



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
**ENERGY**

# Fuel Cells

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Merit Review and Peer Evaluation Meeting**

**May 15, 2007**

# Challenges

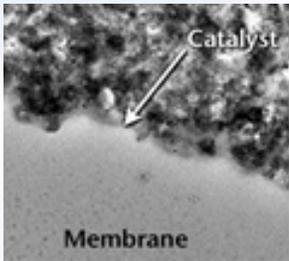
- **Durability**
- **Cost**
- **Electrode Performance**
- **Water Transport Within the Stack**
- **Thermal, Air and Water Management**
- **Start-up Time and Energy**

*Cost and durability present two of the more significant barriers to the achievement of clean, reliable, cost-effective systems.*



# Strategy

- Primary focus is on fuel cells for transportation applications
- R&D is focused on components rather than systems



**Membranes**

**Bipolar Plates**

**Electrodes**

**Seals**

**Membrane Electrode Assemblies**

**Balance-of-plant Components**

**Gas Diffusion Layers**

**Innovative Concepts**

**Analysis, Characterization and Benchmarking**



# Strategy

**Secondary focus is on stationary and other early market fuel cells to establish the manufacturing base**

## Distributed Power

- Improve system durability
- Improve stack performance w/ reformat
- Improve fuel processor performance
- Increase system electrical efficiency

## APUs

- Develop diesel fuel processor
- Develop FC that operates on reformat
- Design, build, & test under real-world conditions

## Portable Power

- Develop membranes to reduce methanol crossover
- Design, build, & test under real-world conditions



# Key Targets

## Integrated Transportation Fuel Cell Power System (80 kW<sub>e</sub>) Operating on Direct Hydrogen

- **\$45/kW by 2010**
- **\$30/kW by 2015**
- **5,000 hours durability by 2010 (80°C)**



# Other Key Targets

## Distributed Energy (PEMFC)

- \$750/kW by 2011
- 40,000 hours durability by 2011
- 40% electrical efficiency



## Auxiliary Power Units (SOFC)

- Specific power of 100 W/kg by 2010
- Power density of 100 W/L by 2010



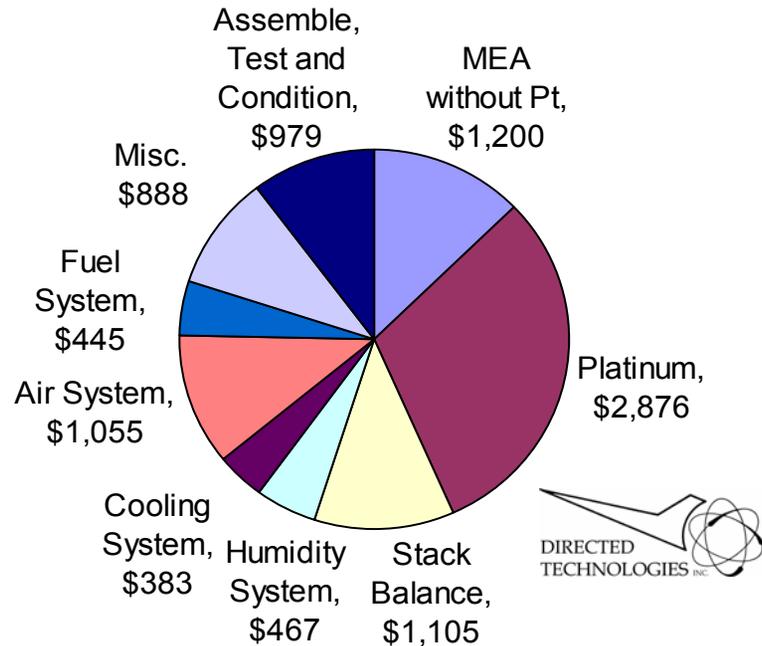
## Consumer Electronics (DMFC)

