H_2 at Scale:

Benefitting our Future Energy System

Update for the Hydrogen Technical Advisory Committee

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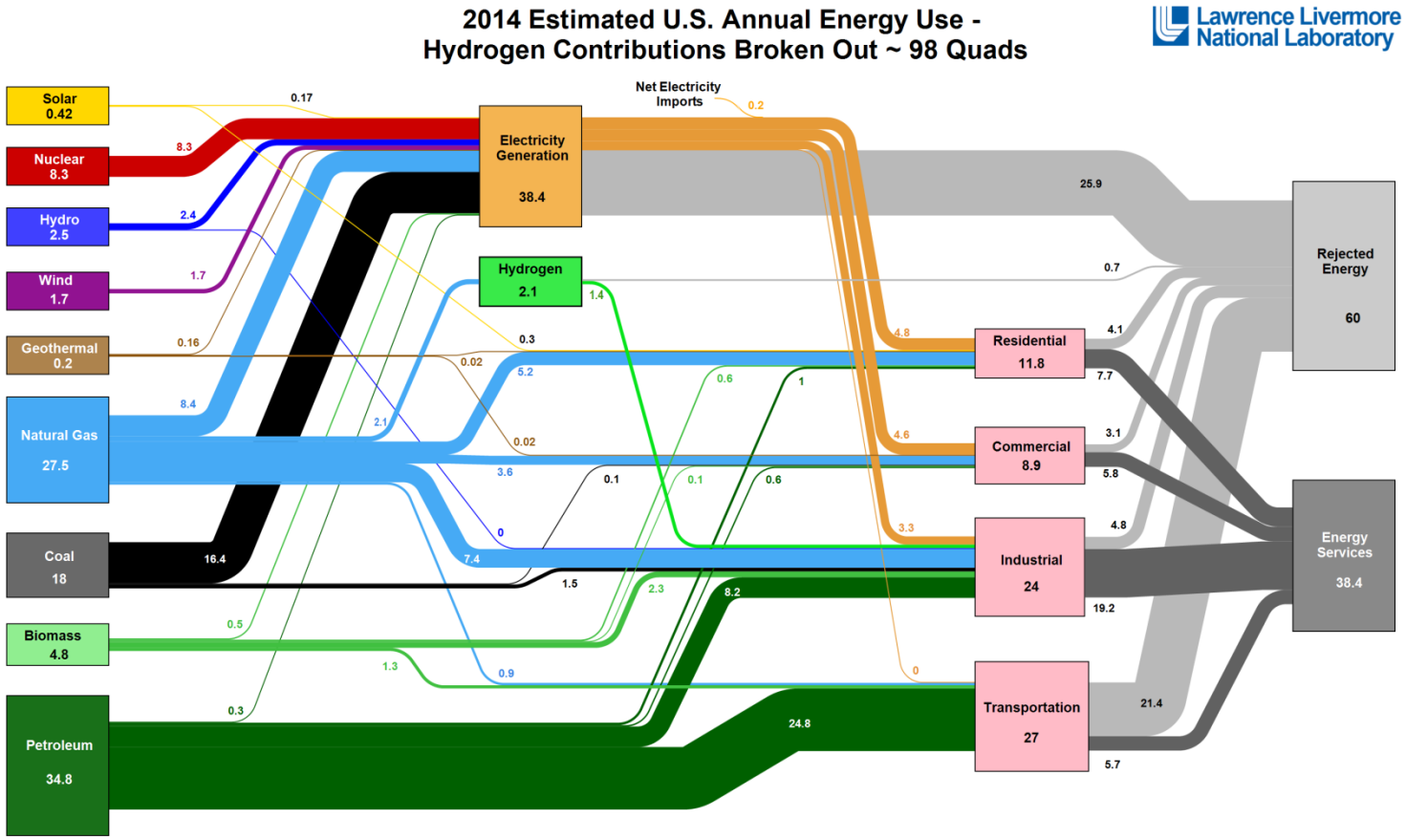
Large Scale Hydrogen is Well Known



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- **Annual hydrogen use in the U.S. = 10 million metric tons = 1.35 Quads**
- **Hydrogen production requires 2% of national energy use**

