

# “Solid Oxide Fuel Cell Development for Auxiliary Power in Heavy Duty Vehicle Applications”

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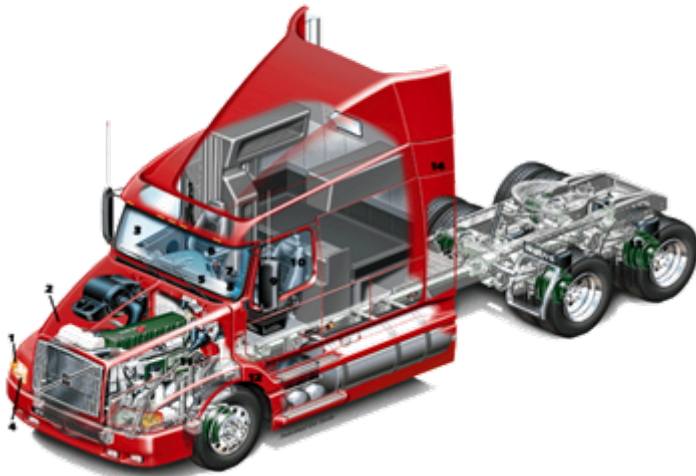
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*Delphi has teamed with OEM's PACCAR Incorporated and Volvo Trucks North America (VTNA) to define system level requirements for a Fuel Cell (SOFC) based Auxiliary Power Unit (APU) for the commercial trucking industry.*

# VOLVO



**Volvo Trucks North America (VTNA),  
Greensboro, NC**

# PACCAR



**PACCAR, Mt. Vernon, WA**

## Agenda

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## Overview

### Timeline

- September 2004
- April 2010  
(Project was on 18 month hold from 2006-2007)
- 50% Complete

### Budget

- Total project funding
  - DOE - \$3,000,000
  - Delphi - \$1,750,000
- \$438,480 received in CY07
- \$1,213,274 planned for CY08

### Barriers

- Barriers addressed:
  - Sulfur Remediation
    - Reformer Operation
    - Stack Sensitivity
  - Carbon Issues
    - Catalyst plugging
    - Combustion Start plugging
  - System Pre-combustion
  - System Electrical Integration

### Partners

- Paccar and Volvo Truck
- Electricore Inc.

