

# Heavy-Duty Hybrid Vehicles Technology Assessment

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# Background

» Heavy-duty Hybrids In  
California Today

# Background

- ▶ Over 1,800 heavy duty hybrid vehicles in CA\*
- ▶ Fuel Economy: Driver for hybrids
- ▶ Primarily Hybrid Electric Vehicles (HEV); More Recently Hydraulic Hybrid Vehicles (HHV) and Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicles (PHEV)
- ▶ Industry Manufacturers
  - Vehicle OEMs: Daimler, Freightliner, Hino, Kenworth, Mack, Volvo, Navistar, PACCAR, Peterbilt
  - Powertrain: Allison, Azure Dynamics, BAE, Eaton, Enova, Hino, Odyne, Parker Hannifin, Volvo
- ▶ Hybrid Technologies
  - Catalyst technology towards zero-emission HDVs
  - Improve technology/reduce costs
  - Market size/vehicle penetration
  - CO<sub>2</sub> and NOx emissions/Certification

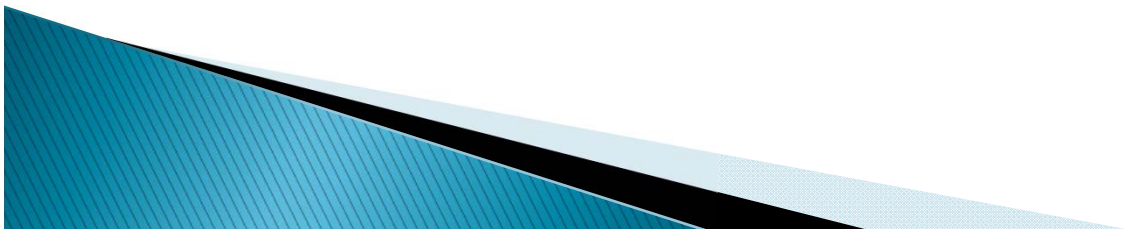
\*Data from HVIP and Transit Fleet Rule reporting database

# Technologies Evaluated

» Types of Hybrids, Common Elements

# Hybrid Technologies Evaluated

- ▶ Mild Hybrid and Full Hybrid
- ▶ Series, Parallel & Series-Parallel Hybrids
- ▶ HEV
- ▶ HHV
- ▶ PHEV
- ▶ Micro-turbine Hybrids
- ▶ Catenary Hybrids



# Mild Hybrid vs. Full Hybrid

## ► Mild Hybrid

- Limited hybrid utilization
- Engine start/stop
- Regenerative braking

## ► Full Hybrid

- More extensive integration
- Electric motor used as tractive power source (full or partial)
- Power vehicle electrical accessories
- Larger battery packs
- Engine start/stop
- Regenerative braking



