# **Fuel Cell Technologies Update**

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# Agenda



Summary of Program Activities and Highlights since previous HTAC update (May, 2012)

# • Program Update

- Recent Accomplishments
- Analyses, Communication and Outreach

# • HTAC Input- Examples

- Hydrogen Production Expert Panel
- H-Prize
- Additional Information
  - Budget summary
  - Workshop examples (manufacturing)
  - Funding Opportunity Announcements

## Update and Discussion with Assistant Secretary, EERE

## **Growth in Worldwide Investment and Markets**

Interest in fuel cells and hydrogen is global, with more than \$1 billion in public investment in RD&D annually. Revenues, investment and patents are increasing.

#### **Activity by Key Global Players**

Japan: \$242 million in FY12, \$400 million requested for FY13 (~\$1.0 Billion in funding for FY08–FY12);

- · Nearly 30,000 residential fuel cells deployed (40,000 by April 2013)
- Plans for 2 million FCEVs and 1000 H<sub>2</sub> stations by 2025 (100 stations by 2015)

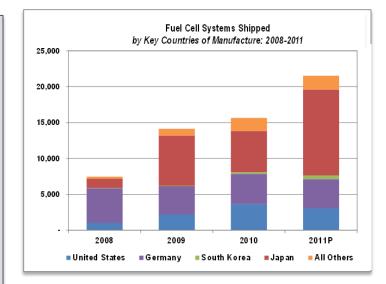
Germany: >\$1.2 Billion in funding ('07 - '16)

- plans for 1,000 hydrogen stations
- >22,000 small fuel cells shipped.

European Union: >\$1.2 Billion in funding ('08–'13)

**South Korea:** ~\$590 M ('04-'11): plans to produce 20% of world shipments and create 560,000 jobs in Korea

China: Thousands of small units deployed; 70 FCEVs, buses, 100 FC shuttles at World Expo and Olympics



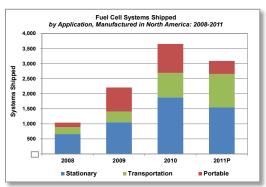
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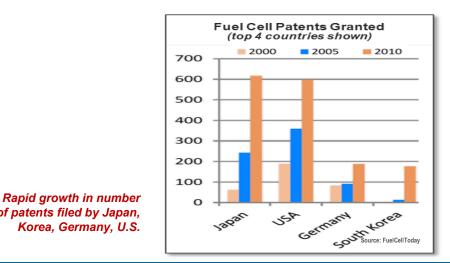
Korea, Germany, U.S.

Worldwide fuel cell markets continue to grow (>20,000 units shipped in 2011; >35% increase over 2010), but North American shipments slipped by ~15% in 2011.

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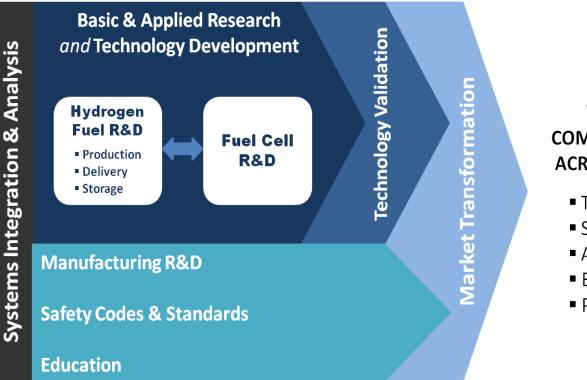
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# **DOE Program Overview**

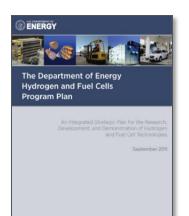


The Program is an integrated effort, structured to address all the key challenges and obstacles facing widespread commercialization.



#### WIDESPREAD COMMERCIALIZATION ACROSS ALL SECTORS

- Transportation
- Stationary Power
- Auxiliary Power
- Backup Power
- Portable Power



DOE Hydrogen and Fuel Cells Program Plan (revised 2011) Includes Four DOE Offices EERE, FE, NE and Science Significant HTAC & stakeholder input provided

Nearly 300 projects currently funded at companies, national labs, and universities/institutes

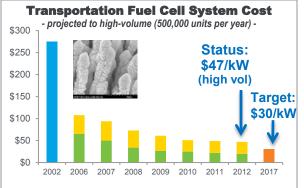
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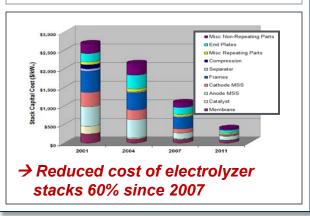
## **DOE R&D**