# Delphi Solid Oxide Fuel Cells Market Opportunity



**Heavy Duty Truck**  
 Diesel



**Recreational Vehicles**  
 Diesel, LPG



**Truck and Trailer Refrigeration**  
 Diesel



**US Military**  
 JP-8

**MARKET DERIVATIVES** →



**European mCHP & CHCP**  
 Natural Gas



**US Stationary – APU & CHP**  
 Natural Gas, LPG



**Commercial Power**  
 Natural Gas

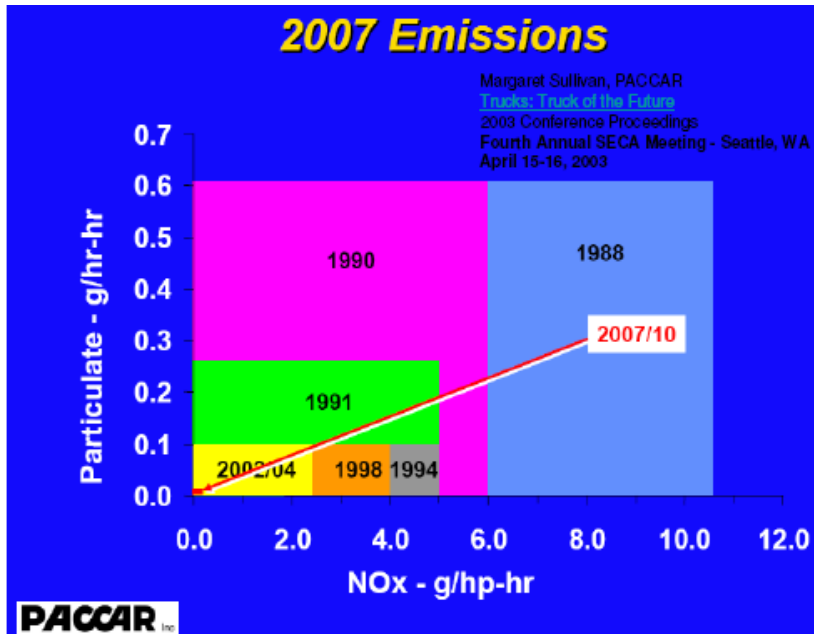
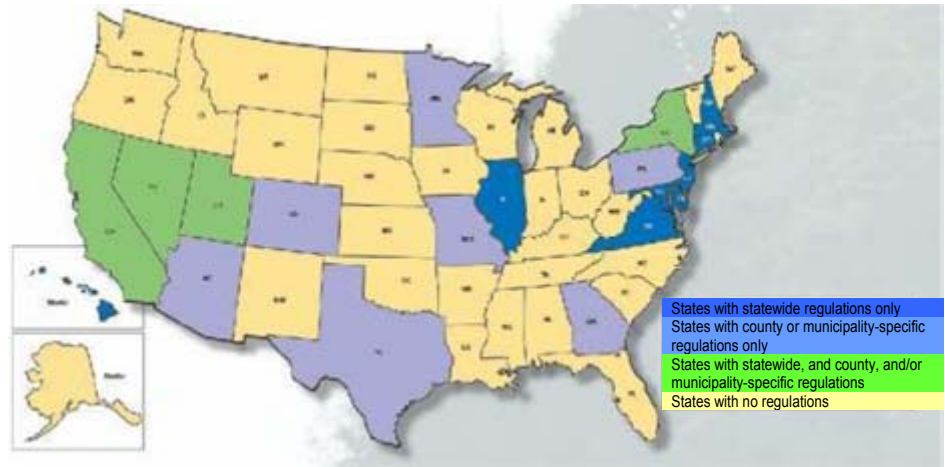


**FutureGen Powerplant**  
 Coal Gas

*Heavy Duty Truck represents Delphi's target initial development & application*

**Heavy Duty Truck Market Drivers: Mission & Anti-Idling Regulations**

*Annually, long-duration truck and locomotive engine idling...*



*... Emits 11-million tons of CO<sub>2</sub>, 200,000 tons of NO<sub>x</sub>, and 5,000 tons of particulate matter*

*... Consumes >1-billion gallons of diesel fuel*

## Heavy Duty Truck Market Drivers: Increasing Cab Electrical Loads



### In-Cab Appliances Include

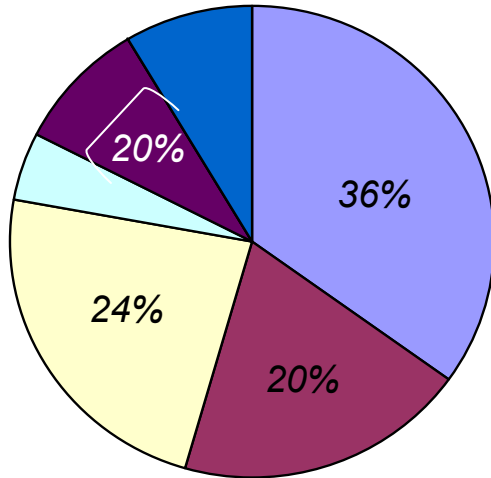
- CB Radios
- Cell Phones
- Televisions
- Refrigerators
- Stereos
- Lamps
- DVD / VCR Player
- Computer
- Microwave
- Coffee Maker
- Electric Blankets
- Electric AC / Heater

*OEM load profiles identify potential power requirements of 2.5kW and 4.0kW respectively*

# Heavy Duty Truck Market Idling Time

## Time Idling by Activity

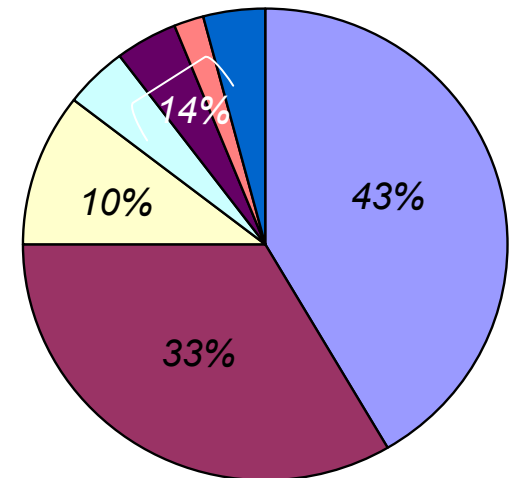
Day Cabs



Average Idle Time

6 hr/wk  
 312 hr/yr

Sleeper Cabs



Average Idle Time

28 hr/wk  
 1,456 hr/yr

Source : "Idle Reduction  
 Technology: Fleet Preferences  
 Survey", American Transportation  
 Research Institute, February 2006



