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Fuel cell:

the most promising alternative to substitute the internal combustion engine A sustainable development

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Brazil: its history and tradition in the use of biomass

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Fuel Cells open several new markets for ethanol









Automotive Stationary Power Generation Computers Aerospace Auxiliary Power Generation (APU) Maritime Trains (Emergency System)



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Why Ethanol for Fuel Cell?

Advantages of EtOH (in comparison to Nafta/Gasoline):

- well defined and pure single component fuel
- lower top-temperatures in the CPO-Reactor
- higher H₂-concentration in the reformate
- lower CO-concentration \Rightarrow smaller shift units

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The Production of Hydrogen from Ethanol for Fuel Cells





Phase 1

Evaluation of Ethanol Quality Market Research

Phase 2

Ethanol Reformer Test Bedding Production of hydrogen from Ethanol

Phase 3

Complete Test Bedding Fuel Cell Ethanol System Evaluation for potential applications

Objective

To combine the Brazilian know-how of the use of ethanol as a fuel and the know-how of a on-board ethanol reformer technology

Ministry of Development, Industry and Foreign Trade Ministry of Science and Technology FINEP INT - National Technology Institute UNICA Ballard Power Systems OMG Germany and Brazil BASF Aktiengeselschaft



Objectives of the Project:

- To evaluate physical and chemical characteristics of ethanol and presence of contaminants throughout the production and distribution cycle
- To evaluate and optimise the performance, durability and other important features of "multi-fuel reformers" for ethanol use
- To establish the minimum specification requirements of ethanol fuel for reformer application
- To establish the technical, economic, and policy bases for the development and commercial application of the ethanol powered fuel cell technology in the Brazilian automotive sector and, if feasible, for other complementary applications



Example of a Test Bench for automotive system optimization tests

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ME-75-5 Motor 75 kW PEMFC

- Client : Ford Motor Company
- Power: 75 kW
- Methanol Reformer
- Selective Oxidation Cleanup
- Ballard Mk 9 Stack Technology
- Exhibited at the Detroit Auto Show





The competitors are not sleeping

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THE ENERGY INDEPENDENT

Companies Team Up to Develop Ethanol Fuel Cell

El Staff Report

Illinois-based Caterpillar Inc. and Williams Bio-Energy, of Pekin, are among several partners in a \$2.5 million, ethanol-powered fuel cell project now underway.

Through the development of this fuel cell, private companies are tak-

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Villiam-Bio-Energy ing the initiative to show that ethanol is more than a clean-burning fuel for cars - it is fuel to

provide electrical power for buildings. The joint venture will benefit not only the companies involved, but the environment and the farmers who supply the raw material for ethanol. The U.S. Department of Energy will contribute \$800,000 to the project from an \$85 million pool of clean energy research grants unveiled in late June. The state of Illinois will provide \$550,000 and Nuvera Fuel Cells of Cambridge, Mass., will kick in \$670,000. Caterpillar will contribute \$390,000 while Williams adds \$100,000.

"We're very excited about the project. It's clean power and it's renewable," said Caterpillar spokesman Carl Volz. "We're a leader in the distribution of power-generation and (ethanolpowered) fuel cells fit very well with that."

Volz said the fuel cell is just one of the alternative fuel ideas Caterpillar is looking into, along with clean diesel and natural gas. What makes this particular fuel cell concept different from others is the use of ethanol as fuel. Industry analysts believe ethanol represents the most acceptable source of hydrogen for fuel cells because it is renewable, domestically produced, easy to reform into hydrogen and can utilize the existing fuel distribution network.

"No other potential fuel source can claim that," said Monte Shaw of the Renewable Fuels Association.

The project gives ethanol producers a chance to stake out what are being called "the alternative energy markets of the future."

Up until now, most experimental work on fuel cells has involved gasoline or natural gas because that research was largely supported by oil companies, according to Gary Welch. technical support manager for Williams Bio-Energy.

"(Now) Hydrogen will be derived from ethanol, producing the power and byproducts of carbon dioxide and water. It's a zero emissions system," Welch said.

Once developed, the fuel cell will provide all the power for the Williams security office, which operates on the company's own power grid. "If any additional power that's generated is left over, it'll go into our grid," he said.

And while the ethanol fuel cell project uses a stationary power source, there may be additional transportation uses in the future, most industry experts agree.

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Renewable Ethanol Reduces Greenhouse Gas Emissions

- Greenhouse Gas, Regulated Emissions and Energy in Transportation (GREET) full-fuel-cycle analysis model developed by Argonne National Laboratory
- "Use of a unit of ethanol, regardless of the blend mix, achieves large petroleum use and GHG emissions benefits."
- Analysis demonstrates 35-46% reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and 50-60% reductions in fossil energy use

For copy of report, contact Michael Wang, Argonne, (630) 252-2819

Distribution/Infrastructure

- Ethanol is blended with gasoline as an octane enhancer and oxygenate
- Ethanol distribution to terminal level complete; available in all 50 states
- Deliveries by rail, barge, truck; tests have shown pipeline shipments can be made successfully; CEQA filings indicate some refiners will ship ethanol on certain segments of their pipeline
- Gasoline industry has experience handling and blending ethanol

Environmental Benefits

- · Environmentally friendly fuel:
 - Biodegradable
 - Non-toxic
 - Does not pose a threat to water, soil or public health, according to California Environmental Policy Council
- Renewable

Benefits of Ethanol as Fuel Source

- High Energy Density
- Reduces Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Non-toxic
- Simple Molecular Structure
- Distribution Exists
- Blendable with Gasoline
- Growing Industry; next generation (agriculture residues, wood, cellulose)

RFA Renewable Fuel Association

Current Projects and Funding by **Budget Category** Fuel Processing Stack Subsystem Systems Components Plug Power/Nuvera Nuvera Energy Partners. International Fuel Hydrogen Burner AlliedSignal, Cells IFC, Plug Power McDermott · Energy Partners, Gas Technology Institute Honeywell Honeywell 3M, SwRI/Gore, ADL/Acurex Foster-Miller · A.D. Little (Cost Analysis) · Vairex, A.D. Little, ANL, LANL, PNNL AlledSignal, Meruit · ANL (System LANL, LBNL, NRL, JPL Analysis) FY01: \$7.6M FY01: \$21.5M FY01: \$12.4M



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Summary

- The Renewable Fuels Association, as the U.S. ethanol industry's trade association, is committed to extensive involvement in all fuel ethanol related issues.
- We stand ready to initiate similar efforts for the use of ethanol as a reformer fuel for fuel cell applications should that opportunity arise.

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Time is a key factor in the introduction of new technologies

The Fuel Cell technology has been developed in Europe, North America and Japan and in the future will substitute the internal combustion engine for automotive, stationary and other applications. The high investment already done by the automotive industry shows that there is no return.

The commercialization starts with the demonstration projects from 2001-2003 and small pre-commercial series in 2004.

The countries, where development and demonstrations projects are taking place, are getting social, economic and environmental benefits, such as:

- -a comprehensive improvement of urban transportation,
- -building the national industry,
- -man power training and capacity-building,
- -technology transfer and creation of new business opportunities,
- -dissemination and exchange of of learning experience,
- -a major push to the accelerated development of clean technologies, -creation of new jobs,
- -development of know-how, which will be exported to other countries.

The time is know for the developing countries to join the OECD countries in the fuel cell development and in the efforts to reduce C02 and local pollution.

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