• Reduces cost and improves performance

#### **Examples of progress:**



# → Reduced cost of fuel cells 35% since 2008, 83% since 2002



## **DOE Demonstrations**

## & Technology Validation

- Validate advanced technologies under realworld conditions
- Feedback guides R&D



Completed world's largest single FCEV demonstration >180 FCEVs, 25 stations, 3.6 million miles

### **Examples—validated:**

- 59% efficiency
- 254 mile range (independently validated 430-mile range)
- 75,000-mi durability

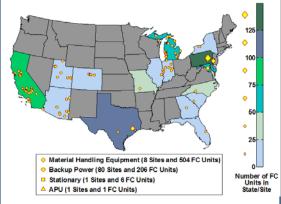
Demonstrated world's first tri-gen station (250 kW on biogas, 100 kg/d)

Program also includes enabling activities such as codes & standards, analysis, and education.

## **Deployments**

- DOE Recovery Act Projects
- DOE Loan Guarantees (TBD)
- Government Early Adoption (DoD, FAA, California, etc.)
- Tax Credits: 1603, 48C

#### Recovery Act & Market Transformation Deployments



> 1,000 fuel cells deployed (exceeded Recovery Act goal)

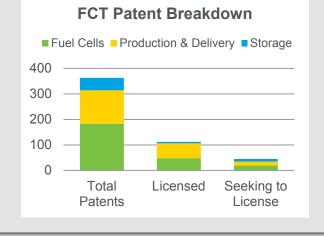
# Summary: Program Impact

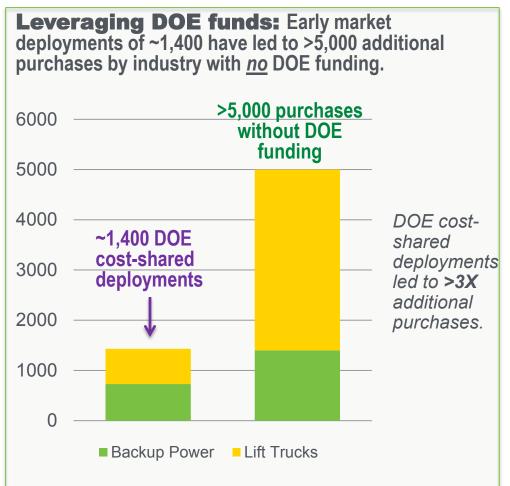


DOE FCT funding has led to 363 patents, 35 commercial technologies and 65 emerging technologies. Example of Impact: ~\$70M in funding for specific projects was tracked – and found to have led to nearly \$200M in industry investment and revenues.

## **DOE FCT funding has enabled:**

- > 80% cost reduction in PEM fuel cells since 2002, > 35% since 2008
- Reduction in Pt by a factor of 5 since 2005
- > Double the durability since 2006
- > 80% cost reduction in electrolyzer stacks in the last decade





**Recovery Act and Market Transformation** – Government as "catalyst" for market success of emerging technologies.

# **Communication & Outreach**



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Published more than 70 news articles this year (including blogs, progress alerts, DOE news alerts)

## Assistant Secretary and Secretary Participation at Events

- Senate Caucus, FC Summit, Auto Round Table, HPEP Kick-off
- Monthly Webinar Series
  - Jobs Tool
  - R&D advances

We are requesting topics for future webinars and value your input!

- Register at http://www1.eere.energy.gov/hydrogenandfuelcells/webinars.html
- News Items
- Energy Department Announces up to \$2.5 Million to Deploy Fuel Cell Powered Baggage Vehicles at Commercial Airports (April 25, 2012)
- Energy Department Awards More than \$5 Million to Reduce Cost of Advanced Fuel Cells (March 27)

## Monthly Newsletter

• Visit the web site to register or to see archives (http://www1.eere.energy.gov/hydrogenandfuelcells/newsletter.html)



Hydrogen fuel cell power lights at the 2011 Golden Globes

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Developed education materials and educated >9,600 teachers on  $H_2$  and fuel cells, >23,000 code officials and first responders to date.

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"These technologies are part of a broad portfolio that will create new American jobs, reduce carbon pollution, and increase our competitiveness in today's global clean energy economy."