## Objectives

Complete a 48-month contract with the DOE EERE:

- 1) Develop APU system requirements and concepts with major truck OEMs input
- 2) Design, develop and test the needed subsystems for the approved concept
- 3) Build and demonstrate a diesel fueled truck APU system to the DOE

## Milestones

Month/Year	Milestone
October 2007	<p><b>Sub-Milestone Review #1:</b></p> <p>This milestone focused on the development of vehicle and APU system mechanization concepts; and the Development of the APU system requirements document.</p>
April 2008	<p><b>Sub-Milestone Review #2:</b></p> <p>This milestone focused on the APU design and layout; and Developing the subsystem requirements document and development plan.</p>
September 2008	<p><b>Sub-Milestone Review #3:</b></p> <p>This milestone will focus on the SOFC APU hardware design and build; Subsystem test fixture hardware development; and Subsystem testing and development iterations.</p>

## Approach

### Phase 1: OEM input Collection

- Delphi works with PACCAR and VTNA to understand the APU demands from the OEM point of view
- Information has been collected and is compiled into Delphi Requirements

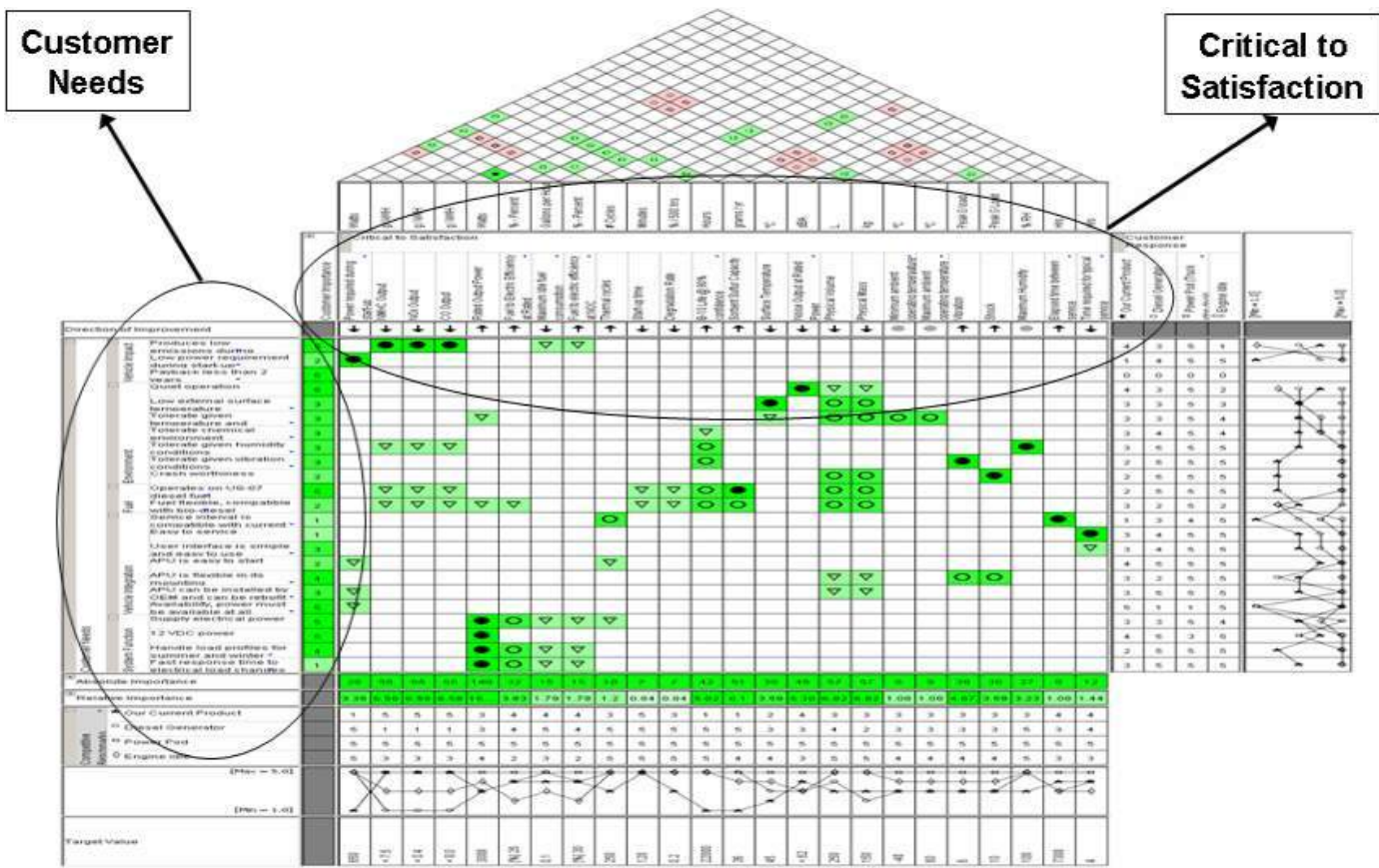
### Phase 2: Design/Build/Development

- 2008 Phase 2 effort is design and component verification period
- Late Phase 2 work will include a brass-board system build and test (2009)
- OEM involvement will be reduced until Phase 3

### Phase 3: System Integration & Test

- In 2010, system development will use OEM input for test planning
