

Moving Toward Consistent Analysis in the HFC&IT Program: *H2A*

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H2A Team

Objectives

- Overall goal: Bring consistency and transparency to hydrogen analysis
- Phase I goals:
 - Production and delivery analysis
 - Consistent cost methodology & critical cost analyses
 - R&D portfolio analysis
 - Tool for providing R&D direction
 - Current effort is not designed to pick winners

Funding

- Project inception February 2003
- Total funding approximately \$800k
- FY04 funding approximately \$600k
 - \$350k to National Labs
 - \$250k to expert contractors

Technical Barriers and Targets

- Section 4.3.3 of Program's MYPP
- Provide consistency in analysis
- Perform analysis needed to:
 - Provide direction, focus, and support to the development and introduction of hydrogen production, storage, and end-use technologies
- Types of analysis:
 - Resource
 - Technology feasibility and cost
 - Environmental
 - Delivery
 - Infrastructure development
 - Energy market

Approach

- Cash flow analysis tool
 - Estimates levelized price of hydrogen for desired internal rate of return
 - Take into account capital costs, construction time, taxes, depreciation, O&M, inflation, and projected feedstock prices
- Production costs estimated
 - Current, mid- (~2015), and long-term (~2030) technologies
 - Natural gas, coal, biomass, nuclear, electrolysis
 - Current delivery components
 - Data from published studies and industry design
- Refined inputs and results based on peer review and input from key industrial collaborators (KIC)
- Identified key cost drivers using sensitivity analyses

Project Safety

- Current effort is analysis of cost of production and delivery
- Subsequent phase will incorporate standardized reporting of project safety

Example

PROCESS ENERGY EFFICIENCY ASSUMPTIONS (Analysis Inputs):			
<i>These are assumptions (i.e. single-step conversion efficiencies) that are input into the analysis</i>			
<i>Efficiency results should be given in terms of the lower heating values of the hydrogen and all fuels and feedstocks</i>			
<i>Energy efficiencies for individual process steps (add rows as appropriate)</i>		Basis	Reference
HYDROGEN PRODUCT CONDITIONS		Comments	PEMFC Spec. (1)
Pressure (psig)			
% Hydrogen			98 minimum
CO ₂ (ppm)			< 100
CO (ppm)			< 10
Sulfur (ppb)			< 10
Ammonia (ppm)			< 1
Non-methane hydrocarbons (ppm)			< 100
Total of Oxygen, Nitrogen and Argon (%)			< 2
Water (%)			
Other (specify)			

Project Timeline



- FY03: Definition
 - 1. Assess state-of-the-art
 - 2. Assemble team
 - 3. Define H2A objective
 - 4. Define first phase
- Phase I: Production and delivery cost analysis
 - 5. Assemble key industrial collaborators (KIC) group
 - 6. Develop cash flow tool
 - 7. Develop approach for feedstock and utility costs
 - 8. Perform critical analyses, including sensitivities
 - 9. Roll-out initial results at NHA
 - 10. Make model available on web
 - 11. Publish paper on Phase I results

Phase II possibilities:

- Environmental analysis
- Transition analysis
- End-point analysis

Technical Accomplishments

- Developed central and forecourt standard reporting spreadsheets
 - Documents assumptions, inputs, and results
- Completed base cases with sensitivity analysis for current, mid-term, and long-term technologies
 - Natural gas reforming: central and forecourt
 - Coal
 - Biomass
 - Nuclear
 - Central wind / electrolysis
 - Distributed electroysis
 - LH₂ and cH₂ (Tube Trailer and Pipeline) Delivery
- Worked with key industry collaborators (KIC) to establish parameters, process designs, and technology assumptions
- Demonstrated ability to calculate levelized hydrogen price and document a consistent set of assumptions

