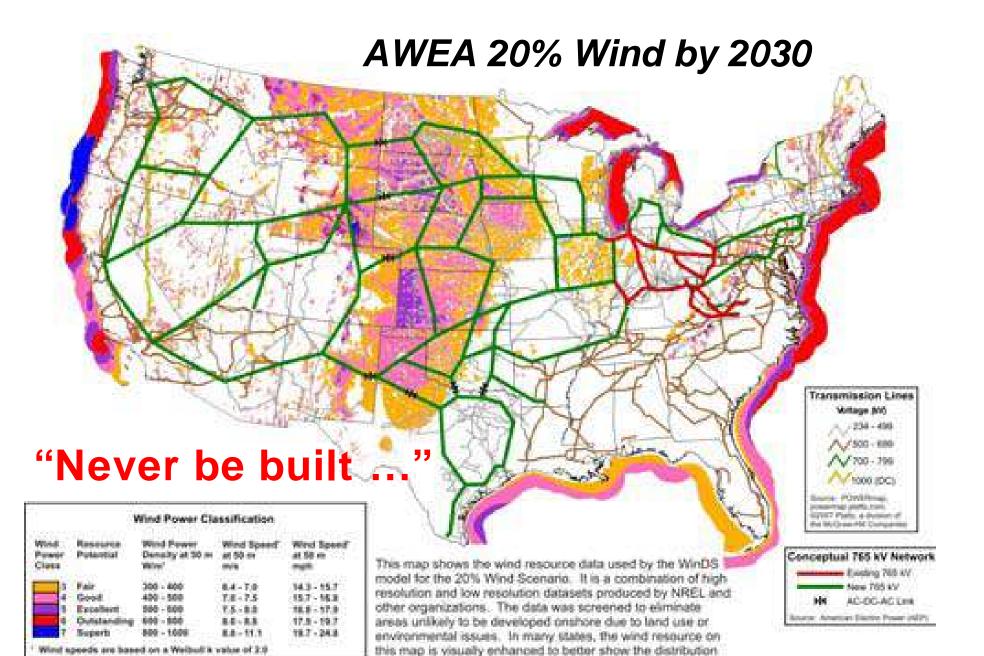


Hydrogen Fuel Cell Hybrid Electric Vehicle: HFCHEV

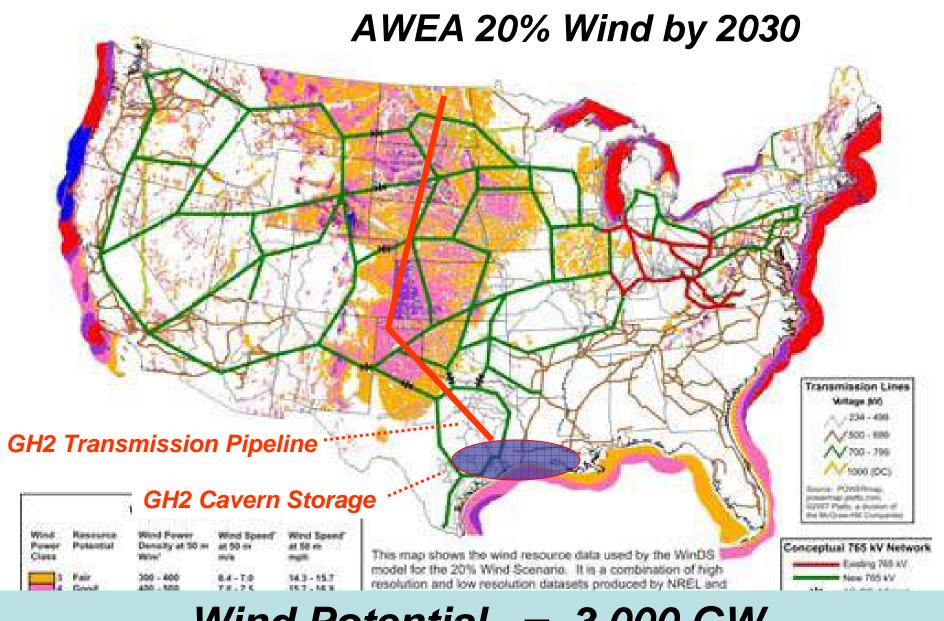
CA: 20% of "cars" hydrogen fueled by 2030

- 20% of 45M vehicles = 9M
- @ 78 mpg = 78 miles / kg H2
- 12,000 miles / year = 150 kg H2 / year
- 1,800 M kg H2 / year = 1.65 M tons H2 fuel
- @ 50 kWh / kg at windplant gate:
 - 82,500 GWh / year
 - @ 40% CF = 23,000 MW nameplate wind
 - Requires capacity of 3 GH2 pipelines, 36", 500 miles long
 - PLUS @ 4 caverns / GW = 92 storage caverns,
 to firm the supply at annual scale