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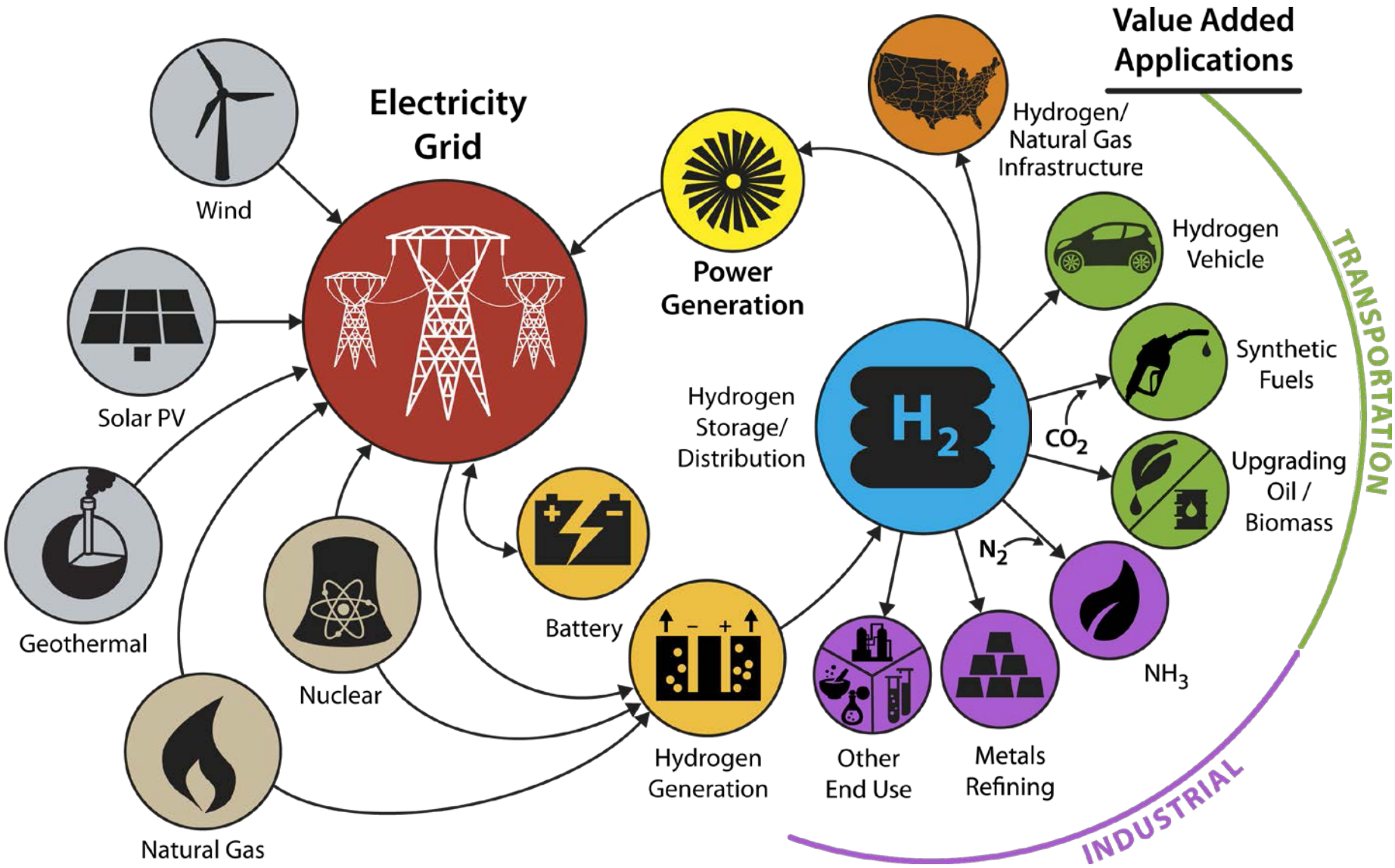
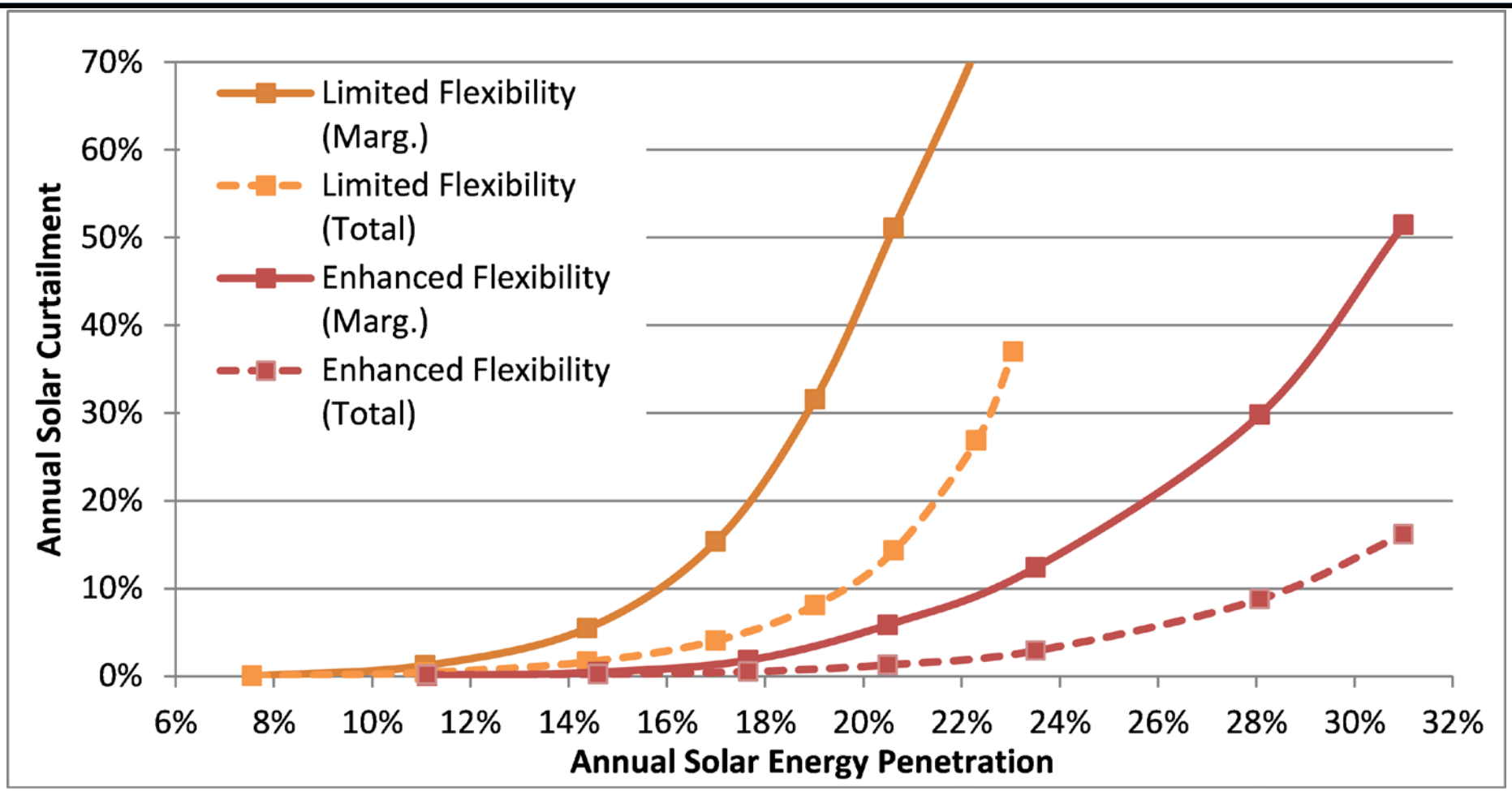
Conceptual H_2 at Scale Energy System*