Hydrogen fuel cell powered light tower at Space Shuttle launch

# **Open Energy Information - Example**

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# **H-Prize Summary**

- \$1 million prize from the storage H-Prize remains available for future competitions
  - Meter topic discussed at previous HTAC as option
    - Information received through RFI and other sources
    - FOA/grant may be more appropriate mechanism for meter
  - Investigating other potential topics
    - Small-scale waste-to-hydrogen (compost, trash, etc.)
    - Open to HTAC and stakeholder input and other ideas



- For hydrogen distribution or production that meet or exceed far-reaching objective criteria, with minimal carbon emissions
- Prize authority is a lump sum of at least \$10 million + matching funds
- Topics discussed include Hydrogen Campus, launching fueling stations for FCEV rollout, and low cost/low emission hydrogen production for infrastructure

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H<sub>2</sub> Expert Panel Workshop



Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy

Held 10-12<sup>th</sup> May 2012 in Arlington VA: Event featured kick-off by U.S. Secretary of Energy Steven Chu

> of the Hydrogen Production Expert A Subcommittee of the Hydrogen & ell Technical Advisory Committee

> > United States Department of Energy Washington, DC 2058

#### **EXPERT PANEL GOALS**

- <u>EVALUATE</u> the status and prospects for hydrogen production, quantifying supply and demand in current markets and in possible future scenarios (energy, transportation, chemicals and fuels, etc.)
- <u>IDENTIFY</u> the key technologies and critical challenges in producing hydrogen for today's markets, and for large-scale central and distributed renewable production
- PRIORITIZE research and development needs to advance promising hydrogen production technologies
- <u>STRATEGIZE</u> on how to best leverage R&D efforts in hydrogen production among DOE Offices and Programs (including EERE-FCT, SC, ARPA-E and the Innovation Hubs), and with other agencies

#### WORKSHOP PROCESS

Panel Steering Committee with broad spectrum of expertise oversees workshop flow and report generation
 Panel Technical Experts present on opportunities and challenges in near-term to long-term H<sub>2</sub> production technologies
 Breakout sessions of Panelists and invited stakeholders identify key challenges and research priorities in near- and long-term technologies

Report Approved by HTAC on 9/05/2012, and submitted to the Secretary of Energy on 10/29/2012



		HPEP Chair: Dr. Levi Thompson, University of Michigan					
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- Examples of HPEP Recommendations and Implementation
  - "Strategies should be developed to establish and maintain effective communications between BES, EERE, and ARPA-E"
  - DOE-wide Fuel Cells "Tech Team" is being established
    - EERE, ARPA-E, Office of Science (Basic Energy Sciences), Fossil Energy
    - Examples of proposed activities
      - Assessment of gaps, additional needs, potential workshops/RFIs
      - Technology & project coordination
      - Sharing best practices, active project management
      - Assessment of relevant diagnostics and capabilities as well as gaps
      - Development and sharing of technical targets, metrics
      - Strategic portfolio development (basic vs applied R&D- e.g., alkaline exchange membranes, non-PGM catalysts)
      - Ideas and feedback welcome

# **Analyses and Reports- Examples**

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Report on commercial products, patents Natural Gas and H<sub>2</sub> Pipelines Report Infrastructure Analysis Northeast Regional Cluster Station Cost Calculator Jobs Analysis Tool Annual Merit Review & Peer Evaluation Proceedings Workshop Proceedings (Biogas, Manufacturing) Updates to Multi-Year RD&D Plan (including target updates)

> Active Project Management More than \$6M saved through go/no go decisions in FY12

### SAVE THE DATE

Next Annual Review: May 13 – 17, 2013 Arlington, VA http://annualmeritreview.energy.gov/

# Acknowledgements World Class Researchers - Examples

Professor Thomas Jaramillo (Stanford) received a 2012 Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists & Engineers (PECASE). PECASE is the highest honor bestowed by the U.S. government on outstanding scientists and engineers who are early in their independent research careers. Jaramillo is the first ever EERE awardee.

**Dr. Adam Weber (LBNL) and Professor Vijay Ramani (IIT)** honored as Energy Technology Division Supramaniam Srinivasan Young Investigator Award from The Electrochemical Society in Seattle.

**Professor Scott Samuelsen (UC Irvine)** named a White House Champion of Change for his work as Director of the Advanced Power and Energy Program and the National Fuel Cell Research Center.

