



# California's Motor Vehicle Greenhouse Gas Emissions Regulation

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# Overview

- Climate change and California
- Statutory requirements
- Development of the greenhouse gas regulation
- Overall regulatory approach
- Regulatory treatment of vehicle air conditioning (AC) system emissions



# Climate Change and California





# California Is Already Experiencing Climate Change

- Over the past 100 years:
  - Average temperatures 0.7 °F higher
  - Sea levels rose 3 to 8 inches
  - Spring run-off decreased by 12 percent
- Snowmelt and spring bloom have advanced by 1 to 3 weeks since 1975



# Climate Change in CA Next 100 Years

- **Temperature increase 7 to 10 °F**
  - Heat stress related deaths
- **Sea level rise 11 to 16 inches**
  - Property damage
  - Saltwater contamination of fresh water supply
- **Sierra snow pack reduced 73 to 89 percent**
  - Winter/spring flooding
  - Not enough irrigation water in summer



# Statutory Requirements



# Enabling Legislation AB 1493 (Pavley)

- Signed by Governor - 2002
- Requires reduction of greenhouse gas emissions
  - New passenger vehicles sold in California
  - 2009+ models
  - Maximum feasible reduction
  - Cost beneficial to consumer



# Regulations Shall Not Require...

- Fees or taxes on vehicle, fuel or VMT
- Ban on sale of any vehicle category
- Reduction in vehicle weight
- Limitation on or reduction of speed limit
- Limitation on or reduction of VMT



# Clear Public Support

“What about the state law that requires all automakers to further reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases from new cars in California by 2009? Do you support or oppose this law?”



<b>2004:</b>	<b>81% support</b>
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# Current Status

- Regulation approved: September 2004
  - Post-hearing administrative process complete Summer 2005
- Legislative oversight hearing: February 2005
- Automaker litigation in state and federal court



# Development of the Greenhouse Gas Regulation

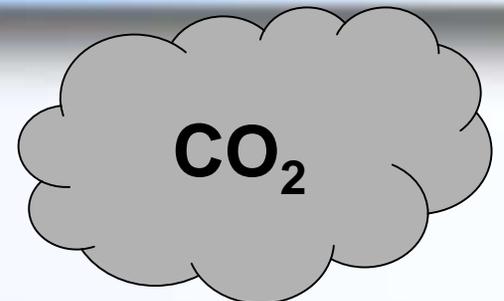
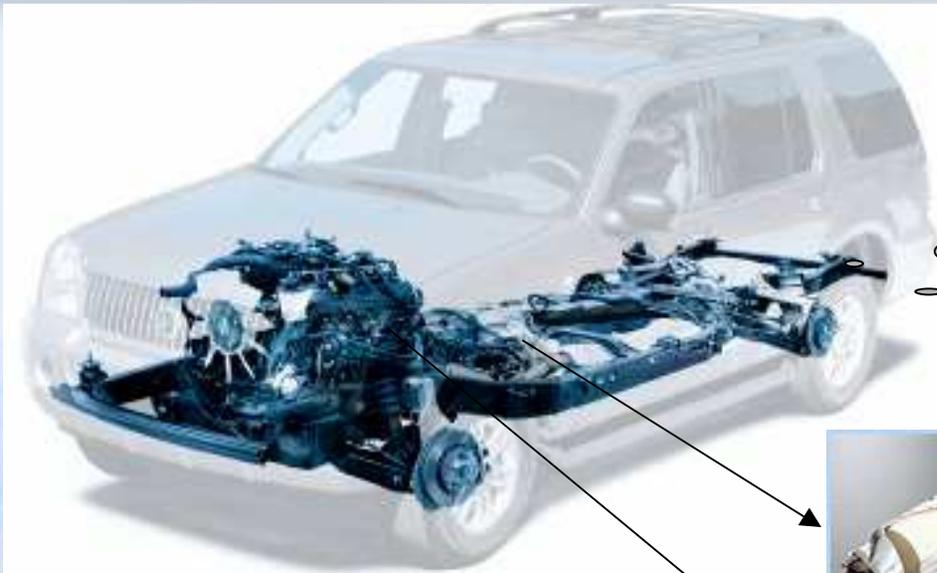