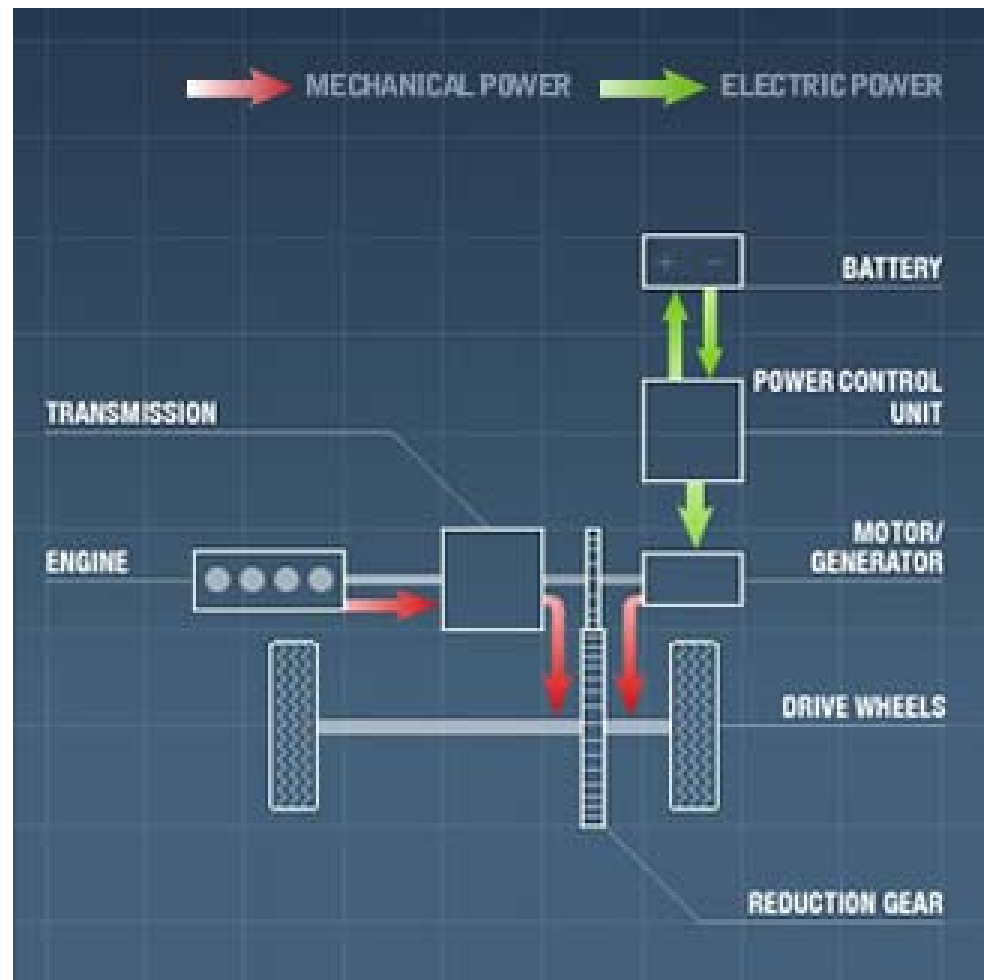
# Parallel Hybrid

- ▶ Both the internal combustion engine (ICE) and the electric motor have direct, independent connections to the transmission
- ▶ Either power source –or both together–can be used to turn the vehicle's wheels
- ▶ Smaller battery pack compares to series hybrid
- ▶ Often designed so that ICE provides power at high, constant speeds; the electric motor provides power during stops and at low speeds; and both power sources work together during accelerations
- ▶ Well-suited to improve the fuel economy of higher speed vocational vehicles