**Dr. Fernando Garzon (LANL)** was elected President of the National Electrochemical Society (ECS).

**Dr. Radoslav Adzic (BNL)** honored as 2012 Inventor of the Year by the NY Intellectual Property Law Association.

#### **Other Presidential Awardees:**

• **Professor Susan Kauzlarich** – UC Davis, a 2009 recipient of the **Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring**—and a partner of the Chemical Hydrogen Storage Center of Excellence

• Dr. Jason Graetz – Brookhaven National Laboratory, a 2009 recipient of the *Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers*—and a partner of the Metal Hydride Center of Excellence

• Dr. Craig Brown – NIST, a 2009 recipient of the *Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers*—and a Partner of the Hydrogen Sorption Center of Excellence











# Thank You

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New energy data initiative to share the latest energy information and data. Please visit:

http://en.openei.org/wiki/Gateway:Hydrogen

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	<b>Funding</b> (\$ in thousands)							
	<b>FY 2007</b> Approp.	<b>FY 2008</b> Approp.	FY 2009 Approp.	<b>FY 2010</b> Approp.	FY 2011 Allocation	<b>FY 2012</b> Approp.	FY 2013 Request	EERE FY 13 House Mark: \$82 M
EERE Hydrogen & Fuel Cells	189,511	206,241	195,865	170,297	95,847	101,087	77,850	EERE FY 13 Senate Mark
Fossil Energy (FE)	21,513	14,891	20,151	13,970	11,394	0	0	\$104 M
Nuclear Energy (NE)	18,855	9,668	7,340	5,000	2,800	0	0	SECA House Senate Mark \$25 M
Science (SC)	36,388	36,483	38,284	38,053	34,611	~34,611	TBD	
DOE TOTAL	266,267	267,283	261,640	227,320	144,652	~135,698	TBD	

#### Notes

Nuclear Energy: In 2010 and 2011, development of HTSE at the Idaho National Laboratory (INL) continued with funding from the NGNP project. Several industry partners now have stack technologies for high temperature steam electrolysis in development. After demonstration of pressurized HTSE stack operation in FY 2012 by INL, the technology readiness is expected to be sufficiently advanced (TRL5) to allow for further development by industry.

EERE: FY 2012 appropriation and FY 2013 request exclude the estimated SBIR/STTR funding.

# **Budget: FCT Program Key Activities**

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Funding (\$ in thousands)								
Key Activity	FY 2010 Appropriation	FY 2011 Allocation	FY 2012 Appropriation	FY 2013 Request	FY 2013 Senate Mark			
Fuel Cell R&D <sup>1</sup>	75,609	41,916	43,556	36,899	31,000			
Hydrogen Fuel R&D <sup>2</sup>	45,750	32,122	33,785	26,177	34,000			
Technology Validation	13,005	8,988	8,987	4,992	14,000			
Safety, Codes and Standards	8,653	6,901	6,893	4,921	5,000			
Systems Analysis	5,408	3,000	2,925	2,922	3,000			
Manufacturing R&D	4,867	2,920	1,941	1,939	2,000			
Market Transformation	15,005	0	3,000	0	15,000			
Education	2,000	0	0	0	0			
SBIR/STTR	3,703	2,153	2,537	2,150	TBD			
Total	\$174,000	\$98,000	\$103,624	\$80,000	\$104,000			

<sup>1</sup>Fuel Cells Systems R&D includes Fuel Cell Stack Component R&D, Transportation Systems R&D, Distributed Energy Systems R&D, and Fuel Processor R&D <sup>2</sup>Hydrogen Fuel R&D includes Hydrogen Production & Delivery R&D and Hydrogen Storage R&D

## FY 2012 Senate Mark Language and Impact

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DOE FCT Program adjusted FY 2012 budget based on Senate Mark language.

Excerpts from Senate Mark Language in the FY 2012 Appropriation "The Committee recognizes the progress and achievements of the Fuel Cell Technologies program. The program has met or exceeded all benchmarks, and has made significant progress in decreasing costs and increasing efficiency and durability of fuel cell and hydrogen energy systems."

"Within the available funds, the Committee recommends funding is provided for Technology Validation focused on passenger vehicle and hydrogen infrastructure applications, hydrogen fuels R&D, and for Market Transformation in early markets."

"Further, the Committee believes fuel cell and hydrogen energy systems for stationary, transportation and other motive, mobile and portable power applications have the potential to enable clean and efficient use of our domestic energy resources. The Committee affirms its support for stable and continued funding for these programs now and in the future."

