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PREFACE

In the tradition of previous years, EMR's Canada Centre for Mineral and Energy Technology (CANMET), and the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) teamed up once again to sponsor the Windsor Workshop on Alternative Transportation Fuels. 1993 marked the 10th anniversary of this Workshop which began in 1983 in Windsor, Ontario. We would like to express our appreciation to ORTECH International for a fine job in coordinating this event.

The 1993 workshop attracted 271 participants from 9 countries including, France, Japan, Australia, Hong Kong, Italy, Korea, The United Kingdom, The United States and Canada; continuing to indicate the growing awareness and importance of alternative transportation fuels in the world marketplace.

Following in the footsteps of its predecessors, the 1993 workshop maintained its established approach to encourage an informal exchange of information with a focus on infrastructure barriers, and the readiness of alternative fueled vehicles to enter the marketplace. Participants included engine and vehicle manufacturers, fuel suppliers, public and private research organizations, and academic and regulatory bodies. In keeping with this informal theme, many of the papers presented in these proceedings are not in text format. After each paper a brief summary of the question and answer period is appended, which should serve as a reminder of some of their more salient points.

The development of alternative transportation fuels, and ultimately the quality of the environment, can only be enhanced by the exchange of information on worldwide industrial trends and technical progress. Since inception the Windsor Workshops have proved to be an invaluable forum for this exchange, and we will endeavour to organize such timely and productive workshops in the years to come

Mark your calendars now, the next workshop will once again be held in Toronto, at the Holiday Inn Downtown City Hall, June 13 - 15, 1994. We hope to see you all again in 1994. We would like to extend our warm gratitude to the organizers and participants of the 1993 Windsor Workshop.

Bernie James
Energy, Mines & Resources Canada

John Russell
U.S. Department of Energy

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OPENING ADDRESS

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NOTES FOR AN ADDRESS

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ASSISTANT DEPUTY MINISTER
CORPORATE POLICY AND COMMUNICATIONS SECTOR

AT THE
1993 WINDSOR WORKSHOP

TORONTO, ONTARIO
JUNE 14, 1993

Thank you, David for that kind introduction, and good morning, ladies and gentlemen. It's an honour to be here today among the top performers of the North American alternative transportation fuel industry. Mr. McKnight was unable to attend due to a previous commitment, and he sends his regrets.

As most of you are no doubt aware, I am privileged to share the stage this morning with Chuck Imbrecht, who I understand is serving his fifth consecutive term as Chairman of the California Energy Commission. Welcome to Toronto!

I know many people gathered here today are looking forward to your keynote address.

I would like to start off today by saying a few words about the Windsor Workshop. As most of you know, this workshop has been a tradition in the transportation industry for a decade now. Over the years it has evolved into the most important forum on alternative fuels in North America. Your discussions have progressed from technical papers and discussions on alternative fuel concepts and theories to Original Equipment Manufactured alternative fuel vehicles using propane, natural gas and methanol. In fact, the world's first hydrogen fuel-cell-powered bus was just unveiled on Tuesday.

Indeed, the Windsor Workshop provides an excellent example of technology transfer in action. I think this is extremely important. Your industry is rapidly developing — it is imperative that the lines of communication remain open as to your successes, your emerging opportunities, and the barriers that stand in the way of your goals.

Therefore, Energy, Mines and Resources, through the Canada Centre for Mineral and Energy Technology — CANMET, to many of you — is proud to be a sponsor of this workshop, particularly on this, its tenth anniversary. CANMET firmly supports your efforts to accelerate the commercialization of your technologies through concerted technology transfer. To recognize the major successes that some of you have achieved in this regard, I will be presenting an award later on behalf of CANMET. The award recognizes industry's efforts in commercializing new technologies in the areas of energy efficiency and alternative energy. I'll tell you more about that in a few minutes.

But first, I'd like to talk about some of the barriers that are inhibiting the commercialization of alternative transportation fuels here in Canada. Some of these are institutional, while others are technical. In any case, substantial effort and resources will be required to overcome these obstacles, which poses a challenge in these times of economic restraint.

The question that remains is this: how can we most effectively address these barriers when government and industry are each under pressure to operate as cost-effectively as possible?

I believe the answer is in the formation and maintenance of strategic alliances — alliances that will not only advance alternative transportation fuels, but will boost the competitive prospects of your entire industry. Of course, we do not need to look very far into the past to see successes in this regard. By working together, government, industry and academia have been able to introduce a new fleet on alternatively fuelled vehicles in this country. Over 140,000 propane vehicles and 35,000 natural gas vehicles are on the road in Canada. Domestic sales of ethanol-blended gasoline exceeded 256 million litres last year. And we're road-testing some of the first methanol, ethanol, hydrogen fuel-cell-powered and electric vehicles in the world.

The credit for these achievements must be shared — by industry, by universities and research organizations, and by government at all levels. Our successes in the alternative transportation fuels industry clearly demonstrate what strong partnerships can achieve in this country. Let me say a few words about that now.

Federal R&D Program

As many of you know, the Government of Canada has supported the alternative transportation fuels industry since 1980. In recent years, responsibility for federal R&D activities in this area has been that of CANMET, the main S&T arm of EMR. CANMET's objectives in the alternative fuels area are three-fold: first, we are dedicated to working with your industry to commercialize technologies with near-term market potential, like propane, natural gas and alcohol fuels. Second, we support the development of longer-term alternatives with significant market prospects, including hydrogen-powered and electric vehicles. And third, we are committed to assisting with the development of an infrastructure that will facilitate the market entry of proven alternative fuels.

Our experience has shown that cost-shared research and development is the best way to meet our technology goals. In keeping with this policy, CANMET is working in cooperation with a wide number of stakeholders from both government and industry.

To promote the commercialization of short-term technologies, we have struck R&D agreements with a number of industrial partners, as well as the Canadian Gas Association, the Propane Association of Canada, and the Canadian Oxygenated Fuels Association. Our goals? Technology improvement and cost reduction. At the same time, we are assisting these groups with the development of technical and safety standards needed to encourage the acceptance in the market place.

To promote the development of longer-term alternatives like hydrogen and electric vehicles, we are supporting R&D by several Canadian universities, research organizations, and groups such as the Electric Vehicle Association of Canada and the Hydrogen Industry Council. Our shared objectives for these technologies include cost-performance improvements that will permit eventual manufacturing. For although hydrogen and electric vehicles are expensive, they are also the most environmentally friendly transportation alternatives available to us. Their future market prospects are therefore enormous.

Finally, CANMET is working closely with your industry, other groups within EMR and concerned federal departments to further develop the regulation and fuel infrastructure that is so critical to the commercial penetration of these fuels. I'm pleased to say that a great deal of progress is being made in this regard. Harmonization of standards for emissions, safety and fuel consumption has been achieved for conventionally fuelled vehicles at the national level. Efforts are underway to achieve the same regulatory milestones for new fuels. I want to acknowledge the importance of the strong industry assistance that delegates in this room and your colleagues provide to us through the technical organizations and committees that you have spent many hours serving.

In terms of the refuelling infrastructure, I believe the Government of Canada has played a useful role in funding the construction of natural gas fuelling stations. To date, we have contributed to the development of more than 140 such stations in cities across the country. We are also working with your industry to expand the methanol refuelling network. We hope these will follow the trend of growth already set by propane fuelling stations.

Government and industry alike should be proud of the teamwork that is fostering the successful development of alternative transportation fuels. It has been a tough climb for the past dozen years or so — but I believe we have recently begun to see evidence of our progress.

Market Place for Alternative Fuels

We need only examine the conditions of the transportation market place to recognize that these fuels do have an important role to play. As a result of the initiation of new environmental policies in countries around the world, enormous new markets have been created for alternative fuels. California, for example, is calling for quotas of zero-emission vehicles by 1998. In the interim, demand is going to increase for cleaner transportation technologies. Infrastructures will continue to develop. And the public confidence in these new technologies will grow.

Here in Canada, we have had great success in the sale of natural gas and propane conversion kits for vehicles. Today, there are over 150,000 converted cars and trucks operating on Canadian roads. The recent announcements of OEM vehicle production by the 'Big Three' has added a new factor in the way we do business. The transition zone to our evolution to alternative fuels has expanded. While this development has the benefit of providing added choice for the consumer, it magnifies the requirement for technology development — toward both competitive conversion technologies and leading-edge Canadian technology for OEMs.

In short, we are entering a new era in the development of alternative transportation fuels — one with significant commercial opportunities for your industry. It is interesting to note that other countries are now recognizing what we have known for some time — that alternatively fuelled vehicles have a major role to play in meeting global environmental objectives. As a result, we are facing increased competition. And we must work harder to maintain our technical edge and take advantage of emerging world markets.

As technology developers in the alternative fuels industry, Canadians are among the best. To exploit the full potential of our technologies, we must maintain these strategic alliances between government, industry and academia. They have been the key to our successes in the past. And they will ensure a prosperous future for our technologies.

However, we should not take our partnerships for granted. We need to consult with each other to review the cooperative structures that are in place right now. And we need to identify the issues that most require our attention. However, to do so, we must ensure that everyone is at the table — from all levels of government, and from all sides of the industry. That's the essence of consultation — information sharing. The Windsor Workshop provides an excellent starting point each year for discussion, and we must carry this momentum throughout the year.

Award Announcement

On that note, I'd like to talk a little more about the announcement I made earlier regarding a new CANMET technology transfer award. CANMET has long recognized the value of technology transfer efforts and the role they have played in expanding the contribution of alternative energy and energy efficiency. To show our appreciation, an award will be presented every year in recognition of outstanding contributions in transferring energy efficiency and alternative energy technologies to the market place. This first award is being given for outstanding achievement in alternative transportation fuels. I think this is a clear demonstration of the importance we assign to developments in this key sector.

To select this year's winner, we asked representatives of your industry to provide us with nominations. It was a very close race. The runners up included Mr. Elson Fernandes of Clemmer Industries for the development of a methanol fuel dispensing system, and Mr. Don Henry of Imperial Oil for work on specially formulated motor oil for gaseous fuelled vehicles. Both of you are to be commended for your achievements.

I am now honoured to announce that this year's award has been won by the Engineering Division of Chrysler Canada for your development of vehicles powered by natural gas, propane and methanol which are being mass-produced. Will Mr. Stuart Perkins and his team of John Mann, Jim Lanigan, Larry Robertson and Shawn Yates please come up here to receive these certificates and a small token of our appreciation?

Congratulations!

Thank you, and all the best for a successful workshop.

**SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS
AND SPEAKER RESPONSES**

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**N. Moyer, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Policy and Communications,
Energy, Mines & Resources Canada**

No discussion took place after this presentation. However, an annual award by CANMET was announced for alternative energy technology transfers to the marketplace. The Engineering Division of Chrysler Canada was chosen for the 1993 award from a group of several candidates who had been nominated.

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**Charles R. Imbrecht
Chairman, California Energy Commission**

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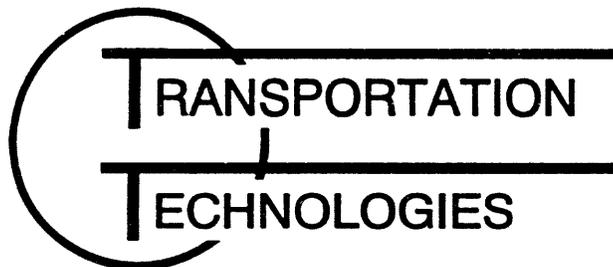
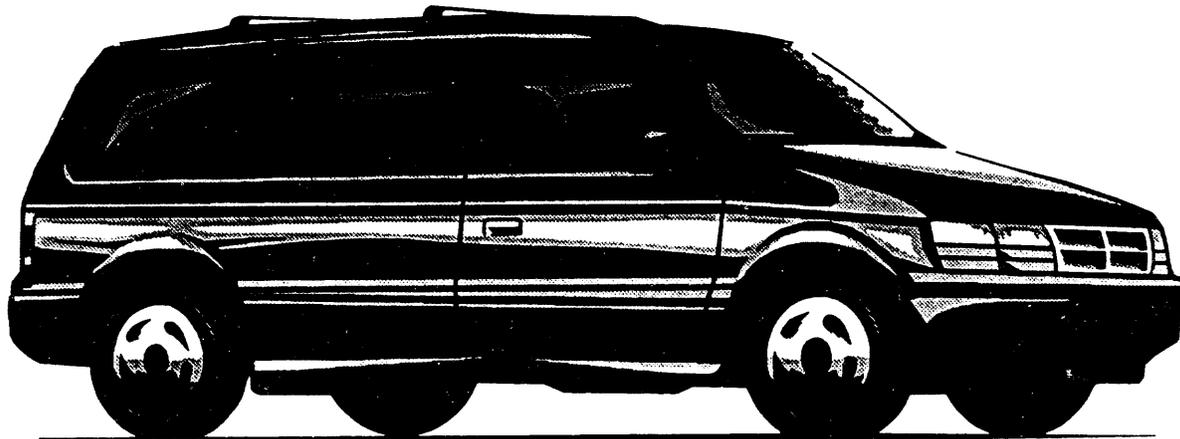
**MARKET PLACE IMPLICATIONS IN THE
CHANGING WORLD OF MOTOR FUELS
POLICY PANEL DISCUSSION**

Panel Moderator: Frederick Potter

NEW IDEAS FOR FEDERAL ROLE IN MARKETING AFVs

**D. Rodgers
U.S. Department of Energy**

New Ideas for Federal Role in Marketing AFVs



Office of Transportation Technologies
U.S. Department of Energy

New Ideas

Federal Mandates to Leverage Alternative Fuel Vehicles

- **Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990**
- **Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991**
- **Energy Policy Act of 1992**

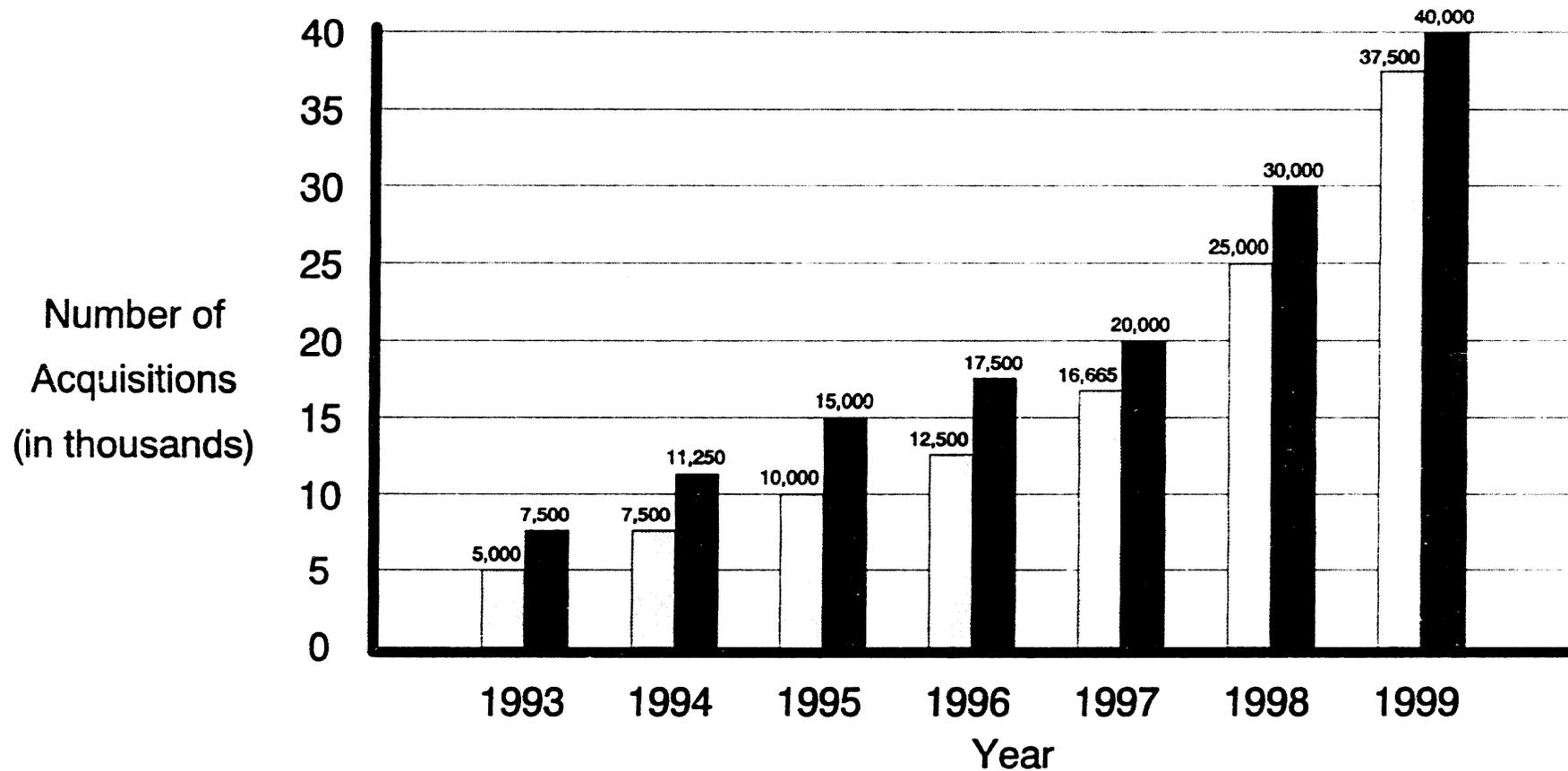
EPACT Implementation Plan for Alternative Fuels

Strategy

Program Elements

- **Fleet Mandates**
- **Fuel Supply**
- **Consumer Awareness/Education**
- **Incentives/Financial Assistance**
- **Misc. Regulations/Guidelines**
- **Reports/Analysis**

Requirements for Federal Fleet Alternative Fuel Vehicle Acquisition

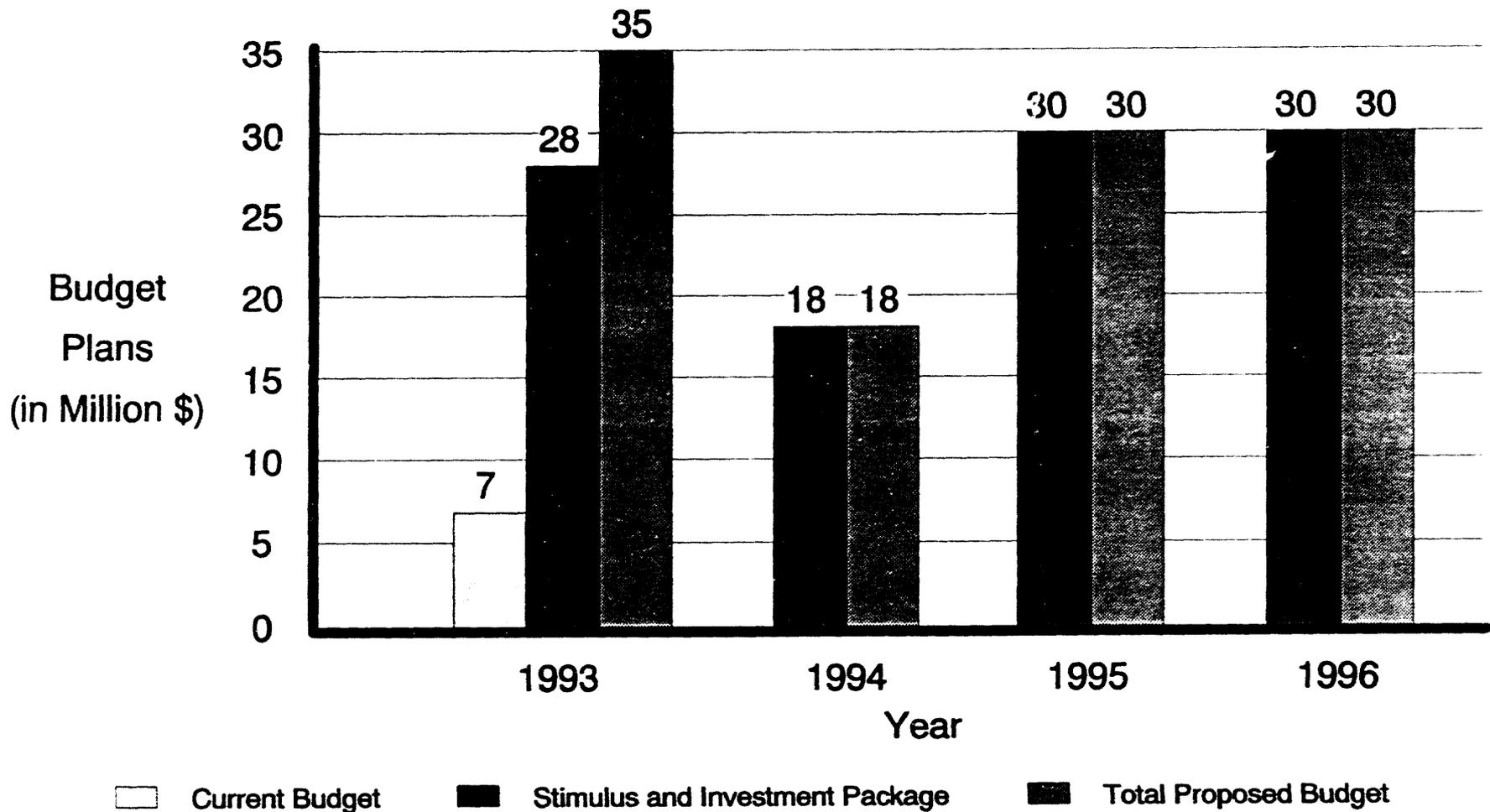


— Energy Policy Act of 1992

— Executive Order 12844

Based on 50,000 vehicle acquisitions per year

Budget Plans for Federal Fleet Alternative Fuel Vehicle Acquisition

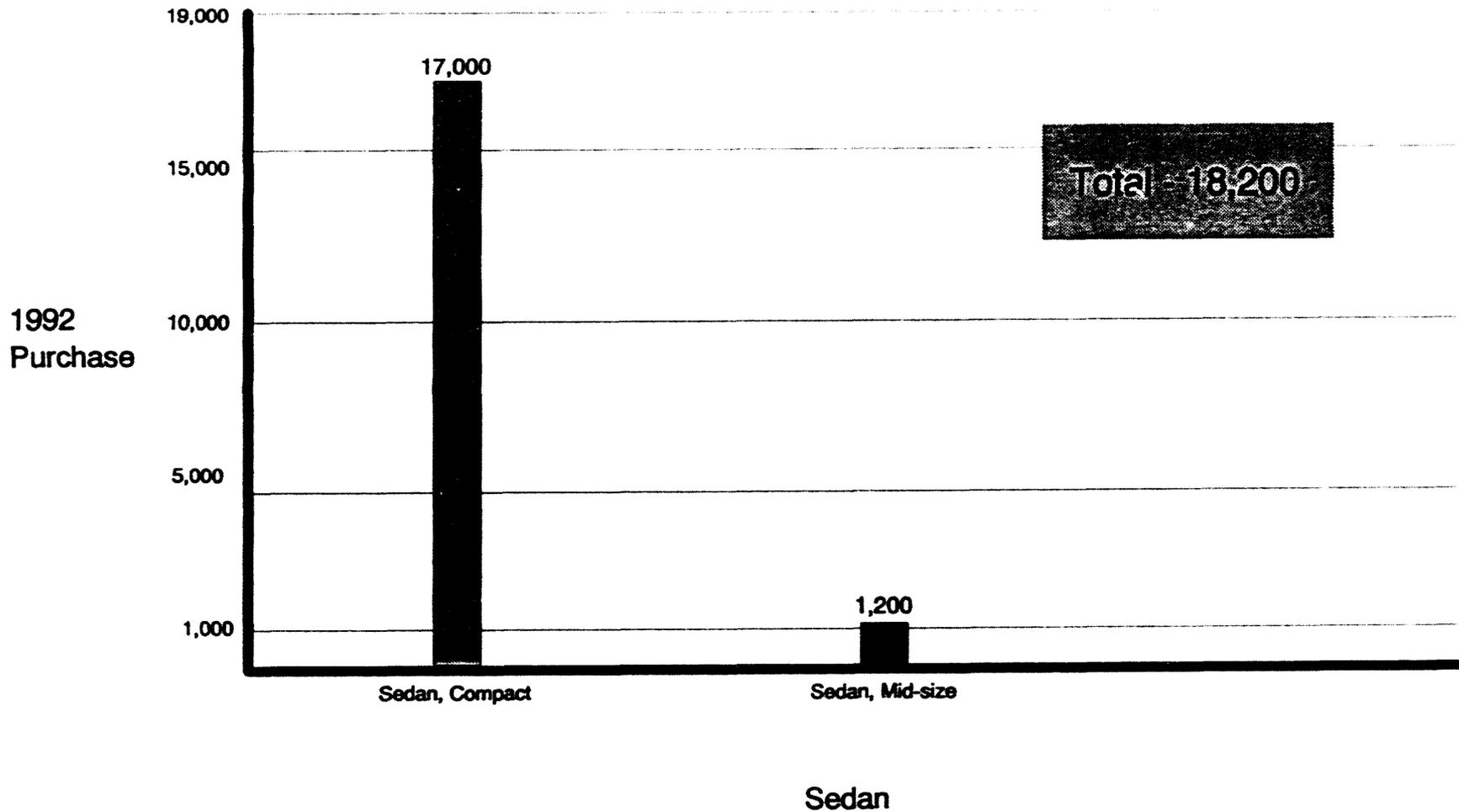


New Ideas

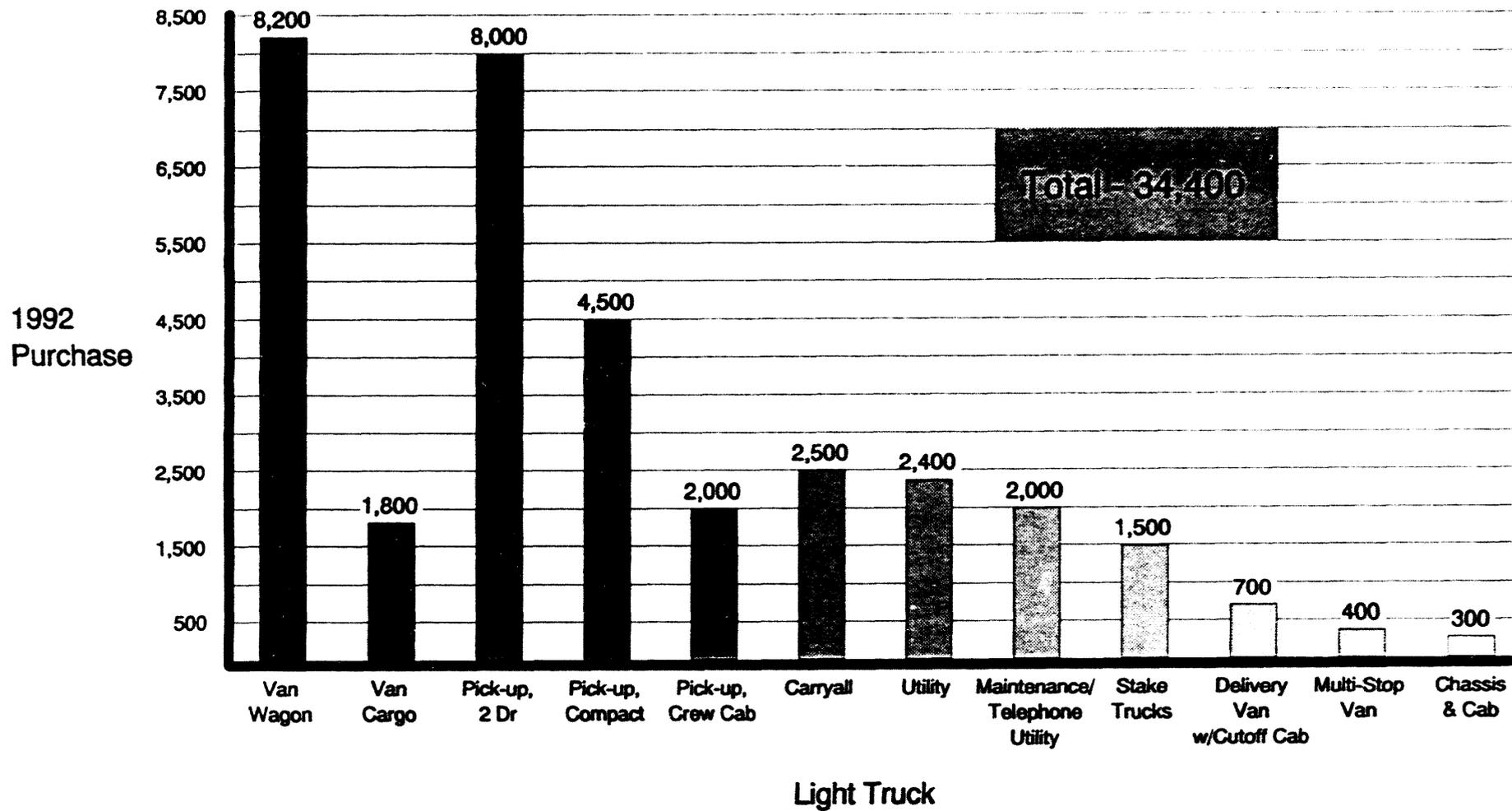
Three Components of Alternative Fuel Vehicle Marketing

- **Concentration**
- **Concentration**
- **Concentration**

Federal FY 1992 Purchases - Sedans Overview by Category



Federal FY 1992 Purchases - Light Trucks Overview by Category



Federal Fleet Alternative Fuel Vehicle Summary In Operation April 1993

Vehicle Type	Model Year	Fuel	Quantity
Chrysler Van	1991	CNG	2
	1992	CNG	75
Dodge Spirit	1992	M85	2,500
Ford Taurus	1991	M85	40
Ford Econoline Van	1992	M85	20
Chevrolet C-20 Pickup Trucks	1992	CNG	600
GM/Chevy Lumina	1991	M85	25
	1992	E85	24
LLV & Jeep (USPS)	1984 - 1993	CNG	1,075
Total			4,361

Source: GSA-IFMS, USPS, and DOE data

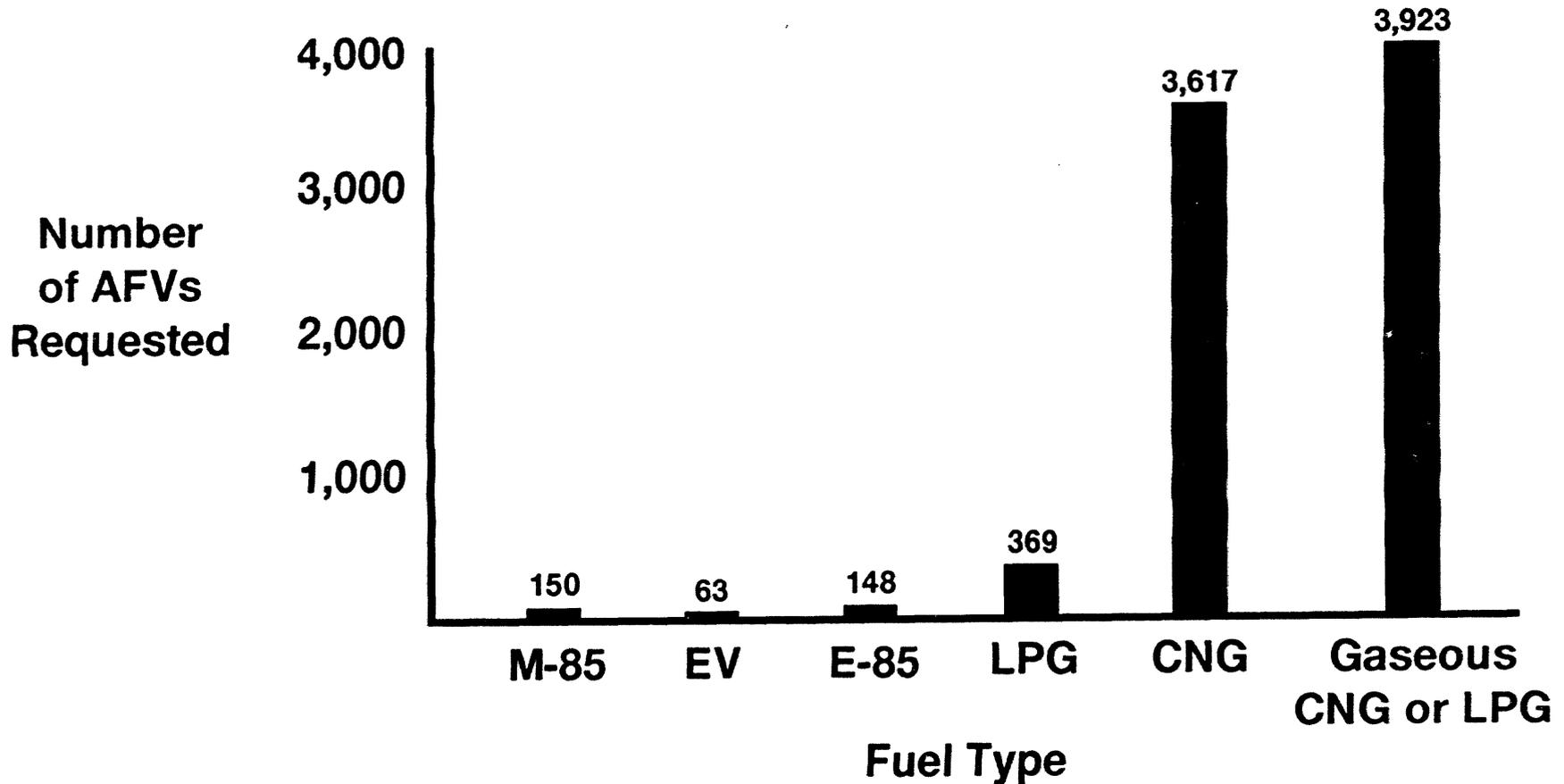
Federal Fleet Alternative Fuel Vehicle Summary

