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# IdaTech Overview

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## IdaTech Overview and History

- Founded in 1996, IdaTech designs, develops, and manufactures extended run critical power fuel cell products for telecommunications and other high reliability applications
- IdaTech was acquired by Investec, a diversified UK based bank, in 2006 and went public on the London AIM exchange in 2007. Invested owns ~70% of the outstanding shares of IdaTech
- IdaTech's Fuel Cell products utilize advanced proton exchange membrane (PEM) technology and proprietary liquid fuel reforming for generating H2 onsite and on demand
- The company offers 250W, 3kW and 5kW fuel cell products that provide solutions for stationary power applications requiring 100W to 15kW
- IdaTech has over 90 employees, is headquartered in Bend, Oregon with operations in the U.S. India, Mexico, Asia, and Europe
- ISO 9001:2008 Certified



#### IdaTech Infrastructure

#### **Corporate Headquarters**

- ISO 9001:2008 certified
- Product and technology development
- R&D and prototype development



#### **Manufacturing Facility**

- ISO 9001:2008 certified
- Volume manufacturing
- Flexible capabilities
- Low cost manufacturing
- Capacity of up to 5,000 units per year





## IdaTech's Core Technologies



**Fuel Reformer** 



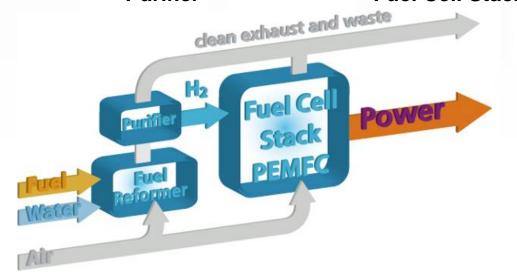
**Purifier** 



Fuel Cell Stack



194 issued patents and 134 pending patents in US and key foreign countries



Fully integrated systems for fuel reforming and purification with power generation



## Fuel Reforming - Multi Fuel Solutions

- Fully integrated fuel reforming and purification
  - Multi-fuel
  - Efficient, simple, compact, reliable
  - Near zero emissions
- Overcomes the hydrogen barrier
- 24 hours of operation at 5 kW is either:



•18 Hydrogen Cylinders

(138m3)



· Reformer with 120l of

Water/Methanol Mix

Application	Typical Fuel	IdaTech Capability
Stationary power	Methanol	<b>√</b>
Stationary power	Natural gas	<b>√</b>
Portable power	LPG	$\checkmark$
APU	Diesel	<b>√</b>
Military	JP8	<b>√</b>
Emissions control	Diesel	$\checkmark$

# **Markets and Products**

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## Industry Challenges & Solutions

#### **Performance**

#### **Capital Cost**

#### **Adoption**

Hydrogen Infrastructure

- Technology advances
- Focus on application
- Design simplification
- •Global supply chain
- Target highest value proposition segments
- Identify early adopters
- Gain early certification
- Reduce onsite reforming costs
- Develop local supply chains







## Fuel Cell Market View

#### Small, low temperature PEM

Military **Portable** Price point Backup / off grid **Material APU** handling CHP **Automotive** 



Time to commercial scale

## Initial Target Markets

# Critical Power for Wireless Telecom Sites

#### **Target Environment**

Cell sites that are susceptible to severe weather, natural disasters, and poor electric grid reliability.

#### **Customer Value**

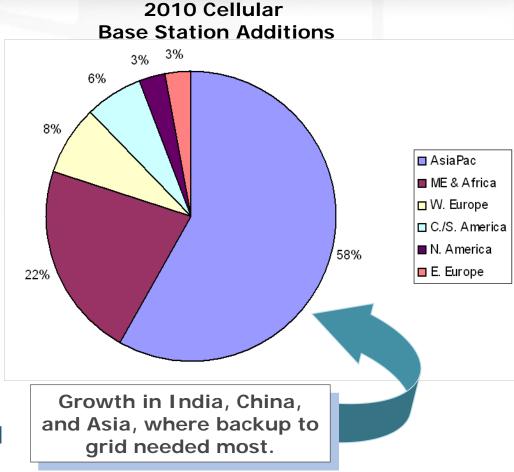
Reliable, extended run backup power solution with low lifecycle and operating costs





#### Telecom Market Size

- Wireless telecom opportunity
  - \$2+ billion/yr spent on DC telecom backup.
  - Expect total ~300,000 base station additions.
  - Expect 2010 total addressable telecom fuel cell market ~25,000 units
- Best fuel cell opportunities:
  - New sites as part of a network deployment
  - Sites where diesel generators are costly or difficult to site
  - Site upgrades where additional batteries are problematic (rooftop)





Sources: In-Stat, 2008; ABI,

## Traditional Telecom Power Solutions

#### **Incumbent Technology**

#### Batteries can be:

- Expensive to maintain
- Unreliable after aging
- Temperature sensitive
- Difficult to dispose of

#### **Generators can be:**

- Unreliable
- Difficult to site
- Maintenance intensive
- Hazardous fuel spill
- Noisy







Fuel cells are an alternative solution to diesel generators and large battery banks.