# Parallel Hybrid

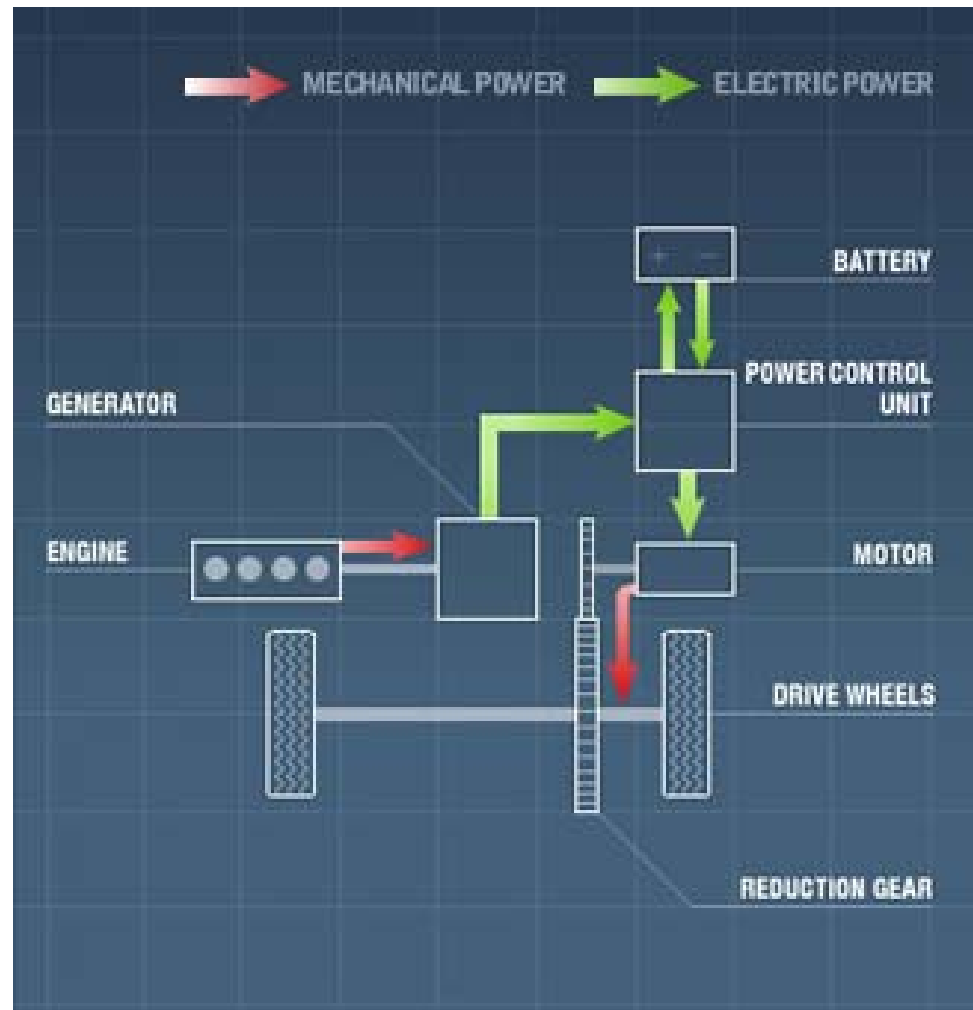


# Series Hybrid

- ▶ Engine not directly linked to the transmission or wheels
- ▶ Energy produced from the engine converted to electric power by the generator which re-charges the energy storage device in order to provide power to one or more electric motors
- ▶ Electric motor system provides torque to turn the wheels of the vehicle and recharge batteries
- ▶ Engine can operate at a more optimum rate and can be switched off for temporary all-electric operation
- ▶ Well-suited for transit buses, refuse haulers
- ▶ Most promising technology to zero emission



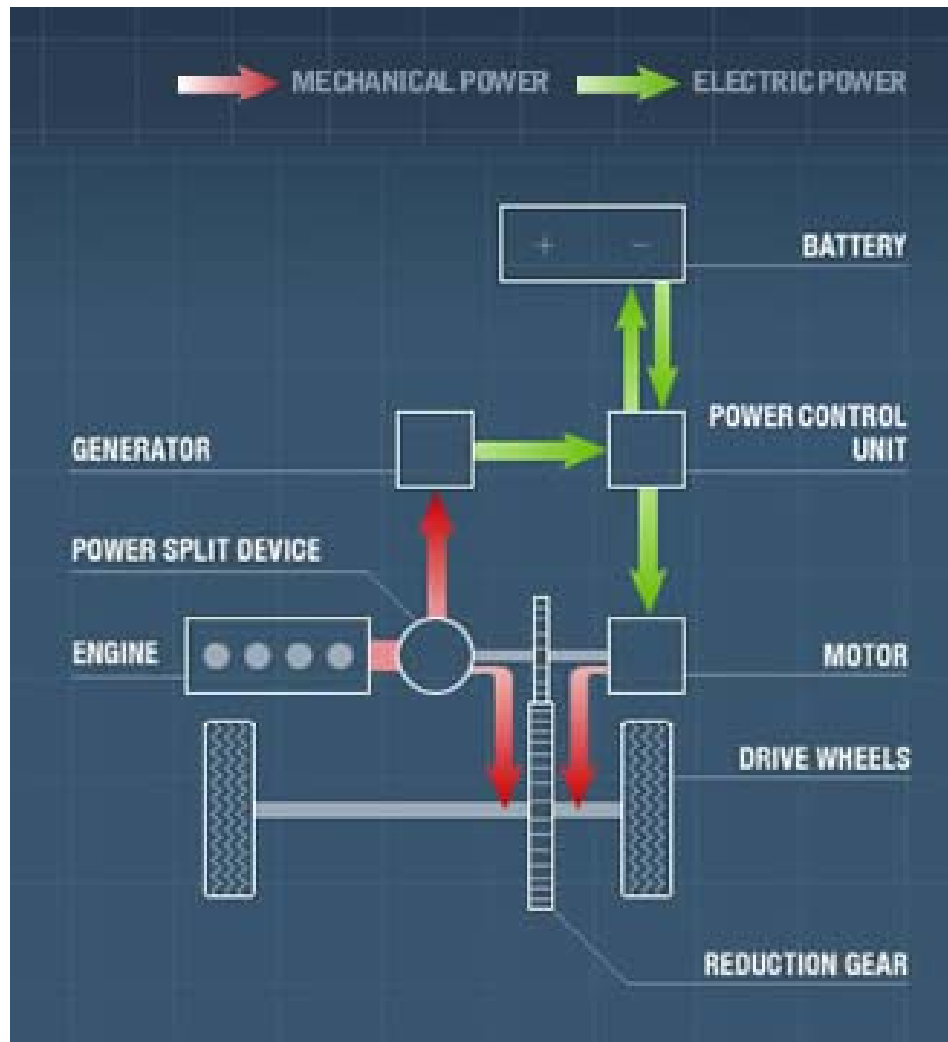
# Series Hybrid



# Series-Parallel Hybrid

- ▶ Combines best aspects of series and parallel hybrids
- ▶ Either power source –or both together–can be used to turn the vehicle's wheels
- ▶ Utilize series advantage at low speed and parallel advantage at higher speed through power split and/or electronic controller
- ▶ From standing start or at low speed operation: ICE is turned off and electric motor propels the vehicle
- ▶ Normal operation: ICE power is split, providing tractive power and generate electricity – electric motor also assist with tractive power
- ▶ Full-throttle operation: battery provides extra energy
- ▶ Well suited for both city, stop-and-go driving and highway high constant speeds
- ▶ Efficient Drivetrains, Inc. (MDV application, demonstration bus project in China)