Estimated FY 1993 Acquisitions

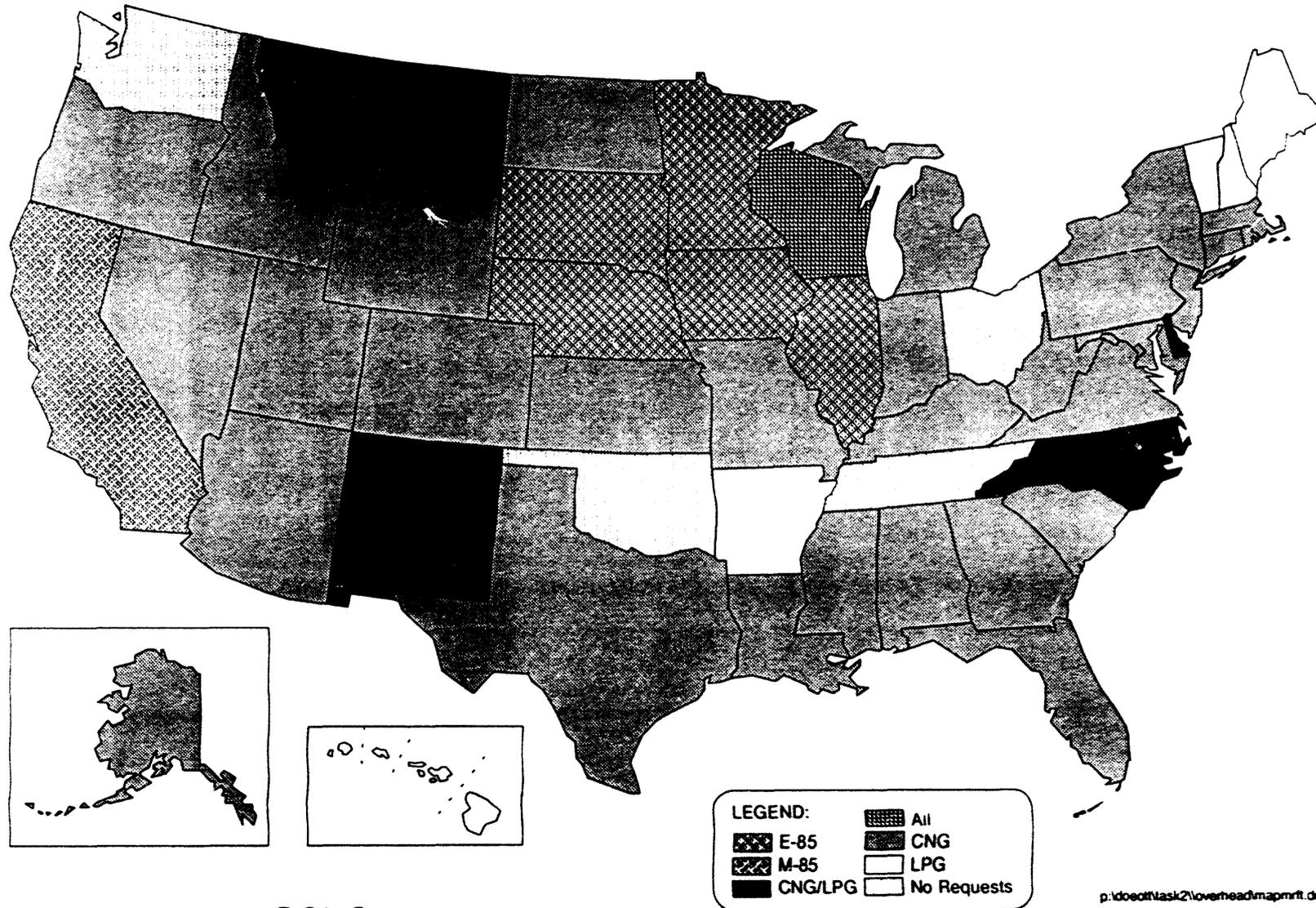
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Vehicle Type	Model Year	Fuel	Quantity
Chrysler Van	1993	CNG	100
Dodge Spirit	1993	M85	2,555
Ford Taurus	1993	M85	300
Ford Econstar Van (USPS)	?	Electric	6
Chevrolet C-20 Pickup Trucks	?	CNG	45
GM/Chevy Lumina	1993	M85	50
	1993	E85	50
Conversions (DOE/NREL)	-	CNG	1,800
		LPG	
Conversions (USPS)	-	CNG	1,400
Conversions (ARPA)		CNG	?
Total			6,256

FY93 State Requests for AFVs



Most Requested Fuel Types



SOURCE: DRAFT DOE REPORT

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Top Five Problems/Concerns Expressed by the States

1) Funding the incremental cost of AFVs.

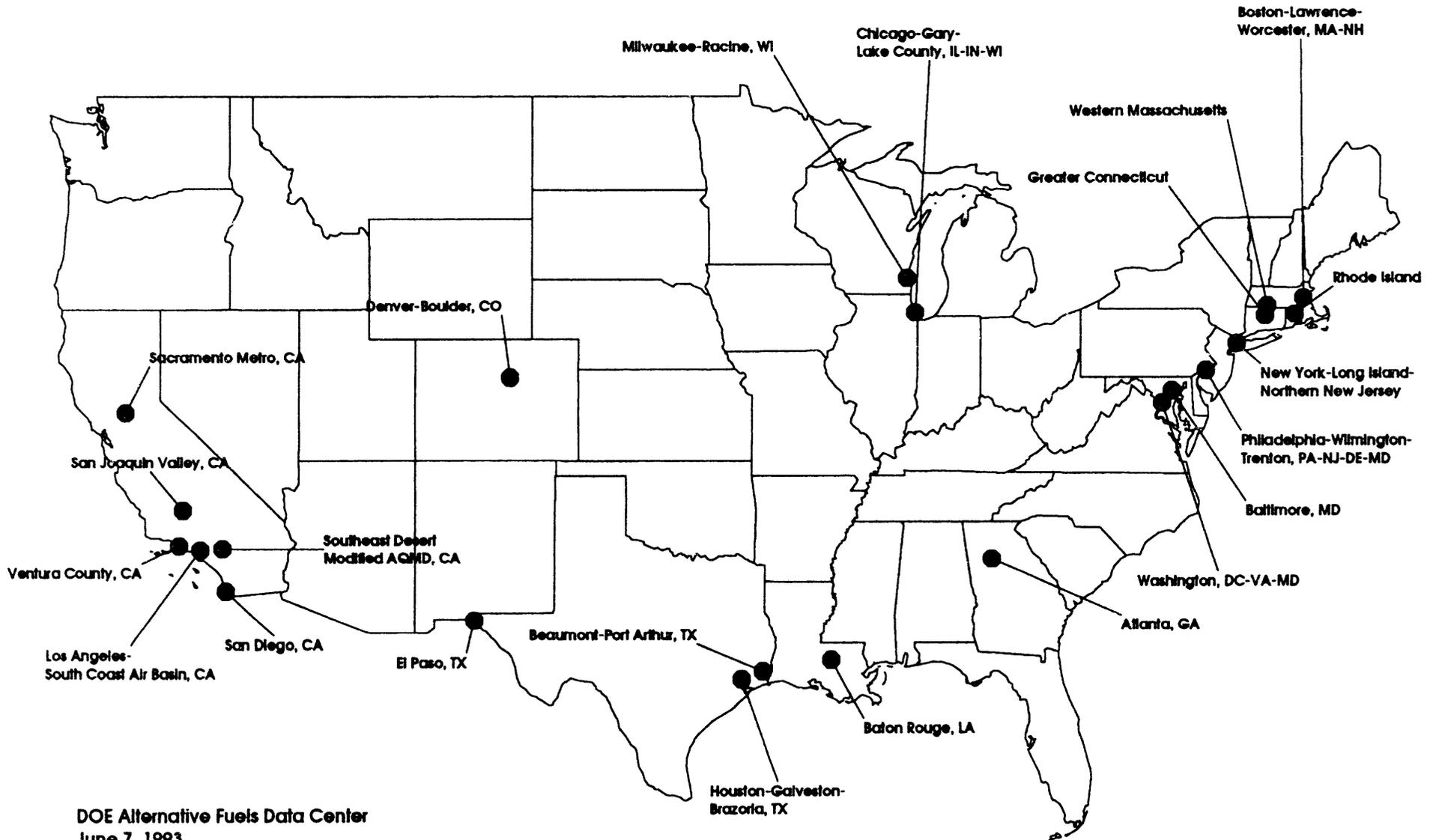
2) Availability of alternative fuels and AFVs.

3) Limited range of dedicated AFVs in large states.

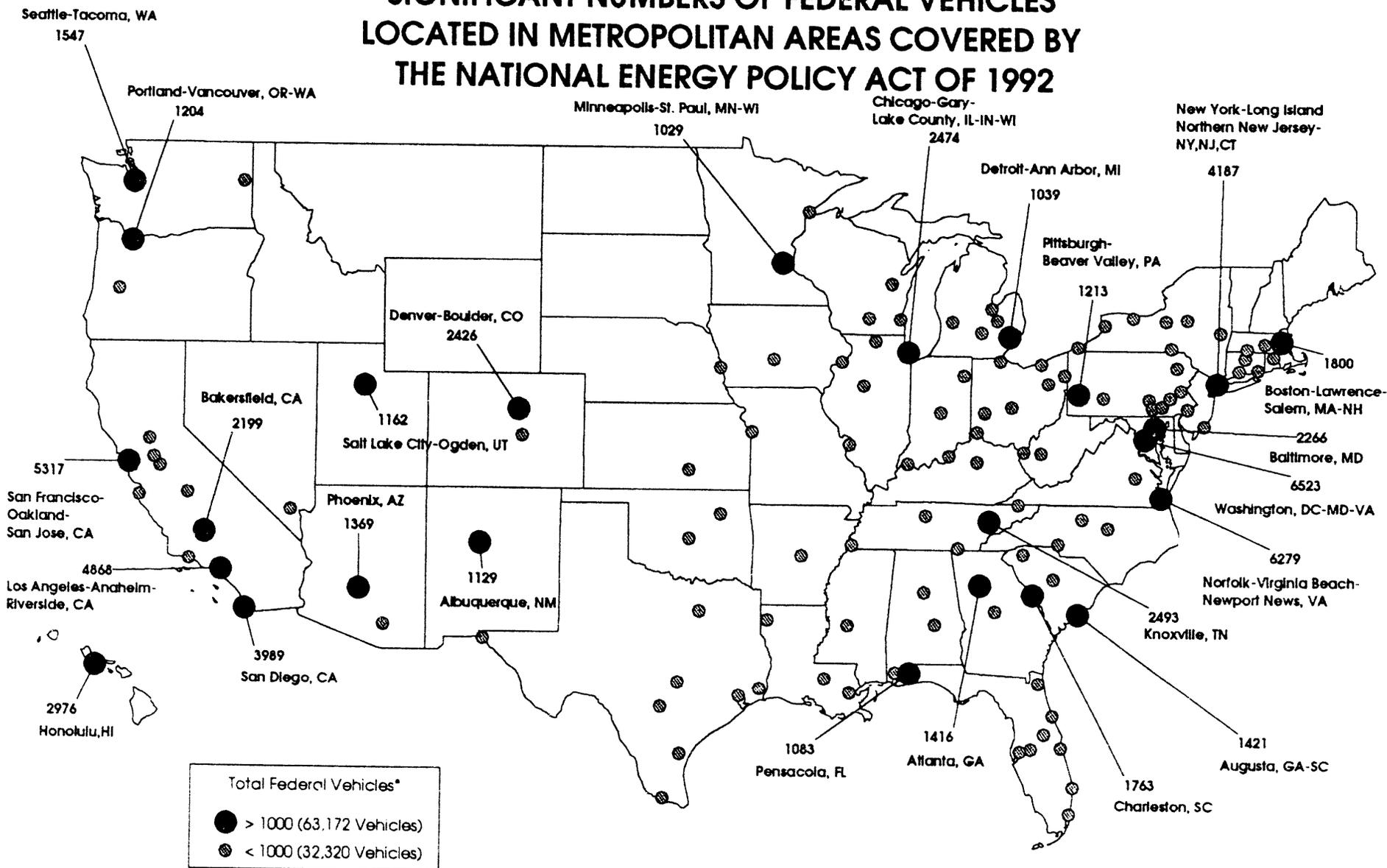
4) Lack of information on alternative fuels and AFVs.

5) Lack of vehicle/facility standardization.

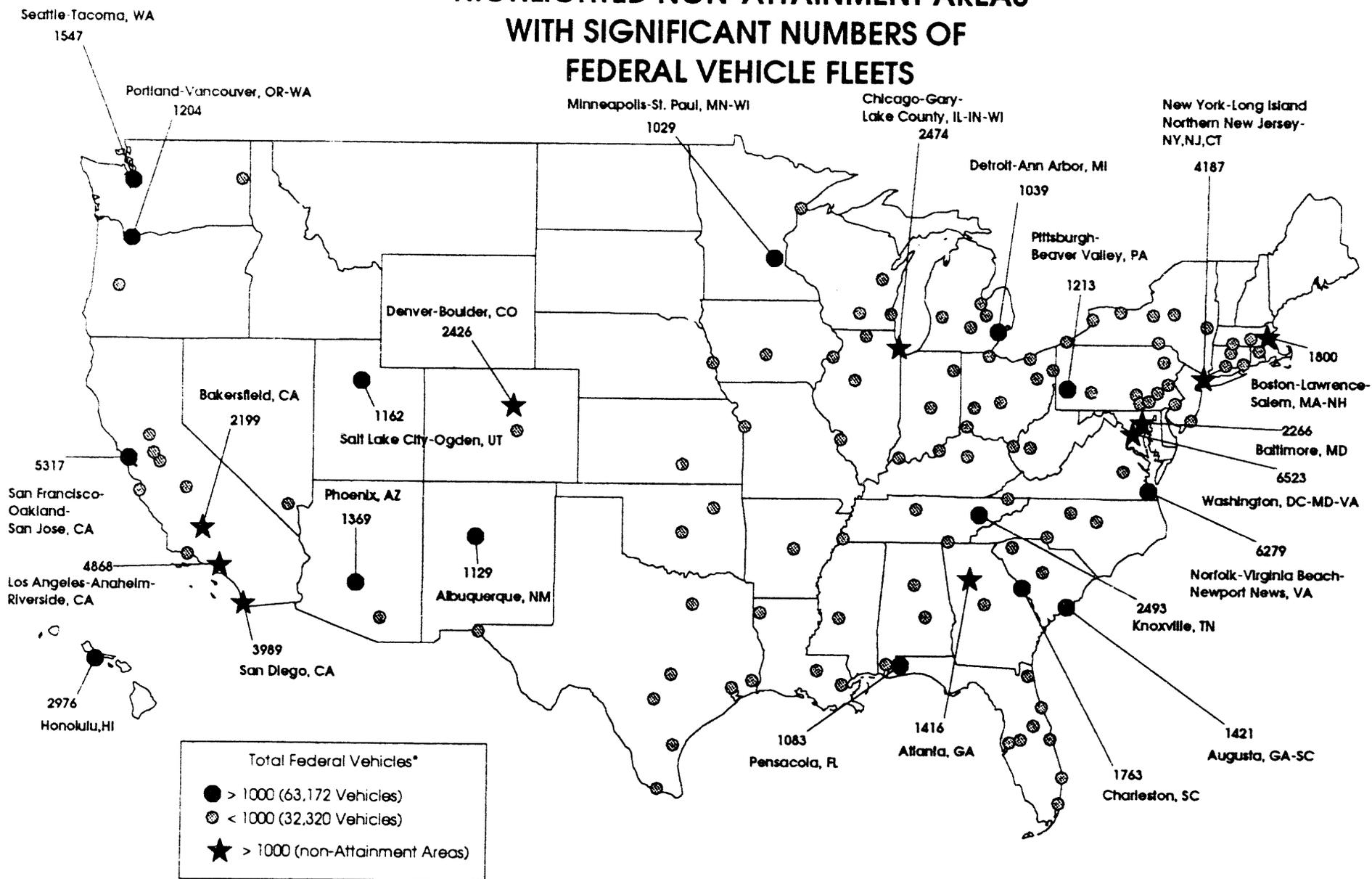
22 Non-Attainment Areas Covered By The Clean Fuel Fleet Program



SIGNIFICANT NUMBERS OF FEDERAL VEHICLES LOCATED IN METROPOLITAN AREAS COVERED BY THE NATIONAL ENERGY POLICY ACT OF 1992



HIGHLIGHTED NON-ATTAINMENT AREAS WITH SIGNIFICANT NUMBERS OF FEDERAL VEHICLE FLEETS



*Does not include Post Office and DOD civilian, Air Force and Marine Corps vehicles

Clean Cities Program

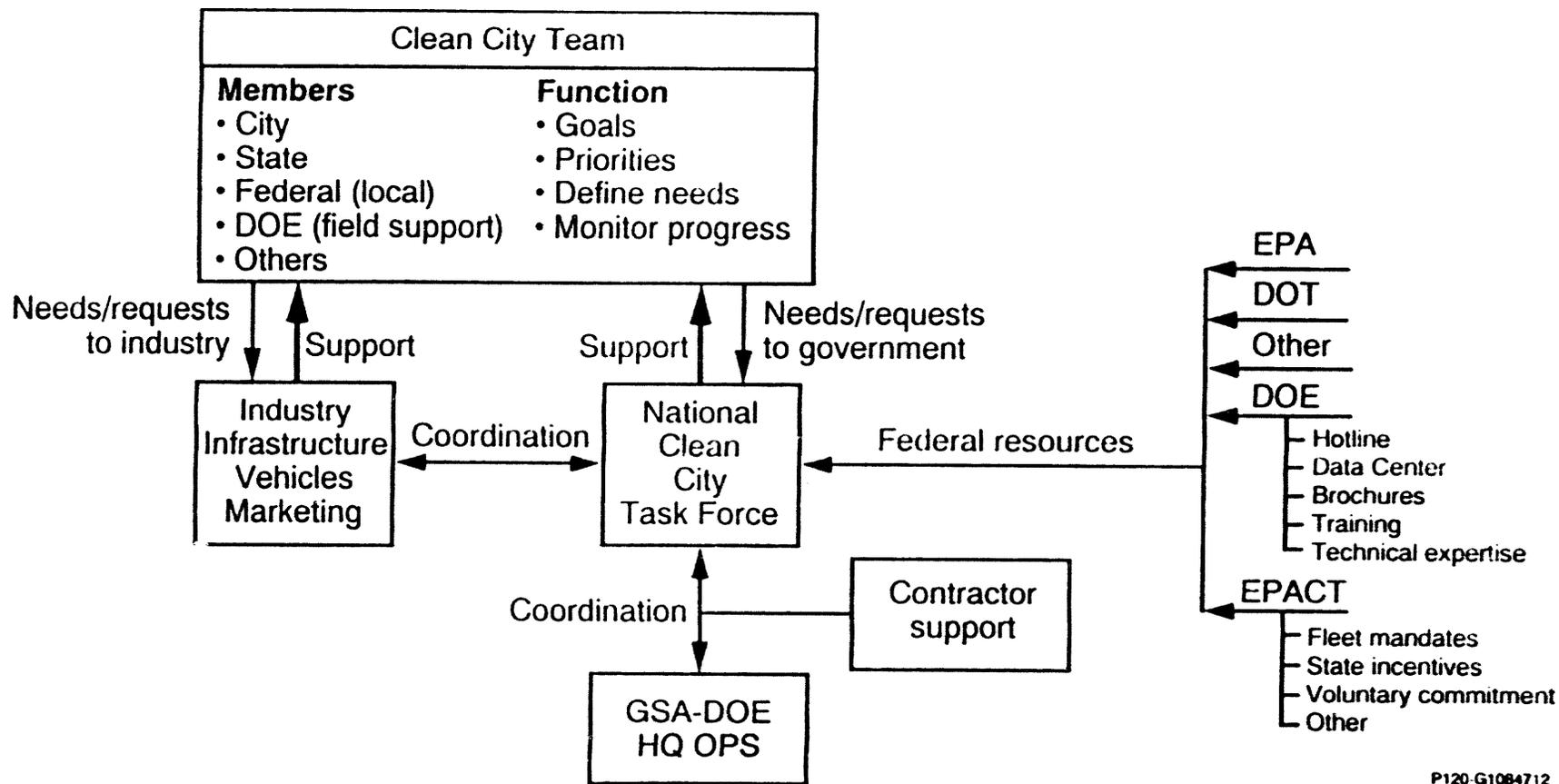
Purpose

- Concentrate alternative fuel types
- Create "grass roots" market demand
- Promote coordination of city, state, federal, industry

How Does It Work?

- City makes choice and commitment
- State honors commitment
- Federal agencies (local) honor commitment
- Federal agencies (Headquarters) provide support activities
- Industry meets commercial needs
- Public joins in

Clean Cities Organization



Unique Focus

- Grass roots leadership
- "A person" (city) becomes responsible for success
- Partnerships with clear goals and leadership

**SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS
AND SPEAKER RESPONSES**

**POLICY PANEL DISCUSSION:
MARKET PLACE IMPLICATIONS IN THE CHANGING WORLD OF MOTOR FUELS
D. Rogers, U.S. Department of Energy**

- Q. Frederick Potter, IRI: Would you comment on the President's Task Force for fleet conversion?**
- A. Executive Order 12844 calls for federal fleets to accelerate their acquisition of alternative fuel vehicles beyond the plan in the Energy Policy Act of 1992. It established a task force to help the implementation of the executive order. The appointed chairman is Garry Mauro of the Texas General Land Office, and Dr. Susan Tierney of the Department of Energy is the vice chair. The task force goal is to produce recommendations by August 1, 1993 on how the federal government can maximize development of alternative fuels. The first meeting was in Austin, Texas on June 7, 1993 with members from automobile manufacturers, fuel suppliers, fleet operators, and state and local governments.**

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POLICY ISSUES FOR ALTERNATIVE FUELS IN CANADA

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Energy, Mines & Resources Canada**

(Other presentations made during this Panel Discussion are unavailable)

**POLICY ISSUES FOR ALTERNATIVE FUELS
IN CANADA**

**A.C. TAYLOR
ENERGY, MINES AND RESOURCES CANADA**

NOTES FOR PRESENTATION

**WINDSOR WORKSHOP
14 JUNE 1993**

WHERE IS CANADA IN ALTERNATIVE FUELS ?

Are we still "ahead of the U.S." in Alternative Fuels ?

..... probably not

This is good news - we need the help
bad news - maybe our approach
needs a fresh look

EMR is working with others to

clarify our goals in alternative fuels

examine our policy and activities

NEED FOR A REVIEW

There are several reasons for a review

- technology has changed**
- fuel and vehicle markets and regulations are changing**
- increased U.S. activity presents opportunities for Canada**
- several provincial governments are reviewing policy and activities**
- a number of federal ATF programs expire in 1994**
- the ATF industry and vehicle manufacturers are seeking clarification of government's commitment to alternative fuels.**

SCOPE OF OUR REVIEW

1. Clarifying our Goals

We're learning more about the benefits

- environment**
- user costs**
- industry opportunities**
- fuel markets**
- energy security**

But the real question is what are we trying to achieve

- different goals bring different roles**

eg. how important is

- new technology**
- export markets**
- factory-produced vehicles**
- government fleet use ?**

SCOPE OF OUR REVIEW (continued)

2. Examining policies and activities

Financial support

- fuel taxation**
- support to associations**
- grants for conversions**
- vehicle taxation incentives**

Information

- information to users**
- marketing and promotion**
- standards**
- feasibility studies**

Technology

- longer term research**
- technology transfer**
- export markets**

SCOPE OF OUR REVIEW (continued)

3. Consultation

- some aren't shy**
- discussion paper**
- informal channels**
- formal processes**
- plenty of controversy !**

HOW HAVE WE BEEN APPROACHING ALTERNATIVE FUELS ?

1. Assist with the development of technology

- federal R&D
- contributions to industry
- demonstration projects

2. Remove market barriers

- regulatory
- infrastructure
- conversion costs
- fuel supply costs
- lack of information

3. Let the market develop

WHAT HAS BEEN ACHIEVED WITH THIS ?

British Columbia

NGV

- showcase for NGV development
- fleet and private (light duty vehicles)
- public fueling network
- demonstration of transit buses
- ferries

Propane

- strong fleet auto propane market
- extensive fueling infrastructure

Methanol

- two stations operating
- interest in light duty vehicle demonstration in 1993/94

Hydrogen

- Ballard fuel cell bus

Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba

Propane

- strong auto propane market
very favourable propane prices
- extensive fueling infrastructure

NGV

- little NGV use except Alberta
- some success in fleet use in Alberta
- transit bus demo planned for
Edmonton and Calgary
- development of composite on-board
NGV cylinder in Alberta

Methanol

- one station operating in Calgary
- interest in light duty vehicle
demonstration in 1993/94
- transit buses in Medicine Hat

Ethanol

- production and marketing (as a blend)
in Saskatchewan and Manitoba

Ontario

Propane

- strong auto propane market
- extensive fueling infrastructure
- factory production of vans and/or pickups is a possibility

NGV

- good light duty market, esp. in S.W.
- over 50 public stations, private as well
- 1000 VRAs, with production in Toronto
- production of NGV vans in Windsor
- over 50 transit buses in operation
- bus production with export potential
- production of steel cylinders

Methanol

- one station in Toronto, another soon
- several makes of vehicles produced
- vehicle demo through car rentals
- interest in light duty vehicle demonstration in 1993/94
- transit bus demo in Windsor

Ontario (continued)

Ethanol

- one plant with production increasing
- considerable interest in other plants
- successful marketing of blends

Electric Vehicles

- development work and production of a test quantity of vans in Windsor
- battery development in Toronto

Quebec

Propane

- some propane vehicle activity
- reasonable fueling infrastructure

NGV

- was an original leader in public fueling
- reasonably loyal vehicle market
- focus has moved from public to private fueling in recent years

Atlantic Canada

Propane

- **very limited use of propane vehicles owing to high fuel cost**
- **market demonstration underway in Newfoundland, to address barriers**
- **potential in Maritimes under study**

Summary for Canada

- **considerable interest in ATF**
- **considerable R&D activity**
- **opportunities for ATF use and ATF equipment**
- **different patterns by region**
- **growth is slow - it's a hard sell**
- **success stems from cheap fuel, and in some cases, strong gov't support**

SHOULD GOVERNMENT DO MORE TO HELP ?

. . . . some observations

1. Might not be much more activity without gov't action

- demand for factory vehicles**
- will OEM production continue in Canada?**
- infrastructure growth**
- trade opportunities**

2. What could governments do?

- push on fleets, consumers (demos?)**
- buy vehicles for own fleets**
- fueling infrastructure**
- technology**

WHAT ARE OUR OPTIONS FOR FURTHER ACTION ?

broad regulation of fleets or fueling not likely

more aggressive subsidies unlikely

fuels

fueling infrastructure

developing technologies

vehicles and conversions

could increase information programs

be a broker in the market place

(strategic alliances)

convert government fleets

longer term R&D commitments

project-oriented activity

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**MARKET PLACE IMPLICATIONS IN THE
CHANGING WORLD OF MOTOR FUELS
POLICY PANEL DISCUSSION**

Panel Moderator: Frederick Potter

**INTERMINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON CLEAN
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Ministry of Transportation of Ontario**

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**Presented to the
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**M.D. Harmelink
Director**



ONTARIO

**Ministry
of
Transportation**

**Transportation
Technology and
Energy Branch**

June 14, 1993

Mission

- Develop government policy options and strategy options to guide the development and use of clean fuels for transportation
- Coordinate clean fuels activities among provincial ministries



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Objectives

- Assess the potential of clean fuels and develop associated policy options and measures to address:
 - Air quality
 - Health and safety
 - Energy security
 - Transportation efficiency/effectiveness
 - Ontario industry opportunities
- Determine role of and potential for reformulated gasoline/diesel fuel, commercial alternative fuels and advanced technologies



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Clean Fuels

- Modified existing fuels
 - Reformulated gasoline and diesel
- Commercial ATF's
 - Natural gas
 - Propane
 - Methanol
 - Ethanol
- Energy technologies
 - Electricity
 - Hydrogen



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WORK GROUPS

- WG-1 Vehicle Emissions MTO/MOEE
- WG-2 Air Quality Analysis MOEE
- WG-3 Health and Safety MOL/MCCR
- WG-4 Technology Review MTO
- WG-5 Industry Analysis MOEE/MEDT
- WG-6 Market Analysis MOEE



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WG-1 Vehicle Emissions

- Initial emission inventories for gasoline
- 5%, 10% , and 16% penetration by each clean fuel by 2010 in combination with gasoline
- 5% ,10% and 16% penetration by a generic clean fuel in combination with reformulated gasoline in the year 2010



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WG-2 Air Quality Analysis

- Run ADOM model to establish baseline air quality estimates
- Run ADOM model for 16% penetration by a generic clean fuel in combination with reformulated gasoline in the year 2010
- Work with canyon models to predict local impacts of clean fuels and reformulated gasoline



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WG-3 Health and Safety

- Review of toxicity characteristics of conventional gasoline and clean fuels
- Toxicity on workers and public to be assessed
- Concerned with aldehydes, benzene and other toxics



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WG-4 Vehicle Technology Review

- Assess impacts of new car emission standards on benefits of clean fuels
- Assess possible impact of new fuel economy standards
- Review potential of new and emerging technology with respect to emissions and fuel economy



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WG-5 Industry Analysis

- Assess impacts of gasoline reformulation on petroleum refiners
- Assess impacts of clean fuels on refineries
- Assess industrial opportunities associated with clean fuels



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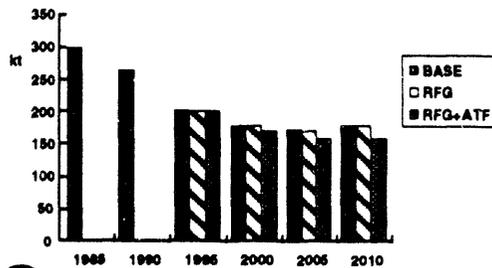
WG-6 Market Analysis

- Review potential for clean fuels in a number of transportation sectors
- Assess the need for market incentives
- Assess government role in promotion of clean fuels



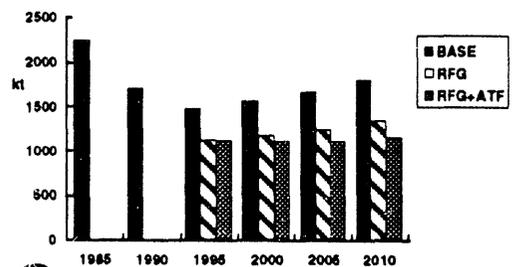
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Projected NOx Emissions

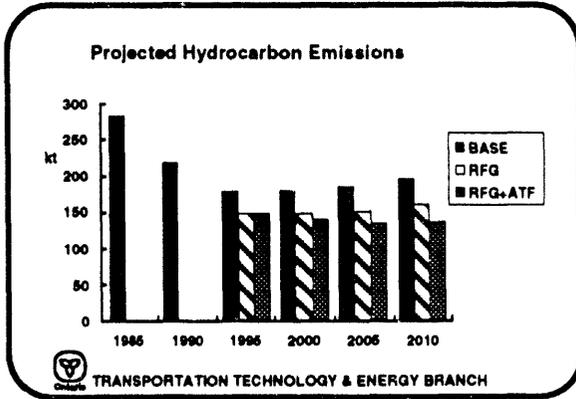


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Carbon Monoxide Emission Projections



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Preliminary findings

- Emissions from on-road vehicles will begin to increase after 1995
- Clean fuels can significantly reduce vehicle emissions in Ontario



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Issues

- What are the most appropriate means for reducing emissions from on-road vehicles?
- What are the roles of reformulated gasoline and diesel fuel?
- What is the role of commercial alternative fuels?
- What is the appropriate reformulated gasoline recipe for Ontario?