- Energy density of 1,000 W-h/L by 2010

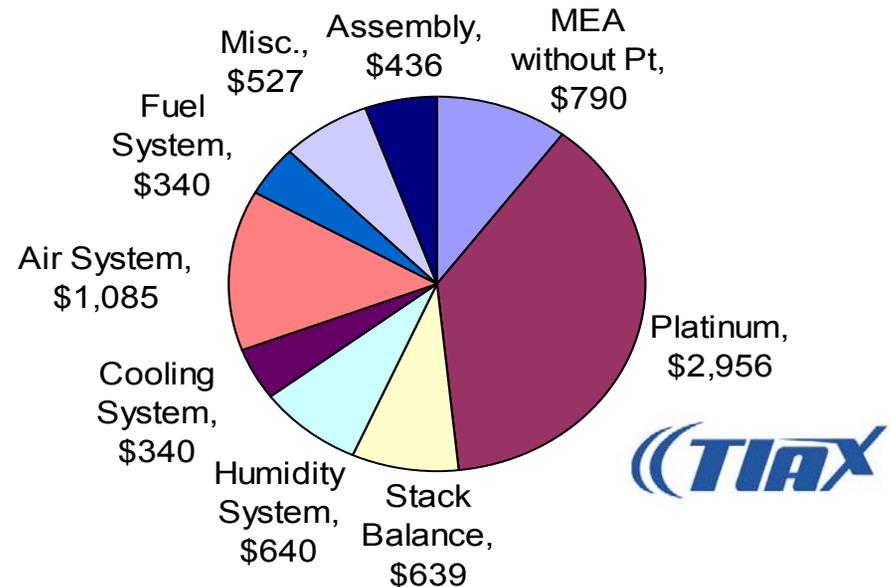


# Recent High-volume Cost Analyses (500,000 units/year)

DTI Fuel Cell System 80 kW Direct H<sub>2</sub>  
Cost = \$118/kW (net), \$9412



TIAX Fuel Cell System 80 kW Direct H<sub>2</sub>  
Cost = \$97/kW (net), \$7760



- The major difference between the DTI and TIAX estimates is the cost of the MEA and the seals in stack balance. DTI included Test & Conditioning.

# Fuel Cell Program Budget

<b>Budget Activity</b>	<b>Funding (\$ in thousands)</b>		
	<b>FY 2006 Appropriation</b>	<b>FY 2007 Appropriation</b>	<b>FY 2008 Request</b>
Fuel Cell Stack Component R&D	30,710	38,082	44,000
Transportation Fuel Cell Systems	1,050	7,518	8,000
Distributed Energy Fuel Cell Systems	939	7,419	7,700
Fuel Processor R&D	637	4,056	3,000

# Research Partners

## BOP Components

*Honeywell (2),  
Advanced Fluids Tech.  
(SBIR), UTC*

## Characterization and Analysis

*NIST, ORNL, LANL,  
ANL, TIAX, DTI, Battelle*

## Impurities

*LANL, Clemson U, U of  
CT*

## Innovative Concepts

*Plug Power, Case  
Western Reserve U,  
PNNL, ANL*

## Membranes

*3M, Arkema (2), DuPont, Plug  
Power, LBNL, Colorado School of  
Mines, Penn State, Virginia Tech,  
Giner (1 + 1 SBIR), U of Tenn, Case  
Western Reserve U (2), FuelCell  
Energy, Clemson U, GE Global  
Research, Arizona State U, U of  
Central Florida, Farasis (SBIR)*

## MEAs

*UTC Fuel Cells, 3M, LANL*

## Catalysts and Supports

*Ballard, U. of South Carolina, 3M  
(2), UTC, LANL, ANL, PNNL,  
Farasis Energy (SBIR), BASF, Ion  
Power*

## Bipolar Plates

*Graftech, ORNL*

## Stationary and other Early Market Fuel Cells

*IdaTech, UTC Fuel  
Cells, Plug Power (3),  
Nuvera, Texaco, Delphi,  
Cummins, PolyFuel,  
MTI Micro, Intelligent  
Energy*

## 2006 Congressionally Directed

*UTC, Chemsultants, U  
of S. Mississippi,  
Kettering U, U of Akron,  
Bloom Energy*

## Water Transport

*RIT, LANL, Nuvera, CFD*

# Agenda

<b>Tuesday, May 15, 2007</b>		
<b>1:15</b>	<b>Fuel Cells Sub-Program Overview</b>	<b>Nancy Garland, DOE</b>
<b>1:30</b>	<b>FC 1 — Fuel Cell Systems Analysis</b>	<b>Rajesh Ahluwalia, ANL</b>
<b>2:00</b>	<b>FC 2 — Neutron Imaging Study of the Water Transport in Operating</b>	<b>Muhammad Arif, NIST</b>
<b>2:30</b>	<b>FC 3 — Microstructural Characterization of PEM Fuel Cell MEAs</b>	<b>Karren More, ORNL</b>
<b>3:00</b>	<b>FC 4 — Novel Approach to Non-Precious Metal Catalysts</b>	<b>Radoslav Atanasoski, 3M</b>
<b>3:30</b>	<b>Break</b>	
<b>3:50</b>	<b>FC 5 – Novel Non-Precious Metals for PEMFC: Catalyst Selection Through Molecular Modeling and Durability Studies</b>	<b>Branko N. Popov, U of So. Carolina</b>
<b>4:20</b>	<b>FC 6 – Development of transition metal/ chalcogen based cathode catalysts for PEM fuel cells</b>	<b>Stephen Campbell, Ballard</b>
<b>4:50</b>	<b>FC 7 – Applied Science for Electrode Performance, Cost, and Durability</b>	<b>Bryan Pivovar, LANL</b>
<b>5:20</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>	