# Series-Parallel Hybrid



# Hybrid Electric Vehicles

## Beverage Delivery (Parallel)



Class 7/8 day cab bulk transport, and day cab and straight-truck side-loader local delivery



## Parcel Delivery (Parallel)



Class 5 step van local delivery



Hino Class 5 delivery/ local delivery food distribution hybrid box truck

## Food Distribution (Parallel)



Class 7/8 day cab bulk transport, straight-truck and class 5 step van local delivery

## Transit Bus (Series)



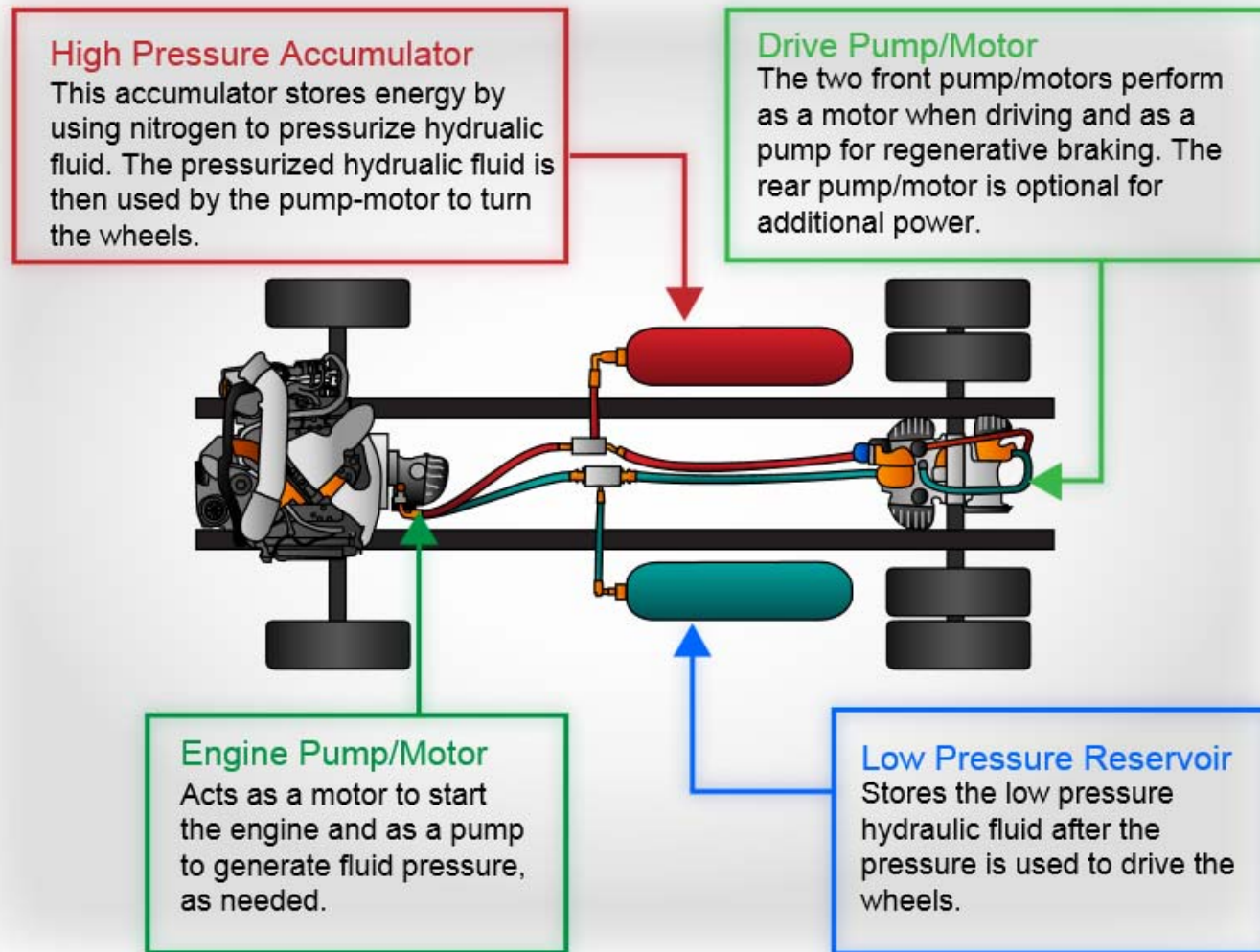
# Hydraulic Hybrid Vehicles

- ▶ Could be designed as either series or parallel hybrid
- ▶ Energy storage via hydro-pneumatic accumulators
- ▶ Energy stored: hydraulic fluid is pumped into a high-pressure accumulator and compress an inert gas, typically  $N_2$
- ▶ Energy released: Inert gas expands and pushes hydraulic fluid through the actuator into a low-pressure reservoir