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**SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS
AND SPEAKER RESPONSES**

**POLICY PANEL DISCUSSION:
MARKET PLACE IMPLICATIONS IN THE CHANGING WORLD OF MOTOR FUELS
M. Harmelink, Ministry of Transportation of Ontario**

- Q. What reformulated gasoline quality is expected in Ontario?
- A. The essential factors will include reduced sulfur content, Reid vapor pressure of 9.5 psi in summer, and oxygenates to provide 2.1 weight percent oxygen.

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POLICY PANEL DISCUSSION: MARKET PLACE IMPLICATIONS IN THE CHANGING WORLD OF MOTOR FUELS B. McNutt, U.S. Department of Energy

(Presentation unavailable at time of printing)

- Q.** Frederick Potter, IRI: Can you comment on trading credits for alternative fuel vehicles that may go below the allowable emission levels?
- A** I believe that emission results from future vehicles in service may exceed expectations, but the economic benefits for that performance is difficult to assess.
- A** David Rogers, U.S. Department of Energy: To add to Barry McNutt's reply, there is a concept called ILEV or inherently low emission vehicle. It would meet LEV exhaust emission standards and would have essentially zero evaporative emissions. Vehicles using compressed natural gas or M100 methanol conceivably could meet these standards, and would be eligible for credits under the clean fuel fleet program.

**SESSION 1: AVAILABILITY OF ALTERNATIVE
FUELED ENGINES AND VEHICLES**

Chair: Ron Bright, Ford Motor Company

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**CATERPILLAR'S VIEW OF ALTERNATIVE FUELED
MOBILE ENGINES**

**J.M. Headean
Caterpillar Inc.**

Agenda

- Introduction
- Heavy Duty Markets
- Technology Options
 - Fuel Type
 - Engine Technology
- Caterpillar's Technology Selections
- G3306 Mobile Engine
 - Specifications
 - Hardware/Features
 - Performance
 - Product Status
- Summary

Heavy Duty Markets

- Transit Bus
- Refuse Haulers
- Pickup & Delivery
- Line Haul

Technology Options

- Fuel Type
 - CNG
 - LNG
 - HD5
 - Others

Technology Options

- Engine Technology
 - Stoichiometric w/ 3-Way Catalyst
 - Lean Burn w/ Oxidizing Catalyst
 - Dual Fuel (Diesel Pilot)
 - Direct Gas Injection

Caterpillar's Technology Selections

- **Factors**
 - **Current Markets Primarily Intracity**
 - **Start/Stop Application**
 - **CNG/LNG/HD5 Regional Opportunity**
- **Product**
 - **G3306 Stoichiometric w/ 3-Way Catalyst**
 - **Lowest Emissions**
 - **Responsive**
 - **Fuel Adaptable**

G3306 Mobile Engine Specifications

In-line 6, Spark Ignited, 4-Cycle,
Turbocharged, Aftercooled

Displacement	638 in ³ (10.5 liter)
Compression Ratio	10.5:1 CNG/LNG 8.0:1 HD5
Power Rating @ 2100 rpm	250 hp CNG/LNG 235 hp HD5
Peak Torque @ 1200 rpm	850 lb-ft CNG/LNG 820 lb-ft HD5

G3306 Mobile New Content

- **Center Mount Exhaust Manifold**
- **Mobile Camshaft**
- **Altronic DISN Ignition**
- **Woodward Min/Max Governor**
- **Deltec A/F Control**
- **Interface Electronics**
- **3-Way Catalyst**
- **Mobile Gas Regulators**
- **ATAAC Connections**

G3306 Mobile Special Features

- **CNG/LNG/LPG Capability**
 - **Low LNG Pressure Capability**
 - **25 to 50 psi Operation**
 - **Fuel Tolerance**
 - **Closed Loop A/F Control**
 - **Compensates for Seasonal Fuel Changes**
 - **Compensates for Geographical Fuel Differences**
 - **Reduces Possibility of Overfueling/Overpowering**
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G3306 Mobile Engine Emissions

First Transient Cycle Test

	1994 CARB	EPA Cycle	Steady State
NO_x	5.0	2.5	0.4
NMHC	1.2	-	-
THC	-	6.7	0.1
CO	15.5	3.5	0.03
PM	0.1	0.02	-

All Units g/bhp-hr

G3306 Mobile Performance Improvements

- **Schwitzer S2 Turbocharger**
- **Woodward Digital Min/Max Governor**
- **Optimized A/F Response**
- **Improved Gas Regulator Response**
- **Added Pre-Catalyst**

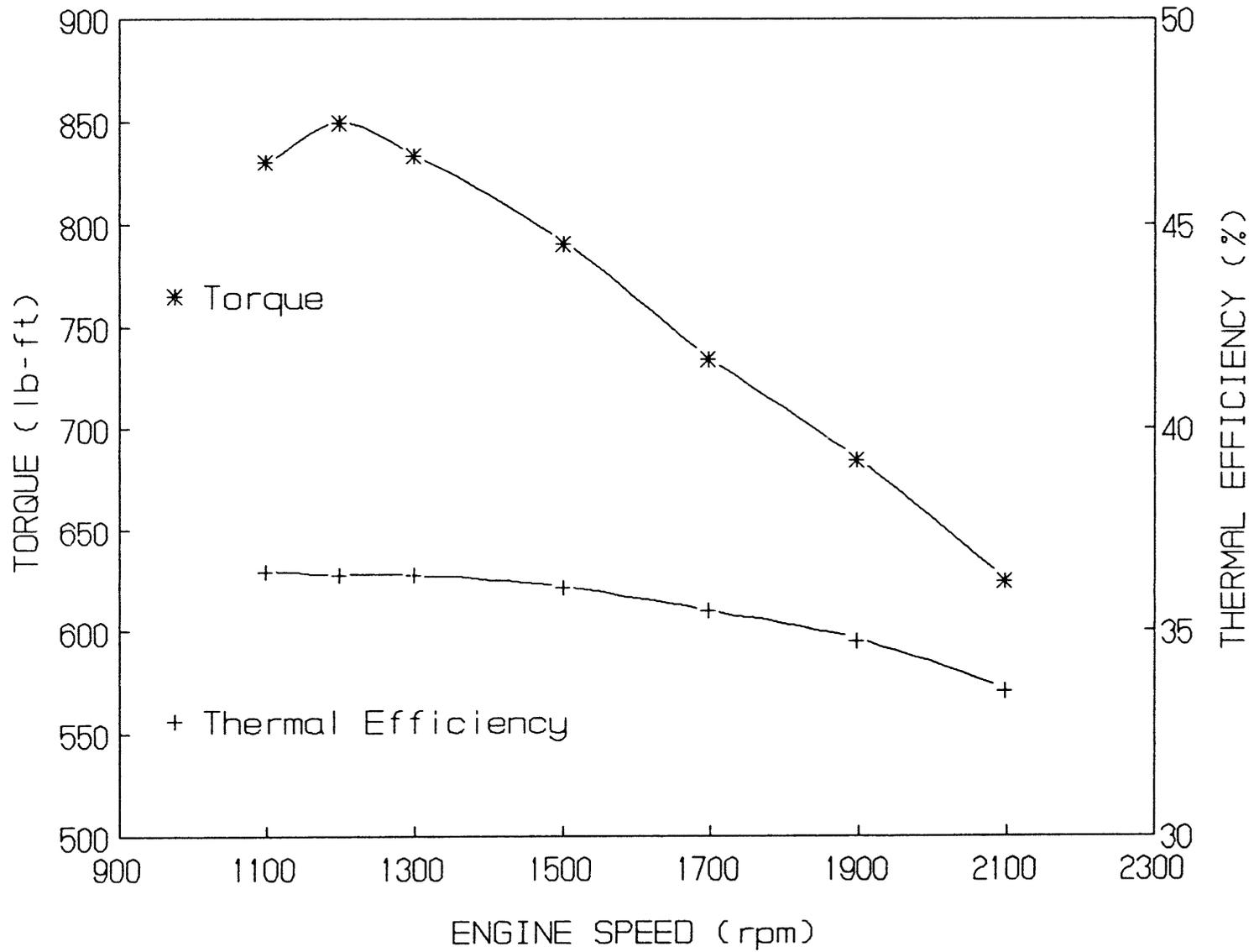
G3306 Mobile Engine Emissions 1993 CARB Certification Test

	1994 CARB	EPA Cycle
NO_x	5.0	0.51
NMHC	1.2	0.19
THC	-	-
CO	15.5	4.63
PM	0.1	0.02

All Units g/bhp-hr

G3306 MOBILE ENGINE PERFORMANCE

TORQUE & THERMAL EFFICIENCY



G3306 Mobile Product Status

- 3 Units in Service
 - 2 HD5
 - 1 LNG
- 10 Pilot Units Built for 1993 Delivery
- CARB Certification Testing Complete November 1993
- Planned Production February 1994

Summary

- Heavy Duty Markets Evolving
- CNG/LNG/HD5 Capability Desirable
- Stoichiometric w/ 3-Way Catalyst
 - Robust Technology for Current Markets and Fuels
- G3306 Mobile Engine Developed
 - CARB Certification Underway
 - Optimized Emissions
 - Good Driveability
 - Fuel Flexible
 - Fuel Variation Tolerant
 - Proven Technology

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CATERPILLAR'S VIEW OF ALTERNATIVE FUELED MOBILE ENGINES

J.M. Headean, Caterpillar Inc.

- Q. Mostafa Kamel, Cummins Engine Co.: Why was stoichiometric operation chosen for the engine design?**
- A. We felt that the stoichiometric design offered more flexibility for the stop-and-cooperation and was more suitable for low NO_x emissions in inner city use. We also have lean burn engines being developed for long haul applications where higher NO_x emissions are allowed and fuel economy is more important.**
- Q. James Grieve, Consultant: How does the durability compare for similar engines operated on diesel fuel, propane, and natural gas?**
- A. These engines are derived from our diesel engines and use the same components. Since the cylinder pressures are lower for propane and natural gas, the engines are not stressed as much and durability is excellent.**
- Q. Matthew Bol, Sypher:Mueller International: Can you tell us the cost of these engine compared to diesel?**
- A. I am mainly concerned with engineering and am not prepared to talk about cost.**
- Q. Anonymous : Can you give the fuel flow rate for these engines?**
- A. Fuel flow is about 7,500 BTU per horsepower-hour at rated speed and about 6,900 BTU per horsepower-hour at peak torque.**
- Q. Ron Bright, Ford Motor Co. of Canada: How would you rate customer interest in this engine?**
- A. Currently there is more demand than supply, both for the product and for information from potential users.**
- Q. Anonymous; What can you tell us about the catalyst formulation?**
- A. One of our few proprietary items is catalyst technology. We are developing the stoichiometric three-way catalyst with the supplier, and technology is still evolving.**

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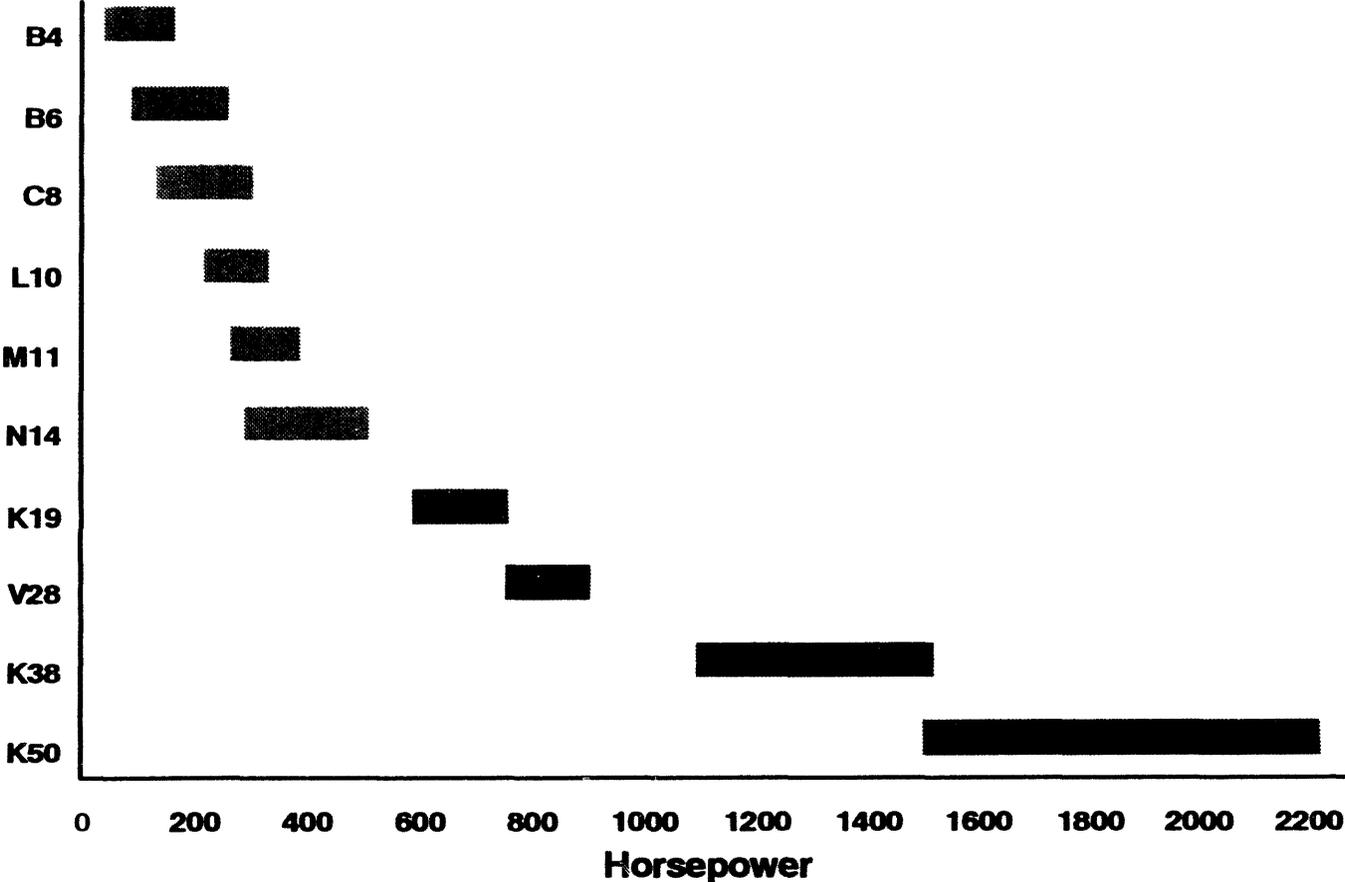
**CUMMINS NATURAL GAS ENGINE PROGRAMS
L10 G ENGINE UPDATE**

**V.K. Duggal
Cummins Engine Co. Inc.**

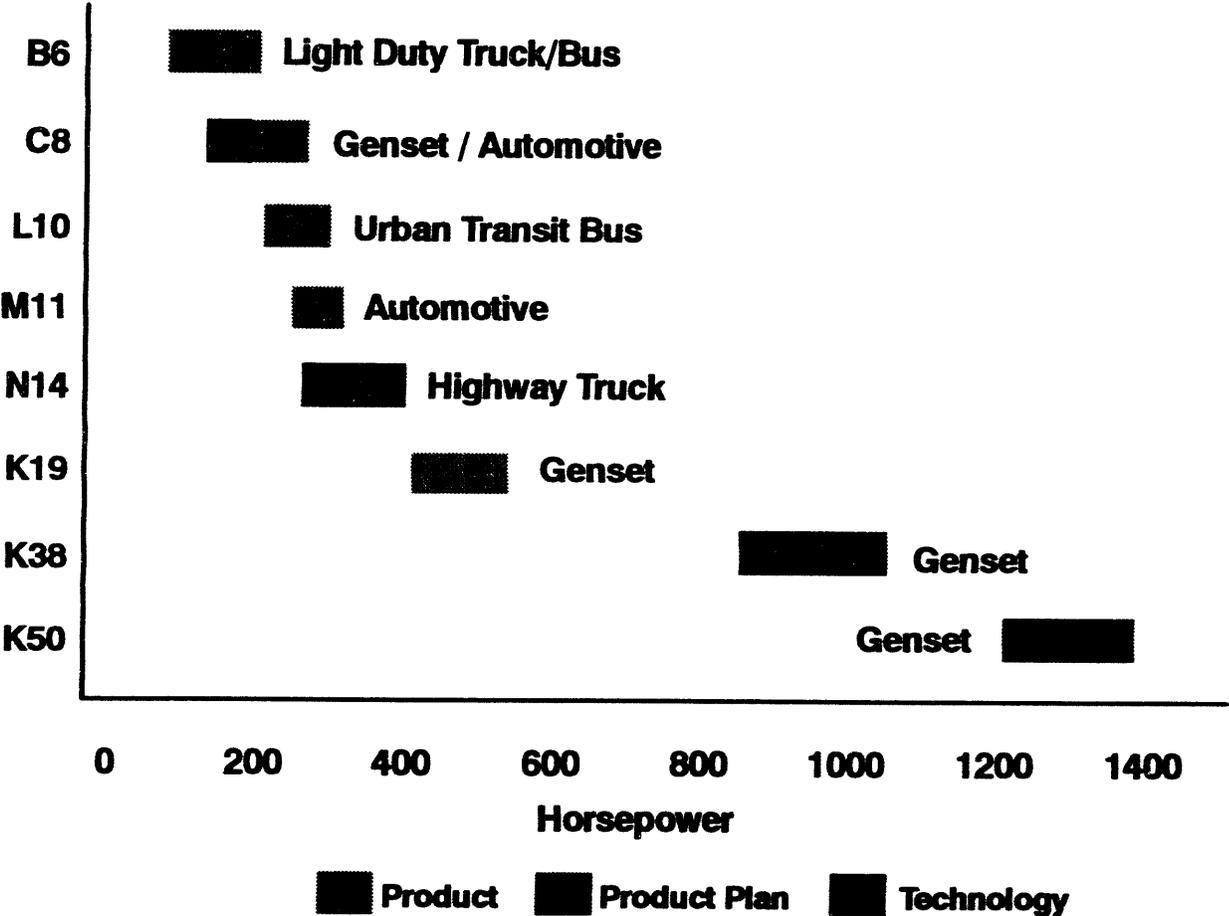
Outline

- **Cummins Product Line**
- **Natural Gas Engine Programs**
- **Technology and Product Evolution**
- **L10G Status**
 - **CARB Certification**
 - **Field Experiences**
 - **LNG Application**
 - **Current and Upcoming Developments**
- **Summary**

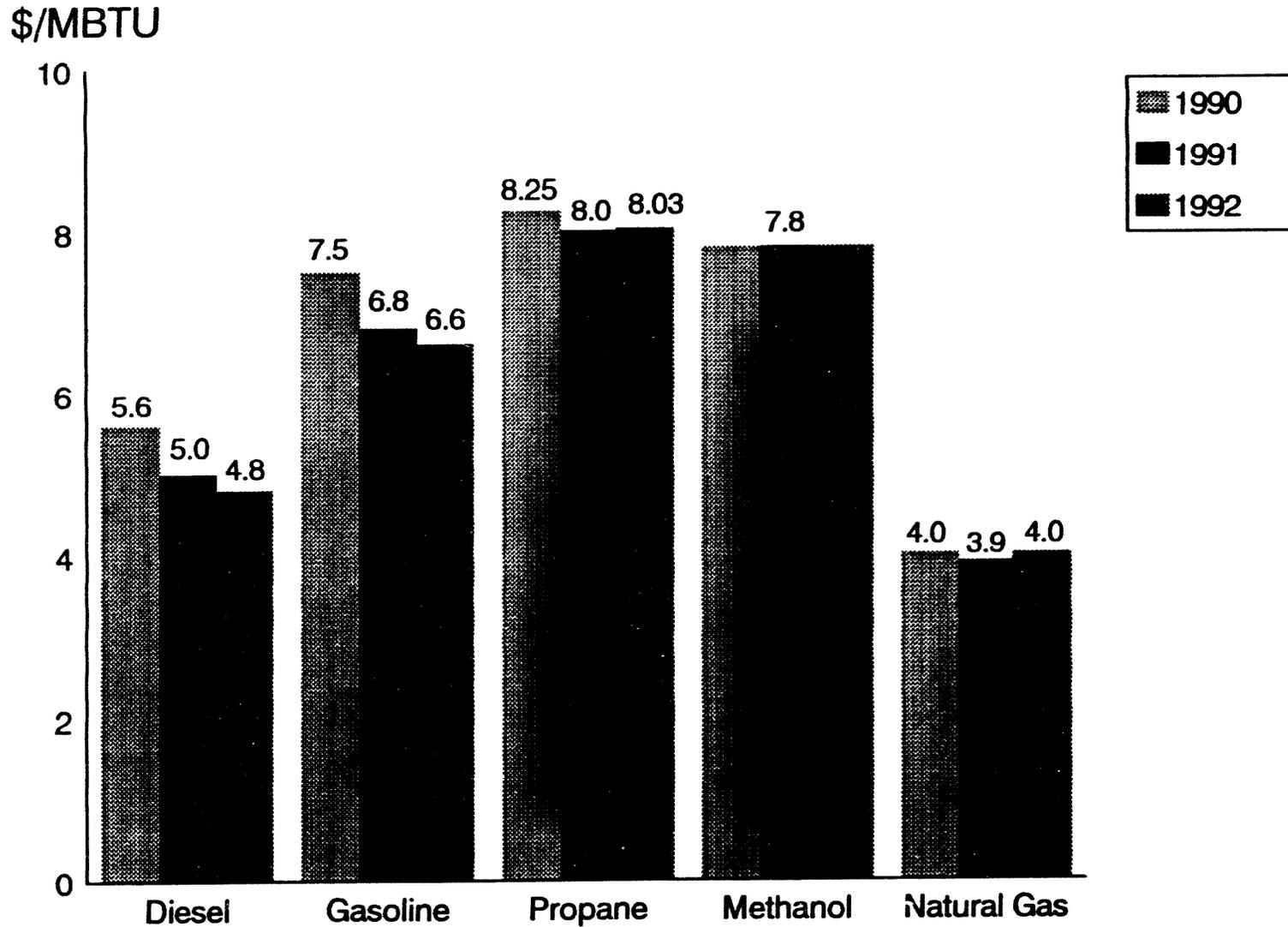
Cummins Current Product Line



Cummins SI Gas Engines Product and Technology Programs



Average Refiners Prices (Without Taxes)



Technology and Product Evolution

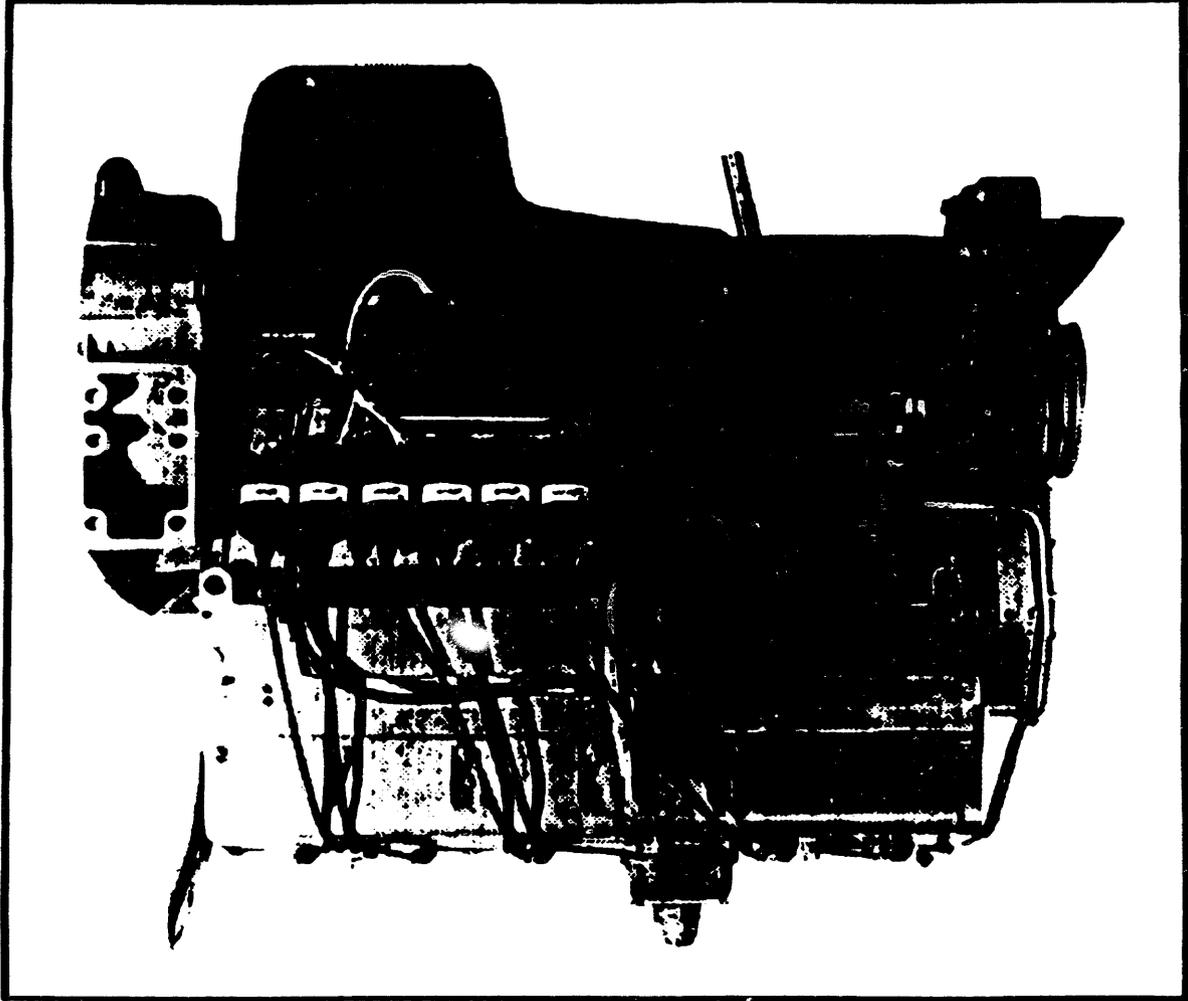
- **Current product**
 - **S.I. natural gas**
 - **Take advantage of high octane properties, broader combustion limits**
 - **Implemented lean combustion concept**
 - **Mechanical systems with limited electronic controls**
 - **Adapt available subsystems**
 - ▶ **Inherent limitations**
 - **Optimum NOx particulates trade-off**
 - **Less cost sensitivity**

Technology and Product Evolution (Cont'd)

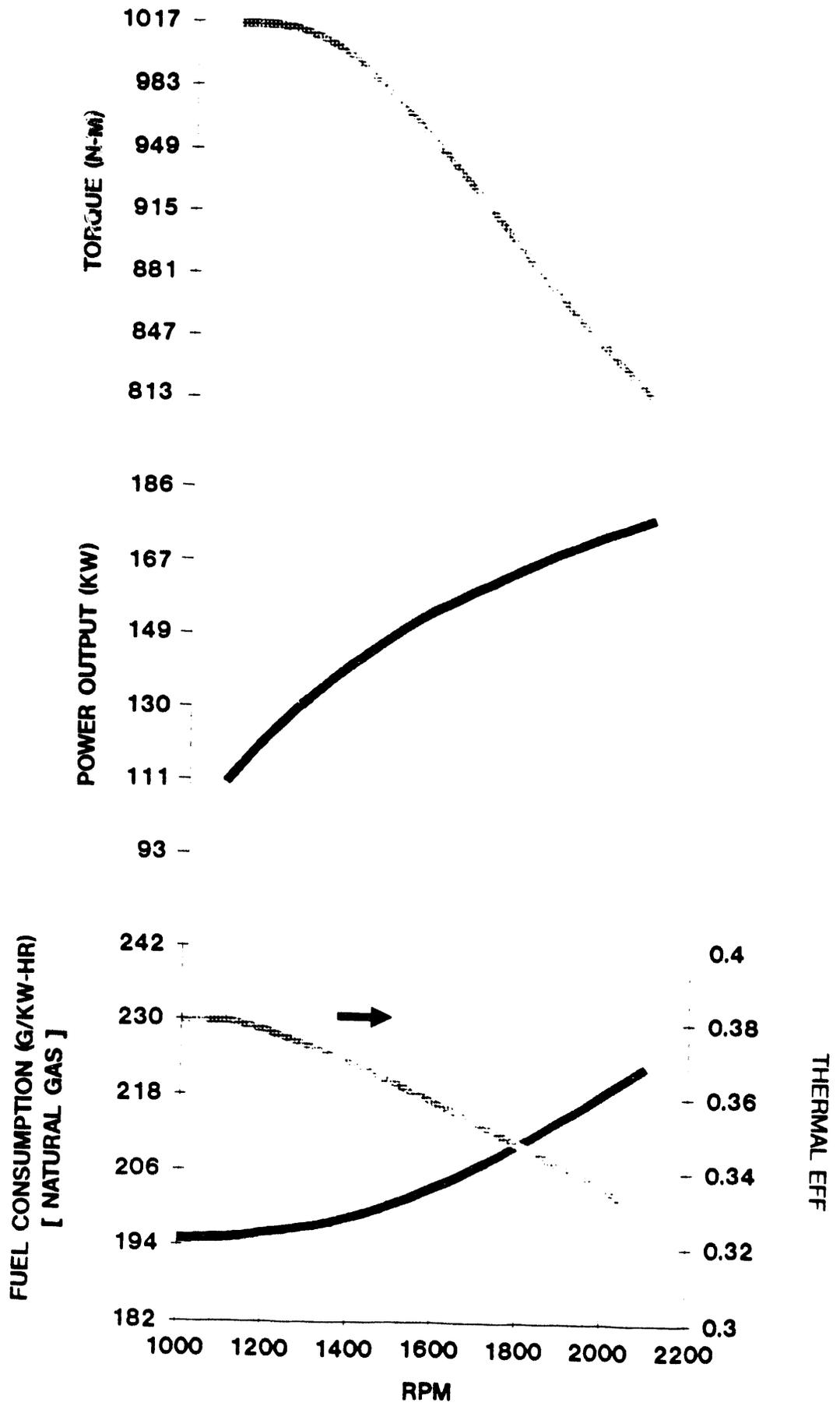
- **Next generation product**
 - **Concept solidified (use across engine families)**
 - **Integral electronic controls**
 - **Rationalize subsystem function**
 - **Design/procure to meet spec**
 - **Commonalty of subsystems/parts**
 - **ULEV emission target**
 - **Cost effective**

Current Engine Spec.