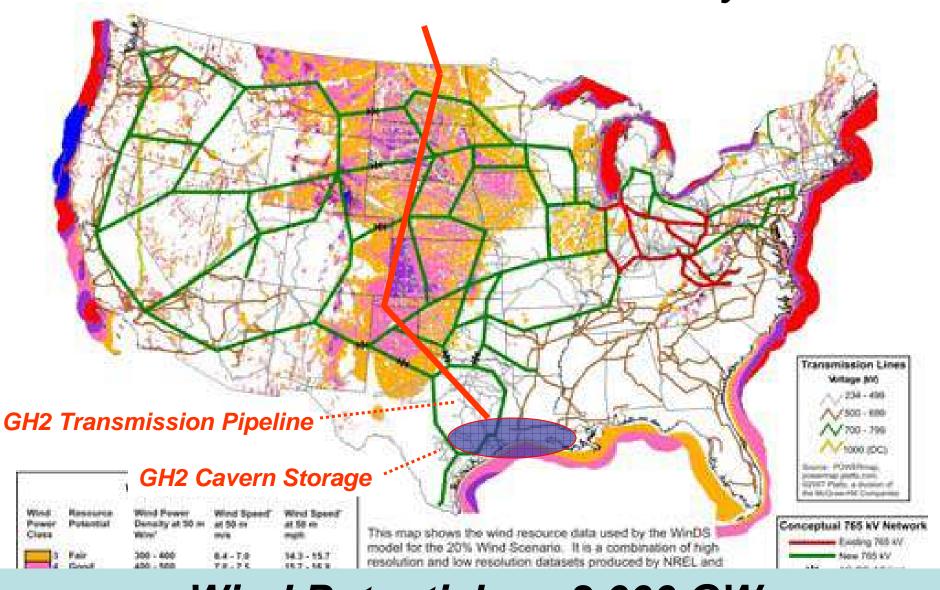
on ridge criests and other features.



Wind Potential ~= 3,000 GW

12 Great Plains states

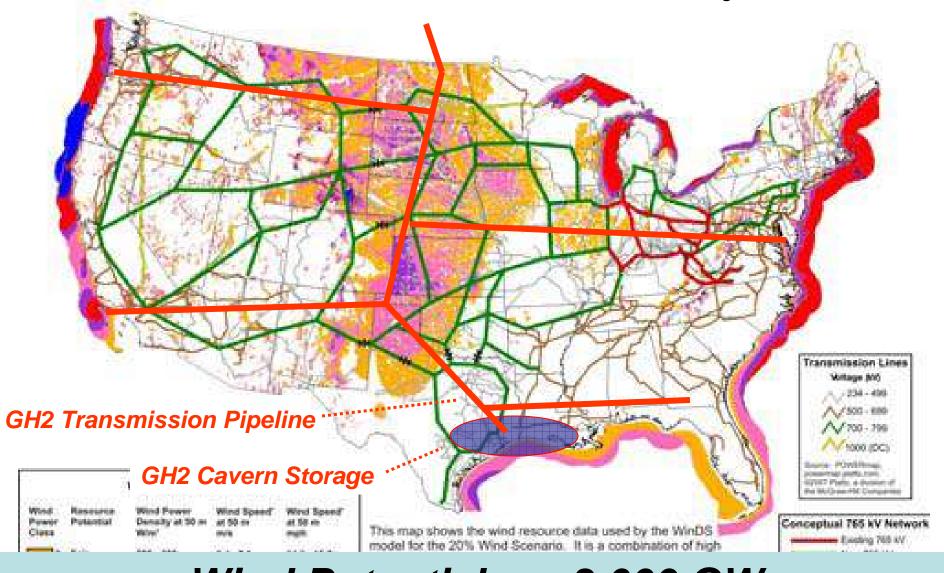
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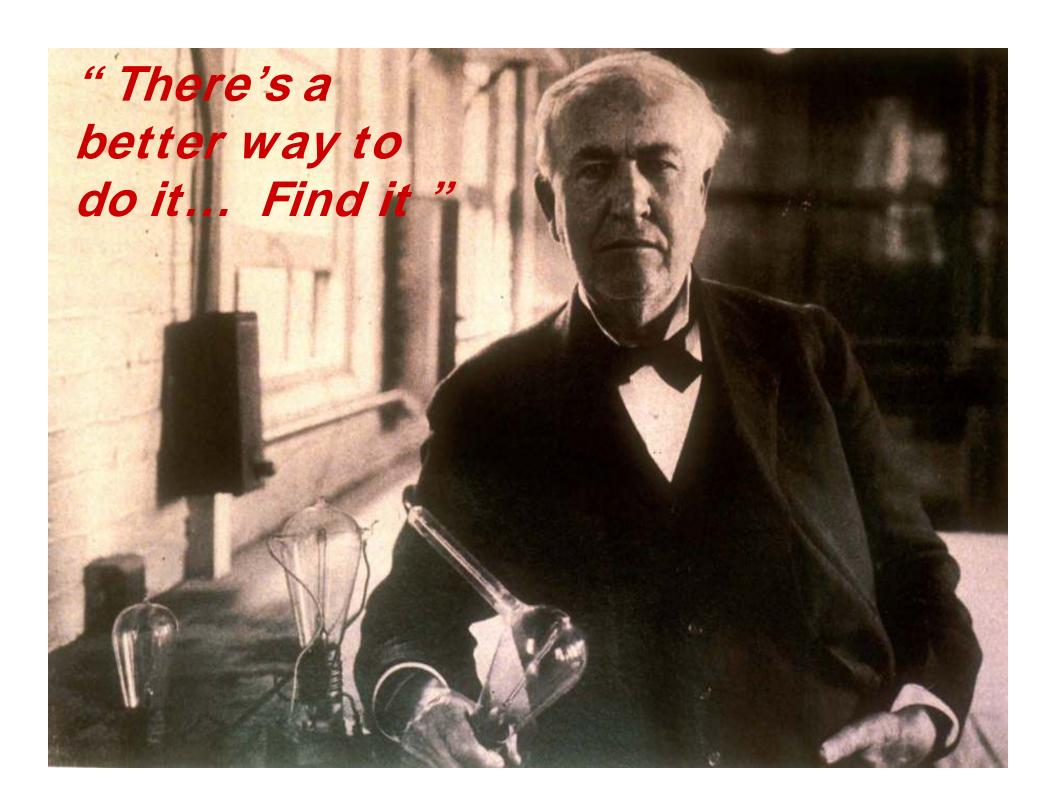
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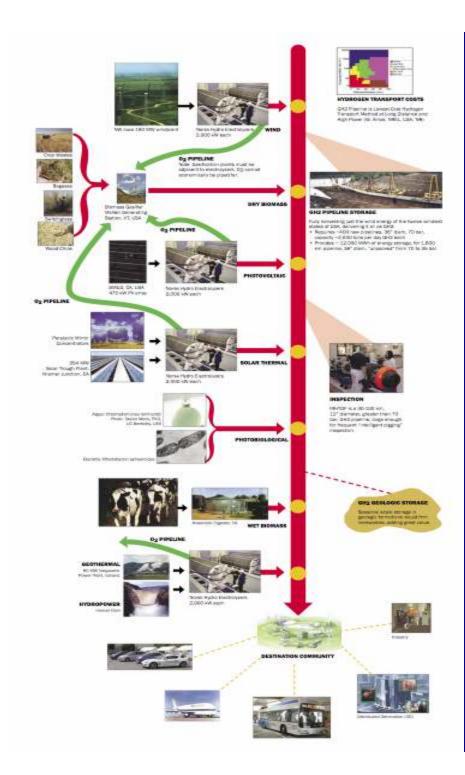


