

# Summary and Conclusions

## Technology and Fuels Assessments

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# Key Findings

1. Well to wheel emission factors and natural gas uncertainties
2. Biofuels
3. Combustion engines, vehicles, & equipment
4. Hybrid technologies
5. Zero emission technologies
6. Automation and efficiencies

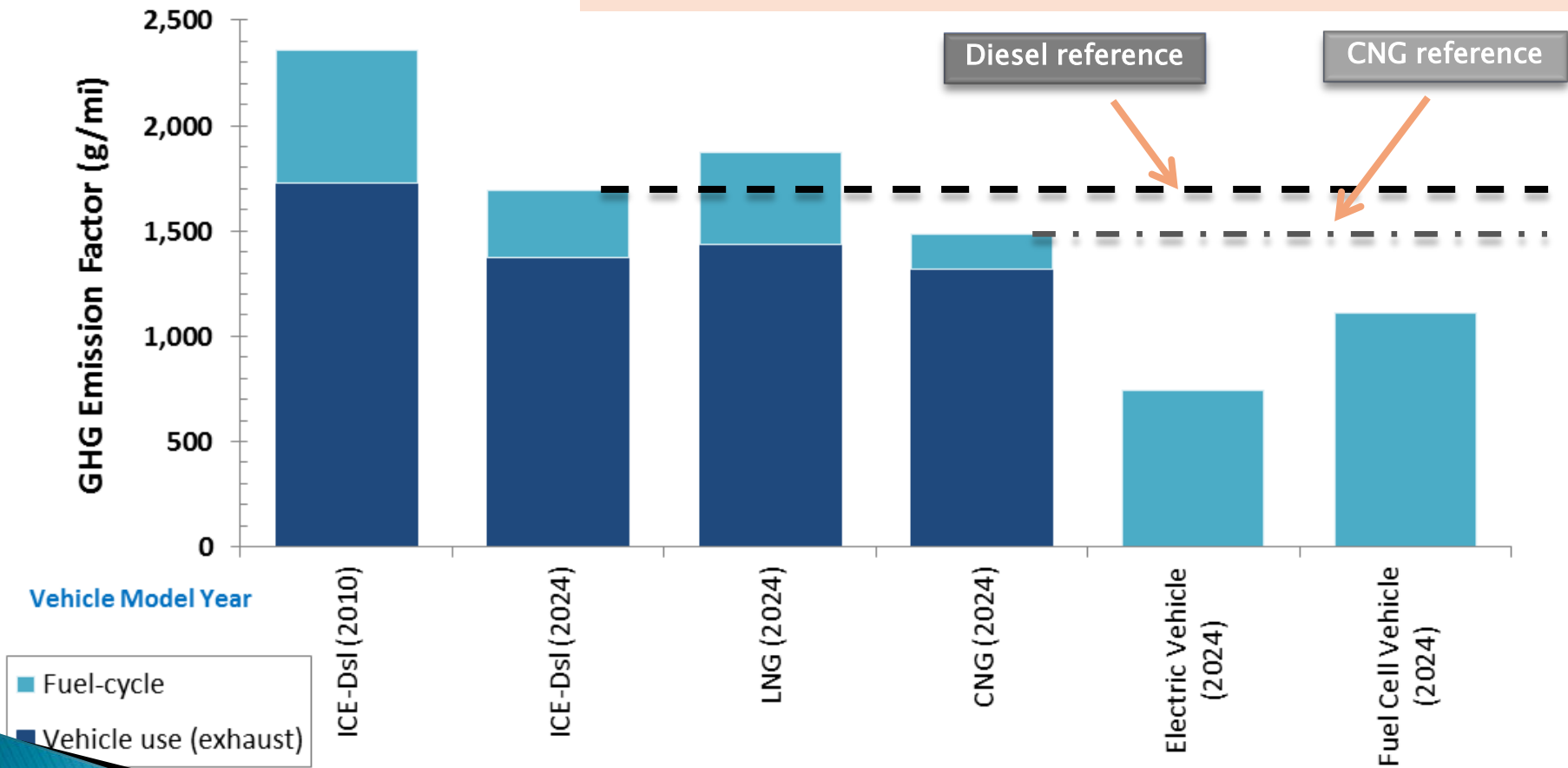
# Well to Wheel Emission Factors

- ▶ Considering upstream emissions is critical for assessing GHG impacts of vehicles
- ▶ Natural gas vehicle upstream emissions are uncertain due to methane leakage
- ▶ Advanced high efficiency engines and vehicles operated on biofuels could significantly reduce GHG
- ▶ Zero emission technologies produced with renewable fuels provide deep carbon reductions

# Well to Wheel: HHD Truck

## GHG Emission Factors

Note: Analysis uses draft LCFS CA-GREET 2.0 carbon intensities and assumptions as presented during the August 22, 2014 workshop. Updates to LCFS pathways are ongoing.