# Strong Technical Basis for Regulation

- International Vehicle Technology Symposium
- Comprehensive technical and economic studies
  - Technology evaluation by auto industry consultants
  - Economic modeling by UC professors
- Independent academic peer review



# Vehicle GHG Sources



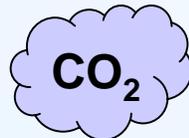
Engine



Transmission



A/C compressor



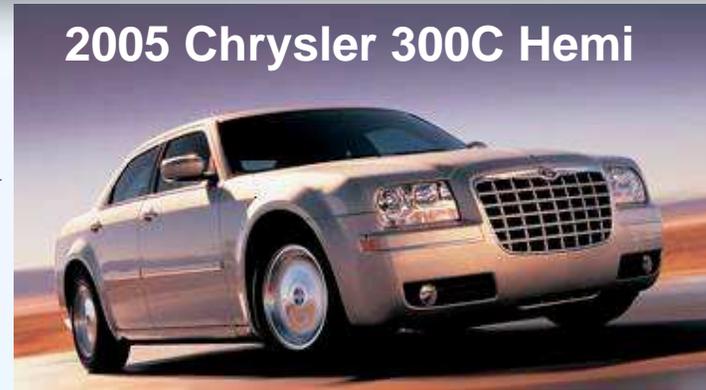


# Available Technologies to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions



**Cylinder Deactivation**

6%<sup>1</sup>

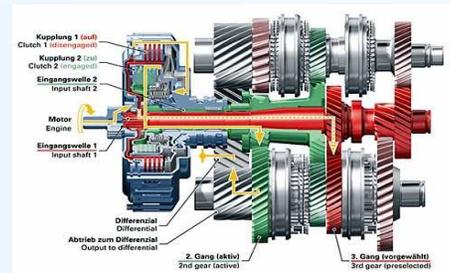


**2005 Chrysler 300C Hemi**



**Audi TT  
3.2 V6**

7%

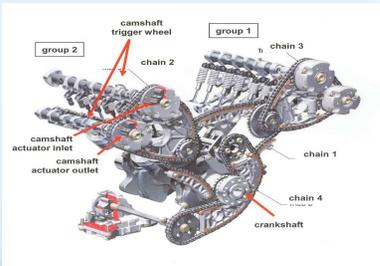


**Automated Manual Transmission**



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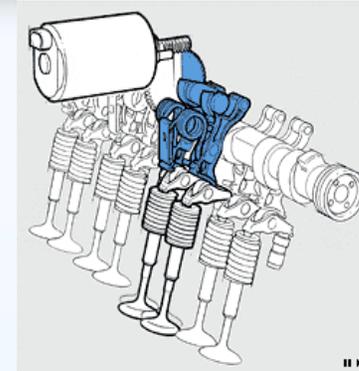
## Gasoline Direct Injection w/dual cam phasers



← 1%



2005 Audi



## BMW Valvetronic

(continuously variable valve timing & lift)