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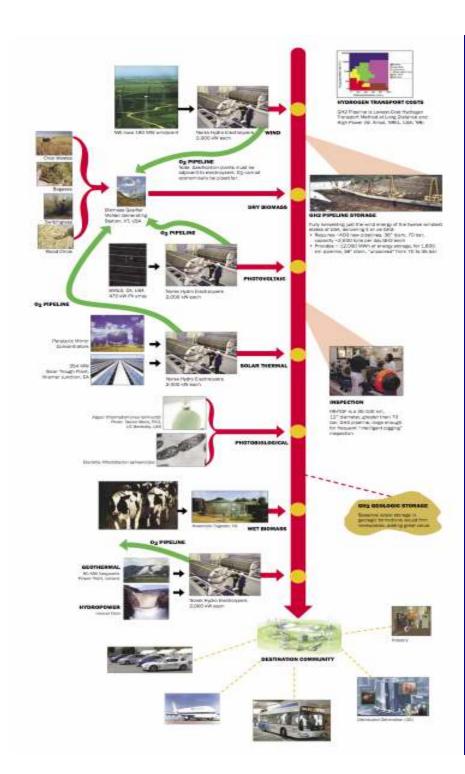
Pilot plant needed

- Every major new industrial process
- Renewables-source systems
- Diverse, large-scale, stranded
- Japan, Canada, IPHE -- "IRHTDF "



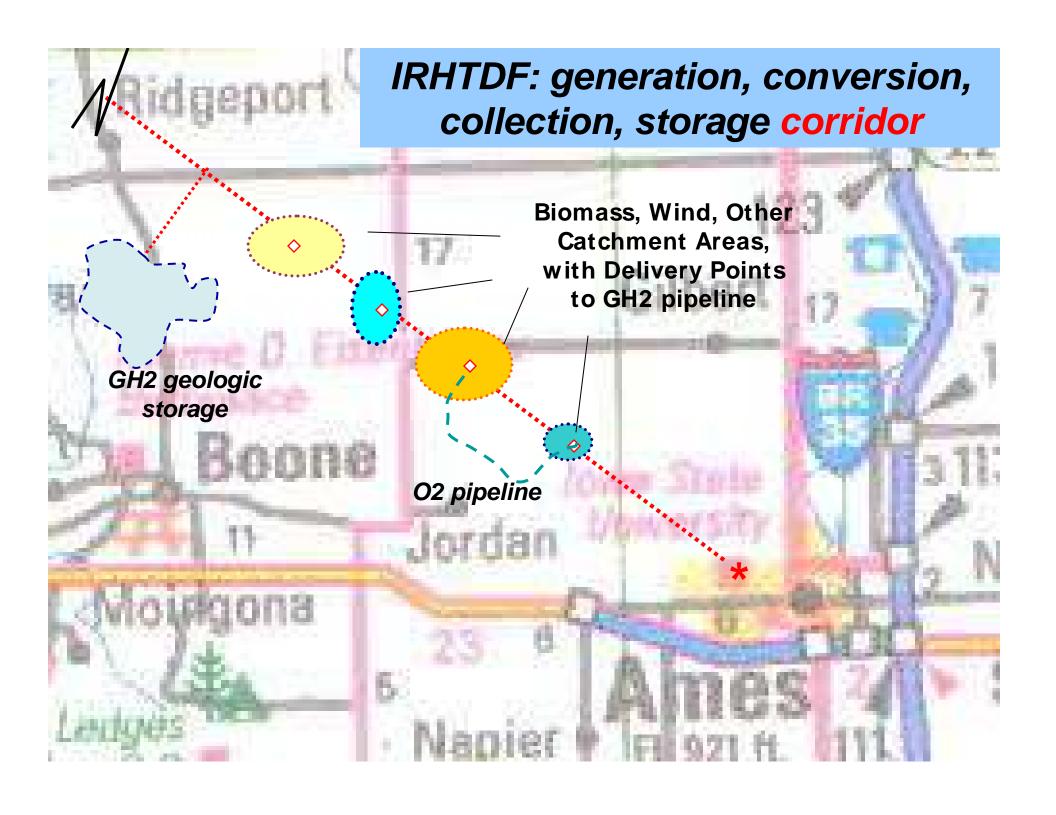
Pilot-scale Hydrogen Pipeline System: Renewables

