

#### RENEWABLE HYDROGEN FUEL CELL COLLABORATIVE MIDWEST HYDROGEN CENTER OF EXCELLENCE



SARTA Fuel Cell Bus - Columbus, Ohio

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## **Public Awareness/Outreach Activities**

# Education

- Middle School outreach program
  - Teacher and student education
  - Renewable energy kits
- University outreach
  - Presentations, events
  - Bus route rides
- Training
  - Bus driver
  - Mechanics
  - Operations

# Community

- "Borrow A Bus" program
  - Supported by El Dorado and BAE
- Educate legislators, policy makers
- Present at public forums, trade shows
- Media outreach, including website, social media outlets

# **Research by RHFCC/MHCoE**

### Hydrogen

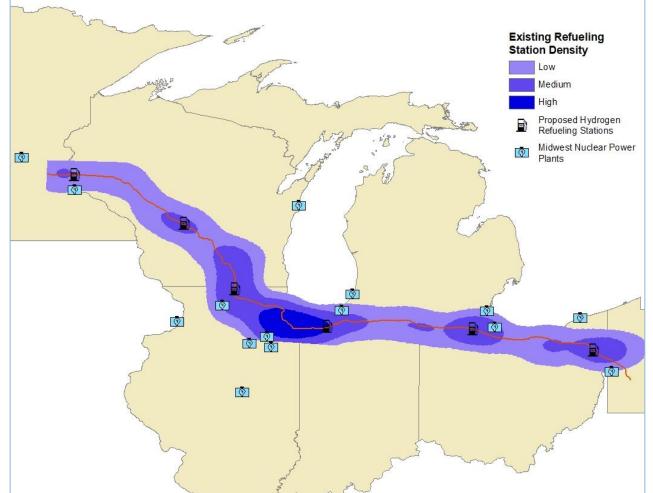
- Economics of carbon capture for hydrogen refueling infrastructure
- H2 Infrastructure planning for Midwest
- Fuel cell supply chain development
- Survey of interest in FCE heavy duty trucking
- Roadmap for adoption

### Transit

- Bus Procurement strategies
- Cold weather effects on fuel cell and battery electric buses
- Onsite hydrogen strategies for transit
- Microgrid strategies for transit
- Hydrogen bus performance metrics



## 180/90 Long Haul Corridor H2 Refueling Plan



### Strategic Plan:

- Build stations at or near existing truck stops
- Stations placed within FCE truck range
- Re-purpose nuclear energy from grid to H2

## FCEV Fleets – First Adopters

- Stark Area Regional Transit Authority
  - Canton, Ohio
  - 20 FCE buses and paratransit vans in operation
    - El Dorado frame, Ballard cells
    - Third largest operator of fuel cell buses in U.S.
- Advantages

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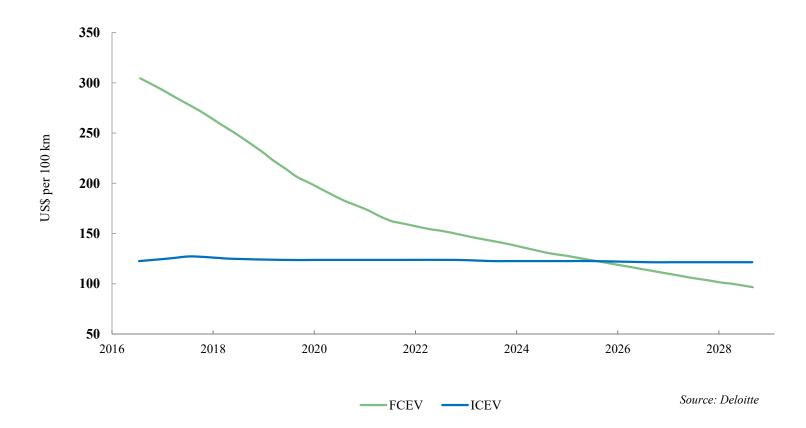
- Nearly 200 miles per day range
- Refueling time takes 20 minutes
- Fuel cost similar to diesel
- Do not see large range drop off in winter
  - One for one replacement of diesel
- Challenges:
  - Cost: Currently over \$1 mm/bus.
    - Diesel bus is \$450,000.
  - Refueling infrastructure over \$1 mm.
  - Operations: Training of mechanics, access to parts



#### SARTA Hydrogen Refueling Station

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### **Transit as Hydrogen Economy Driver** US Total Projected Cost of Ownership for a Bus (\$/100 km)



#### Levin Urban.csuohio.edu Comparison of Cost and Carbon Intensity for Various Small-Scale Hydrogen Production Options at SARTA.

Method	Cost (\$/kg H <sub>2</sub> )	Carbon Intensity (kgCO <sub>2</sub> e/kg H <sub>2</sub> )
SMR: delivered via LH <sub>2</sub> <sup>a</sup>	5.93	9.81 <sup>b</sup>
SMR: onsite, no capture	3.22	8.98
SMR: RNG, no capture	4.49	$2.22 - 5.32^{\circ}$
SMR: onsite with capture (blue)		
- With geological storage	3.65	2.44
- with EOR/ECOF	3.52	4.17
- with EOR/MCOF	3.47	4.40
- with RMC	3.27	2.44
Electrolysis (green) – no grid	7.43	2.58

• This hydrogen is compressed and liquified in Sarnia, Ontario, Canada, and delivered ca. 270 miles in LH<sub>2</sub> tanker trailers to SARTA. Importantly, this method of delivery arrives under pressure, and little or no additional on-site hydrogen compression is required for storage. This cost needs to be accounted for in a true apples to apples comparison.

- The incremental carbon footprint assumes negligible boil-off losses at the Sarnia trailer refill and during transit, and emissions of 220 gCO<sub>2</sub>e/tonne/mile due to fuel consumption.
- The lower bound represents WWTP RNG at 19.34 gCO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ and the upper bound represents landfill RNG at 46.42 gCO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ.

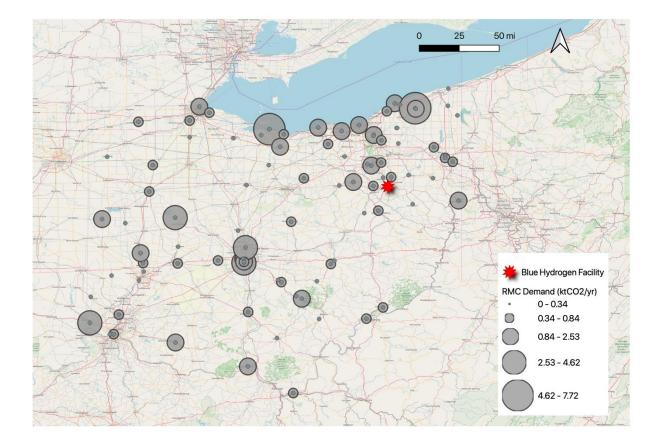
#### **Potential CO2 Markets in Ohio and Pennsylvania**

Process	2017 Estimated Demand (ktCO2/yr)	Number of Sites	
	Ohio		
Urea Manufacturing	315.4	1	
Food and Beverage	73.7	56	
Refrigeration	38.6	111	
Methanol	16.0	2	
Plastic and Polymers	3.8	9	
Pennsylvania			
Food and Beverage	90.2	63	
Refrigeration	42.5	143	
<b>Chemical Production</b>	16.4	4	
<b>Plastic and Polymers</b>	6.5	12	
Miscellaneous	0.4	2	

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#### **Ready Mix Concrete Locations in Ohio**

#### Symbolized by Potential Annual CO2 Demand for the Purpose of Incorporation into Mixed Concrete Product.



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