- Conduct bench top testing
- Add in “real-world” profiles from the changing APU marketplace

# Customer System Requirements House of Quality



## System Requirements

Critical to Satisfaction	Value	Units	Rationale
Rated Output Power	3.5	kWatts	Net power out - based on truck usage profile, and volume & mass constraints
Fuel to electric efficiency at rated power	25	%	Need to be better than current Diesel GenSet
Thermal Cycles	250	# cycles	1 cycle/week, 50 wks/yr, for 5 yr 1 cycle equals going from ambient temp to operating temp and then back to ambient
Sulfur Tolerance	15	PPM	ASTM D975, Grade No. 2-D, S-15 Sulfur content < 15 ppm
Emissions – NO <sub>x</sub> CO NMHC	0.4 8.0 7.5	g/KWH	Per Tier 4 Emissions Standards for Non-Road Diesel Engines

## System Requirements

Critical to Satisfaction	Value	Units	Rationale
Min Ambient Operating Temperature	-40	°C	Per Customer Requirements
Max Ambient Operating Temperature	60	°C	Per Customer Requirements
Surface Temperature	45 or 11 above ambient	°C	The greater of the two, per OEM requirements document
Physical Mass	150	kg	Need to be better than current Diesel GenSet
Physical Volume	250	Liters	Based on Current Diesel GenSet Dimensions of L686 x D584 x H660
Economic Payback	< 2	years	Per OEM requirement

## Technical Results

### Balance of Plant

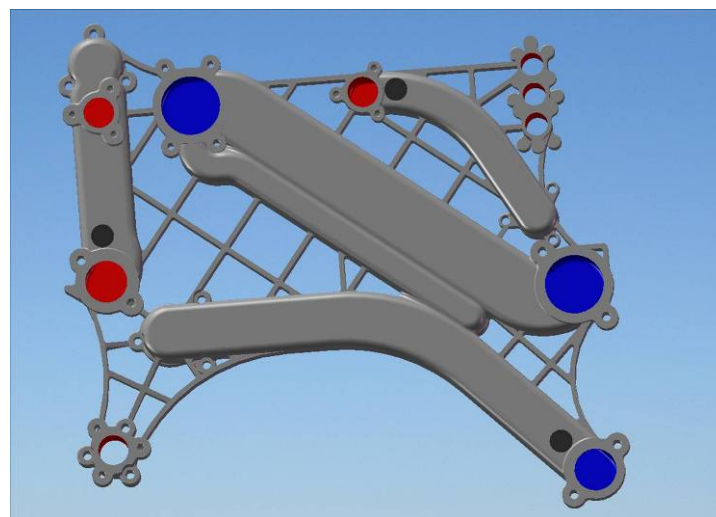
#### New manifold design

- Single flow layer; one casting
- Simplified geometry
- Smaller footprint/ package size
- Round c-ring seals vs. oval