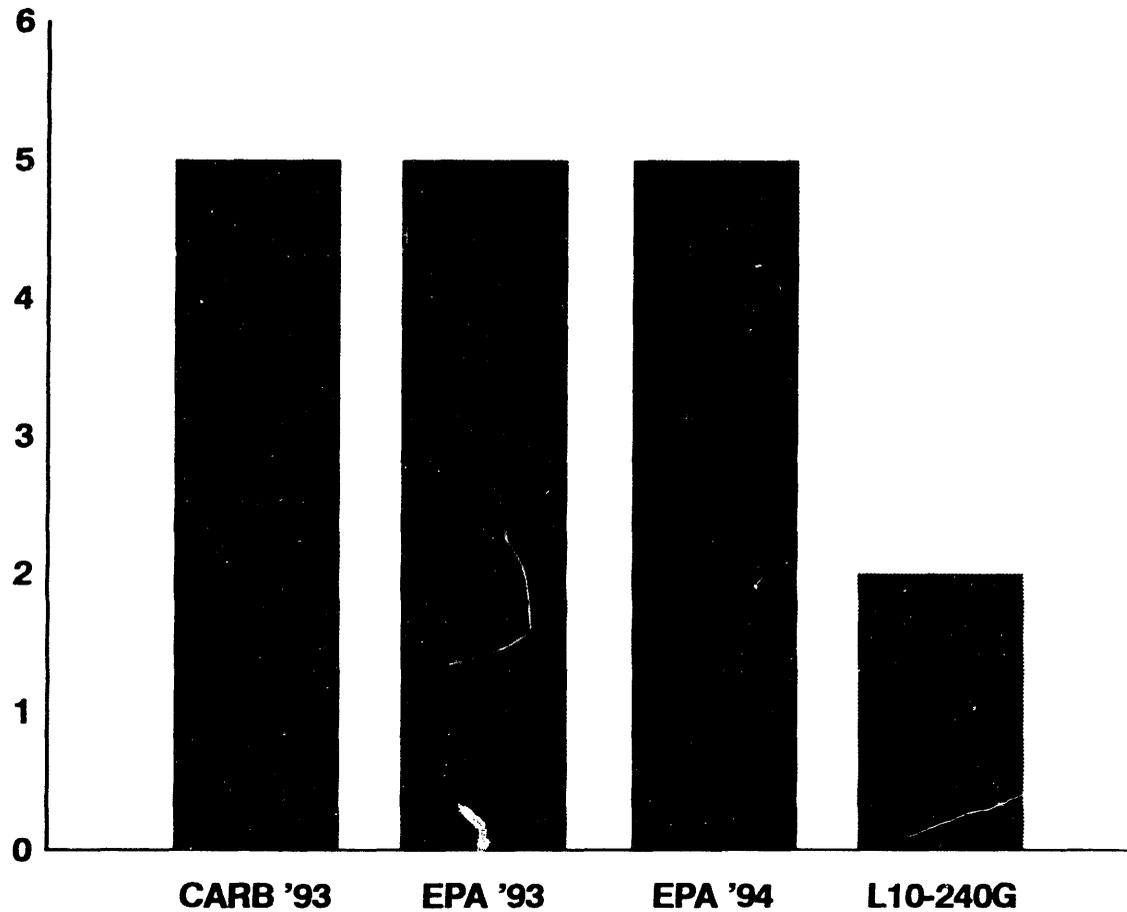
Power	240 HP
Torque	850 FT-LBS
Transmission	Automatic
Engine Cooling	Water-cooled (city bus specific)
F/A/Mixing	Mechanical
Engine Control	Limited, non-integral



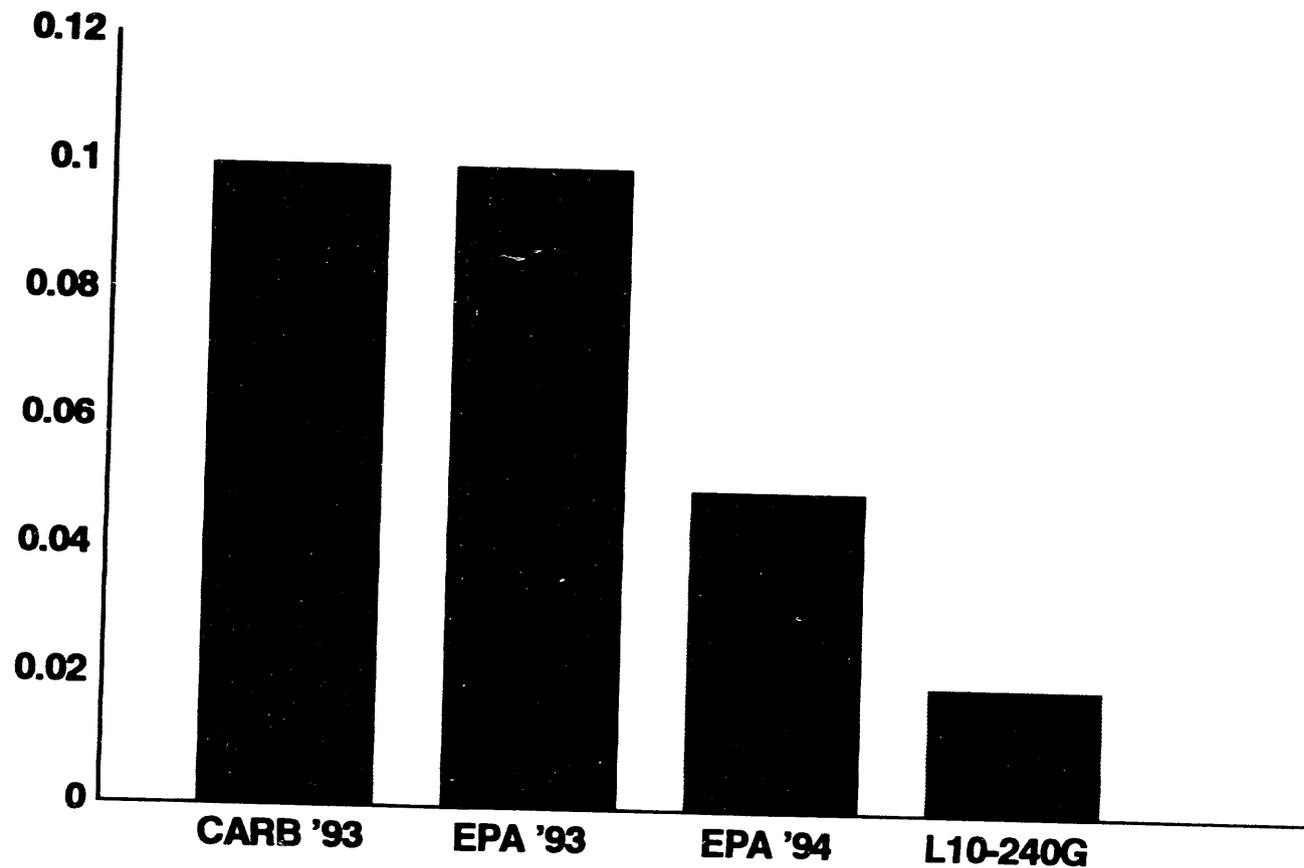
L10-240G



L10-240G NOx Emissions vs. CARB/EPA Standards



L10-240G Particulate Emissions vs. CARB/EPA Standards

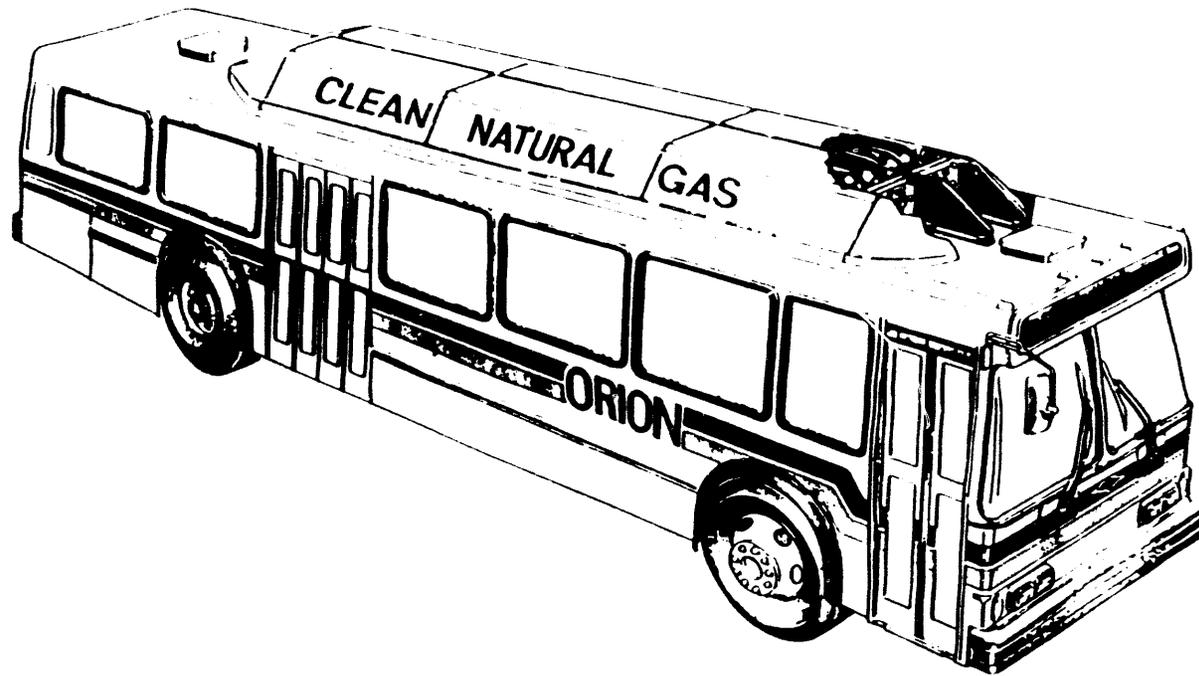


CNG L10 Engine Emissions Cert. Data

(g/bhp-hr)

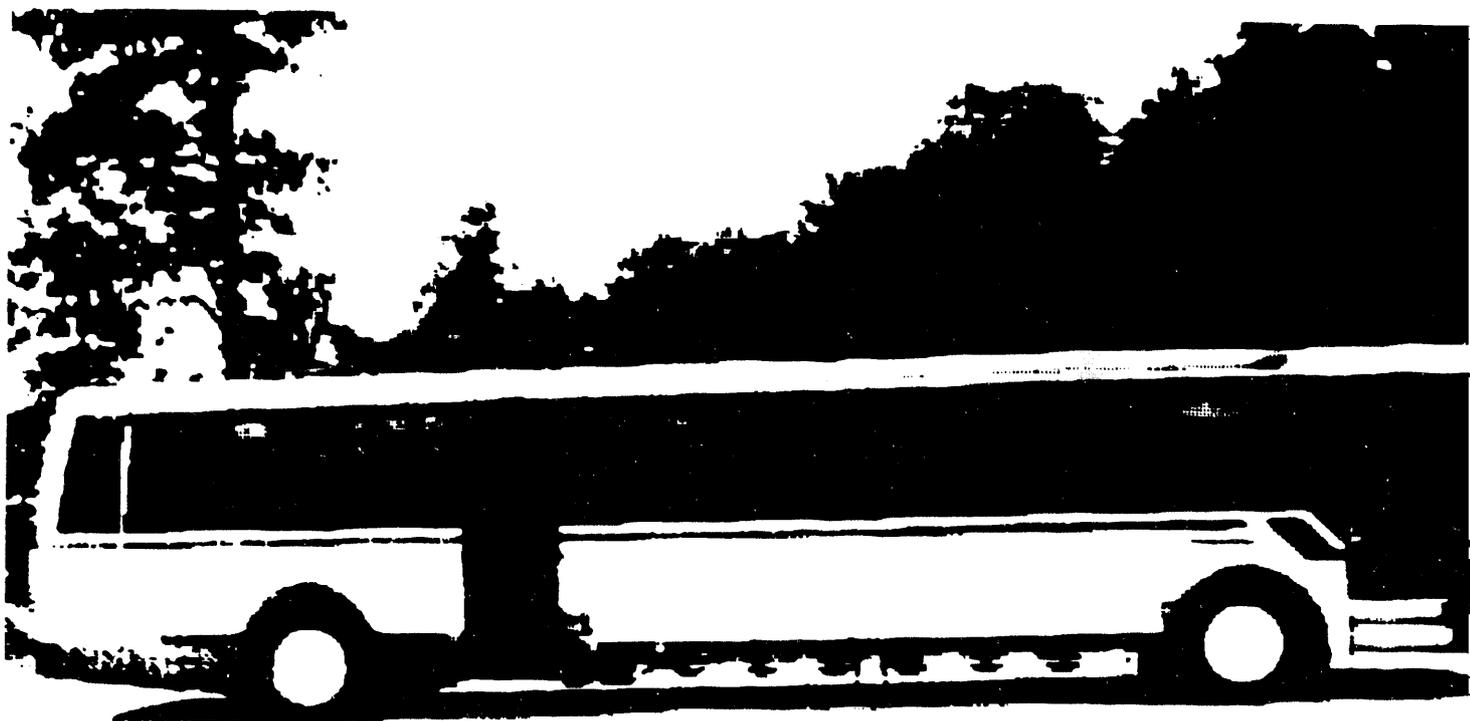
	1993 CARB Diesel NG Standards	CNG L10 Design Goals	Sacramento Requirement	CARB Certification
NOx	5.0	4.5	2.5	2.0
PM	0.1	0.06	.06	0.02
HC	1.3	0.9	.9	-
NMHC	1.2	-	<1.2	0.6
CO	15.5	4.0		0.4

* Includes DF to 290,000 miles

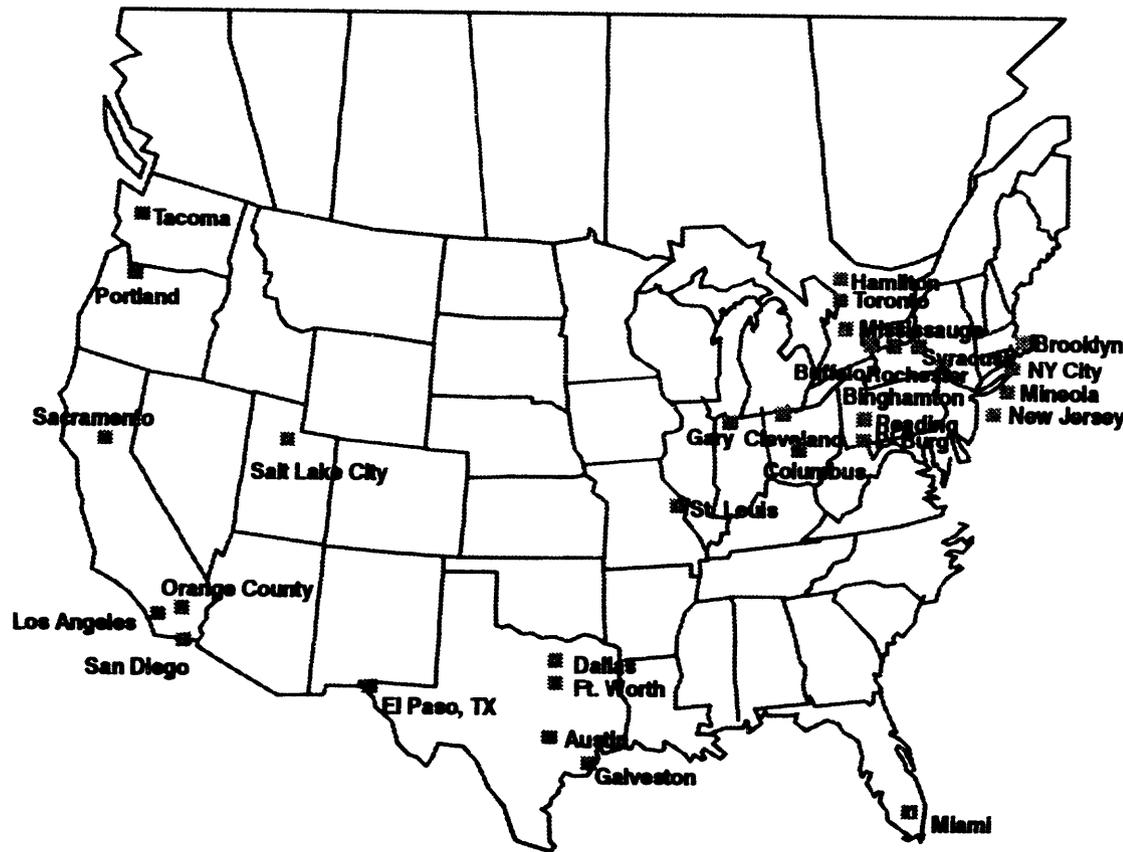


Alu Suisse Cylinders

Construction:	Al liner hoop wound with fibre tape
Size:	20 ft x 13 in
Water capacity:	395 litres
Weight:	638 lbs
Gas Volume:	3450 SCF
Gas Weight:	150 lbs
Range:	400 miles (4 tanks)



Cummins L10 Natural Gas Engine Locations



Salt Lake City, UT
 Toronto, Ont
 Los Angeles, CA
 Ft. Worth, TX
 Dallas, TX
 Cleveland, OH
 Columbus, OH
 Mississauga, Ont
 New York City, NY
 Pittsburgh, PA
 San Diego, CA
 Hamilton, Ont
 Miami, FL
 Newark, NJ
 St. Louis, MO
 Tacoma, WA
 Orange County, CA
 Galveston, TX
 Reading, PA

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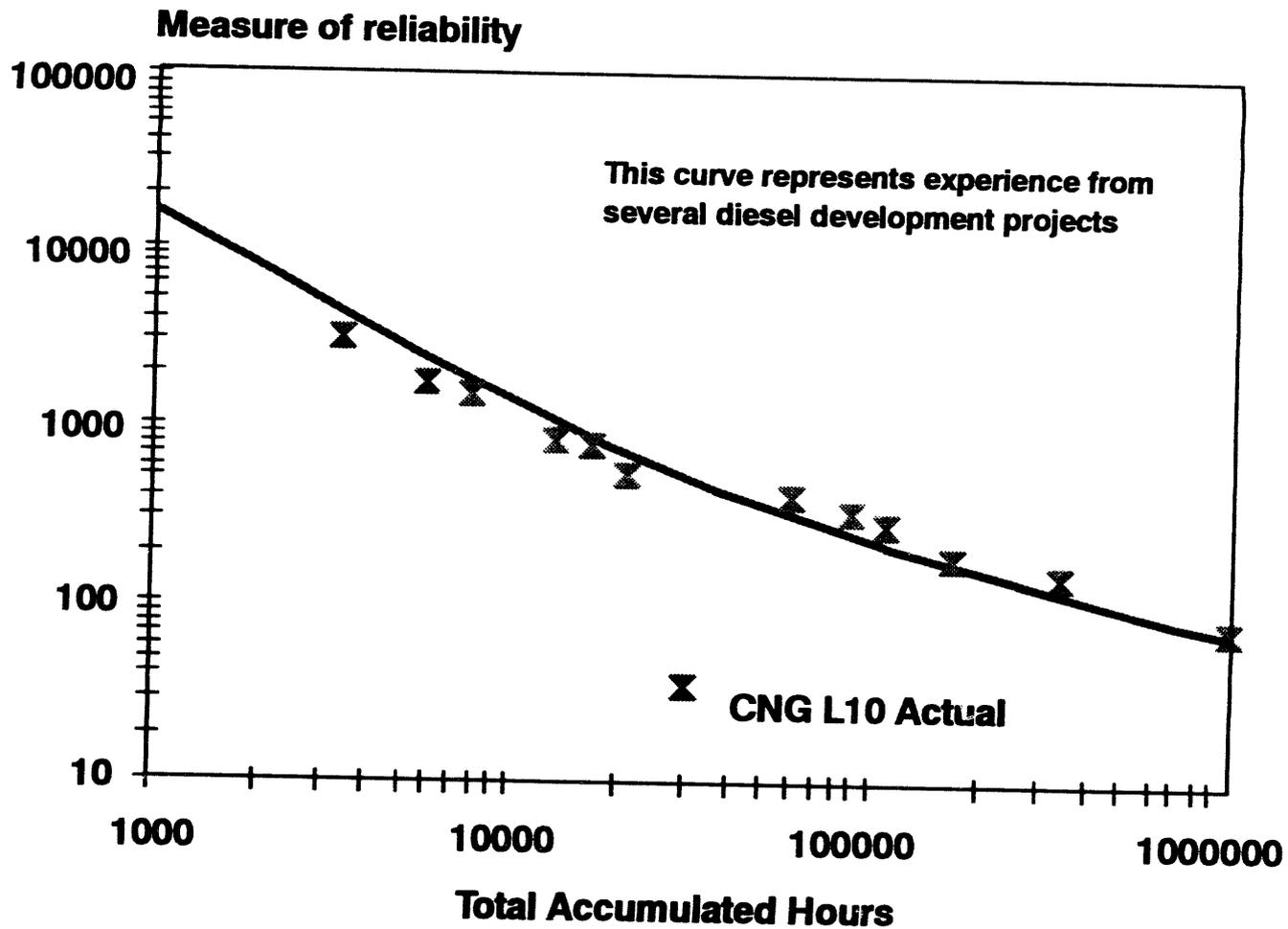
Chassis Dyno Results - Sacramento CNG10 Bus

Hot CBD Test Cycle (g/mile)*

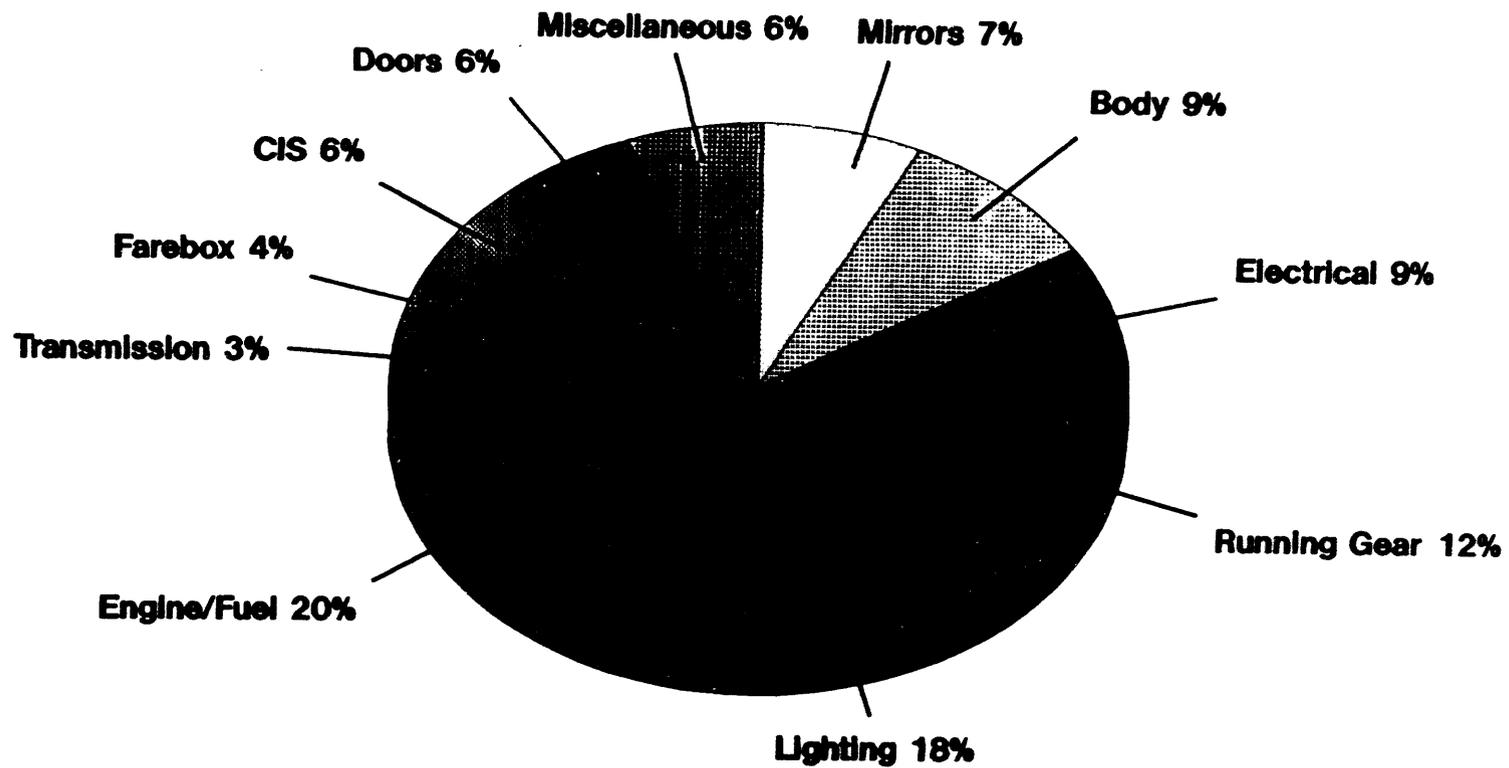
NOx	6.5
PART	.025
CO	.035
NMHC	**
CO₂	2430

* Tests at SCRTD
** Not measured

Cummins Reliability Experience



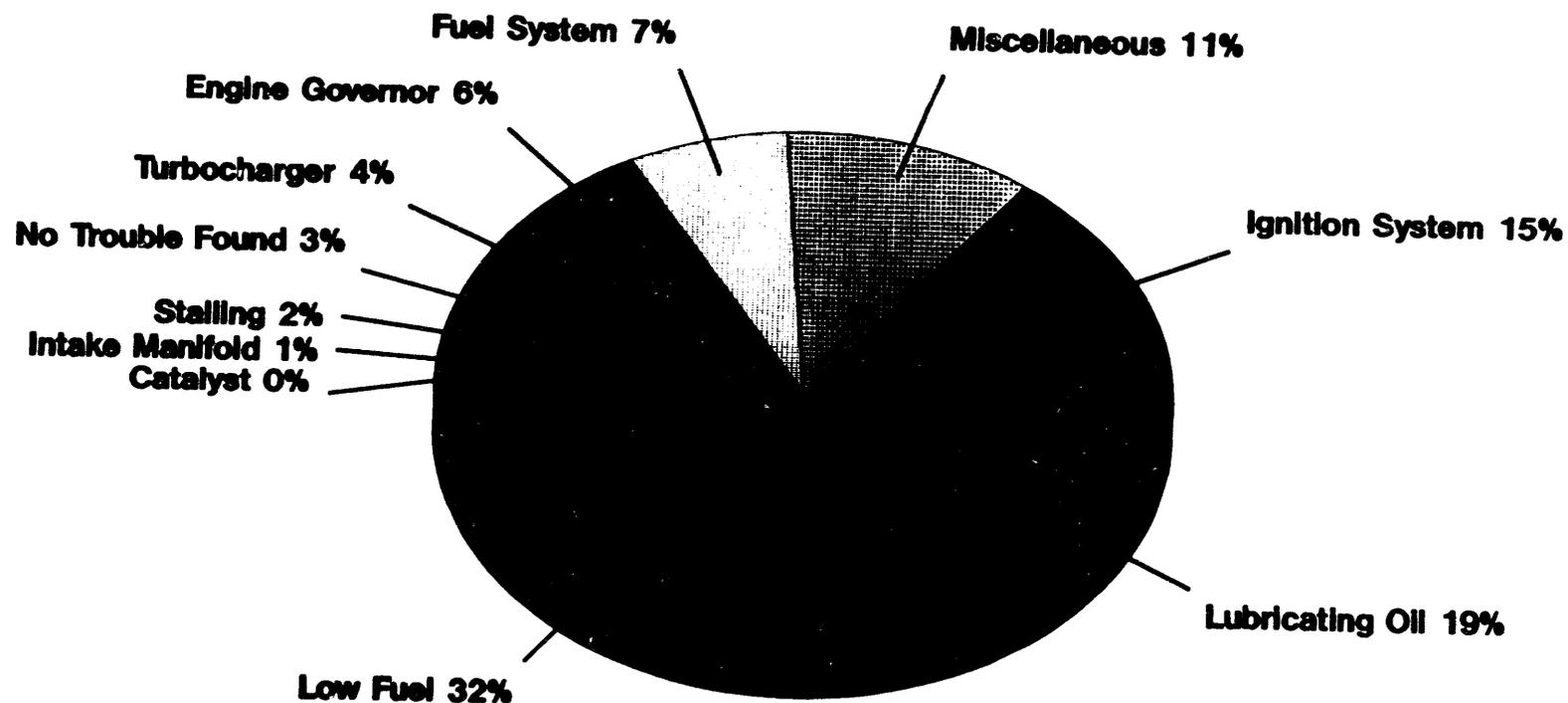
All Repairs & Inspections*



*TTC CNG Bus Operation - MTO Data

Fuel & Engine-Related Work*

(20% of all Repairs/Inspections)



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*TTC CNG Bus Operation - MTO Data

L10G Urban Engine Field Experience

- **Field engines in urban bus refuse and urban truck**
- **A total 350 engines have been built including 100 CARB certified config.**
 - **Approximately 300 engines in revenue service**
 - **Over 10,000,000 revenue miles**
 - **Repeat orders**

L10G Urban Engine Field Experience (Cont.d)

- **L10 G engine reliability approaching L10 diesel bus engine**
- **Durability goals B10 - 250K miles; B50-350K miles**
- **Fuel economy ~ 2.5 - 3.8 MPG equivalent diesel**
- **Oil consumption ~ 350-600 MPQ equal or better than diesel**

LNG Application

- **Opportunity for fuel quality control**
- **Fuel storage medium needs to be transparent to the engine operation**
- **Standardize components, test schedule, manufacturing costs**
- **Envision low pressure delivery system**

LNG Application (Cont'd.)

- **A/F ratio and fuel rate must be managed to maintain engine operation within the design spec. Necessary for emissions, performance and durability**
- **Systems evaluation planned/on-going in laboratory and in field**
 - **Gillig buses in Portland, OR**
 - **Overnite truck in Roanoke, VA**
- **Develop general application specifications for the OEM's**

Current Development Issues

- **Sub-system issues**
 - **Ignition system performance including plug life**
 - **Fuel delivery system sensitivity**
 - **Governor control stability**
 - **Wastegate accumulator drain service requirement**
 - **Turbocharger wastegate control**
 - **Catalyst thermal fatigue**
 - **OEM/engine wiring interface**

Developments Perspective

- **Current Product Enhancements**
 - **Digital governing**
 - ▶ **Electronic wastegate control**
 - ▶ **Engine protection**
 - ▶ **Direct electronic link to transmission**
 - ▶ **Fault code logging**
 - **Shorter plug wire length**
 - **260 HP rating**

- **Future Product**
 - **Rated at 300 HP and 900 lb-ft peak torque**
 - **ULEV emissions**
 - **Full authority electronic control**
 - **LNG/CNG compatible**
 - **All automotive markets**

Summary

- **Focused NG product development across engine product lines**
- **Implemented new technologies and concepts**
- **Current product L10 G CARB certified close to 1998 ULEV standards. Low NOx emissions on CBD cycle**
- **Next generation of products planned for mid 90's**

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- Q. Robert Alvey, Brooklyn Union Natural Gas: What type of governor is being used on the current L10 engines?**
- A. Most of the engines are using the analog version. There are about six digital governors operating in buses in Ontario to gain experience with this newer type.**
- Q. Morrie Kirshenblatt, Environment Canada: Can you elaborate on the catalyst thermal fatigue that was mentioned?**
- A. Using an oxidation catalyst, unburned natural gas in the exhaust occasionally causes excessive thermal load. This can occur when the vehicle is coasting downhill. We are working on ways to handle the problem.**
- Q. Anonymous: Question inaudible.**
- A. A typical bus engine averages 25 to 30 thousand miles per year, and average speed is 10 to 12 miles per hour.**
- Q. Anonymous: What was the NOx deterioration factor?**
- A. We found no deterioration in NOx emissions. Based on emissions tests at intervals of 250 hours operation up to 1000 hours, the NOx data actually showed a negative slope.**

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**DDC ALTERNATIVE FUEL PRODUCT EXPERIENCE
AND FURTHER DEVELOPMENT**

**S.P. Miller
Detroit Diesel Corporation**

DDC ALTERNATE FUEL ENGINES

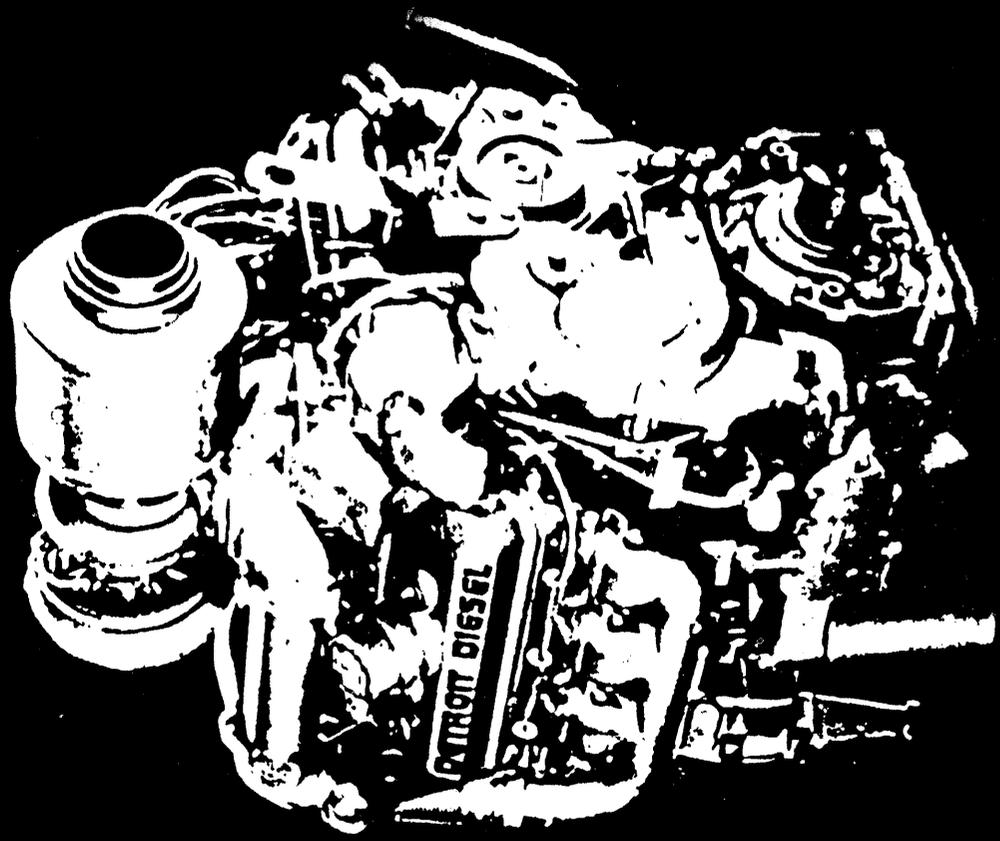
IN SERVICE

	<u>METHANOL</u>	<u>ETHANOL</u>	<u>CNG</u>	<u>LNG</u>
TRUCKS	7	5	2	0
BUSES	454	21	38	15 30

