

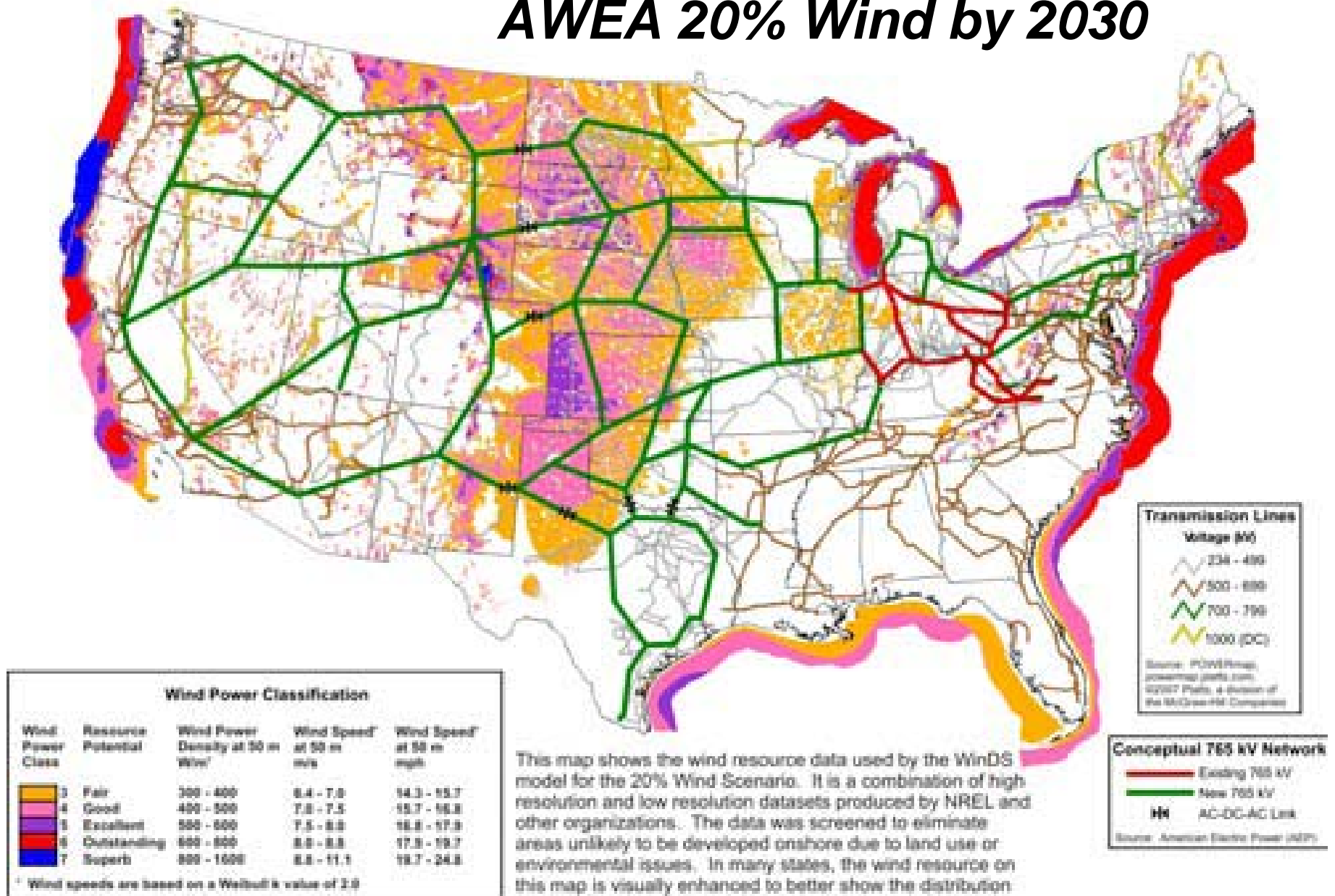


Beyond Smart Grid: Alternatives for Transmission and Low-cost Firming Storage of Stranded Renewables as Hydrogen and Ammonia Fuels via Underground Pipelines

***World Hydrogen Energy Conference
WHEC 2012, Toronto
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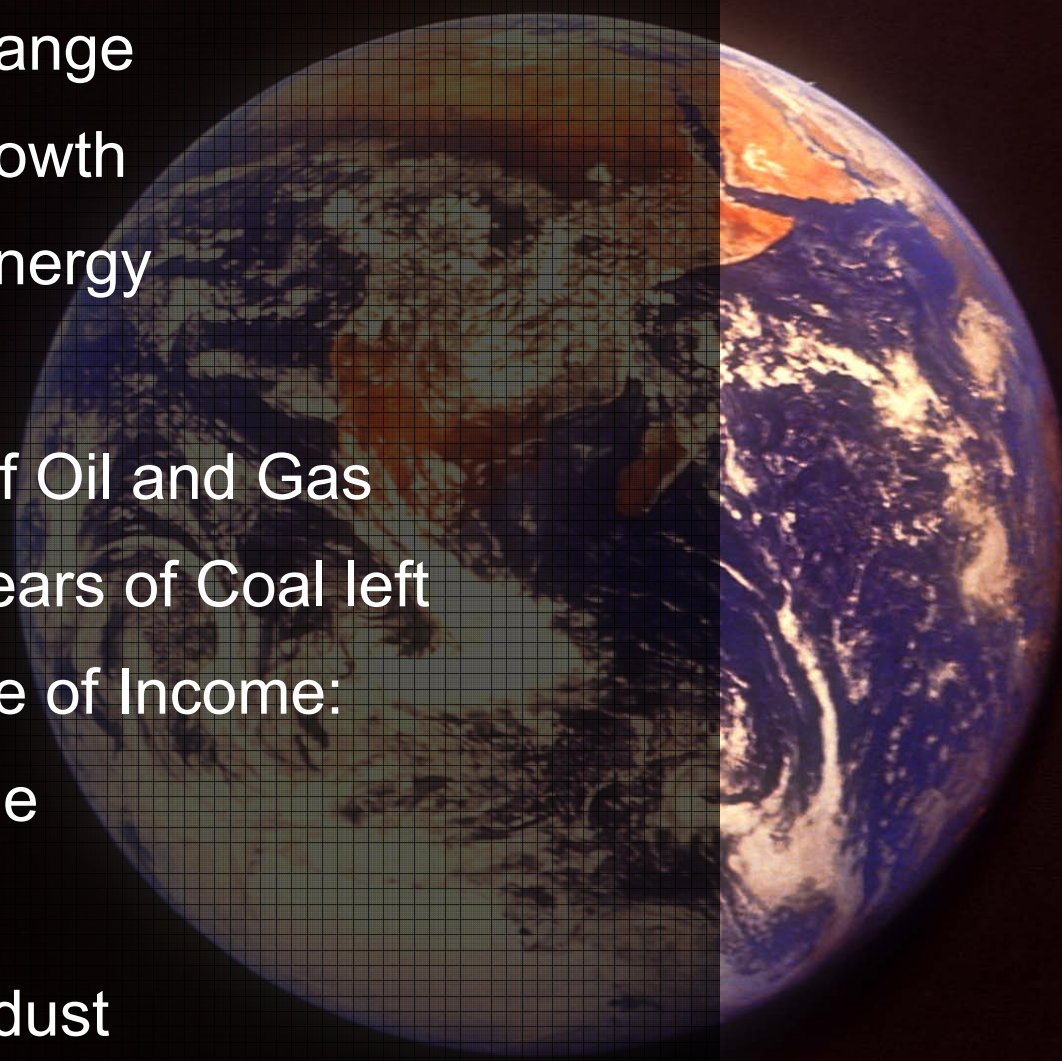
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AWEA 20% Wind by 2030



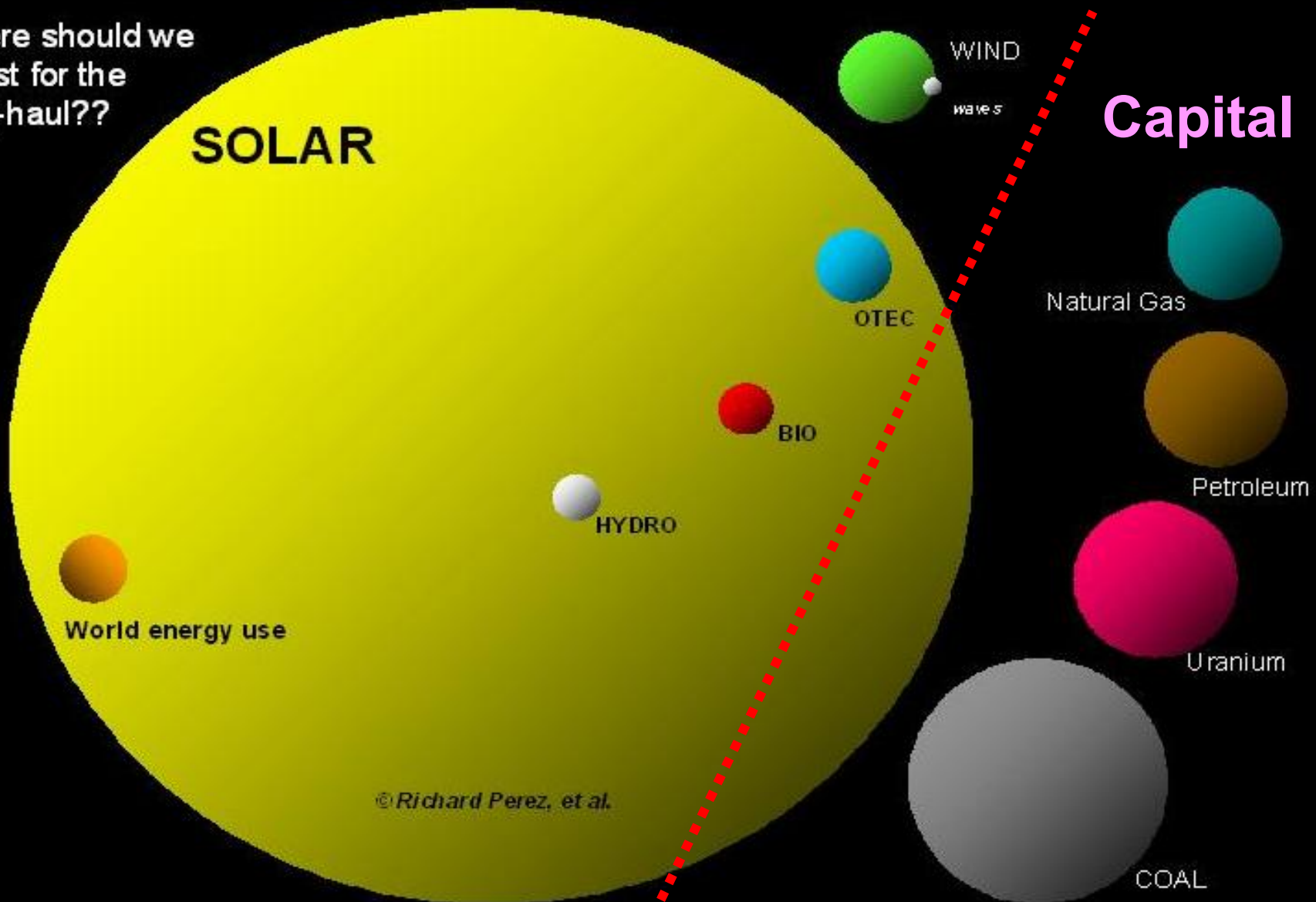
MUST Run the World on Renewables – plus Nuclear ?

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



Comparing the world's energy resources*

Where should we
invest for the
long-haul??



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

Beyond “Smart Grid”

- Primarily DSM
- More vulnerable to cyberattack ?
- Adds no physical:
 - Transmission, gathering, distribution
 - Storage
- Next big thing; panacea
- Running the world on renewables ?
- Must think:
 - Beyond electricity
 - Complete energy systems

**Sunlight from
local star**

Electricity

O₂

Electricity

H₂

Work

Electrolyzer

Fuel Cell

PEM Electrolyzer
 $2\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{Energy} \rightarrow 2\text{H}_2 + \text{O}_2$

Item: 2010
Solar Hydrogen System JuniorBasic
www.h-tec.com

PEM Fuel Cell
 $2\text{H}_2 + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{Energy}$



Solar Hydrogen Energy System

Hydrogen and Ammonia Fuels

- **Solve electricity's RE problems:**
 - **Transmission**
 - **Firming storage**
 - **Grid integration: time-varying output**
- **Carbon-free**
- **Underground pipelines**
- **Low-cost storage: < \$ 1.00 / kWh capital**
 - **Pipelines**
 - **GH2 salt caverns**
 - **NH3 tanks**

Hydrogen and Ammonia Fuels

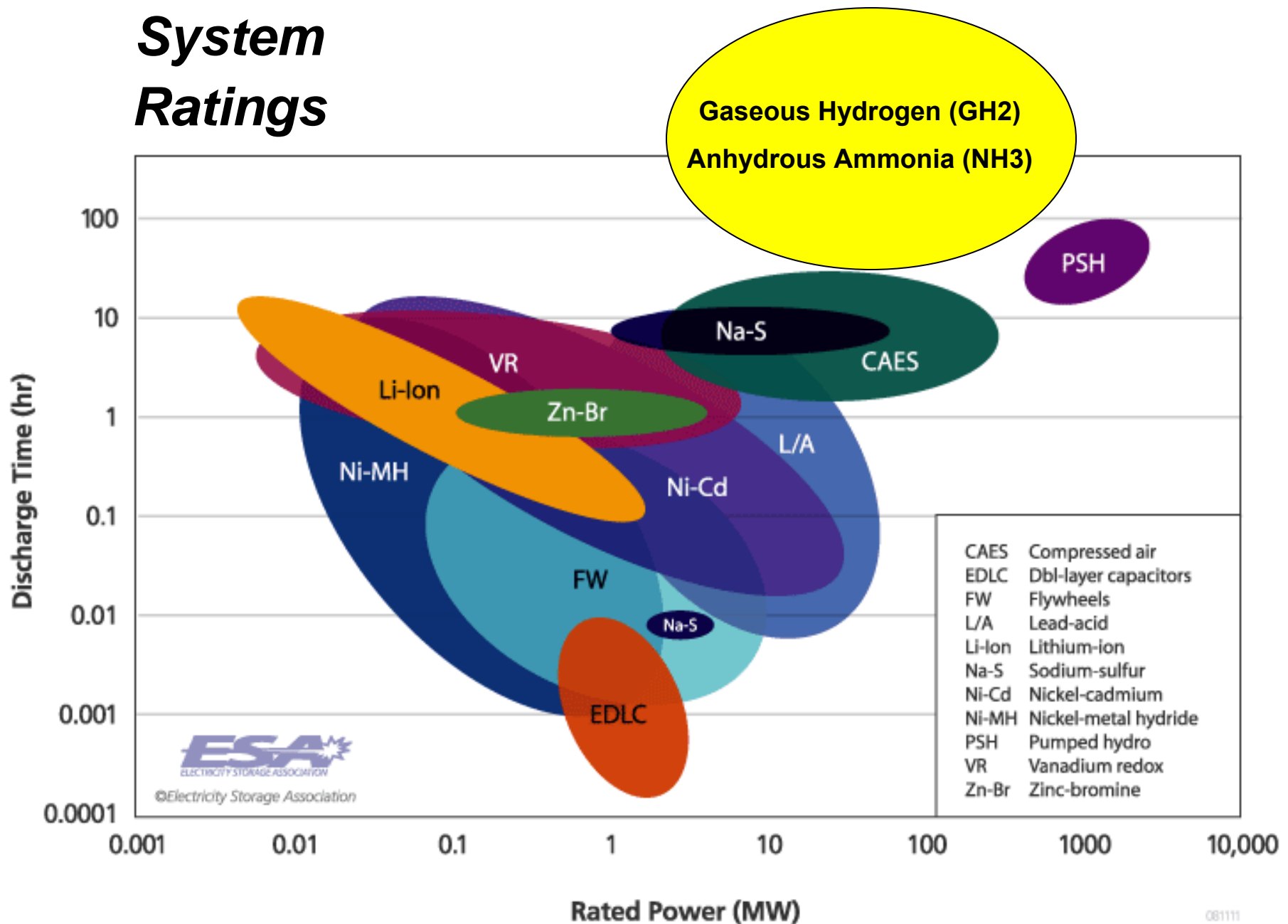
- **Delivering fuels: distribution**
- **ICE, CT, Fuel cell**
- **CHP on-site: 90% fuel energy recover**
- **Utility substation wholesale**
- **Transportation**
 - Rail
 - Truck
 - Personal
- **Emissions: H₂O, N₂**

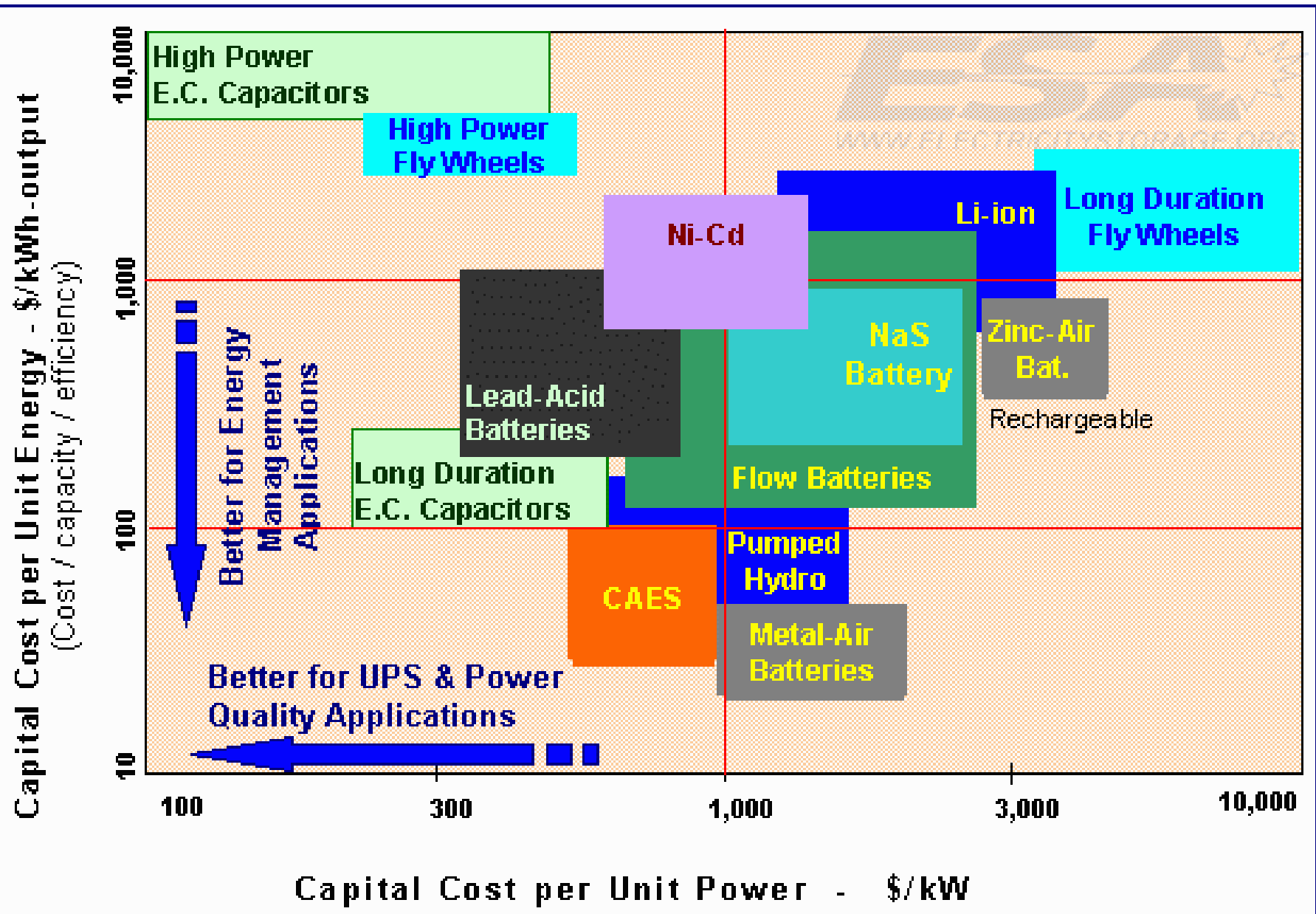
Annual Fresh Water for Energy

- USA today*
- All energy*

- 17,000 billion liters
 - “Withdrawn”
 - “Consumed”
 - Include all NG “fracking” ?
- If all via GH₂ + NH₃ feedstock:
 - Dissociated, disintegrated: $\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{H}_2 + \text{O}_2$
 - 900 billion liters

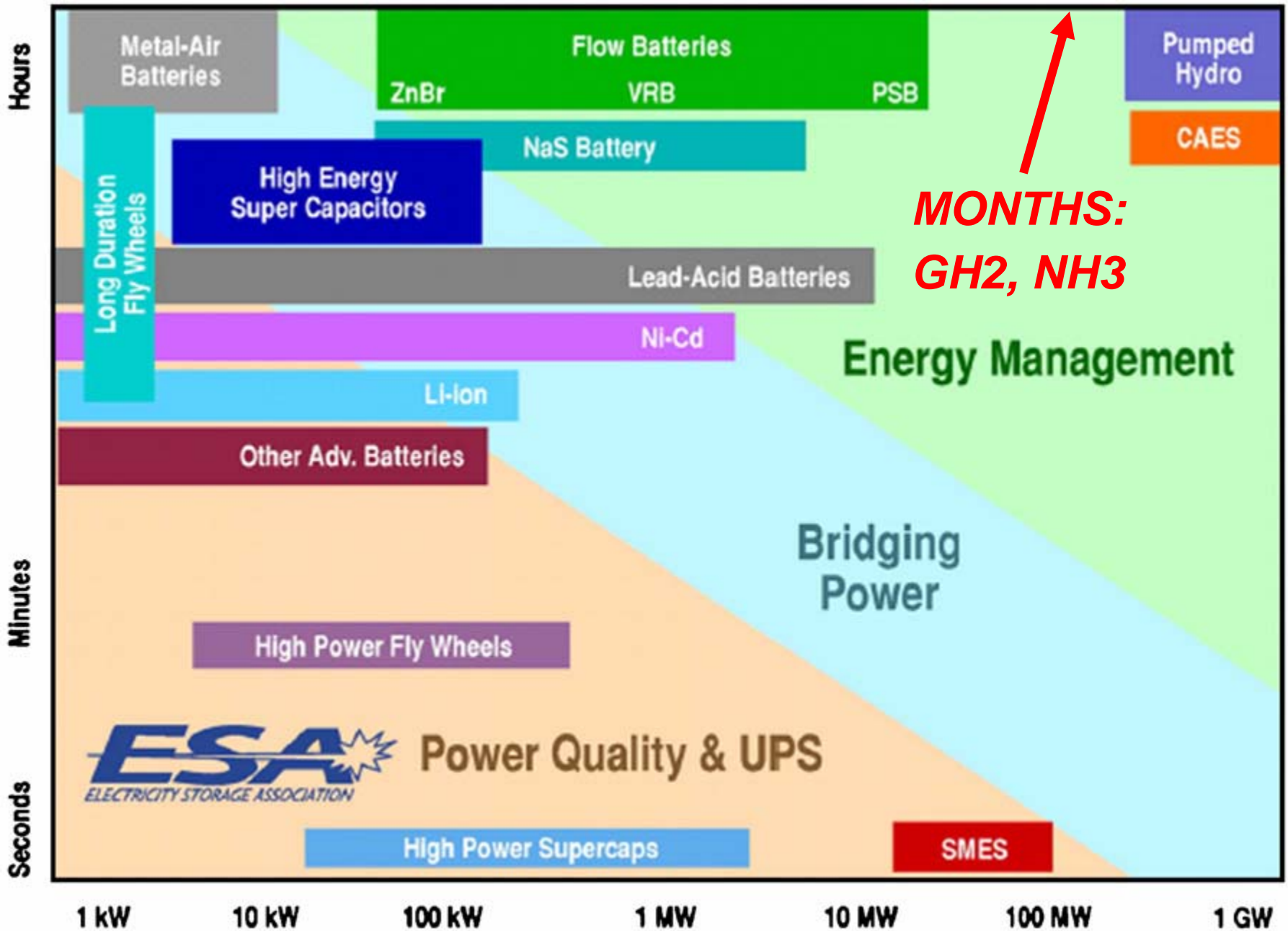
System Ratings





GH2 and NH3

Discharge Time



Power

The Great Plains Wind Resource



Exporting From 12 Windiest Great Plains States

Number of GH2 pipelines or HVDC electric lines necessary to export total wind resource

Capacity at 500 miles length

Capacity Factor (CF) = 30%

State	Annual Energy Production (TWh)	Nameplate Installed Capacity (MW)	Nameplate Installed Capacity (GW)	6 GW 36" GH2 Hydrogen Pipelines	\$ Billion Total Capital Cost	3 GW 500 KV HVDC Electric Lines	\$ Billion Total Capital Cost
Texas	6,528	1,901,530	1,902	317		634	
Kansas	3,647	952,371	952	159		317	
Nebraska	3,540	917,999	918	153		306	
South Dakota	3,412	882,412	882	147		294	
Montana	3,229	944,004	944	157		315	
North Dakota	2,984	770,196	770	128		257	
Iowa	2,026	570,714	571	95		190	
Wyoming	1,944	552,073	552	92		184	
Oklahoma	1,789	516,822	517	86		172	
Minnesota	1,679	489,271	489	82		163	
New Mexico	1,645	492,083	492	82		164	
Colorado	1,288	387,220	387	65		129	
TOTALS	33,711	9,376,694	9,377	1,563	\$1,500	3,126	\$2,000

Wind energy source: Archer, Jacobson 2003

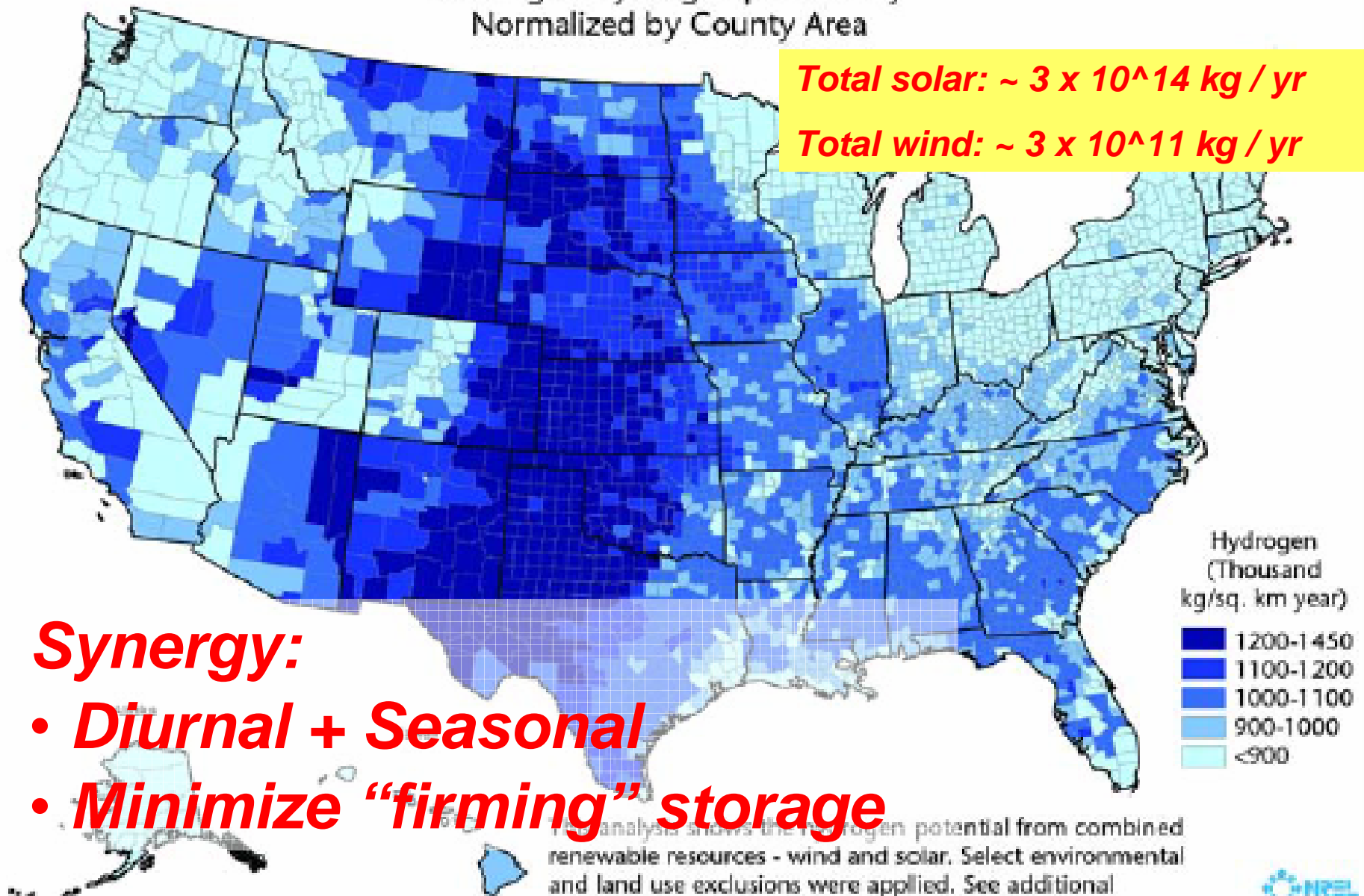
Figure 3

Hydrogen Potential from Solar and Wind Resources

Total kg of Hydrogen per County
Normalized by County Area

Total solar: $\sim 3 \times 10^{14}$ kg / yr

Total wind: $\sim 3 \times 10^{11}$ kg / yr



Synergy:

- **Diurnal + Seasonal**
- **Minimize “firming” storage**

This analysis shows the hydrogen potential from combined renewable resources - wind and solar. Select environmental and land use exclusions were applied. See additional documentation for more information.

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
• ICFI Wyoming	12	GW

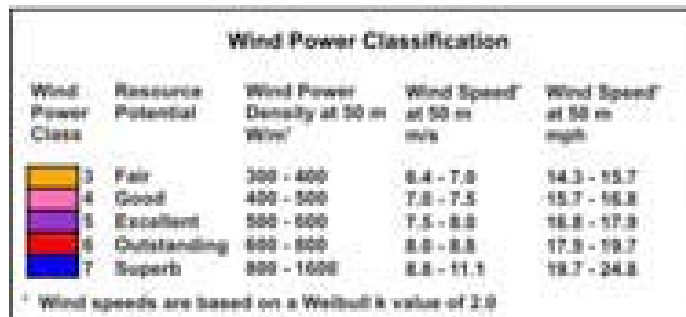
Total ~ 1,500 GW

Great Plains Potential:	10,000	GW wind, nameplate
	3,000,000	GW solar, nameplate

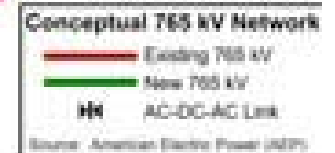
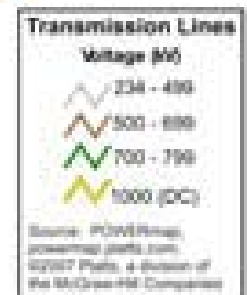
Total USA energy @ 33% CF: ~ 3,460 GW
@ 5 GW / 765 kv AC line: ~ 700 new lines

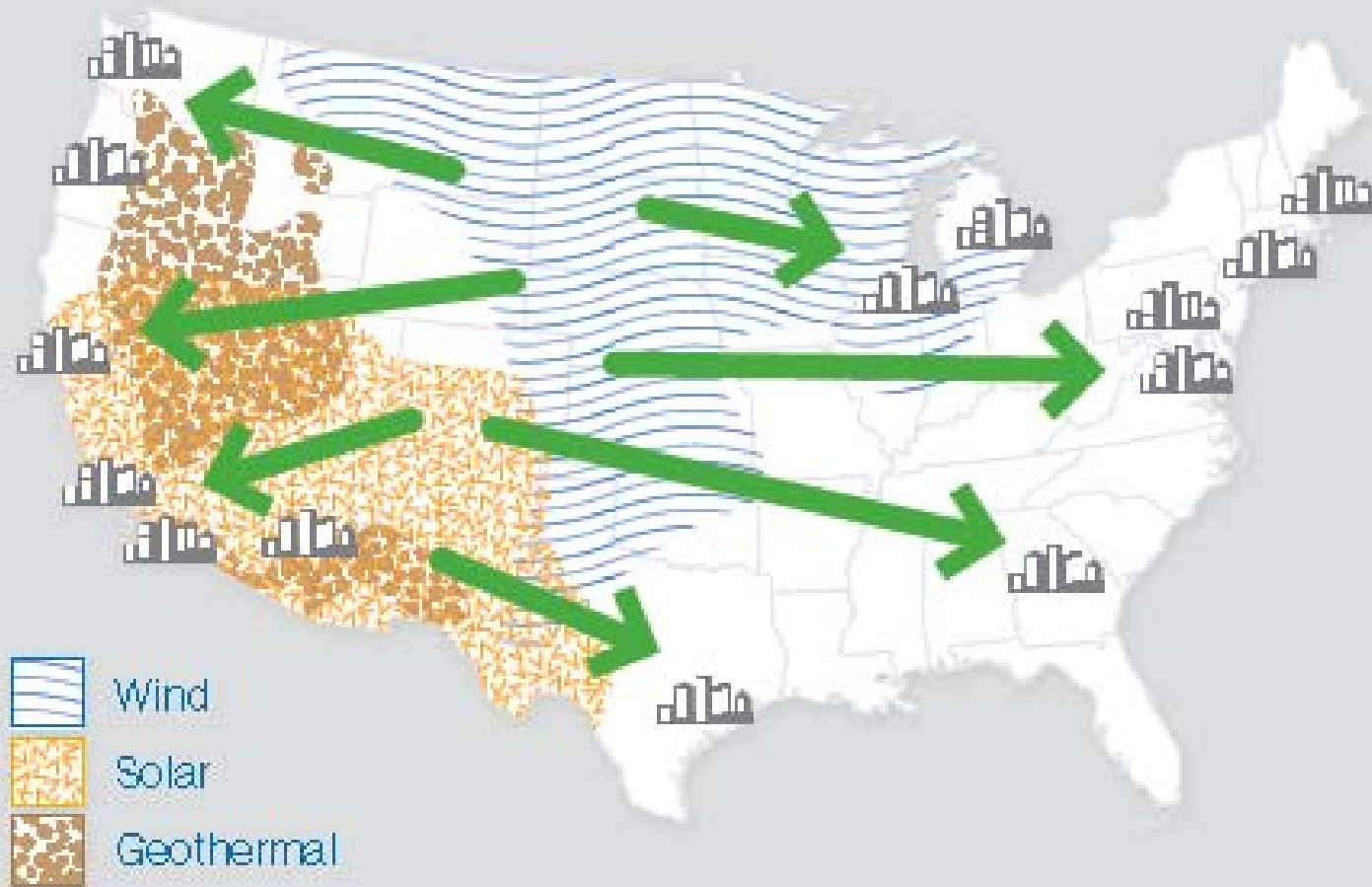
AWEA 20% Wind by 2030

“Never be built ...”