↓ 6%



Volvo S60

← 8%



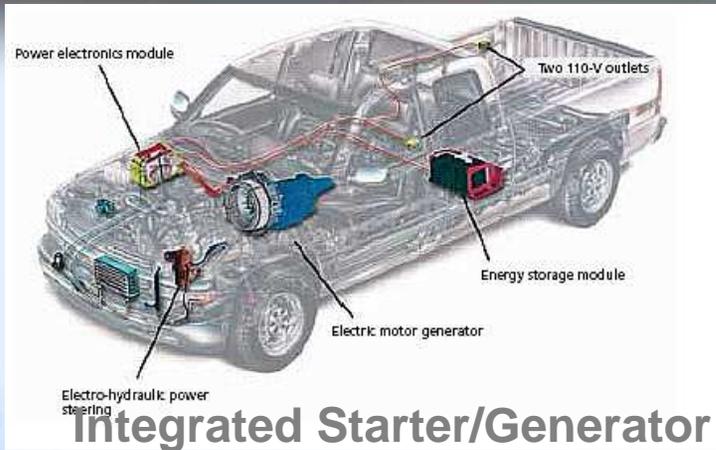
Turbocharger w/ engine downsize



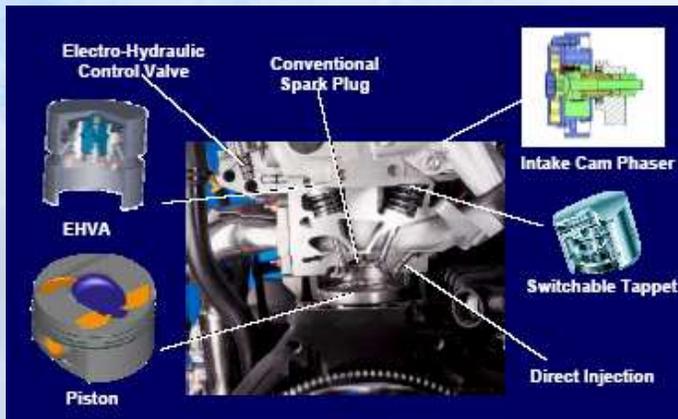
BMW 5 Series



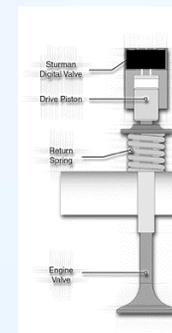
# Emerging Technologies to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions



4%



6%



16%

**Camless valve actuation**



# Other Available Technologies

- Electric power steering
- Improved alternator
- Low loss water and oil pumps
- Better aerodynamics
- More efficient, low-leak air conditioning



# Regulatory Approach



# Two Emission Categories (as in LEV II)

- PC/LDT1
  - Passenger cars, small trucks and SUVs
- LDT2
  - Large trucks and SUVs



# Regulated Pollutants and Sources

- Standard applies to:
  - Combined GHG emissions (CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O, HFCs)
  - All vehicular GHG sources (tailpipe, air conditioner)
- Standard expressed as “CO<sub>2</sub>-equivalent”
  - Emissions weighted according to “global warming potential”



# Standards Designed So All Models Can Comply

- Standards set to be feasible for manufacturer with heaviest fleet
  - Ensures all manufacturers can comply without altering their fleet mix
- Even the largest SUVs able to comply
- Consumer choice maintained
  - All models remain available to consumers