DELIVERIES IN PROCESS

TRUCKS	0	4	2	0
BUSES	108	3	16	180

6V-92TA ALCOHOL FUELED ENGINE



METHANOL ENGINE EMISSIONS

	G/HP-HR			
	HC	CO	NOx	PM
1998 TRUCK STANDARDS	1.3	15.5	4.0	0.10
METHANOL ENGINE CERTIFICATION RESULTS	0.08	2.0	1.7	0.03

METHANOL ENGINE DATA

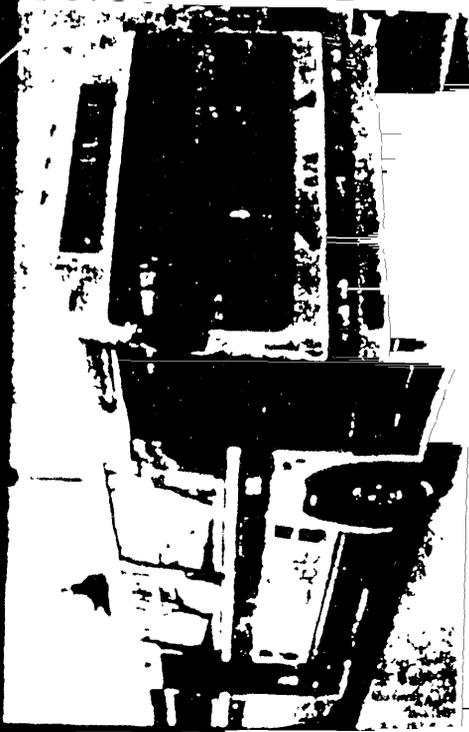
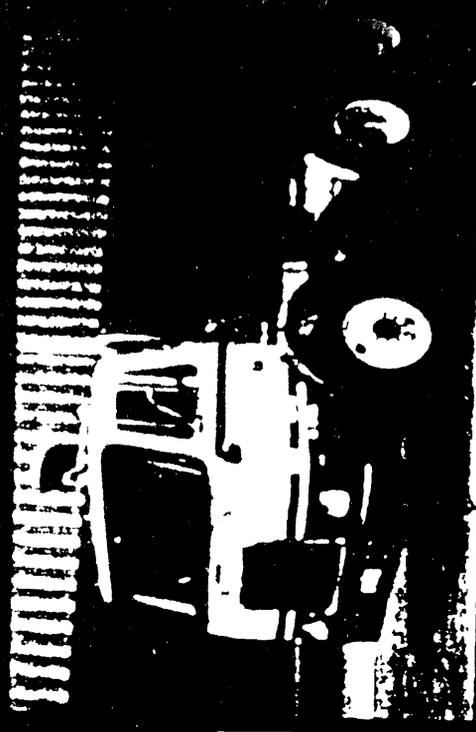
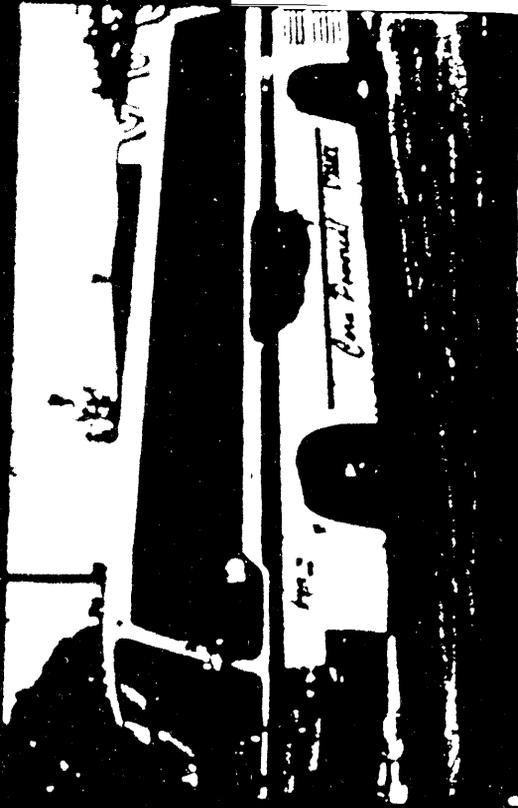
	<u>BUSES</u>	<u>TRUCKS</u>
NUMBER OF UNITS	454	7
TOTAL MILES	>10 MILLION	>250,000
ENERGY CONSUMPTION RATIO (METHANOL : DIESEL)	1.03 - 1.30	1.0 - 1.20
TANK VOLUME VS. DIESEL FOR EQUAL RANGE: 2.3 - 2.7 X GREATER		

METHANOL ENGINE APPLICATIONS



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ETHANOL ENGINE APPLICATIONS



ETHANOL ENGINE EMISSIONS

	G/HP-HR			
	HC	CO	NOx	PM
1998 TRUCK STD.	1.3	15.5	4.0	0.10
ETHANOL ENGINE CERTIFICATION RESULTS	0.7	1.7	4.2	0.04
ETHANOL ENGINE DEVELOPMENT RESULTS	0.3	1.7	3.7	0.04

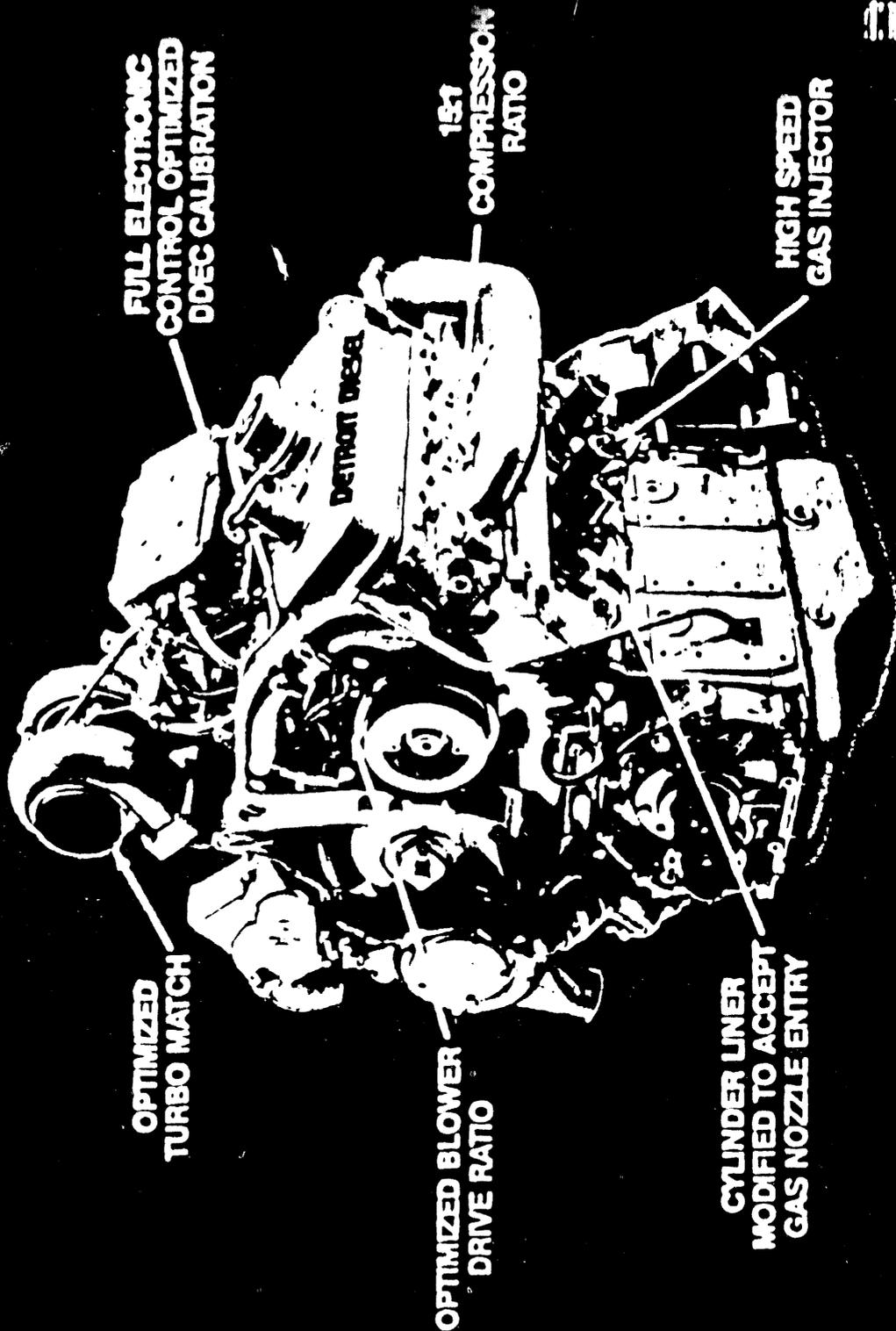
ETHANOL ENGINE DATA

	<u>BUSES</u>	<u>TRUCKS</u>
NUMBER OF UNITS	21	5
TOTAL MILES	400,000	430,000
ENERGY CONSUMPTION RATIO (ETHANOL : DIESEL)	1.0 - 1.1	1.0 - 1.1
TANK VOLUME VS. DIESEL FOR EQUAL RANGE: 1.7 - 1.9 X GREATER		

DETROIT DIESEL CORPORATION NATURAL GAS ENGINE PROGRAM

- **PILOT IGNITION 6V-92TA**
- **DIRECT INJECTION 6V-92TA**
- **SPARK IGNITION S-50**
- **SPARK IGNITION S-30**

PILOT IGNITION NATURAL GAS BUS ENGINE



PILOT IGNITION NATURAL GAS ENGINE EMISSIONS DEVELOPMENT RESULTS

	G/HP-HR			
	HC	CO	NOx	PM
1994 BUS STD.	1.3	15.5	5.0	.07
PI-NG ENGINE	0.9	0.3	4.8	0.07

PILOT IGNITION NATURAL GAS ENGINE

	<u>BUSES</u>	<u>TRUCKS</u>
NUMBER OF UNITS	108	2
TOTAL MILES	1.5 MILLION	60,000
ENERGY CONSUMPTION RATIO (NATURAL GAS : DIESEL)	1.05	1.05

TANK VOLUME VS. DIESEL
FOR EQUAL RANGE:

CNG - 4.7 × GREATER

LNG - 1.7 × GREATER

ALTERNATE FUEL DURABILITY EXPERIENCE

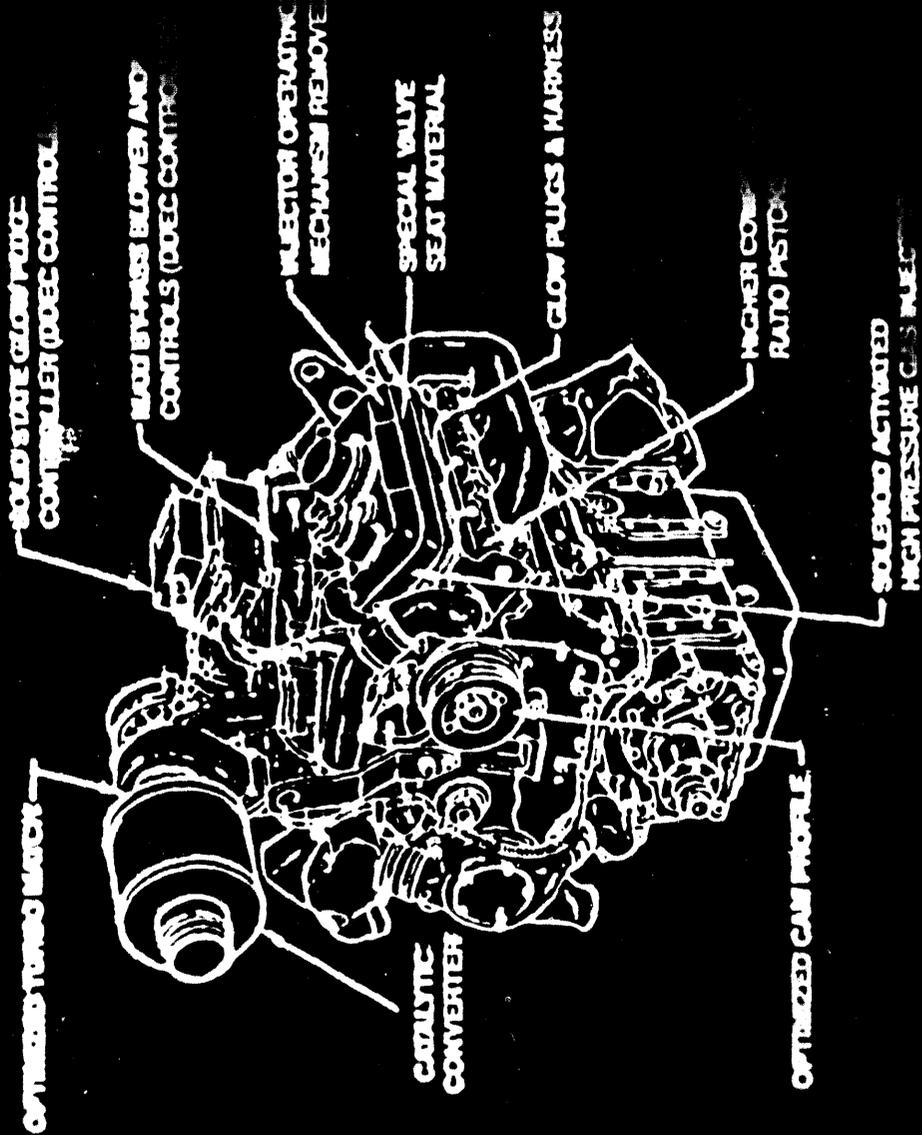
	<u>METHANOL</u>	<u>ETHANOL</u>	<u>NATURAL GAS</u>
MAXIMUM MILES ON ROAD	185,000	112,000	83,000
TEARDOWN INSPECTION @ 100,000 MILES	YES	-	-

METHANOL TEARDOWN RESULTS

- **RING & LINER WEAR EQUAL TO DIESEL**
- **BEARING WEAR SLIGHTLY HIGHER
THAN DIESEL**

DIRECT INJECTION NATURAL GAS BUS ENGINE

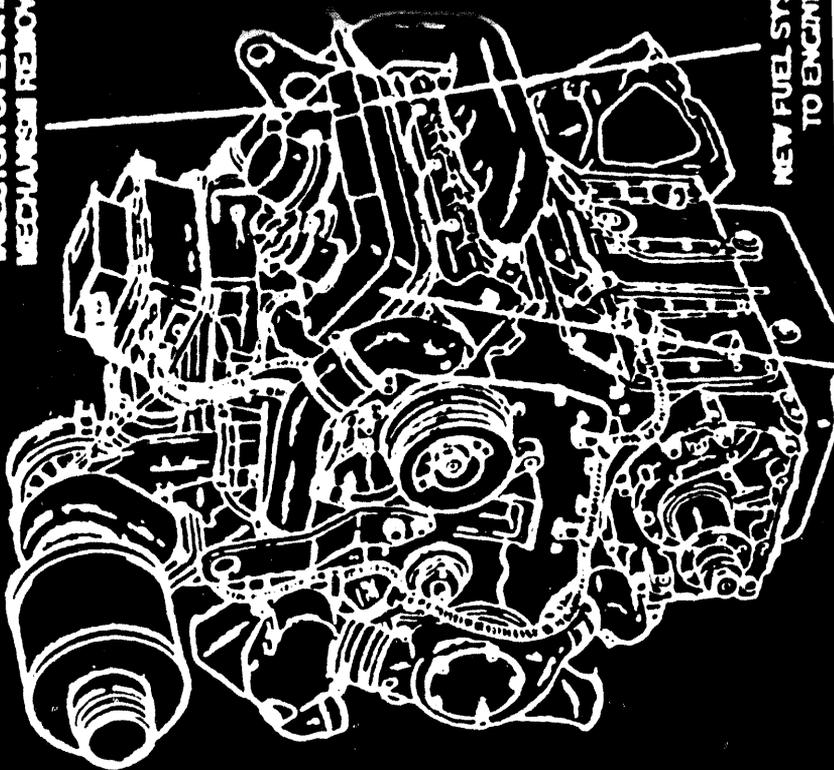
HARDWARE CHANGES vs. DIESEL



DIRECT INJECTION NATURAL GAS BUS ENGINE

HARDWARE CHANGES VS. METHANOL

INJECTOR OPERATING
MECHANISM REMOVE



NEW FUEL SYSTEM
TO ENGINE

DIRECT INJECTION NATURAL GAS ENGINE EMISSIONS

	G/HP-HR			
	HC	CO	NOx	PM
1994 STANDARD	1.3	15.5	5.0	0.10
1998 STANDARD	1.3	15.5	4.0	0.10
DI-NG EMISSION TARGETS	0.6	2.0	2.5	0.05

FAMILY OF SI-NG ENGINES

<u>MODEL</u>	<u>DISPLACEMENT (LITERS)</u>	<u>HP RANGE</u>	<u>EPA CLASS</u>
S-30G (NAVISTAR V8)	7.3	200-250	LIGHT-HEAVY
S-40G (NAVISTAR I-6)	8.7	250-300	MEDIUM-HEAVY
S-50G	8.5	250-300	HEAVY-HEAVY
S-60G	12.7	300-400	HEAVY-HEAVY

GENERAL SI-NG ENGINE FEATURES

- **LEAN BURN COMBUSTION TECHNOLOGY**
- **COMPRESSION RATIO 10:1**
- **AIR-TO-AIR CHARGE COOLING**
- **TURBOCHARGED WITH WASTEGATE CONTROL**
- **ELECTRONIC IGNITION, INJECTION AND THROTTLE CONTROLLED THROUGH DDEC**
- **FULL DDEC CAPABILITIES**

DEVELOPMENT STATUS

S-50G

- LEAD DEVELOPMENT ENGINE IN FAMILY
- IMPRESSIVE EFFICIENCY, KNOCK-FREE PERFORMANCE AT HIGH POWER DENSITY DEMONSTRATED
- FIRST ENGINE DELIVERED FOR CUSTOMER DEMO APRIL 9, 1993
- TARGETED START OF FULL PRODUCTION APRIL 1, 1994

S-30G

- AGREEMENT SIGNED WITH NAVISTAR FOR DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION & MARKETING OF THIS ENGINE
- BASELINE DEVELOPMENT DONE AT RICARDO
- TEST SCHOOL BUS INSTALLATION COMPLETED IN JUNE, 1992
- TARGETED START OF FULL PRODUCTION JANUARY 1, 1995

4-71T METHANOL ENGINE

- # PROGRAM FUNDED BY THE SCAQMD
- # USES METHANOL + AVOCET IGNITION IMPROVER
- # BASED ON LAC-MTA 6V-92 M + A EXPERIENCE
- # COMPONENT CHANGES TO MINIMIZE THE AMOUNT OF AVOCET REQUIRED
 - 23:1 COMPRESSION RATIO
 - LOWER DISPLACEMENT BLOWER
- # HIGH OUTPUT MUI INJECTORS DELIVER 160 HP
- # APPLICATIONS TO DATE
 - GENERATOR SET
 - AIRPORT SHUTTLE BUS
- # FOLLOW ON PROGRAM UNDERWAY TO DEVELOP DDEC VERSION @ 200 HP FOR PORT OF LONG BEACH YARD TRACTORS

8V-92TA ETHANOL TRUCK ENGINE

- **DEVELOPMENT-ONLY PROGRAM FUNDED BY THE GREAT LAKES GOVERNORS COUNCIL**
- **BASED ON THE 6V-92TA ETHANOL ENGINE (USES THE SAME PISTONS, INJECTORS, GLOW PLUG CONTROLLERS, ETC.)**
- **USES CYLINDER HEADS & BYPASS BLOWER FROM HIGH OUTPUT MILITARY DIESEL ENGINE**
- **STATUS - CONTRACT AWARDED IN MAY, ACTIVITY JUST BEGINNING**

SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS AND SPEAKER RESPONSES

DDC ALTERNATIVE FUEL PRODUCT EXPERIENCE AND FURTHER DEVELOPMENT

S.P. Miller, Detroit Diesel Corporation

- Q.** Robert Last, FEV of America: Could you comment on maximum thermal efficiency observed? Also, how does thermal efficiency change at part load operation compared to a conventional diesel engine?
- A.** The peak thermal efficiency was about 30 to 40 percent which is slightly less than the diesel at full load. However, as load decreases, the thermal efficiency of the gas engine is slightly better than the diesel engine.
- Q.** Ron Bright, Ford Motor Co. Canada: Is your work with liquefied natural gas related to the availability of fuel in Texas?
- A.** The main factor is that Houston Metro has selected LNG as a test fuel with potential for being used for their entire fleet. They have arranged for a fuel supply near Houston. Our work is being done to respond to a customer request.
- Q.** Joseph Wagner, NYSERDA: What is the commercial potential for the direct injection engine?
- A.** We need to demonstrate reliability of the engine. We would expect this technology to be used in off-highway applications of the larger engines.
- Q.** What about transit bus applications?
- A.** We will have competing technologies for awhile and the outcome depends on a lot of things such as engine cost and fuel efficiency.
- Q.** Anonymous: Are you testing vegetable oils or bio-diesel fuels?
- A.** Yes, we are working with esterified vegetable oil as possible blending agents. They add oxygen to the diesel fuel to reduce particulates in the exhaust. They may also increase the NOx emissions although injection timing adjustment can compensate for that effect. We have also tested bio-diesel as pilot fuel for ignition of natural gas.
- Q.** Mostafa Kamel, Cummins Engine Co.: Could you comment on pressure levels for LNG injection?
- A.** There are a couple of candidate fuel systems being developed, tentatively with 50 to 70 psi pressure range.

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**DEDICATED NATURAL GAS ENGINES FOR
ON-HIGHWAY APPLICATIONS
"THE NATURAL CHOICE"**

**K. Boyer
Hercules Engine Company**

NOVEMBER 25, 1992

HERCULES ENGINES, INC.

TO

HERCULES ENGINE COMPANY

HERCULES ENGINE COMPANY

- Located in Canton, Ohio
- Founded in 1915
- Manufacturers of Diesel, Gasoline, LPG and Natural Gas engines
- After sale support provided by a Distributor - Dealer network in the United States and Canada.
- Hercules' engines can be found in a number of Industrial and On-highway applications

HERCULES ENGINE COMPANY
"THE NATURAL CHOICE"

ENGINE MODEL GTA 5.6

- Dedicated natural gas engine
- 5.6 liter (339 cubic inch) displacement
- 6 cylinder, in-line configuration
- Turbocharged and aftercooled (air to air)
- 190 horsepower at 2800 rpm
- 460 lbs./ft. of torque at 1500 rpm

HERCULES ENGINE COMPANY

"THE NATURAL CHOICE"

ENGINE DEVELOPMENT BACKGROUND - GTA 5.6

■ **STARTED IN 1989 WITH G.R.I. CO-FUNDING**

■ **PROJECT OBJECTIVES**

- Similar power rating to
current diesel rating
- Low emissions
- Engine component commonality

HERCULES ENGINE COMPANY

"THE NATURAL CHOICE"

ENGINE DEVELOPMENT BACKGROUND - GTA 5.6

	EPA 1991 Diesel	Hercules Natural Gas
NOx	5.0	1.68
THC	1.8	13.7
NMHC	N/A	1.3
CO	15.5	3.6
PM	0.25	0.1

- Success stimulated further development

HERCULES ENGINE COMPANY

"THE NATURAL CHOICE"

ENGINE DEVELOPMENT BACKGROUND - GTA 5.6

■ MECHANICAL REFINEMENTS

- Iron plated piston crown
- Revised piston skirt profile
- Reduced oil consumption ring set
- Modified valve stem oil seals
- Electronic fuel-ignition control

HERCULES ENGINE COMPANY

"THE NATURAL CHOICE"

ENGINE DEVELOPMENT

BACKGROUND - GTA 5.6

■ KEY TO LOWEST EMISSIONS

- Cyl. to Cyl. air/fuel ratio consistency

■ FUEL SYSTEM

- Electronic air/fuel ratio control

■ IGNITION SYSTEM

- 12 volt, capacitive discharge

HERCULES ENGINE COMPANY

"THE NATURAL CHOICE"

ENGINE DEVELOPMENT BACKGROUND - GTA 5.6

■ DEVELOPMENT SUB-CONTRACTORS

- ORTECH International
- Southwest Research Institute

■ FINAL CONFIGURATION

- Primarily diesel components
- Open loop electronic fuel
and ignition control
- 10:1 Compression ratio pistons
- Lean burn combustion

TRANSIENT EMISSION TESTING

ENGINE OUT EMISSIONS

Grams/Hp/Hr.

	GTA 5.6	1994 CARB
NOx	1.56	5.0
THC	3.97	1.3
NMHC	0.76	1.2
CO	2.09	15.5
PM	0.06	0.1

HERCULES ENGINE COMPANY
MODEL GTA 5.6

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

EXECUTIVE ORDER

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HERCULES ENGINE COMPANY

MODEL GTA 5.6

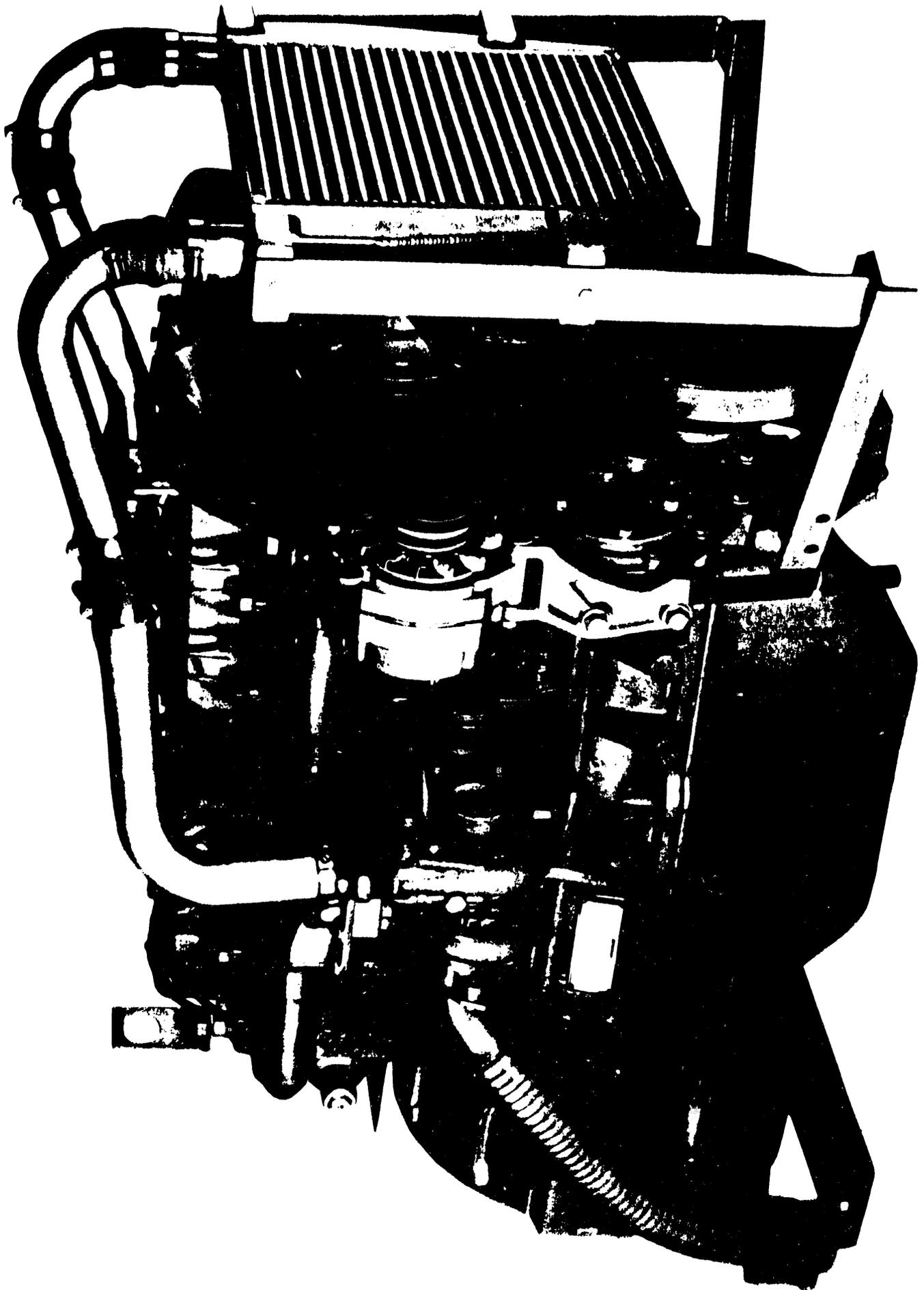
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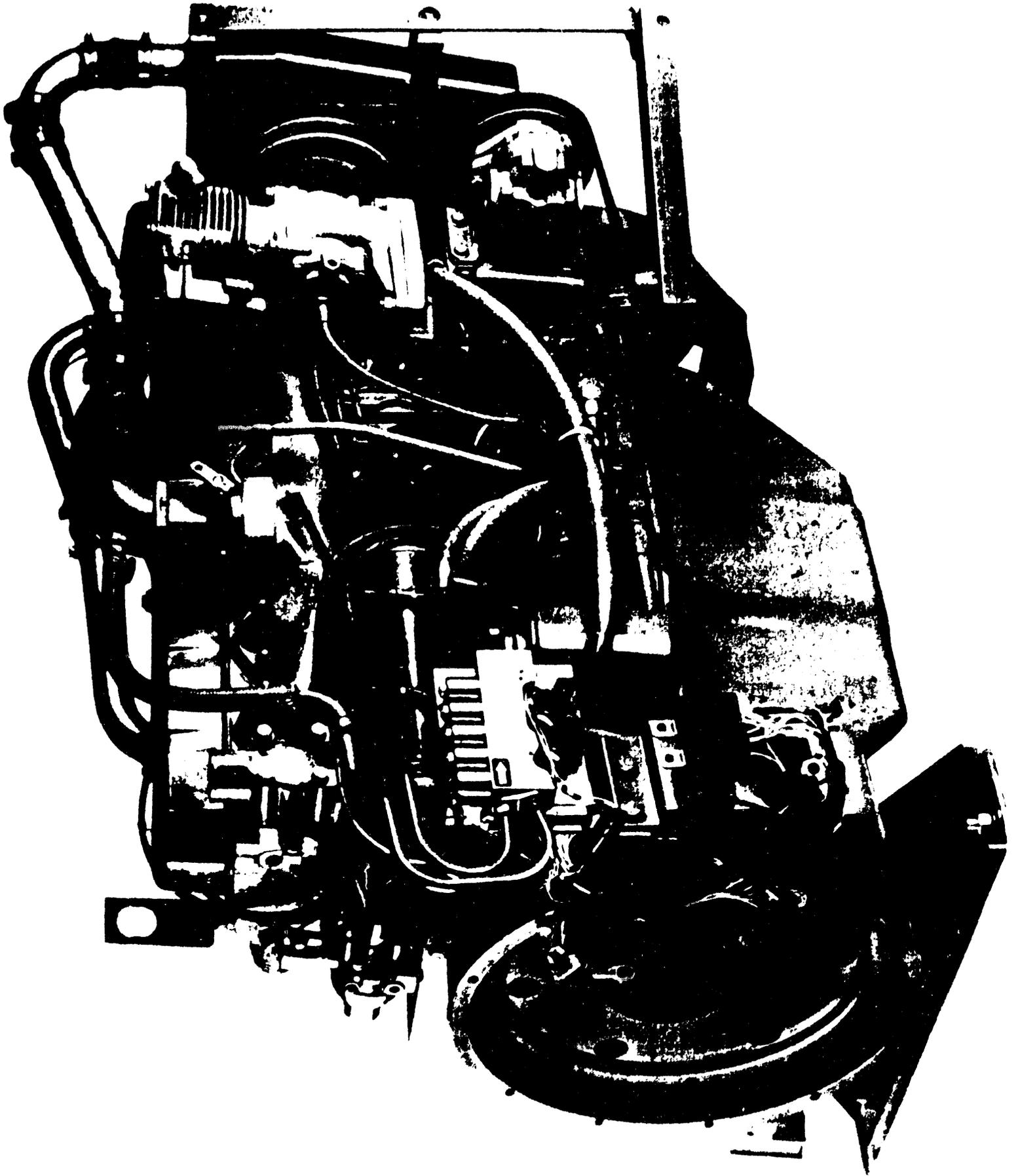
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HERCULES ENGINE COMPANY

***GTA 5.6
WARRANTY***

- **TWO YEARS**
- **UNLIMITED MILAGE**
- **100% PARTS & LABOR**



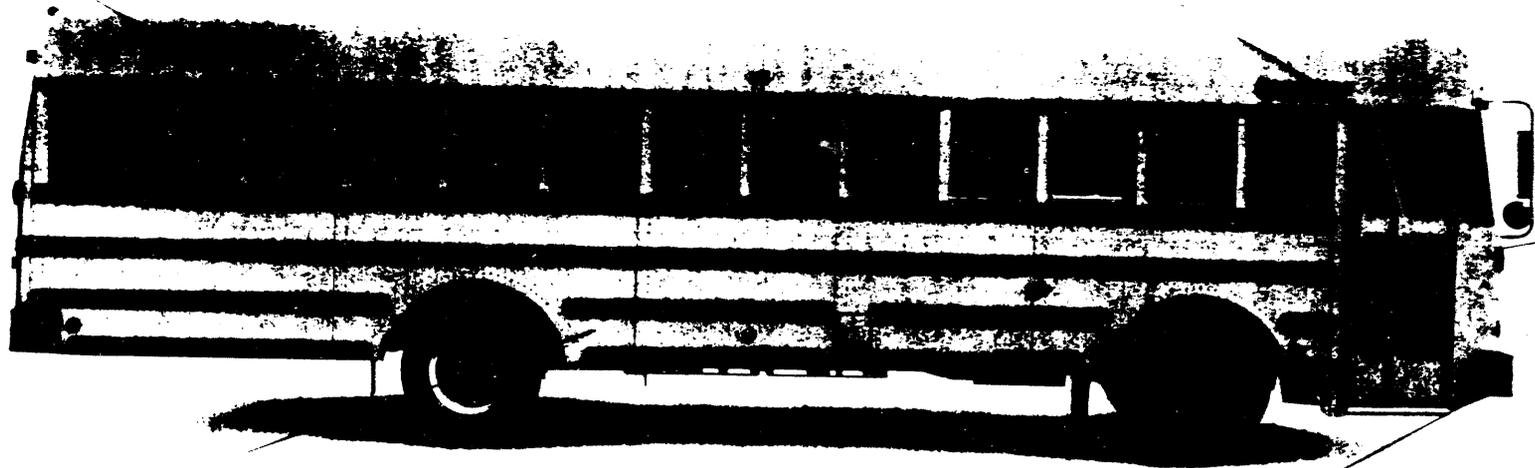


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Extra-large, aluminum split sash (left) passenger windows open fully to provide ample escape exits in case of an emergency.