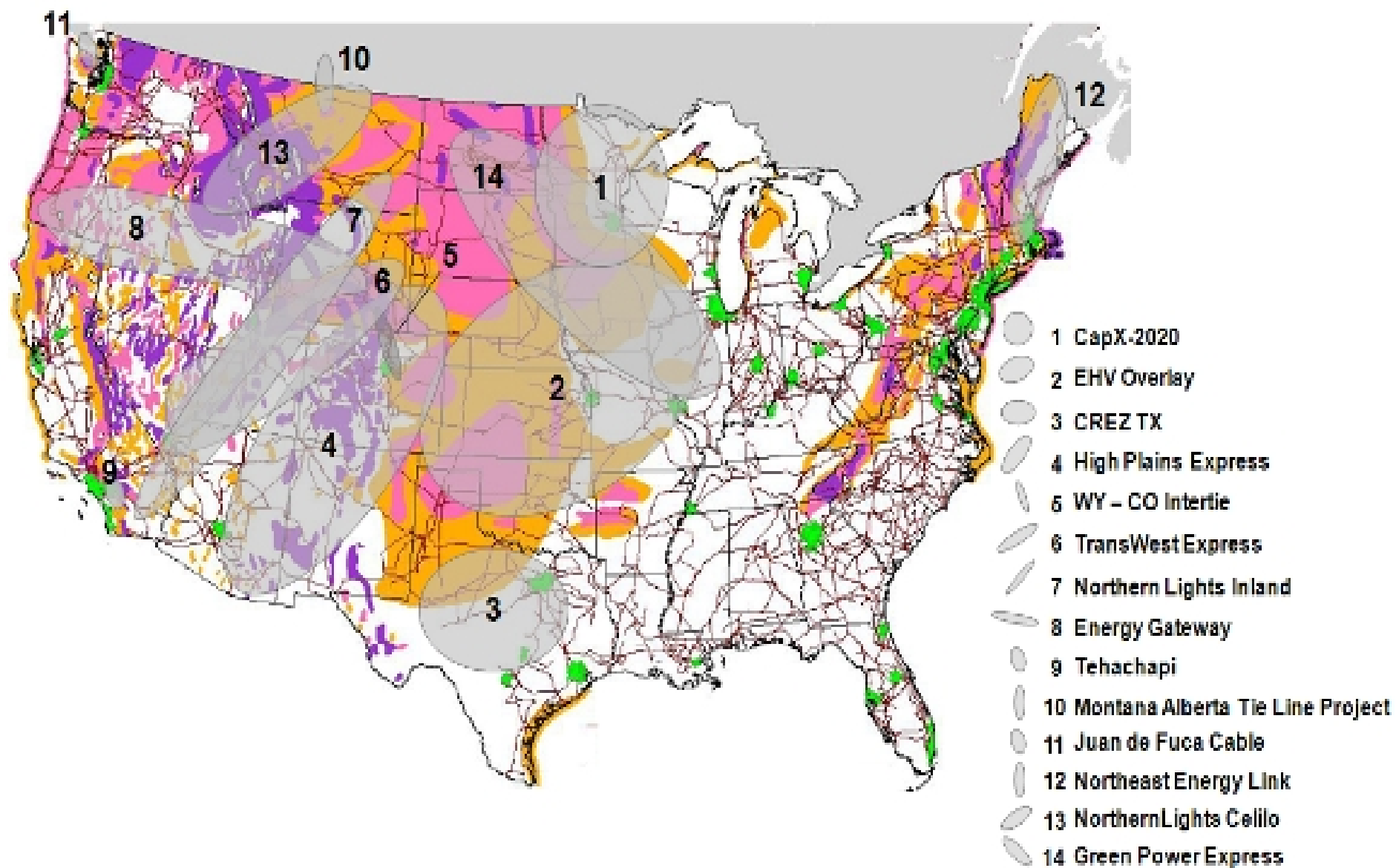
This map shows the wind resource data used by the WinDS model for the 20% Wind Scenario. It is a combination of high resolution and low resolution datasets produced by NREL and other organizations. The data was screened to eliminate areas unlikely to be developed onshore due to land use or environmental issues. In many states, the wind resource on this map is visually enhanced to better show the distribution on ridge crests and other features.





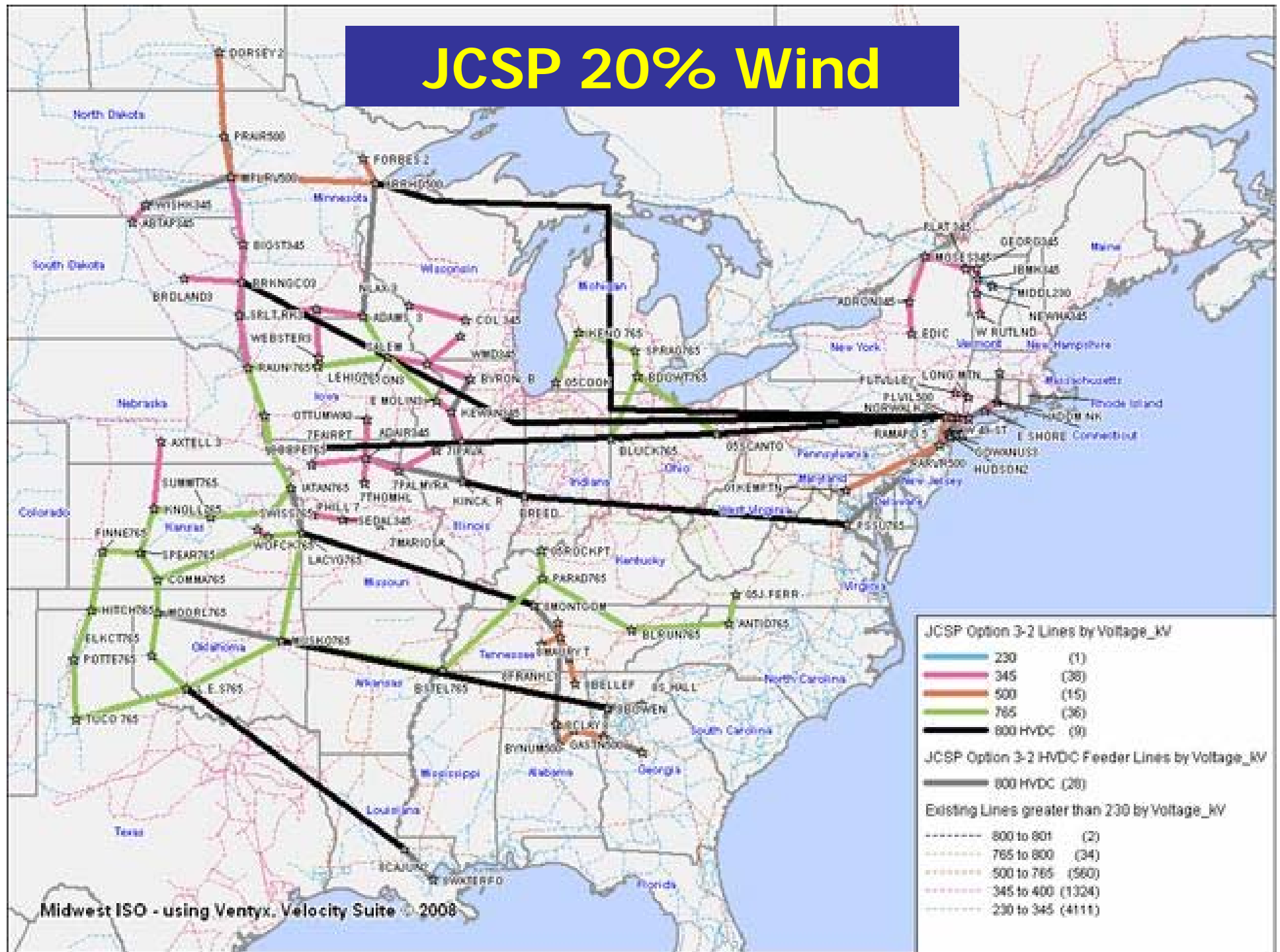
Source: AWEA and SEIA

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Emerging Energy Research LLC

JCSP 20% Wind



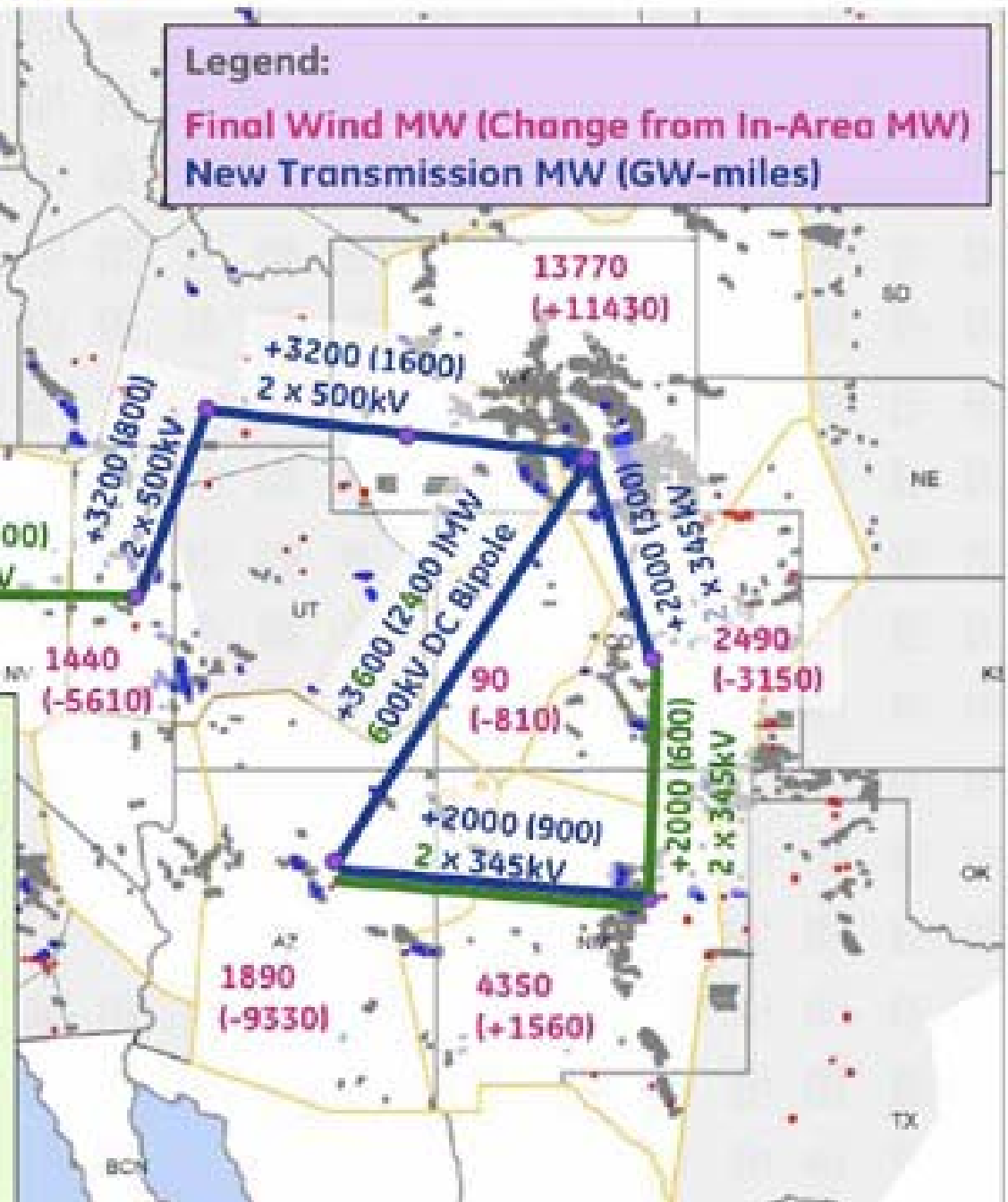
Mega Project Scenario

WWSIS

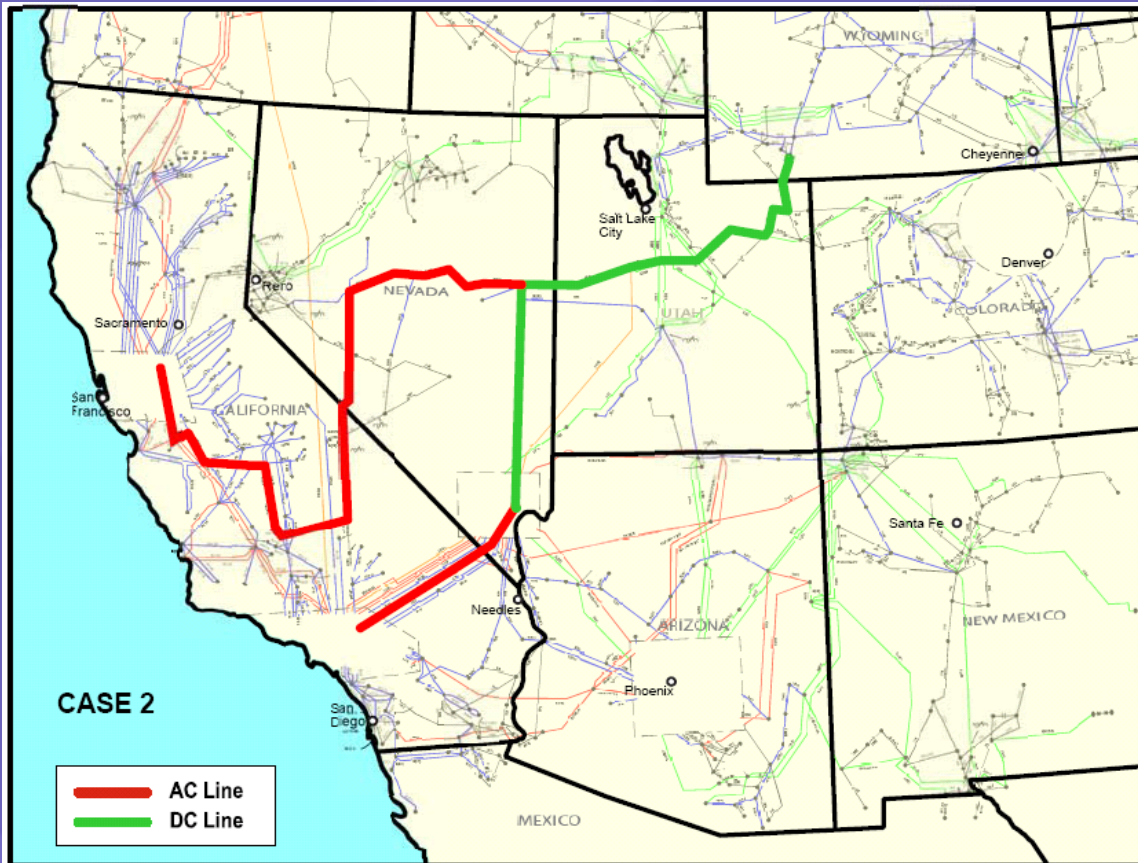
Legend:

Final Wind MW (Change from In-Area MW)
New Transmission MW (GW-miles)

Total Wind MW:
24040 (801 sites) (\$48.1B)
Change from in-area MW:
-5940 (-197 sites) (-\$11.8B)
Total Solar MW:
5700 MW (-100 MW) (-\$0.4 B)
Total Additional Transmission:
+ 6900 GW-miles (+\$11 B)
Total Change in Capital Cost:
-\$1.2B



Frontier Line

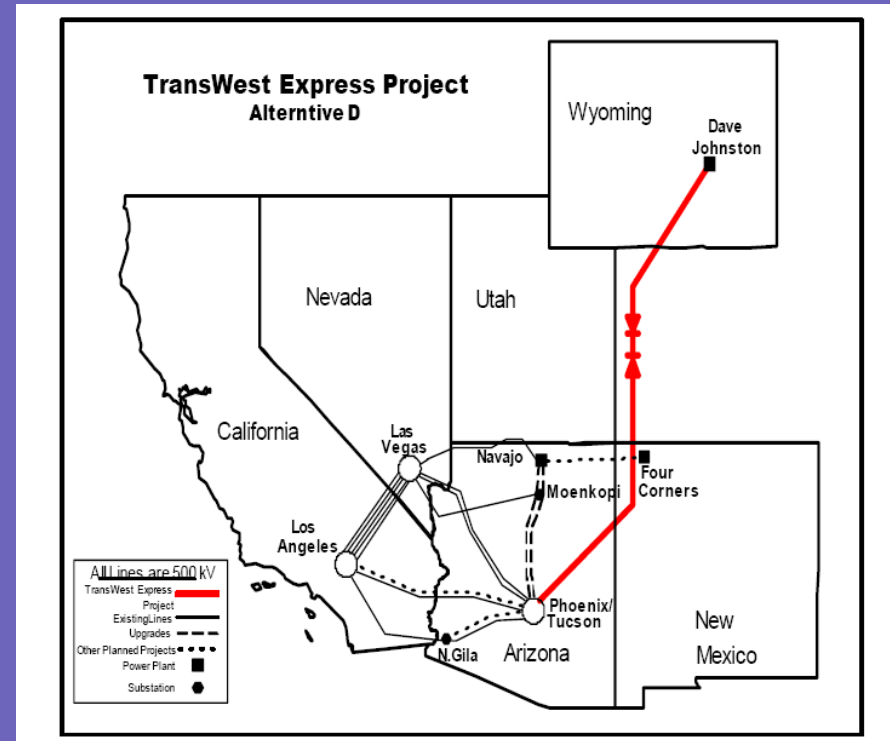
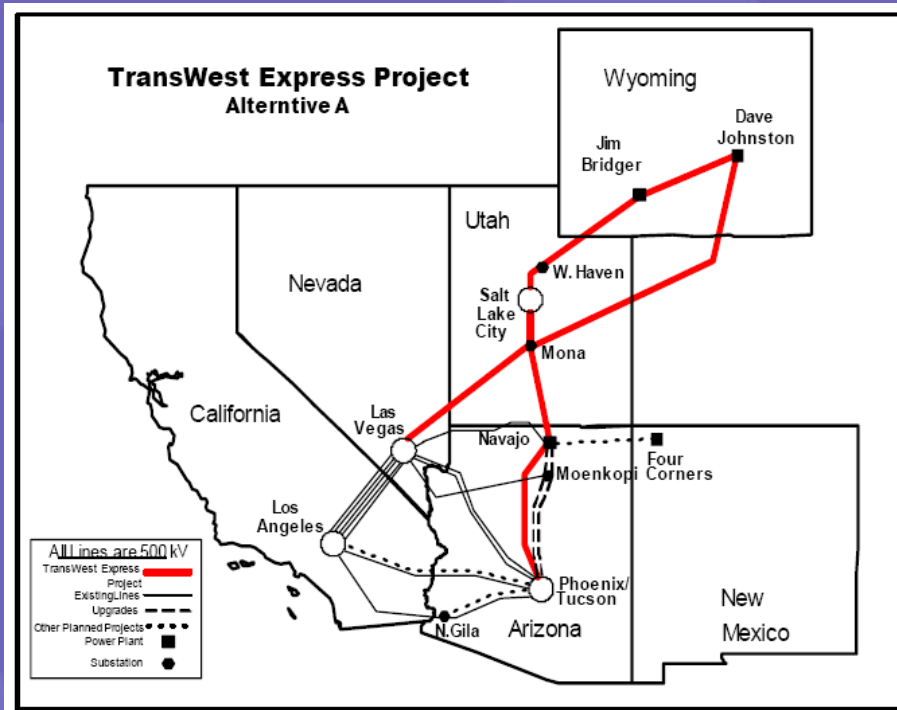


Example pathway by California Energy Commission, *Wyoming-California Corridor Transmission Expansion Study*, Global Energy Decisions, June 2006, CEC-700-2006-008.

- 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.

WESTERN TRANSMISSION PROJECTS

NOTE: Approximate relationship based on Surge Impedance Loading (i.e. reactive power balance point) 345 kV single circuit tower lines with two conductors per phase compared to 765 kV single circuit lines with six conductors per phase.

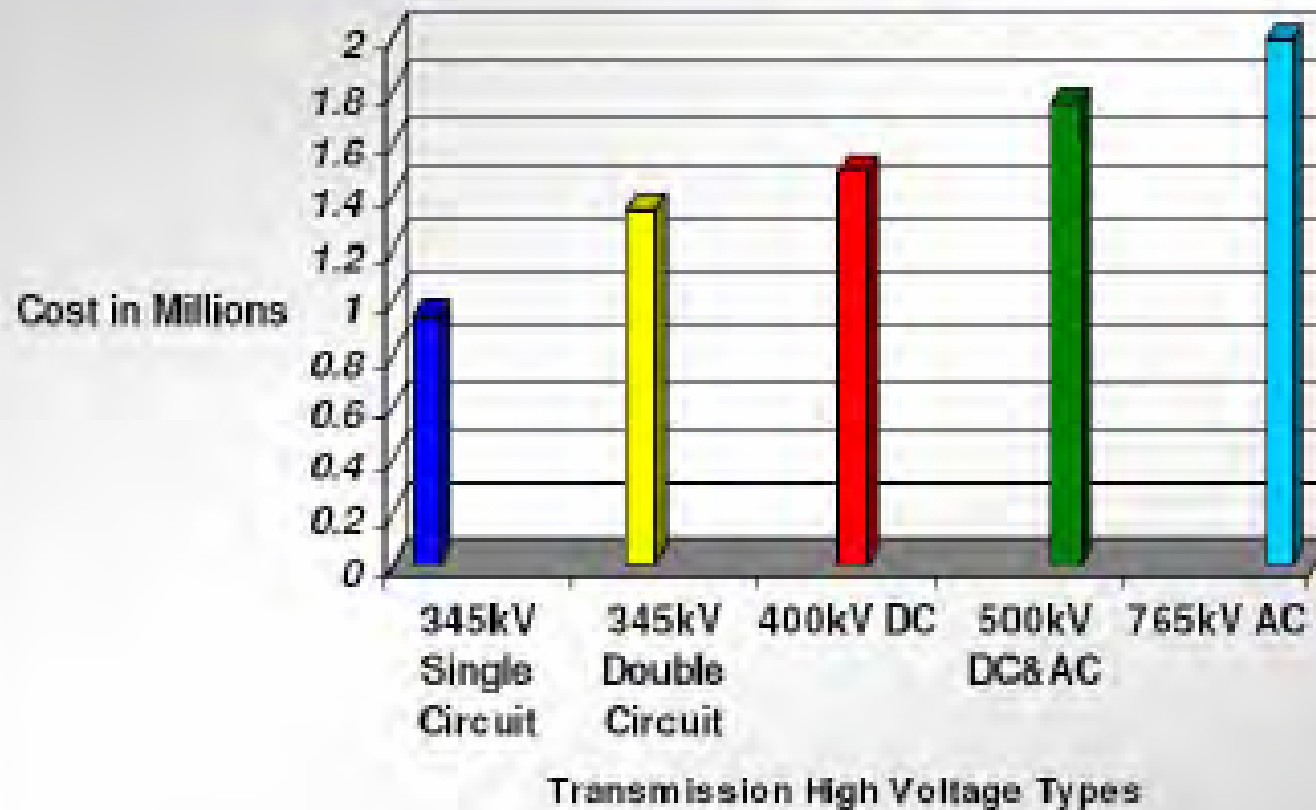
Transmission Voltage (kV)	Cost per Mile (\$/mile)	Capacity (MW)	Cost per Unit of Capacity (\$/MW-mile)
230	\$2,077 million	500	\$5,460
345	\$2,539 million	967	\$2,850
500	\$4,328 million	2040	\$1,450
765	\$6,578 million	5000	\$1,320



(Sources: Edison Foundation¹², AEP¹³)

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Transmission Line Construction Cost Per Mile Estimates For SPP




Transmission Line Construction Cost
\$ million per Mile
Southwest Power Pool '07

Electricity Capital Cost per GW-mile

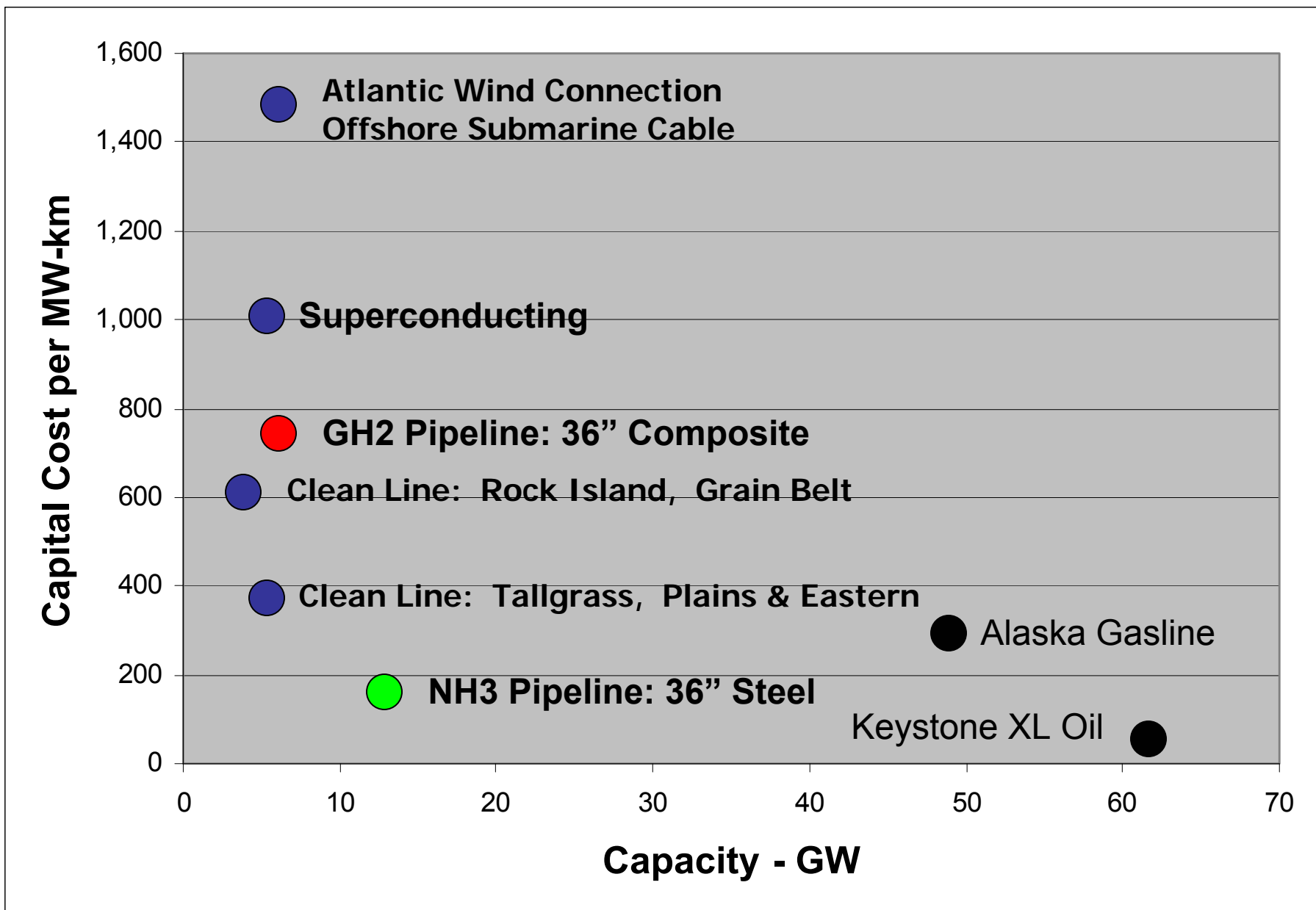
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• SEIA:	765	5,000	1.3
	345	1,000	2.6
• AEP-AWEA	765	5,000	3.2
Consensus average			2.5



Atlantic
Wind Connection



The Atlantic Wind Connection transmission backbone would connect 6,000 MW of wind turbine capacity, built on the broad, windy spaces of the mid-Atlantic continental shelf, to population centers and transmission nodes on land.





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

**but only after they
have tried
everything else ”**

Winston Churchill

Trouble with Renewables

- **Diffuse, dispersed: gathering cost**
- **Richest are remote: “stranded”**
 - High intensity
 - Large geographic extent
- **Time-varying output:**
 - “Intermittent”
 - “Firming” integration + storage required
- **Distributed AND centralized**

“Firm” Energy Essential

- Every hour, every year
- Dispatchable
- Strategically: indigenous, secure
- Market price: worth more
- Bankable large projects
- Risk avoidance:
 - Rapid climate change
 - Economic chaos

GW-scale Transmission + Storage Options

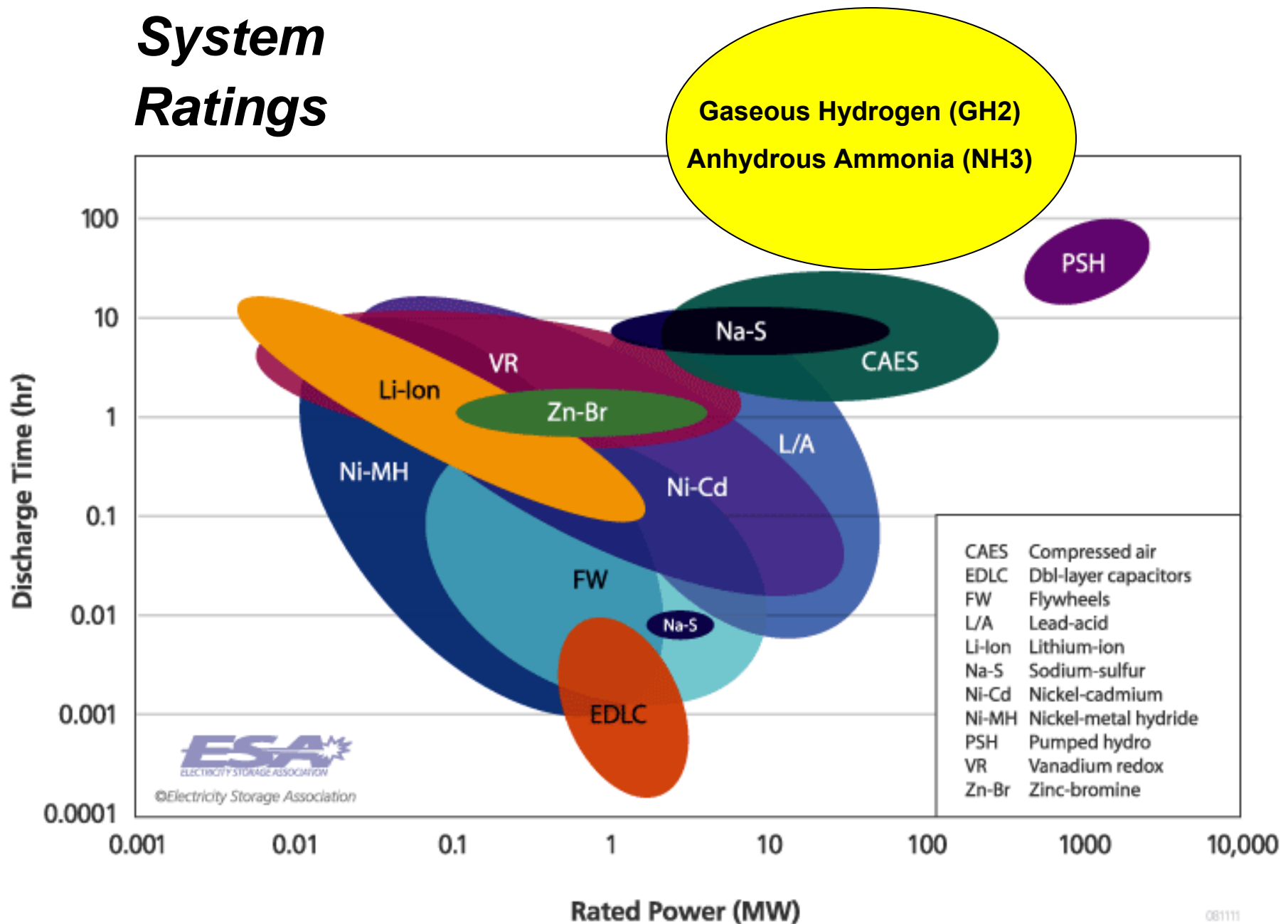
- **Electricity: HVAC, HVDC**
 - CAES compressed air energy storage
 - Vanadium Redox battery (VRB Power Systems)
 - Sodium-sulfur battery
 - PHEV, BEV (distributed)
- **Gaseous Hydrogen (GH₂)**
 - Pipeline
 - Geologic: salt caverns (man-made)
 - Geologic: natural formations ? *Terra incognita*
- **Liquid 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

Energy Storage System Characteristics

Hydrogen and Ammonia off the charts

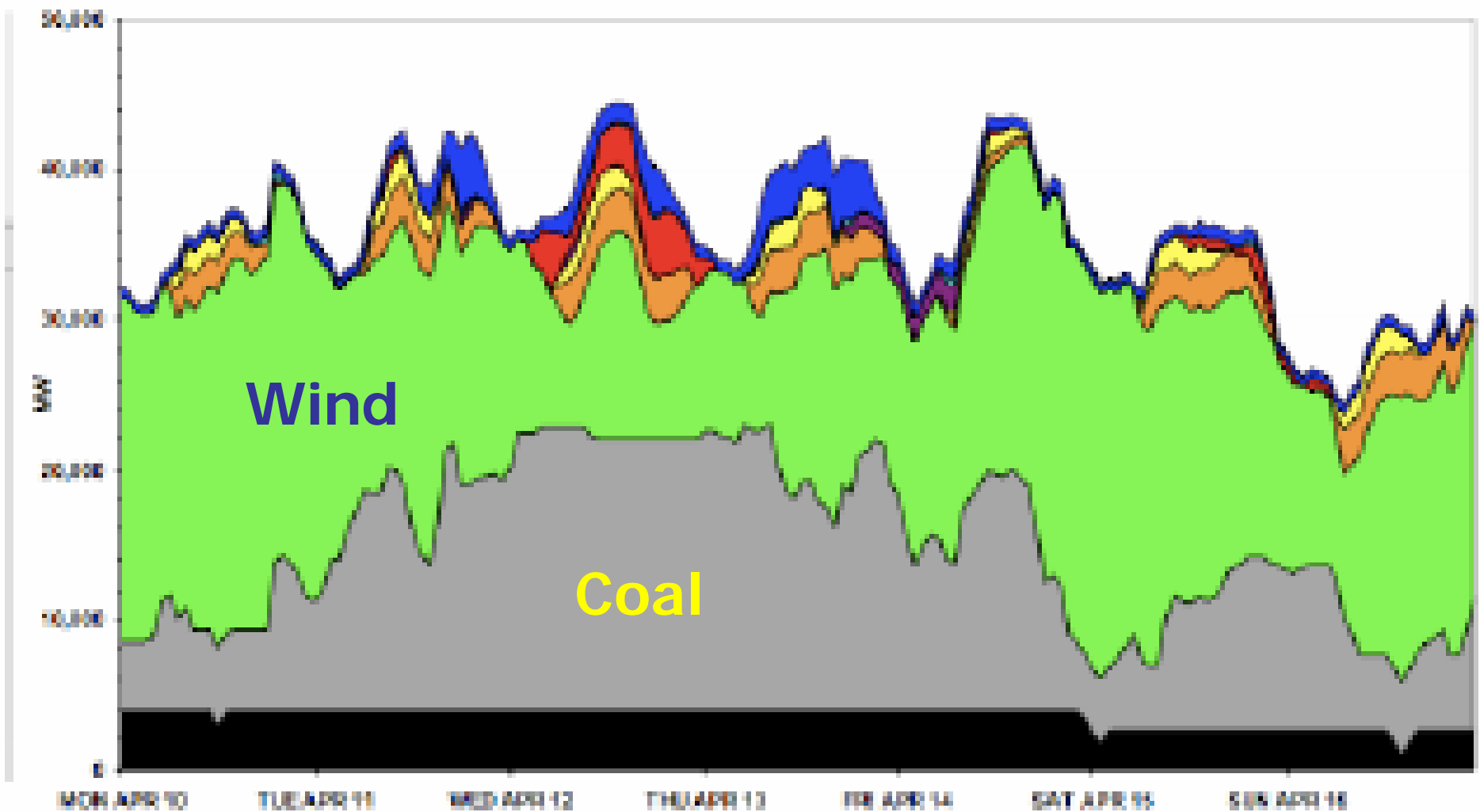
- ***Storage capacity (Mwh, scf, nM3, Mt, gallons)***
- ***Power (MW, scfm) In / Out rate***
- ***Costs***
 - ***Capital***
 - ***O&M***
 - ***Conversion losses***
- **Efficiency**
- **Response time**
- **Durability (cycling capacity)**
- **Reliability**
- **Autonomy**
- **Self-discharge**
- **Depth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