Current Generation



Next Generation



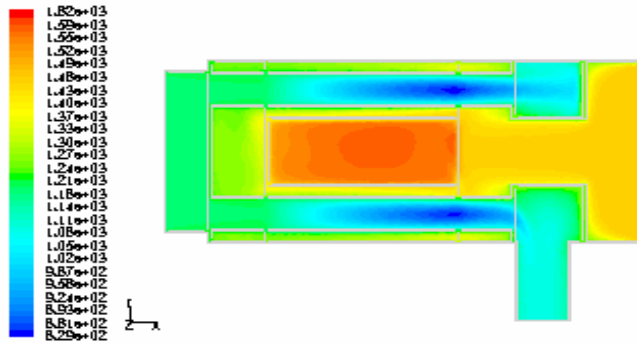
## Fuel Reformer Development

- ◆ Delphi is developing reforming technology for Diesel/JP-8 SOFC applications, by modifying our existing Natural Gas reformer
- ◆ Two main designs are being developed:
  - **CPOx Reformer**
    - Moderate efficiency
    - Simplicity of design
    - Not recycle capable
  - **Recycle Based (Endothermic) Reformer**
    - High efficiency
    - Use of water in anode tailgas to accommodate steam reforming
    - Recycle capable



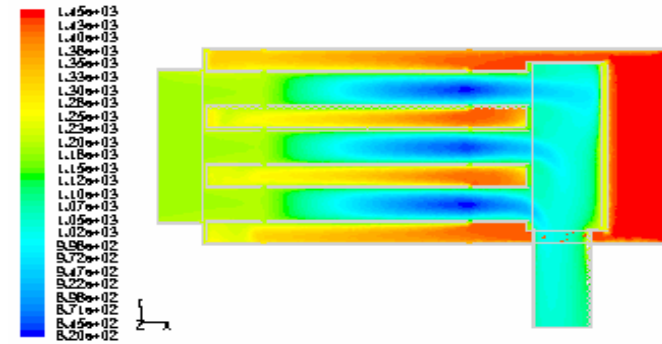


# Reactor Modeling – Temperature Results



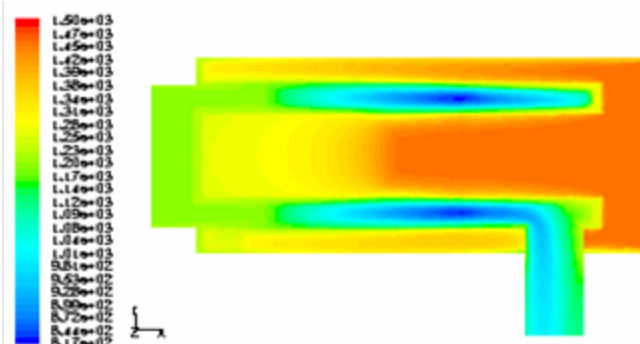
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Concept A1



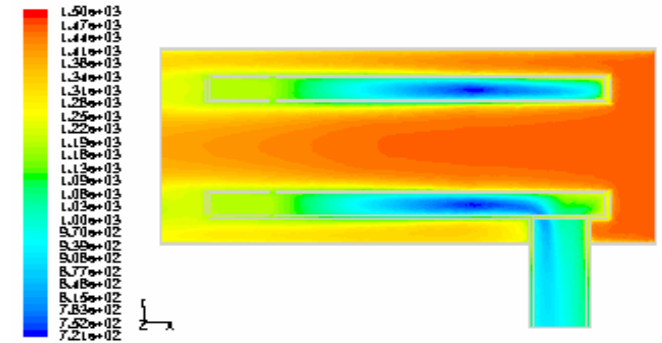
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Concept B1