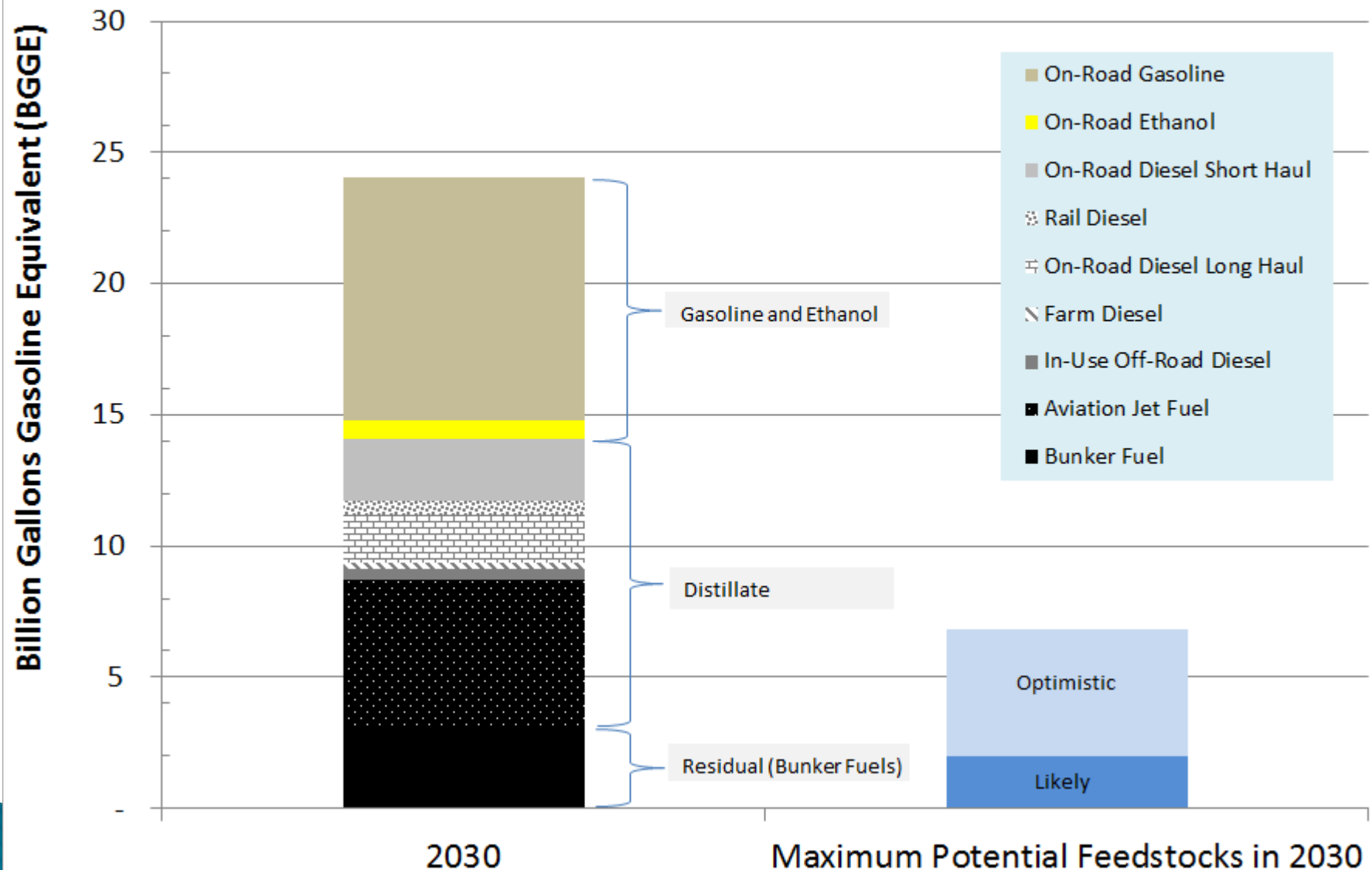
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# Role of Biofuels