*Illustrative example, not comprehensive

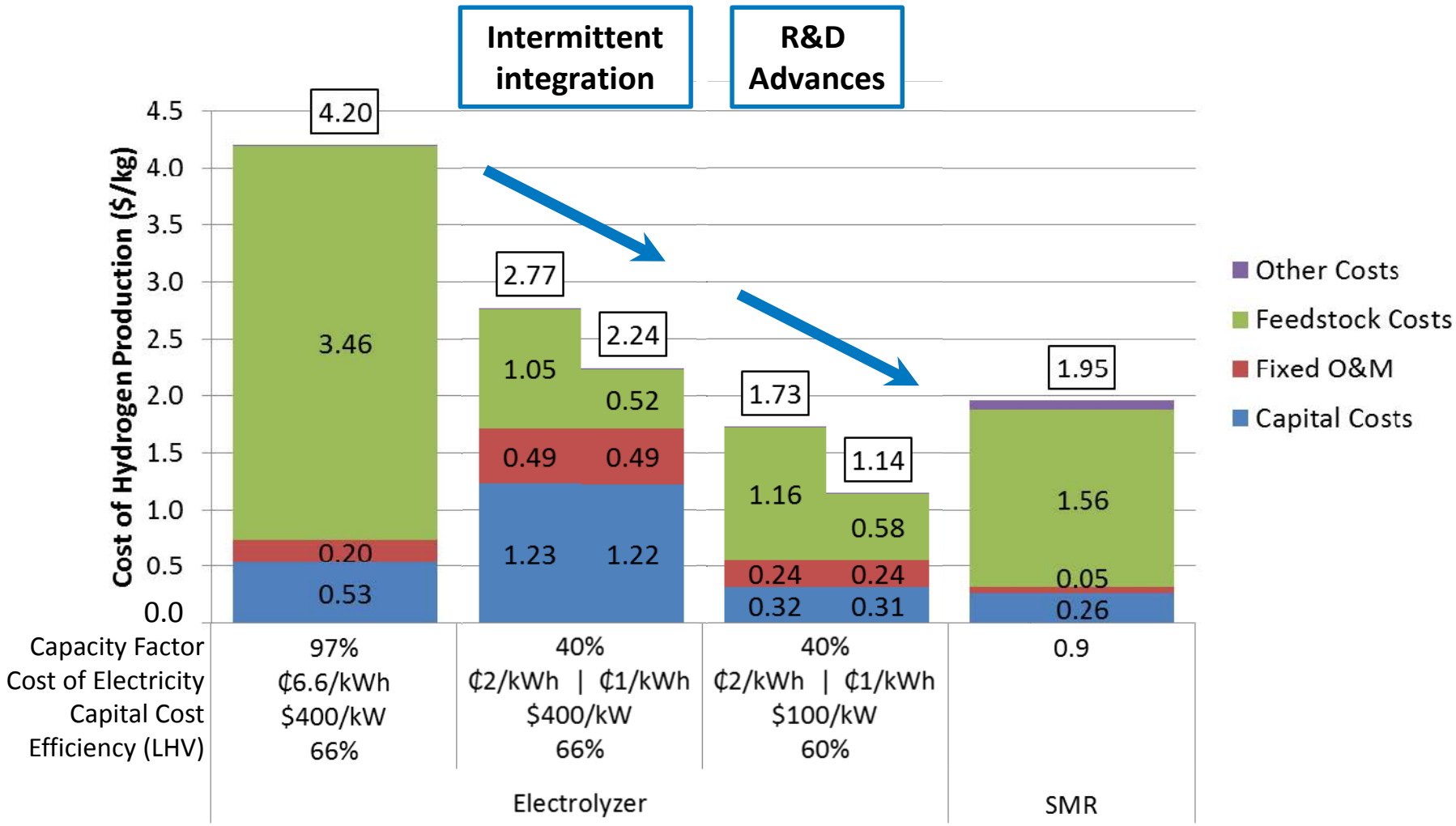
Limitations of Mismatched Load & Generation



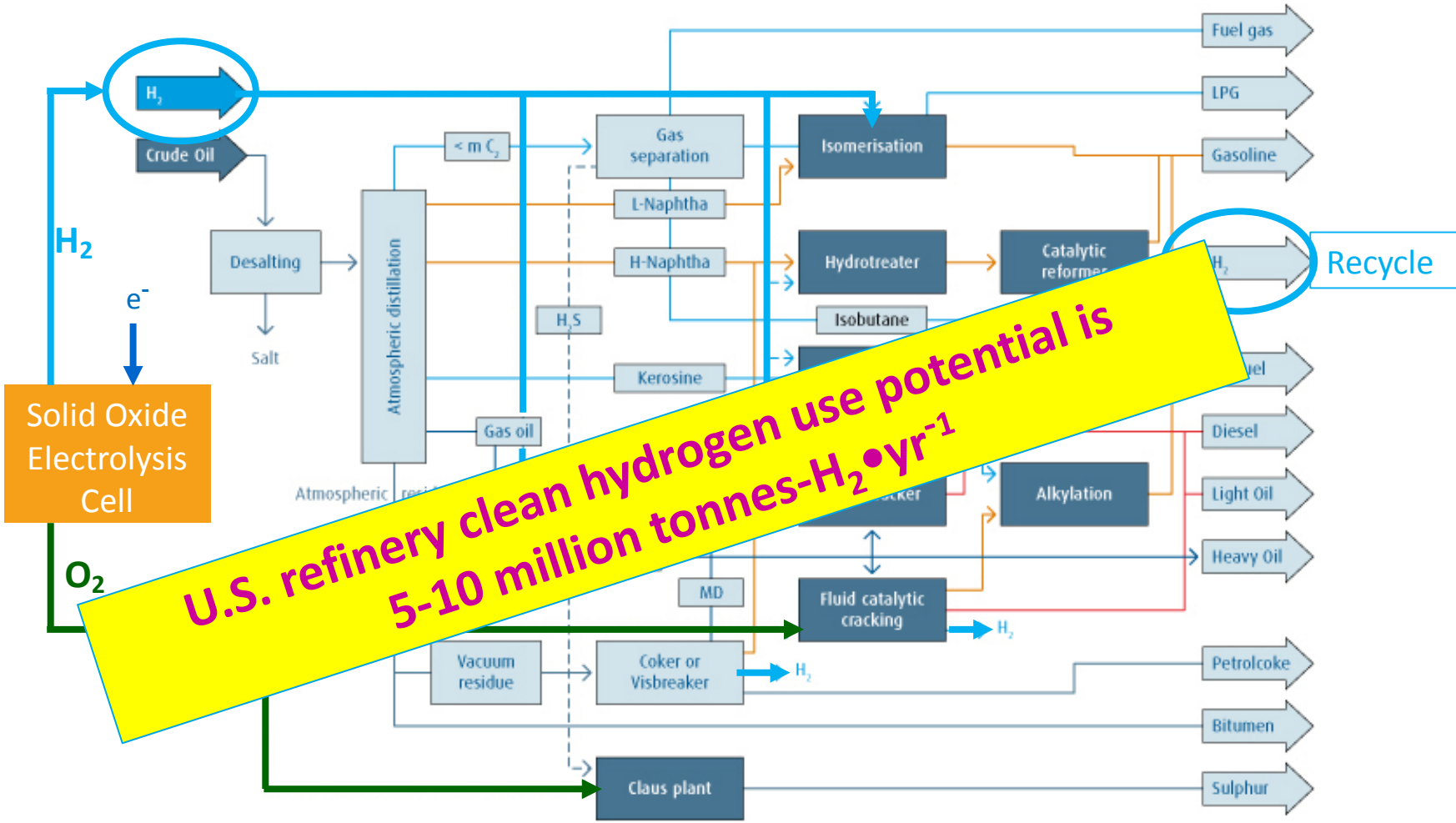
- A tipping point is reached due to increased use of low cost renewable energy
- Curtailment will lead to an abundance of low value electrons, and we need solutions that will service society's multi-sector demands