- Diverse
- Dispersed, diffuse
- Large-scale
- Stranded
 - Remote
 - No transmission

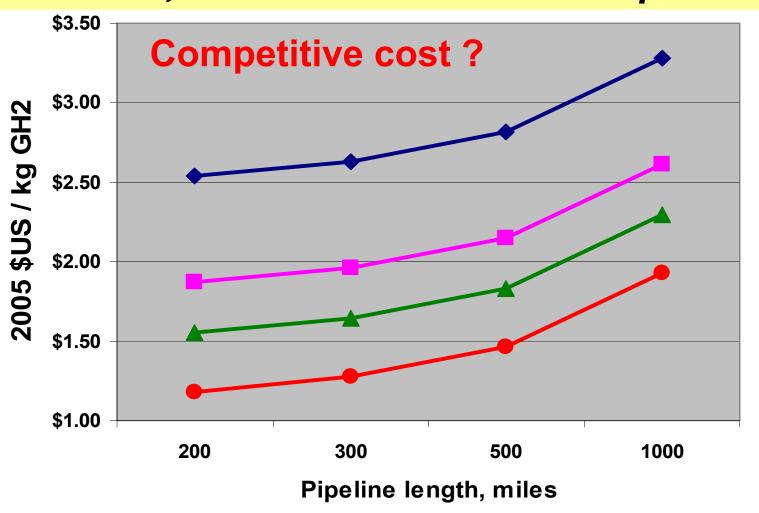


International Renewable Hydrogen Transmission Demonstration Facility (IRHTDF) Pilot plant

Global opportunity: IPHE project



OPTIMISTIC City-gate GH2 cost @ 15% CRF, 20" pipeline, from 2,000 MW Great Plains windplant



Anhydrous Ammonia, NH₃ Fertilizer -> Fuel

Business case:

- USA Market size, share:
 - 15 Mt / yr ag fertilizer
 - 5 Mt / yr other
 - NH3 fuel: ICE, CT, fuel cell ?
- RE NH3 competes with coal, imports

"Ammonia Nation?"

Anhydrous ammonia (NH3)

- Low-cost transmission, storage: liquid
- Transportation fuel
- Stationary generation, CHP
- Total USA annual energy '02 06
 - 100 quads
 - 10,000 TWh
- More renewables than coal
- Coal limits:
 - Only 200 year supply ?
 - CCS limits: where to put the CO2 ?

Why Ammonia?

Only liquid fuel embracing:

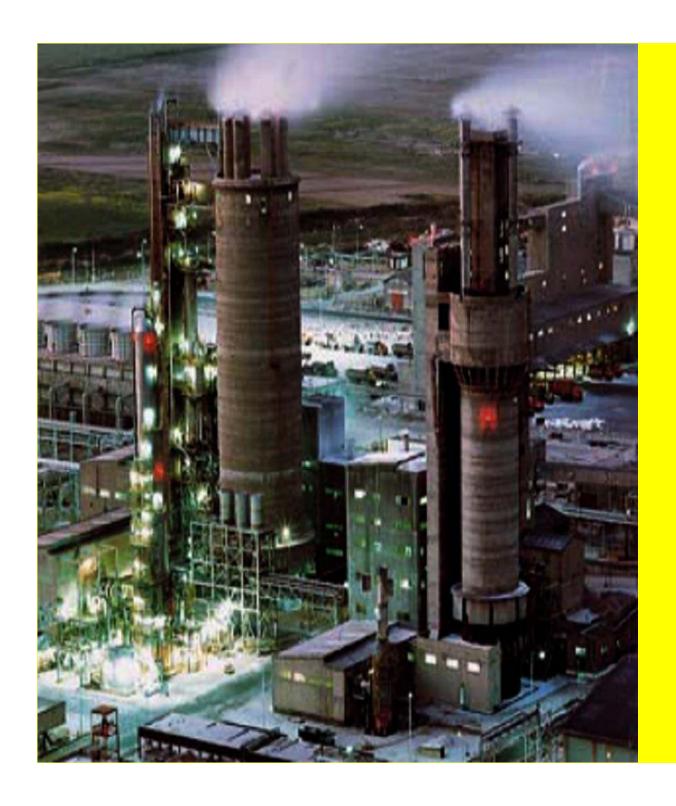
- Potentially all RE-source
- Cost competitive with HC fuels
- Carbon-free
- Energy cycle inherently pollution free
- Reasonably high energy density
- Practical to handle, store, and transport
- End-use in ICE, CT, fuel cell
- Self-odorizing safety
- "The other hydrogen"

1,000 hours, ICE, 6 cyl, 100 hp 75% ammonia, 25% propane



Hydrogen Engine Center, Algona, IA 1,000 hours, ICE, 6 cyl, 100 hp 75% ammonia, 25% propane