- ▶ Could provide near-term GHG reductions when zero-emission technologies maturing
- ▶ Biofuels could provide substantial carbon reductions long-term
- ▶ Biofuels long-term supply may be constrained
  - Supply potentially limited by feedstocks
  - Need electrification in heavy-duty sector
- ▶ Low Carbon Fuels Standard (LCFS) program designed to spur market and technology innovation that is needed to expand long-term supply

# 2030 Fuel Demand vs Potential Long Term Liquid Biofuel Feedstock Supply



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# Combustion Engines, Vehicles & Equipment – Main Findings

- ▶ Many sectors currently subject to ARB in-use requirements now and in future
- ▶ Incremental improvements to engines and vehicles can provide substantial GHG reductions
- ▶ Diesel in-use emissions can be improved
  - Improved certification; inspection & maintenance
- ▶ Lower NOx emissions being studied, most likely achievable
- ▶ Regulations can foster technology development

# Combustion Engines & Vehicles – Trucks & Buses, Potential Requirements

## ▶ Trucks and Buses

- Phase 1 achieved 6 to 23% GHG reductions, Phase 2 aerodynamics and powertrain improvements can achieve 13–25% more
- Improved certification, durability, and warranty requirements needed and could reduce diesel in-use emissions
- Lower NOx diesel and natural gas engines are feasible – goal is 90% reduction

# Combustion Engines & Vehicles – Natural Gas Trucks and Buses

- ▶ Trucks and buses – today's natural gas
  - Fuel costs lower than diesel
  - In-use emissions likely a little lower than diesel
  - GHG lifecycle emissions uncertain due to methane leakage ~ LNG higher than diesel, CNG lower
  - Improvements for more competitive future:
    - Reduce upstream methane leakage in federal and state system
    - Certify to optional NOx standard
    - Use renewable methane to reduce GHG emissions

# Combustion Engines, Vehicles & Equipment – Rail, OGV

## ▶ Locomotives (Rail)

- Emission benefits possible with aftertreatment (SCR/DOC/DPF)\* – 90% overall reduction in NO<sub>x</sub> and PM, 70% reduction beyond Tier 4
- LNG may provide benefits, with reduced methane leakage

## ▶ Ocean going vessels (OGV)

- Emission benefits with SCR/EGR\*, advanced hull and propeller design – fleet turnover is key
- LNG may provide benefits, with reduced methane leakage

\*Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR), Diesel Oxidation Catalyst (DOC), Diesel Particulate Filter (DPF), Exhaust Gas Recirculation (EGR)

# Combustion Engines, Vehicles & Equipment – Aviation, Commercial Harbor Craft

## ▶ Aviation

- Aerodynamics, lightweighting provides benefits on new aircraft
- International and national efforts to reduce emission stds for NOx, GHG, promote biofuels
- National effort to eliminate lead from av gas

## ▶ Commercial Harbor Craft

- Emission benefits possible with new stds, hull design; retrofit aftertreatment on existing (SCR, DPF)

# Combustion Engines, Vehicles, and Equipment

- ▶ Transport Refrigeration Units
  - Emission benefits beyond Tier 4 possible for new <25 hp
  - Diesel particulate filter (DPF) retrofits for existing <25 hp
  - Push for federal insulation requirements for refrigerated vans, railcars

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# Hybrids – Main Findings

- ▶ Early commercialization for trucks and buses
- ▶ Demonstrated in cargo handling equipment, commercial harbor craft
- ▶ Provide significant GHG reductions
- ▶ Series hybrids could spur development of zero emissions technology components
- ▶ Systems integration and engineering necessary to achieve NOx reductions



# Hybrids in Multiple Sectors

- ▶ Trucks and buses – early commercialization, short payback in some applications, need push for systems integration and market development
- ▶ Commercial harbor craft – hybrids possible for new or retrofit
- ▶ Cargo handling – hybrids an option for bulk terminals

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# Zero Emissions Technology

## ► Benefits

- Little noise
- Zero tailpipe emissions
- Opportunity for deep carbon reductions when used with renewable fuels