Source: Denholm, Paul, Kara Clark, and Matt O'Connell. 2016. *On the Path to SunShot: Emerging Issues and Challenges in Integrating High Levels of Solar into the Electrical Generation and Transmission System*. Golden, CO: National Renewable Energy Laboratory. NREL/TP-6A20-65800.

Improving the Economics of Renewable H_2



Refinery Demand



~ 5 million tonnes of hydrogen was supplied to the refinery industry in 2015.

Clean hydrogen sources would reduces GHG emissions 25%.

H_2-enriched burners could further reduce GHG emissions 20%.

Iron and Steelmaking

BELOW: The ZR Process accepts any reducing gas source – direct natural gas, syngas from a coal gasifier, coke oven gas or H_2/CO mixtures.

DRI Process Development Examples

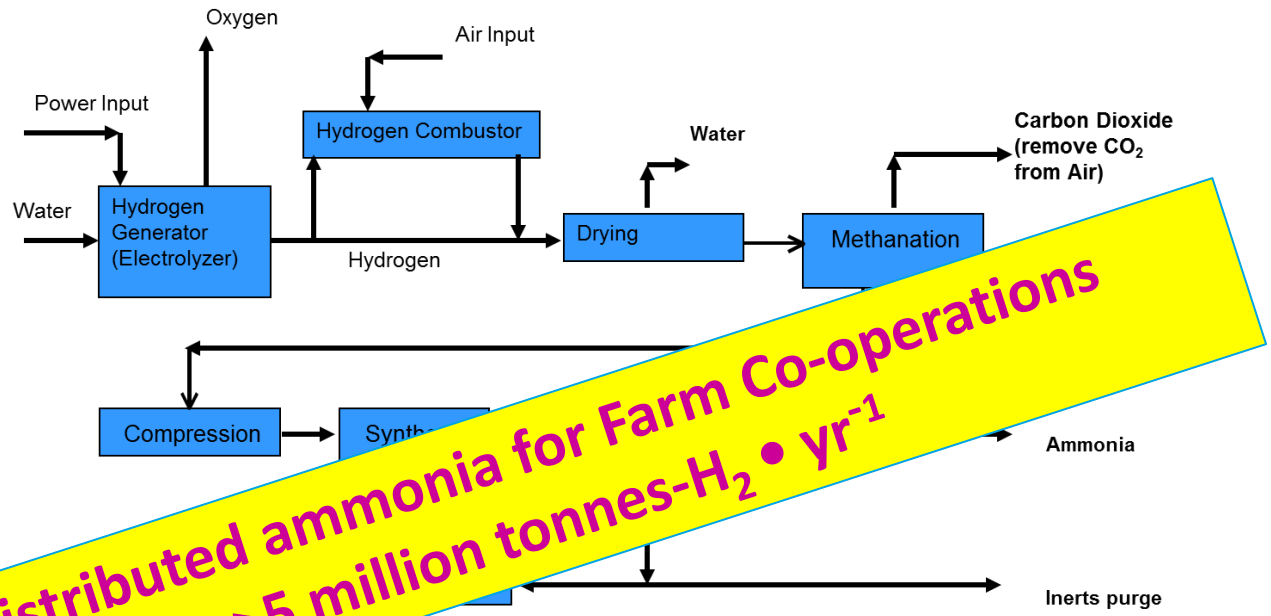
- MIDREX™
- U.S. CO_2 Breakthrough Program
- Europe: ULCOS
- Japan: COURSE 50
- Korea: POSCO
- University of Utah **(FIT)**

Current U.S. DRI steel industry hydrogen potential is:
> 6 million tonnes-H_2 • yr^{-1}

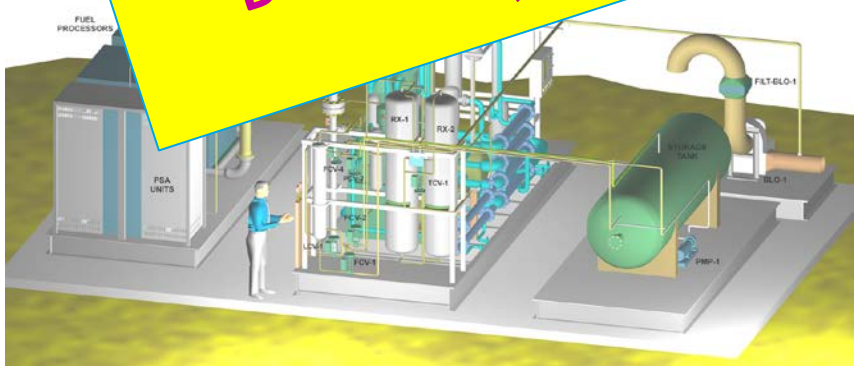
LEFT: MIDREX™ DRI shaft furnaces are being installed around the world to use various reducing gases and solids

- DRI process technology is no longer considered nascent
- Benefits include: Process intensification; Reduced capital; Increased energy efficiency: Reduced GHG emissions; Iron ore concentrates processing`