System Ratings

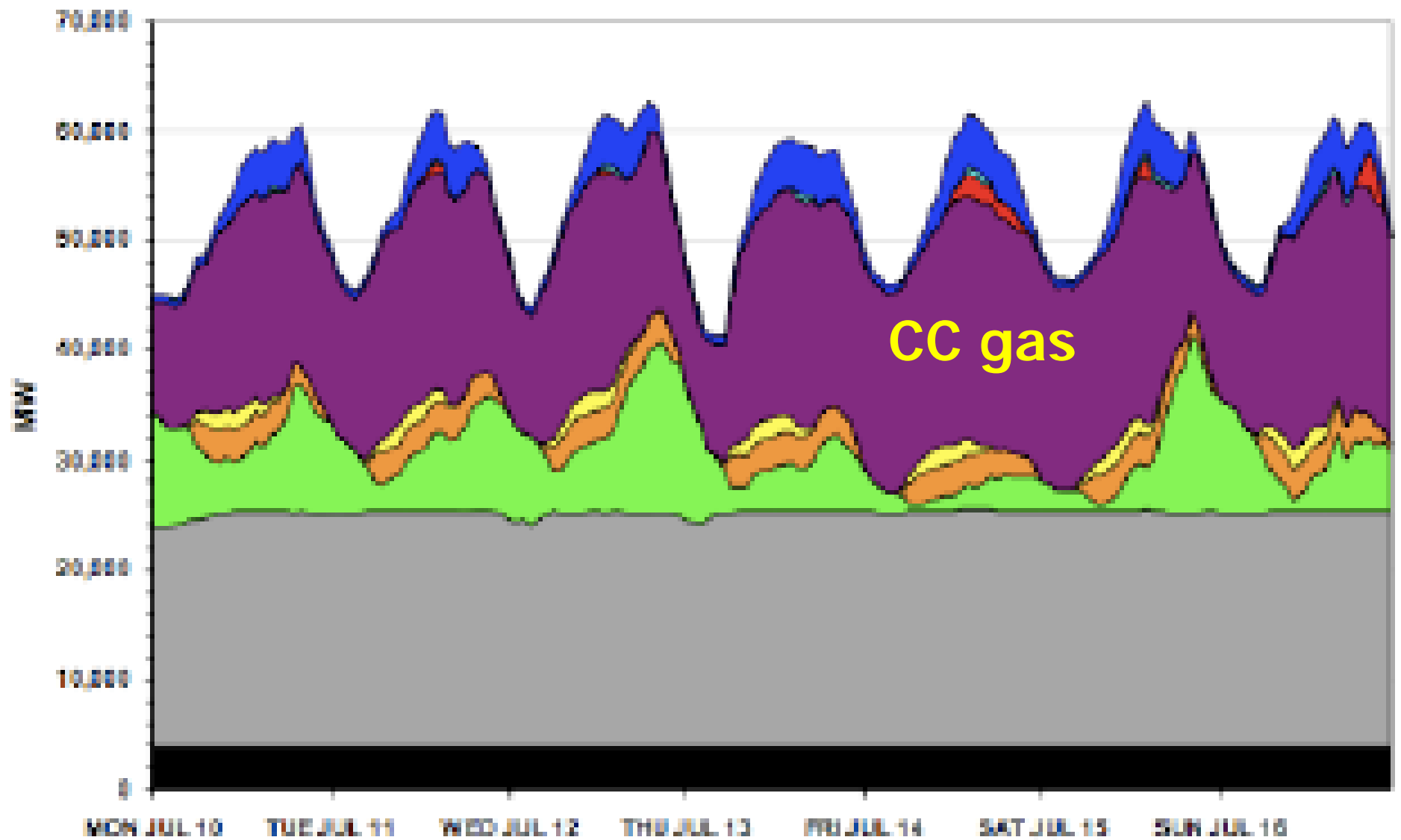


Trouble with Renewables: Electricity Transmission

- Grid nearly full
 - New must pay for transmission
 - Costly: AC or DC
- Integration
 - Continental energy system
 - Quality
 - Generation O+M: fatigue, wear, low efficiency
- Low capacity factor (CF) or curtailment
- Costly “firming” storage: CAES, VRB
- Overhead vulnerable: God or man
- Underground: Only HVDC, 6x cost
- FERC no interstate jurisdiction
- Wide ROW
- NIMBY: site, ROW delay + cost



WWSIS: April week: ~30% RE



WWSIS: July week: ~10% RE

Wind seasonality, Great Plains

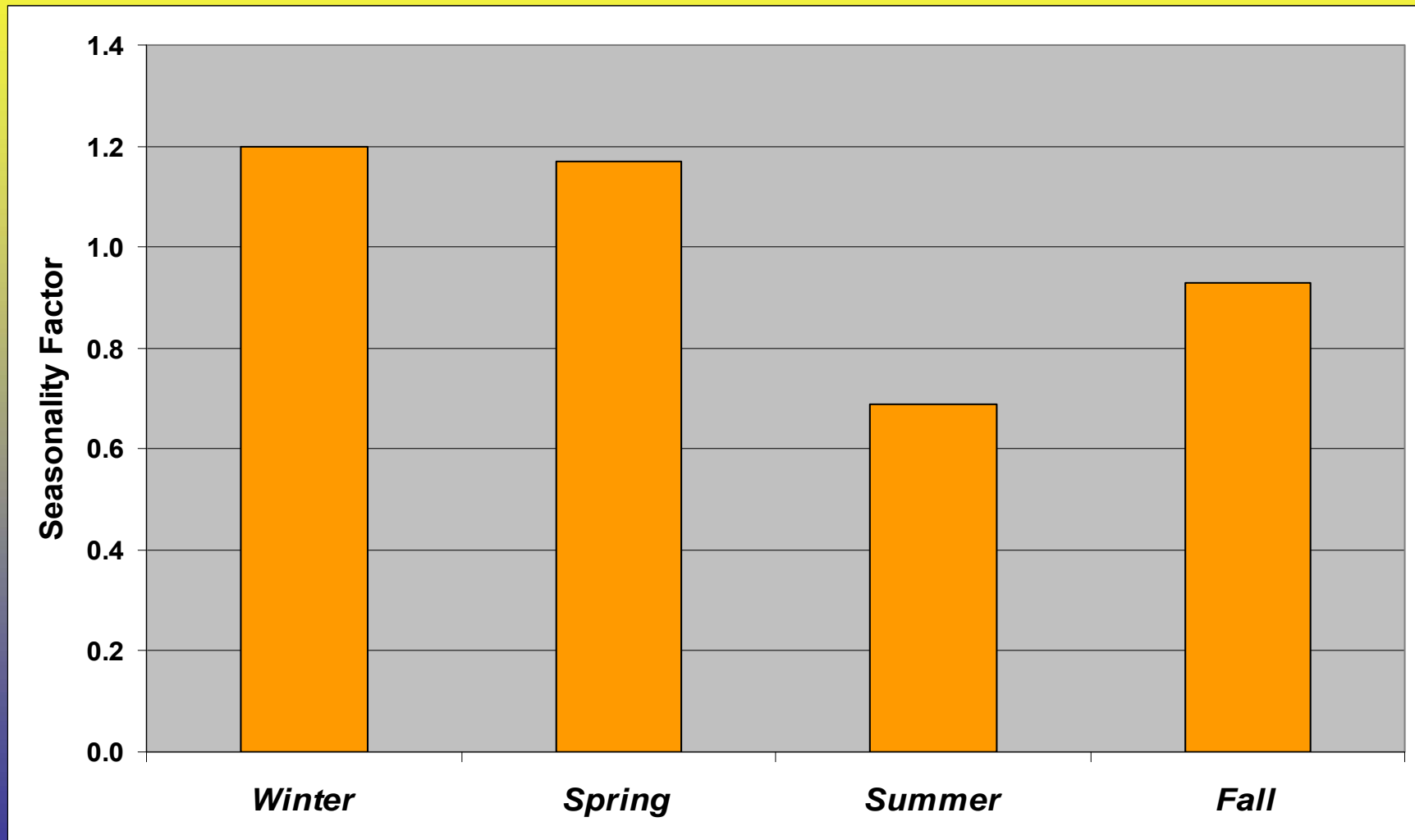
Normalized to 1.0

- **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

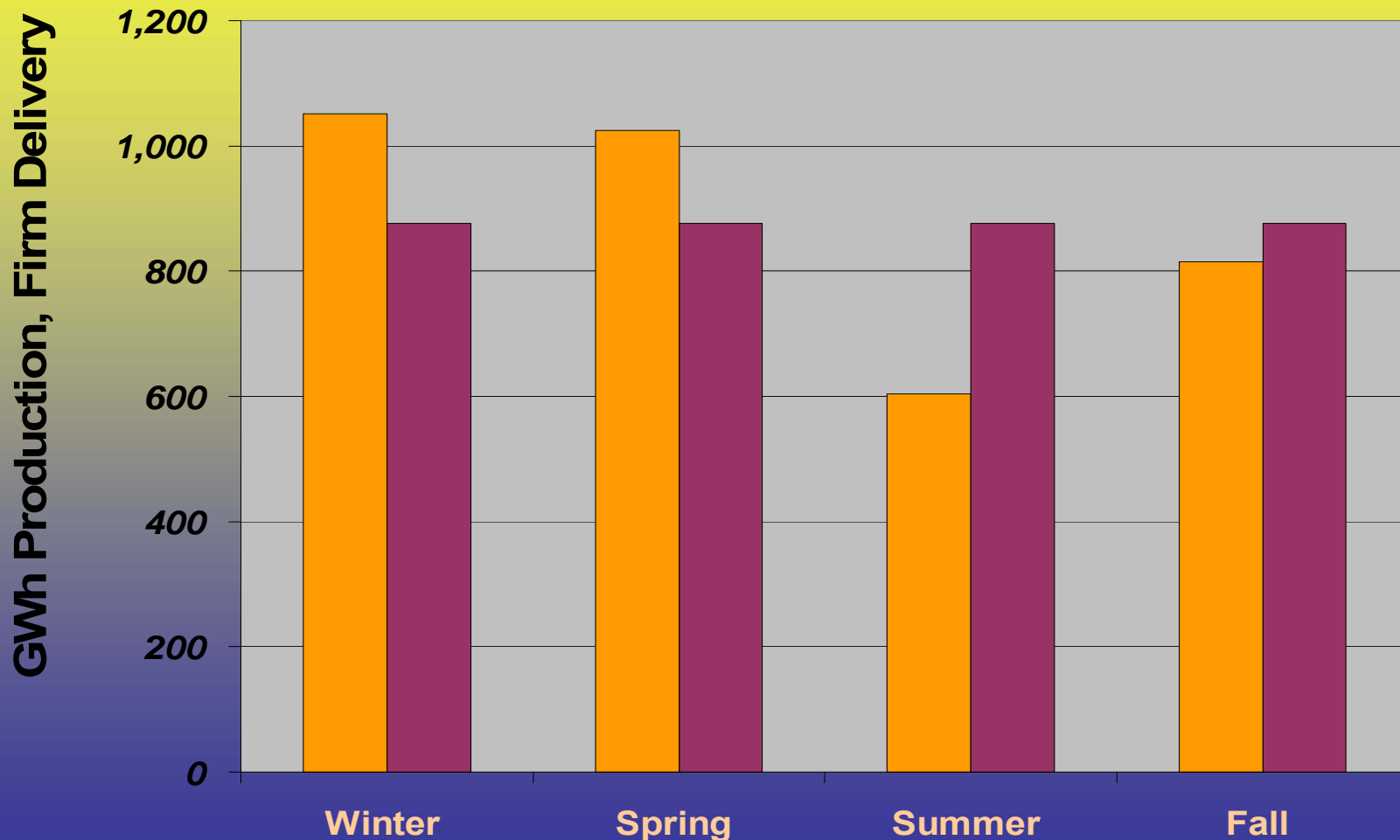
1,000 MW windplant:

AEP = 3,500 GWh / yr

“Firm” goal = 875 GWh / season

Storage: 320 GWh per 1,000 MW wind

Source: NREL, D. Elliott

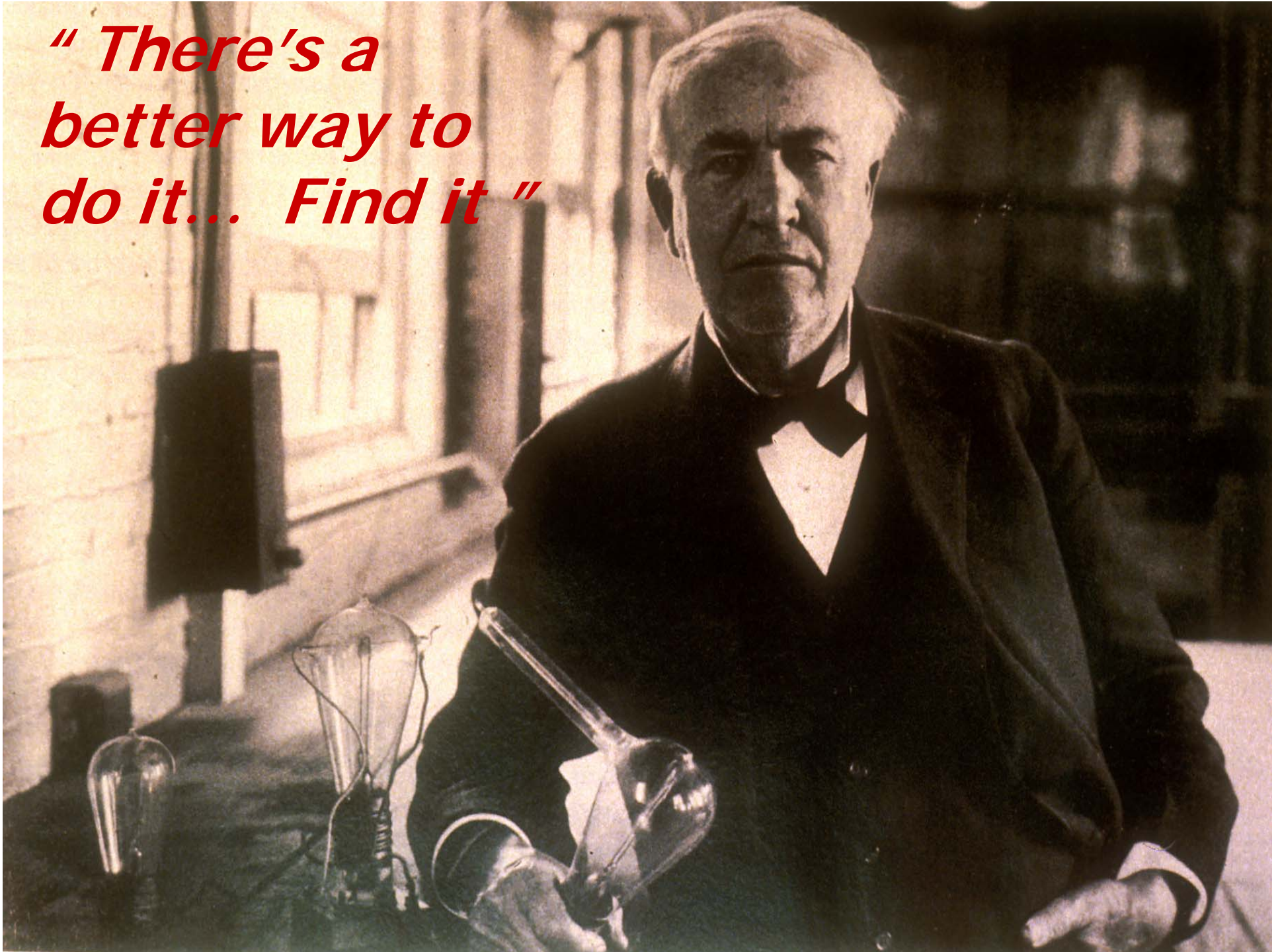


320 GWh

Annual firming, 1,000 MW wind

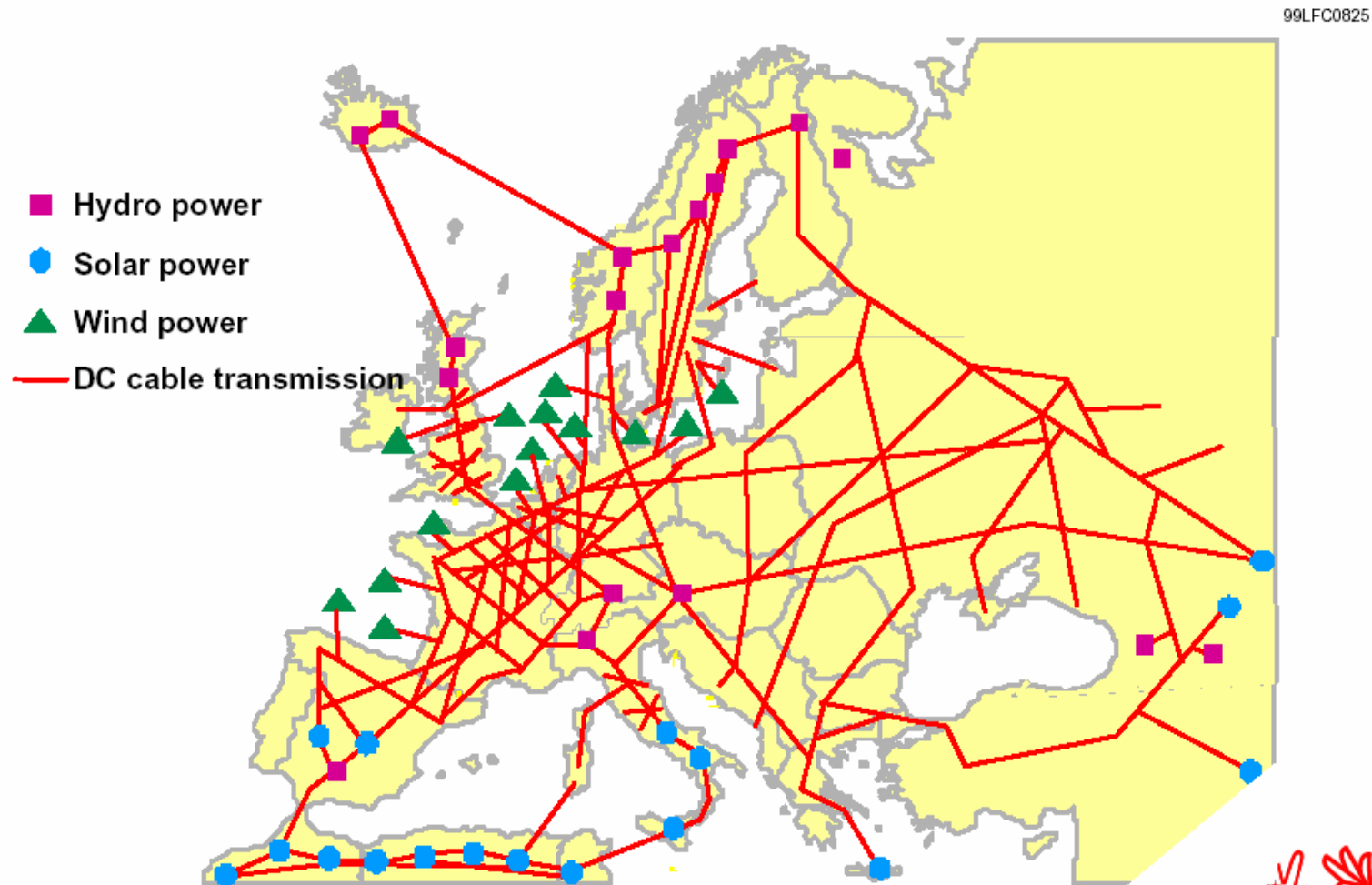
- **CAES (compressed air energy storage)**
 - **O&M: \$46 / MWh typical**
 - **Iowa: Power = 268 MW**
 - Energy capacity = 5,360 MWh**
 - Capital: 268 MW @\$800 / kW = \$214 M**
 - Storage @ \$40 / kWh = \$13 Billion**
 - Storage @ \$1 / kWh = \$325 Million**
- **VRB flow battery**
 - **O&M: 80% efficiency round-trip**
 - **Capital: \$500 / kWh = \$160 Billion**

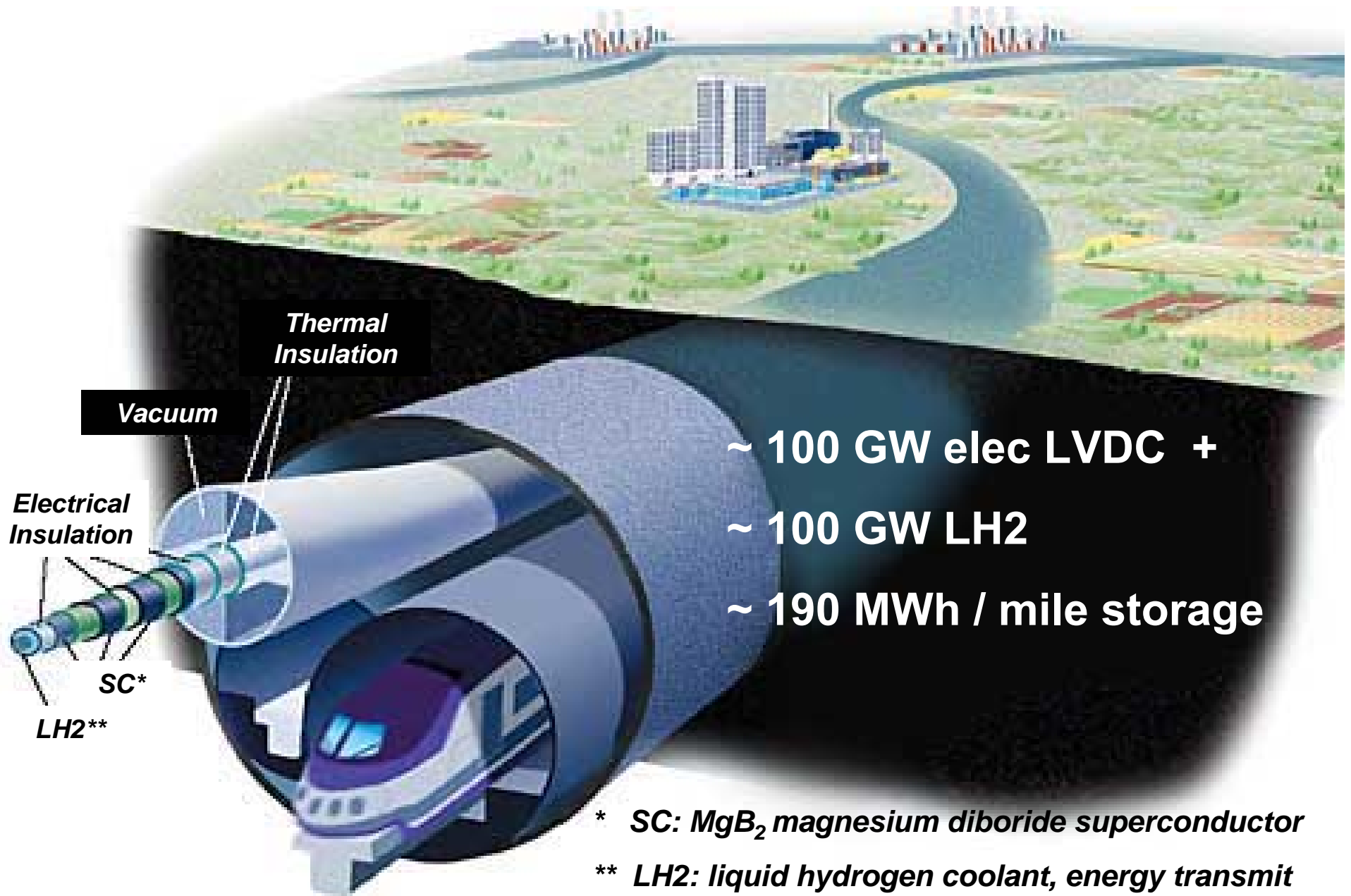
***" There's a
better way to
do it... Find it "***



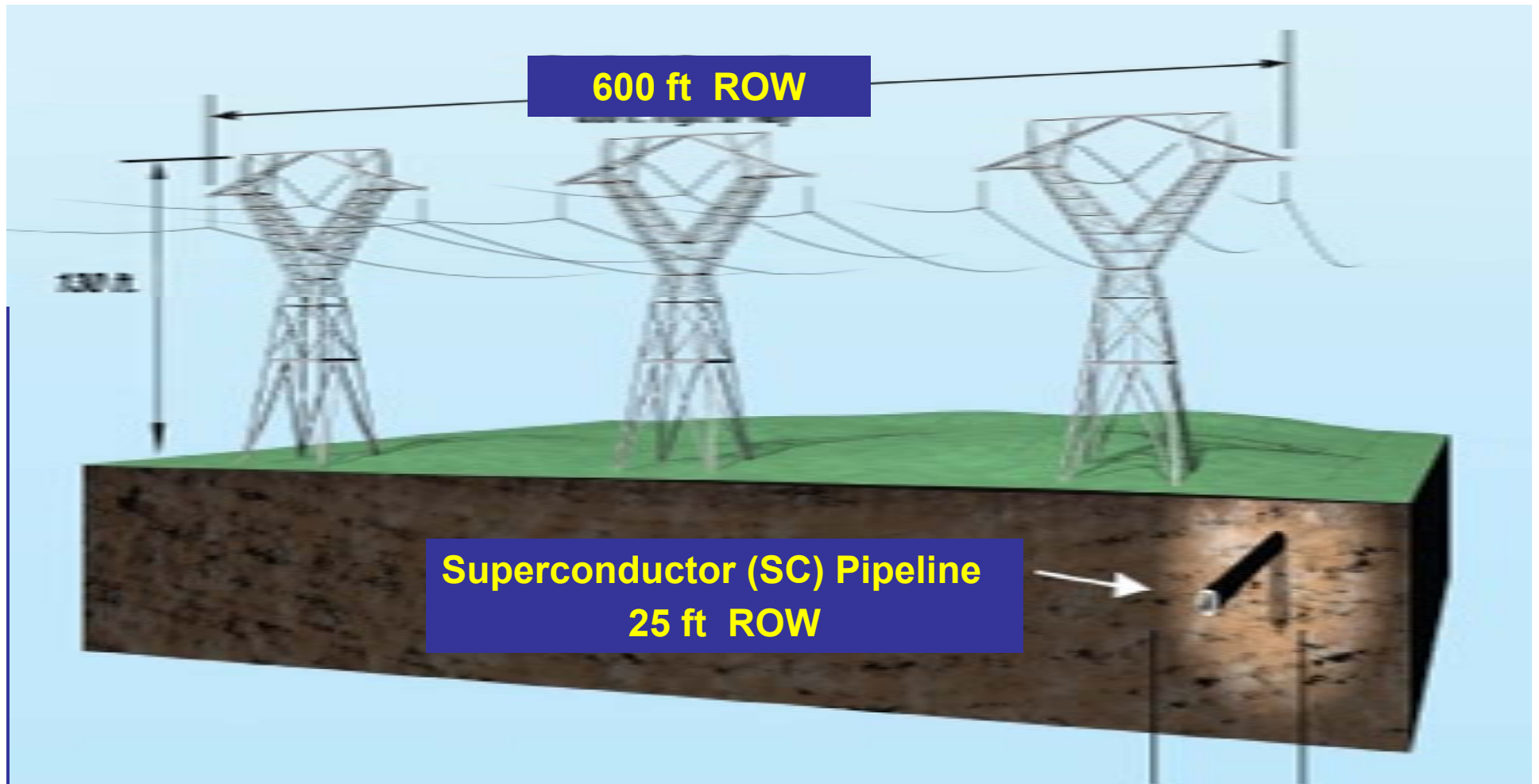
Vision: Remote renewable energy sources

connected to loads by DC grid



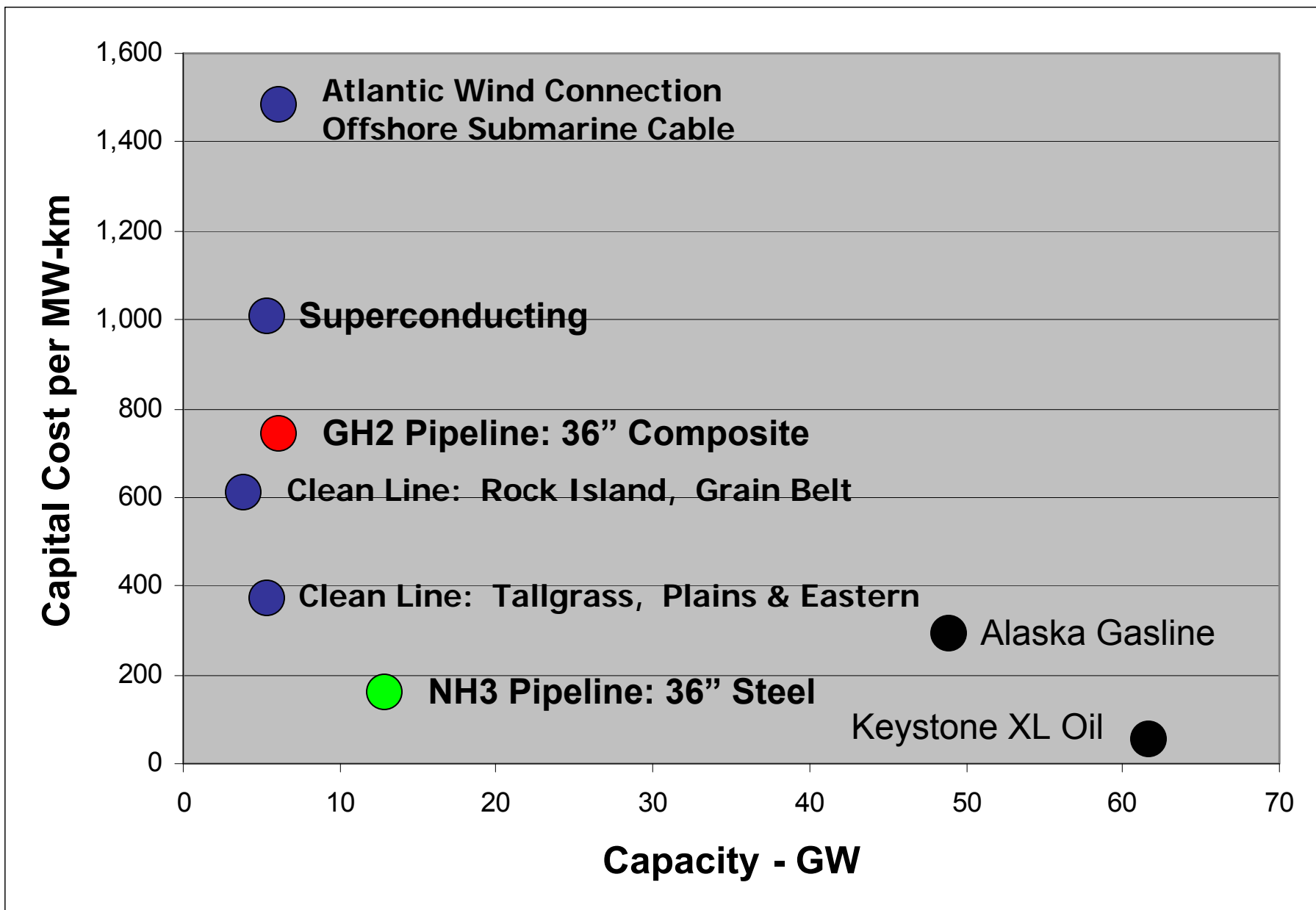


Continental Supergrid – EPRI concept “Energy Pipeline”



Out of Sight, Out of Harm's Way

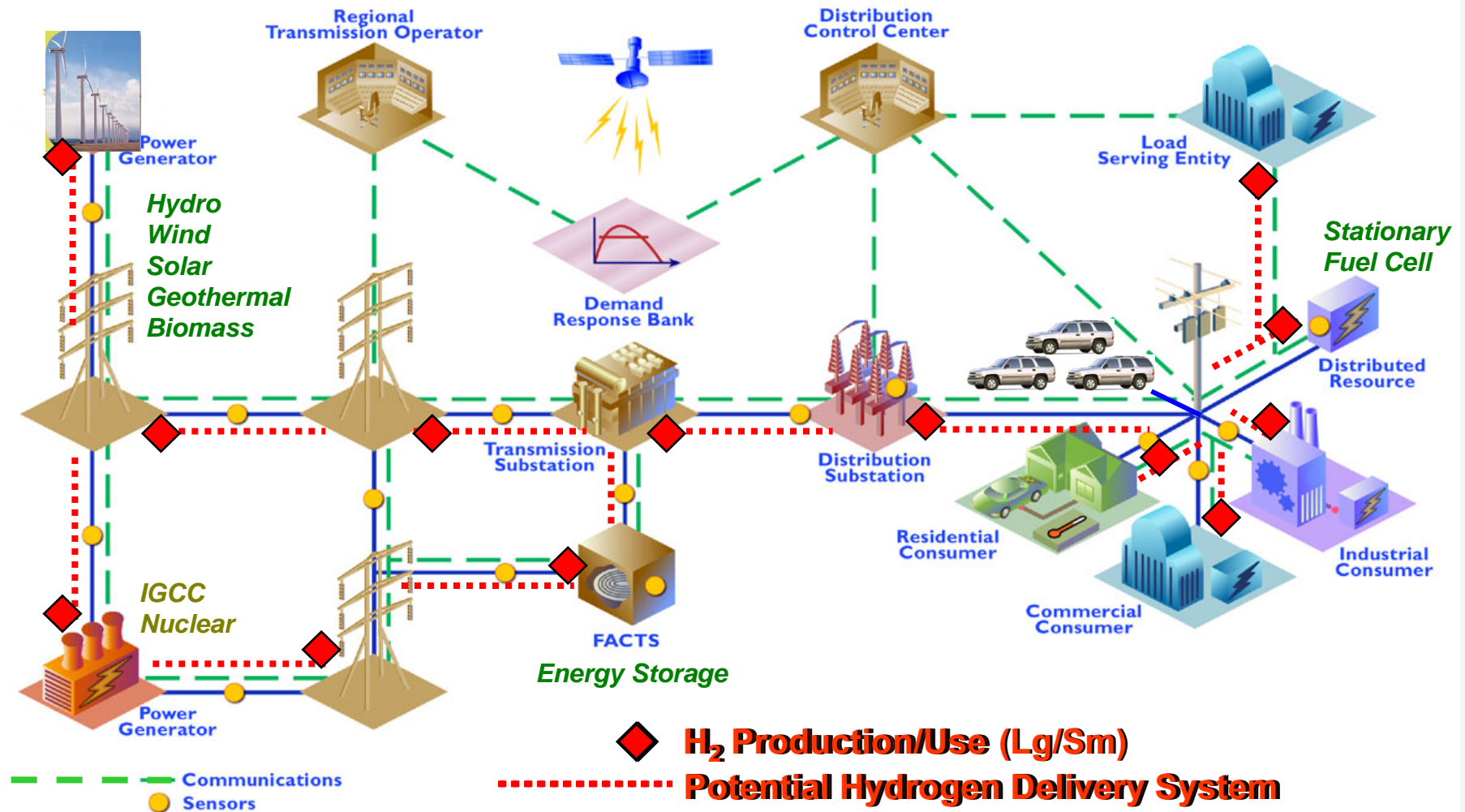
10,000 MW alternatives: HVAC vs HVDC superconductor



Why Hydrogen, Ammonia ?