A panoramic windshield combined with forward placement of the driver's seat and a flat-faced front end, maximizes the driver's field of vision.

Electric-powered windshield wipers keep the windshield clear in rain or snow.



Deep side skirts accommodate large underfloor storage compartments which make Counselor well suited for transporting students to out-of-town school activities.

A wraparound, 12-inch bumper provides added protection in the event of a front-end collision.

The front grill and dual-maintenance panels can be removed without tools for easy access to electrical components, heaters, windshield washers and other front-end maintenance components.

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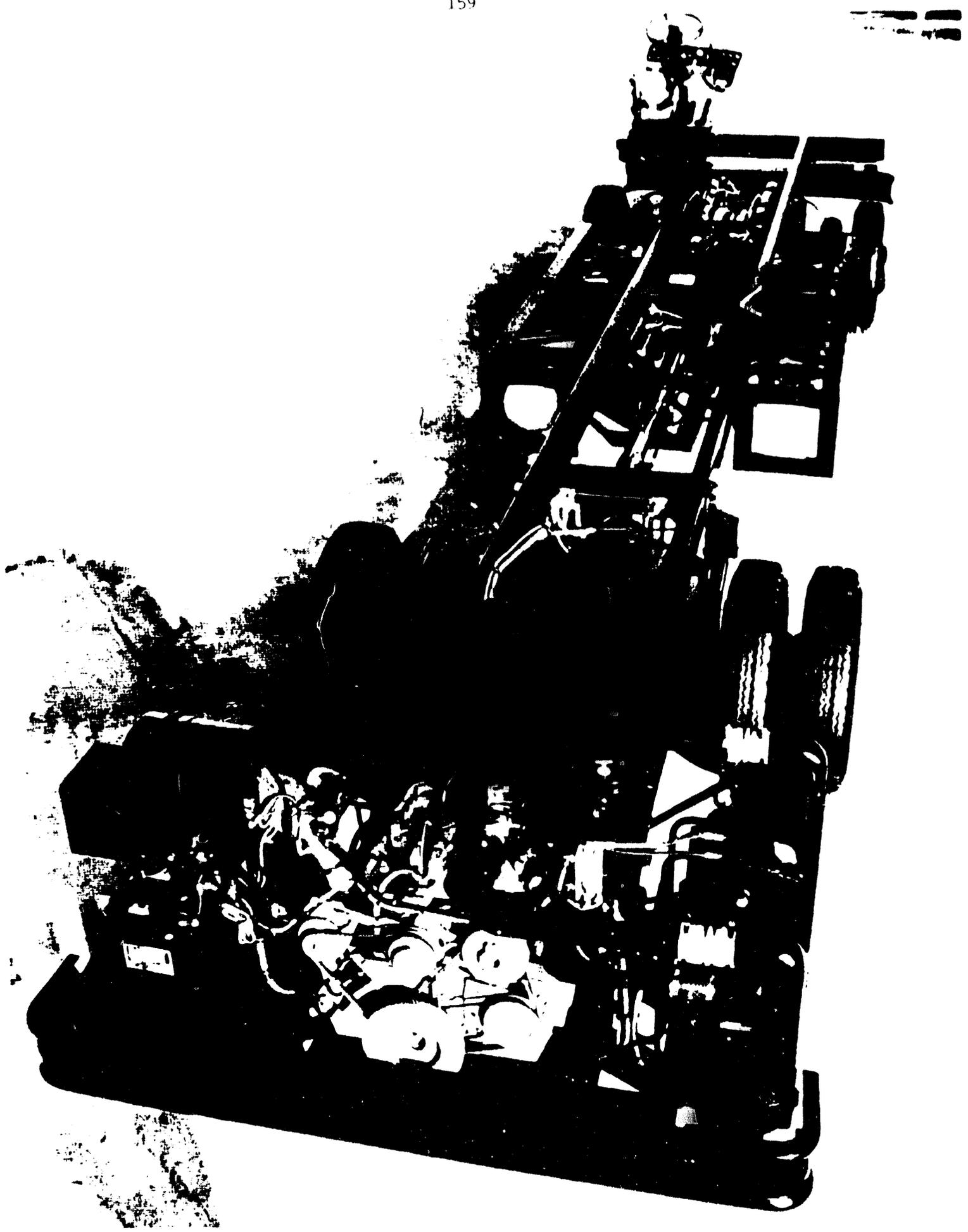


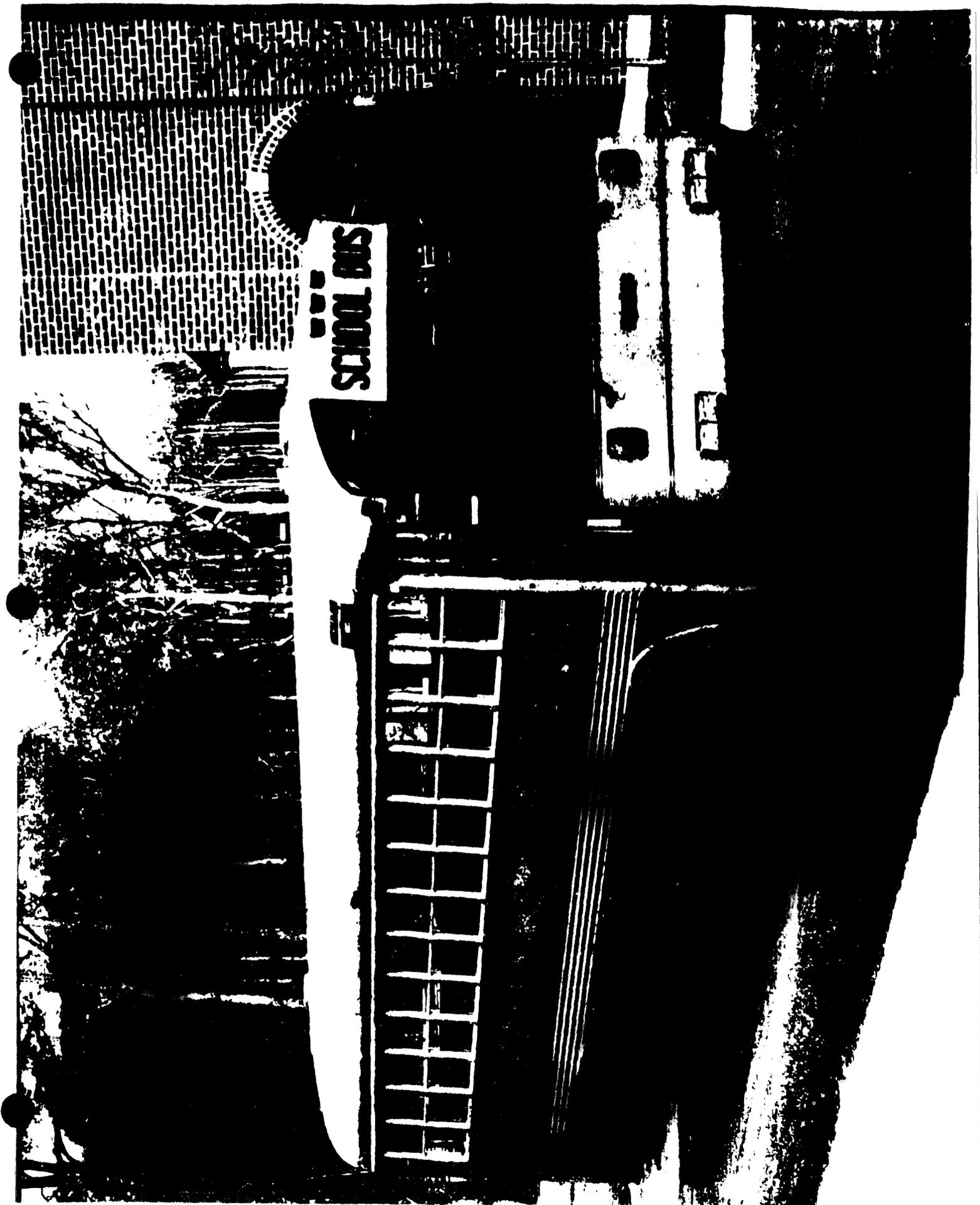
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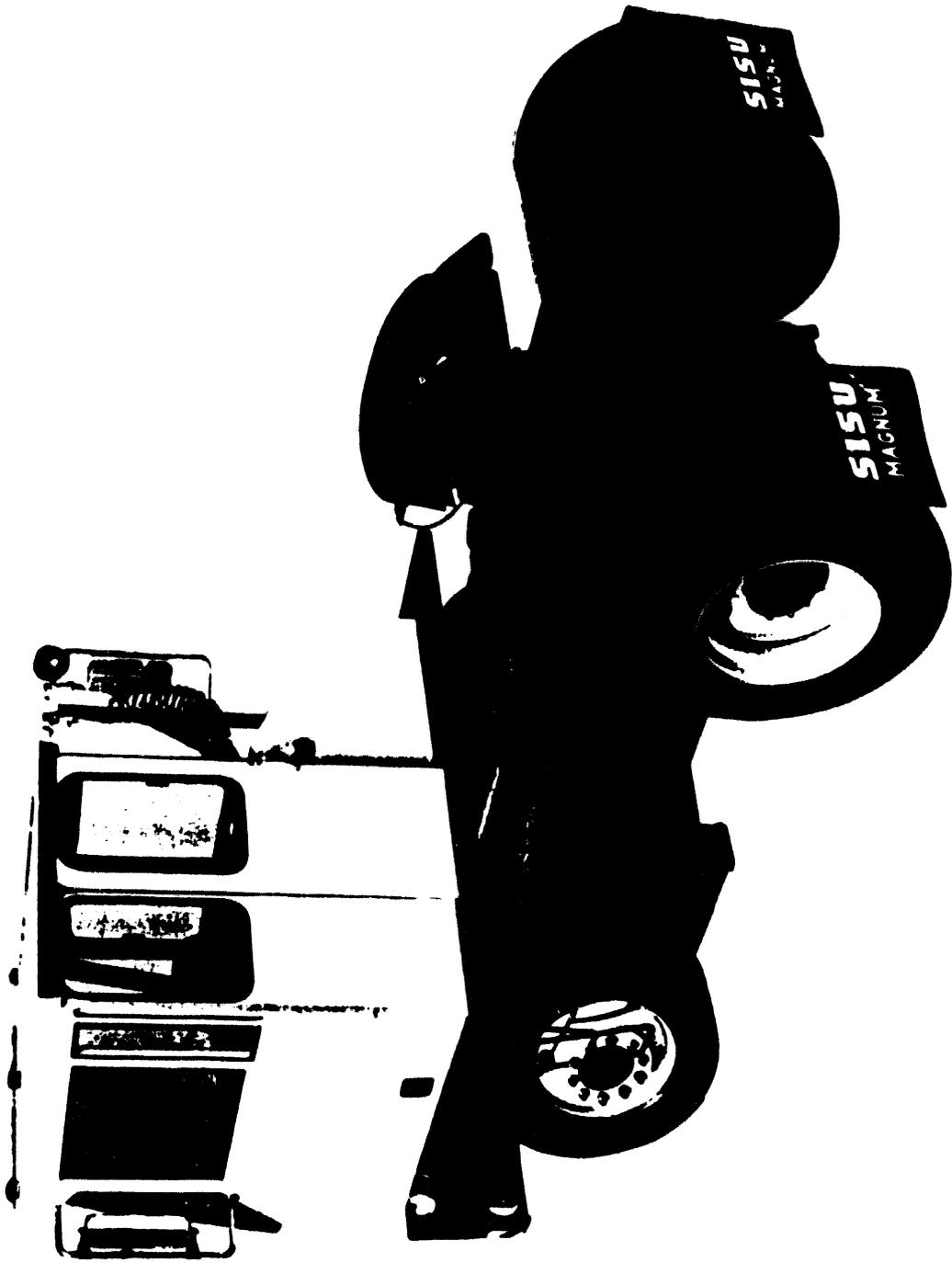


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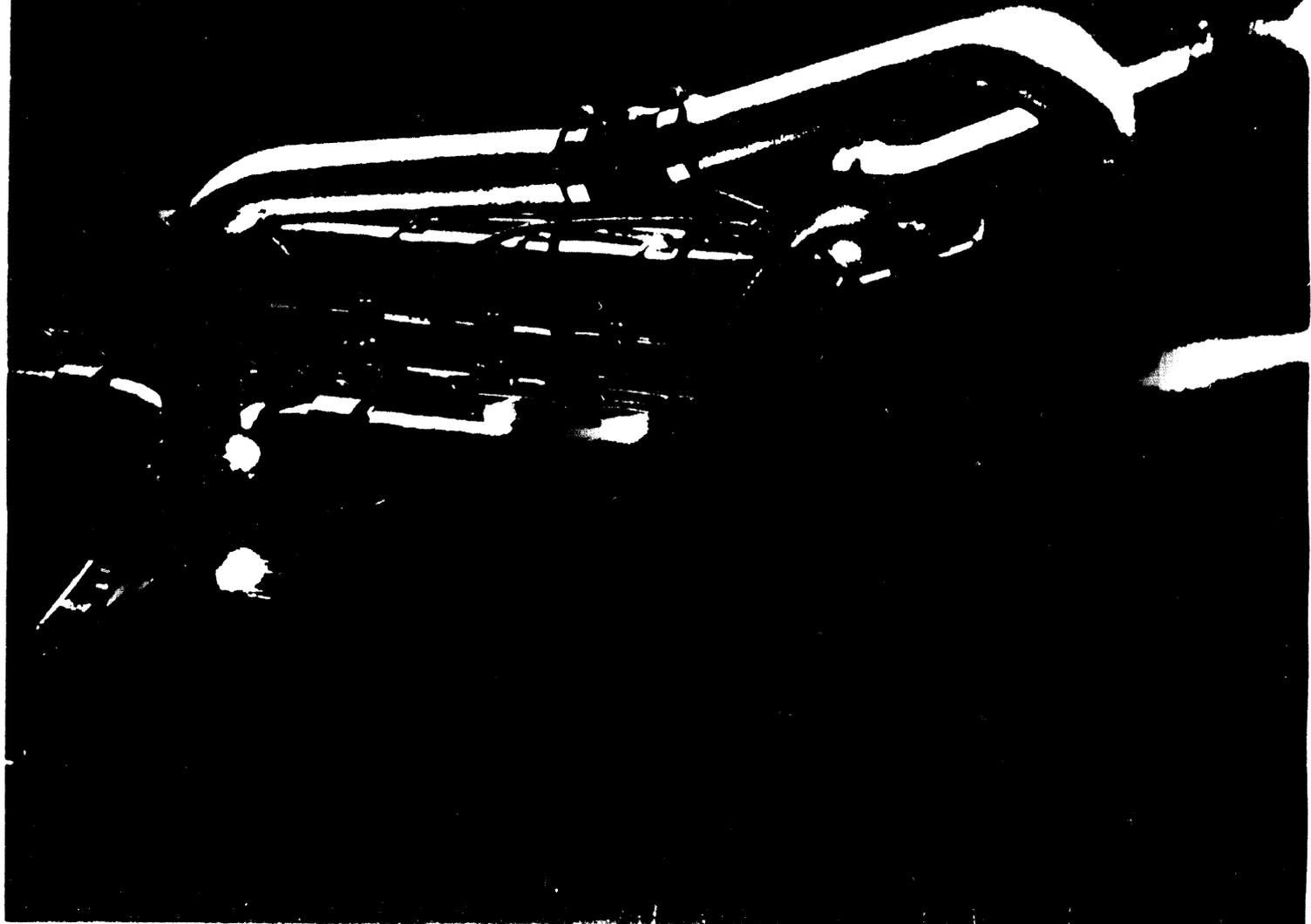








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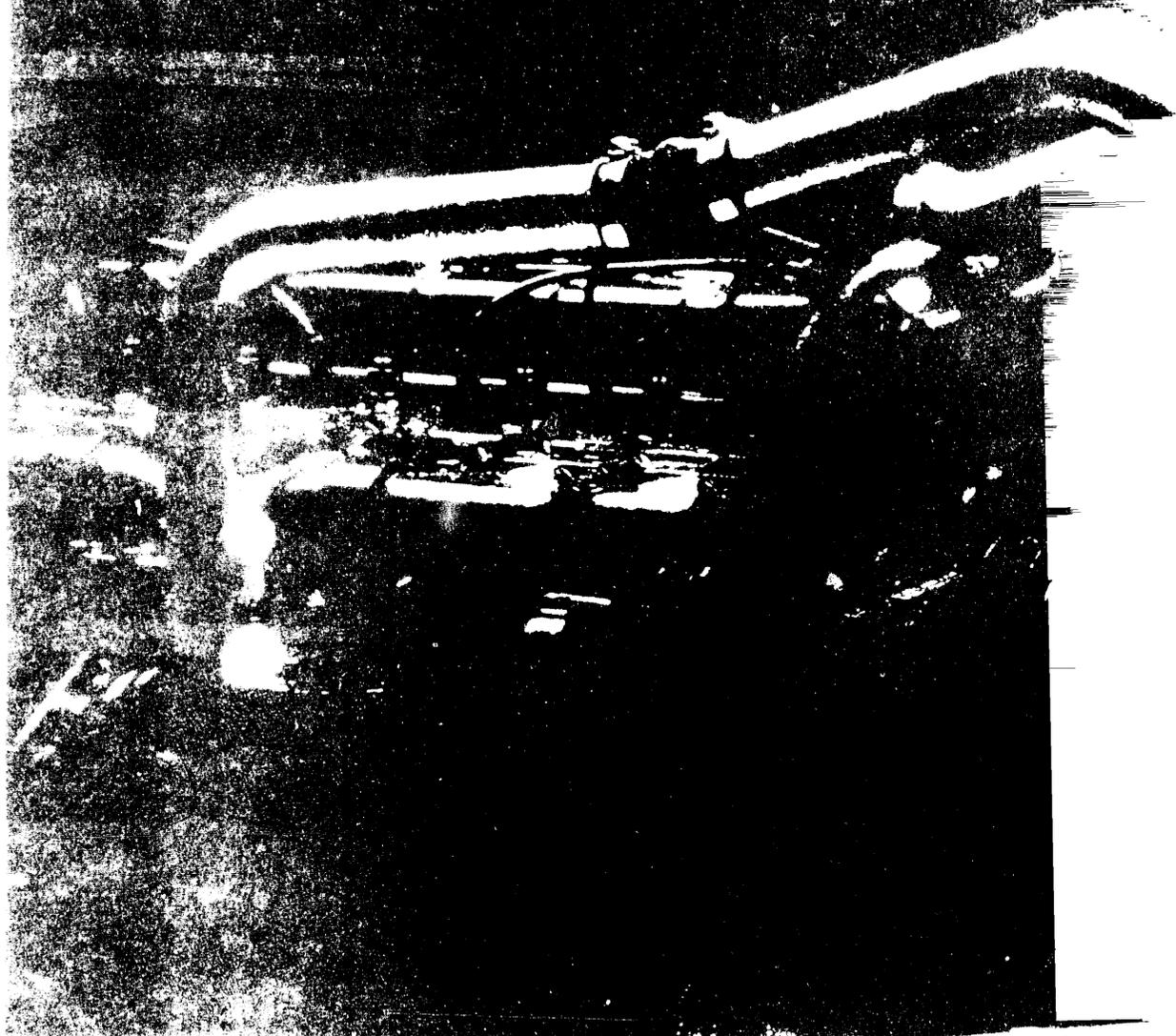
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**SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS
AND SPEAKER RESPONSES**

**DEDICATED NATURAL GAS ENGINES FOR ON-HIGHWAY APPLICATIONS -
THE NATURAL CHOICE**

K. Boyer, Hercules Engine Company

- Q. Mostafa Kamal, Cummins Engine Co: Could you comment on gas supply pressure to the engine?
- A. Yes, the system requires 100 psi at the intake side of the regulator.

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**NATURAL GAS ENGINE AND VEHICLE
DEVELOPMENT AT NAVISTAR
PROGRAM STATUS**

**R.A. Baranescu
Navistar International**

- **Introduction - Market Forces Toward Natural Gas Fuel**
- **Natural Gas Engine Concept Development At Navistar**
- **Field Demonstration Of CNG Vehicles**
- **Natural Gas Engine Production Development**
- **Summary And Conclusions**

NAVISTAR CNG ENGINE PROGRAM MARKET FORCE INFLUENCE ON NAVISTAR

- **50% Share On School Bus Market**
- **35% Share On Medium Truck Market**
- **25% Share Of Heavy Truck Market**
- **Largest Volume Diesel Engine Producer**
- **Navistar Holds A Leadership Position And Responsibility**

NAVISTAR CNG ENGINE PROGRAM NAVISTAR'S MARKET STUDY

- **A Sizable CNG Engine Market Exists Both Due To Mandates And Customer Benefit Reasons**
- **Initial Application To Centrally Fueled Fleets, Buses, Delivery Trucks, Etc.**
- **Must Meet EPA And California Emission Standards**
- **Customers Require Low Cost Of Ownership**
- **No Loss Of Power, Performance, Range, Driveability, Etc. Is Acceptable**
- **Use Commercially Available Fuel**

NAVISTAR CNG ENGINE PROGRAM DESIGN FEATURES

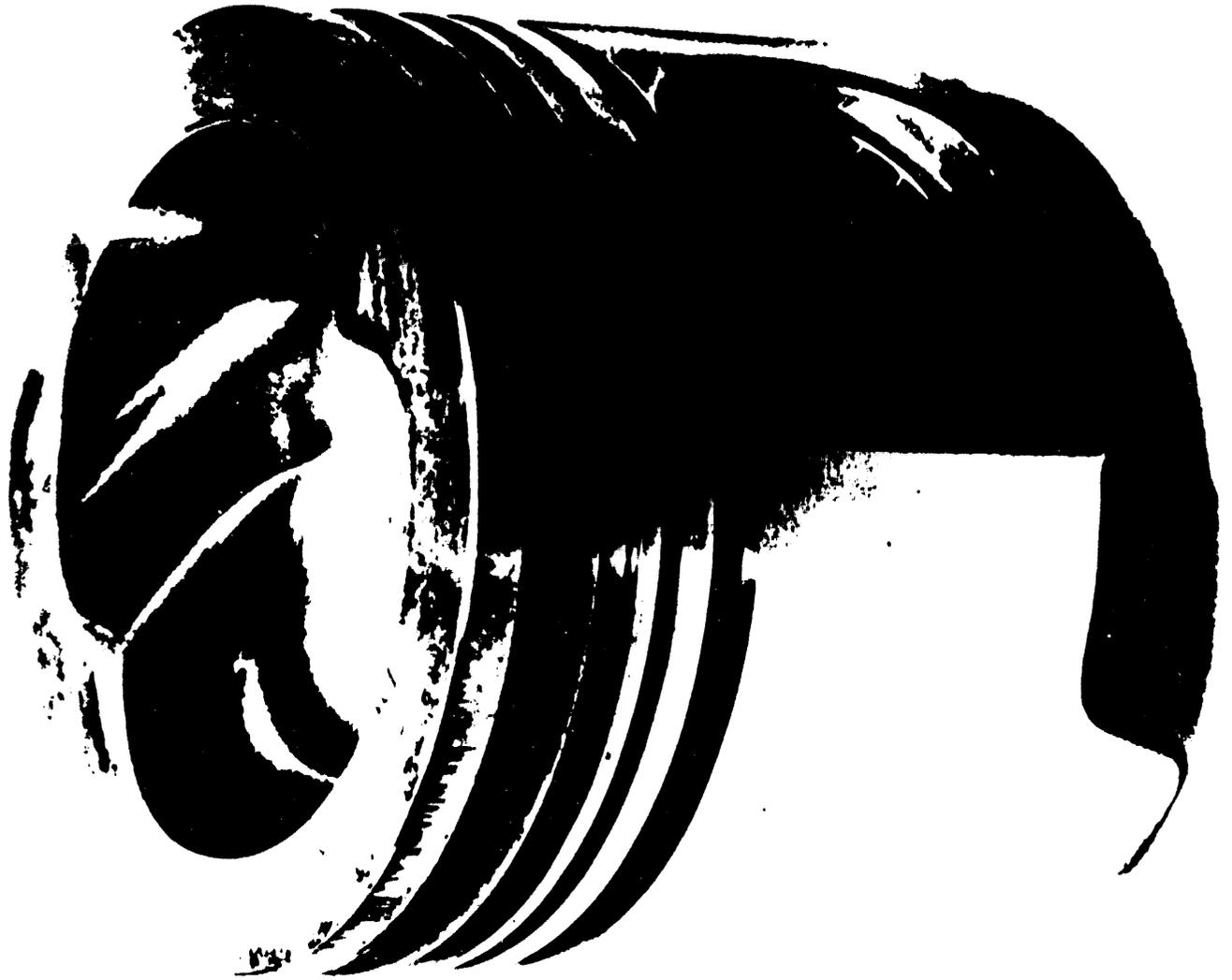
Power and Speed	210 HP @ 2800 RPM
Torque	450 Ft. Lb. @ 1800 RPM
Compression Ratio	10 to 11.3
Combustion	Lean Burn
Fuel Efficiency	30% Better Than Gasoline 15% Worse Than Diesel
Emission Goal	Meet EPA & California Standards
Intercooling	Only Later
Catalyst	Not Planned; Possibly Later
Fuel System	Mechanical Mixer For Veh. Demo Electronic Gas Valve For Prod. Dev.
Ignition	High Energy CD For Veh. Demo Automotive Induction System For Prod. Dev.

NAVISTAR CNG ENGINE PROGRAM DESIGN MODIFICATIONS - CYLINDER HEAD

- **Plug Position**
- **Sleeve Design**
- **Metal Sections**
- **Rocker Cover Modification**
- **Seat Inserts**
- **Use Of Current Casting**

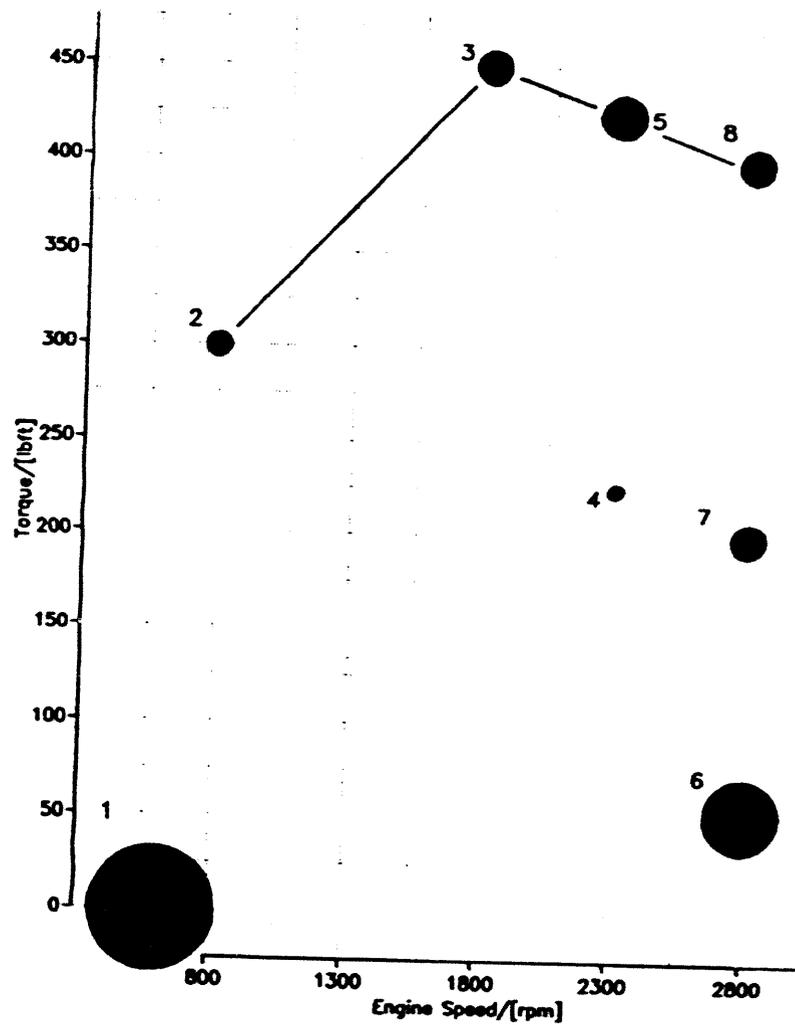
NAVISTAR CNG ENGINE PROGRAM DESIGN MODIFICATION - PISTON

- **Compression Ratio Selection**
- **Lost Volumes - Valve Recess**
- **Undercrown Thickness**
- **Ring Height**
- **Thickness Behind Ring**
- **Chamber Orientation/Plug Position**