#### **IMPACT**

FY 2012 Request: \$100.5 M

FY 2012 Appropriation: \$104 M

Following guidance from the Senate mark language:

- \$1 M was added to the original request for Technology Validation (total \$9M)
- \$3 M was added for Market Transformation (total \$3M)

(\$33.8 M already planned for Hydrogen Fuels R&D)

FOAs	\$M Planned
Collect Performance Data on Fuel Cell Electric Vehicles	\$6.0
Hydrogen Fueling Stations and Innovations in Hydrogen Infrastructure Technologies	\$2.4
Fuel Cell Powered Baggage Vehicles at Commercial Airports	\$2.5
Fuel Cell Hybrid for Refrigerated Truck Delivery (PNNL)	\$0.65
Zero-Emission Cargo Transport Vehicles (VTP)	\$10.0
Hydrogen Production Cost Analysis	Up to \$1.0

• Held 8/11 in Washington, D.C. with reps from industry, academia, lab, and government

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- Identified and prioritized needs and barriers to manufacturing
- Outputs support potential FY13 FOA for H<sub>2</sub> & FC Manufacturing R&D

Issue	Votes
<b>PEM Fuel Cells/Electrolyzers BOP:</b> Facilitate a manufacturing group for DOE to expand supply chain.	21
<b>Electrodes:</b> How to apply ink directly to membrane; dual direct coating of CCM; <i>membrane dimensional change with deposition of current inks (Fuel cell R&amp;D)</i>	20
<b>PEM Fuel Cells/Electrolyzers BOP:</b> Develop low cost manufacturing of natural gas reformers (Fuel cell R&D)	18
<b>Stack Assembly:</b> High volume stack assembly processes: reduced labor, improved automation	15
Quality/Inspection/Process Control: Develop methods of identifying coating defects on a moving web, then rejecting single pieces downstream; defect detection after MEA assembly when defect may no longer be visible; ability to separate materials with defects from rolled goods with minimum production of scrap	15
SOFC: Multi-layer/component sintering	14

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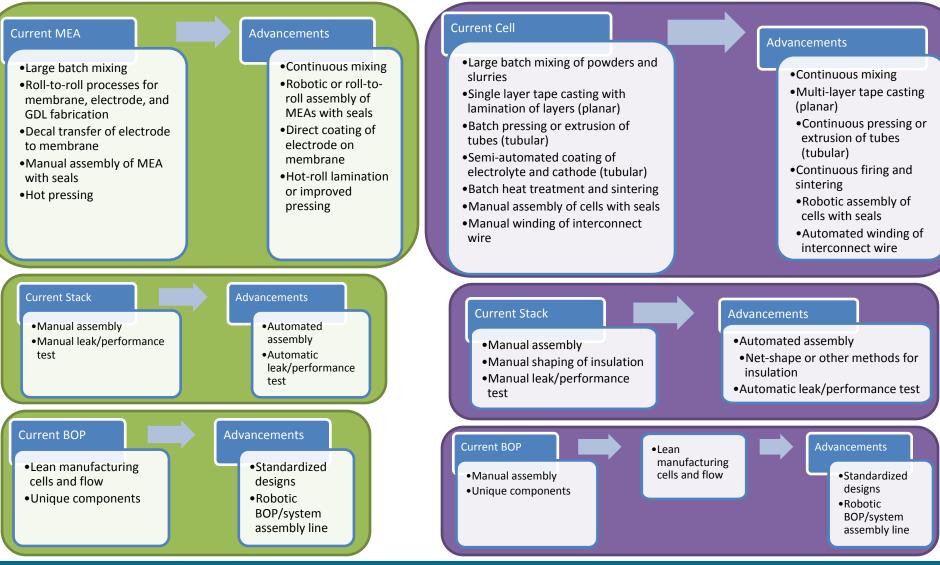
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## PEMFC and SOFC Manufacturing: Status vs. Needs



# **PEM Fuel Cells**

# **Solid Oxide Fuel Cells**



#### eere.energy.gov

**NREL and EERE** held a **Biogas and Fuel Cells Workshop** on June 11-13, 2012 in Golden, Colorado focused on biogas sourced from wastewater treatment plants (WWTP), landfills, and industrial facilities that generate or process large amounts of organic waste, including large biofuel production facilities (biorefineries). The workshop was attended by 58 participants from industry; trade associations; national laboratories; universities; and federal, state, and local government agencies.