- Transmission via underground pipeline
 - Easier to site, permit
 - Lower NIMBY
 - Protected: acts of God and man
 - FERC interstate jurisdiction
 - High capacity: 5 - 10 GW
 - Lower capital cost / GW - mile
- Affordable storage:
 - Annual-scale firming
 - Dispatchable fuel supply
- Zero-carbon fuels: RE
- Nascent markets: transport fuel, other
- Integration
 - Continental energy system
 - Elec grid quality
 - Elec grid generation O+M: fatigue, wear, efficiency

Energy System of the Future



Frank Novachek, Director Corporate Planning



Hydrogen Utility Group (HUG)



Frank Novachek, Director Corporate Planning



Utsira Island, Norway



The wind – hydrogen plant at Utsira

A vision becoming reality

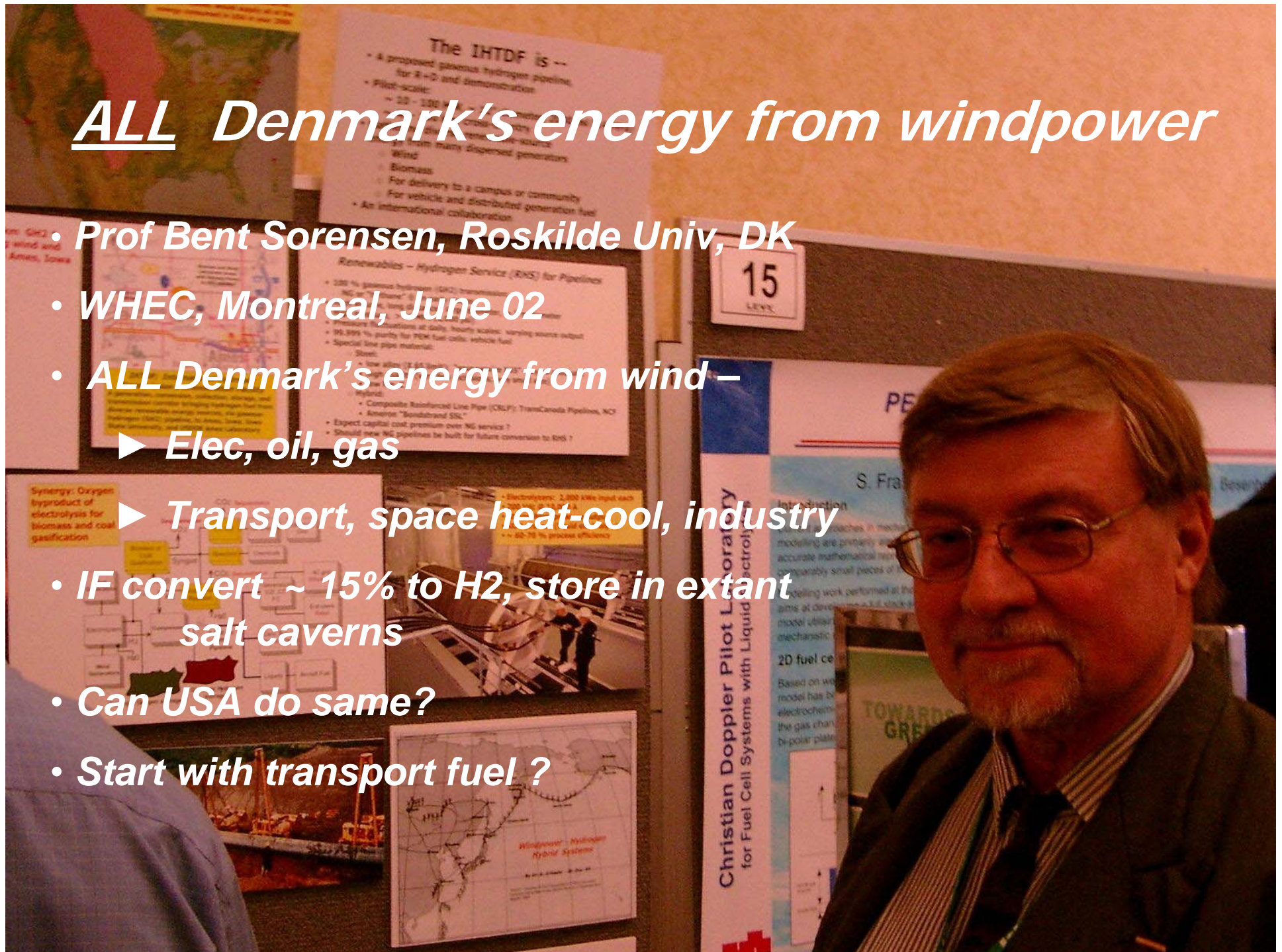


ALL Denmark's energy from windpower

- Prof Bent Sorensen, Roskilde Univ, DK
- WHEC, Montreal, June 02
- ALL Denmark's energy from wind –
 - ▶ Elec, oil, gas

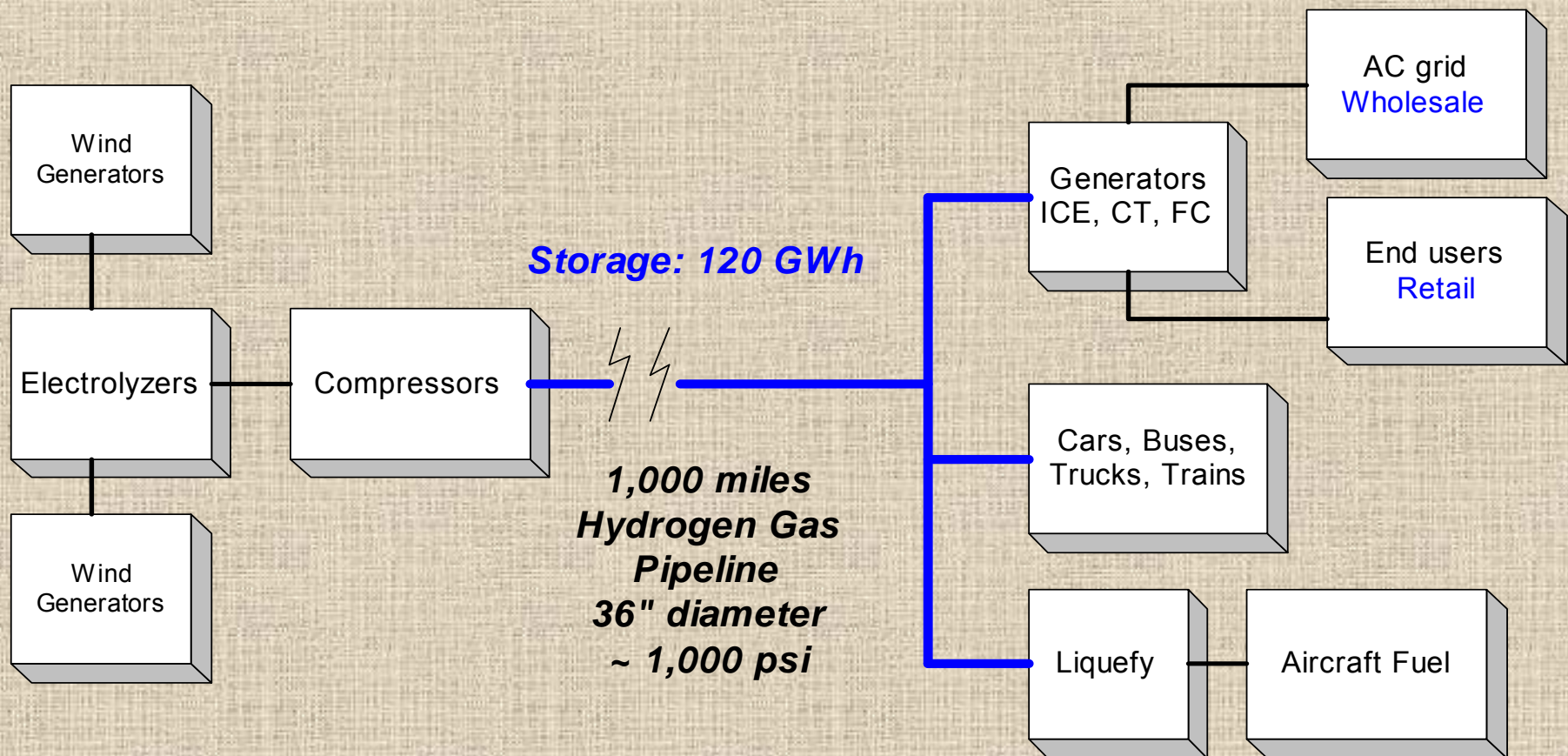
▶ Transport, space heat-cool, industry

- IF convert ~ 15% to H₂, store in extant salt caverns
- Can USA do same?
- Start with transport fuel ?



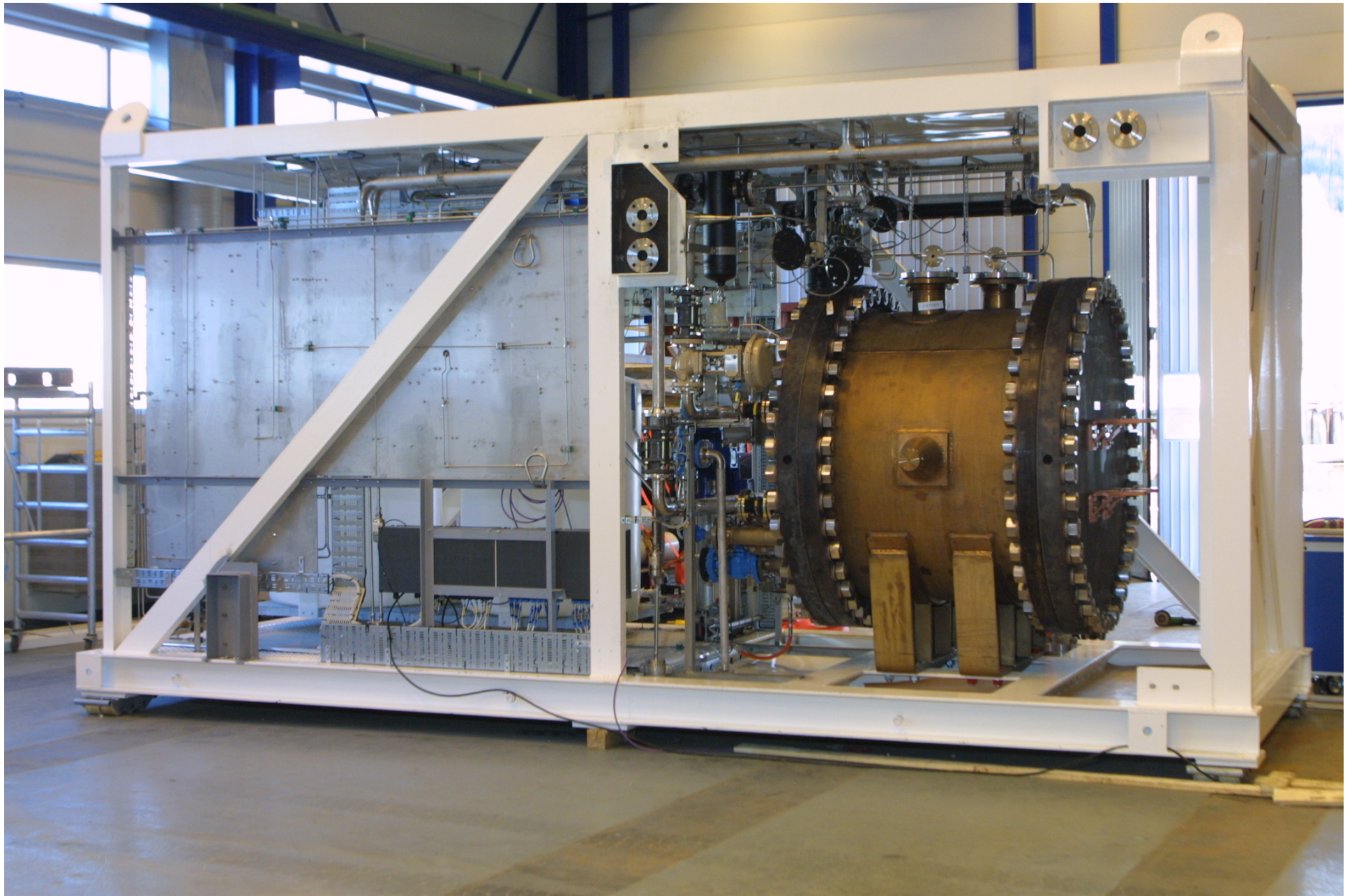
Hydrogen Transmission Scenario

- *Low-pressure electrolyzers*
- *“Pack” pipeline: ~ 120 GWh*



***Norsk Hydro
Electrolyzers
2 MW each***



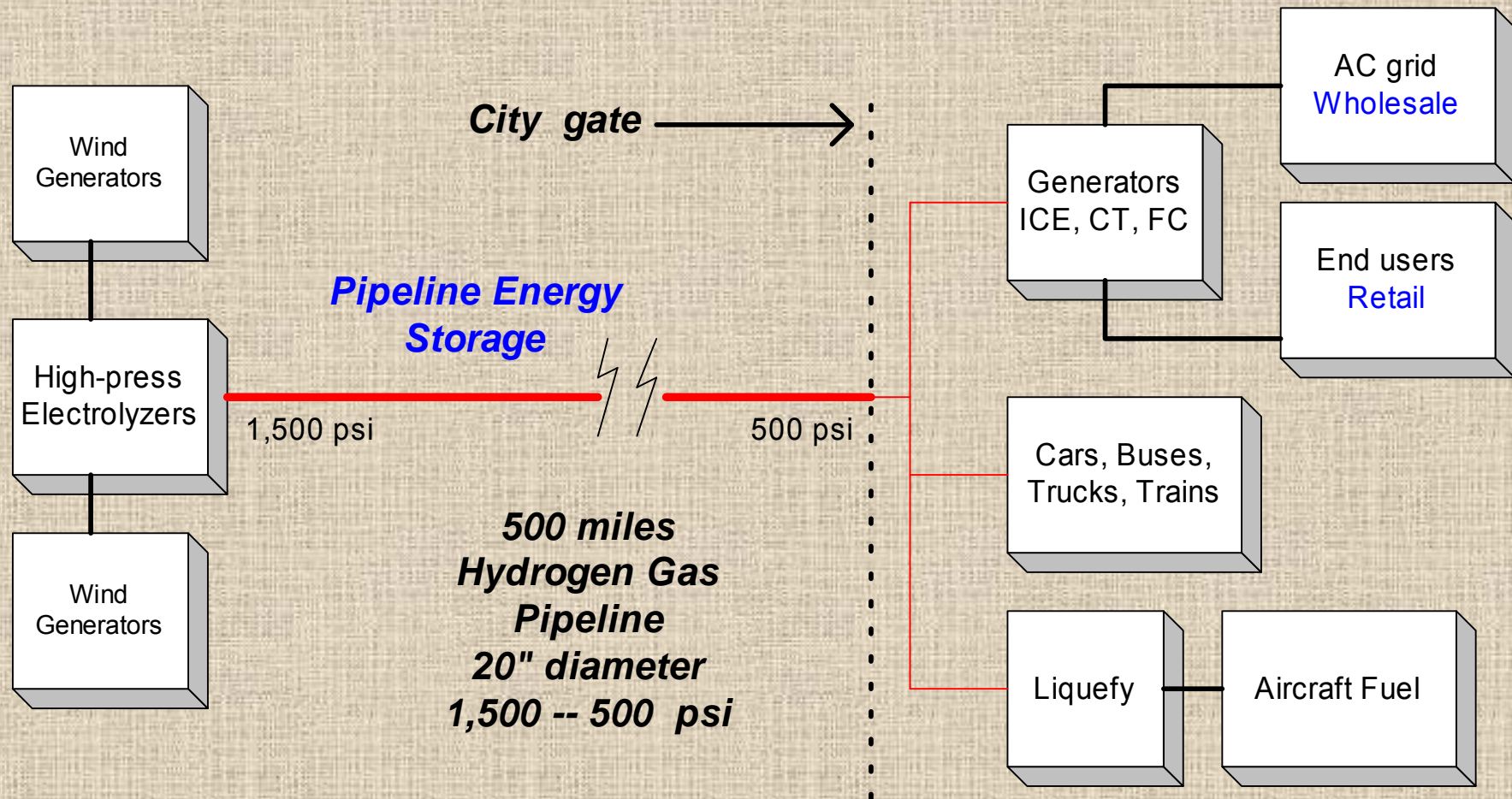


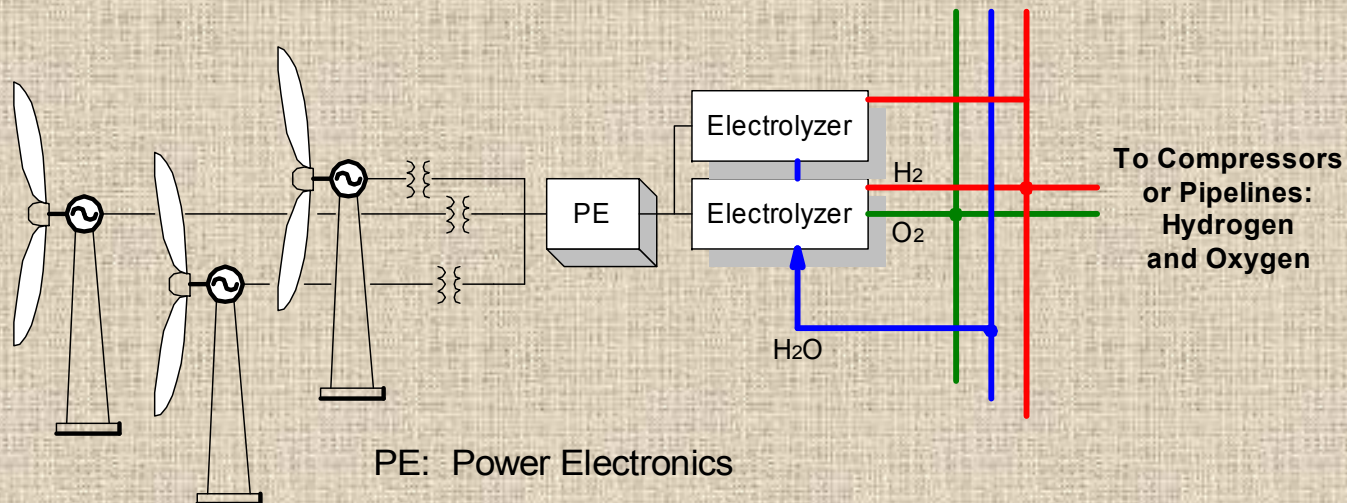
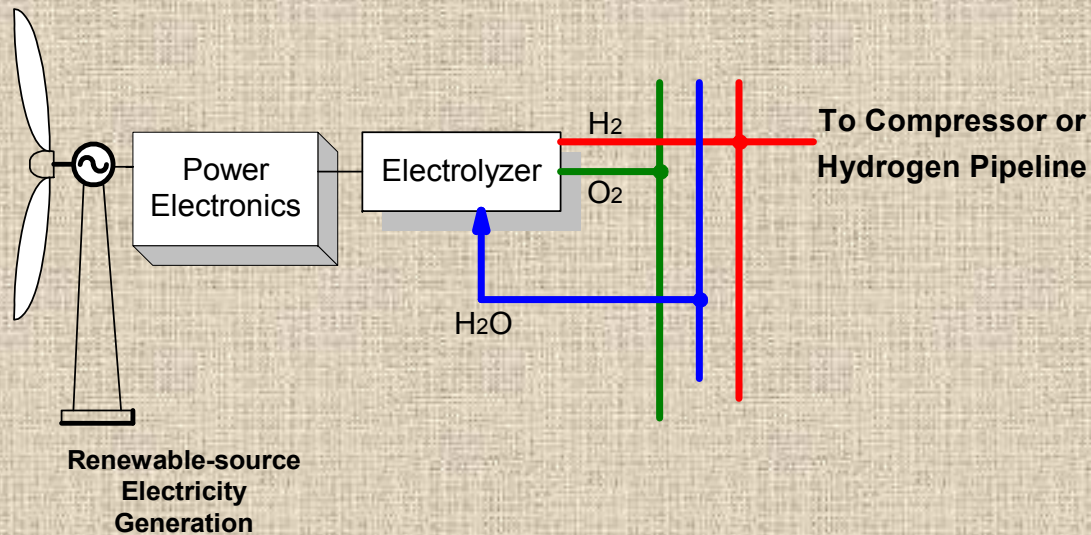
***Norsk Hydro electrolyzer, KOH type
560 kW input, 130 Nm³ / hour at 450 psi (30 bar)***

Compressorless system: No geologic storage

Transmission

Distribution

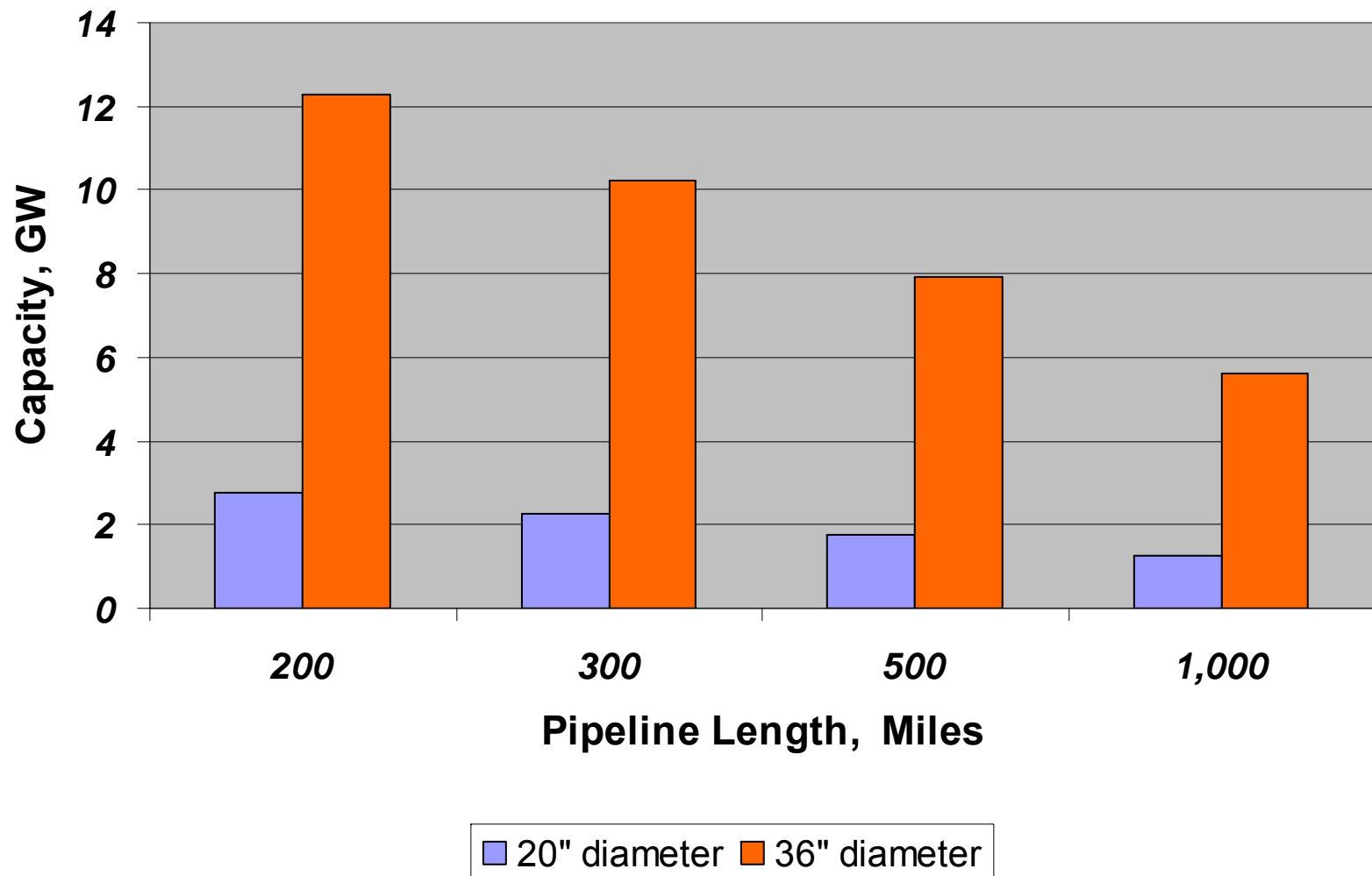




Topology Options: H₂ and O₂ Production and Gathering from Renewable Energy Generation

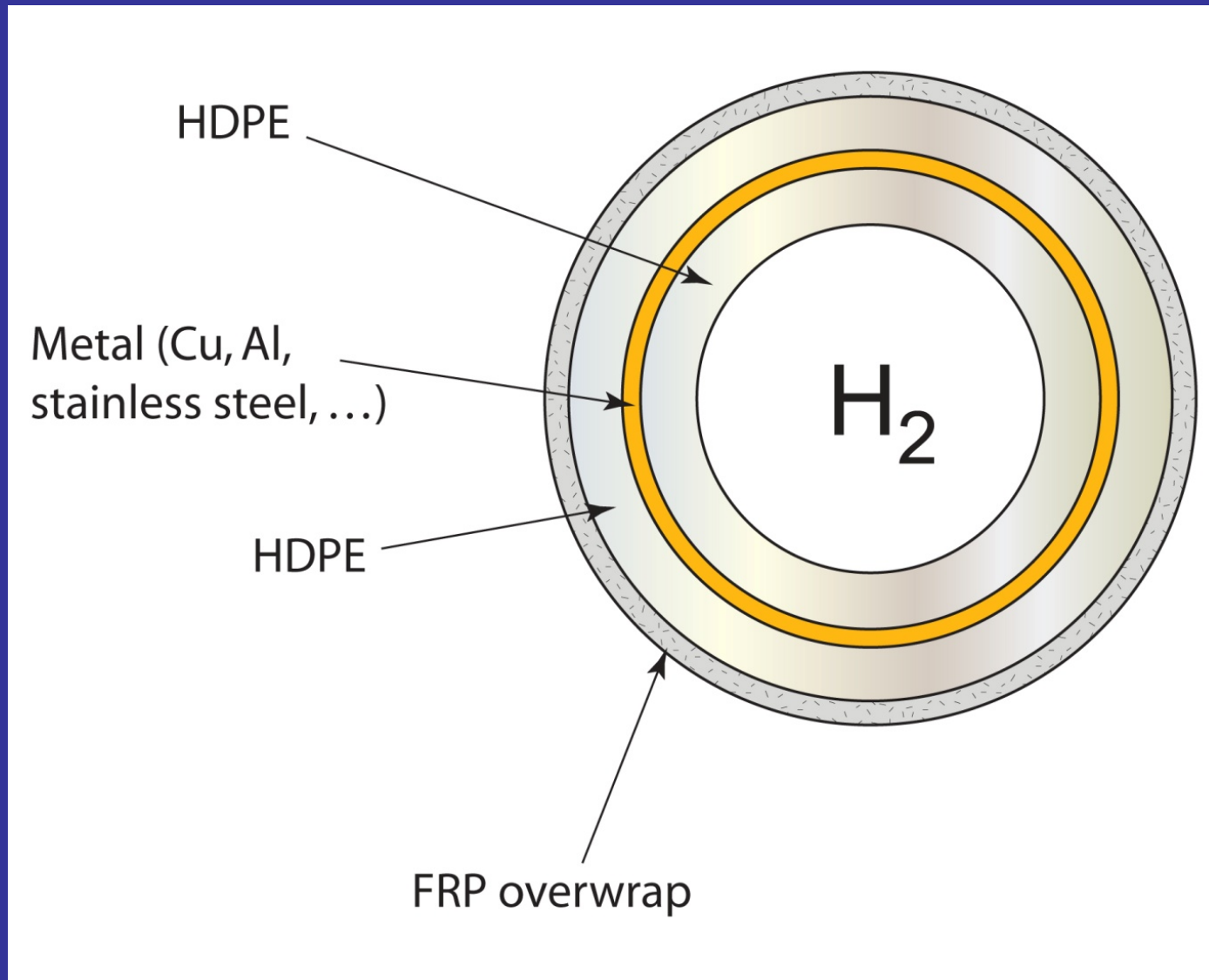
Compressorless 20", 36" GH2 Pipeline Capacity

1,500 psi IN / 500 psi OUT



Gaseous Hydrogen (GH2)
36" diam, 500 miles
No compression
8,000 MW





*Polymer-metal linepipe avoids
hydrogen embrittlement*

Capital Cost per GW-mile

Electricity :

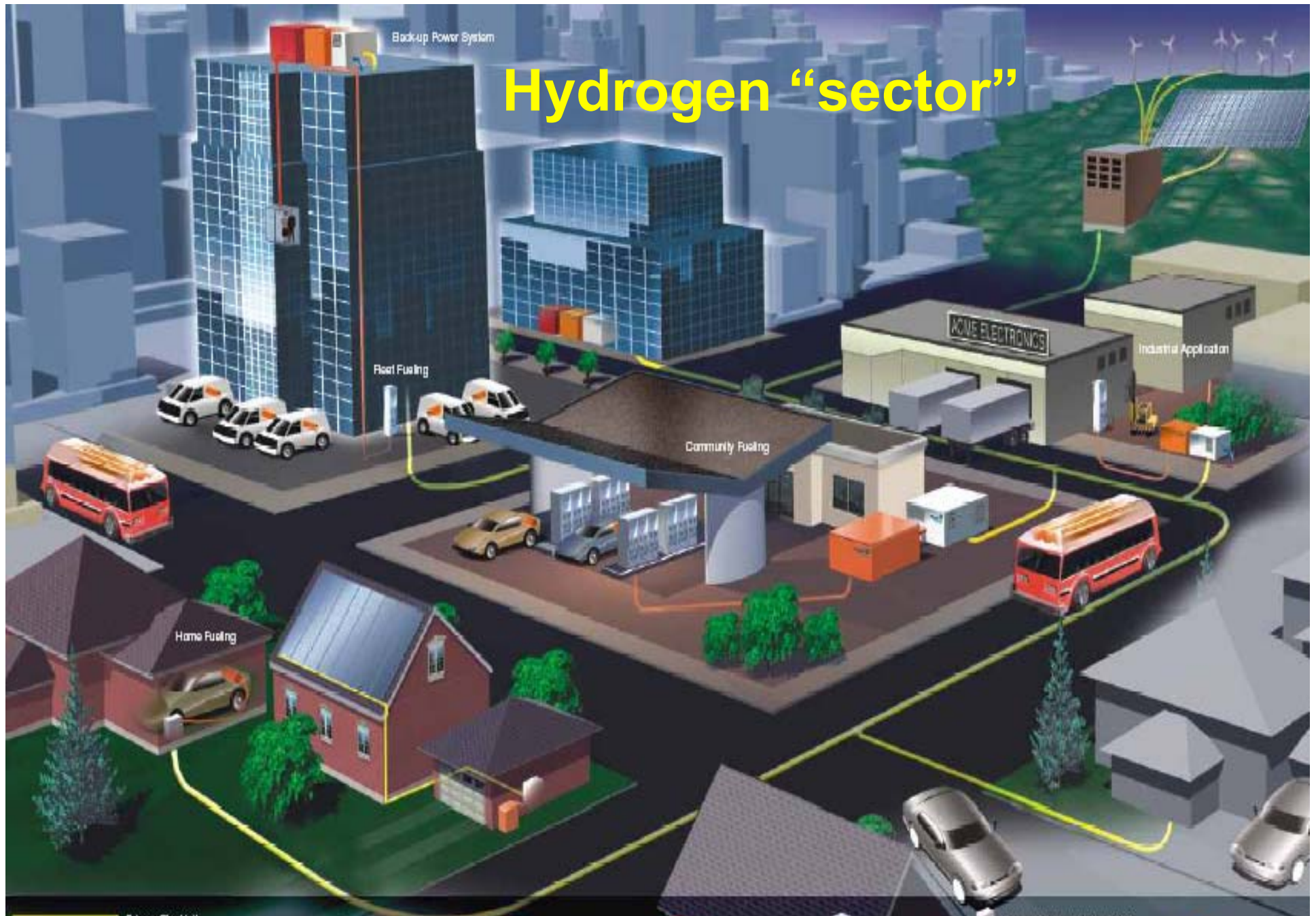
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Consensus ?			2.5

Hydrogen pipeline:

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

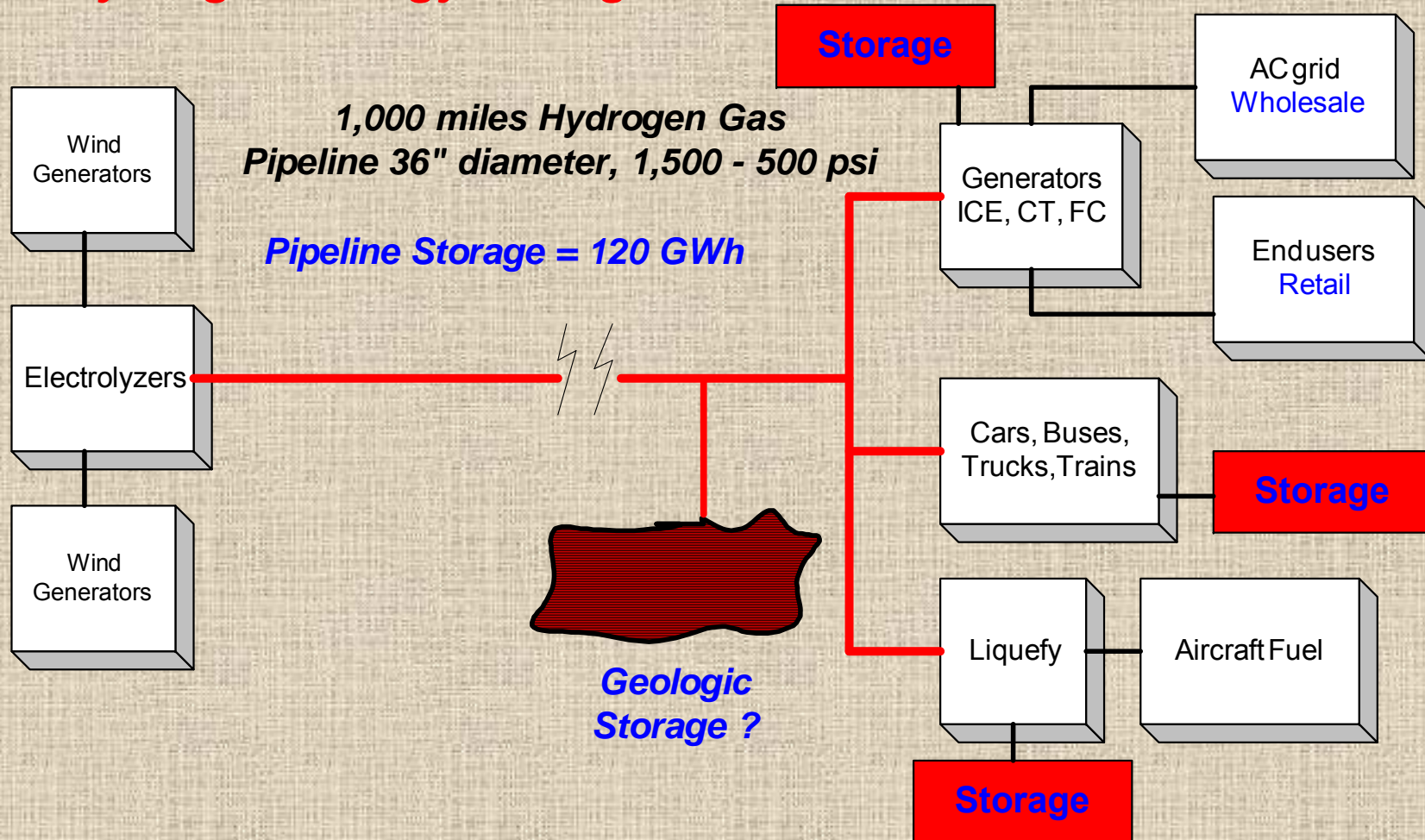
(100 bar = 1,500 psi)

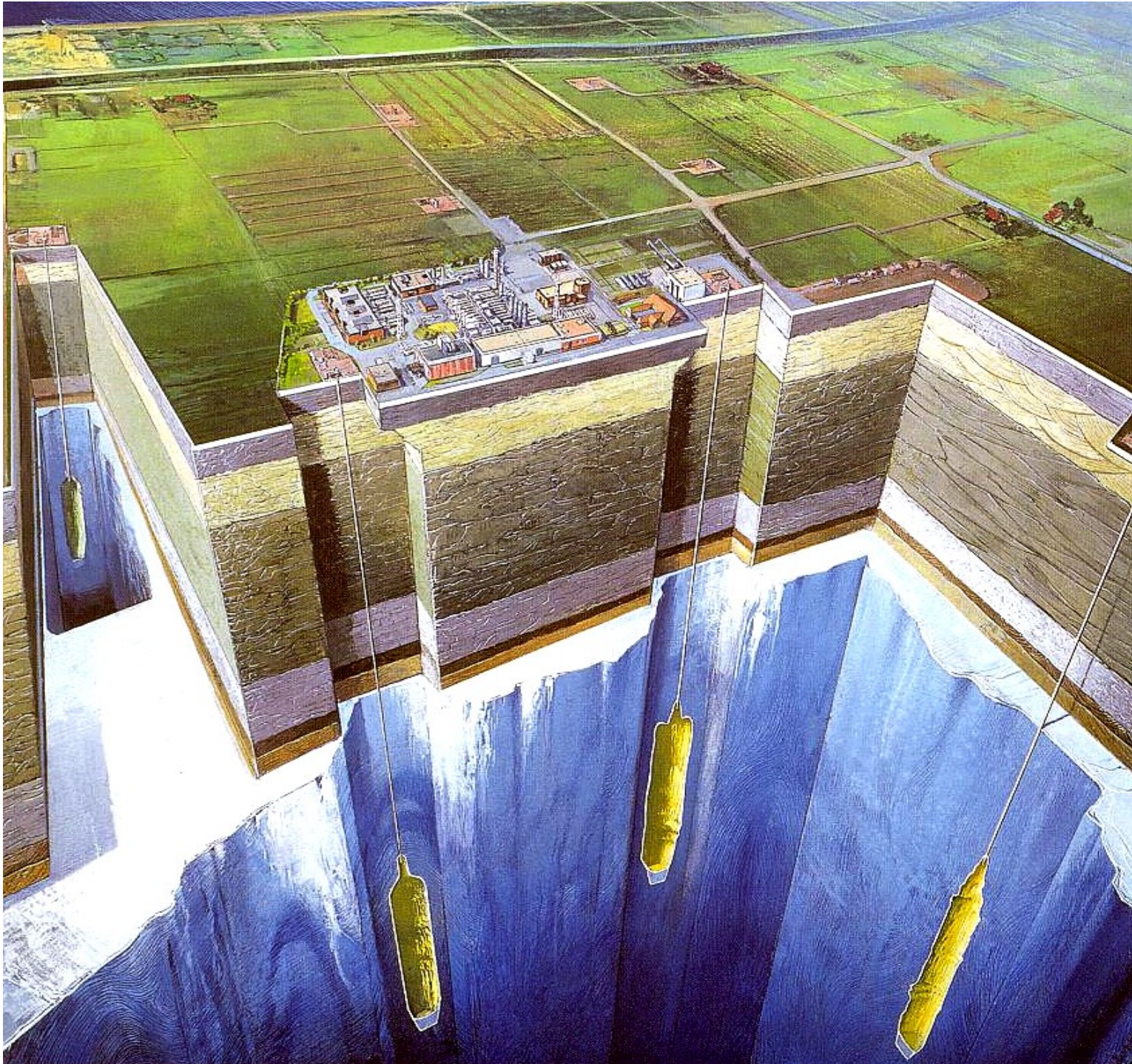
Hydrogen “sector”



