

## Fuel Cells for Wastewater Treatment Plants

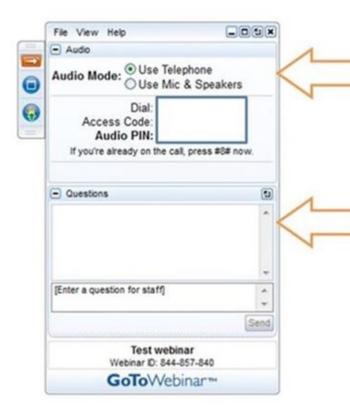
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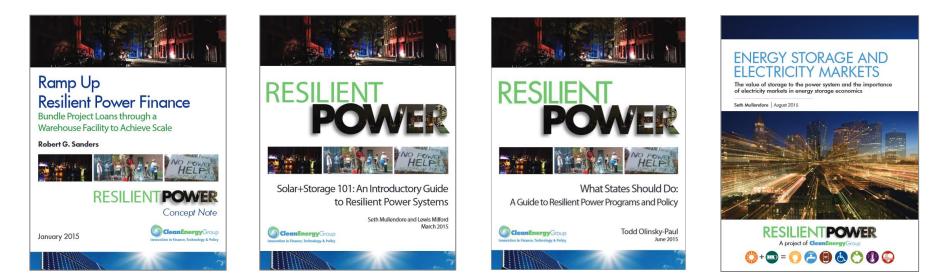




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# Northeast Electrochemical Energy Storage Cluster (NEESC)

NEESC is a network of industry, academic, government and non-governmental leaders working together to help businesses provide energy storage solutions.





# **Today's Guest Speakers**

- Ken Wicker, Director Business Development, Fuel Cell Energy, Inc.
- Ernest P. Marquez, Jr, Principal Engineer, City of Riverside, CA
- Jim Mullins, Senior Engineer, Orange County Sanitation District









#### **Fuel Cells for Wastewater Treatment Plants**



Clean Energy Group and Northeast Electrochemical Energy Storage Cluster September 9, 2015

## Ultra-Clean | Efficient | Reliable Power





- The Opportunity
- FuelCell Energy's Technology
- Case Studies & Lessons Learned
- Renewable Hydrogen
- Economic Opportunities



#### FuelCell Energy's multi-MW carbonate fuel cells are wellsuited for large wastewater treatment plants that can utilize their biogas for on-site cogeneration purposes.

- Wastewater treatment plants can generate digester gas with approximately 60% methane, which is a perfect source of fuel for FCE's molten carbonate fuel cells.
- Biogas is considered a renewable resource and can garnish all the associated benefits from running a treatment plant on renewables.
- Wastewater treatment plants operate 24/7 and so do fuel cells, which is a good fit between energy producer and energy consumer.



## Integrated Fuel Cell Company

## Research & Development

Design megawatt–class distributed power generation solutions

- Global fuel cell platform
- Robust intellectual property portfolio
- Developing hybrid applications of existing technology for new markets



#### Sales, Manufacture & <u>Project Execution</u>

Project development

Direct sales

Global manufacturing profile

North America

- Asia via partner
- Europe Engineering, Procurement and Construction
  - Project Financing



#### **Services**

Operate & Maintain power plants

- Over 100 DFC<sup>®</sup> plants operating at more than 50 sites in 9 countries
- >3 billion kWh ultra-clean power produced
- > 300 MW installed/backlog



Providing turn-key distributed power generation solutions NASDAQ: FCEL



### **Global platform – scale enhances economics**



andividual fuel cell & 350 kW fuel cell stack



Completed module 1.4 megawatts



Four-Stack Module 1.4 megawatts



59MW fuel cell park • Utilizes 21 DFC3000

plants





Utilizes two modules
Adequate to power 2,800 homes



- Utilizes one module
- Adequate to power
   1,400 homes



### Why Fuel Cells?

- Clean, Quiet & Efficient
- Energy Cost Savings
- Financeable, Low-Risk
- Reliable & Enhanced Resiliency