Ammonia Production for Fertilizer

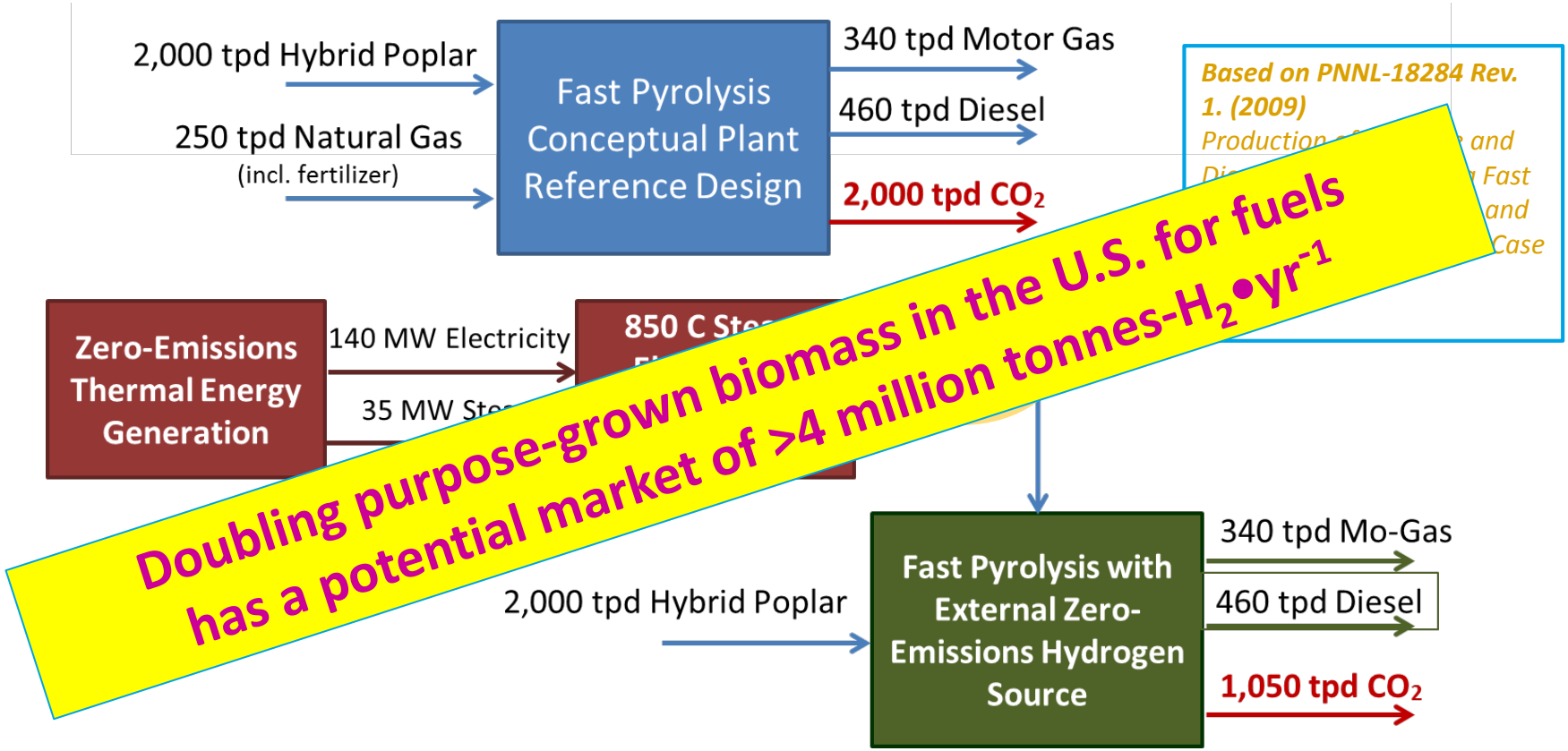


Distributed ammonia for Farm Co-operations
>5 million tonnes-H_2 • yr^{-1}



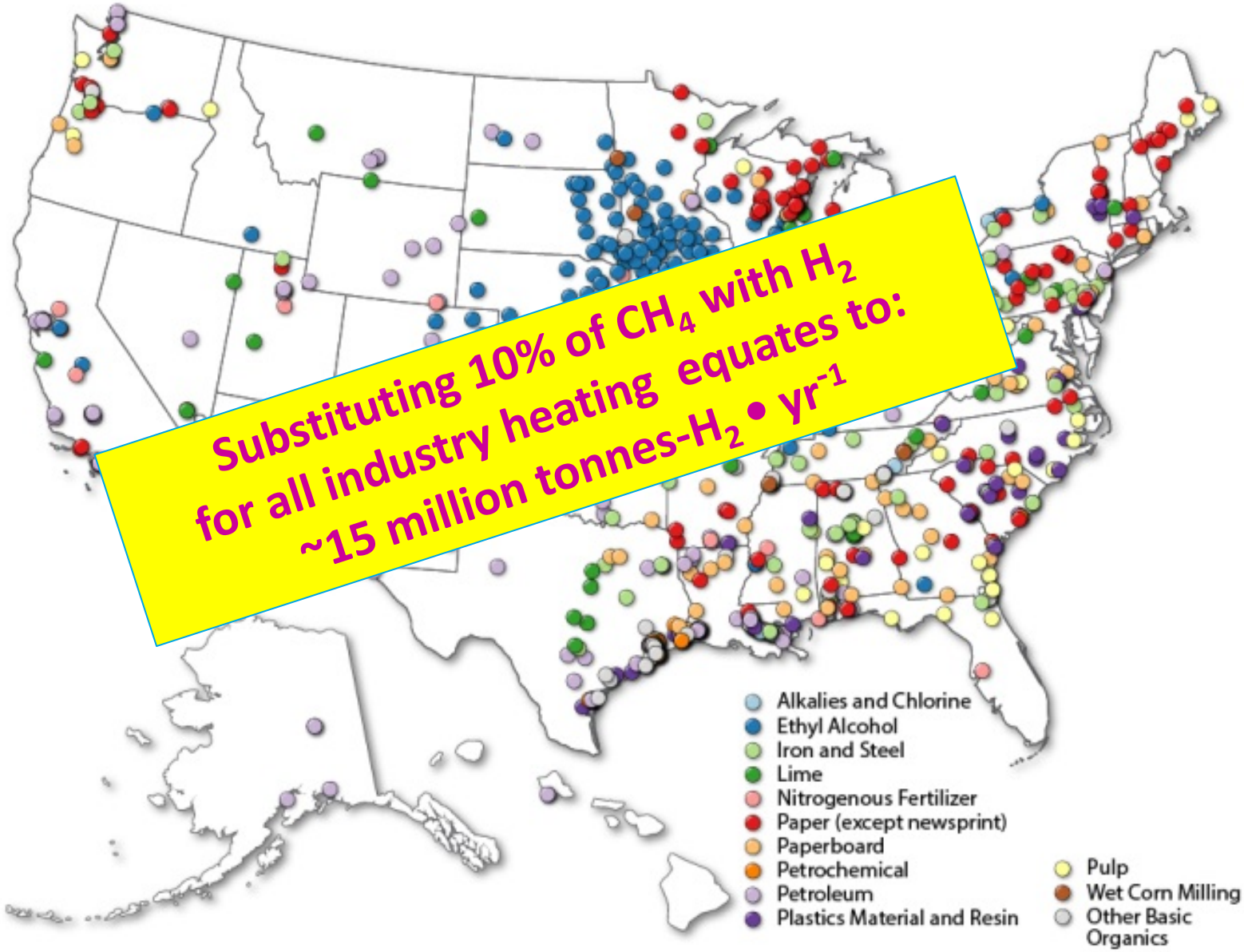
- 3 ton NH_3/day skid-mounted unit
- Hydrogen production from electrolysis
- Small scale application ~ 3 MW
- Simplified process to minimize capital costs