## Fuel Cell Opportunity

Fuel cells can provide unique benefits to traditional sources of power

Power = Revenue

#### **Developing World**

- -Rapid, massive growth
- -Unreliable power
- -Unavailable power
- -Severe climates

Power = Security

#### **Developed World**

- -Shift to wireless
- -Extreme reliability / security demands
- -Push for sustainable solutions





Power sources are required that are extremely reliable, remotely controllable, autonomous and capable of extended run times

Genset / Battery	Fuel Cell
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# Companies Pursuing the Opportunity











	IdaTech	Relion	Altergy	Dantherm	Hydrogenics
Corporate	Public	Private	Private	Private/JV	Public
Location	USA/Oregon	USA/Washington	USA/California	Denmark	Canada
Typical Power increments	200 W to 15 kW	200 W to 12 kW	200 W to 10 kW	200 W to 2.5 kW	1 kW to 12 kW
Technology	Air cooled	Air cooled	Air cooled	Air cooled	Liquid cooled
Reforming capability	Yes, integrated	No, pursuing 3 <sup>rd</sup> party	No, pursuing 3 <sup>rd</sup> party	No, pursuing internal	No



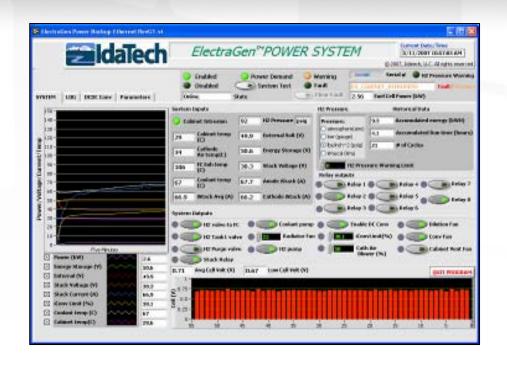
## IdaTech Products

ElectraGen™	ElectraGen™ XTR	ElectraGen™ XTi	ElectraGen™ H2-I	ElectraGen™ ME
No.	in the second se			
3/5 kW	3/5 kW	3/5 kW	2.5/5 kW	2.5/5 kW
Deployed	Deployed	Deployed	Deployed	Q4 2010 Launch
Hydrogen	Methanol-Water	Methanol-Water	Hydrogen	Methanol-Water

- Cost reduction (competitive with diesel generators)
- Simplification
- Performance improvement



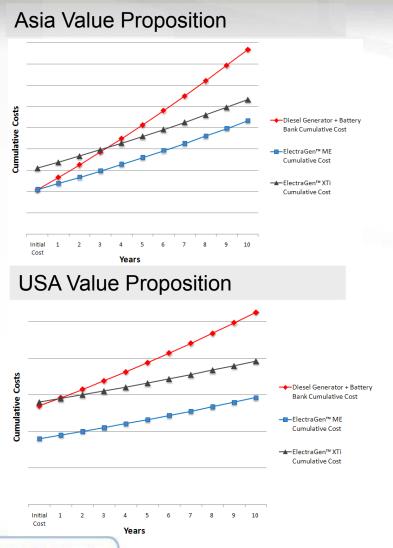
## Remote Monitoring & Control



Enables central dispatch, control, monitoring of thousands of systems via wireless lines



## IdaTech vs. Backup Diesel Generator





- > 60X market expansion enabled by next generation value proposition
- Cost competitive with diesel generators
- Superior lifecycle costs, reliability, monitoring and control
- Eligible for mass infrastructure bids (mainstream vs niche opportunities)

# Softer Advantages

#### Telecom Backup Power Application

Fuel Cell Advantages	Measures	ElectraGen™ ME	Diesel Generator
Clean	Nitrogen Oxides (Nox)	<0.01 g/kWh	7.5 g/kWh
	Carbon Monoxide (CO)	0.2 g/kWh	8.0 g/kWh
	Particulate matter	0 g/kWh	0.8 g/kWh
	Carbon Dioxide (CO2)	800 g/kWh	1,500 g/kWh
Quiet	Decibel rating	< 52 dB @ 1 meter	68 dB @ 7 meters
Efficient	Efficiency (%)	> 30%	10 – 25%
Low operating costs	Maintenance visits / year	1	2-4
	Theft	None	Fuel & parts
	Reliability	Few moving parts	Many moving parts



## Significant Technical Adoption Cycle

#### **Telecoms Sector Initial Adoption and Sales Cycle**

← ~20 months ←	~6 months	← ~12 months →		
Technical Laborat		Project	Project	
marketing evaluat		development	deployment	