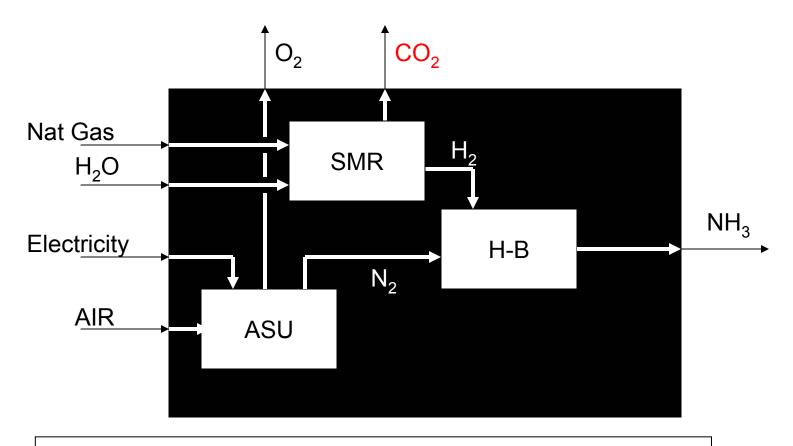
Ammonia (NH₃) Synthesis Plant Natural Gas Feed

1 - 3,000 tpd

Haber-Bosch "Synloop"

Inside the Black Box: Steam Reforming + Haber-Bosch (HB)

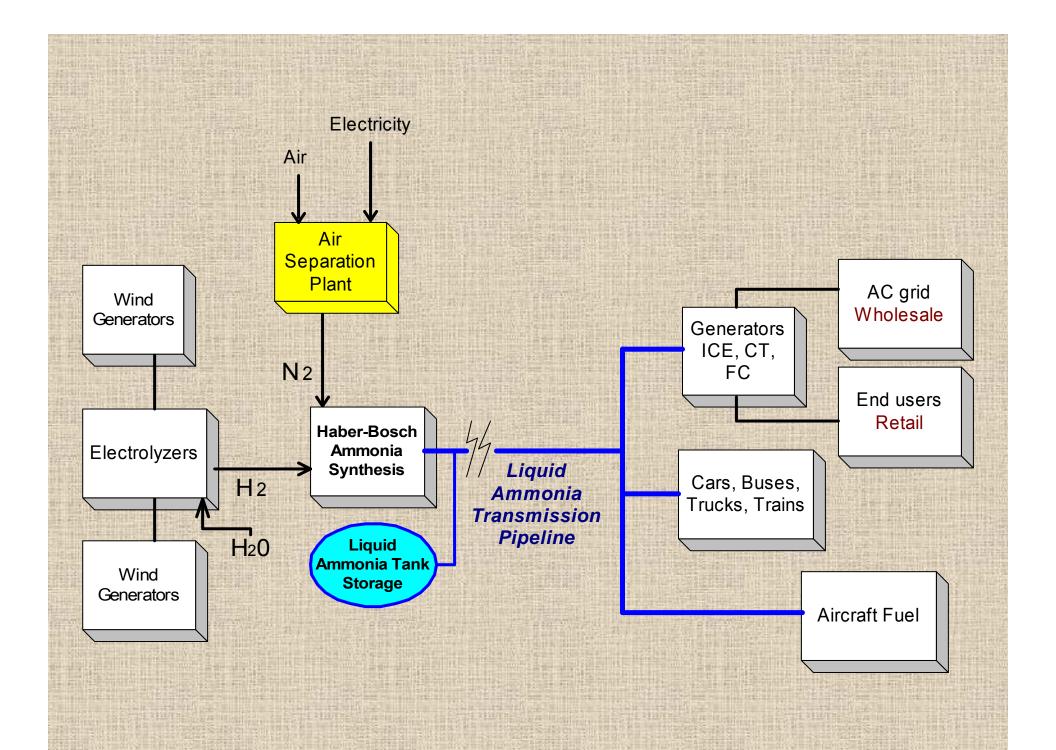
$$3 \text{ CH}_4 + 6 \text{ H}_2\text{O} + 4 \text{ N}_2 \rightarrow 3 \text{ CO}_2 + 8 \text{ NH}_3$$



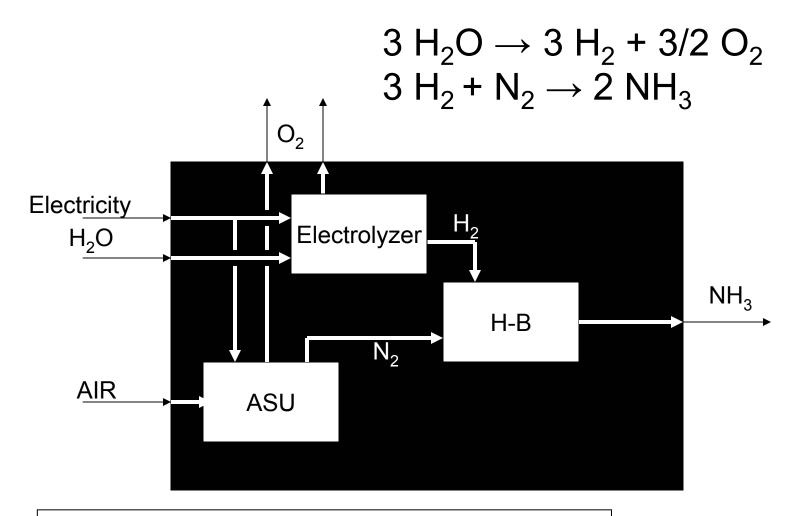
Energy consumption ~33 MBtu (9500 kWh) per ton NH₃

