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Performance Evaluation of Delivered Hydrogen Fueling Stations

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Project ID: TV025

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Overview

Timeline

- Start: 03 / 2013
- End: 01 / 2018
- Progress: 63% Complete

Budget

- Total Project Budget: \$800,000
 - Total Federal Share: \$400,000
 - Total Federal Share Spent*: \$252,884 (63%)
 - Total Recipient Share: \$400,000
 - Total Recipient Share Spent*: \$369,274 (92%)

* As of 3/31/17

Barriers

- D. Lack of Hydrogen Refueling Infrastructure Performance and Availability Data
- E. Codes and Standards

Partners

- Gas Technology Institute (GTI)
- Linde, LLC.



Relevance

DOE Technical Objectives	Project Team Goals	Period Goals
1. Confirm performance of systems in real world applications through data collection.	 Install data collection systems at (5) 100 kg/day delivered hydrogen fueling stations in CA for 24 month period. 	 Complete data system installation at next fueling station
2. Provide the public with aggregated data presented in composite data products, and secure confidential data in National Fuel Cell Technology Evaluation Center (NFCTEC).	 Submit station data specified in the NREL Hydrogen Station Data Templates. 	 Submit station data to NREL for all active fueling stations
3. Benchmark station capacity, utilization, maintenance, and safety.	 Provide useful data to accurately characterize stations' performance. 	 Begin collecting high quality data on all stations
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Approach: General



 A combination of the techniques and coordination between Linde's station controls and GTI's data acquisition system are required to meet project objectives.

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Approach: General



Approach: Budget Period 1



Go/ No Go Decision Point: **Approval Granted** – Project has moved into Budget Period 2 based on project team's ability to supply complete sets of data for initial 2 sites.

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Approach: Budget Period 2





- System installed and collecting data at West Sacramento and San Juan Capistrano sites.
- San Ramon data acquisition system built; awaiting construction of station.

Station Assessments	Engineering Design	Fabricate & Install Equipment	Station Grand Opening	Data Collection
West Sacramen	to			
San Juan Capist	rano			
San Ramon				,
Mountain View				
Foster City				,
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As of 10/1/2015, project has transitioned to Budget Period 2

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Successful installation of data acquisition system at West Sacramento and San Juan Capistrano

LH₂ Storage GH₂ Compressor



Linde Dispenser

Linde Storage and Compression Equipment at San Juan Capistrano



- > Data collection ongoing for active sites
 - West Sacramento: 9 quarters of data reported to NREL
 - San Juan Capistrano: 6 quarters of data reported to NREL
- > Construction nearing completion for San Ramon site.
 - Commissioning should be completed in Spring/Summer 2017.
- > Permitting process nearly completed for Mountain View
 - Station equipment and data acquisition system for Mountain View built and awaiting installation
- > Remaining site is progressing. Equipment has been fabricated. Construction dates will depend on permitting.



Data collection continues for West Sacramento and San Juan Capistrano



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Responses to Previous Year Reviewers' Comments

Reviewer Comment	Response
1. It would be helpful if the project could identify the specific technologies and performances being validated at each station, beyond just reporting number of fills per month.	 This project is part larger effort and therefore there are extensive data collected and submitted to NREL (see TV017- Hydrogen Station Data Collection and Analysis, Sam Sprik, NREL, for details).
2. The permitting process continues to cause delays for station commissioning.This emphasizes need to engage code officials early and to educate those with less familiarity of hydrogen.	• Though station permitting is outside the scope of this project, Linde is working intensively on addressing permitting issues for the remaining stations. Unfortunately despite best efforts, this process is very slow in some locations.
3. Commissioning of the remaining stations should be at the top of the list. If delays continue, additional time may be needed to generate meaningful data from the new stations	 Commissioning stations is the critical path item for station deployment and this project may require a no-cost-time-extension this period.



Collaborations

Project Team:

Gas Technology Institute (Prime) –

- Non-profit, R&D laboratory, 300+ employees
- 350 active projects; several current DOE and hydrogen projects
- BKi, recently acquired by GTI, operates the California Fuel Cell Partnership (CaFCP)

Linde, LLC (Subcontractor) –

- Technology innovator for H₂ fueling equipment
 Ionic compressor/cryo-pump
- Several operational hydrogen fueling stations





Collaborations

Team Member	Roles
GTI	Oversees and manages the project; designs, builds, and installs data collection system; processes data and reports to NREL; maintains data collection unit throughout performance period.
Linde	Technical advisor and Coordinator of site design information; coordinates site utilities, communications, and power for data collection effort, submits transactional, utility, safety, and operations data to GTI, maintains the station throughout performance period.



Remaining Challenges and Barriers

 Station commissioning time is an issue for GTI's schedule on this data collection project. Delays in commissioning stations has changed the schedule for this project. Linde is working diligently to commission stations and working with CA and industry to improve system.



Technology Transfer Activities

- General data acquisition panel design can be used for other stations as well
 - If a single data panel design is to be used for several station configurations it will require significant design changes
- GTI's lessons learned in system development, network communications, and commissioning would be valuable to new installations

Proposed Future Work

- Continue data collection activities for 2 sites and report to NREL.
- Commission panel and begin data collection at San Ramon site.
- Install and commission panel at Mountain View site.
- Install at remaining site
 once construction begins.





Summary

Relevance: GTI aims to compile, analyze, and submit pertinent data to meet technology validation objectives and goals set forth by the Fuel Cell Technologies Program through its multi-year research, development, and demonstration plan. Approach: Develop, integrate, and maintain non-intrusive data collection systems to produce meaningful observations and data collection for the NFCTEC. Accomplishments this period: Data continues to be collected and submitted to NREL for the 2 operational sites. Data acquisition panel built and installed at 3rd site, and the panel

for the 4th site has been built and is ready for installation.

Summary

Collaborations: Project team and structure have been assembled. Key team members from both organizations have been identified and roles have been defined, and are working together well.

Future Work: Continue to conduct data collection activities for the West Sacramento and San Juan Capistrano sites and report to NREL. Begin collection of data at San Ramon once station is commissioned (Spring 2017). Install instrumentation and electrical panel at Mountain View site in mid 2017. Installation at final station (Foster City) in Q4 2017.