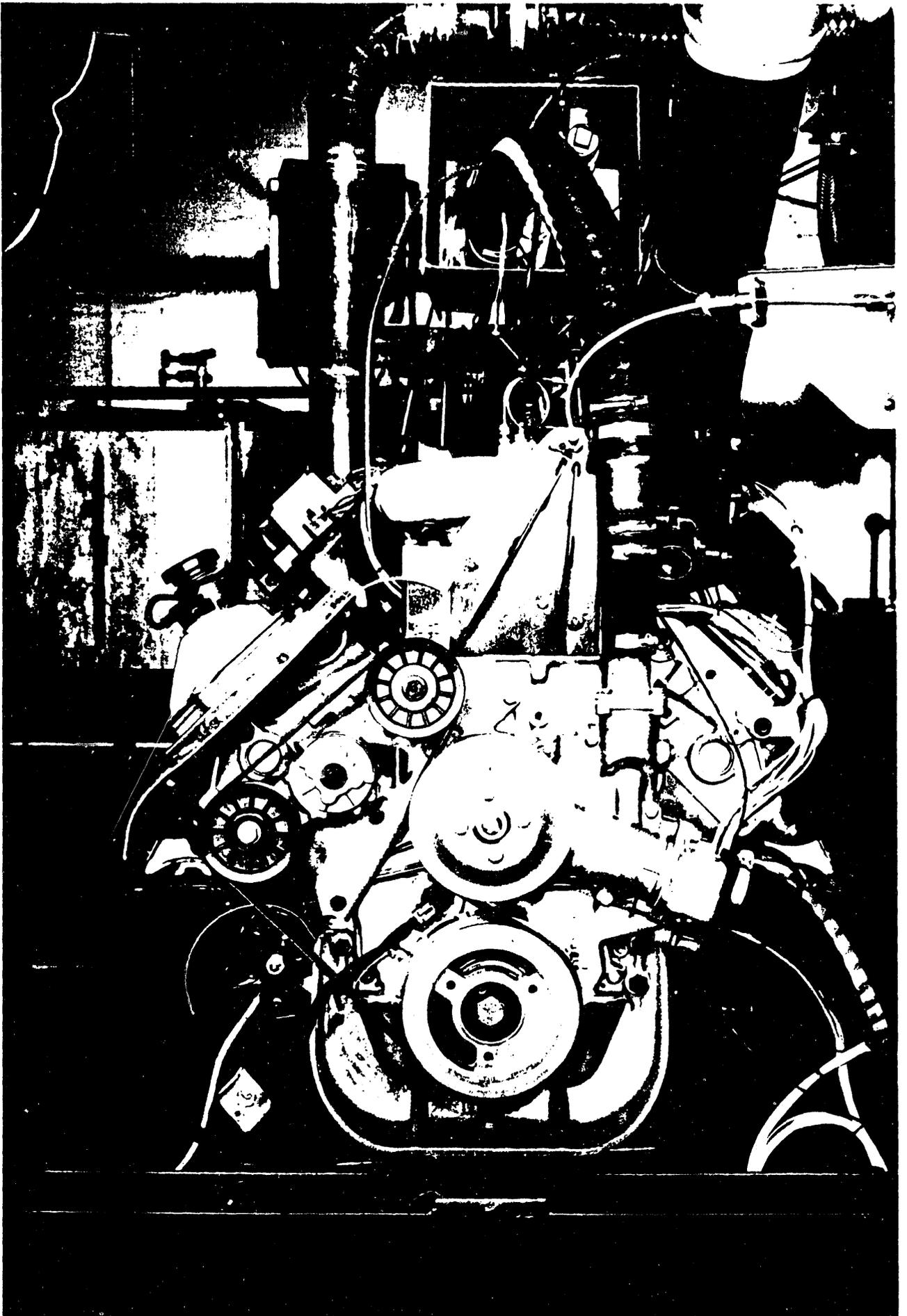


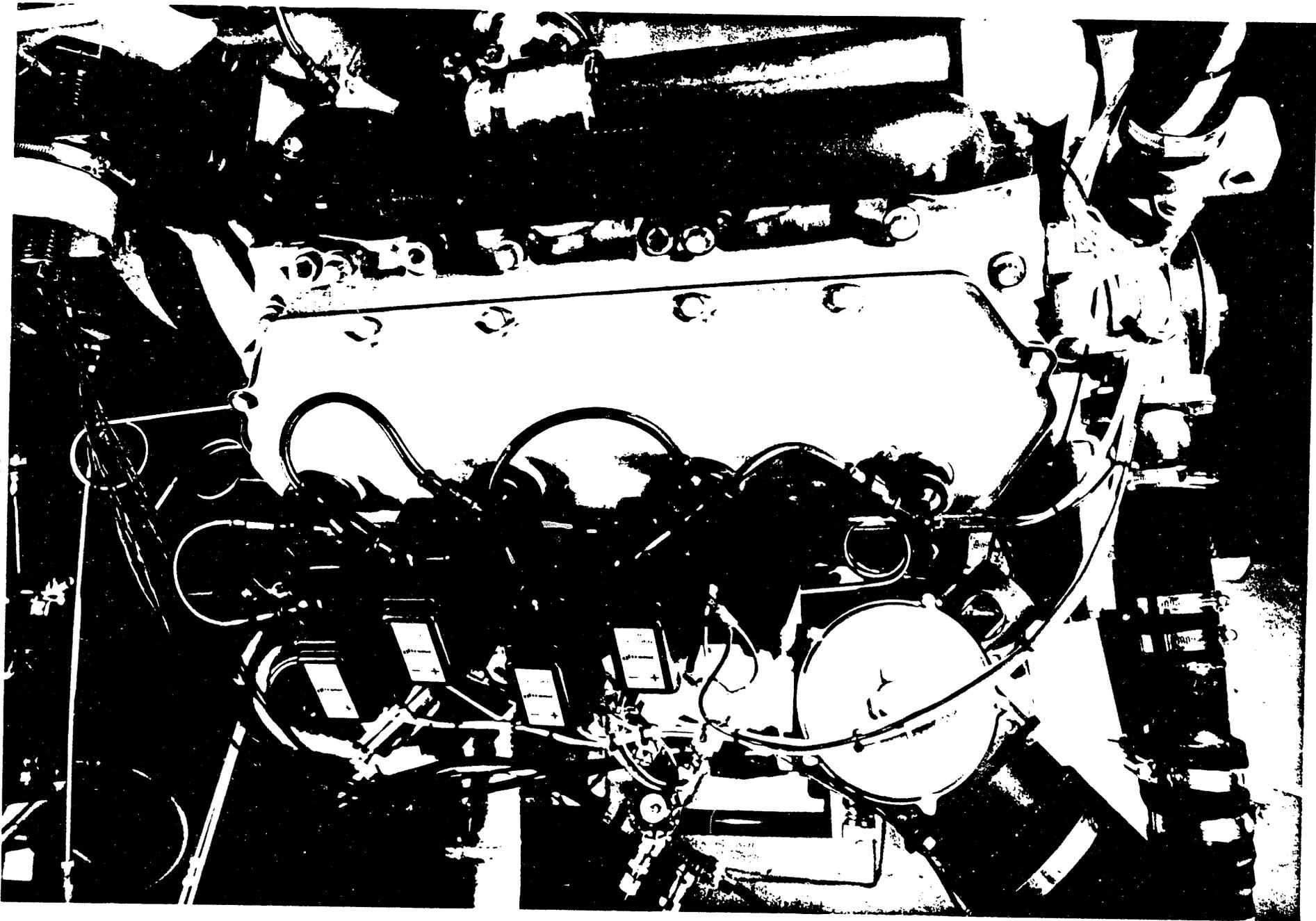
NAVISTAR CNG ENGINE PROGRAM DESIGN MODIFICATIONS - INDUCTION SYSTEM

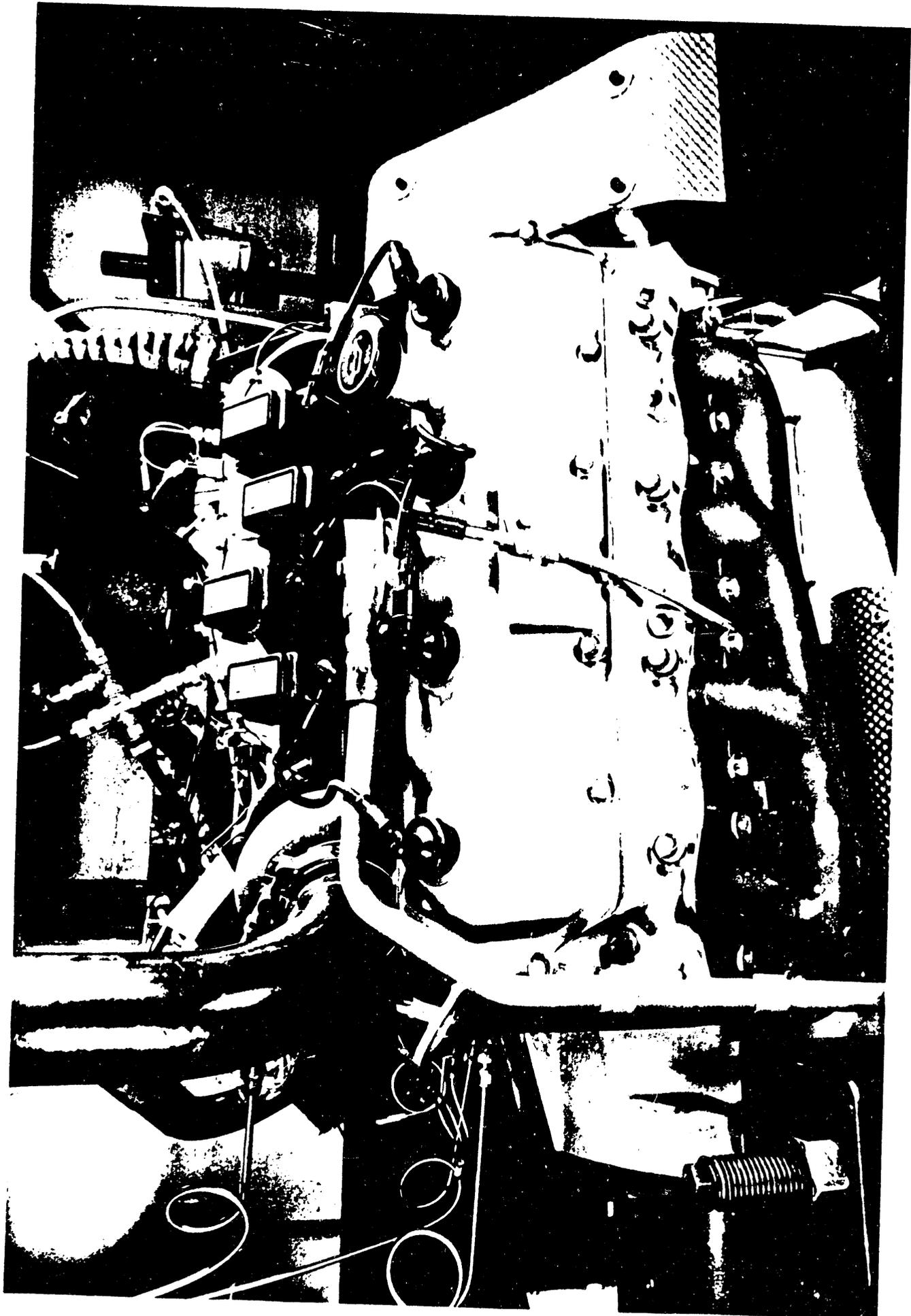
- **Turbocharger Selection**
- **Mixer Selection**
- **Mixer / Throttle Relationship**
- **Upstream / Downstream**
- **Installation Constraints**



8 MODE TEST POINTS

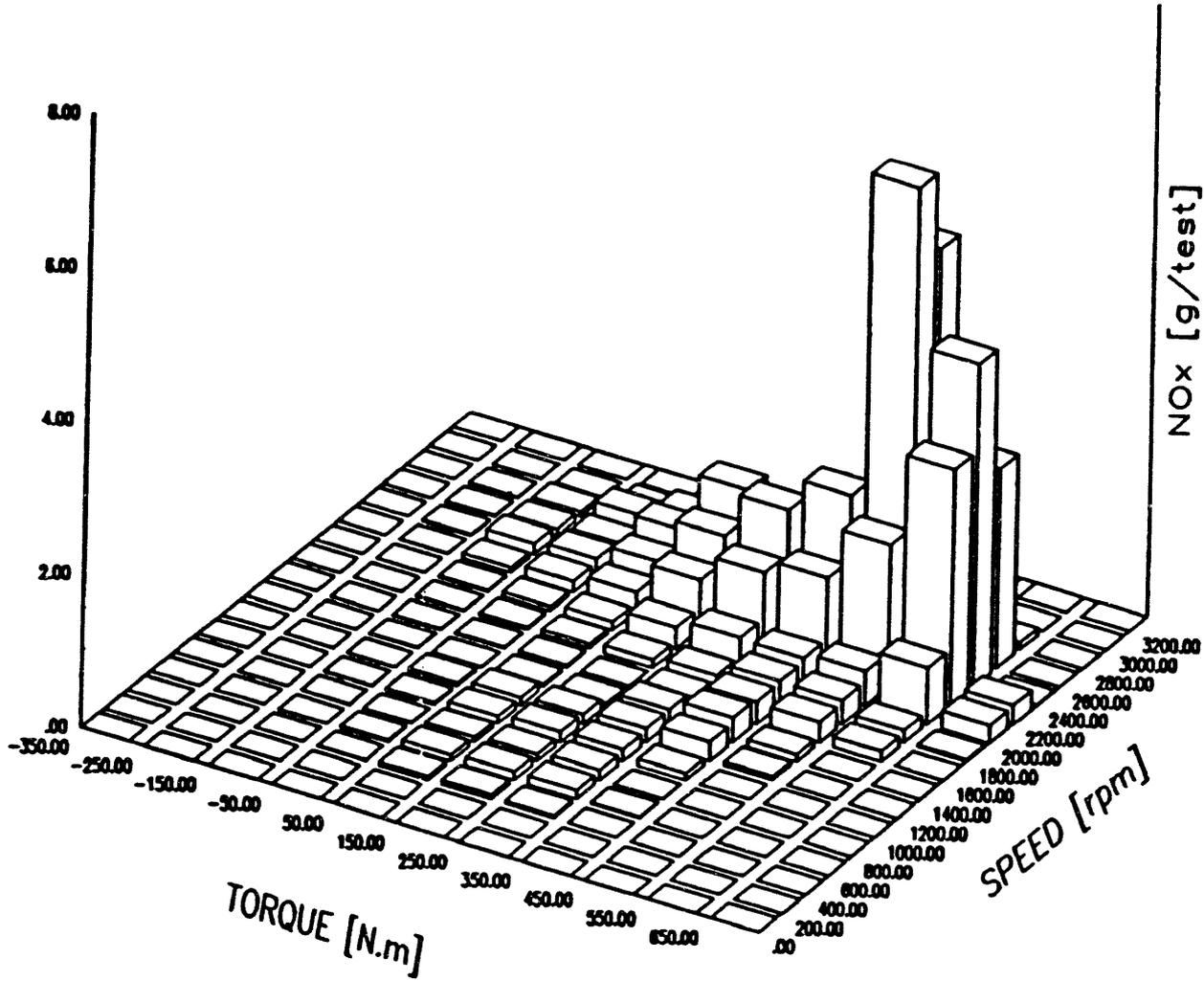




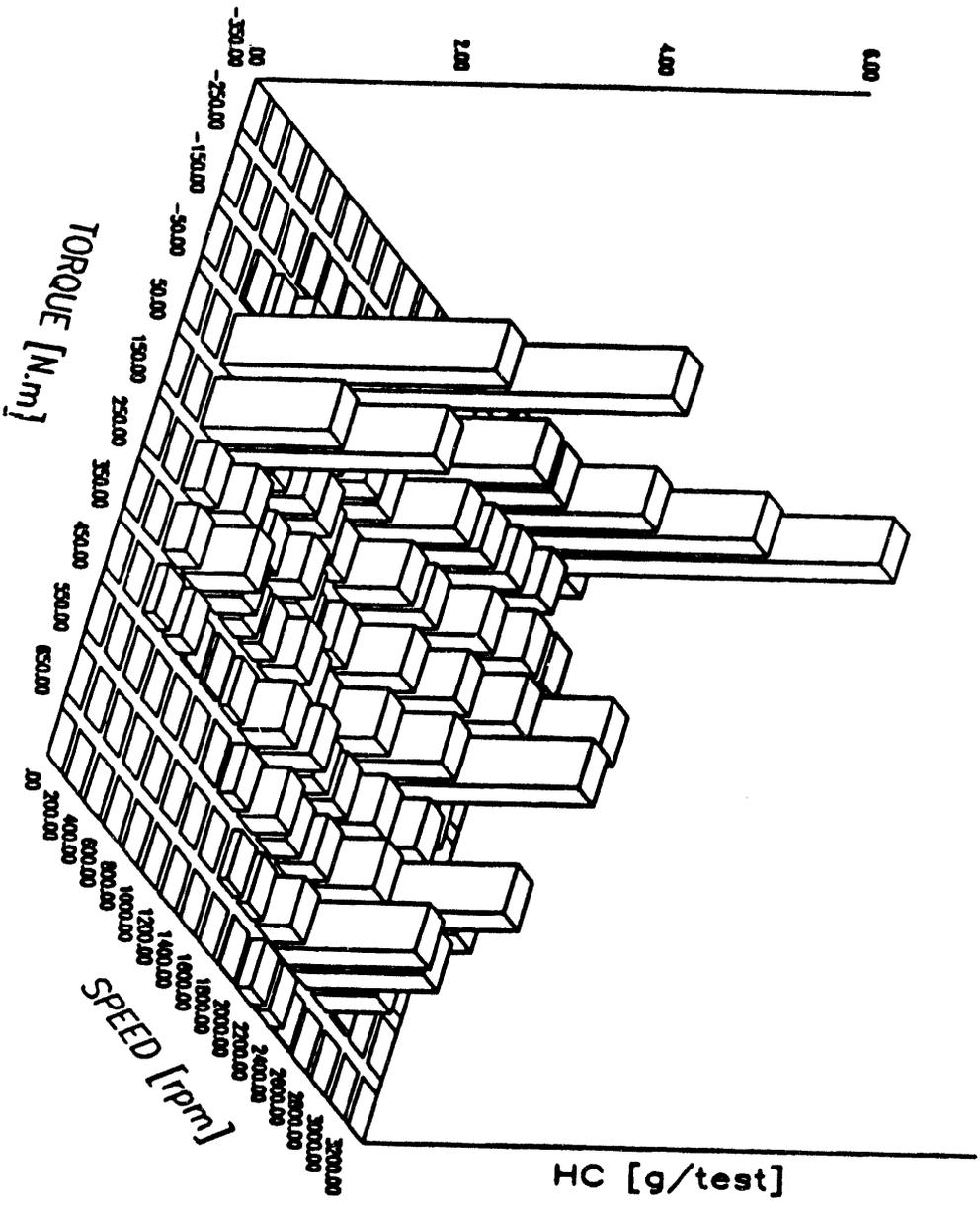


NAVISTAR CNG ENGINE PROGRAM ACHIEVEMENT

Torque Curve	Target	Achievement
Rated Power (2800 RPM)	210 BHP	210 BHP
Peak Torque (1800 RPM)	450 LB FT	450 LB FT
Low Speed (800 RPM)	240 LB FT	285 LB FT
Emissions (G/BHP-Hr) Over FTP Transient Cycle):		
NOx	4.5	2.0
CO	12.5	2.84
NMHC	1.0	0.56
PM	0.08	-
Efficiency		
Brake Thermal Efficiency (Hot Cycle)	23.0%	28.1%



MAP OF INTEGRATED EMISSIONS HOT START NOx



**MAP OF
INTEGRATED
EMISSIONS
HOT START
HC**

KEY DESIGN ISSUES OF NATURAL GAS ENGINE

- **CYLINDER HEAD DESIGN**
 - Cast-In Spark Plug Access
 - Cast Valve Cover (Accessibility
Simplicity Of Sealing)
 - Water Jacket Optimization
- **VALVE AND SEAT WEAR (ESP. EXHAUST VALVE)**
 - Exhaust Seat Angle
 - Valve Face And Seat Materials
- **OIL CONTROL (POWER CYLINDER ROBUST AGAINST
EFFECT OF VACUUM IN INDUCTION SYSTEM)**
 - Side Clearance On All Rings
 - Piston Land Diameter
 - Oil Drain Back
- **COMBUSTION BOWL GEOMETRY
(EFFECT OF TURBULENCE)**

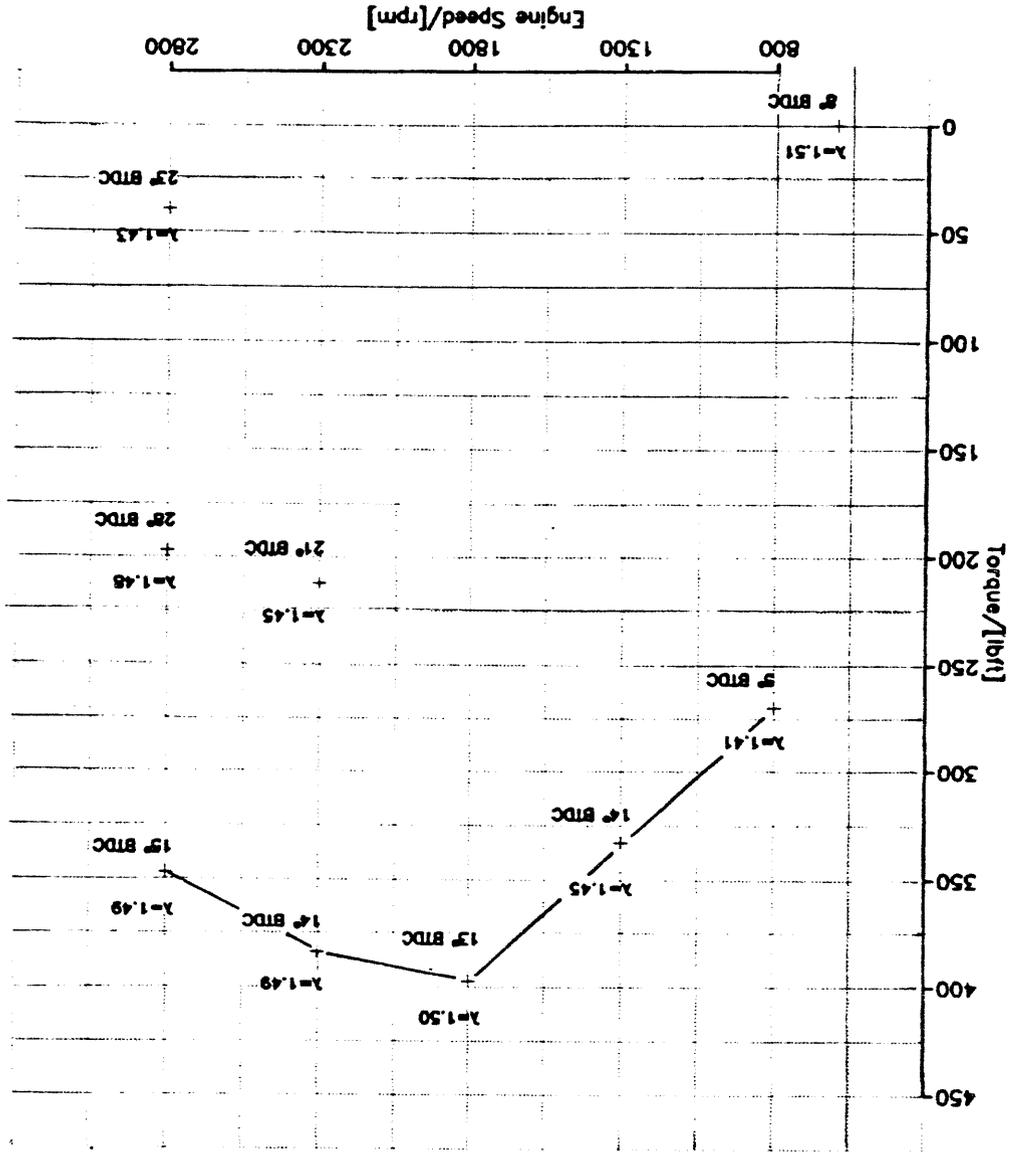
CALIBRATION OF VEHICLE DEMONSTRATION ENGINE

- **Best Overall Solution To Satisfy:**
 - **Torque Shape Requirements**
 - **Low Emissions - NOx And HC**
 - **Acceptable Thermal Efficiency**
 - **Robustness To Ambient Temperature Effects**

- **Within Limits Of:**
 - **Mixer's Lack Of A/F Ratio Control**
 - **Mixer's Lack Of Temperature Compensation**
 - **Wastegate Actuator Hardware**

CNG ENGINE FOR VEHICLE DEMONSTRATION IGNITION AND LAMBDA MAPS

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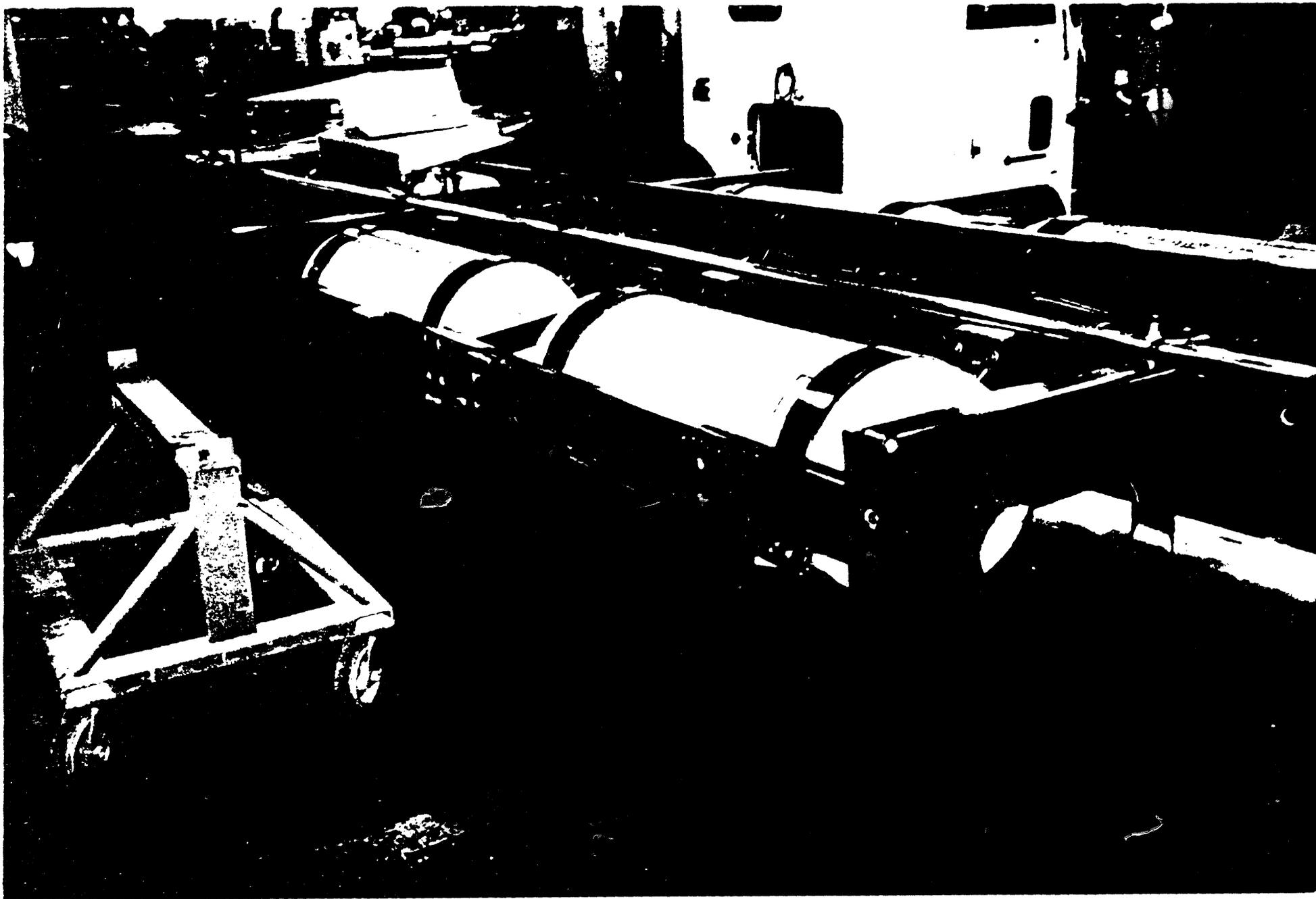


FIELD TESTS AND VEHICLE DEMONSTRATIONS

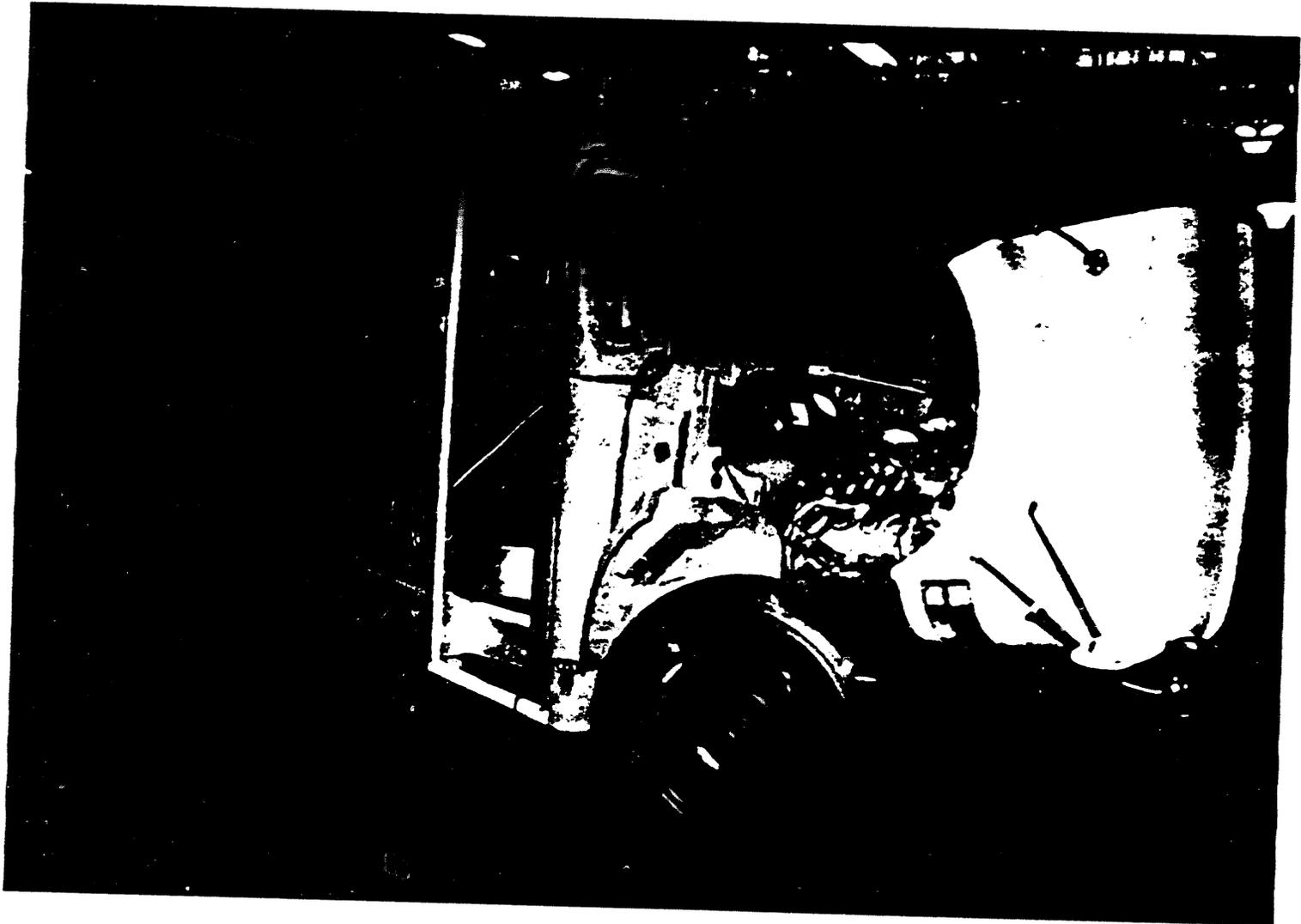
- **Objectives**
 - **Evaluate Engine And Fuel System
In Vehicle Operation**
 - **Provide Workhorse For New Designs**
 - **Demonstrate Proof-Of-Concept
To Potential Users**
- **One "Mule" School Bus (At Navistar)**
- **Five Demonstration Vehicles At Customers**
 - **Four Buses**
 - **One UPS Vehicle**

MULE VEHICLE PROGRAM

- **VEHICLE SPEC**
 - 3700 Chassis School Bus**
 - Exhaust System Compatible W/CNG**
 - Accelerator Cable To CNG Throttle**
- **FUEL SYSTEM**
 - Four Fuel Tanks (15 X 54")**
 - 5000 Ft 3@ 3000 PSI Capacity**
 - 200 Mi Operating Range**
 - Two Stage Pressure Regulators**
- **ENGINE**
 - 7.3 CNG Proof-Of-Concept Engine**
 - Impco 200 Carburetor**
 - Altronic Ignition System W/ECM**







MULE VEHICLE PROGRAM (Cont'd)

- **ACTIVITIES**

- **Fuel Economy, Operating Range**
- **Driveability Performance**
- **Engine Cooling, Heater Performance**

- **Cylinders Supplier Cert. Tests**
- **Cylinder Mounting**
- **School Bus Barrier Tests**

- **Ignition System Tests**
- **Radiated Emissions**
- **RF Susceptibility**
- **Interference On Radio Systems Immunity To Water**

Engine Validation

PRODUCTION DEVELOPMENT

Joint Venture Between Navistar & DDC

Time Frame: August 1993 - December 1994

Focus:

- Electronic Fuel System (Gas Valve)**
- Ignition System (Automotive Inductive)**
- Integrated Engine Controls (DDEC)**
- Durability / Reliability Validation**

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Twenty Nine Engines In Laboratory And Field Tests

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

- **A 7.3 Liter Lean Burn Natural Gas Engine Concept Was Demonstrated - For School Bus And Truck Applications - That Achieves The Same Power Output And Torque As The 7.3 Liter Diesel Engine**
- **The Proof-Of-Concept Has Demonstrated Emission Levels Lower Than Initial Targets On All Major Pollutants, And Compliance With Emission Standards of 1994 - 1995 (US & California)**
- **Energy Efficiency Of The Concept Engine Has Exceeded Initial Targets; It Is Only About 12% Inferior To Diesel Efficiency**

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS (Cont'd)

- **Upcoming Vehicle Demonstrations Will Validate The Proof-Of-Concept And The Key Design Features Such As:**
 - **Cylinder Head**
 - **Valve Train Design And Durability**
 - **Power Cylinder Design For Oil Control**
 - **Air Management, Induction System**
 - **Vehicle Fuel System**
- **Production Development Of The 7.3L Engine Will Focus On:**
 - **Fuel System Development**
 - **Ignition System Development**
 - **Integrated Engine Controls**

To Utilize The Latest Technology Achievements In Gaseous Fuel Systems And Electronic Controls

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS (Cont'd)

- **Market Introduction Of The New Engine Is 1995**
- **The 7.3 Liter Natural Gas Engine Is A Viable Alternative For Advanced Mobile Applications Where Gaseous Fuels Are The Preferred Choice (Non Attainment Areas, Urban Fleets, School Buses, Etc...)**
- **Future Developments May Be Applied To This Engine To Reduce Emissions Even More, In Compliance With Evolving Standards**

**SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS
AND SPEAKER RESPONSES**

**NATURAL GAS IN VEHICULAR APPLICATIONS - STATUS OF DEVELOPMENT AT
NAVISTAR**

R.A. Baranescu, Navistar International Corporation

Q. Eric Milkins, NGV-Australia: We have had similar experience with lean burn engines with a range of 1.5 to 2.0 for lambda values. Would you comment on air/fuel ratios used in your work?