H2A Cash Flow Analysis Tool

Process Description

Feedstock & Utility Prices

Technology Performance Assumptions

Process Flowsheet & Stream Summary

Financing Inputs

Cost Inputs

Replacement Capital

Cash Flow Analysis

Results - Price of H2

VARIABLE PRODUCTION COSTS (at 100% capacity, startup year dollars)		Base Case:	H2A Guidelines
Feedstock Costs			
Type of electricity used	none		
Escalating electricity cost? (Enter yes or no)	Yes		
Enter electricity cost if NO is selected above (\$/kWh)			
Electricity consumption (kWh/kg H2)			
Electricity cost in startup year (\$/kWh)			
Electricity cost (\$/year, startup year dollars)	\$0		
Natural Gas Costs			
Type of natural gas used	None		
Natural gas energy content, LHV, if standard H2A value is not desired (GJ/Nm3)	0.038		
Escalating natural gas cost? (Enter yes or no)	Yes		
Enter natural gas cost if NO is selected above (\$/Nm3)			
Natural gas consumption (Nm ³ /kg of H2)	0		
Plant Output (kg H2/year)			
Plant Capacity (kg H2/day)			
Plant Start-up Year			
Pre-Tax Real IRR (%)		10%	10%
Depreciation Method (CRS, Straight Line)		MACRS	MACRS
Plant Life (years)		20	20
Analysis Period (years)		40	40
Plant Life (years)		40	40
Expected Inflation Rate (%)		1.90%	1.90%
Corporate Income Taxes (%)		6.0%	6%
Personal Income Taxes (%)		35.0%	35%
Effective Tax Rate (%)		38.9%	
Plant Capacity (kg of H2/day)		-	
Capacity Factor (%)		90%	Varies according to case
Plant Output (kg H2/day)		-	
Plant Output (kg H2/year)		-	

Solve Cash Flow for Desired IRR

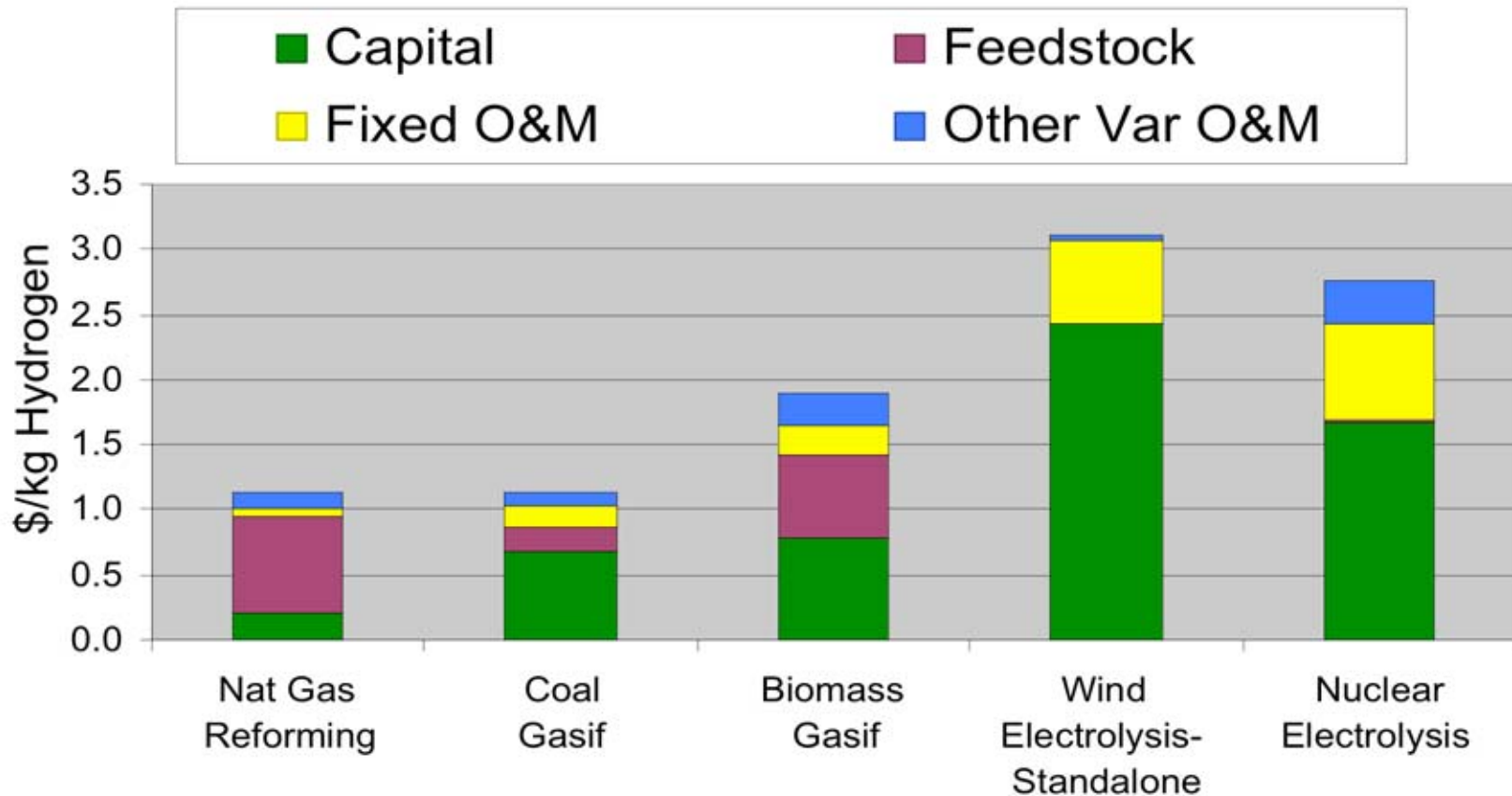
Hydrogen Selling Price and Cost Contributions (Year 2000 \$)	
Required Hydrogen Selling Price (\$/Year 2000)/kg of H2	\$1.886
Capital Cost Contribution (\$/kg of H2)	\$0.779
Feedstock cost contribution (\$/kg of H2)	\$0.642
Fixed O&M (labor etc.) cost contribution (\$/kg of H2)	\$0.217
Other Variable O&M cost contribution (\$/kg of H2)	\$0.248
Byproduct credit cost contribution (\$/kg of H2)	\$0.000