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	Power Source	Efficiency (%LHV)	NOx (lb/MWh)	SOx (Ib/MWh)	PM <sup>10</sup> (lb/MWh)	CO <sub>2</sub> (lb/MWh)
	Average U.S. Grid	33%	3.43	7.9	0.19	1,408
A.	Average U.S. Fossil Fuel Plant	36%	5.06	11.6	0.27	2,031
	DFC <sup>®</sup> Fuel Cell on Nat Gas	47%	0.01	0.0001	0.00002	940
	DFC® Fuel Cell on Nat Gas (CHP)	80%	0.006	0.00006	0.00001	550
	DFC <sup>®</sup> Fuel Cell on Biogas (CHP)	80%	0.006	0.00006	0.00001	0
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Source: The Regulatory Assistance Project report to NREL, October 15, 2002



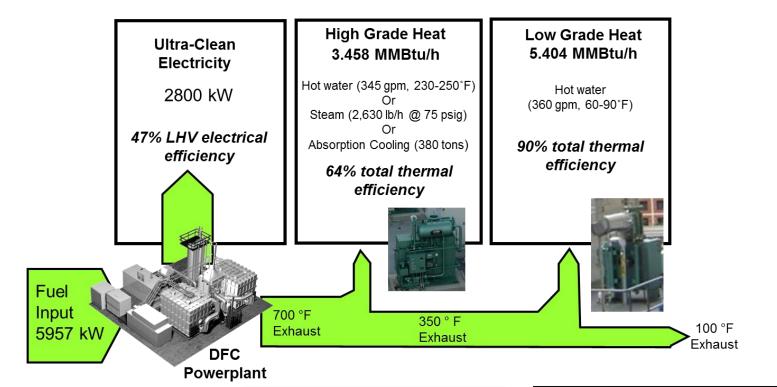
Hartford Hospital, 1.4 MW



Cal State East Bay, 1.4 MW



#### FuelCell Energy CHP Applications





300 kW Hot Water CHP for Onion Waste digester in California



1.4 MW Steam CHP for campus energy system at University in CT



2.8 MW Hot Water CHP Waste Water Digester Plant in California

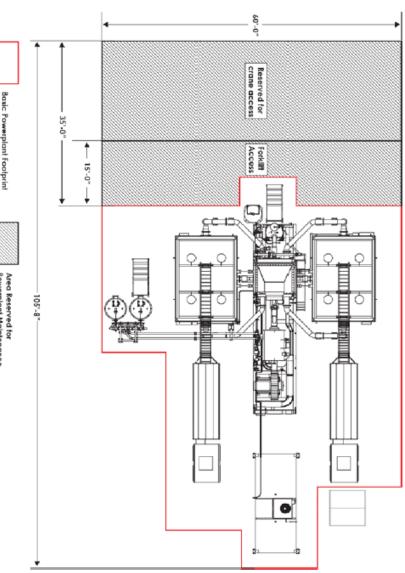


## **Application Requirements 2.8MW**

- Space requirement: 60 ft x 75 ft (additional 30 ft for maintenance)
  Electric generation ~22 million
- kWh per year
- Waste heat generation ~ 4.4 MM/Btuh
- Heat load for hot water, steam, and/or absorption cooling.

Table 12: Exhaust Tempera	ture to Available Heat Energy
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Exhaust Temperature	Estimated Heat En Heat Recov	Total efficiency with heat recovery (4)	
Cooled To (Deg F)	BOL <sup>(2)</sup>	EOL (3)	BOL
300	3,953,000	4,308,000	68%
250	4,433,000	4,832,000	71%
200	4,913,000	5,355,000	73%
150	5,389,000	5,874,000	76%





### **Fuel Requirements**

#### **Fuel Composition**

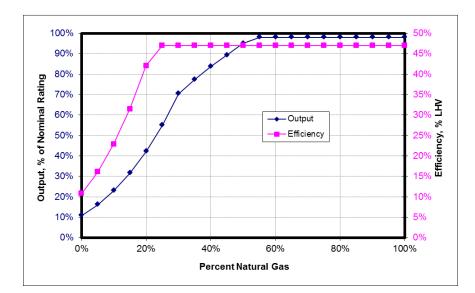
- Output, Efficiency constant to 55% CH<sub>4</sub>
- CO<sub>2</sub> doesn't need to be removed
- More dilute compositions can be tolerated with derating
- Fuel blending capability installed for process interruptions
- Delivery pressure 15 psig

#### **Fuel Quantity**

- 1.4 MW: 310 CFM, 240 MMBtu/day, ~400K population
- 2.8 MW: 620 CFM, 480 MMBtu/day, ~800K population