Hydrogen “sector” of a benign, sustainable, equitable, global energy economy

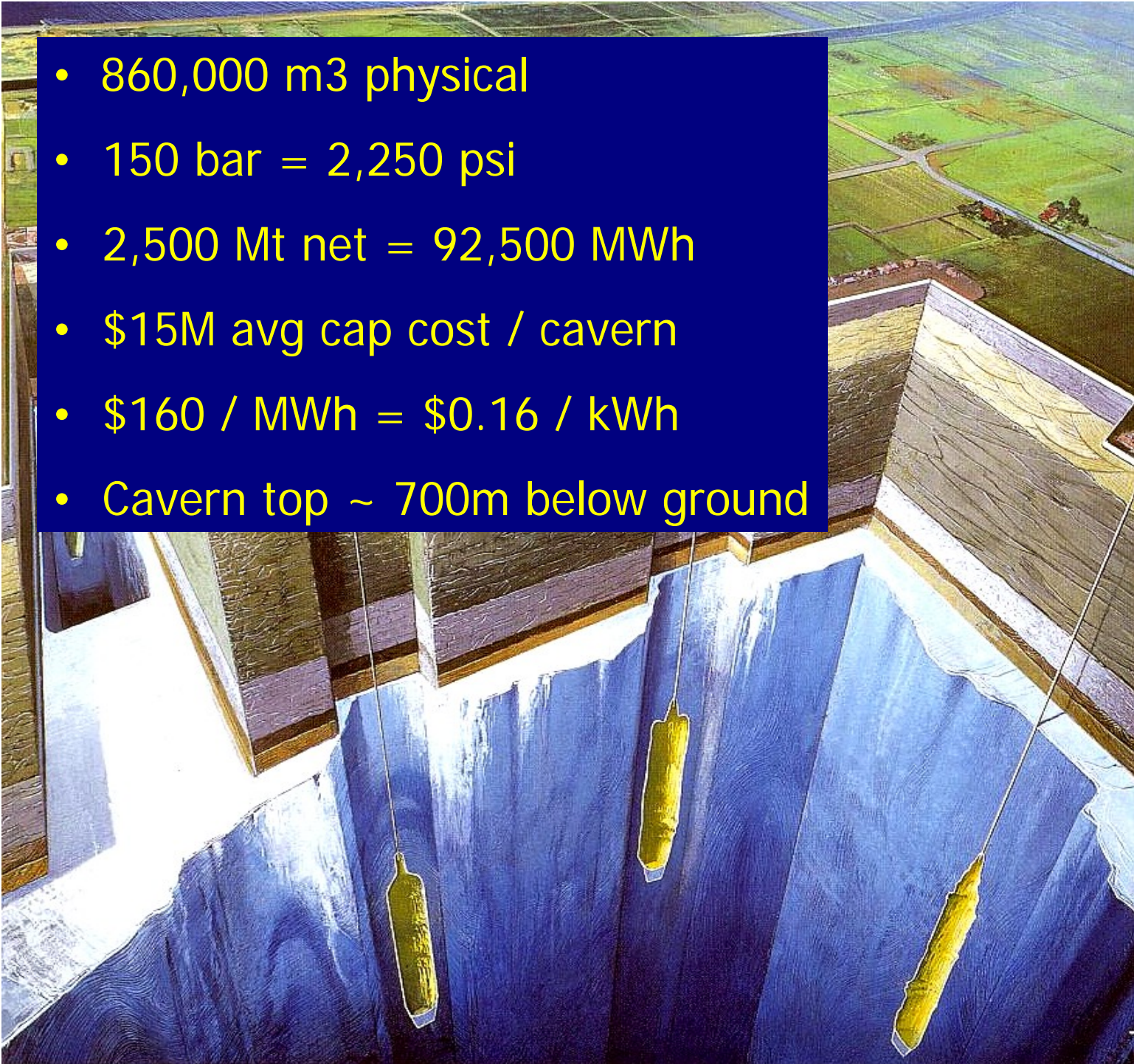
Hydrogen Energy Storage





Domal Salt Storage Caverns

PB ESS

- 
- 860,000 m³ physical
 - 150 bar = 2,250 psi
 - 2,500 Mt net = 92,500 MWh
 - \$15M avg cap cost / cavern
 - \$160 / MWh = \$0.16 / kWh
 - Cavern top ~ 700m below ground

Domal Salt Storage Caverns

Texas

“Clemens
Terminal”
Conoco
Phillips
20 years

Praxair
'07

PB ESS



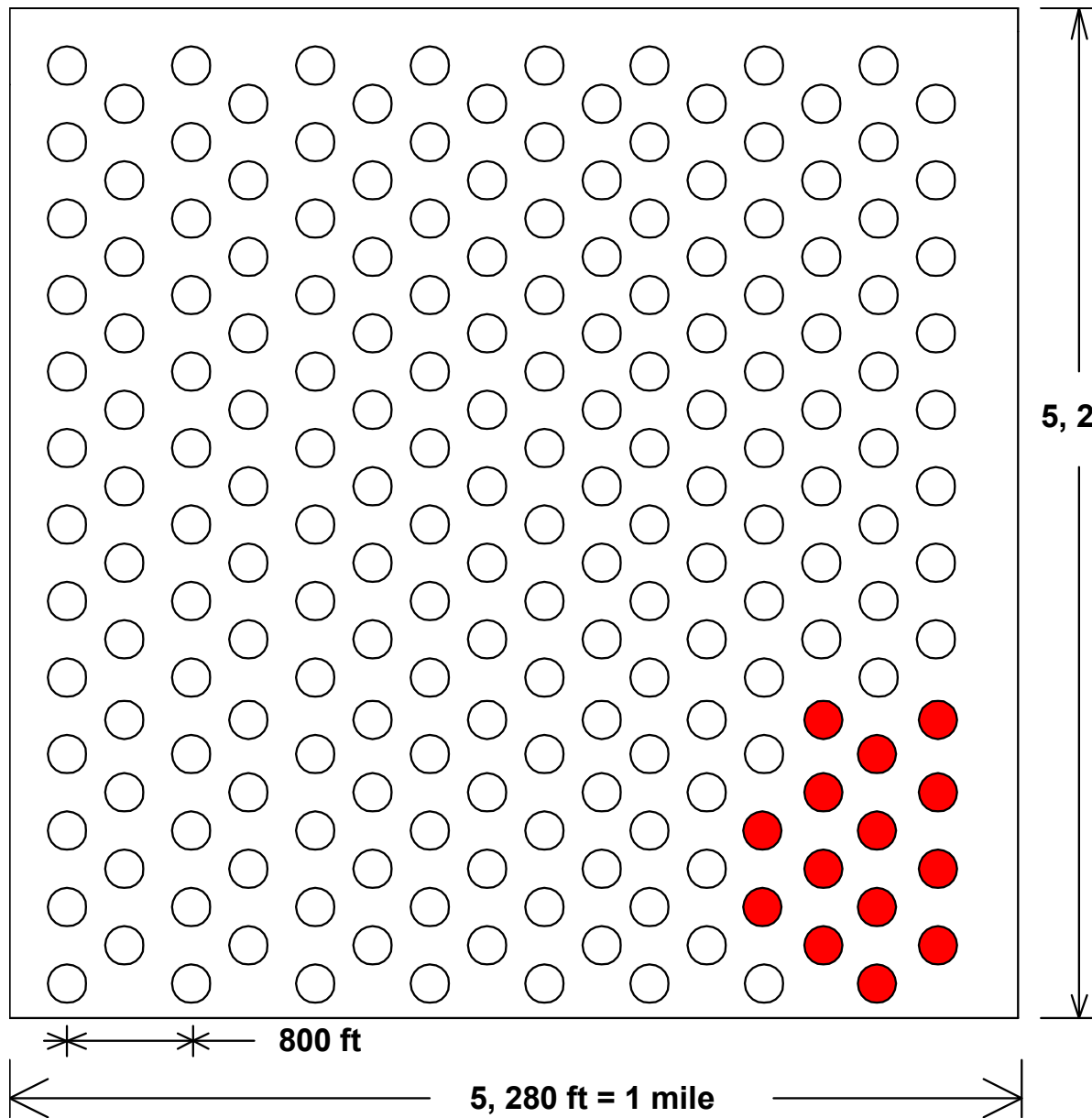
**Multiple
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Renewable-source GH2 geologic storage potential.
Candidate formations for manmade, solution-mined,
salt caverns



5,280 ft = 1 mile

**“Firm” 4,000
MW Great
Plains wind
14 caverns**

**Maximum Cavern
Packing Density**

$(8 \times 13) = 104 + (8 \times 12) = 96$ 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]

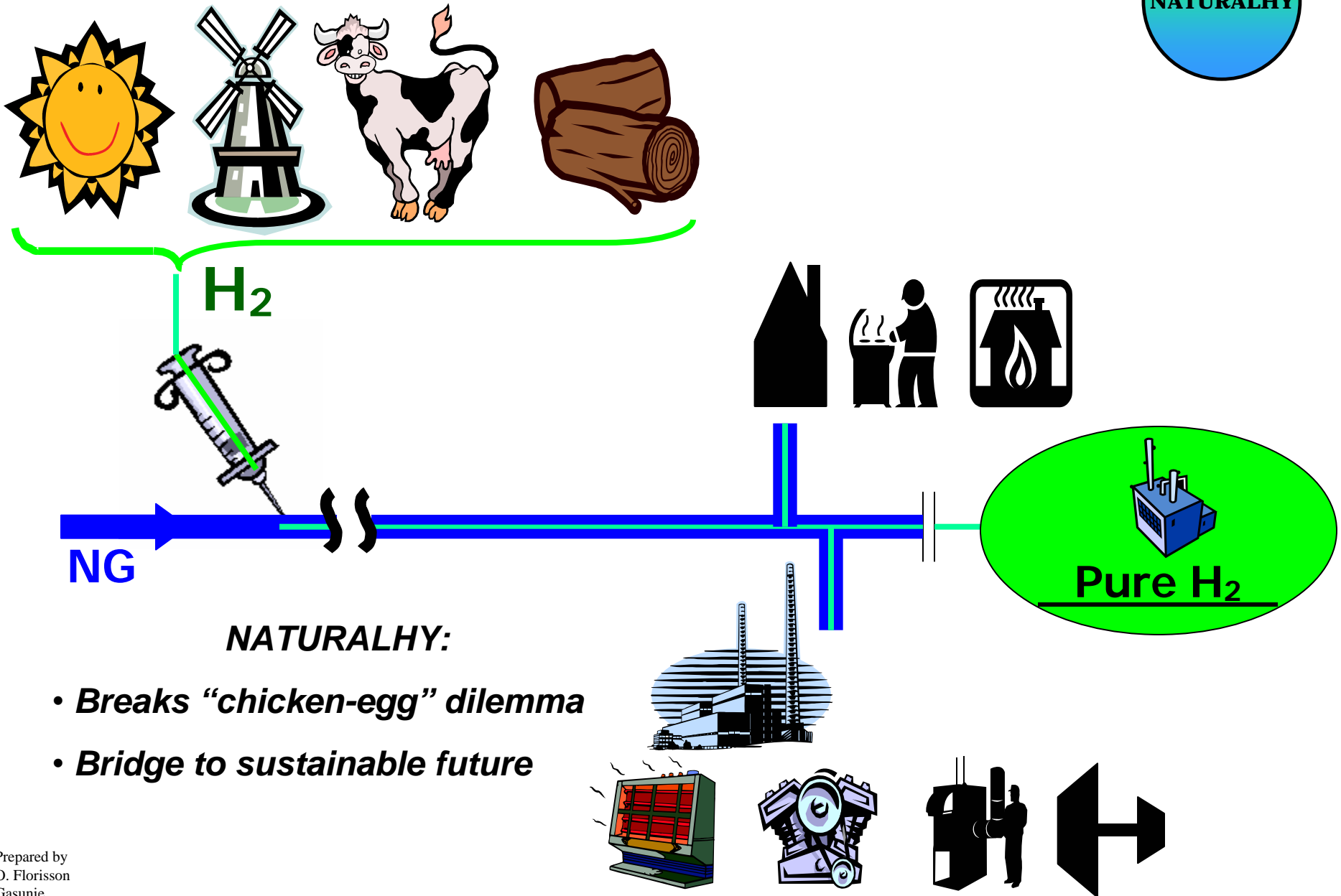
Caverns @ \$10M ea 40

Cushion gas @ \$5M ea 20

TOTAL \$ 2,660

Cavern storage: ~ 3 % of total capital cost

The NATURALHY approach: EC, R+D





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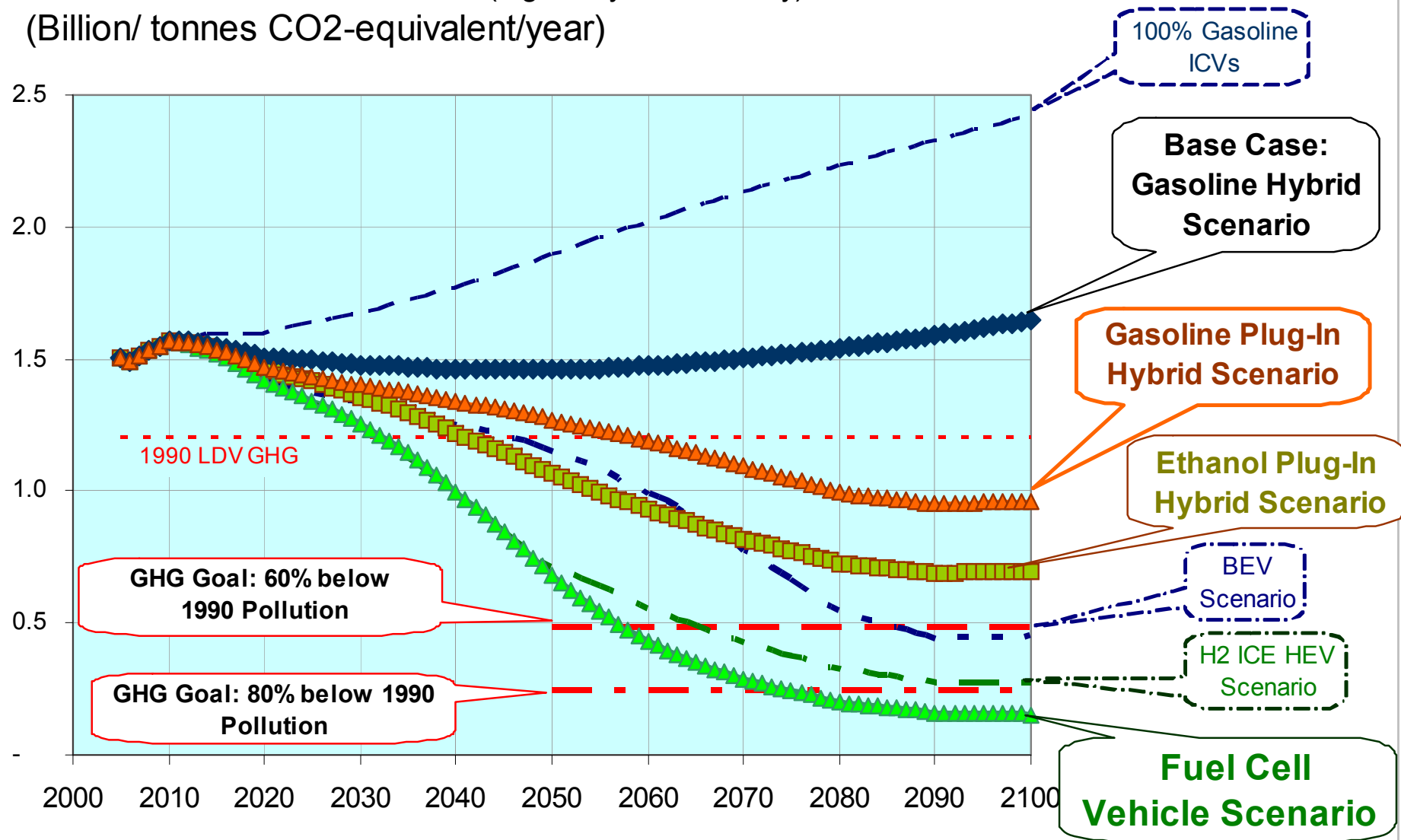
***Hydrogen - fueled
2005 Prius
ICE Hybrid***

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 ...”

Greenhouse Gas Pollution (Light duty vehicles only) (Billion/ tonnes CO2-equivalent/year)

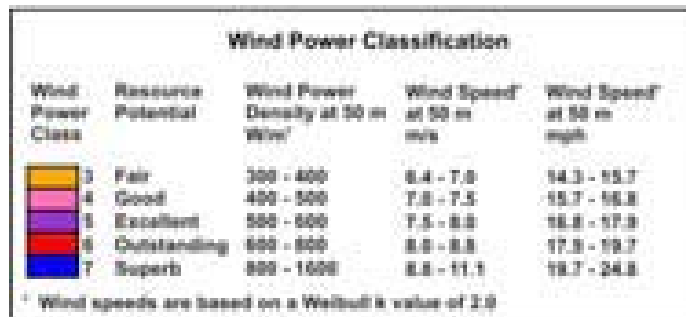


CA: 20% of “cars” hydrogen fueled by 2030

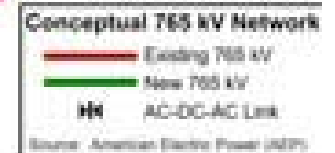
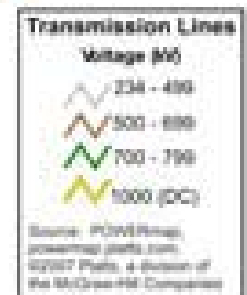
- 20% of 45M vehicles = **9M**
- @ 78 mpg = 78 miles / kg H₂
- 12,000 miles / year = 150 kg H₂ / year
- 1,800 M kg H₂ / year = **1.65 MMt H₂ fuel**
- @ 50 kWh / kg at windplant gate:
 - 82,500 GWh / year
 - @ 40% CF = **23,000 MW nameplate wind**
 - Requires **3 GH₂ pipelines**, 36”, 500 miles long
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

AWEA 20% Wind by 2030

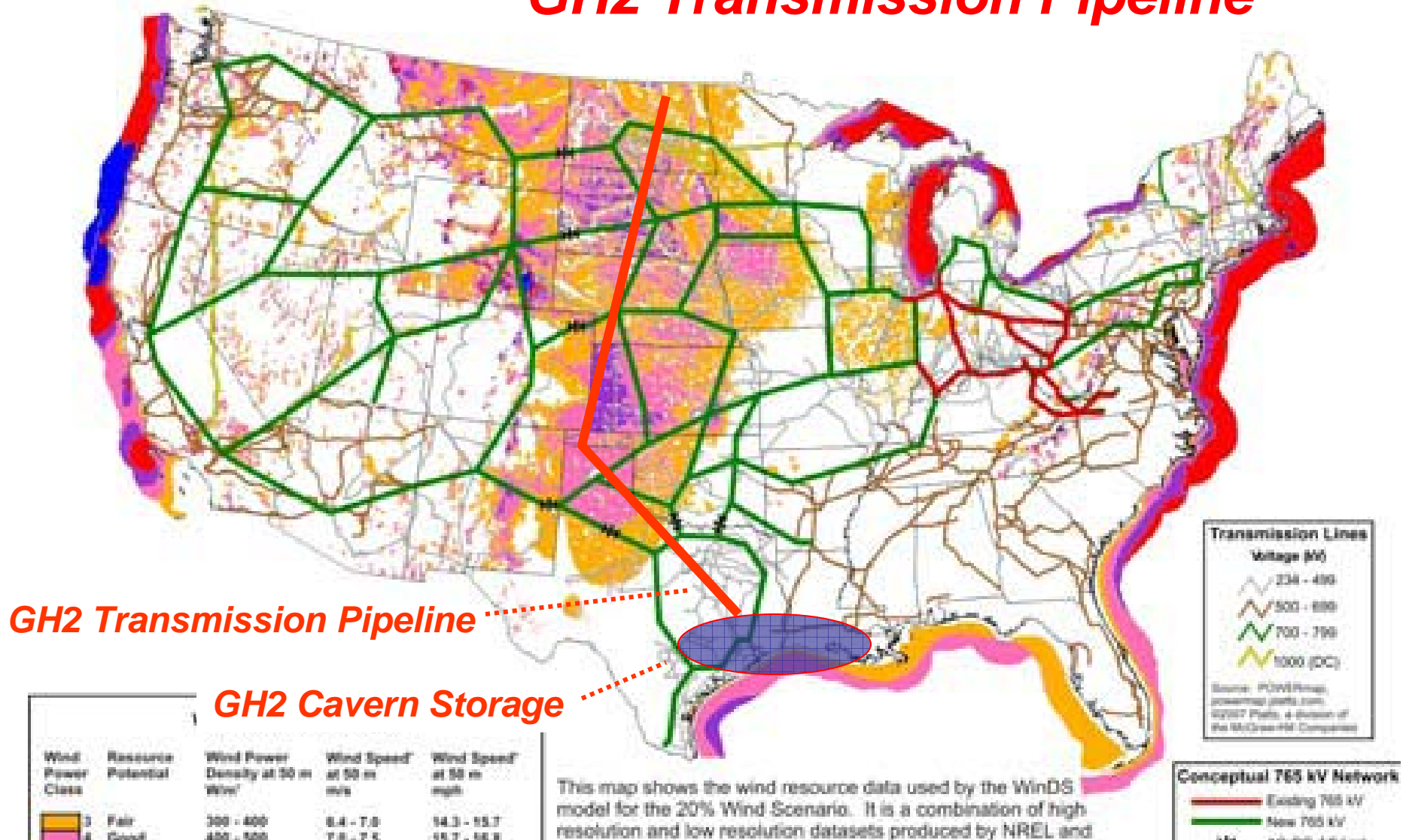
“Never be built ...”



This map shows the wind resource data used by the WinDS model for the 20% Wind Scenario. It is a combination of high resolution and low resolution datasets produced by NREL and other organizations. The data was screened to eliminate areas unlikely to be developed onshore due to land use or environmental issues. In many states, the wind resource on this map is visually enhanced to better show the distribution on ridge crests and other features.



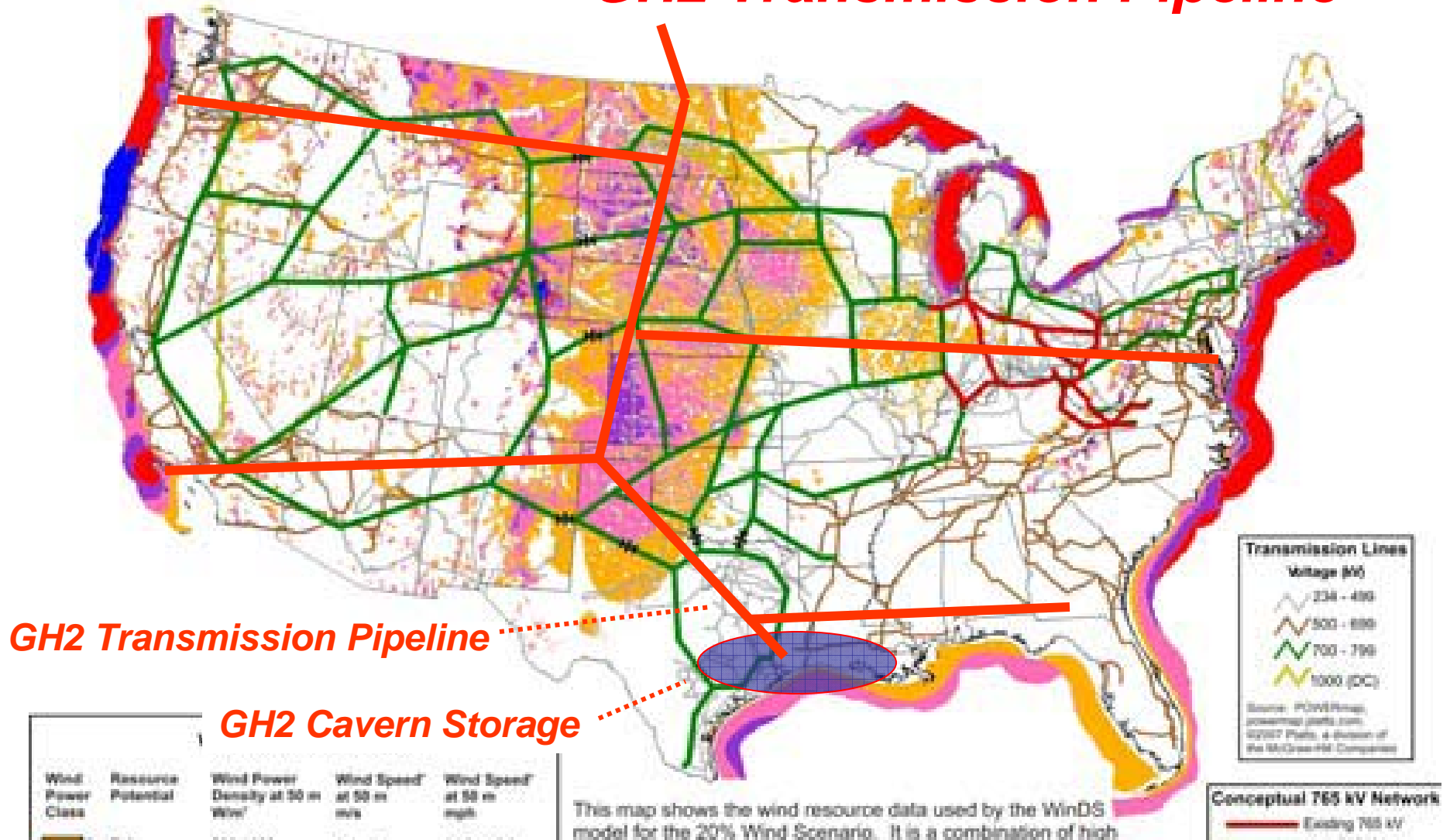
GH2 Transmission Pipeline



Wind Potential ~ 10,000 GW

12 Great Plains states

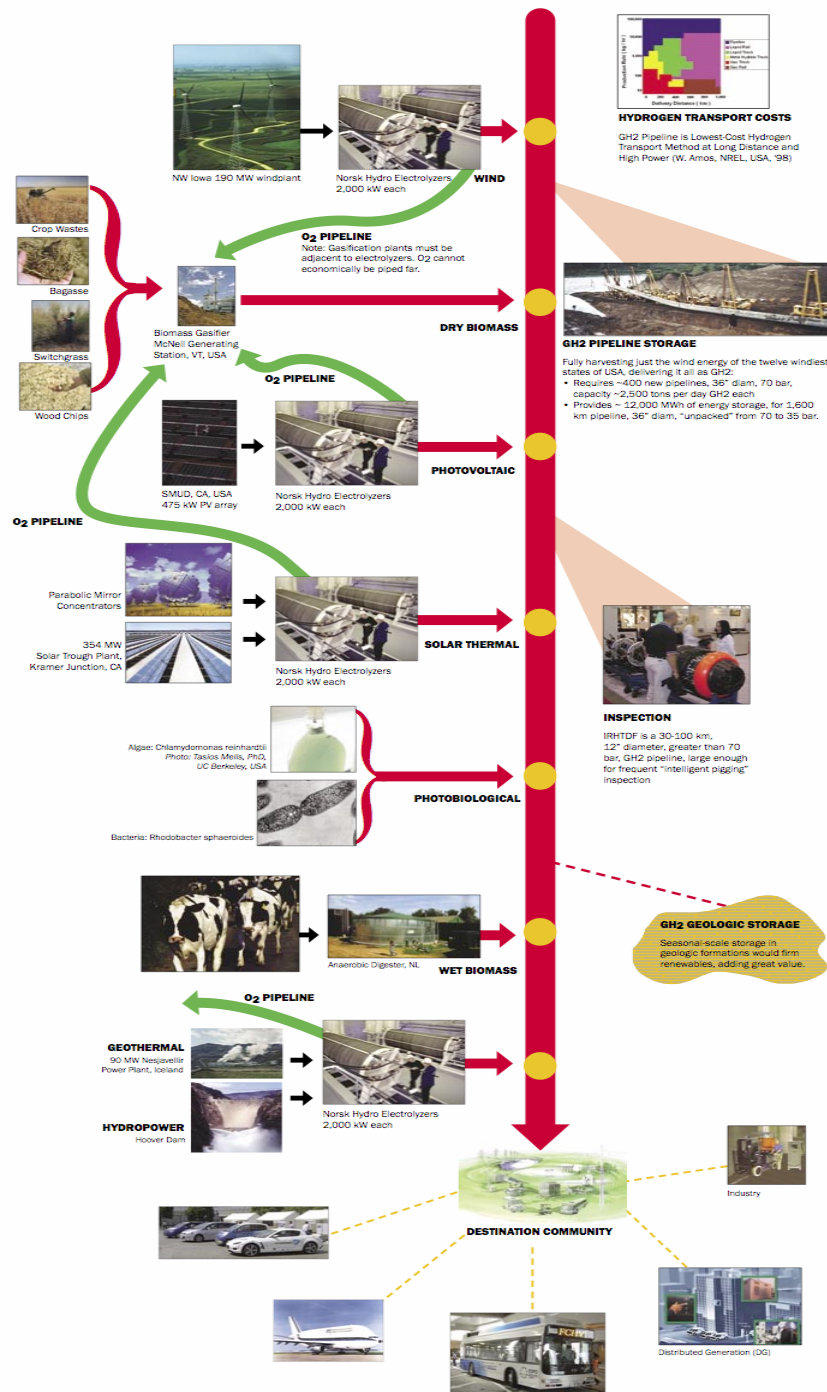
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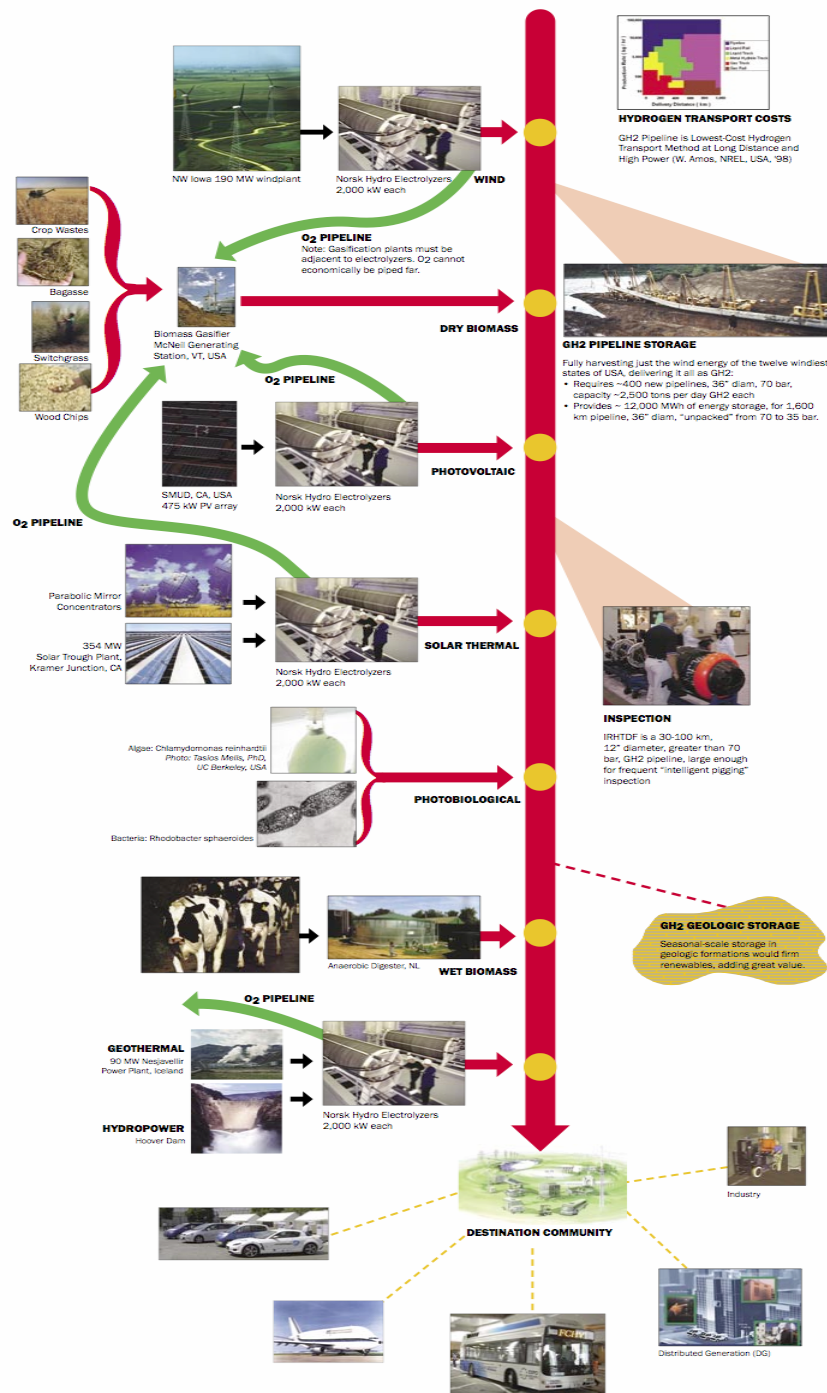
Pilot plant needed

- **Every major new industrial process**
- **Renewables-source systems**
- **Diverse, large-scale, stranded**
- **IPHE → “ IRHTDF “**



International Renewable Hydrogen Transmission Demonstration Facility (IRHTDF) Pilot plant