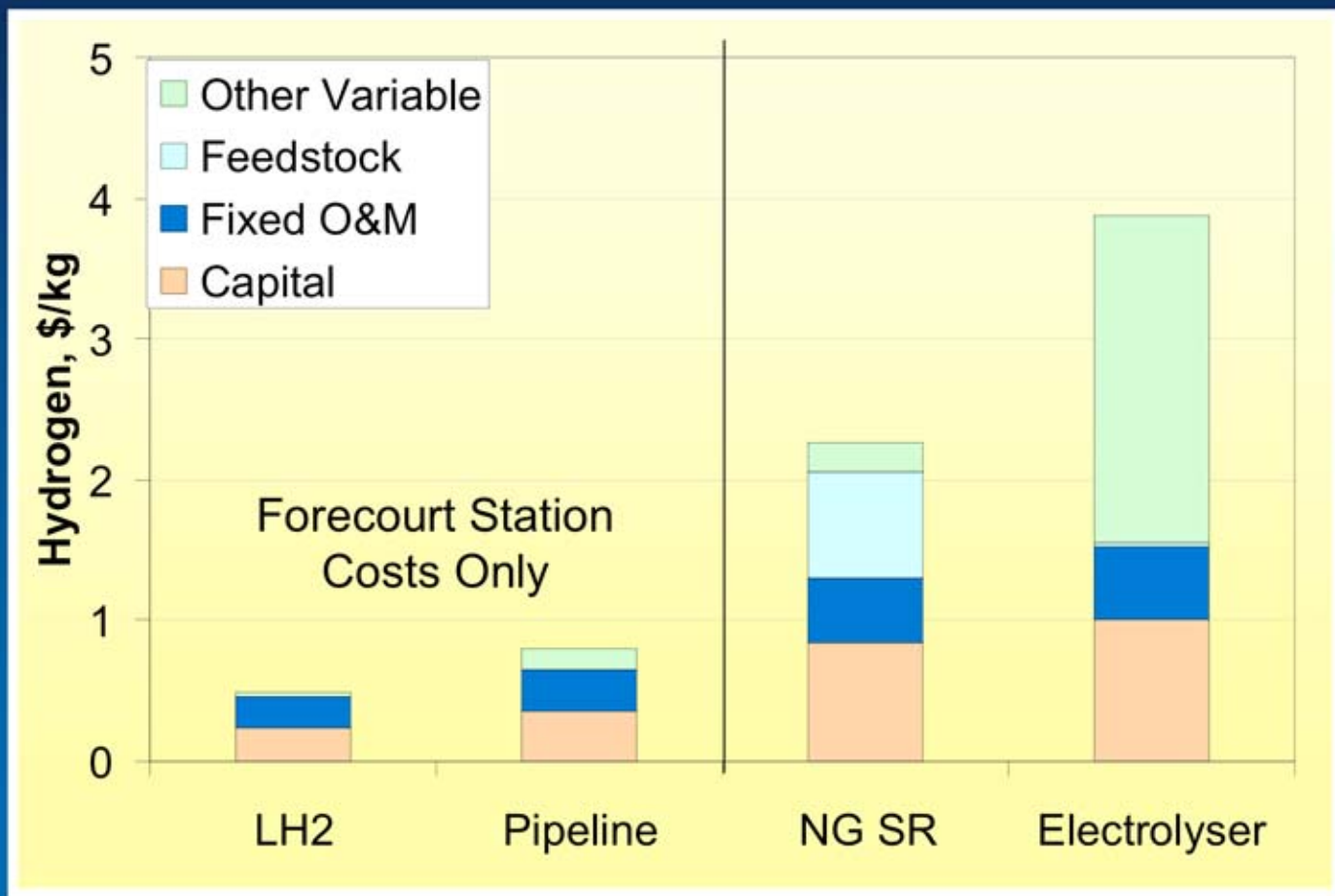
Key Financial Parameters Forecourt and Central