- Iterative process
- Operational buy-in
- Feature changes
- Feature changes
  - es •Risk-reward tradeoffs
- Industry certifications Mindset / routine
- Service mobilization

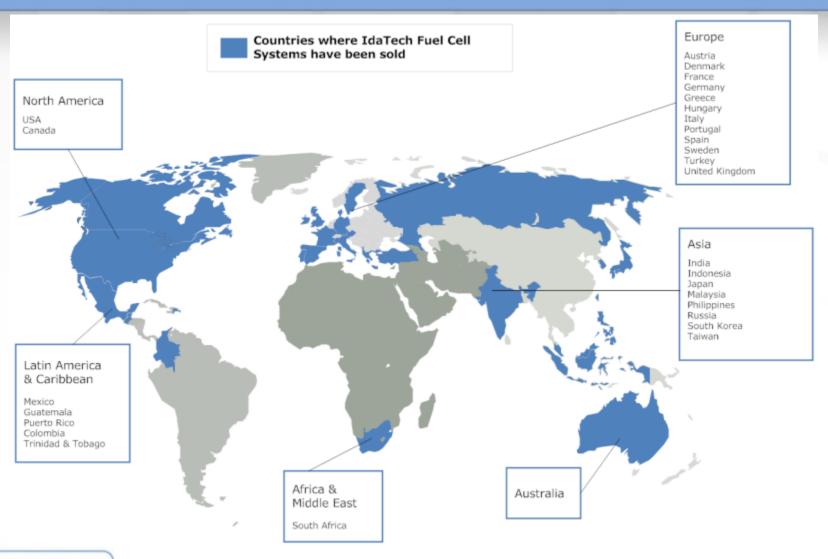
Capex cycle

- Technical buy-in
- changes

IdaTech is certified with 21 telcos, including 5 of the 10 top wireless telecom companies worldwide



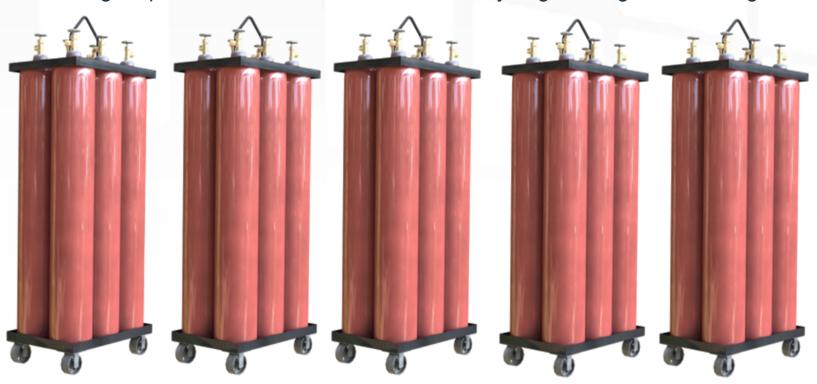
# ~800 Systems Worldwide





# The Hydrogen Challenge

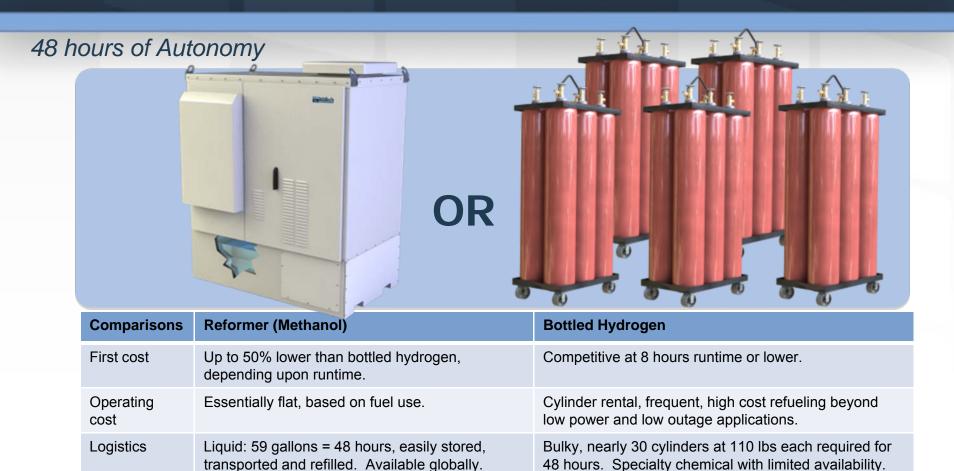
Compressed H<sub>2</sub> is a challenge for sites requiring longer duration backup, higher power, and sites not convenient for hydrogen siting and refueling.