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<b>Wednesday, May 16, 2007</b>		
<b>8:00</b>	<b>FC 8 — Development of Polybenzimidazole-based High Temperature Membrane and Electrode Assemblies for Stationary Applications</b>	<b>John Vogel, Plug Power</b>
<b>8:30</b>	<b>FC 9 — Development of a Low-cost, Durable Membrane and MEA for Stationary and Mobile Fuel Cell Applications</b>	<b>Scott Gaboury, Arkema Chemicals</b>
<b>9:00</b>	<b>FC 10 — MEA and Stack Durability for PEM Fuel Cells</b>	<b>Mike Yandrasits, 3M</b>
<b>9:30</b>	<b>FC 11 — Improved Membrane Materials for PEM Fuel Cell Applications</b>	<b>Robert Moore, Univ. of South Mississippi</b>
<b>10:00</b>	<b>Break</b>	
<b>10:30</b>	<b>FC 12 — Poly(p-phenylene Sulfonic Acid)s with Frozen-in Free Volume for use in High Temperature Fuel Cells</b>	<b>Morton Litt, Case Western Reserve University</b>
<b>10:50</b>	<b>FC 13 – Poly(cyclohexadiene)-Based Polymer Electrolyte Membranes for Fuel Cell Applications</b>	<b>Jimmy Mays, U of Tennessee</b>
<b>11:10</b>	<b>FC 25 – NanoCapillary Network Proton Conducting Membranes for High Temperature Hydrogen/Air Fuel Cells</b>	<b>Peter Pintauro, Case Western Reserve University</b>
<b>11:30</b>	<b>FC 15 – Lead Research and Development Activity for High Temperature, Low Relative Humidity Membrane Program</b>	<b>James Fenton, Univ. of Central Florida</b>
<b>12:00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	

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<b>1:15</b>	<b>FC 16 — Protic Salt Polymer Membranes: High-Temperature Water-Free Proton-Conducting Membranes</b>	<b>Dominic Gervasio, Arizona State</b>
<b>1:35</b>	<b>FC 17 — Novel Approaches to Immobilized Heteropoly Acid (HPA) Systems for High Temperature, Low Relative Humidity Polymer-Type Membranes</b>	<b>Andrew Herring, Colorado School of Mines</b>
<b>1:55</b>	<b>FC 18 — High Temperature Membrane With Humidification-Independent cluster Structure</b>	<b>Ludwig Lipp, FuelCell Energy, Inc.</b>
<b>2:15</b>	<b>FC 19 — Design and Development of High-Performance Polymer Fuel Cell Membranes</b>	<b>Ryo Tamaki, General Electric</b>
<b>2:35</b>	<b>FC 20 — Fluoroalkylphosphonic-acid-based proton conductors</b>	<b>Stephen Creager, Clemson</b>
<b>3:15</b>	<b>Break</b>	
<b>3:30</b>	<b>FC 21 – Dimensionally Stable High Temperature Membranes</b>	<b>Cortney Mittelsteadt, Giner</b>
<b>3:50</b>	<b>FC 22 – New Proton Conductive Composite Materials with Co-continuous Phases Using Functionalized and Crosslinkable</b>	<b>Serguei Lvov, Penn State</b>
<b>4:10</b>	<b>FC 23 – Advanced Materials for Proton Exchange Membranes</b>	<b>James McGrath, Virginia Tech</b>
<b>4:30</b>	<b>FC 24 – Dimensionally Stable High Performance Membrane</b>	<b>Han Liu, Giner</b>
<b>4:50</b>	<b>FC 14 – Center for Intelligent Fuel Cell Materials Design Phase 1</b>	<b>Denise Katona, Chemsultants International</b>

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<b>Friday, May 18, 2007</b>		
<b>9:00</b>	<b>FC 26 — Economic Analysis of Polymer Electrolyte Membrane Fuel Cell Systems</b>	<b>Harry J. Stone, Battelle</b>
<b>9:30</b>	<b>FC 27 — Direct Hydrogen PEMFC Manufacturing Cost Estimation for Automotive Applications</b>	<b>Stephen Lasher, TIAX</b>
<b>10:00</b>	<b>Break</b>	
<b>10:30</b>	<b>FC 28 — Mass Production Cost Estimation for Direct H<sub>2</sub> PEM Fuel Cell System for Automotive Applications</b>	<b>Brian James, DTI</b>
<b>11:00</b>	<b>FC 29 – Platinum Recycling Technology Development</b>	<b>Stephen Grot, Ion Power, Inc.</b>
<b>11:30</b>	<b>FC 30 – Platinum Group Metal Recycling Technology Development</b>	<b>Larry Shore, BASF</b>

# For More Information

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