- + Reference year (2000 \$)
- + Debt versus equity financing (100% equity)
- + After-tax internal rate of return (10% real)
- + Inflation rate (1.9%)
- Effective total tax rate (38.9%)
- Design capacity (varies)
- Capacity factor (90% for central (exc. wind); 70% for forecourt)
- Length of construction period (0.5 – 3 years for central; 0 for forecourt)
- Production ramp up schedule (varies according to case)
- Depreciation period and schedule (MACRS -- 20 yrs for central; 7 yrs for forecourt)
- Plant life and economic analysis period (40 yrs for central; 20 yrs for forecourt)
- Cost of land (\$5,000/acre for central; land is rented in forecourt)
- Burdened labor cost (\$50/hour central; \$15/hour forecourt)
- G&A rate as % of labor (20%)

Mid Term Central Technology Options - \$/kg Components -

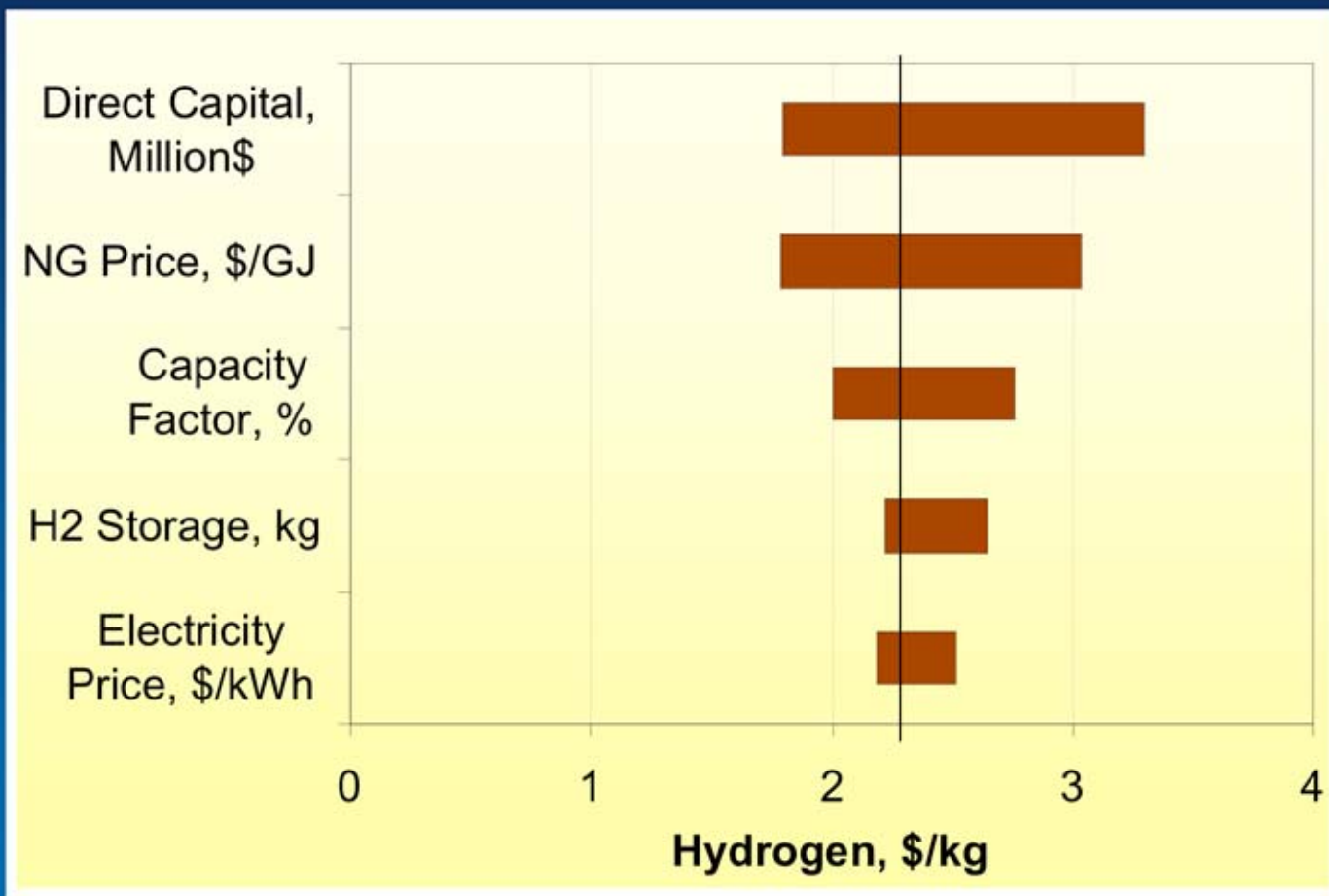


Mid-term Forecourt Technology Summary



Note: For side by side comparison, central plant and delivery costs must be added to the Pipeline and LH₂ cases.

Sensitivity Results: Mid-term Technology - Large NG SR



Low	Base	High
0.9	1.8	3.1
1.85	~4.15	8.58
90	70	50
375	525	1,500
0.025	~0.048	0.12

H2A Delivery Analysis

- Develop delivery component cost and performance database
- Develop delivery scenarios for major markets and demand levels
- Estimate the cost of H₂ delivery for scenarios

Assume 2005 delivery technologies

Delivery Scenarios

Market Type	Early Fleet Market (1%)	General Light Duty Vehicles: Market Penetration		