NH₃ Ag Fertilizer Tanks, Wind Generators, NW Iowa



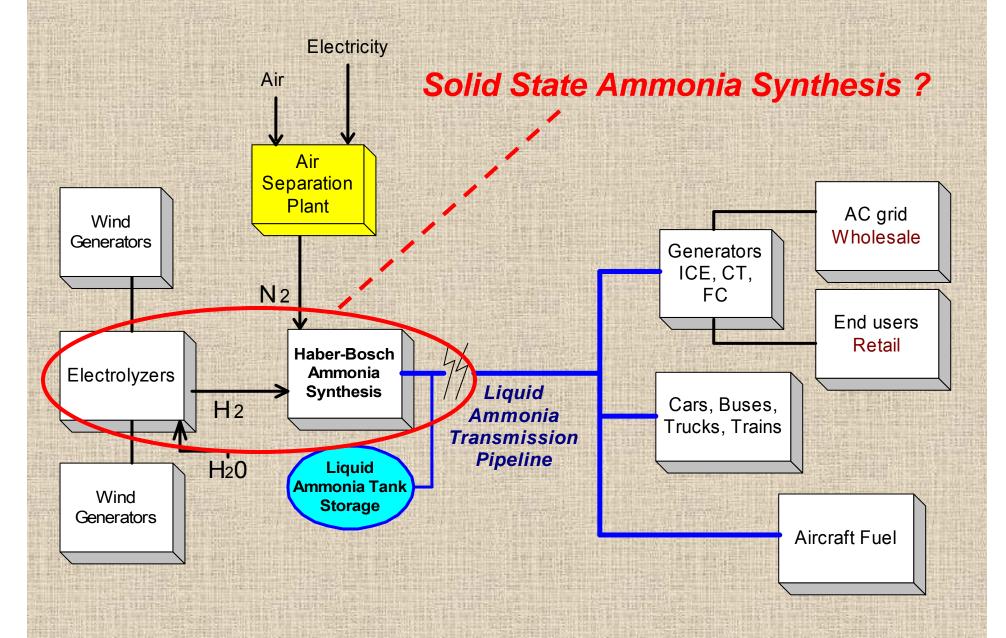


Inside the Black Box: HB Plus Electrolysis



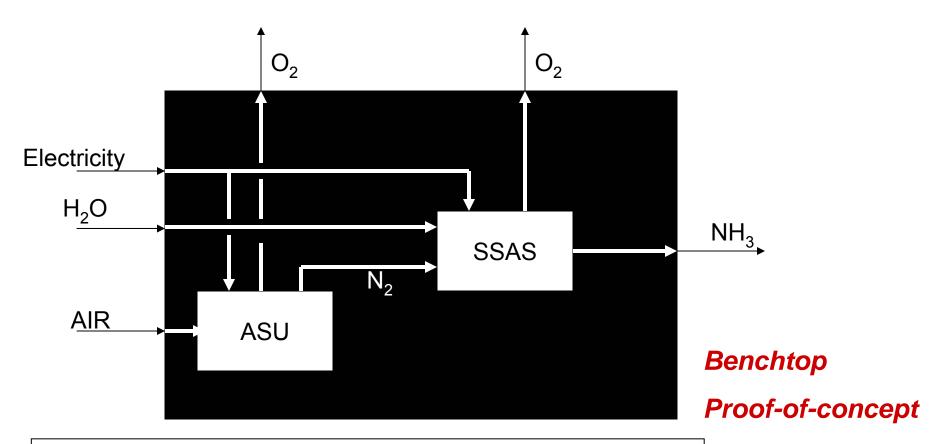
Energy consumption ~12,000 kWh per ton NH₃