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Concept C1



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Concept D1

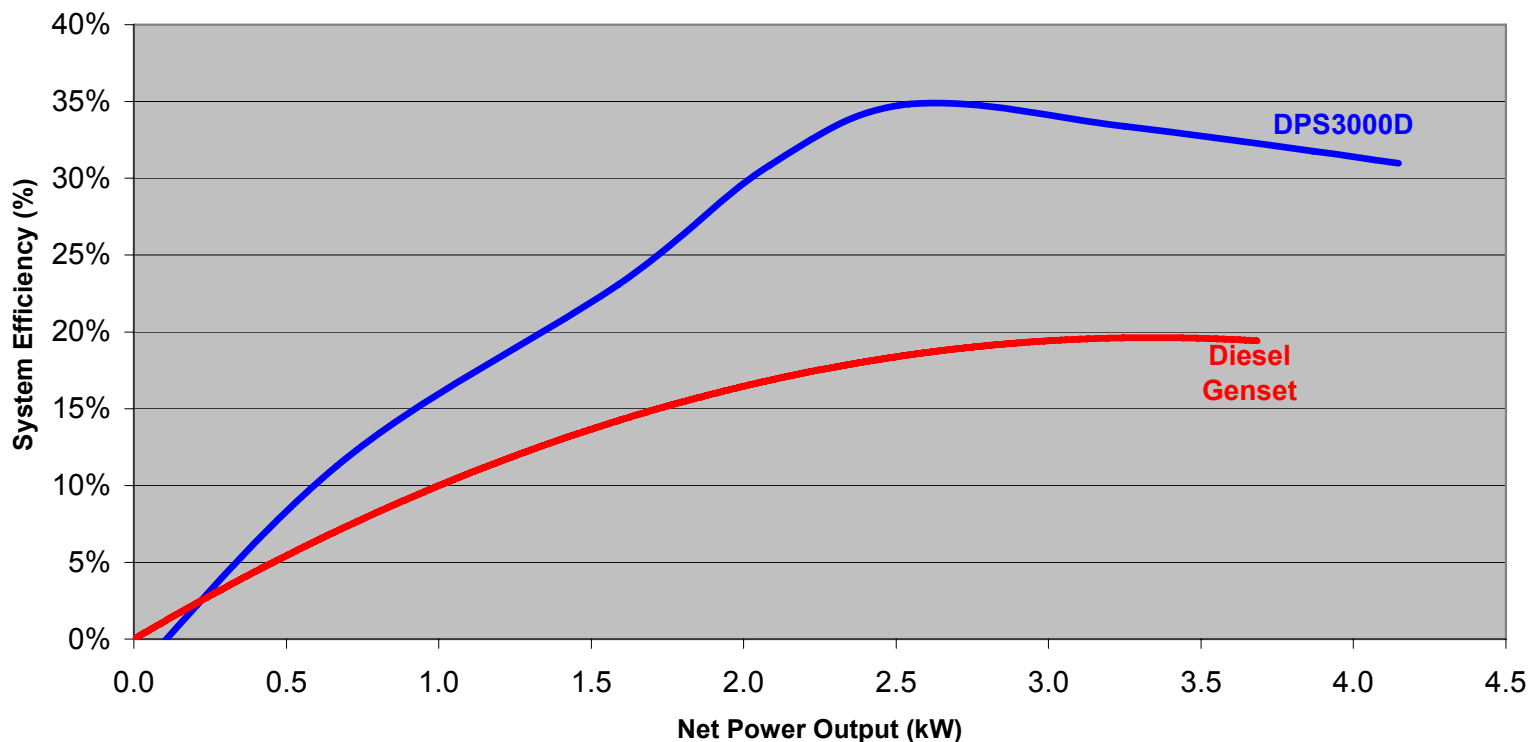
# Technical Results

## System Performance Design Analysis

		SPU 1E Gap	DPS 3000 Enhancement
Power Level (3.5kW net)		1 - 1.5 kW Stack Cooling Limited	3 - 3.5 kW Stack Cooling Limited
System Efficiency	Parasitic Power Losses	High parasitic loads due to <b>high pressure drop</b> components and high stack cooling airflow required	Opportunities for <b>reduce pressure drop</b> and improved stack cooling
	Fuel Processing Efficiency	Lower efficiency with <b>CPOx reformer</b> with low recycle flow	Improved efficiency with <b>"Endothermic" reformer</b> and high recycle flow
	Heat Loss	High heat loss due to <b>thin insulation</b> and high internal <b>thermal communication</b> (undesirable)	<b>Increased insulation thickness</b> and thermal component <b>compartmentalization</b>