Biofuels Upgrading



Zero emissions hydrogen reduces biofuels GHG by 50%.

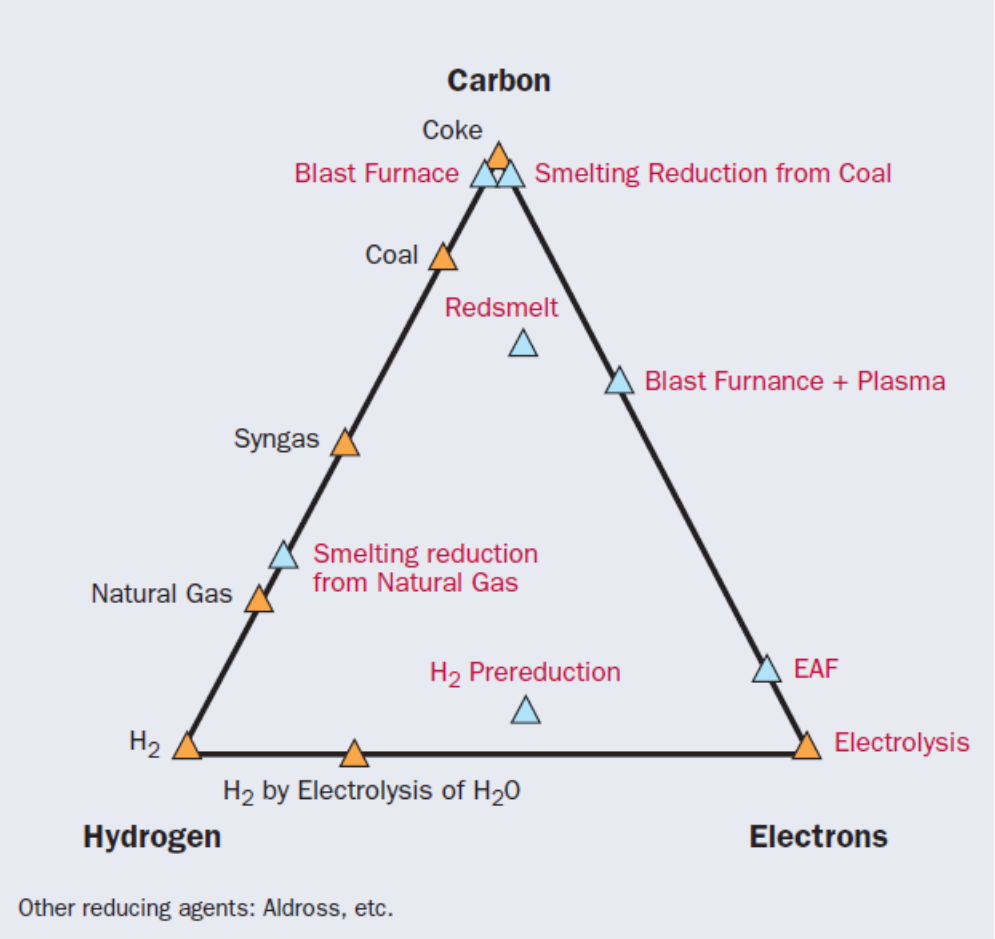
Heat for Industry



Potential Industrial Users of Hydrogen

- **Refineries:**
  - 5 – 10 MM tonnes
- **Steel making:**
  - 3 – 6 MM tonnes
- **Ammonia-based fertilizers:**
  - 5-10 MM tonnes
- **Biomass upgrading:**
  - 4 MM tonnes
- **Industrial heat:**
  - 15 MM tonnes