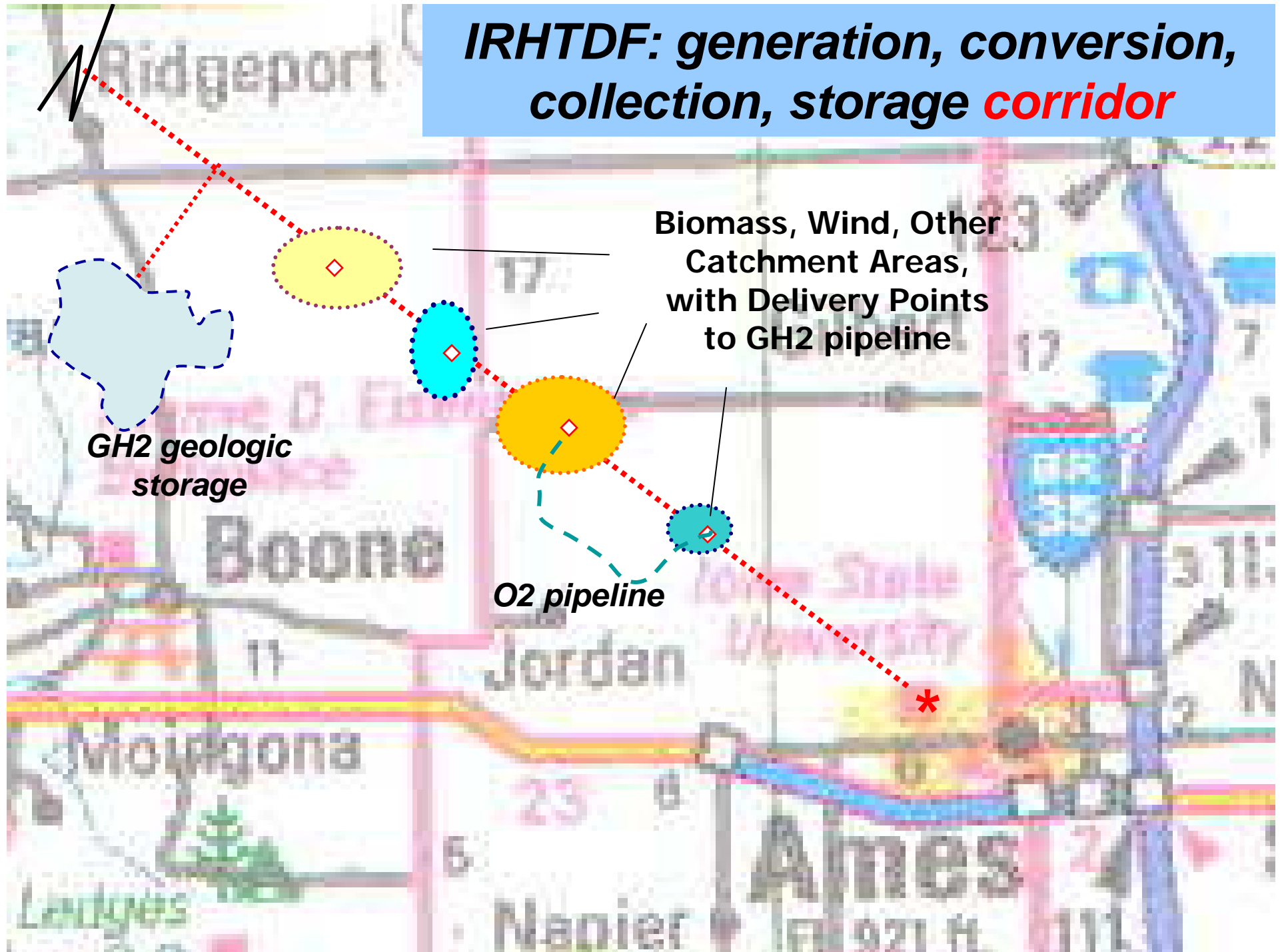
Global opportunity:
IPHE project



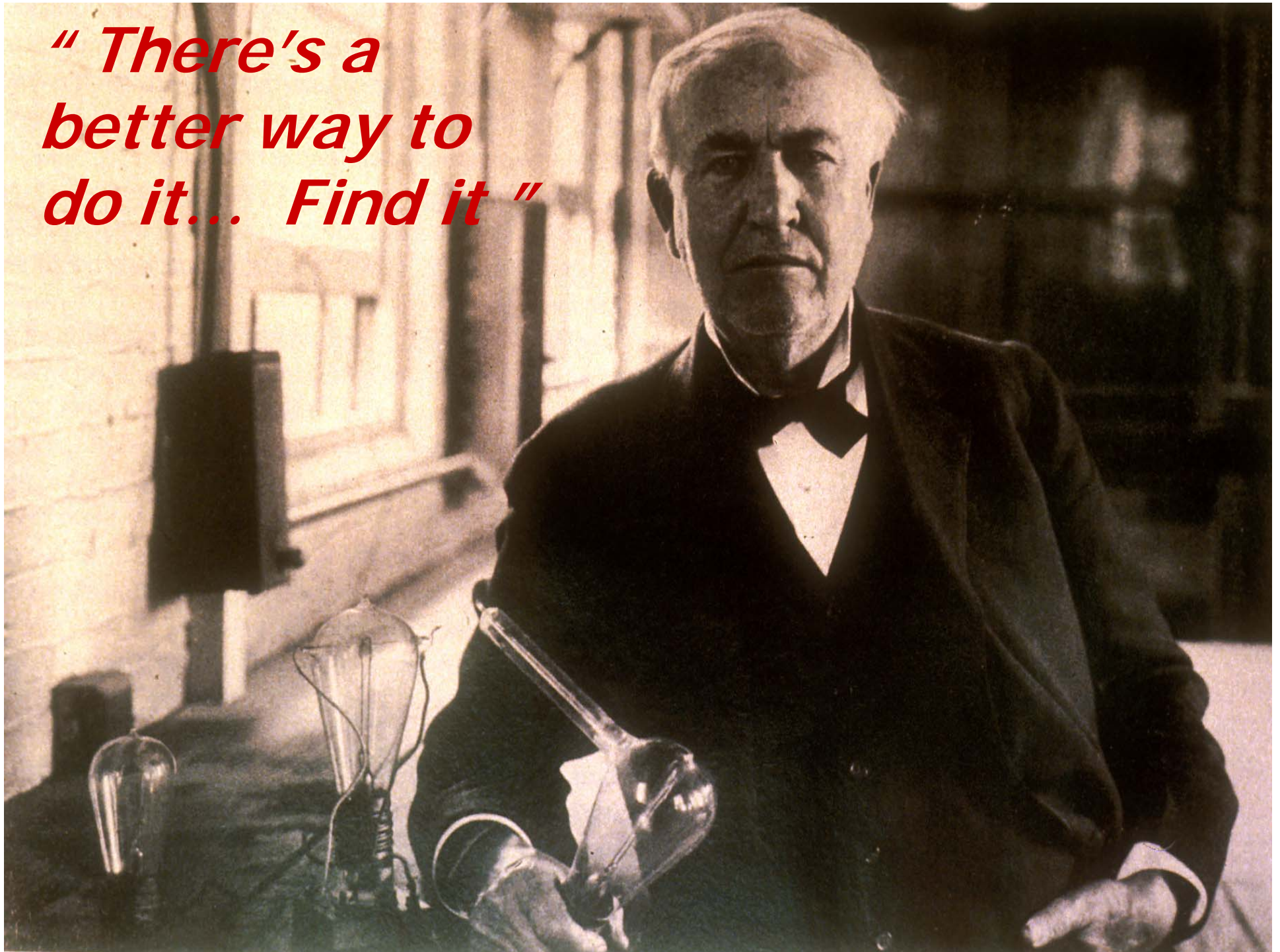
Pilot-scale Hydrogen Pipeline System: Renewables

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

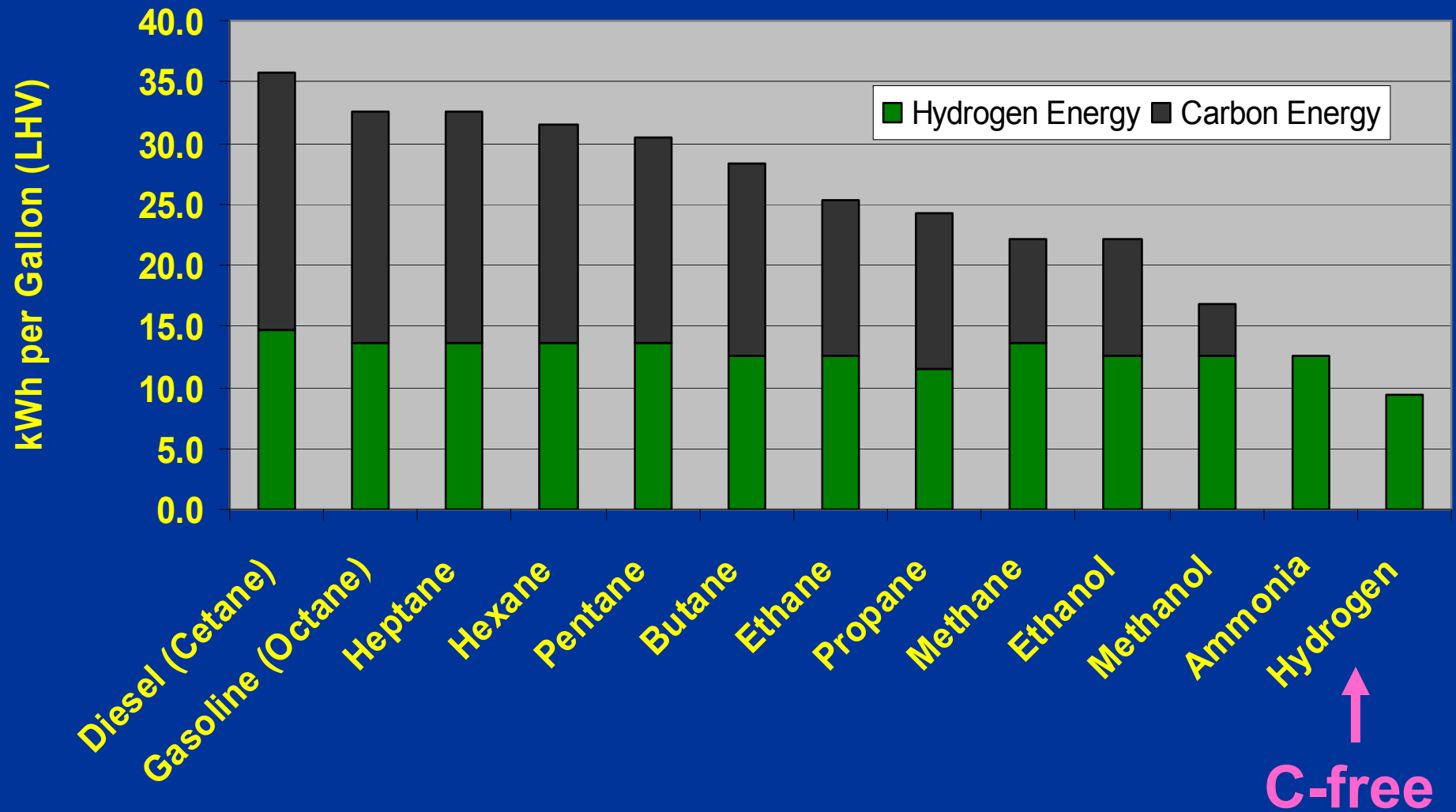
IRHTDF: generation, conversion, collection, storage *corridor*

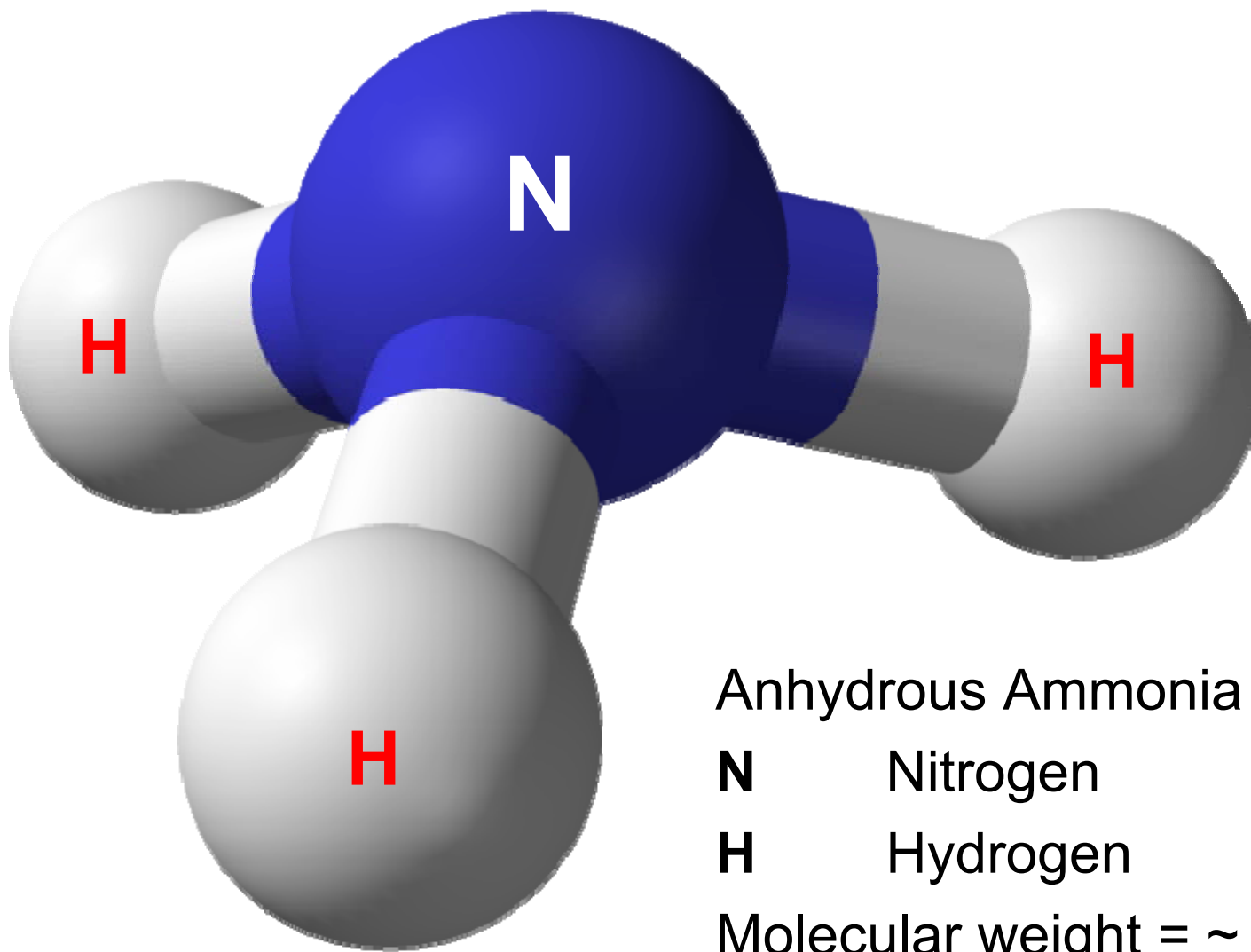


***" There's a
better way to
do it... Find it "***



Volumetric Energy Density of Fuels (Fuels in their Liquid State)





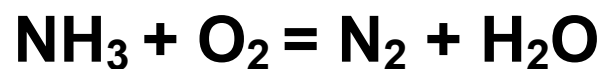
Anhydrous Ammonia **NH₃**

N Nitrogen

H Hydrogen

Molecular weight = ~ 17

18% **H** by weight: “other hydrogen”



Why Ammonia ?

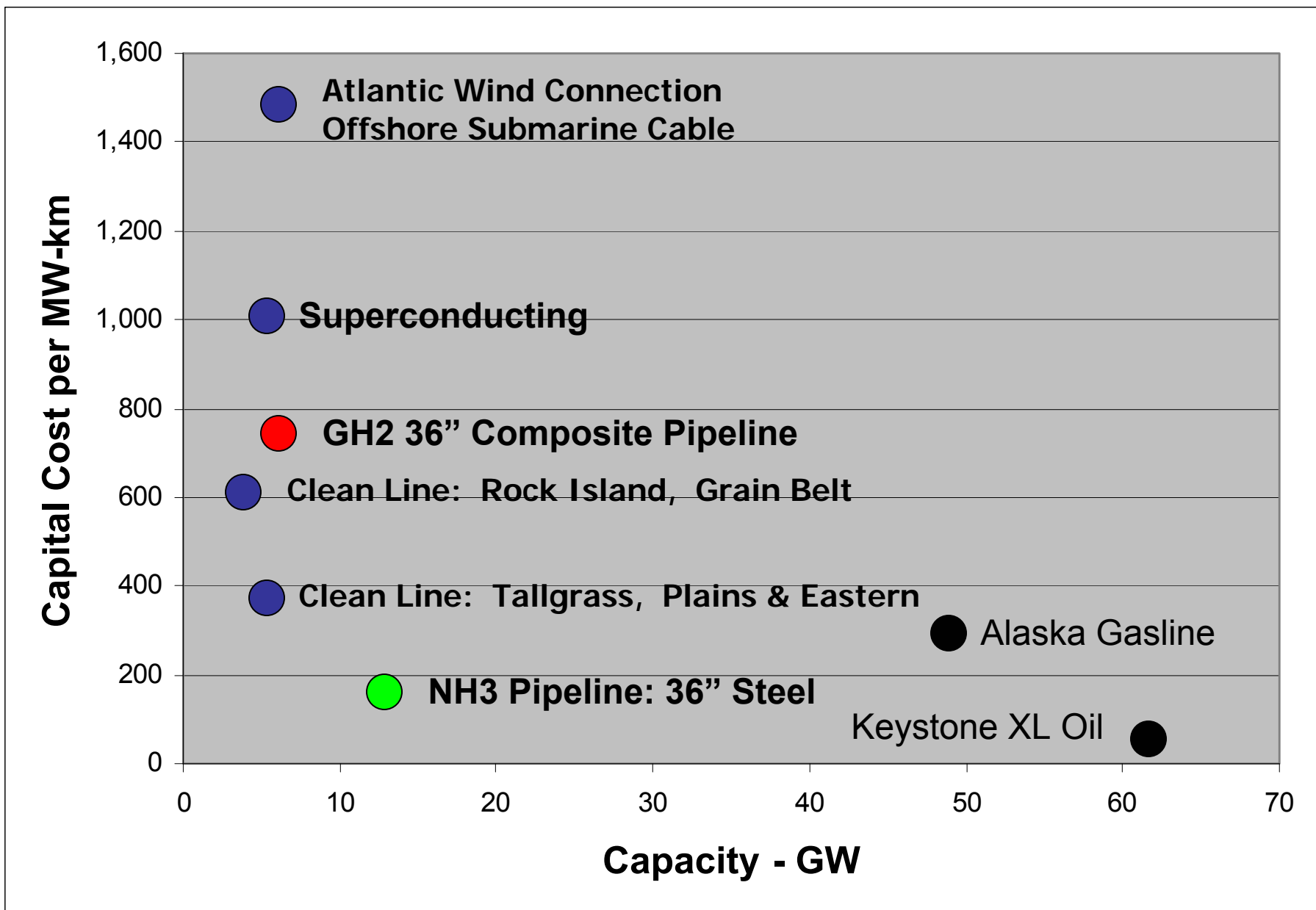
Fertilizer and Fuel

Only liquid fuel embracing:

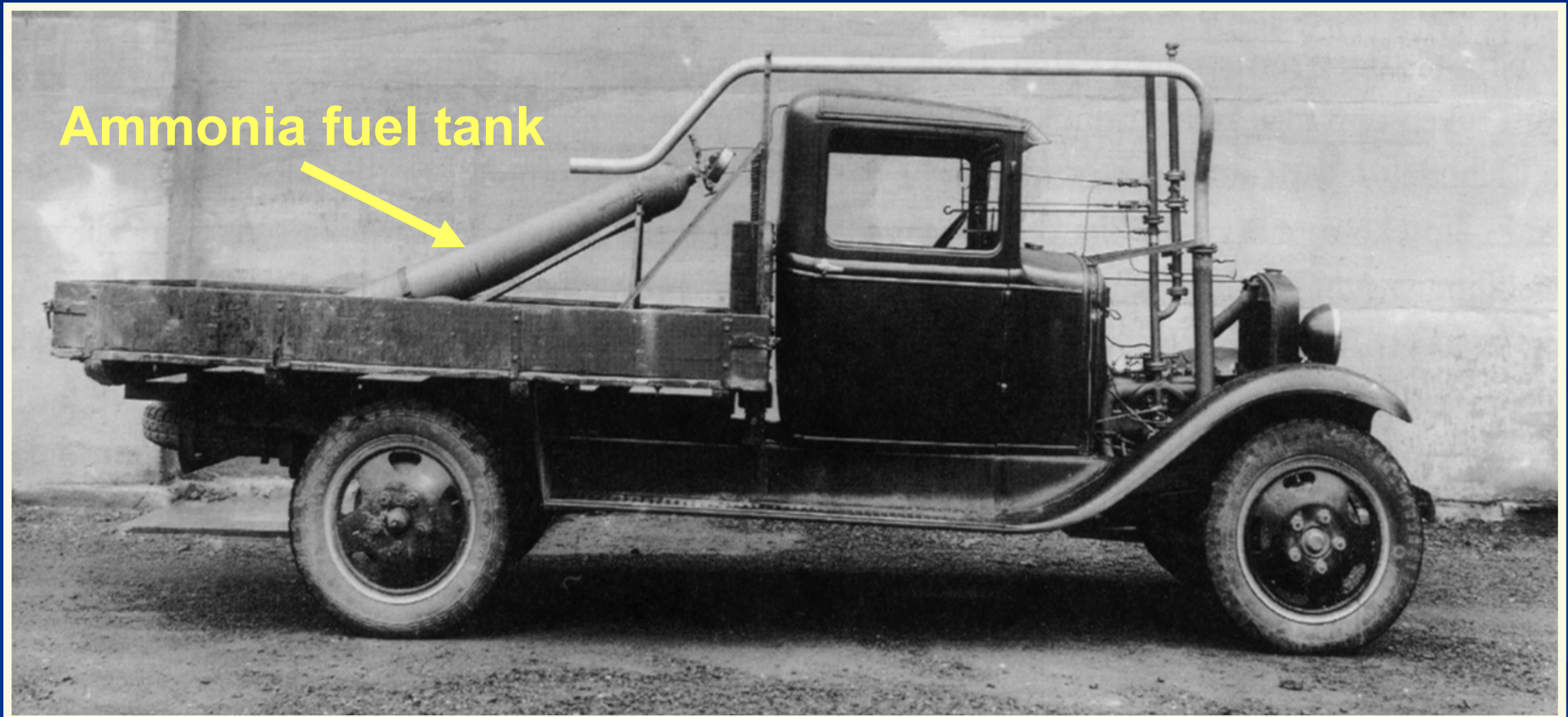
- Carbon-free: clean burn or conversion; no CO₂
 - Excellent hydrogen carrier
 - Easily “cracked” to H₂
- Reasonably high energy density
- Energy cycle inherently pollution free
 - Potentially all RE-source: elec + water + Nitrogen
 - Cost competitive with hydrocarbon fuels ?
- Decades of global use, infrastructure
 - Practical to handle, store, and transport
 - End-use in ICE, Combustion Turbine, fuel cell
 - Safety: self-odorizing; safety regs; hazard

Ammonia Fuel Uses

1. Internal Combustion Engine (ICE)
 - Diesel: NH_3 gas mixed with intake air
 - Spark-ignition: 70%+ NH_3 plus gasoline, ethanol, propane, NG, hydrogen
 - $\text{NO}_x \sim \frac{1}{4}$ gasoline engines
2. Combustion Turbines
3. Direct Ammonia Fuel Cells:
 - Combined heat + power (CHP)
 - No NO_x
4. Reform (“crack”) to liberate hydrogen for fuel cells:
$$2\text{NH}_3 \rightarrow 3\text{H}_2 + \text{N}_2$$



Ammonia fueled – Norway



1933

Belgium



Ammonia fuel tank

Ammonia Fueled Bus: Thousands of Problem-free Miles

1943



X-15 rocket plane: NH₃ + LOX fuel

Mach 6.7 on 3 Oct 67

199 missions

1959 - 68



University of Michigan

Ammonia + Gasoline Powered

- Idle: gasoline
- Full power: 80% ammonia

Summer '07 Detroit → San Francisco

2007

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



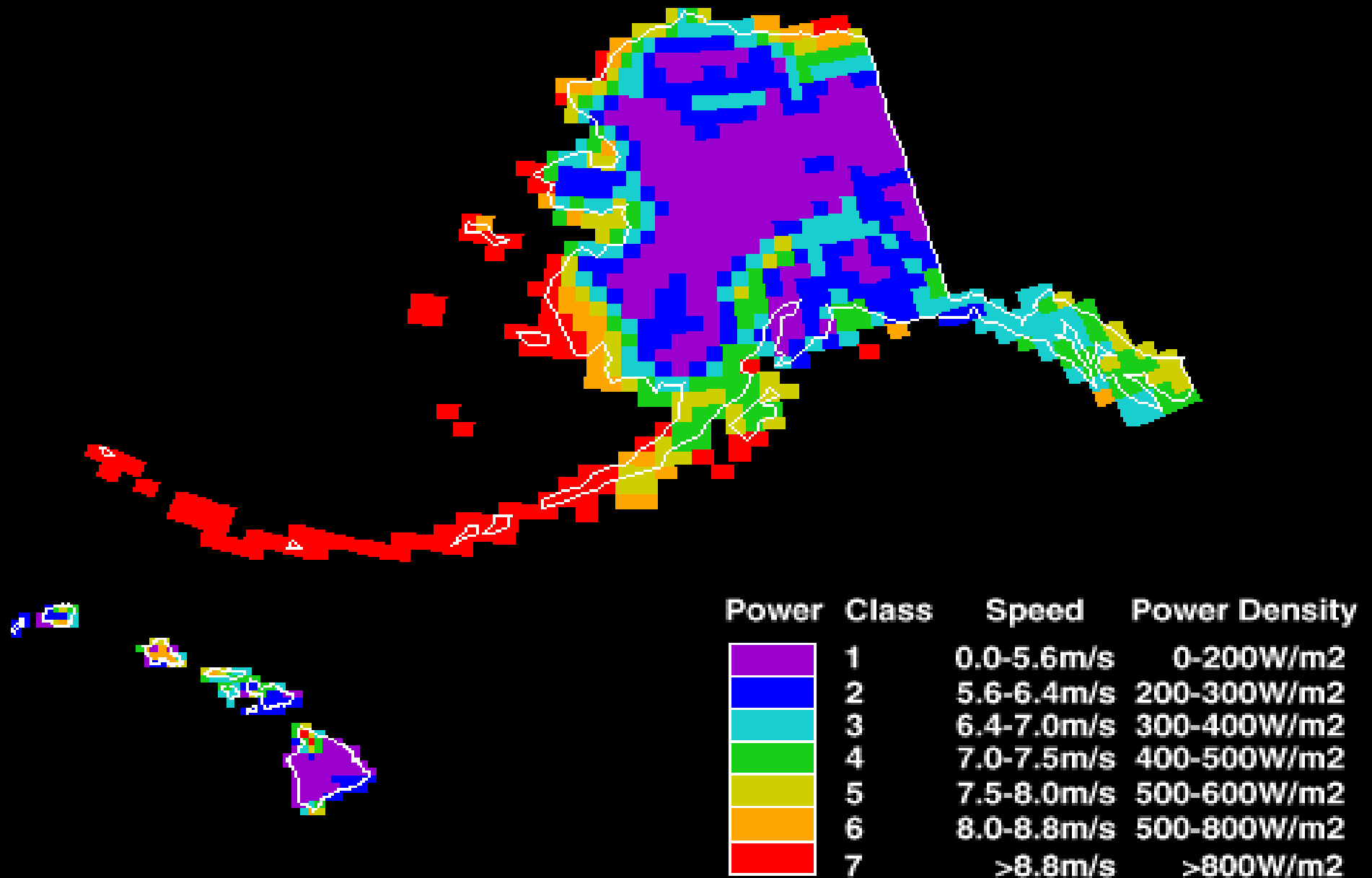
**Irrigation pump
Central Valley, CA**

2008

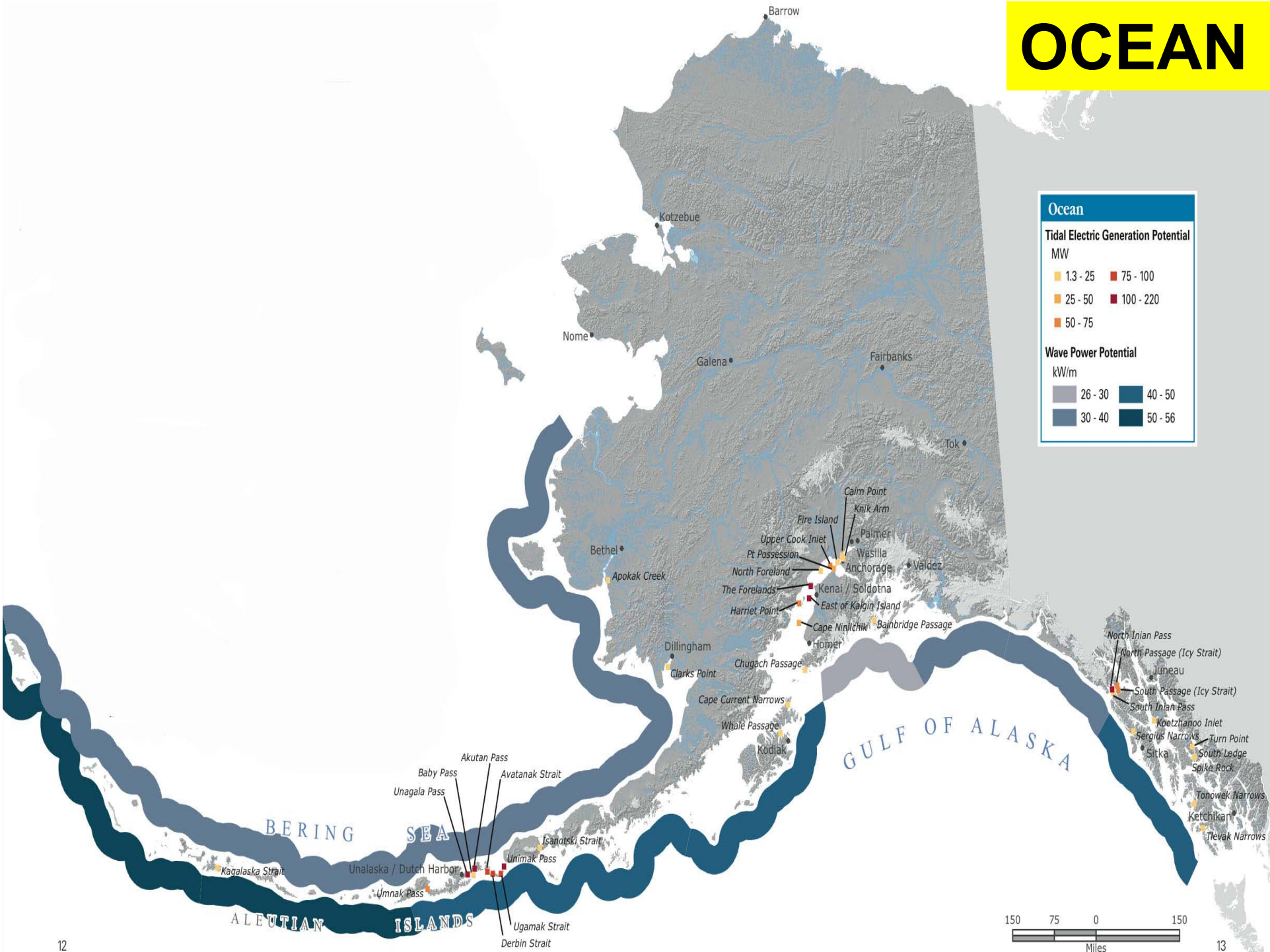
NH₃ Ag Fertilizer Tanks, Wind Generators, NW Iowa

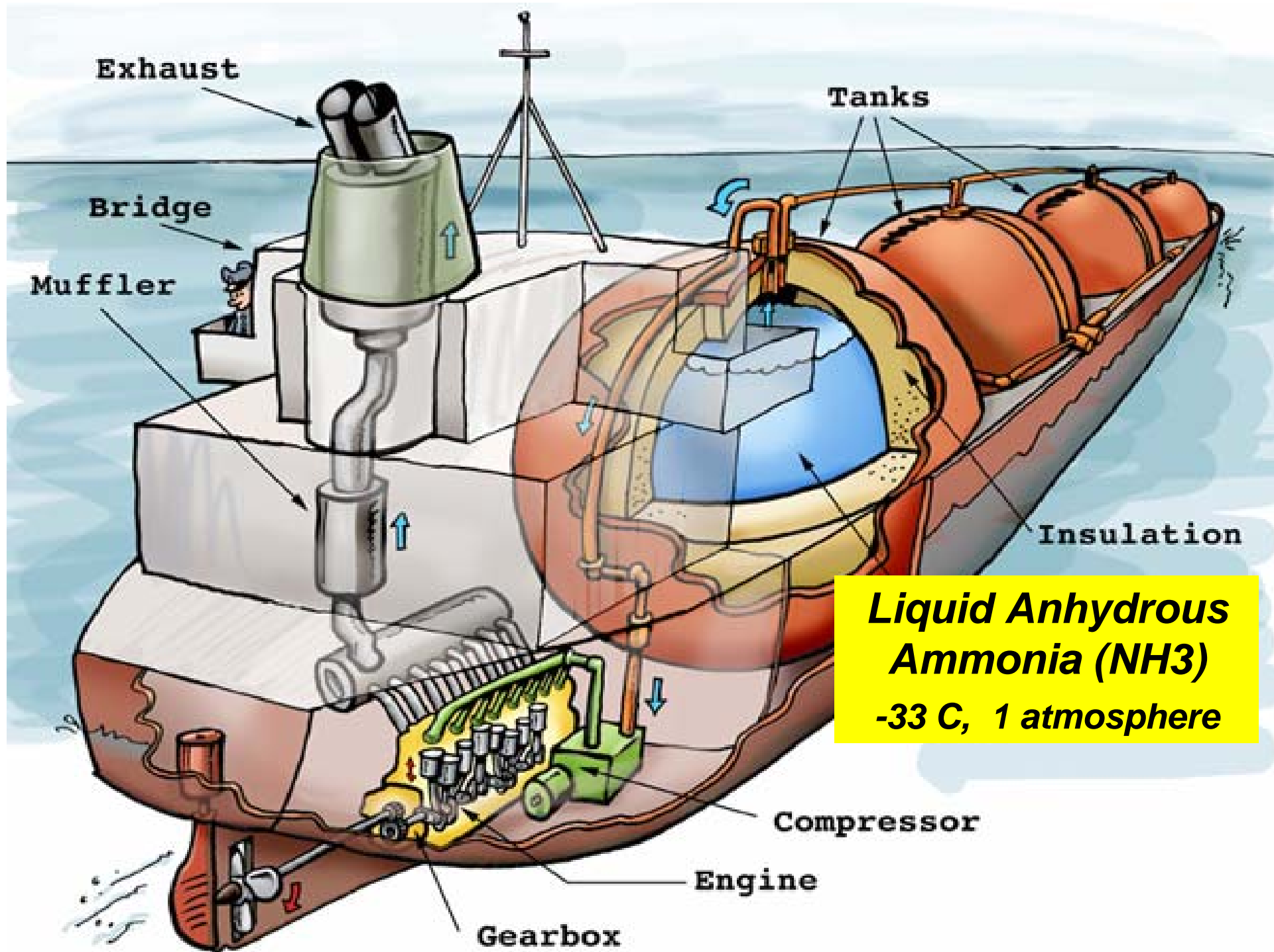


Wind Power Class



OCEAN





***Liquid Anhydrous
Ammonia (NH₃)
-33 C, 1 atmosphere***



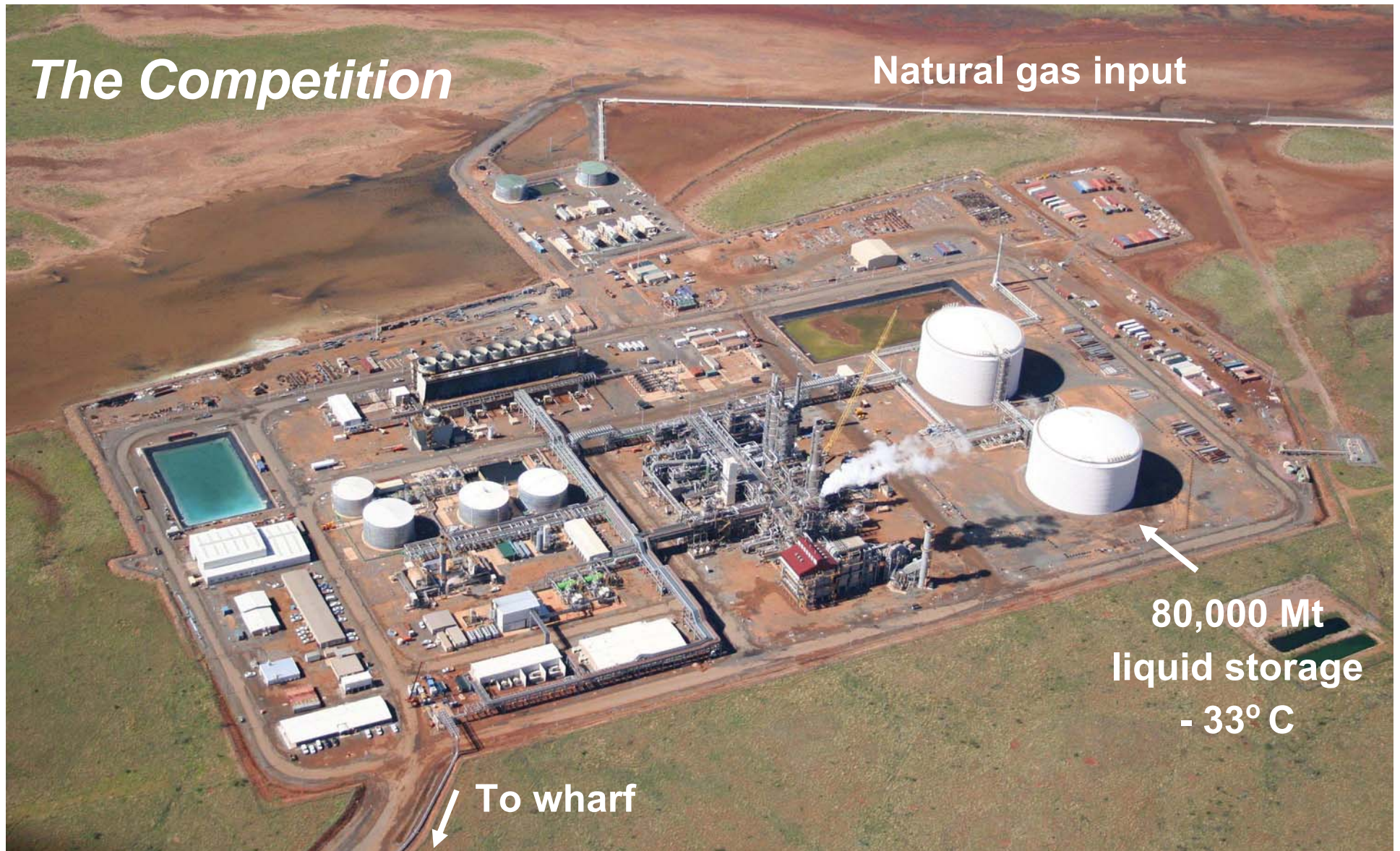
***95% Global
Ammonia
~140 MMtpy***

***Synthesis
Plant***

***Natural Gas
1 – 3,000 tpd***

***Haber-Bosch
process***

The Competition



Burrup Peninsula, NW Australia, Natural Gas to Ammonia Plant
760,000 Mt / year
\$US 650 million capital cost '06