Ammonia Transmission + Storage Scenario

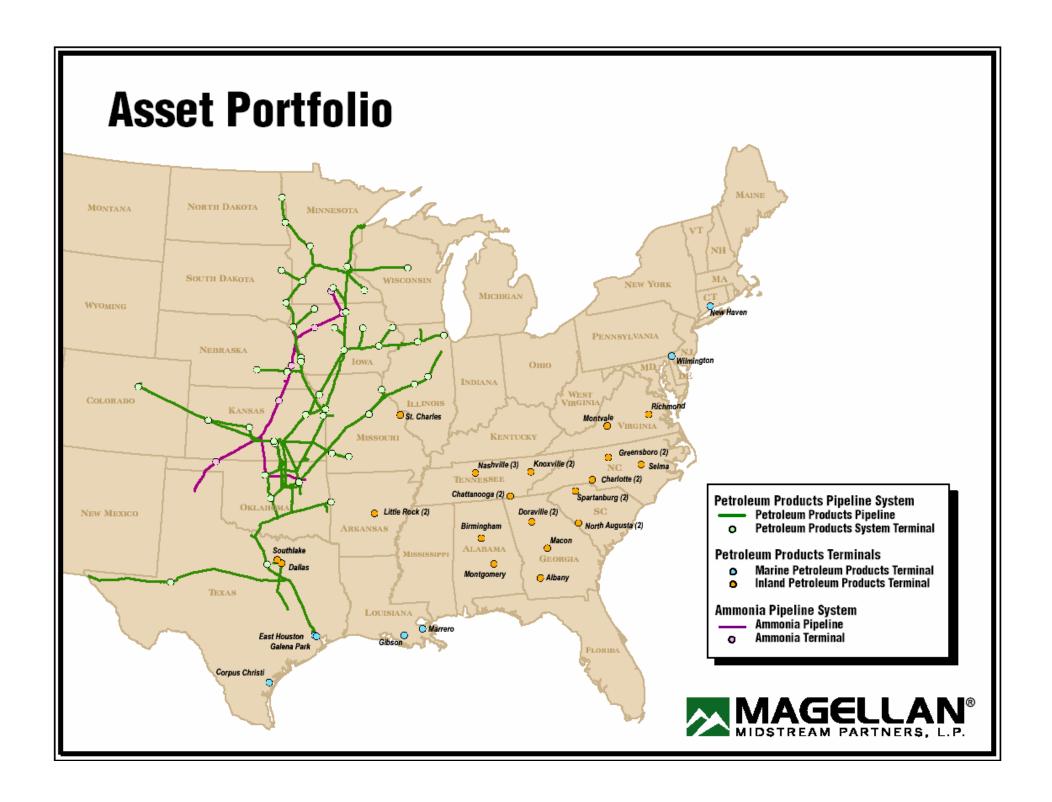


Inside the Black Box: Solid State Ammonia Synthesis

$$6 H_2O + 2 N_2 \rightarrow 3 O_2 + 4 NH_3$$

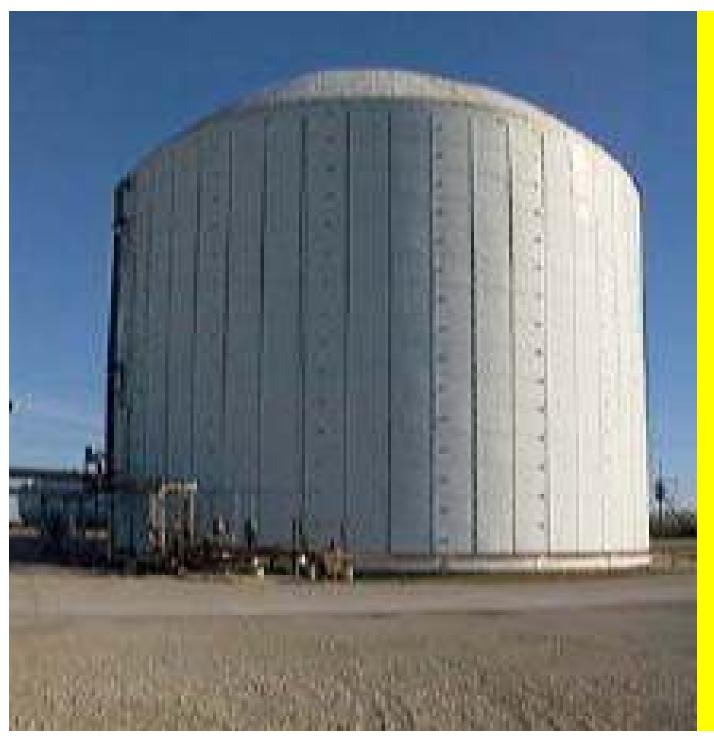


Energy consumption 7,000 – 8,000 kWh per ton NH₃





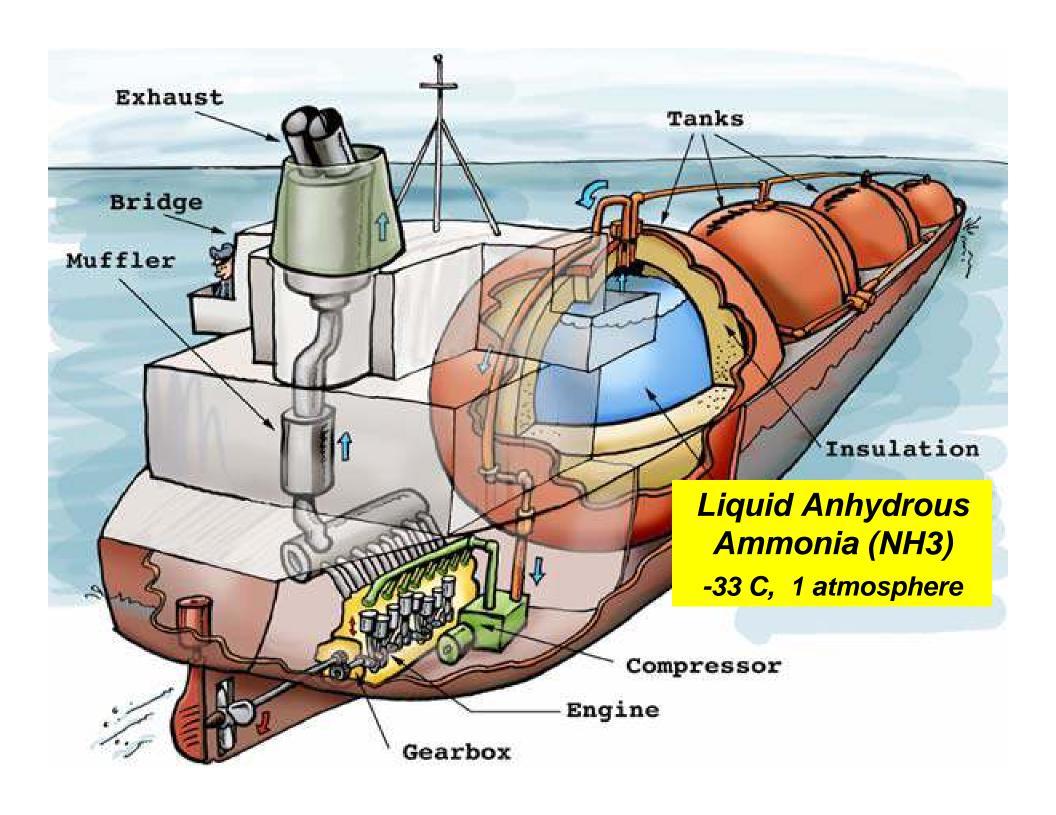
Valero LP Operations



"Atmospheric"
Liquid
Ammonia
Storage Tank
(corn belt)