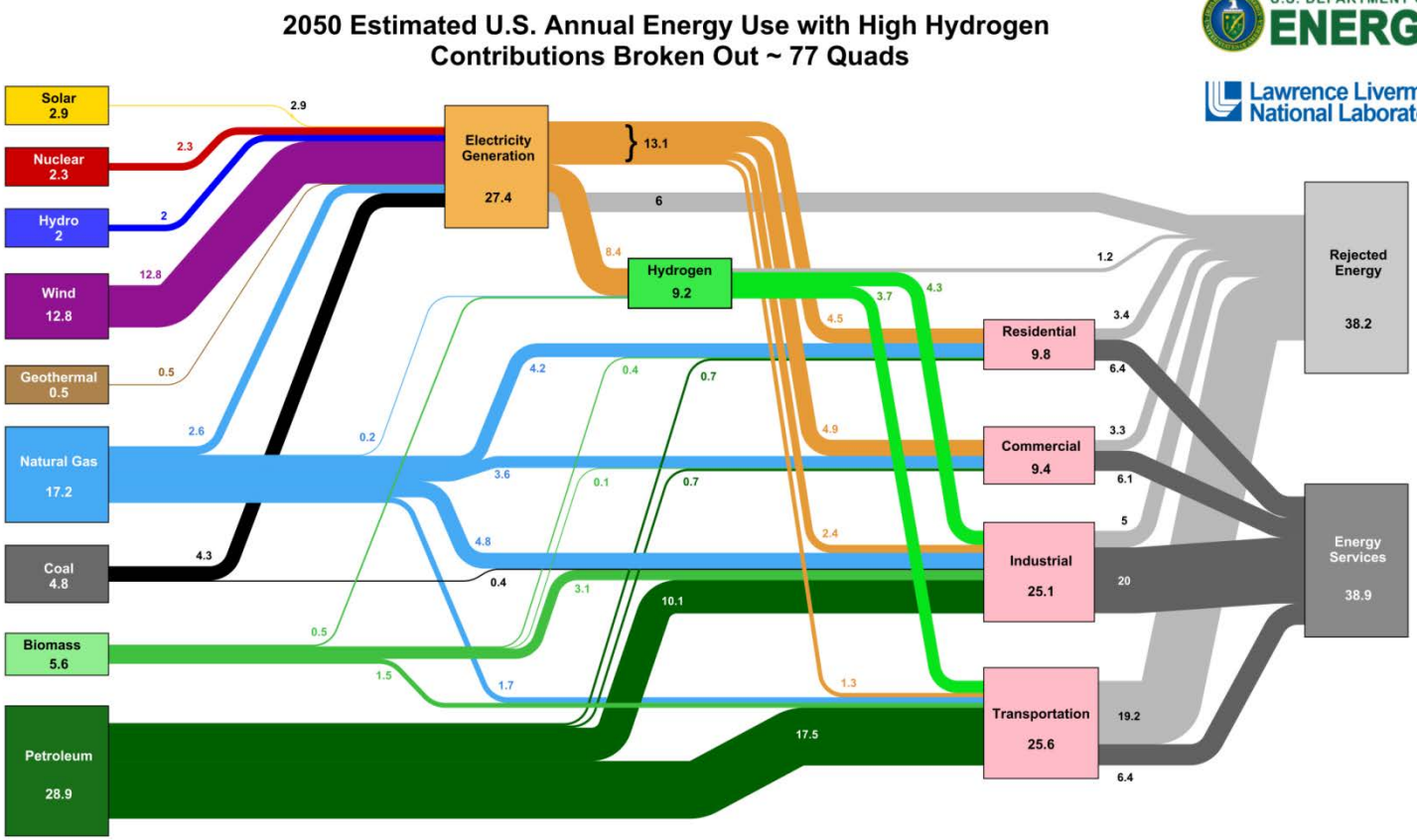
- **TOTAL:**
  - 32 – 45 MM tonnes
  - 320% to 450% of current demand



Source: AISI Final Report, Dec. 2010.
Technology Roadmap Research Program for the Steel Industry

Estimate: Richard Boardman "H2 at Scale: Enhance the U.S. energy portfolio through sustainable use of domestic resources, improvements in infrastructure, and increase in grid resiliency" H2 at Scale Workshop (November 16, 2016).

Rough Estimate of Potential 2050 Penetration



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- **Based on 80% renewable electricity generation with hydrogen production to meet additional demands in transportation & industry**
- **H_2 at Scale increases wind and solar penetrations**

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Key Events Since Last HTAC Briefing

April

HTAC Briefing

National Lab Chief Research Officer Meetings

DOE Program Office Briefings

CaFCP Executive Forum

Big Idea Summit

May

Utility Workshops (Colorado & California)

International Partnership for the Hydrogen Economy meeting

June

Fuel Cells Technology Office / Vehicle Technologies Office Annual Merit Review

July

Southwest Regional Energy Innovation Forum

Sustainable Transportation Summit

FCTO Webinar

Aug.

Intermountain Energy Summit

New Mexico Regional Energy Storage and Grid Integration Meeting

Sept.

Colorado School of Mines Steel Center Biennial Meeting

Electric Power Research Institute Power Delivery and Utilization Conference

Issued Request for Information

Oct.

California Hydrogen Business Council Fall Summit

National Press Club Event

Nov.

H2 at Scale Workshop

Southeast Regional Grid Stakeholder Meeting

Dec.

National Lab Analysis Project

Power Electronics for Electrolysis and Fuel Cells Workshop

HTAC Briefing

FCTO Webinar

- **July 28, 2016**
- **Over 300 registrants – New FCTO record**
- **Slide deck and presentation now available to public**
  Please take/use/recycle

Available at http://energy.gov/eere/fuelcells/downloads/h2-scale-potential-opportunity-webinar

H_2 at Scale Workshop (November 16-17)

About 170 attendees from industry, states, academia, labs, & DOE (10 offices!)

Solicited input for roadmap

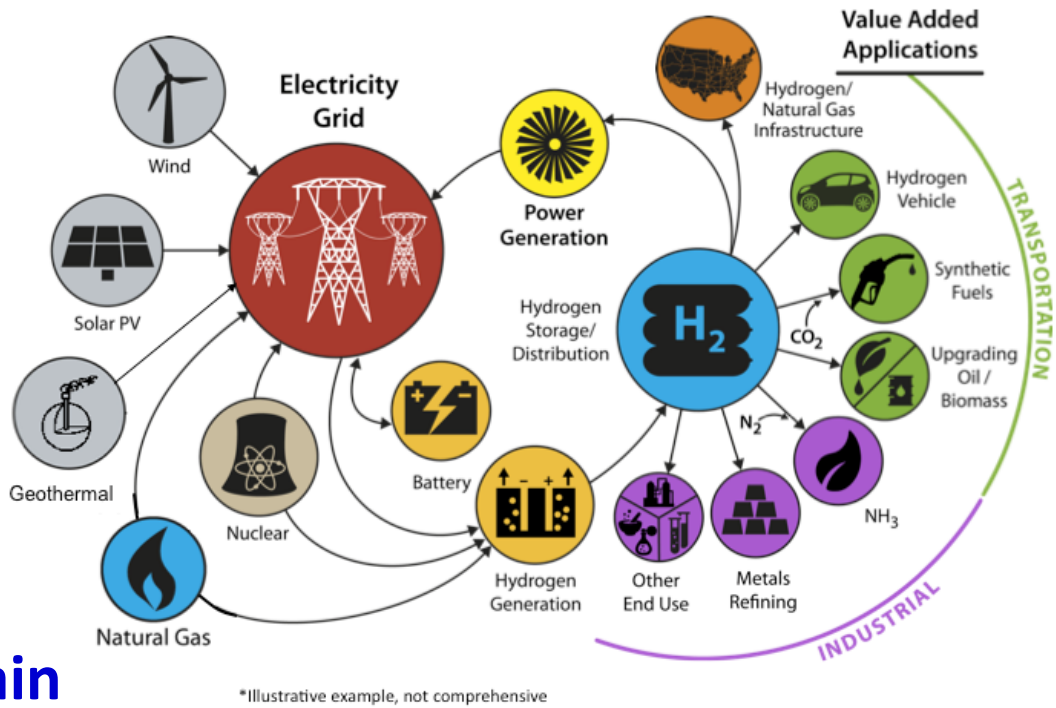
Key focus areas:

- Additional opportunities for technologies, markets, education, and demonstrations
- Integration with power generation
- Infrastructure requirements on regional, national, and global scales
- Policy and market drivers for fuels and natural gas end uses
- Challenges competing in commodity markets for chemical and metals

Credit: Mark Ruth

Stakeholder Engagement

- Nuclear
- Wind
- Solar
- Fossil
- Grid/Utilities
- Regulators
- Electrolysis
- Industrial Gas
- Auto OEMs/supply chain
- Fuels Production (Oil, Biomass)
- Metals/Steel
- Ammonia
- Investors



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Green: Engaged with interest/support

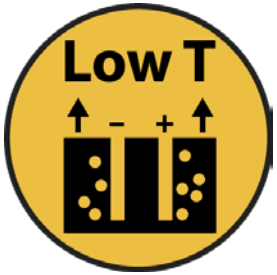
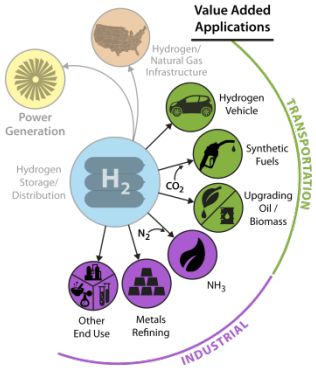
Orange: Limited engagement

Black: Little engagement

H2@Scale Analysis Kicking Off

- **Improving fidelity of H2@Scale value proposition in future with high penetrations of variable renewable energy**
- **Developing supply and demand curves and estimating interactions**
- **Identifying regional challenges**
- **Multilab effort with support from FCTO and DOE's Nuclear Energy Office**

R&D Direction

Low and High Temperature H_2 Generation		H_2 Storage and Distribution	H_2 Utilization
 Development of **low cost, durable, and intermittent H_2** generation.	Development of **thermally integrated, low cost, durable, and variable H_2** generation.	Development of **safe, reliable, and economic storage and distribution** systems.	 **H_2 as game-changing energy carrier**, revolutionizing energy sectors.

Analysis

Foundational Science

Future Electrical Grid

Key Lessons Learned

- **Broad support across DOE**
  - Multiple program offices – Bigger than transportation and FCTO
  - Coordination across multiple DOE offices presents opportunities and challenges
- **Value proposition is not obvious thus a clear vision and unified message important**
  - Most users consider hydrogen a commodity – no value for emission-free hydrogen
- **Long timeline presents challenges**
  - Most stakeholders focus on next quarter or year
  - Only utilities have decadal viewpoint

Next Steps

- **H2@Scale Workshop report (Jan 2017)**
- **Big Idea Summit 4 (March 2017)**
  - Revisit Summit 3 for new administration
- **Draft Roadmap (Sept 2017)**
- **Analysis of Value Proposition (Sept 2017)**
- **Gathering additional support and input**
  - What do you like? What should we change?
  - What do you see as the biggest challenges?
  - What other opportunities should we pursue?

Supporting Slides

H_2 at Scale Big Idea Teams/Acknowledgement

H2 at Scale has moved beyond this National Lab team to include DOE offices, and industrial/other stakeholders.

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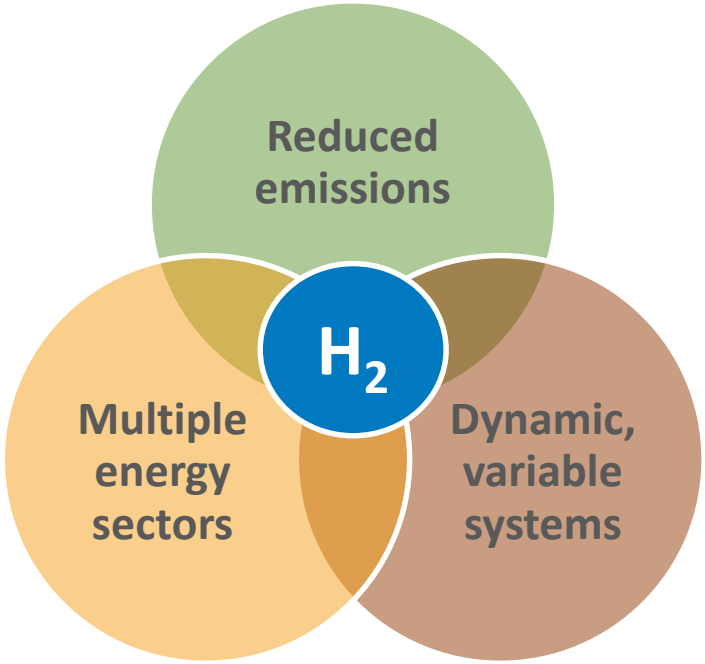
Potential Benefits of H_2 at Scale

H_2 at Scale has the unique potential to positively impact three key energy issues



- Reducing emissions across sectors (criteria pollutants, GHG)
- Support needs of future electrical grid
- Support needs of industrial sector
- Domestic manufacturing
  - Job creation and international competitiveness
- Energy security
  - Diversity/resiliency/domestic
- Decreased water requirements