30 hydrogen cylinders ≈ 50 hours @ 5kW



## ElectraGen™ ME Overcomes the H2 Barrier



About 40 square feet / 4 square meters.

None required for less than 60 gallons.



**Footprint** 

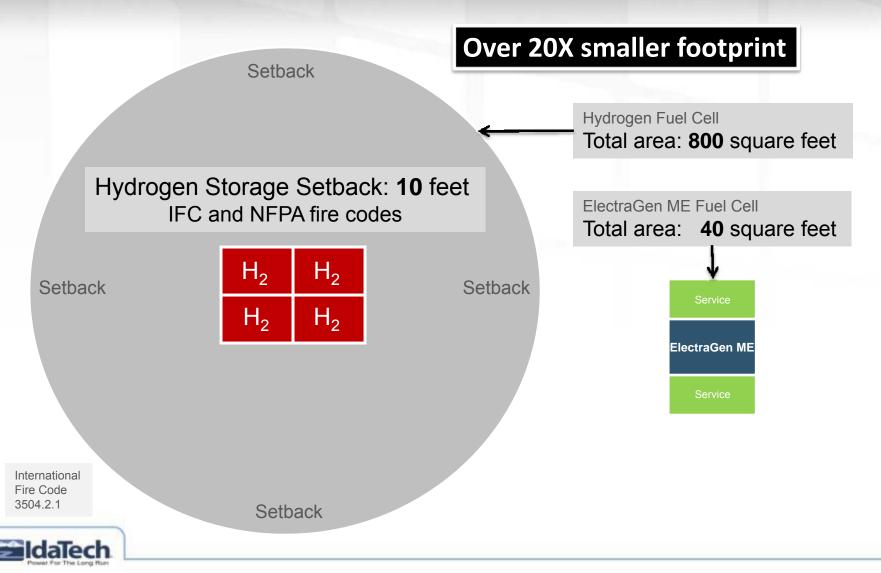
Permitting

> 800 square feet / 80 square meters.

Regulations vary by locality.

Extensive codes and setback requirements.

## Smaller Footprint



## Reformer vs Compressed H2 TCO

100 hour per year run time example

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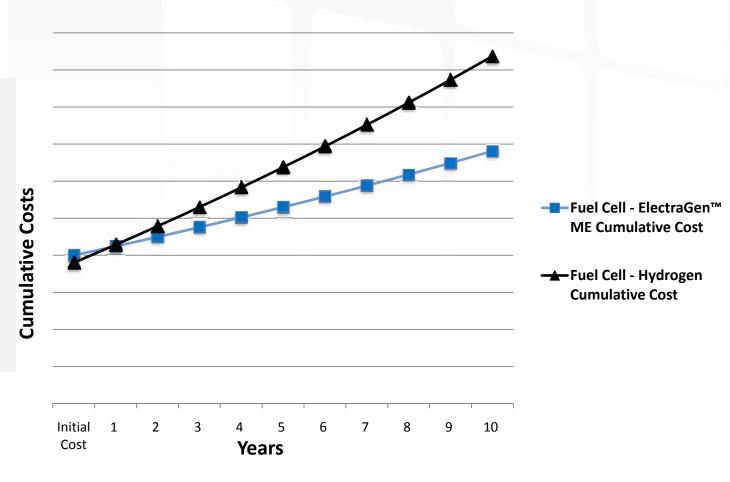
ElectraGen™ ME

- 48 hours on a fill.
- No permitting requirements

#### **Fuel Cell**

Hydrogen

- 10 hours with 6 standard H2 cylinders
- Significant permitting requirements





#### Renewable & Low Carbon Methanol Fuels

#### 1. Derived from natural gas

- IdaTech's HydroPlus is derived from natural gas
- 62/38 methanol (CH<sub>3</sub>OH) water mixture
- Distributed worldwide

#### 2. Derived from bio-renewable resources

- By-product of biodiesel production (certified)
- Wood and farm waste (certification in process)

#### 3. Captured from industrial processes

- Capture CO2 from industrial emissions and convert it to bio-methanol using renewable energy (certified)
- Coal bed methane (from coal mining) used directly to produce methanol







## **Potential Future Directions**

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## Positive Feedback Cycle

Early adopter Current position deployments **Achieve** become 1000's design Early adoption, mainstream and cost level product refinement Referencing spurs next adopters Sales growth Investment Successful early track record increases deployments Incumbents invest, partner, acquire Improved value Product and proposition (cost Market. and capability) expansion Rivalry increases New technical innovation

## Summary

Highly focused on penetrating telecom market to high volume profitable growth

Reformer capability is a key enabler to final step in large scale commercialization

Technology can be leveraged to a wide range of additional products and applications,

...but expansion requires establishing a strong commercial beachhead application



# Installations

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## **United States**















## Asia











## India











## Latin America













# Europe