Fritz Haber



Carl Bosch



Haber-Bosch Process

1909 – 1913 BASF

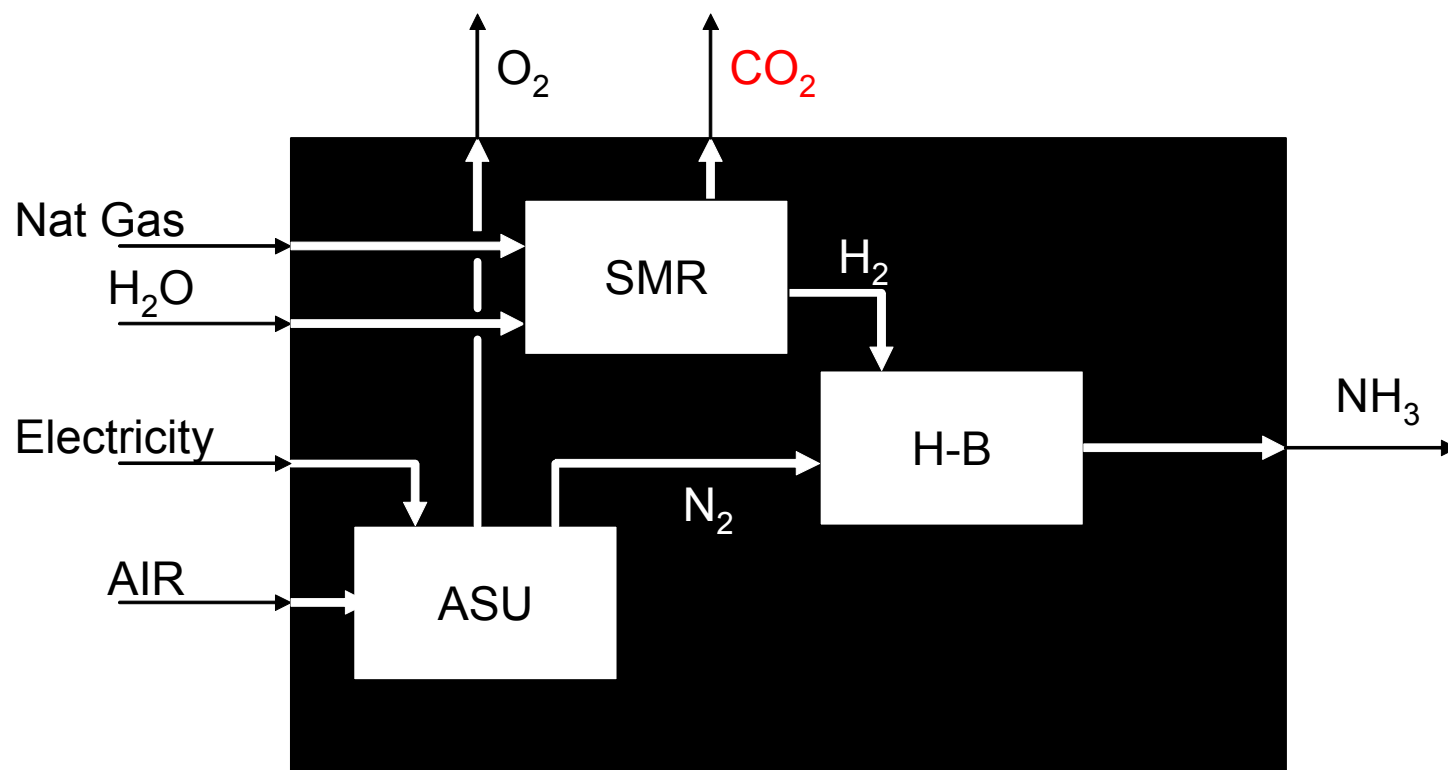
- **NH_3 synthesis**
- **Coal gasification $\rightarrow \text{H}_2$**
- **WW I explosives**
- **40% humanity: N fertilizer**

Haber-Bosch Reactor

1921

Ludwigshafen, Germany

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



Energy consumption ~33 MMBtu (9,500 kWh) per ton NH₃
Tons CO₂ per ton NH₃ = 1.8

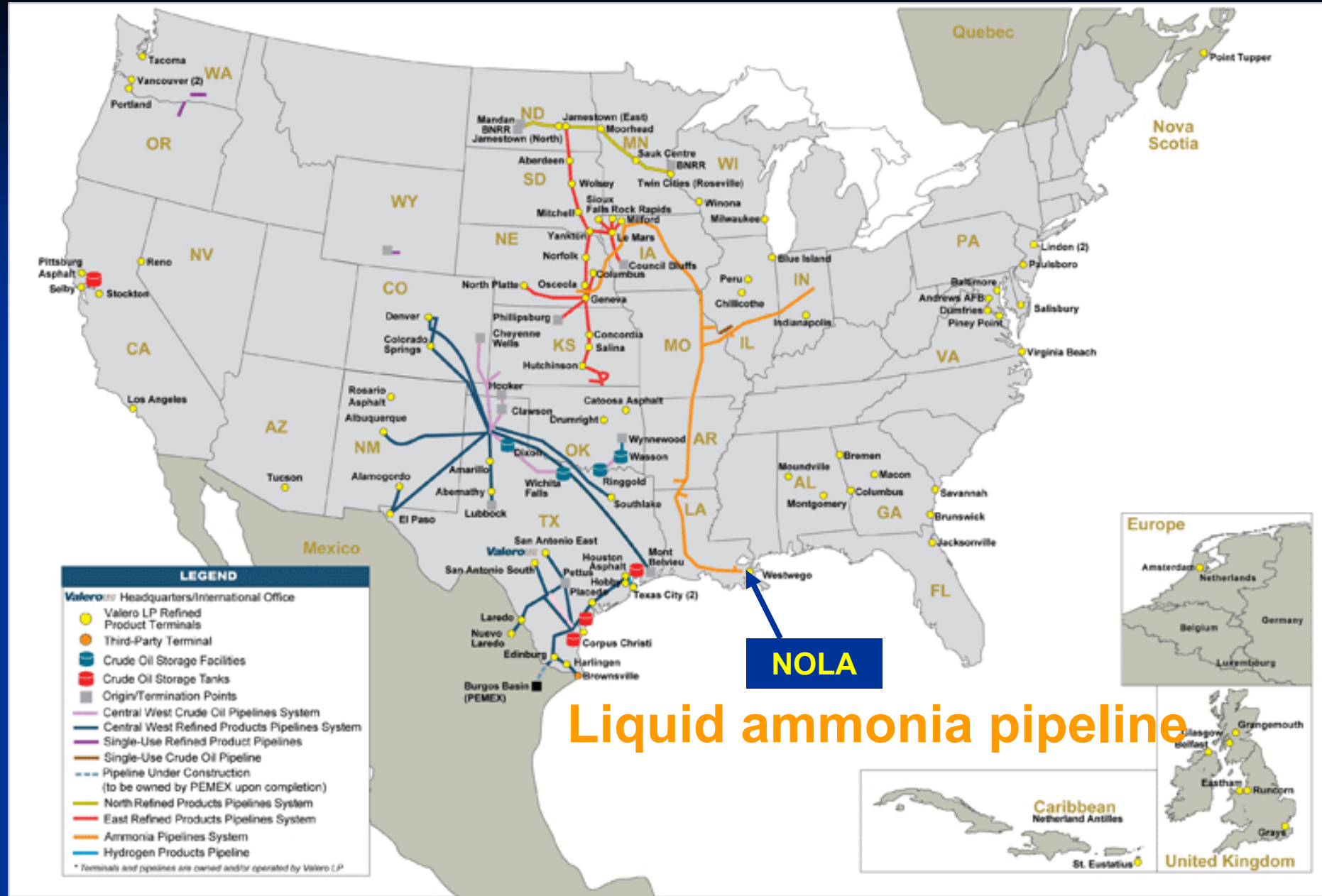
***Ammonia Tanker
Burrup Peninsula
Western Australia***





Ammonia or LPG Tanker
To 35,000 Mt
Refrigerated





Valero LP Operations

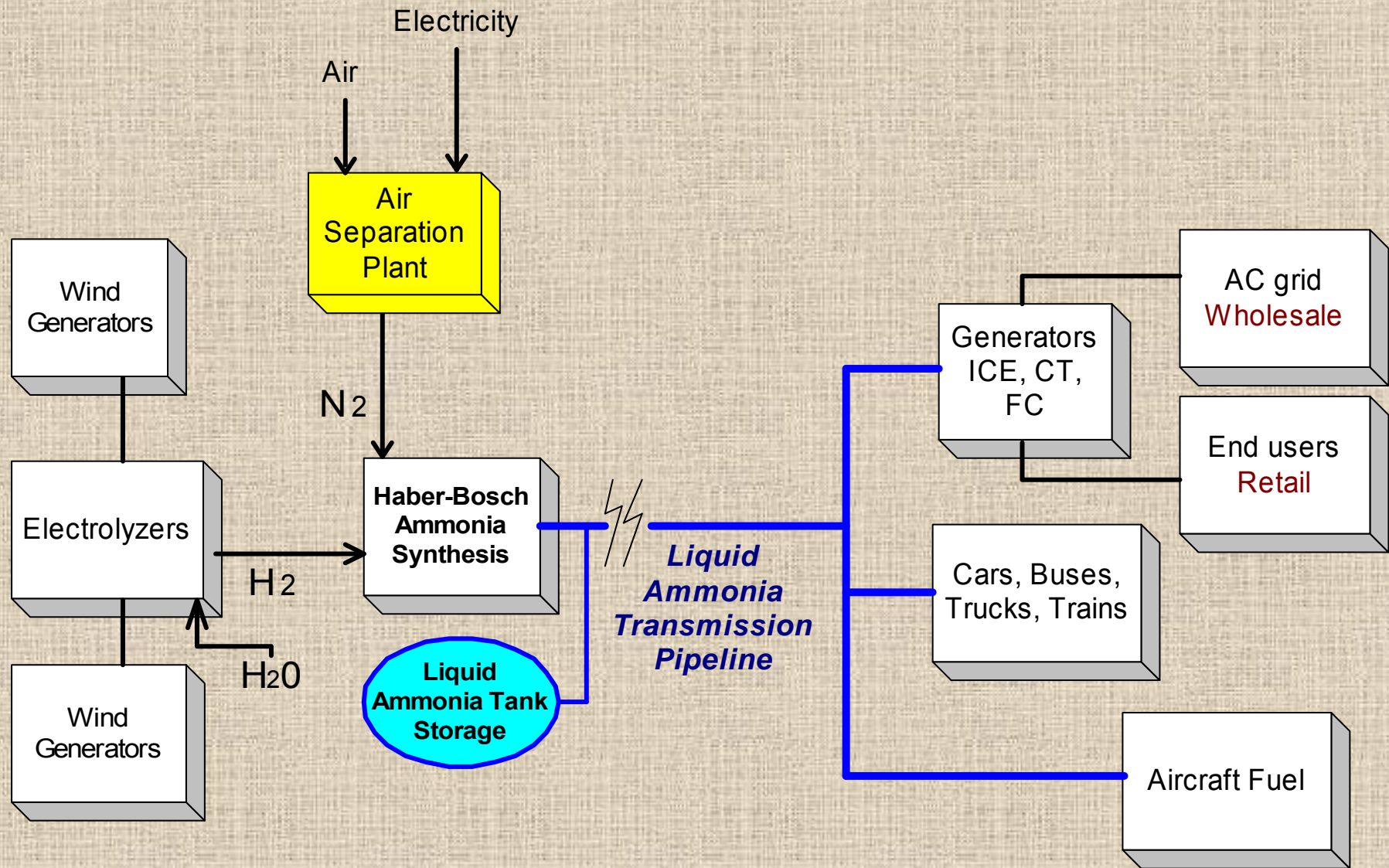
USA NH3 Infrastructure

- USA imports ~60% of 14 MMt / year
- ~ 3,000 miles pipelines
 - ~ 250 psi liquid
 - Smaller diameter than NG or hydrogen
- ~ 4.5 MMt large “atmospheric” tank storage
- Mild steel construction
 - Low cost
 - No corrosion or embrittlement

**Ammonia Storage Terminal
Mississippi River
Winona, MN**



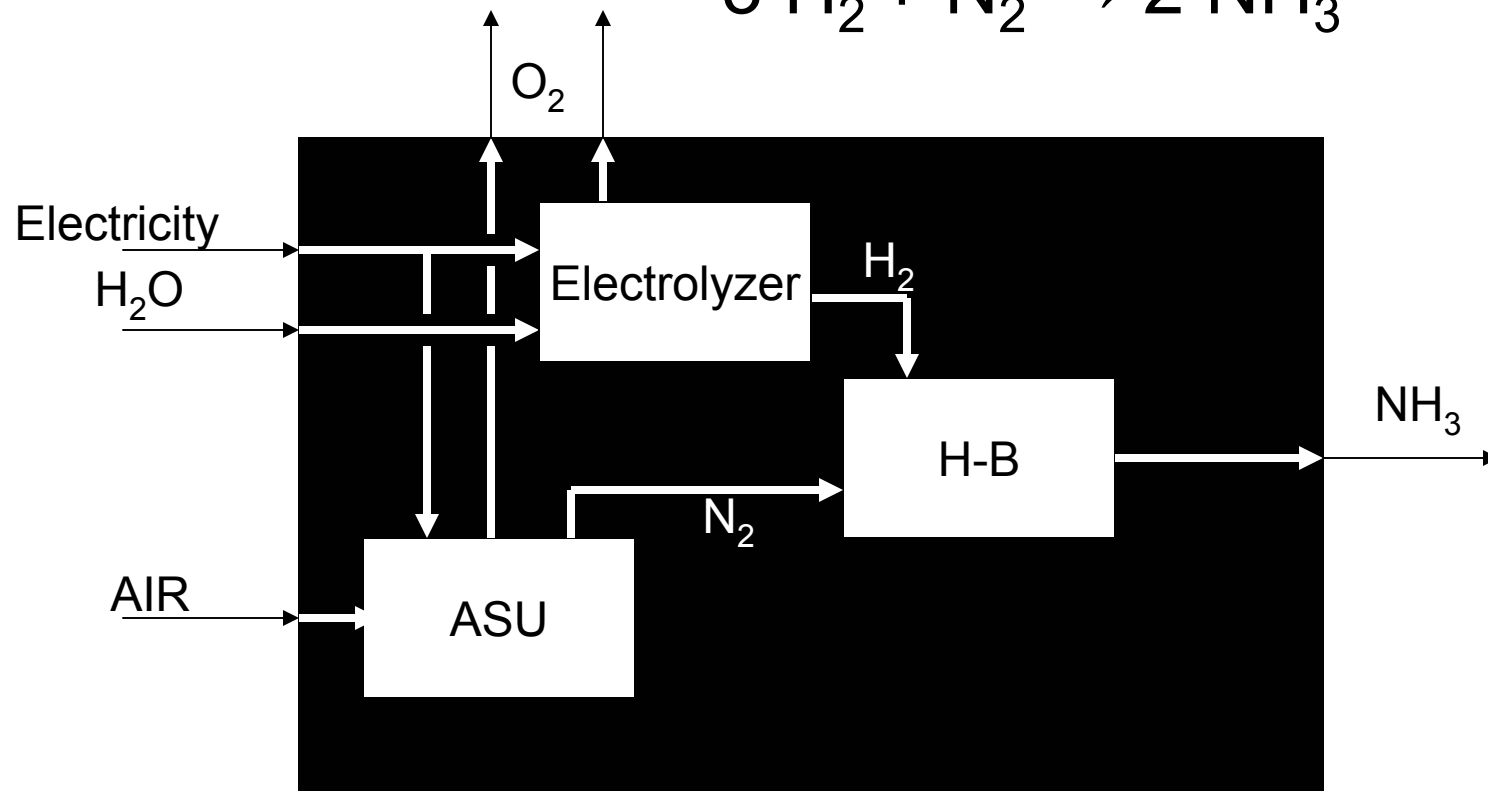
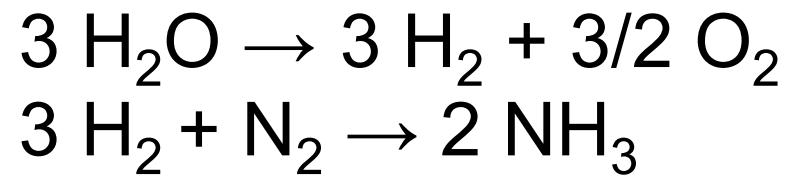
RE Ammonia Transmission + Storage Scenario



Wind – to – Ammonia Potential, NW Iowa



Inside the Black Box: HB Plus Electrolysis



Energy consumption ~12,000 kWh per ton NH₃

10'' NH3 liquid pipeline cost

- Industry sources, all costs:
 - \$750 – 900 K per mile, 10'',
“uncongested area”
 - \$250K per mile “small diameter”
- 1,000 mile pipeline @ 10'' = \$ 400M
- Capacity 2 GW
- Capital cost = \$200K / GW-mile

Capital Cost per GW-mile

Electricity :

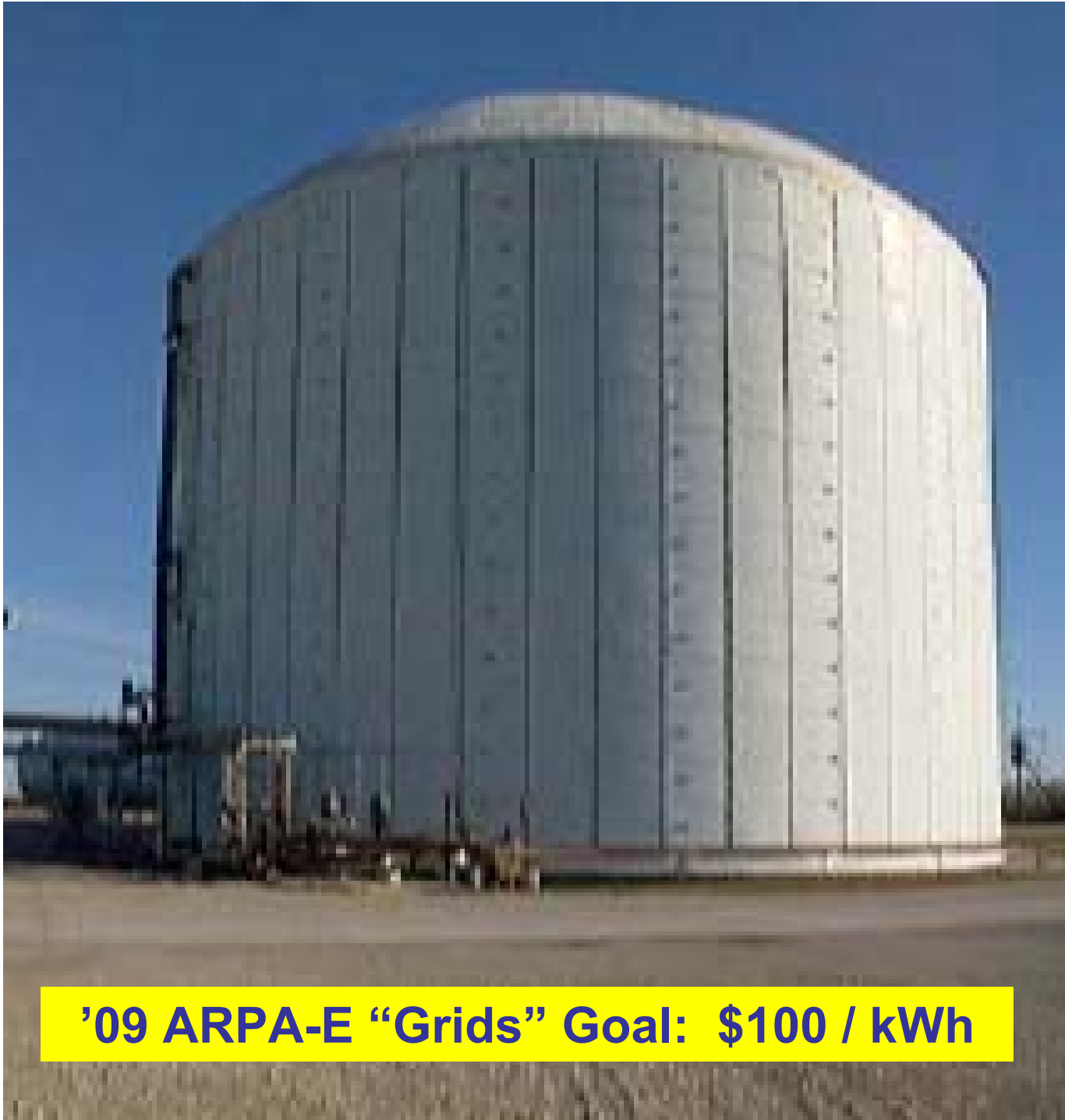
	<u>KV</u>	<u>Capacity MW</u>	<u>\$M / GW-mile</u>
• SEIA:	765	5,000	1.3
	345	1,000	2.6
• AEP-AWEA	765	5,000	3.2
Consensus ?			2.5

Hydrogen pipeline:

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

Ammonia pipeline:

10" , liquid, 500 miles, with pumping 0.2



***“Atmospheric”
Liquid
Ammonia
Storage Tank
(corn belt)***

30,000 Tons

190 GWh

\$ 15M turnkey

\$ 80 / MWh

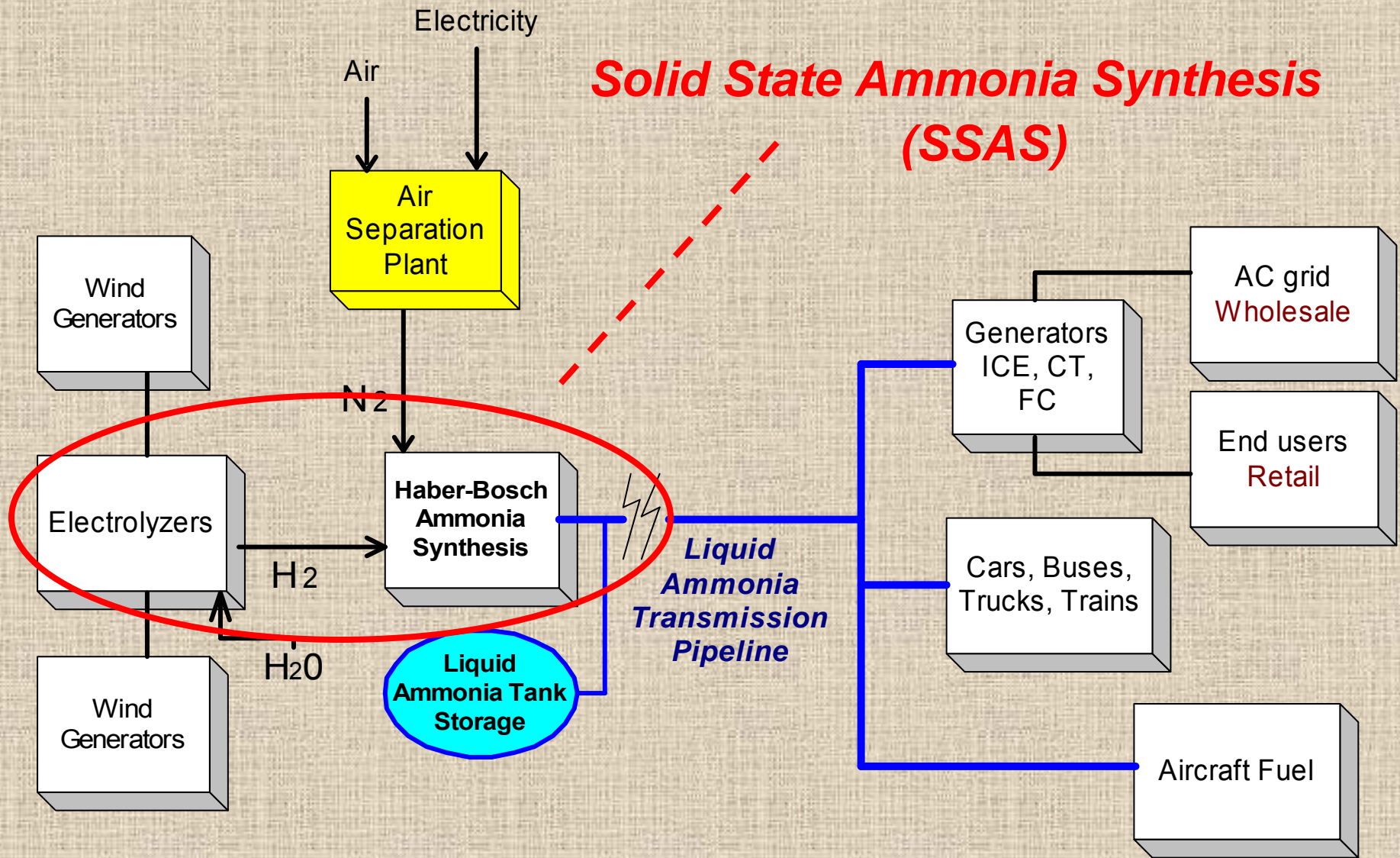
\$ 0.08 / kWh

-33 C

1 Atm

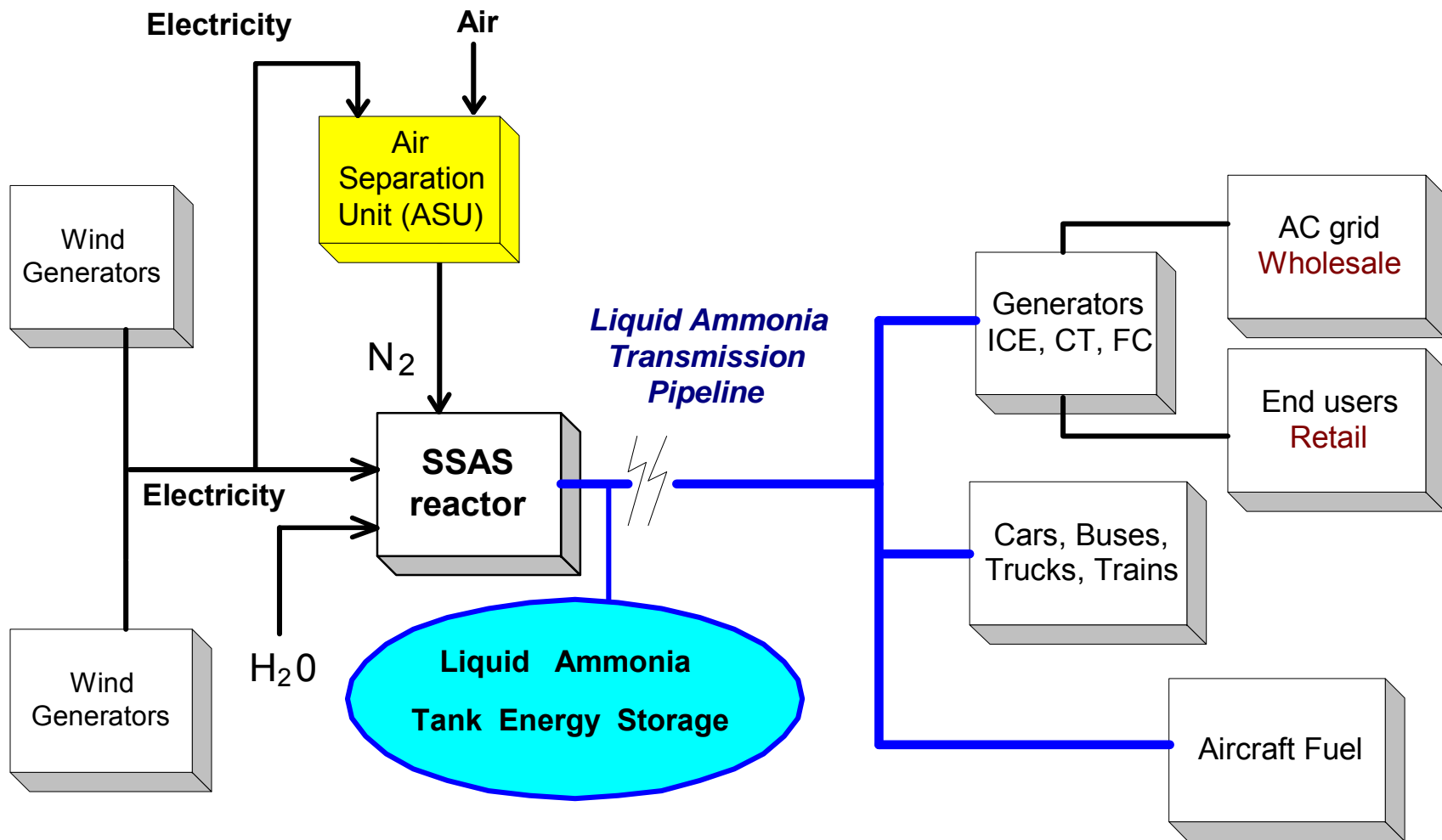
'09 ARPA-E “Grids” Goal: \$100 / kWh

RE Ammonia Transmission + Storage Scenario



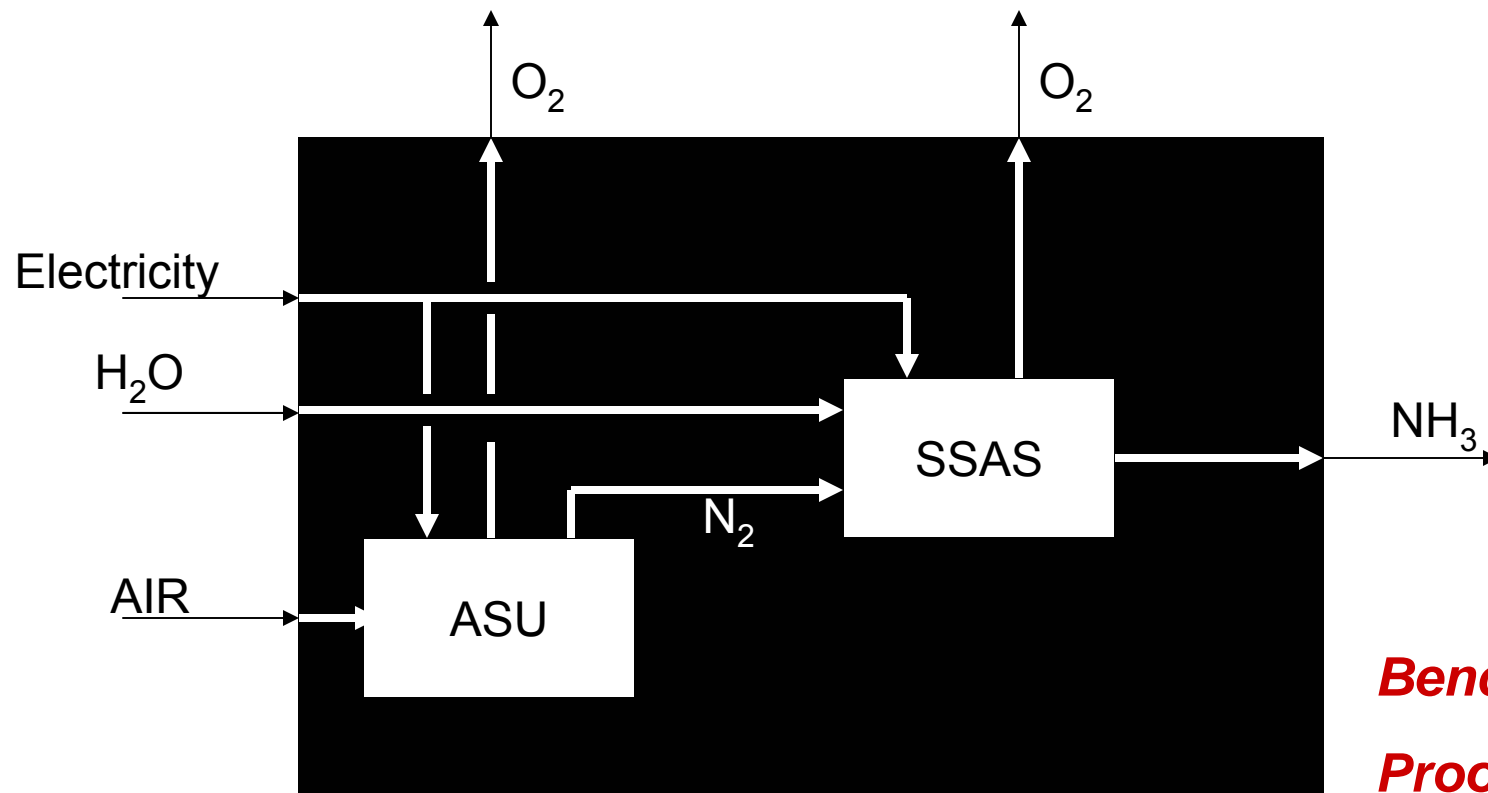
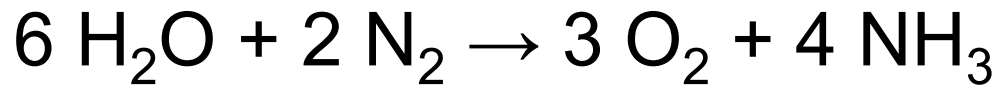
Why SSAS ?