		Small (10%)	Medium (30%)	Large (70%)
Metro	X	X	X	X
Rural			X	
Interstate			X	

Delivery costs are based on component combinations that meet the demands of the market

3 Delivery Modes: Compressed Gas Truck; Liquid H2 Truck; Gas Pipeline

Interactions & Collaborations

- **H2A team:**
 - Central: Johanna Ivy (NREL), Maggie Mann (NREL), Dan Mears (Technology Insights), Mike Rutkowski (Parsons Engineering)
 - Forecourt: Brian James (Directed Technologies, Inc.), Steve Lasher (TIAX), Matt Ringer (NREL)
 - Delivery: Marianne Mintz (ANL), Joan Ogden (UC Davis), Matt Ringer (NREL)
 - Finance, feedstocks, and methodology: Marylynn Placet (PNNL), Maggie Mann (NREL), Matt Ringer (NREL)
 - Environmental assessment: Michael Wang (ANL)
 - DOE: Mark Paster, Roxanne Danz, Pete Devlin
- **Key Industrial Collaborators:** AEP, Air Products, Areva, BOC, BP, ChevronTexaco, Conoco Phillips, Eastman Chemical, Entergy, Exxon Mobil, FERCO, GE, Praxair, Shell, Stuart Energy, Thermochem
- **Other:** Systems Integration, Program Tech Teams, efforts by H2A team member organizations

Future Work

- Remainder of FY03:
 - Incorporate energy efficiency and environmental measures (Summer '04)
 - Website with spreadsheet tool, results, and detailed documentation (Summer '04)
 - Complete delivery component and scenario cost analysis (Fall '04)
 - Complete remaining cases (Fall '04)
 - Peer-reviewed paper (Fall '04)
 - Plan for next phase of H2A
 - Transition analysis
 - End-point analysis