## **Objectives**:

- 1. Discuss current state-of-the-art for biogas and waste-to-energy technologies for fuel cell applications
- 2. Identify key challenges (technical and non-technical) preventing or delayed the near-term, widespread deployment of biogas fuel cell technologies
- 3. Identify synergies and opportunities for biogas and fuel cell technologies
- 4. Develop strategies for accelerating the use of biogas for stationary fuel cell power and/or hydrogen fueling infrastructure for motive power fuel cells



Wastewater biogas clean-up system at the Joint Base Lewis McChord (JBLM), near Tacoma, WA.

As part of a Defense Logistics Agency demonstration project at JBLM, the equipment is used for on-site hydrogen production from wastewater biogas for use in fuel cell-powered forklifts and fuel cell electric vehicles. *Photo from LMI*.

**Three types of CHP were addressed:** (1) projects that use biogas from WWTP anaerobic digester gas (ADG), (2) projects that use landfill gas (LFG), or (3) projects in industrial facilities that generate or process large amounts of organic waste (e.g., food production).

## **Participant proposed actions:**

#### What were the top three most valuable outcomes for you at the workshop?

- Biogas, natural gas, hydrogen, and fuel cells are clearly aligned and do not need to be competing platforms
- · low natural gas prices could impede utilization of our biogas resources
- leverage resources between the biogas industry and DOE; and learning that the value proposition for biorefineries can be enhanced by hydrogen and fuel cells.

#### What were the top three items you would like to see addressed?

- Pursue RFS2 renewable credits for hydrogen as a fuel
- Increased retrofitting of ADG or LFG systems that currently flare or waste biogas to make use of biogas for heat/electricity
- Establishment of carbon credits to drive system payback period.
- Study how different biorefinery technologies can benefit from integration with fuel cells and hydrogen
- Establish a joint collaboration with U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

#### What follow-up actions or next steps would you suggest?

- Promote technology that can be quickly installed at existing facilities to make use of biogas;
- Government solicitation opportunities for ADG and stationary fuel cell power projects;
- Promote use of renewable energy over non-renewable energy (such as natural gas).



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Tulare, CA, Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant with fuel cells and ancillary equipment in foreground



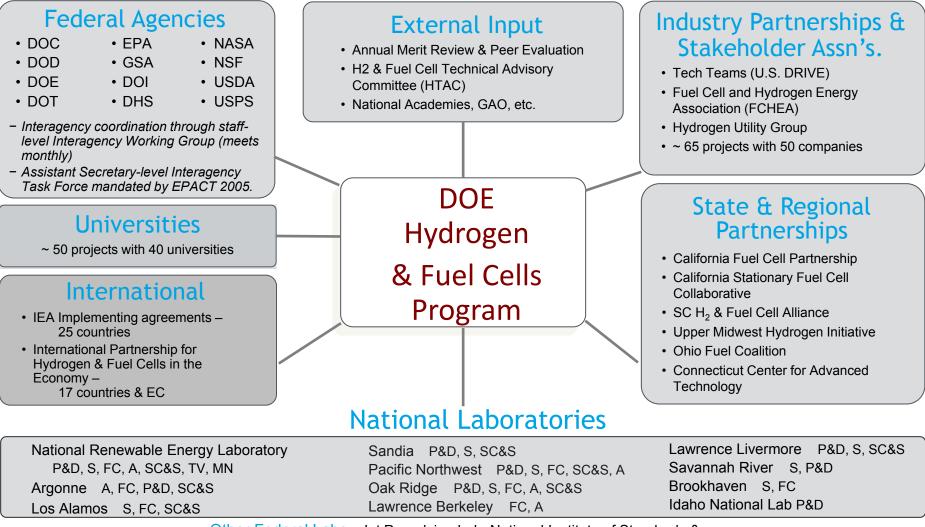
Renewable liquefied natural gas (LNG) from landfill gas plant in Altamont, CA



World's first trigeneration plant at the Orange County Sanitation District's WWTP in Fountain Valley, CA

# **Collaboration Examples**

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Other Federal Labs: Jet Propulsion Lab, National Institute of Standards & Technology, National Energy Technology Lab (NETL)

P&D = Production & Delivery; S = Storage; FC = Fuel Cells; A = Analysis; SC&S = Safety, Codes & Standards; TV = Technology Validation, MN = Manufacturing

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