#### **Fuel Quality**

- Total Sulfur <10 ppmv, individual species lower</li>
- Siloxanes <100 ppbv</li>
- Total Metals <1 ppmv, individual metals lower</li>
- Moisture: gas delivered at 15 °F above dewpoint



Source	Gas production	Energy content	Energy content	Electrical output
	per head			
	(cubic feet/day)	(Btu/h)	Watts	Watts
Human	1	25	7.32	3.44
Swine	4	100	29.30	13.77
Beef	46	1150	336.95	158.37
Dairy	28	700	205.10	96.40
Poultry	0.29	7.25	2.12	1.00

Source: John Balsam, ATTRA Publication IP219, Slot 218, Ver 102506, 2006.



### **On-site Power & Heat**

#### **Project Overview**

1.4 MW combined heat & power fuel cell plant located on the campus of Central Connecticut State University – New Britain providing ~ 1/3 of campus power needs

#### **Benefits**

- High efficiency drives favorable economics
   CHP for heating and absorption chilling
- Ultra-clean emission profile supports CCSU sustainability goals
- Micro-grid enhances campus energy security
- Private capital providing public benefits



1.4 MW utility-owned power plant at CCSU – New Britain



"This power plant is a significant step in helping CCSU achieve our aggressive goals for reducing greenhouse gases and improving energy efficiency on campus," said **Central Connecticut State University President Jack Miller.** 



## **UCSD** Directed Biogas

#### Grid-connected 2.8 MW fuel cell powered by Directed Biogas providing electricity and absorption chilling to campus grid

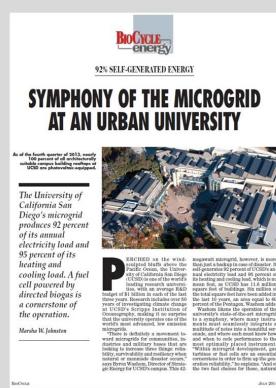
#### **Benefits**

- Fuel cell under PPA no up-front capital
- ITC monetized, savings passed to UCSD
- UC carbon neutrality by 2025
- Full 42 MW system saves \$800K per month

#### **Features**

- 42 MW total from gas turbine, fuel cell, PV and energy storage – provides 92% of campus electric load and 95% of heating and cooling load
- Fuel cell operates at ~68% overall efficiency
- Directed biogas from Point Loma wastewater treatment plant
- In operation since 2012







## **City of Riverside**

Riverside Water Quality Control Plant (RWQCP) just signed a Power Purchase Agreement with FuelCell Energy to purchase electricity and waste heat from a 1.4 MW fuel cell.

#### **Benefits**

- Renewable baseload power solves waste disposal problem and provides continuous clean power
- FuelCell Energy will design, manage and operate the biogas clean-up skid.
- Ultra-clean power facilitates clean air permitting
- Distributed generation enhances power reliability and energy security
- High efficiency drives economics



Aerial view of the RWQCP Expansion Progress

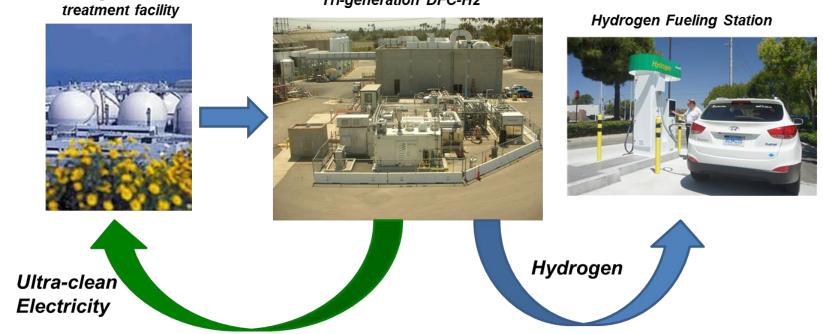


Renewable biogas from wastewater

## Renewable Hydrogen

#### **Orange County Sanitation District, Fountain Valley CA**

- Co-produced hydrogen with power and heat from clean fuel cell systems: tri-generation
- Produced 250 lb/day of renewable hydrogen from Anaerobic Digester Gas
- Supported fleet of 30 fuel cell vehicles in Southern California