- Electrolysis + Haber-Bosch too costly
 - From RE electricity
 - Capital components at low capacity factor (CF)
 - Energy conversion losses
- Proton conducting ceramics (PCC) now
- Solid oxide fuel cell (SOFC) success
- Need stranded RE transmission
- Need RE storage



Solid State Ammonia Synthesis (SSAS)

Inside the Black Box: Solid State Ammonia Synthesis

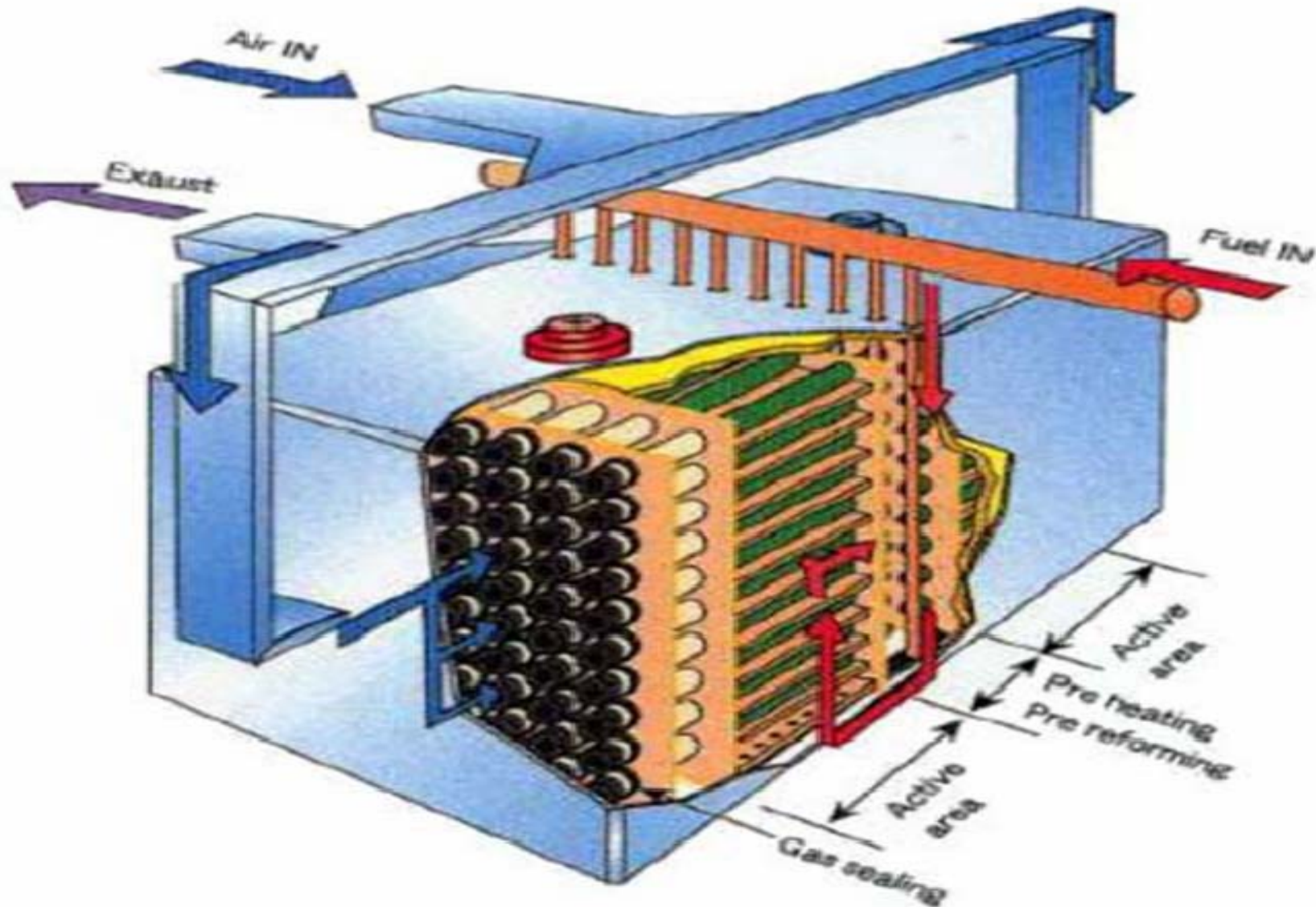


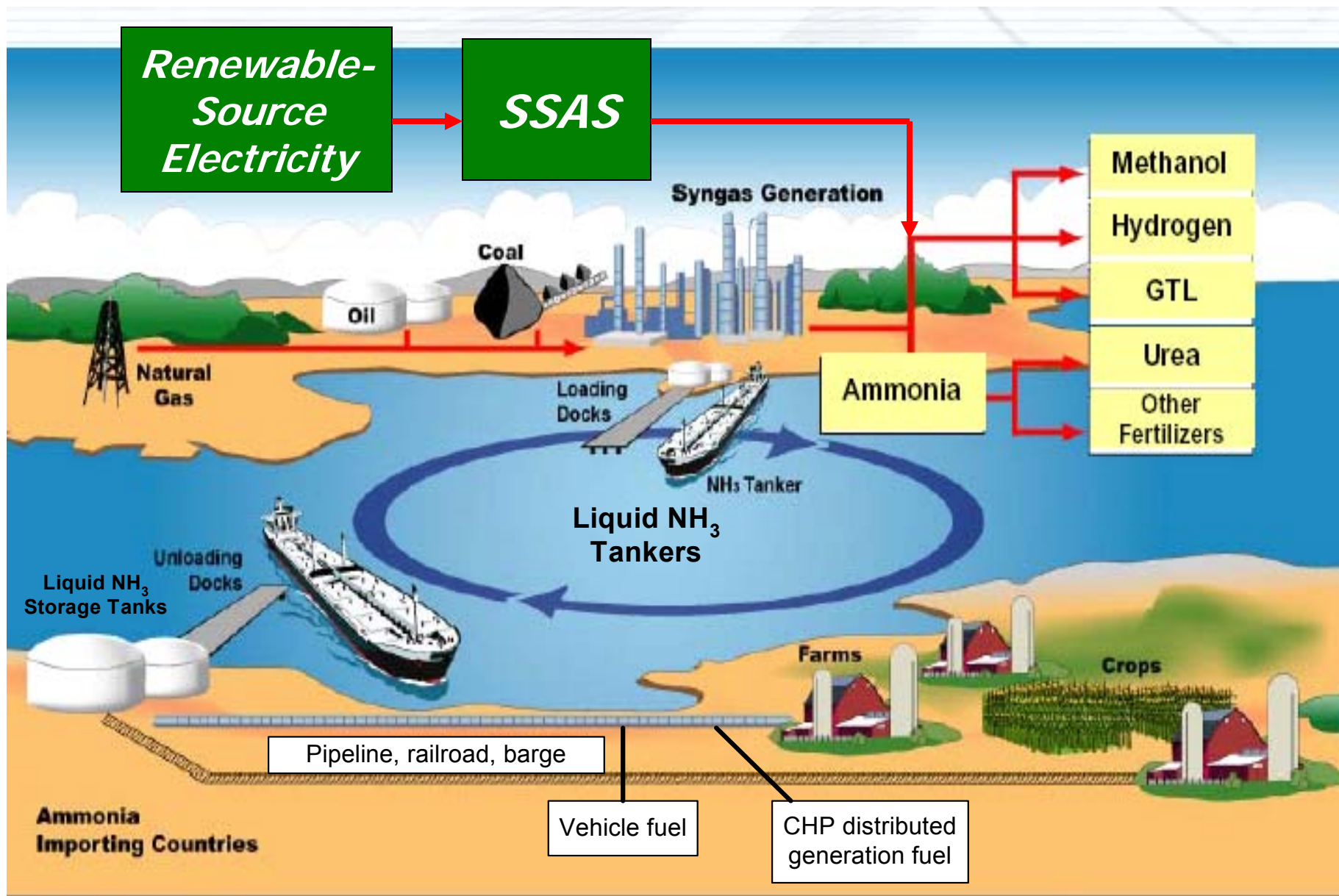
***Benchtop
Proof-of-concept***

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

Solid State Ammonia Synthesis (SSAS)

NHThree LLC patent





KBR

Energy and Chemicals

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

Humanity's Goal

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

- **CANNOT with only
electricity transmission**
- **“Transmission” must include
GH2, NH3, other**

MUST Run the World on Renewables – plus Nuclear ?

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

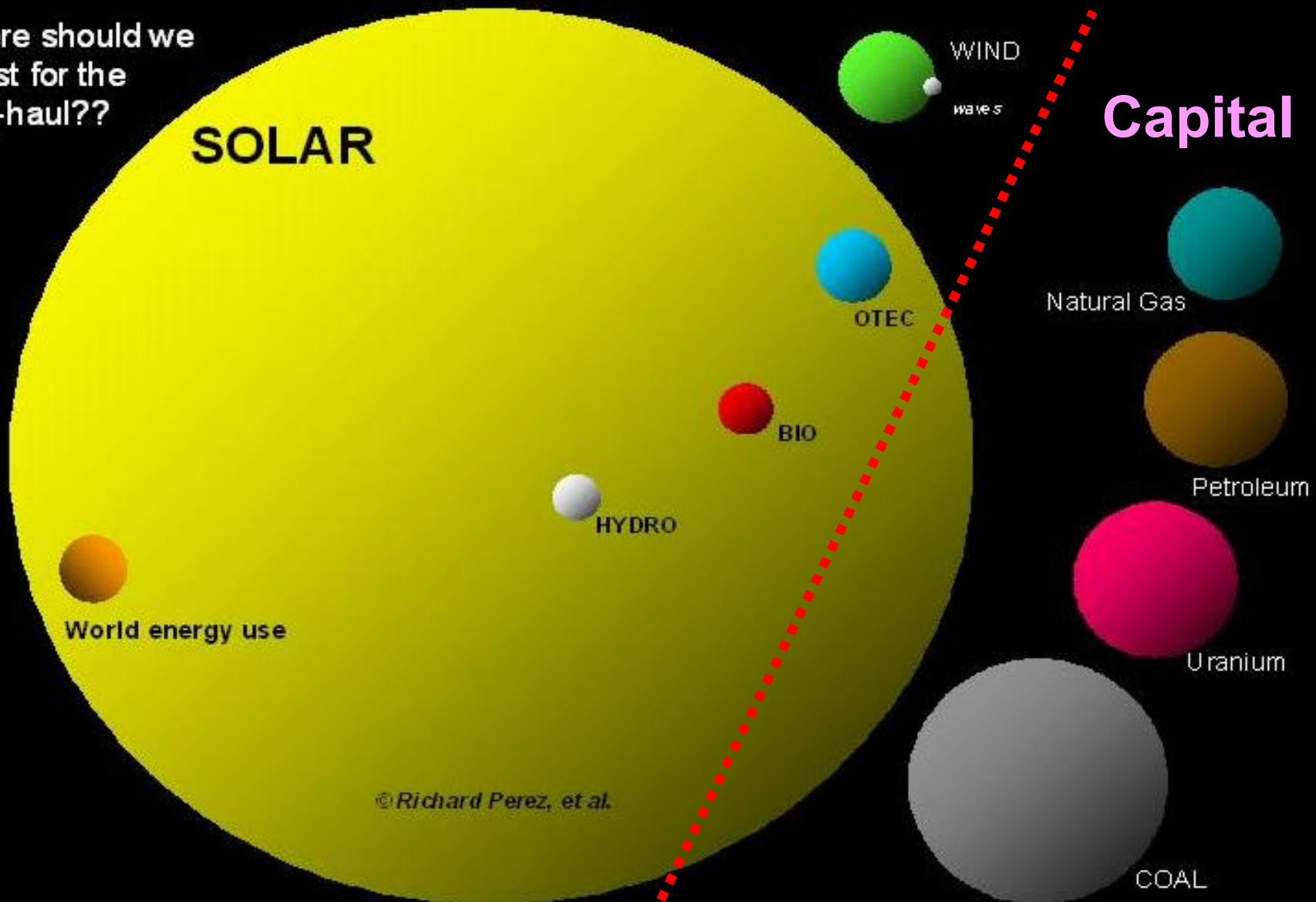


Beyond “Smart Grid”

- Primarily DSM
- More vulnerable to cyberattack ?
- Adds no physical:
 - Transmission, gathering, distribution
 - Storage
- Next big thing; panacea
- Running the world on renewables ?
- Must think:
 - Beyond electricity
 - Complete energy systems

Comparing the world's energy resources*

Where should we
invest for the
long-haul??



©Richard Perez, et al.

*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.



Beyond Smart Grid: Alternatives for Transmission and Low-cost Firming Storage of Stranded Renewables as Hydrogen and Ammonia Fuels via Underground Pipelines

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Mendenhall Glacier, Juneau, AK
June '71



Mendenhall Glacier, Juneau, AK
10 October 10



Mendenhall Glacier, Juneau, AK
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Spruce bark beetle kill, Alaska



“Drunken Trees” on thawing permafrost



Shishmaref, Alaska
Winter storms coastal erosion



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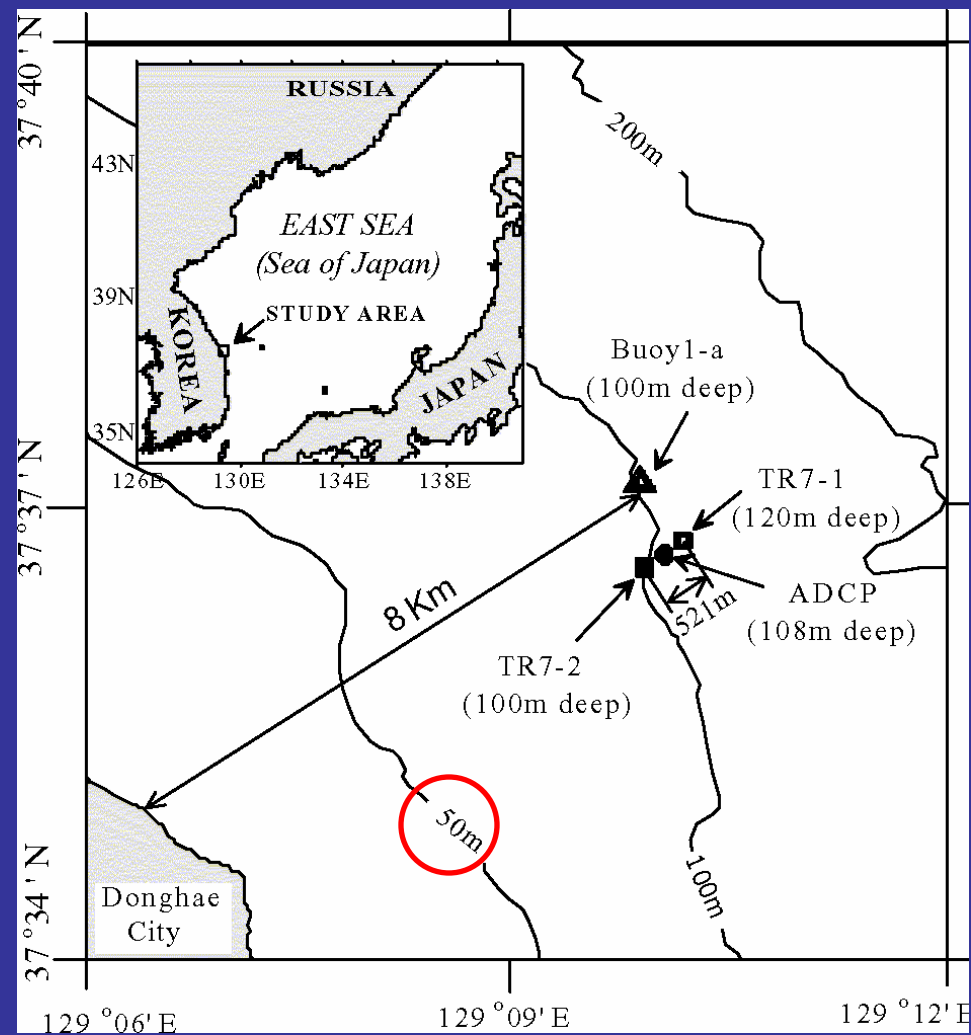
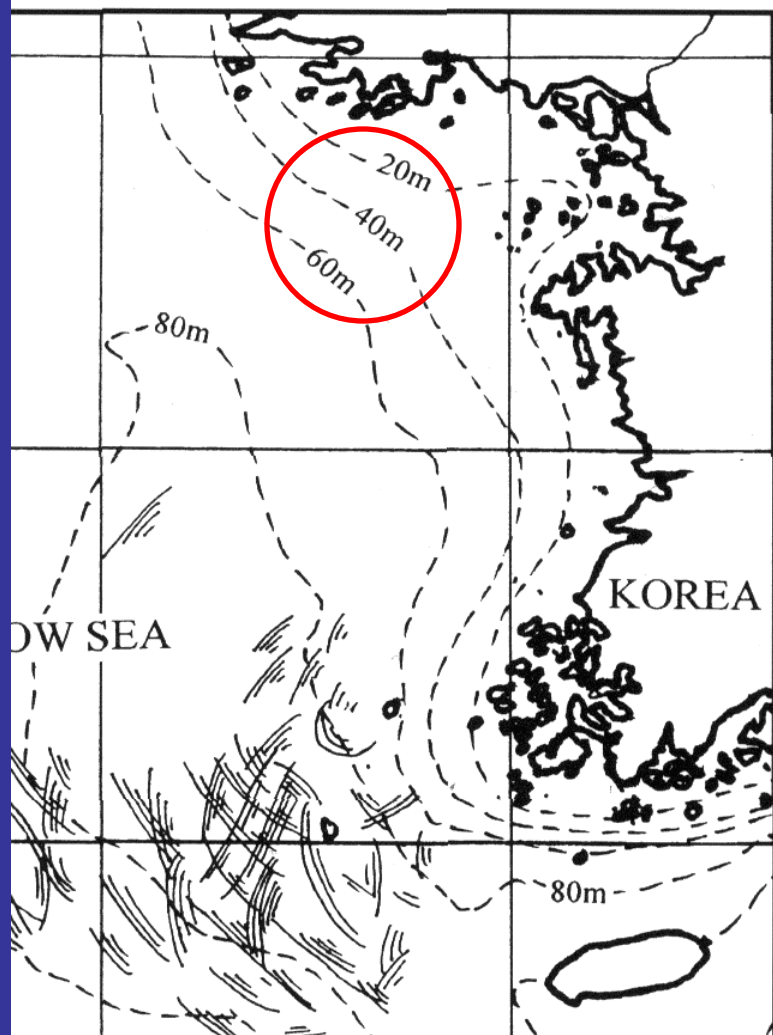
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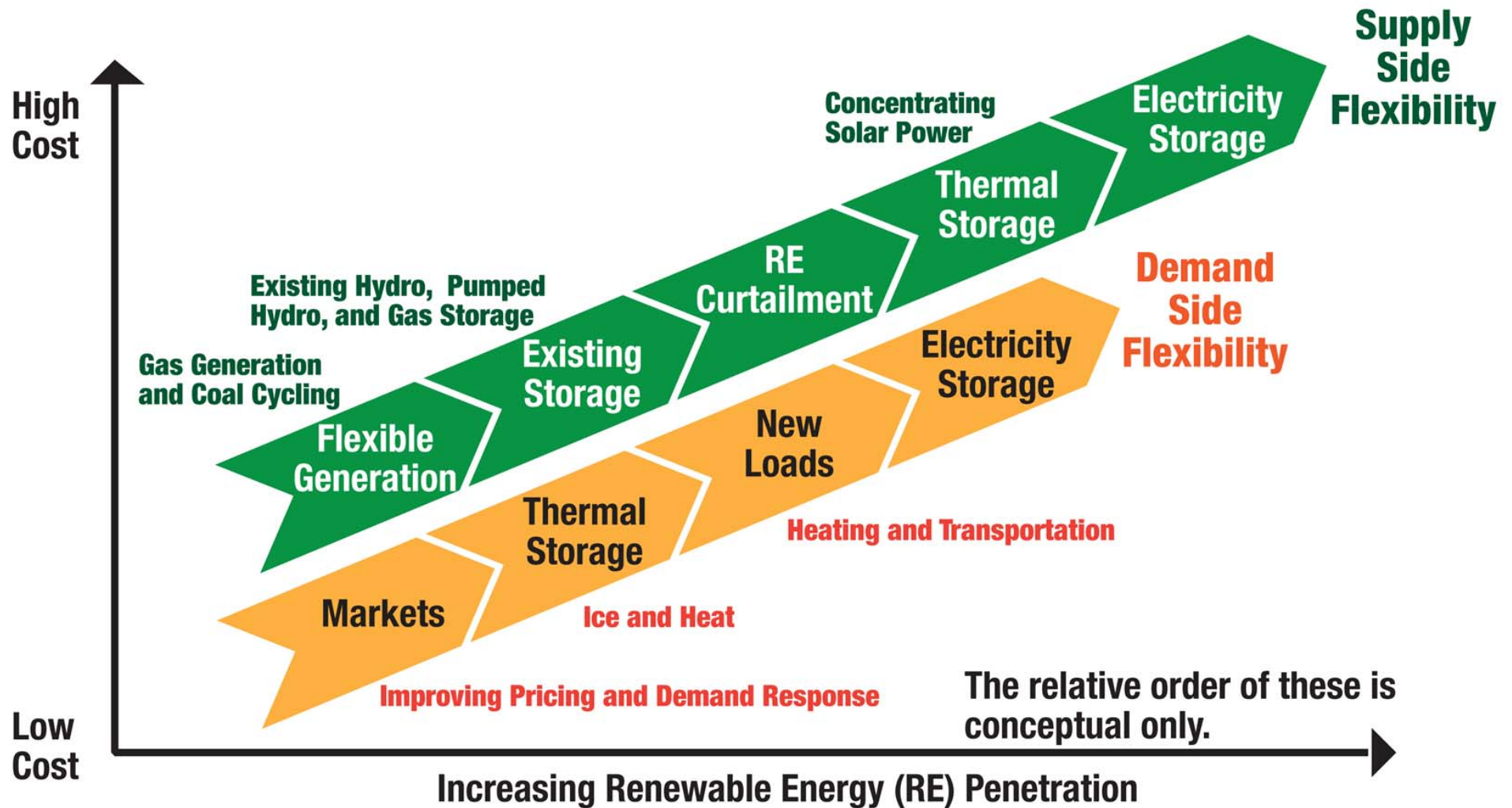
**A global, sustainable,
benign-source, equitable,
energy economy**



Opportunities

- **Collaboration**
 - International: “Run world on renewables”
 - RE systems: sources to end uses, firm and dispatchable
 - USA lead ? Korea ?
 - R&D
 - Demonstrations & pilot plants
- **Solid State Ammonia Synthesis (SSAS)**
 - RE electricity + water + $N_2 \rightarrow NH_3$
 - Proof-of-concept pilot plant
 - Technical + economic promise?
 - Several processes ?
 - NHThree LLC patented PCC
 - Hydrogen Engine Center lithium
 - Other ?
- **End use: stationary, transportation, fertilizer**
- **Commercialization**

Flexibility Supply Curve



NREL: Systems Integration

Jan '09 Transmission Backlog

- **California:** 13 GW wind
30 GW solar
- **Upper Midwest** 70 GW wind
- **Lower Midwest** 40 GW wind
- **Great Lakes + Mid Atlantic** 40 GW wind
- **Texas** 50 GW wind

Total

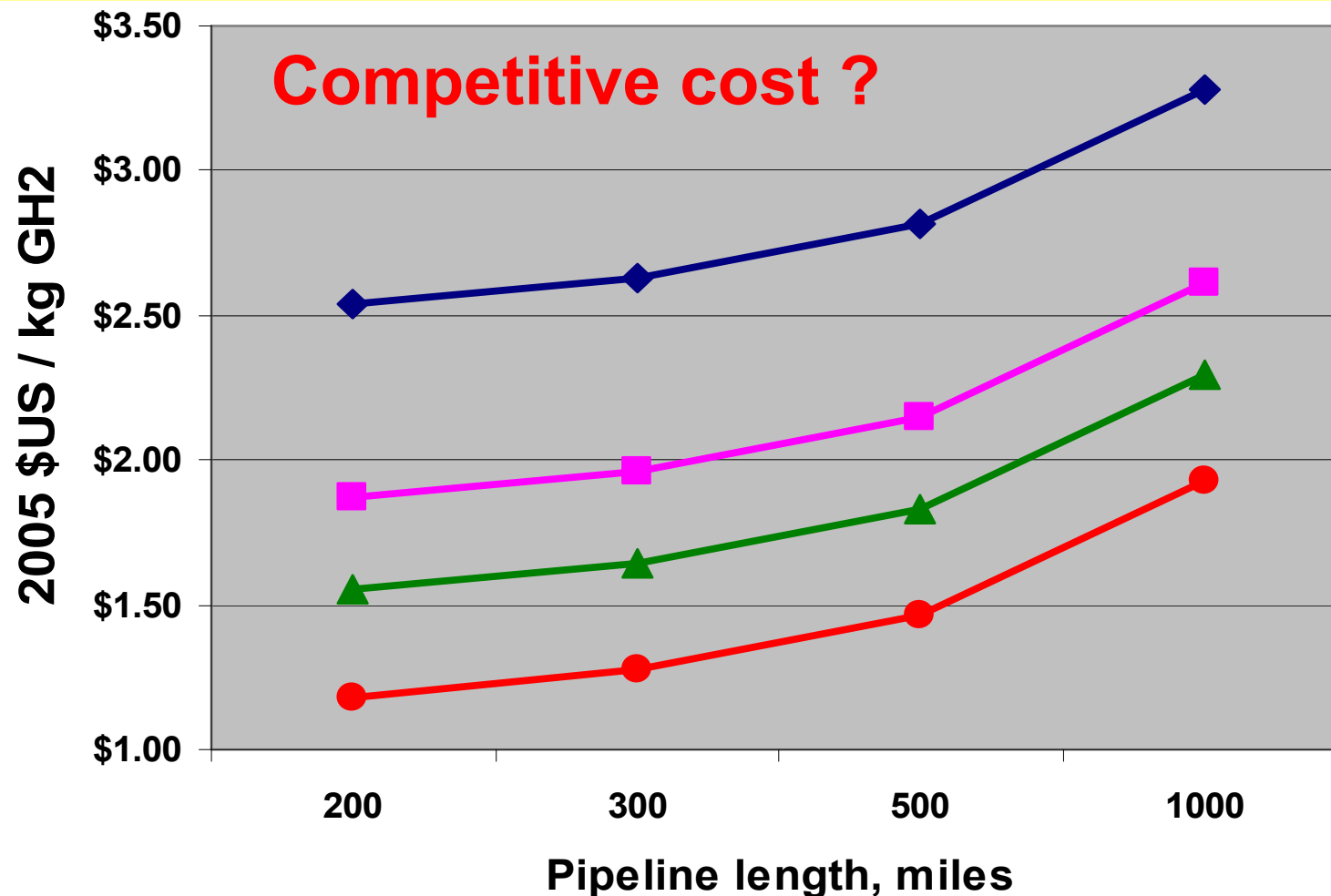
243 GW

Potential Great Plains Wind 3,000 GW

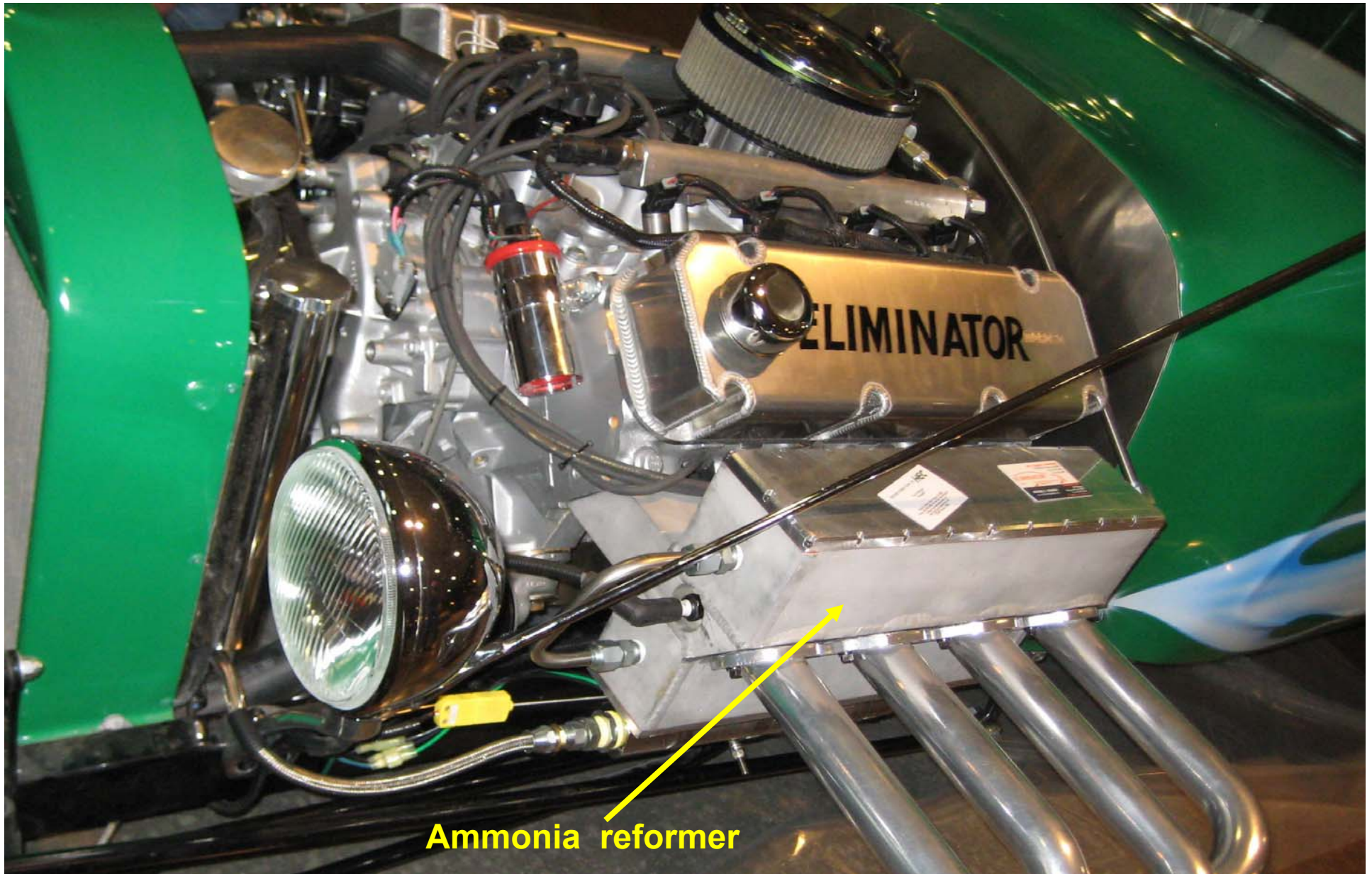
Airbus Industrie concept: liquid hydrogen fueled



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



—◆— B1: Unsubsidized —■— B2: US fed PTC only —▲— B3: PTC + Oxygen sales —●— B4: PTC + O2 sale + C-credit



Oct '09 Ammonia Fueled V-8 with Hydrogen Injection: Reformed from NH_3
Hydrogen Engine Center, Algona, IA

2009

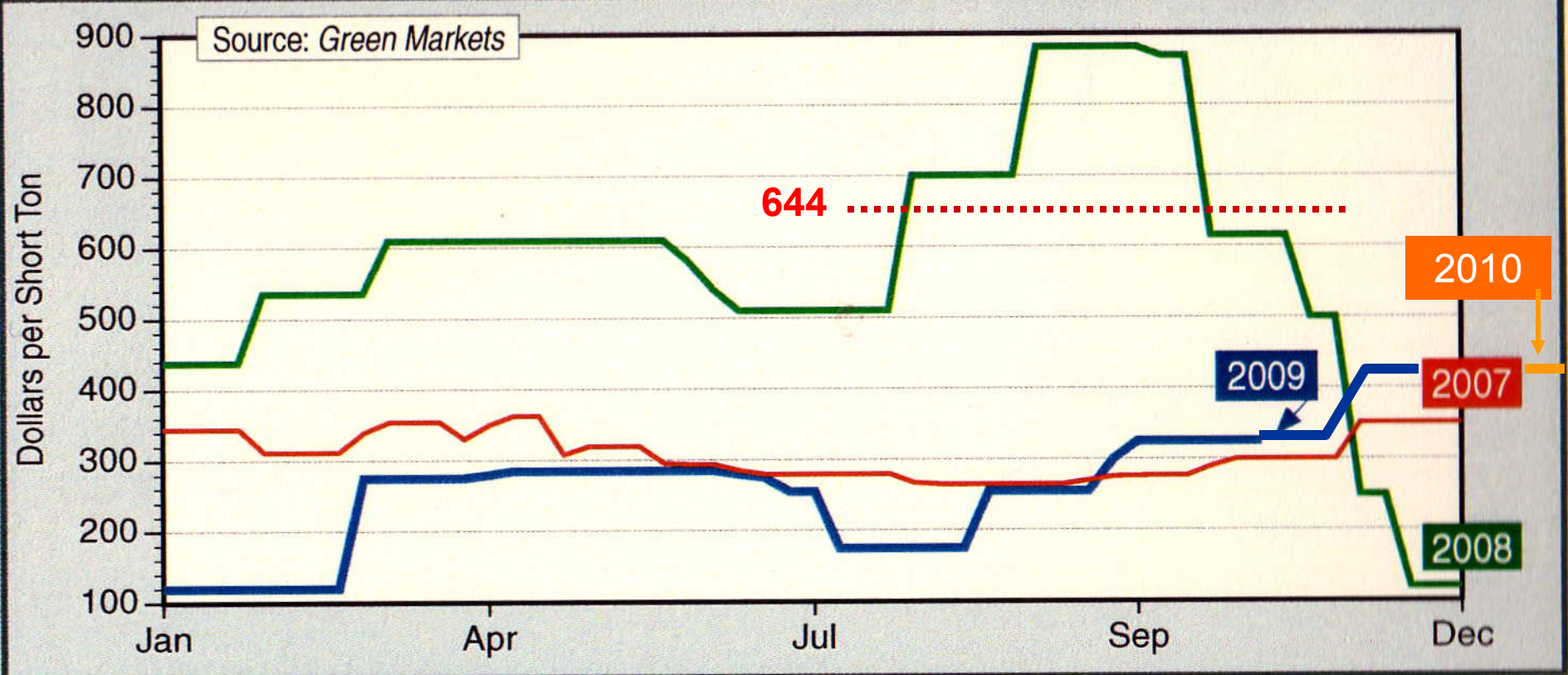
A photograph of two large, cylindrical industrial electrolyzers in a factory setting. The cylinders are white with a dark, ribbed outer shell. They are mounted on a metal frame. In the background, there are several large white storage tanks and various pipes and electrical conduits. Two workers in white hard hats and dark clothing are standing in the foreground, looking at a document. The scene is brightly lit with overhead industrial lights.

Norsk Hydro Electrolyzers 2 MW each

**Ammonia from
hydrogen
from zero-cost
off-peak hydro**

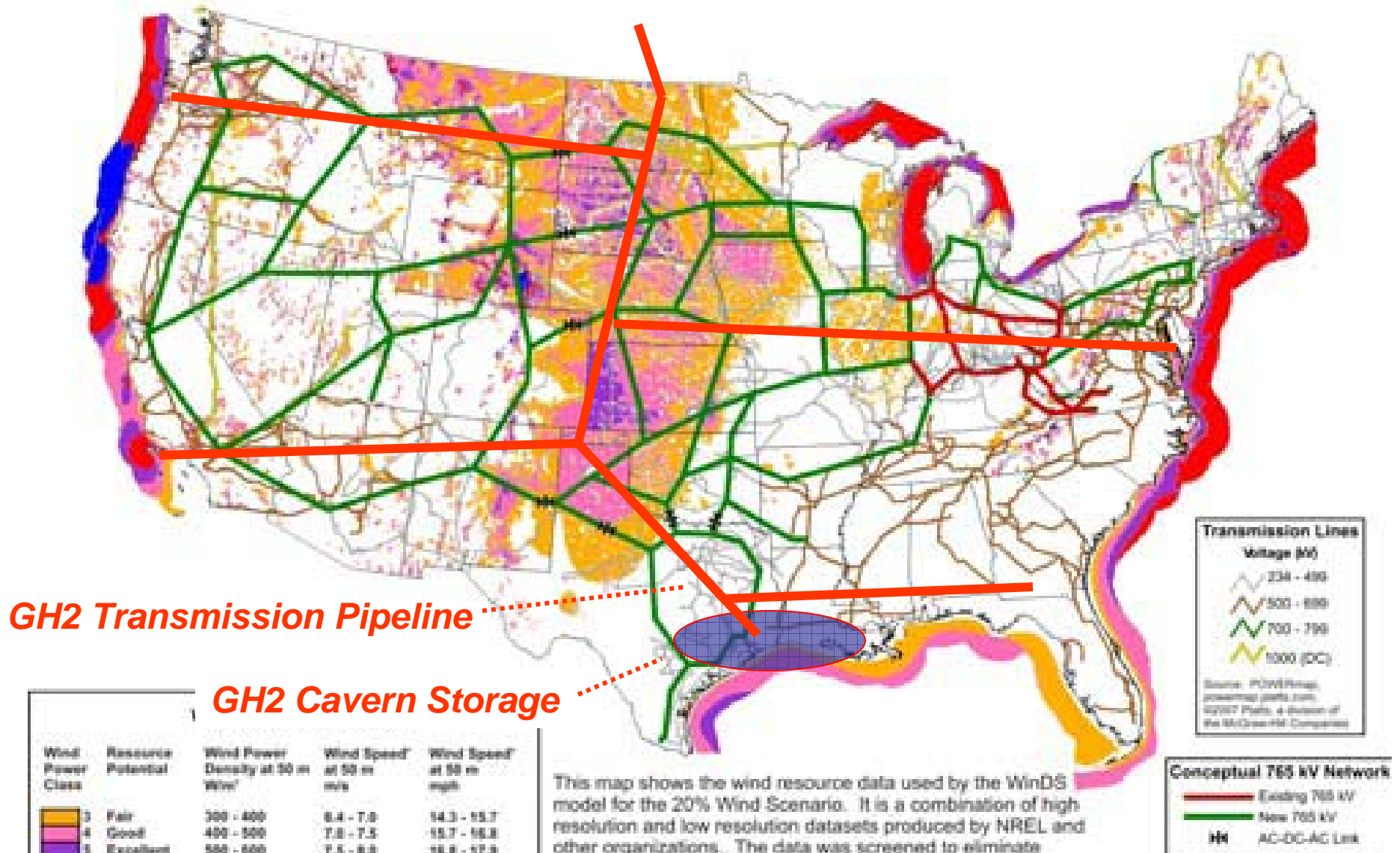
Figure V

Ammonia Prices (Average, New Orleans)



**Anhydrous Ammonia (NH₃) wholesale price,
NOLA (New Orleans, LA)**

AWEA 20% Wind Electricity by 2030



Wind Potential ~ 10,000 GW

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
Iowa	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

Stanford wind energy study: 2003

- Underestimated: PNNL '91, NREL
- 80 m hub height
- 1.3 – 1.7 m / s faster windspeed
- IF transmission network:
steady, reliable, abundant supply

*“Spatial and temporal distributions of U.S.
winds and wind power at 80 m derived
from measurements”*