# Hydraulic Hybrid Vehicles





# Hydraulic Hybrid Vehicles

## Series Hybrids



## Parallel Hybrid



# Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicles

- ▶ Shares characteristics of conventional hybrids--draws motive power from a battery and ICE
- ▶ Differs from conventional hybrid in that the vehicle can be recharged from an external source of electricity for motive power
- ▶ Can operate in all electric mode



# Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicles

- ▶ Operation modes
  - Charge depleting mode–operates exclusively on electric power
  - Charge sustaining mode– combines the operation of the vehicle's two power sources
- ▶ Examples of applications:
  - Bucket/Utility trucks
  - Dump trucks
  - Refrigeration trucks
- ▶ Some features of PHEV applications:
  - Partial all–electric operations
  - Accessories electrification, ePTO
  - Depot and/or sensitive (e.g., noise, exposure,) operating areas



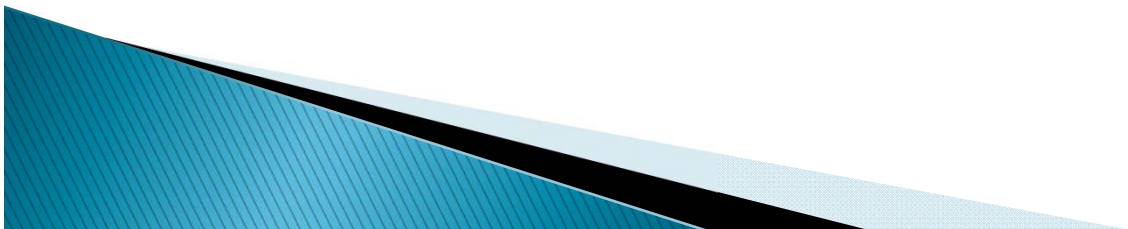
# Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicles





# Microturbine Hybrids

- ▶ Utilizes microturbine generators to charge batteries for vehicle power
- ▶ Can operate on battery power alone or a combination of microturbine and battery power
- ▶ Turbines are fuel neutral, more fuel efficient compared to ICEs and are lighter in weight (extends the electric range)



# Microturbine Hybrids

## ▶ Current heavy-duty examples:

- Wrightspeed Route truck (MHD, refuse and recycling application)
- WAVE truck (HHD application–*concept only*)



# Catenary Hybrids

- ▶ Heavy-duty hybrid electric trucks with the ability to access overhead catenary power sources
- ▶ Operational flexibility—provides zero emission operations in targeted areas while still providing the range needed for long haul trucking
- ▶ Utilizes existing and proven technologies
  - Catenary systems: light rail, city buses, mining equipment
- ▶ Unlimited zero emission range when connected to a catenary system
- ▶ Space constraints for catenary infrastructure



# Catenary Hybrids





# Common Elements of Hybrids

- ▶ A drivetrain that can recover and reuse energy in addition to the main engine
- ▶ An energy storage system (e.g., batteries, hydraulic accumulators)
- ▶ Control electronics
- ▶ Regenerative braking (over 70% energy recovery)
- ▶ Best applications: heavy urban start-stop, highly transient duty cycles (e.g., refuse haulers, transit buses, package delivery)



# Key Performance Parameters / Performance Goals

» Fuel Economy, Emissions,  
Performance Goals

# Hybrid Performance–Fuel Economy

- ▶ Fuel Economy
  - Duty-cycle dependent
  - High kinetic intensity duty cycles most beneficial
    - Transient, stop-and-go
  - Improvement range from 10% – 70%
    - Mild Hybrids: 10% – 20%
    - Full Hybrids:
      - Parallel Hybrids: 20% – 50%
      - Series Hybrids: 30% – 70%
- ▶ Motive Power Source Efficiency
  - On-road heavy-duty diesel engines: 40% – 50%
  - Electric motors: >90%



# Hybrid Performance–Emissions

- ▶ Emissions need to be carefully scrutinized
- ▶ GHG Emissions (e.g., CO<sub>2</sub>)
  - Positive benefits – reduced CO<sub>2</sub>
  - Fuel economy improvement – cycle dependent
- ▶ Criteria Pollutant Emissions (e.g., NO<sub>x</sub>)
  - Emissions impacts – cycle dependent
  - Potential to reduce NO<sub>x</sub> emissions
  - Current hybrid technologies: in some cases NO<sub>x</sub> increased
    - Engine operating at non-optimum torque map
    - Lower exhaust temperatures – affect SCR performance
  - Series hybrids – good potential for addressing NO<sub>x</sub> issues
- System Integration – Crucial for controlling both GHG and NO<sub>x</sub> emissions