#### Tri-generation DFC-H2



### **Proposed 2.3MW Tri-generation System**

Standard Configuration Output, kW DFC-H2 Configuration Output, kW Hydrogen Production, kg/day

#### **Possible H<sub>2</sub> Uses**

Cars/day, 4.2 kg each\* Buses/day, 25 kg each Fork Lifts/day, 2.1 kg each

2,800 2,350 1,270

300

50

600



Plant layout would be ~100' x 100', with flexibility for equipment location

\* Since cars are not fueled daily, the fleet served by a station would be ~10 times the number of cars visiting the station on a given day



#### Integrated Approach Builds on Experience

- 15 MW of bio gas powered fuel cell plants currently installed
- Highly reliable when fuel quality and quantity are within spec
- All fuel clean-up engineering, design & operations are done in-house
  - Extensive engineering & technology capability
  - Pre-qualified, integrated supplier base
  - Well trained, experienced Construction & Service teams
- Maintenance services:
  - 15 to 20 year term, same as fuel cell plant
  - Timely and correct preventive maintenance, including gas sampling
  - Standardized procedures, consumables, and parts across the fleet
  - Maintenance intervals synchronized with fuel cell plant maintenance
- Seamless integration with fuel cell plant control & monitoring system

#### Bottom line – higher uptime, increased savings, all technology risk removed from Client



## **Project Finance Options**

- Comprehensive Engineering, Procurement, and Construction services – leverages FCE strength and experience, lowers risk and distractions to Client
- PPA, Lease, Debt Financing
- PPA, Operating lease enable 30% ITC at Universities, Hospitals, Non-Profits
- \$40M revolving fuel cell project finance fund with NRG
- Comprehensive Service Agreements with guarantees of fuel cell performance





## No up-front capital, energy cost savings, low risk





#### WESTERN U.S.

#### CA SGIP Program

- Up to \$5 million/project
- 50% received at COD
- SGIP + ITC can't exceed 70% of total project cost

### EASTERN U.S.

#### **Eastern States Incentives**

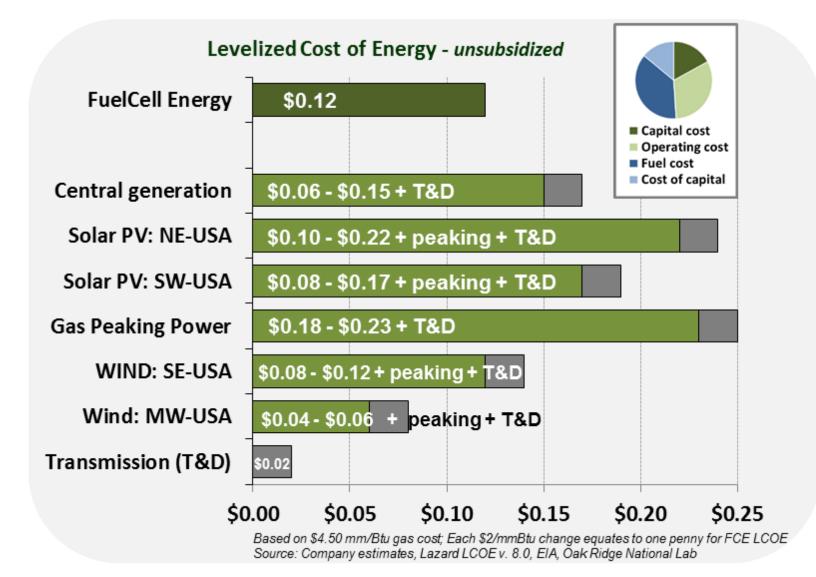
- NJ: CHP/FC \$3,000/kW
- CT: LREC, 10 MW Utility Program
- NY: REC Program, Fuel Cell PON, Net-Metering applies, NY Prize Micro-Grid Program.

#### **FEDERAL INCENTIVE**

- Investment Tax Credit (ITC) 30% through 2016
- Efficiency enhancement in Congress



## **Energy Cost Savings**



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## Thank you!





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# **Upcoming Webinars**

- Oregon Department of Energy Energy Storage Demonstration RFP Information Session, Monday, September 14, 2:30-3:30 pm ET
- Energy Storage Market Updates (first in a series), Wednesday, September 30, 1-2 pm ET
- Fuel Cells for Educational Facilities, Thursday, October 8, 3-4 pm ET

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