30,000 Tons
190 GWh
\$15M turnkey
\$77 / MWh

-33 C 1 Atm



Capital Cost per GW-mile

Electricity:			Capacity	city
		<u>KV</u>	MW	\$M / MW-mile
•	SEIA:	765	5,000	1.3
		345	1,000	2.6
•	AEP-AWEA	765	5,000	3.2
	Consensus ?		2.5	

Hydrogen pipeline:

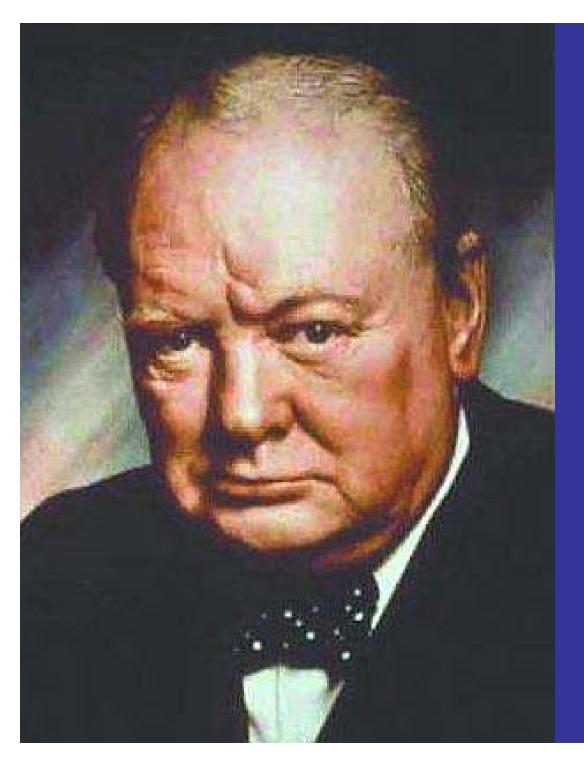
36", 100 bar, 500 miles, no compress 0.3

Ammonia pipeline:

10", liquid, 500 miles, with pumping 0.2

320,000 MWh storage Annual firming 1,000 MW wind

- Electricity
 - VRB (Vanadium Redox Battery)
 - O&M: 80% efficiency round-trip
 - Capital: \$500 / kWh = \$ 160 Billion
 - CAES (Compressed Air Energy Storage)
 - O&M: \$46 / MWh typical
 - Iowa Stored Energy Park:
 - Power = 268 MW
 - Energy capacity = 5,360 MWh
 - Capital: 268 MW @ \$ 1,450 / kW = \$ 390 M
 - @\$ 40 / kWh = \$ 13 Billion
 - @ \$1 / kWh = \$325M
- GH2 (3 hydrogen caverns) Capital \$70 Million
- NH3 (2 ammonia tanks)
 Capital \$30 Million



" Americans can be counted on to always do the right thing –

but only after they have tried everything else "

Winston Churchill

The dog caught the car.

Dan Reicher



Jon Wellinghof FERC* Chairman

About new coal + nuclear plants:

"We may not need any, ever"

NY Times, 22 Apr 09

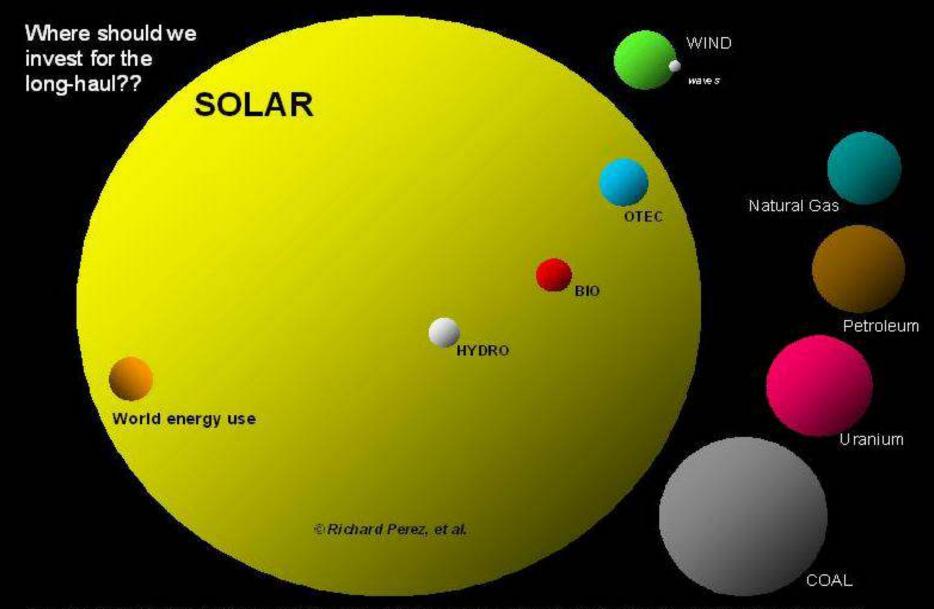
* FERC = Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

MUST Run the World on Renewables – plus Nuclear?

- Global
- Indigenous
- Firm: available
- C-free
- Benign
- Abundant
- Affordable
- Equitable
- Perpetual:
 - solar
 - geothermal
 - tidal



Comparing the world's energy resources*



^{*}yearly potential is shown for the renewable energies. Total reserves are shown for the fossil and nuclear "use-them, lose-them" resources. Word energy use is annual.

Humanity's Goal?

A sustainable, global, benign-source, equitable, energy economy

Can't with only electricity transmission