# Technical Results – Truck Demonstrator

## Diesel Genset vs. Delphi Diesel SOFC APU



— Projected System Efficiency [%] DPS3000D

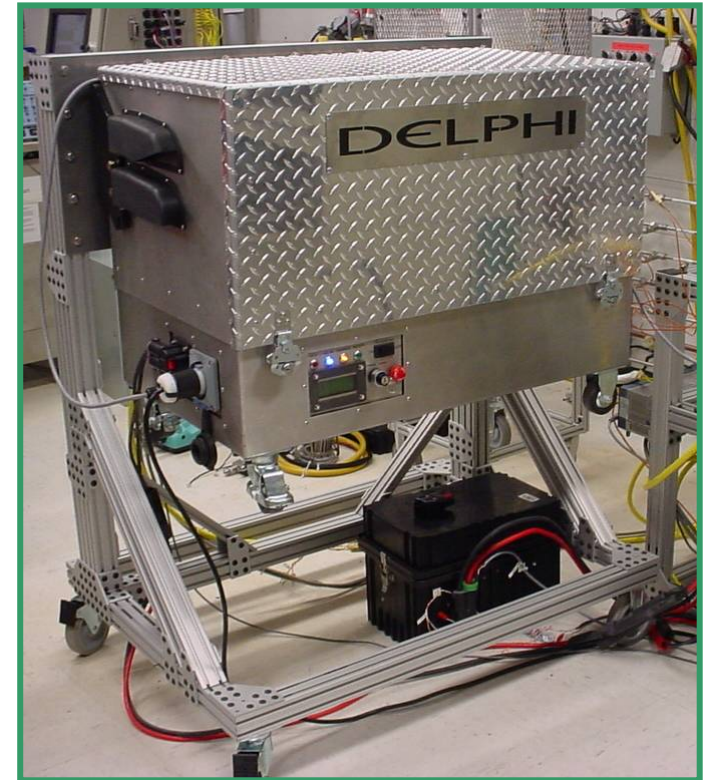
— Poly. (Diesel GenSet Efficiency [%] (Measured))

## Technical Progress

### Truck Demo Chassis Test

Modified Natural Gas Platform to operate on Diesel Fuel

- Introduction of SOFC subsystem to OEM
- Better understand packaging and vehicle integration issues
- Initial Testing of basic operational parameters
- First testing of SOFC in a 'non-lab' environment
- Identify system Safety and Diagnostic concerns
- Better understand possible vehicle interface



## Technical Progress – DPS3000D

### Major Design Efforts in Diesel APU Development



- Next Generation Stack Design with increase active area
- Enhanced Thermal Energy Management Controls
- Endothermic Reformer Integration
- Integrated Reformate Desulfurizer with Serviceability Enhancements
- Next Generation 12v Blower Design
- Multi-function Heat Exchanger
- Fully integrated turnkey system
- Simplified Integrated Component Manifold

**DPS3000-D** (244 Liters)

(25 in long x 22 in wide x 27 in tall)

## Future Work

### 2008

- Finalize the Subsystem Requirements Document and Development Plan
- Complete the SOFC APU Hardware Design and Build
- Design Subsystem Test Fixture Hardware
- Begin Subsystem Testing and Development Iterations

### 2009

- Finish Subsystem Testing and Development Iterations
- Conduct 24 Month Critical Decision Milestone Review (April 2009)
- Complete System Module Testing and Development
- Phase 2 complete – Conduct Milestone Review (September 2009)
- Begin Full SOFC APU System Testing

## Summary

- **Primary Market Drivers**
  - Anti-Idling Legislation
  - Emissions Legislation
  - Increasing Heavy Duty Truck Cab Electrical Loads
  - Transportation Fuel Cost
- **Preparing 2<sup>nd</sup> / 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter On Truck Installation to Continue Developing APU Requirements**
  - Using a modified Natural Gas APU in an Integration Enclosure
- **We are on Target for Meeting Timing and Budget**
- **Delphi is Committed to Introducing SOFC Diesel Technology in Full Scale Production for Heavy Duty Truck Applications**