# Hybrid Performance–Emissions

- ▶ ARB and NREL: Chassis Dynamometer Testing Heavy–Duty Hybrid and Conventional Trucks
  - Performed at CE–CERT on 3–4 Cycles Each Vehicle (3–4 repetitions)
- ▶ Test Vehicles
  - MY 2010 or newer engines
  - Beverage delivery vehicles, parcel delivery vehicles – hybrid & conventional



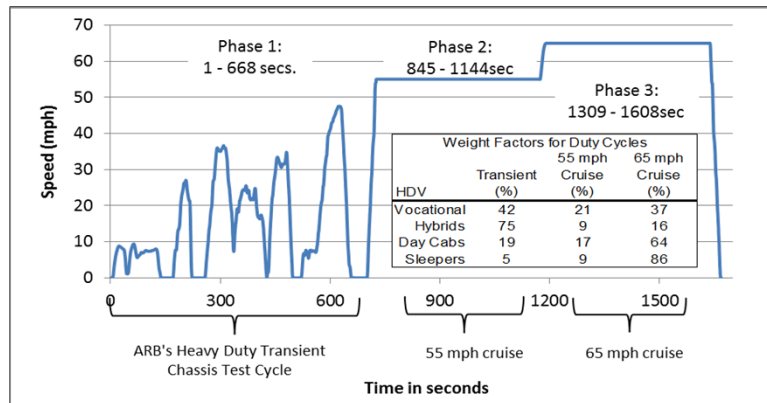
# ARB and NREL: Chassis Dynamometer Testing Heavy-Duty Hybrid and Conventional Trucks

Summary of Preliminary Test Results – Parcel Delivery Drive Cycle

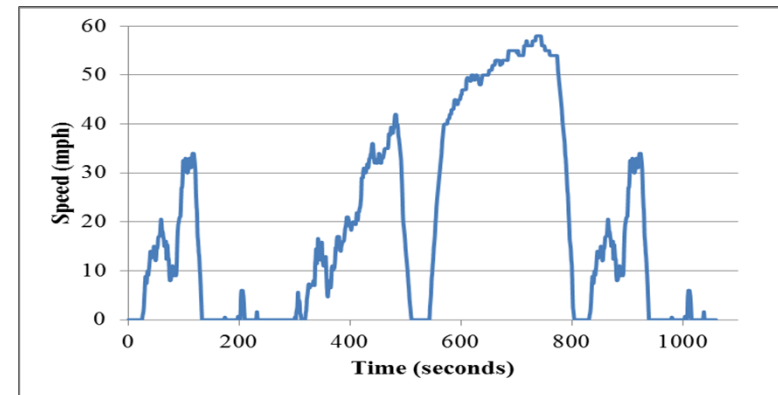
Average Emissions and Fuel Consumption Over the Cycles (g/mi) – Conventional				
Cycle	NO <sub>x</sub>	CO <sub>2</sub>	mpg	% FE
EPA GHG	0.52	712	13.25	--
UDDS	0.84	819	11.46	--
HTUF 4	1.63	1011	9.27	--
NY Comp	3.40	1308	7.12	--
Average Emissions and Fuel Consumption Over the Cycles (g/mi) – Hybrid				
EPA GHG	1.07	733	13.24	0.0 %
UDDS	2.88	723	13.55	18.2 %
HTUF 4	1.96	800	12.33	33.0 %
NY Comp	5.92	873	11.21	57.4 %

# Hybrid Fuel Economy: Function of Duty Cycles

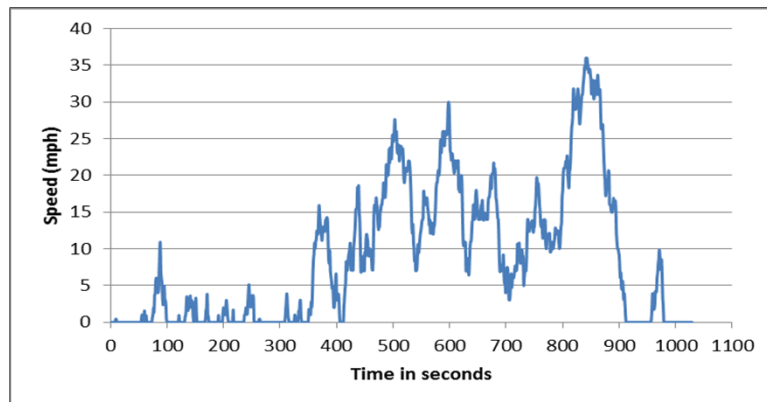
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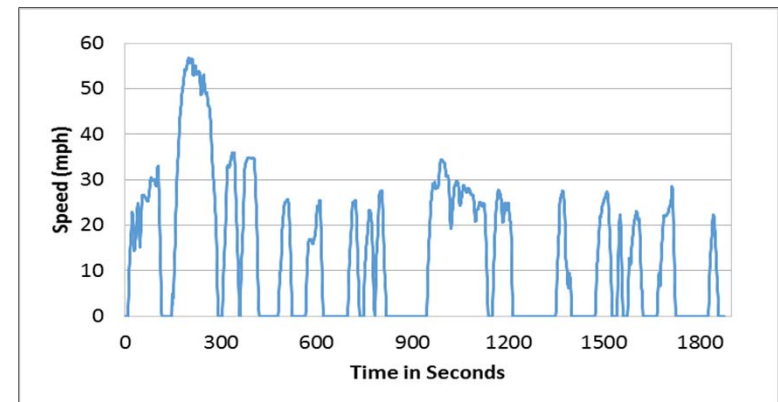
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HTUF 4



