

# **Greenhouse Gases and Propane** Vehicles

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### Agenda

- Transportation Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- AFLEET Update

# Transportation Greenhouse Gas Emissions



### Key Greenhouse Gases Impacting Climate Change

### Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)

- Produced via fossil- & bio-fuel combustion
- Sequestered by plants as part of biological carbon
- GWP = 1

### Methane (CH<sub>4</sub>)

- Emitted via production, transport & use of fossil fuels
- Livestock and decay of organic waste in landfills
- GWP = 30

### Nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O)

- Emitted via agricultural activities
- Fossil- & bio-fuel combustion
- GWP = 265
- Fluorinated gases (HFCs, PFCs, SF<sub>6</sub>, NF<sub>6</sub>)
  - Synthetic gases emitted from industrial processes
  - Refrigerants for air conditioning in vehicles
  - GWP = 4,660 23,500

### **Transportation Accounts for Large Portion of US GHGs**



2014 US GHGs = 7.5 billion tons

# LDVs Account for Majority of GHGs, but Small # of HDVs have Significant Impacts



2014 US Transportation GHGs = 2 billion tons

U.S. COP21 (Paris Agreement) & White House GHG Goals

- Reduce GHG emissions by 17% by 2020, 26-28% by 2025 and 83% by 2050 from 2005 baseline
- Reducing transportation emissions can be addressed via demand, efficiency & LCFs



### Vehicle Tailpipe GHG Standards

- Light-Duty Reductions EPA
  - Phase 1 MY2012->2016 = 15%
  - Phase 2 = MY2017->2025 = 33%





### Renewable and Low-Carbon Fuel Life-Cycle GHG Standards

#### Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS2) - EPA

- Volumes set by EPA each year
  - Goal to meet 36 billion gallons by 2022
- Each fuel category required to meet GHG reductions vs. gasoline/diesel
  - Renewable (corn EtOH) = 20%
  - Advanced (cellulosic/biomass-based diesel) = 50%
  - Biomass-based diesel (BD & RD) = 50%
  - Cellulosic (cellulosic EtOH & RNG) = 60%
    - 2016 RNG RIN credit = \$2.70/GGE

#### 2016 Final Renewable Fuel Volumes



### Renewable and Low-Carbon Fuel Life-Cycle GHG Standards

#### Low Carbon Fuel Standard - CARB

- 10% reduction in carbon intensity (CI) of CA fuel supply by 2020
  - Other PNW and NE states developing programs
- No specific volumes of any fuels required
- Fuel CI calculated via CA-GREET
- Fuel carbon intensity can be adjusted with vehicle efficiency (EER)
- 2016 CNG LCFS credit ~ \$0.40/GGE
- 2016 RNG LCFS credit ~ \$1.20/GGE



### Other GHG Regulations and Programs

#### Clean Power Plan - EPA (pending)

 Reduce electricity GHGs 32% from 2005 levels by 2030

#### Methane Challenge Program - EPA

- Voluntary program to reduce CH4 emissions from the oil and gas sector by 40-45% from 2012 levels by 2025
- Research, development, demonstration
  & deployment DOE
  - VTO, BETO, FCT
- Numerous state & regional initiatives
  - Fuels
  - Vehicles
  - VMT



#### **VTO Program Success - Projected GHG Reductions**

### Life-Cycle Analysis for Vehicle/Fuel Systems Has Evolved in the Past 30 Years

- Pursuing transportation GHG emissions reductions requires WTW analysis
- Pioneering WTW analyses began in 1980s
  - Early studies were motivated primarily by battery-powered EVs
- Recent studies are motivated primarily by introduction of:
  - New fuels such as cellulosic ethanol and hydrogen
  - New vehicle technologies such as plug-in hybrids



### The GREET Model at Argonne National Laboratory



### Life-Cycle GHGs Depend on Both CI and Fuel Efficiency



### Fuel Economy Impacts of MD/HD LPG GHGs vs Diesel

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## **AFLEET Tool Update**

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### "AFLEET Tool" to Analyze Costs & Benefits of AFVs

#### Examines light-duty & medium/heavy-duty vehicle:

- Petroleum use
- GHG emissions
- Air pollutant emissions
- Cost of ownership

#### Contains 16 fuel/vehicle technologies

- Conventional: gasoline, diesel
- Hybrid: gasoline HEV, diesel HEV, diesel hydraulic hybrid
- Plug-in electric: PHEV, EREV, EV
- Alternative fuel: B20, B100, E85, H<sub>2</sub>, LPG, CNG, LNG, LNG/diesel pilot ignition
- Includes 7 Major Vehicle Types
  - Cost, MPG, & VMT data on 23 vocations
- AFLEET Tool 2016 & its user manual available at: <u>http://greet.es.anl.gov/afleet</u>

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### AFLEET Tool 2016 Updates - Fuel & Infrastructure

- Added private station pricing from Clean Cities Alternative Fuel Price Report
  - Can investigate a range of fuel prices for simple payback
- Added refueling station and EVSE infrastructure construction, operation, and maintenance costs

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### AFLEET Tool 2016 Updates - Vehicle & Emission Data

- Updated petroleum use, GHG emissions, and relative air pollutant emissions from Argonne's GREET 1 2015
  - GREET 1 heavy-duty module fuel economy and emissions data
- Updated vehicle air pollutant emission factors from EPA's MOVES 2014a

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### AFLEET Tool 2016 Updates - Externality Costs

 Added national petroleum use and GHG emissions externality costs and county-specific air pollutant emission externality costs

Added new "Output" charts incorporating externality costs

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### Summary

- Transportation accounts for a large portion of US GHG emissions
- Policies have been developed to address these emissions
- Life-cycle analysis is used to analyze GHG impacts of AFVs
- AFLEET Tool estimates GHGs as well as other economic and environmental costs and benefits of AFVs

#### AFLEET updated to include

- Private station fueling by state
- Infrastructure costs
- Latest vehicle and emission data
- Externality costs

Thank you!!!

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