## ► Opportunities

- Commercialized in aircraft ground support equipment, early commercialization in automobiles
- Early pilots in buses, delivery trucks
- Demonstrations for over the road trucks, cargo handling equipment
- Locomotive tenders and fuel cells show promise but have not been demonstrated

# Zero Emission Applications

- ▶ Applicable to short haul trucks, drayage trucks, buses, ground support equipment, cargo handling, and other off-road applications
  - Need to support market development and technology innovation
  - Infrastructure investments needed
- ▶ Locomotive tenders and fuel cells show promise but have not been demonstrated

# Zero Emission Path to Future Applications

- ▶ Zero emission technologies deployed now in stop-and-go, lighter weight, shorter range applications
- ▶ Need to technology improvements for heavier loads, longer hauls
  - Wayside power can enable heavy load transport today
  - Fuel cells may be a longer-term solution in over-the-road applications
    - Infrastructure planning necessary

# Zero emission technologies need renewable fuels for GHG benefits

- ▶ Zero emissions technologies benefit from renewable sources of electricity
  - Renewable portfolio standards are important
  - Grid needs to evolve to handle charging needs
  - Balance demand charges with renewable sources, distributed generation, and vehicle charging needs
- ▶ Use of renewable hydrogen could reduce upstream emissions from fuel cells
  - Beyond current future regulatory requirements
  - From lowest carbon upstream sources

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# Automation and Efficiencies – Vehicle and Road Technologies

- ▶ Connected vehicles, Automated vehicles, and Intelligent transportation systems (ITS)
  - Separately or together these enable multiple strategies that can improve safety, reduce emissions, reduce congestion, and improve traffic flow
- ▶ Near-term Opportunity Examples
  - Port terminal, distribution center automation
  - Port truck queuing by appointment
  - Truck platooning (connected vehicles)



# Automation and Efficiencies – Vehicle and Road Technologies

- ▶ Connected vehicles
  - Communication between vehicle and other vehicles, vehicle and infrastructure
- ▶ Automated vehicles
  - Multiple degrees of independent vehicle operation
  - Today – adaptive cruise control, anti-lock braking
  - Future – autonomous vehicle operation
- ▶ Intelligent transportation systems (ITS)
  - Communication between vehicles and infrastructure

ARB staff work on-going, seeking input

# Automation and Efficiencies – Cargo Handling Equipment

- ▶ Port Terminal, Distribution Center Automation
  - Facilitate equipment electrification
  - Increase safety
  - Expedite loading and unloading
    - 30–40 percent operational cost savings (\$/TEU)
- ▶ Terminal queuing by appointment
  - Organizes container pickup
  - Reduces truck queue lines and associated idling

# Automation and Efficiencies – Truck Platooning (connected vehicles)

- ▶ Pilot studies show 10–20% reduced fuel consumption
- ▶ Benefits for lead and trailing vehicles
- ▶ Large scale testing possible on public roads by 2015
- ▶ Cost: \$500–\$2,600 for sensors and safety equipment (2009 dollars)



# ARB Staff Seeking Input

- ▶ We have presented highlights of our current understanding of technology and fuels
- ▶ We are seeking input on gaps and areas where we can improve, including but not limited to:
  - Technology and fuels characterization
  - Current and future vehicle and equipment costs
  - Path and timeline to future technologies
  - Additional areas to consider

# Next Steps – Tech Assessments

- ▶ Receive and address comments
- ▶ Release draft report for additional comment
  - End of October 2014
- ▶ Additional staff research
  - Intelligent transportation systems
  - Construction and industrial equipment
- ▶ Board Hearing
  - December 2014
  - Two items:
    - Technology Assessment Results and Findings
    - Sustainable Freight Strategy

# Next Steps – Air Quality Planning

- ▶ SIP development 2015–2016
- ▶ Integrated planning for NO<sub>x</sub> and GHG
- ▶ Vision modeling
  - Scenarios to evaluate technology integration and timing

# Multiple Opportunities to Comment

- ▶ Submit written comments on workshop slides by October 1st:
  - <http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/tech/comments.htm>
- ▶ Technology Assessment draft document released end of October
- ▶ Submit written comments on draft document by November 28<sup>th</sup>
- ▶ Meet with staff at any time to provide input

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