NY Comp





# Advanced Tech MD/HD Applications

## Potential Pilot Deployments

### Class 7/8 Tractors



Over the Road

2020

2030

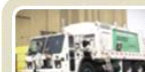
2040



Short Haul/  
Regional



### Class 3-8 Vocational Work



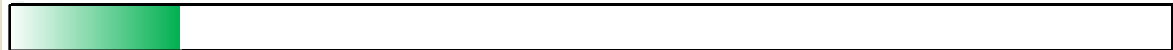
Urban



Rural/  
Intracity



Work site  
support



### Class 2B/3



Pickups/  
Vans





# Performance Goals for Advanced Heavy-Duty Hybrid Propulsion Systems

## ▶ Hybrid Electric Vehicles

- Drive unit optimization, cost and integration
  - Engine downsizing
  - Engine and transmission integration
  - Emission control and SCR dosing optimization
  - Engine controls optimization
- Energy storage system reliability, weight and cost
- Electrified Power Accessories

## ▶ Hydraulic Hybrid Vehicles

- High-pressure energy conversion/storage devices
- Hydraulic controls



# Cost/Economics

» Cost, Economics, Incentive  
Funding

# Costs: Hybrids vs. Conventional

- ▶ Incremental costs:
  - Hybrids: \$20,000 – \$80,000
  - Hino: \$18,000 (\$60,000 conventional, \$78,000 hybrid)
  - Electric: \$40,000 – >\$120,000
- ▶ Actual costs:
  - Conventional: \$40,000 – >\$160,000
  - Hybrids: \$60,000 – ???



# Economics

- ▶ Costs
  - Higher capital costs
- ▶ Savings
  - Improved fuel efficiency – 10 to 20% FE
  - Maintenance
- ▶ Role of incentives
  - Reduce capital costs
  - Accelerate technology adoption
- ▶ Return on Investment
  - Payback period – >5 years



# Hybrid Trucks – Break–Even Cost Analysis (Future 2015–2020 Technology)

- ▶ 2012 NAS study estimated break–even periods
- ▶ 47% cost reduction assumed by 2020
- ▶ ~5 year or less payback for
  - Refuse haulers,
  - Mild hybrid in Class 8 tractor trailer
  - Class 3–6 straight box truck
- ▶ Other applications had longer payback
  - Incentives and/or requirements would be needed



# Hybrid Trucks – Break-Even Cost Analysis (Future 2015–2020 Technology)

Category	Description	Fuel Consumption Benefit (%)	Forecasted Capital Cost (\$)	Annual Mileage	Typical MPG	Payback Period (yrs)
Class 2b Pickups and Vans	Parallel electric hybrid	18	\$9,000	27,500	12.5	7.6
Class 3 to 6 Straight Box Truck	Parallel electric hybrid	30	\$20,000	41,250	9.4	5.1
Class 3 to 8 Bucket Truck	Parallel electric hybrid w/ electric power take off	40	\$30,000	13,300	9.4	17.7
Class 8 Tractor Trailer Truck	Mild parallel hybrid with idle reduction	10	\$25,000	137,500	5.75	3.5
Urban Transit Bus w/ fed subsidy of incremental cost	Series electric hybrid	35	\$220,000 (\$22,000)	--	6.0	9.1
Class 8 Refuse Hauler	Parallel electric hybrid	30	\$39,000	50,000	4.25	3.7
Class 8 Refuse Hauler	Parallel hydraulic hybrid	25	\$30,000	50,000	4.25	3.4
Class 8 Refuse Hauler	Series hydraulic hybrid	50	N/A	50,000	4.25	N/A

Source: National Academy of Sciences, "Review of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Truck Partnership, Second Report, p74, 2012.  
"Forecasted cost" assumes 47% cost reduction by 2020 from current costs

# Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project (HVIP)

- ▶ Vouchers to help California fleets purchase or lease qualified hybrid or zero-emission trucks and buses
  - Provides about ½ incremental cost
- ▶ Base Vehicle Incentive
  - The first three HVIP vouchers received by a fleet, inclusive of previous funding years, are eligible for up to \$10,000/vehicle



# Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project (HVIP)

## ▶ Vehicle Voucher Enhancements

- A hybrid vehicle above 14,000 lbs. which has been ARB-certified is eligible for an additional \$15,000 to \$20,000 voucher amount
- An additional \$5,000 to \$10,000 is provided for hybrid school buses purchased by public school districts
- Plug-in electric hybrid vehicles and hydraulic hybrid vehicles that demonstrate at least a 40 percent fuel economy benefit relative to their baseline vehicle (non-hybrid) counterparts may receive an additional \$5,000 to \$10,000 voucher



# Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project (HVIP)

- ▶ Voucher Enhancements for Hybrid Vehicles with ARB-Certified OBD

Vehicle GVWR	Total Number of Deficiencies				
	2013/2014 MY		2015 MY		
	10+	<10	9-14	5-8	≤4
14,001 – 26,000 lbs	\$12,000	\$16,000	\$8,000	\$12,000	\$16,000
26,001 + lbs	\$16,000	\$20,000	\$12,000	\$16,000	\$20,000

# HVIP Vouchers Issued by Hybrid Vehicle Type

Fiscal years covered Year 1 (2009–10) to Year 4 (2013–14)

Vehicle Type	Vouchers	Vehicle Type	Vouchers
Parcel delivery	503	Tow truck	68
Beverage delivery	408	School bus/other bus	33
Other truck	263	LP pick-up & delivery	27
Food distribution	55	Refuse hauler	23
Uniform & linen delivery	112	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,492*</b>

\*75% of total vouchers issued  
Data as of July 2014

# Hybrids and Freight Applications

PROJECT	DESCRIPTION	PROJECT TIME FRAME
Medium-Duty Electric and Hybrid Electric Trucks	Currently operating MD delivery trucks. UPS (100 hybrid electric trucks Sac/San Bern.), Staples (53 all electric, 30 in LA), Pepsico Frito-Lay (275 all electric, 105 in CA ), PG&E (4 utility), Coca Cola (15 all electric refrigerated delivery trucks)	2014-15
Volvo Plug-In Hybrid-Electric Drayage Truck	Build a Class 8 heavy-duty plug-in hybrid drayage truck	2015-16

# Hybrids and Freight Applications

PROJECT	DESCRIPTION	PROJECT TIME FRAME
International Rectifier Plug-In Hybrid Electric Vehicle (PHEV) Conversion	Convert 2007 Class 8 Semi-Trailer Tractor for Drayage Duty into PHEV	Q2 2016
Siemens Catenary Truck Project	Integrate pantograph into various trucks: Volvo Class 8, TransPower natural gas-electric hybrid and battery-electric truck; 1-mile demo catenary	Q4 2016

# Conclusions

» Conclusions and Contacts

# Role of HD Hybrid Technology

- ▶ HD hybrid systems are integral to technology roadmap
- ▶ Advancements in both HEV and battery technologies have cobenefits for zero and near-zero heavy-duty trucks
  - Fuel cell and battery EVs
- ▶ Series HEV technology highest potential
  - All-electric operation
  - Address NO<sub>x</sub> issues





# Conclusions

- ▶ Many types of hybrids
  - Mild to full
  - Parallel more widely used now, especially for higher speed delivery routes
  - Series promising longer-term applications for stop-and-go
- ▶ Ideal vocations for hybrids are highly transient, high-power demand, high idling time
  - Package delivery, refuse haulers, urban transit bus
- ▶ Hybrids improve fuel economy
  - 10–20% for mild, up to 70% for full
  - Payback currently  $> 5$  years for most vocations
- ▶ Hybrids reduce  $\text{CO}_2$  but can increase  $\text{NO}_x$ 
  - Need to improve system integration, certification requirements to prevent  $\text{NO}_x$  increases
  - Series hybrid able to mitigate the  $\text{NO}_x$  impact



# Conclusions (continued)

- ▶ Goals to improve
  - Electric motors/generators, inverter/power electronics, energy storage systems, hybrid systems optimization, electrified power accessories
  - Hydraulic energy conversion devices, hydraulic energy storage, hydraulic controls
- ▶ Hydraulic hybrid technology has great potential
  - Lower cost compared to some other hybrids
  - Fuel savings + reduced maintenance = shorter payback
- ▶ Hybrid technologies have cobenefits for zero-emission technologies
  - Series hybrid technology
  - PHEV
  - Batteries



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