# Fleet Average Emission Standards

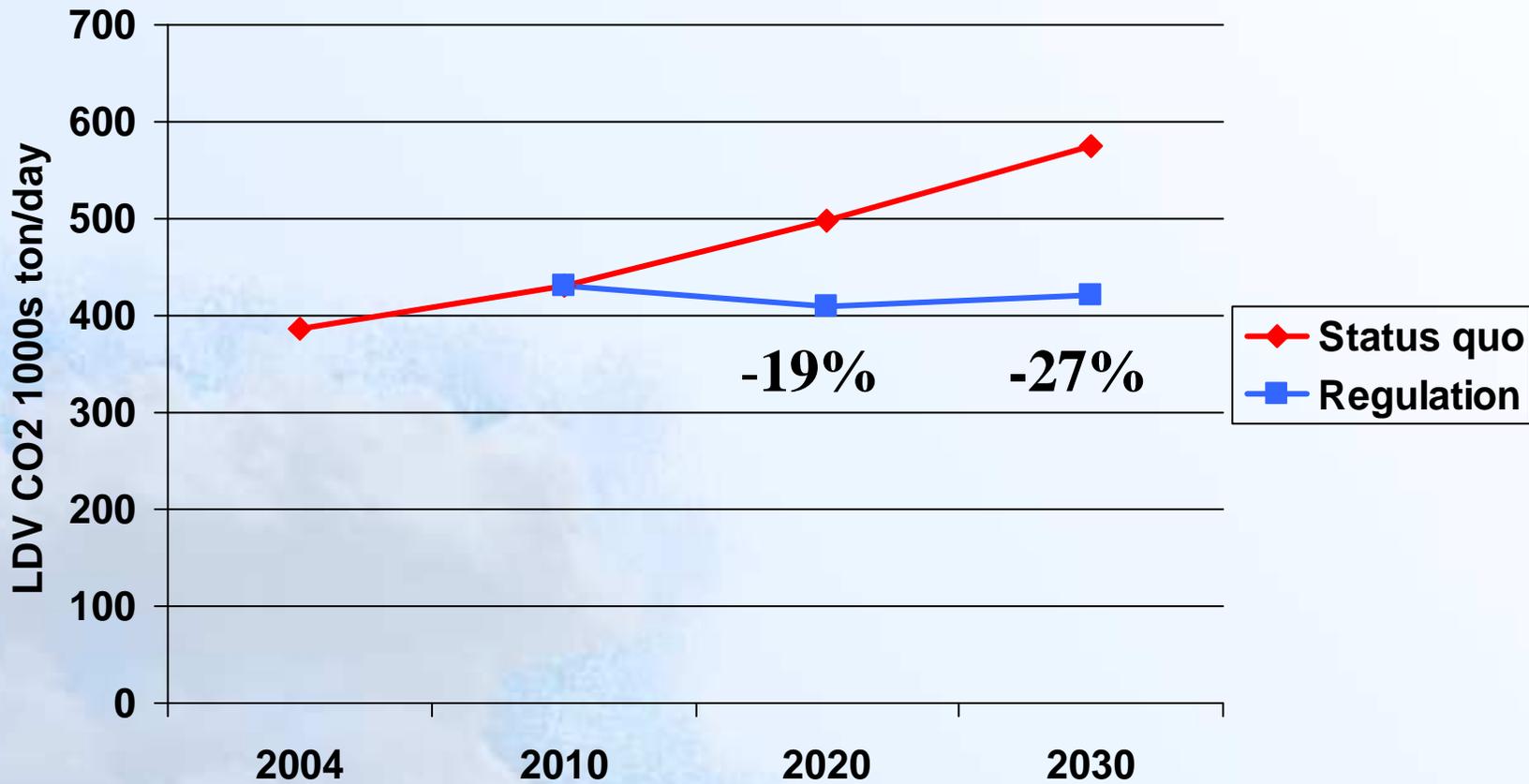
Tier	Year	CO <sub>2</sub> -equivalent emission standards (g/mi)	
		PC/LDT1	LDT2
Near-term	2009	323	439
	2010	301	420
	2011	267	390
	2012	233	361
Mid-term	2013	227	355
	2014	222	350
	2015	213	341
	2016	205	332

~22% reduction  
in 2012

~30% reduction  
in 2016



# Regulation Reduces CA Climate Change Emissions\*





# Average Price Increase of New, Low GHG Vehicles

Model Year	Retail Vehicle Price Increase	
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<b>2016</b> 30% less GHG	<b>\$1064</b>	<b>\$1029</b>



# Net Savings for Vehicle Purchaser

	<b>2012 Models</b>	<b>2016 Models</b>
Monthly Payment Increase	\$7	\$20
Monthly Operating Cost Savings	\$18	\$23
<b>Monthly Net Savings</b>	<b>\$11</b>	<b>\$3</b>



# Economic Impacts

- More jobs (53,000)
- Higher income (\$5 billion/year)
- Positive impacts on low income communities
- Increase in number of businesses
- Slightly lower smog emissions (3 tpd)
- Vehicle sales (~4% lower after 2015)



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- Regulation sets performance standard
  - No changes to AC are required
- However, standard assumes some AC emission reductions
  - Improved efficiency, low leak systems
  - Refrigerant substitution (mid-term)
  - AC reductions account for ~15% of total reduction needed to meet standard



# Regulatory Treatment of AC Emissions (continued)

- If AC emissions are not reduced, manufacturers will need additional reductions from other technologies
- More detailed discussion of AC allowances and credits in later sessions



# Conclusion

- Technologies available to reduce GHG
  - Improved MACs
- Net savings to consumer
- Economic benefits to state