A. We started at a lambda value of 1.5, but have gone as high as 1.7 which was the maximum value limited by hydrocarbon emissions. With an oxidation catalyst we could go to higher values of lambda.

Q. Mostafa Kamel, Cummins Engine Co.: Can you tell us why the capacitive discharge ignition system was selected?

A. This engine was developed for the lowest possible cost, and the ignition system selected was the obvious choice for that objective.

Q. Mehboob Sumar, ORTECH International: Was there any pre-ignition or deterioration at high speed?

A. So far, no problems have been experienced.

1993 WINDSOR WORKSHOP ON ALTERNATIVE FUELS

**UPDATE ON LIGHT DUTY ENGINES
PANEL DISCUSSION**

Panel Moderator: Ron Bright

GENERAL MOTORS ALTERNATIVE FUEL PRODUCTS

**J. Christie
General Motors of Canada**

(Other presentations made during this Panel Discussion are unavailable)

GENERAL MOTORS ALTERNATIVE FUEL PRODUCTS

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HISTORY OF GM ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLE PRODUCTION

<u>FUEL</u>	<u>TIME PERIOD</u>	<u>PRODUCTS</u>	<u>VOLUME</u>
PROPANE/LPG	1984/85	PICKUPS & VANS (CANADA ONLY)	<300
METHANOL/ETHANOL	1991/93	CHEVROLET LUMINA VFV	2100
ETHANOL E20 ⁺	THRU 1993	GM DO BRASIL CARS & TRUCKS	250,000
NATURAL GAS	1992/93	GMC/CHEVROLET 3/4 TON PICKUPS	2300
ELECTRICITY	---	GM OF EUROPE BEDFORD VANS	70
ELECTRICITY	1991	GM/VEHMA G-VAN	

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WE HAVE LEARNED A LOT ABOUT:

ALCOHOL VFV'S:

- ◆ FUEL SENSORS & INJECTORS
- ◆ EVAPORATIVE EMISSION CONTROLS
- ◆ HOT RE-START
- ◆ COLD START
- ◆ MATERIAL COMPATIBILITY
- ◆ FUEL PUMP
- ◆ CONVENTIONAL TAILPIPE EMISSIONS

GASEOUS FUEL VEHICLES:

- ◆ COMPRESSION RATIO & POWER
- ◆ CNG FUEL STORAGE
- ◆ AIR/FUEL DISTRIBUTION
- ◆ COLD START
- ◆ FUEL PRESSURE REGULATOR
- ◆ TAILPIPE EMISSIONS

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THERE IS MORE TO LEARN ABOUT:

ALCOHOL FUEL VFV'S

- ◆ ALDEHYDE CONTROL
- ◆ ULTRA - LOW EMISSIONS
- ◆ SPECIFIC CATALYSTS
- ◆ ENHANCED EVAPORATIVE EMISSION STANDARDS
- ◆ OBDII - DIAGNOSTICS
- ◆ HIGH MILEAGE COMPONENT DURABILITY
- ◆ HANDLING LOW QUALITY FUEL
- ◆ LOWER COST SYSTEMS

GASEOUS FUEL VEHICLES

- ◆ OBDII - DIAGNOSTICS
- ◆ HIGH MILEAGE COMPONENT DURABILITY
- ◆ THC CONTROL
- ◆ FUEL STORAGE
- ◆ LOWER COST SYSTEMS

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WHERE THE DEMAND WILL BE, 2000 A.D.:

EPACT

- ◆ **FEDERAL & STATE FLEETS**
- ◆ **FUEL PROVIDERS**
- ◆ **PRIVATE FLEETS**

PLUS

FREE MARKET

- ◆ **STATE/MUNICIPAL FLEETS**
- ◆ **PRIVATE FLEETS**
- ◆ **INDIVIDUALS**

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WHY THEY WILL BUY:

ALCOHOL FUEL VEHICLES

- ◆ MANDATED & LOW FUEL USERS
- ◆ MANDATED & LOW BID
- ◆ ADVOCATES/FUEL PROVIDERS

GASEOUS FUEL VEHICLES

- ◆ MANDATED & HIGH FUEL USERS
- ◆ MANDATED NGV PURCHASES
- ◆ FREE MARKET HIGH FUEL USERS
- ◆ ADVOCATES/FUEL PROVIDERS

ELECTRIC VEHICLES

- ◆ OE MANDATED SALES
(2 % CALIFORNIA)

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ROLL-OUT = PRODUCTS + TIMING+ VOLUMES + WHERE

	<u>ALCOHOL FUEL VEHICLES</u>	<u>GASEOUS FUEL VEHICLES</u>	<u>ELECTRIC VEHICLES</u>
PRODUCTS	COMPACT CARS/TRUCKS	FULL SIZE CARS/TRUCKS CURRENT CONVERSION PRODUCTS	COMMUTER CAR AND/OR MINIVAN
TIMING	1998 - 2000 AD	NOW	1998
VOLUMES	N/A	N/A	2% OF OE CALIFORNIA SALES
WHERE	US WIDE	US WIDE & REGIONAL	CALIFORNIA

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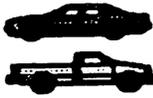
**BUSINESS CASE = CONSERVATIVE + OTHER
ESTIMATE SUPPORT**

"OTHER SUPPORT" HAS SIGNIFICANT UPSIDE POTENTIAL:

- ◆ **CAFE CREDIT**
- ◆ **PUBLIC RELATIONS**
- ◆ **"HALO" SALES**
- ◆ **IMPROVE GASOLINE**
- ◆ **EPACT FUEL USE OBJECTIVE**
- ◆ **COMPETITIVE STRATEGIES**
- ◆ **MARKETS OUTSIDE USA**
- ◆ **FUEL PROVIDER MARKETING**

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GM 
**ALTERNATIVE
FUEL VEHICLES**

WHAT COULD/WILL HAPPEN:

1. OE'S COULD ABANDON METHANOL/ETHANOL PROGRAMS

- ◆ FUEL COST NOT ATTRACTIVE
- ◆ FRAGMENTED MARKET
- ◆ GOVERNMENT POLICY DRIVEN; NO CUSTOMER DRIVERS
- ◆ FUEL INFRASTRUCTURE INADEQUATE
- ◆ FUEL QUALITY NOT ADDRESSED
- ◆ EXPENSIVE O.E. DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS
- ◆ CHALLENGING EMISSION STANDARDS: OBDII & EVAP

BIG FACTORS: GOVERNMENT POLICY, FUEL COST, FUEL QUALITY, FUEL AVAILABILITY

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WHAT COULD/WILL HAPPEN (Cont'd):

2. OE'S WILL BE IN THE GASEOUS FUEL MARKET WILLINGLY OR UNWILLINGLY

- ◆ **TWO WAYS**
 - ◆ **AFTERMARKET CONVERSIONS**
 - ◆ **O.E. MONO-FUEL/BI-FUEL PROGRAMS**

- ◆ **FREEMARKET CUSTOMER DRIVEN** - **LOW FUEL COST & ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS**
- ◆ **STEADY REGIONAL GROWTH**
- ◆ **HOME REFUELLING APPLIANCE**
- ◆ **PRO-ACTIVE GOVERNMENT SUPPORT** - **FEDERAL/STATE**

BIG FACTORS: PRODUCT COSTS; FUEL QUALITY; FUEL AVAILABILITY

WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE:

1. MOVE ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLES OFF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AGENDA

- ◆ **SMALL VOLUME; SMALL BENEFIT**
- ◆ **OTHER MORE EFFECTIVE STRATEGIES**

2. IMPLEMENT AN EFFECTIVE COMMERCIALIZATION STRATEGY

- ◆ **DRIVEN BY ENERGY SELF SUFFICIENCY & ECONOMICS**
- ◆ **UTILIZE CUSTOMER INFLUENCES**
 - ◆ **WHAT MAKES SENSE TO CUSTOMER, MAKES SENSE UPSTREAM**
 - ◆ **CUSTOMERS NEED TO UNDERSTAND AND BELIEVE**

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**SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS
AND SPEAKER RESPONSES**

**UPDATE DATE ON LIGHT DUTY ENGINES - PANEL PRESENTATIONS
GENERAL MOTORS ALTERNATIVE FUEL PRODUCTS**

J. Christie, General Motors of Canada

- Q. Anonymous: Is there a reduction in purchases of alternative fuel vehicles after their introduction?**
- A. Yes, the initial purchase rates are the highest right after the production run. It is a matter of developing the best product for customer acceptance.**
- Q. Anonymous: What has been the experience on warranty costs for propane and natural gas conversions?**
- A. We analyzed data on 10,000 vehicles over the last 10 years in Canada. The significant finding was that complaints were related more to the installation rather than to the hardware.**

SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS AND SPEAKER RESPONSES

HIGHLIGHTS OF CHRYSLER'S ALTERNATIVE FUEL PROGRAMS J.W. Lanigan, Chrysler Canada Ltd.

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Q. Alex Lawson, Alex Lawson Associates: I didn't hear hybrid electric vehicles mentioned in your talk.

A. We are not ignoring that possibility. The program will be emphasized when appropriate for the consumer.

Comment: Ron Bright, Ford Motor Co. - Canada: The University of Alberta was first in competition with 30 universities and did an outstanding job of vehicle modification.

Q. Bernie James, Energy, Mines & Resources Canada: What percentage of power do you expect from regenerative braking systems?

A. It depends on the duty cycle, but in current tests we get on the order of 5 to 10 percent.

**SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS
AND SPEAKER RESPONSES**

**STRATEGIES TOWARD EXPANDING NGV PRODUCTION
T.W. Rogers, Cardinal Automotive Inc.**

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- Q. Chandra Prakash, Environment Canada: How many vehicles have you converted to natural gas?**
- A. We do more conversions to fuels other than natural gas. The demand for natural gas conversions has been relatively low, and we have done groups of 1 to 4 vehicles at a time.**

**SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS
AND SPEAKER RESPONSES**

**AFTERMARKET NG CONVERSIONS OR OEM PRODUCTS - STRATEGIC OPTIONS
AND I IMPACTS**
B. Wilson, Colorado State University

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- Q. Anonymous: Various conversions are now available with closed loop controls integrated with hardware. Would you comment on these?**
- A. There are five types of systems being used: Fully mechanical, mechanical with closed loop oxygen feedback, fully electronic add-ons, translators which work with OEM computers, and OEM electronic systems. The second of those, if properly installed, gives good air/fuel ratio control at steady state but does not handle transients well.**

SESSION 2: EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES

Chair: Bernie James, Energy, Mines & Resources Canada

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EXPERIENCE WITH LNG AND LNG - CNG

V. Jayaraman
Consolidated Natural Gas Company

ISSUES TO BE COVERED

- **What is LNG?**
- **Why should we consider using LNG as a transportation fuel?**
- **What is LNG's availability/price?**
- **Is LNG safe?**
- **Who are all experimenting with LNG at this time?**
- **What has been their experience to date?**
- **What are the technical/commercial/regulatory obstacles?**
- **Is there a role for LNG in fueling CNG vehicles?**

WHY LNG?

- **@ 3000 PSI, 250 cu ft Natural Gas in 1 cu ft of space**

@ LNG, 625 cu ft Natural Gas in 1 cu ft of space

∴ With LNG, we can pack 2 1/2 times as much fuel in a given space.

- **LNG offers the possibility of being able to control the fuel composition within close limits.**
- **LNG offers the possibility of being able to serve areas not covered by pipeline gas.**
- **LNG fuel tanks could cost only about half that of compressed gas tanks.**
- **LNG fueling stations could cost only about a third of compressed gas fueling stations.**
- **Delivered cost of LNG on vehicles could be less than that of compressed gas.**

LNG SAFETY

- **Cryogenic liquid; possibility of severe burns on contact.**
- **Vapor heavier than air below - 170°F, thereafter lighter than air.**
- **More difficult to ignite and sustain ignition than gasoline/diesel.**
- **In accident situations, probably safer than gasoline/diesel if no ignition; if ignited, probably less intense fire than gasoline/diesel.**
- **No odorant; need to depend on methane sensors.**

GENERAL INFORMATION ON CRYOGENIC LIQUIDS

<u>LIQUID</u>	<u>TEMP. AT ATMOS. PRESS.</u>	<u>LB/GAL</u>
Helium	-452°F	1.04
Hydrogen	-423°F	0.59
Nitrogen	-320°F	6.75
Argon	-303°F	11.63
Oxygen	-297°F	9.52
Methane	-259°F	3.54

PRESENT & FUTURE LNG PROJECTS IN THE U.S.

Present

- Roadway Express - 3 trucks running; 4 more planned
- Houston Metro - 80 buses running; hundreds more planned
- Greater Austin Transp. - 26 vehicles running
- Burlington Northern Railroad - 2 locomotives running

Others

Future

- Chambers Development - 7 refuse haulers
- Dallas Area Rapid Transit - 30 buses
- Los Angeles Airport - 12 coaches
- Union Pacific Railroad - 6 locomotives

Others

TECHNICAL OBSTACLES

- **Vapor Generation** - **Recovery, Disposal**
 - **Effect on Economics**
- **Ease of Fueling** - **Intermittent Operations**
 - **Priming, Cool-down, Cavitation**
 - **Heat Pickup**
- **Metering** - **Liquid/Vapor**
- **Sensors** - **Cool-down**
 - **Vehicle Filling**
- **Weathering** - **Pure Methane**
 - **Pipeline LNG**
- **Odorant**

LNG HARDWARE PRICES

- | | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| ■ 100-gallon fuel tank | \$ 4,000 |
| ■ 10,000-gallon storage tank | 100,000 |
| ■ Submerged transfer pump | 20,000 |
| ■ LNG dispenser | 75,000 |
| ■ LNG fueling connector | 5,000 |

REGULATORY STATUS

- **NFPA 57 under preparation**
- **Local authorities have cooperated**
- **Tunnels**
- **Roof-mounted tanks**

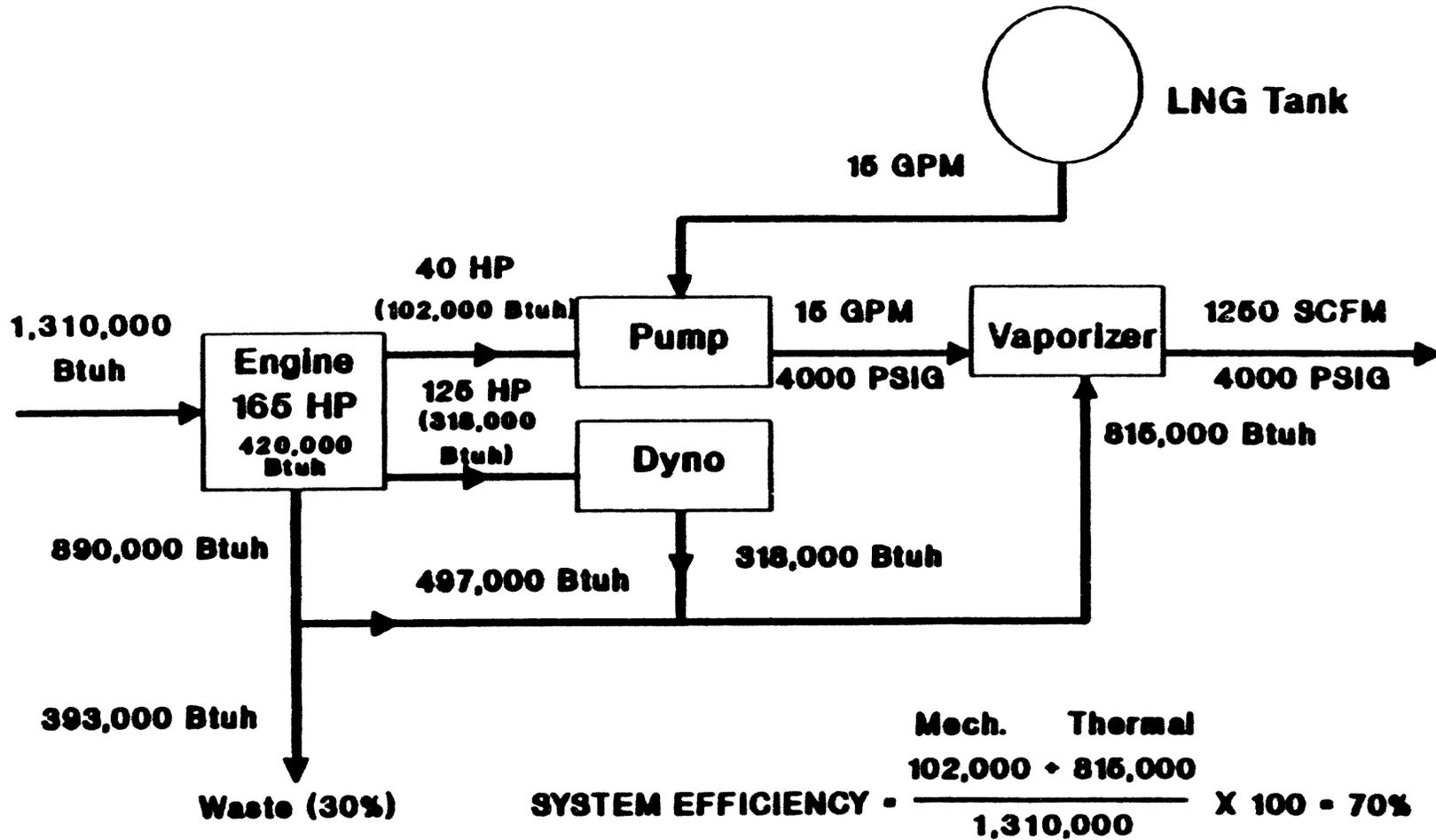
COST OF COMPRESSED GAS SYSTEMS

	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
Capacity, SCFM	50	240	700
Inlet Pressure, PSIG	15	100	50
Outlet Pressure, PSIG	3600	3600	3800
HP	30	100	300
Storage, SCF	44,000	?	22,000
Costs - Compressor	40,000		364,000
- Storage	55,000		39,000
- Dryer	25,000	380,000	69,000
- Dispenser	32,000		28,000
- Site Prep, Install, Misc.	<u>98,000</u>	<u>90,000</u>	<u>150,000</u>
- Total	\$ 250,000	470,000	650,000
Cost \$/SCFM	5,000	2,000	1,000

Variables:

Inlet Pressure
Storage
Site Prep

LNG Fast Fill System



COST OF LNG - CNG SYSTEM

*LNG Tank (10,000 gallons)	100,000
LNG Pumping/Vaporizing System (15 GPM or 1250 SCFM, @ 4000 PSIG)	150,000
Site Prep, Install, Misc.	50,000
Storage	35,000
Dispenser	<u>40,000</u>
Total	\$ 375,000
Cost \$/SCFM	300

**Can serve 100 vehicles/day at the rate of 100 gallons/vehicle.*

LNG - CNG SYSTEM

ADVANTAGES

- Much lower cost than compressed gas systems.
- No moisture in gas.
- Can control gas temperature to compensate for temperature rise during fast fill.
- Mobile fueling stations possible.

DISADVANTAGES

- Need supply of LNG.
- Cost of LNG could vary from competitive to non-competitive, depending on hauling distance.

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES FROM SwRI

**J. Cole, D. Meyers, K. Guglielmo
Southwest Research Institute**

Emerging Technologies From SwRI

Abstract

SwRI has been working to reduce emissions from powerplants burning many types of fuels. A hybrid rich-burn/lean-burn engine concept has been developed to take advantage of the high hydrogen-to-carbon ratio of natural gas. Rich-burn operation using natural gas produces high amounts of hydrogen and carbon monoxide in the exhaust. This exhaust can then be routed through a watershift catalyst where additional hydrogen is produced. The hydrogenated exhaust from rich-burn cylinders can then be supplemented to remaining lean-burn cylinders to extend the lean limit and further reduce NOx emissions.

In addition to the unique low emissions engine concept discussed above, SwRI has been developing advanced engine control technology for alternative fueled engines. A custom PC-based universal engine controller has been developed to enable researchers to fully optimize engines for performance and emissions. SwRI has also aided in the development of an advanced lean-burn control system for heavy-duty natural gas engines and a natural gas conversion system for light-duty vehicles. The details of these control systems including recent test data will be presented.

OUTLINE

- **Hybrid Rich-Burn/Lean-Burn Engine Concept**
- **Advanced Engine Control Technology**

HYBRID RICH-BURN/LEAN-BURN ENGINE CONCEPT

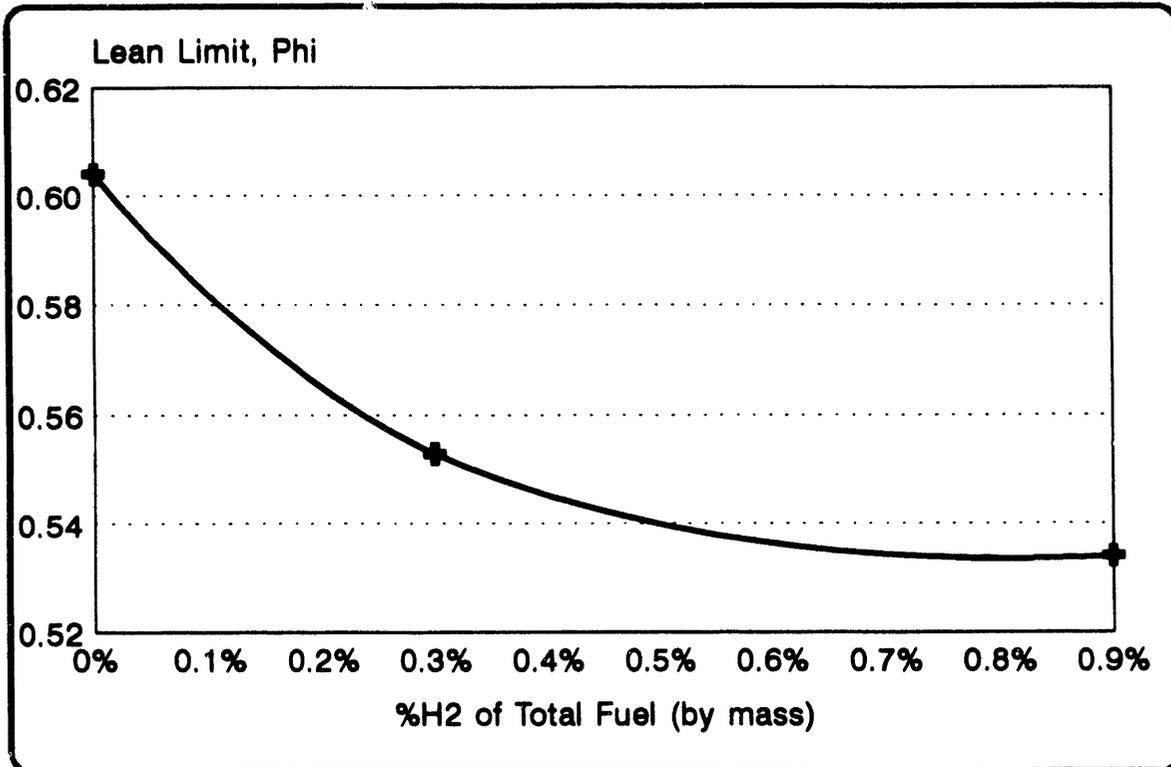
OBJECTIVE

- Demonstrate New Engine Concept
- 5 ppm NO_x @ 15% Oxygen Stationary Engine
- Retain Thermal Efficiency of Base Engine

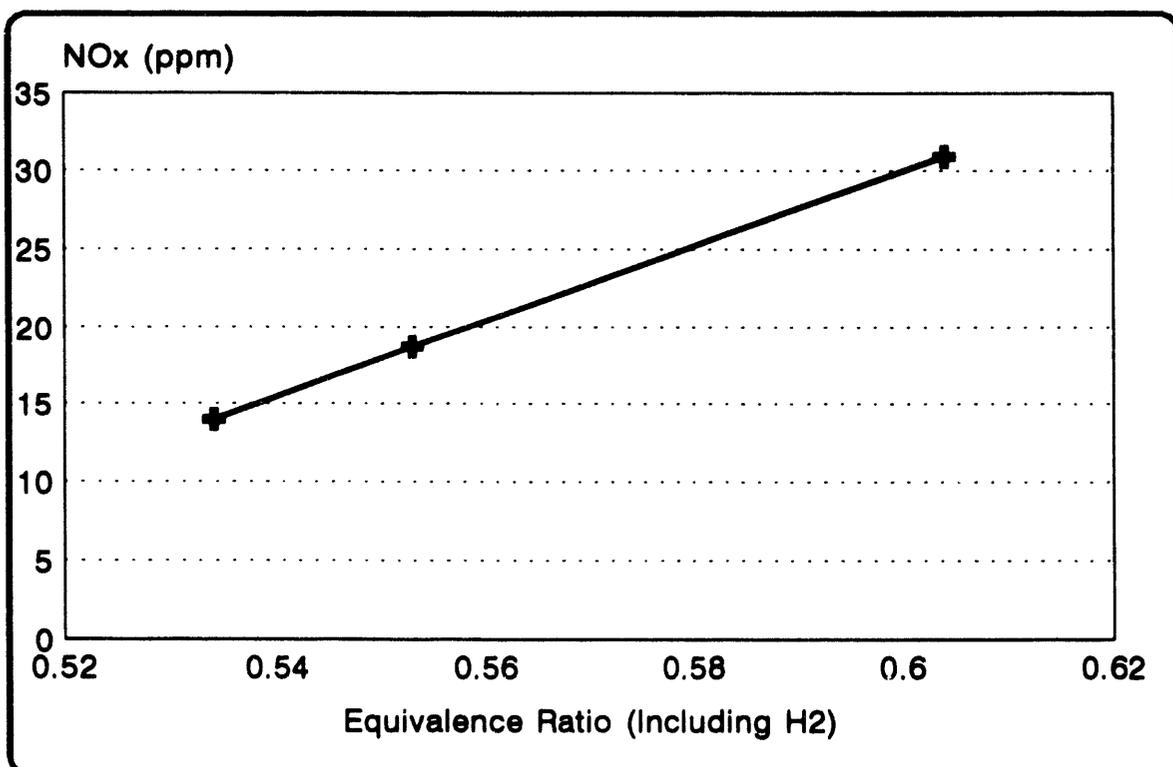
LEAN-BURN COMBUSTION

- NO_x Decreases $\Phi < 0.9$
- NO_x Level Limited by Misfire Limit
- Hydrogen Extends Misfire Limit of NG

HYDROGEN EFFECT ON LEAN LIMIT



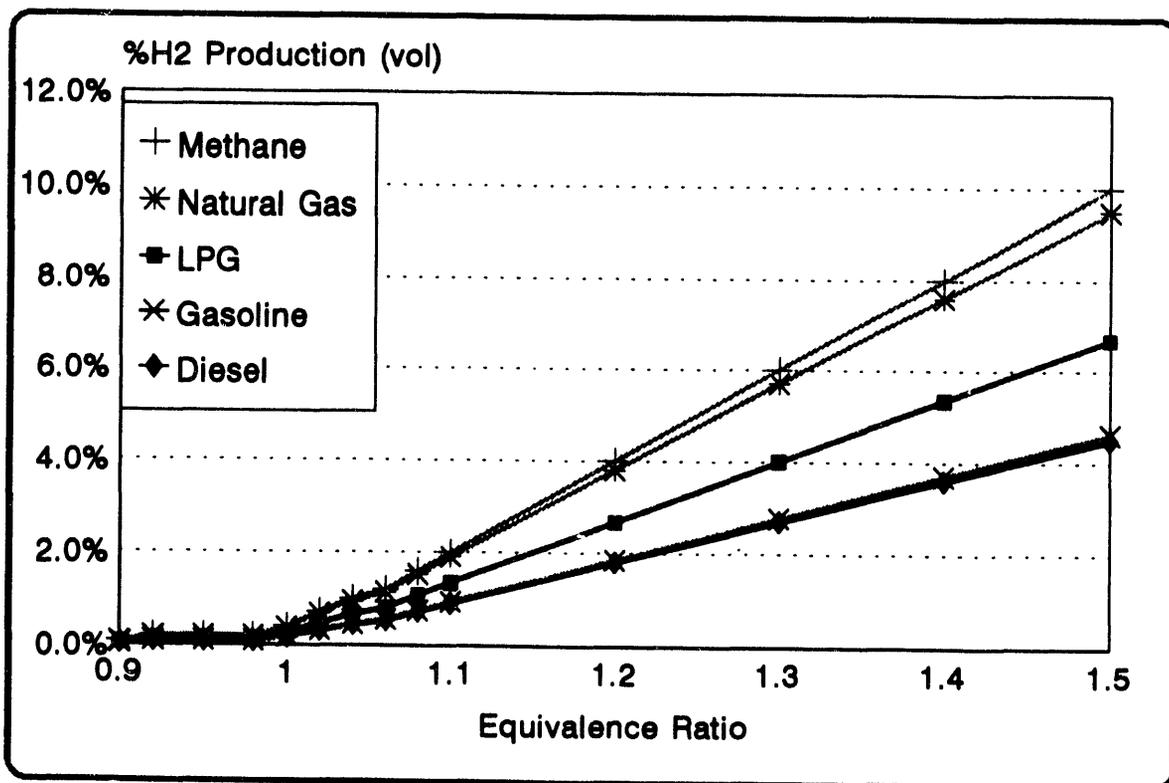
EQUIVALENCE RATIO EFFECT ON NO_x



RICH-BURN COMBUSTION

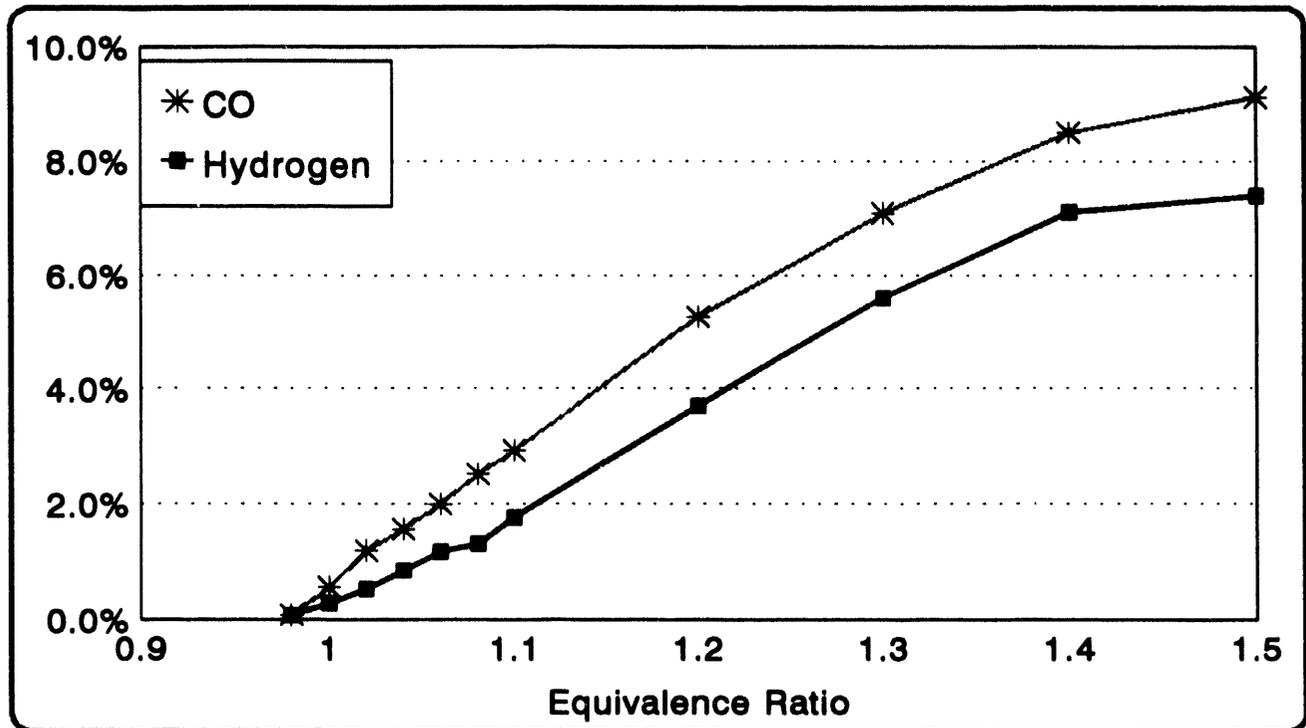
- NO_x Decreases $\Phi > 1.0$
- NO_x Level Limited by High CO and HC
- Excessive Hydrogen and CO Produced
- Hydrogen Production = $f(H/C, \Phi)$

H/C EFFECTS ON HYDROGEN PRODUCTION



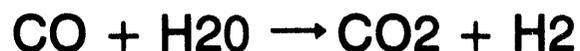
H₂ & CO EMISSIONS

Labeco CLR Test Engine



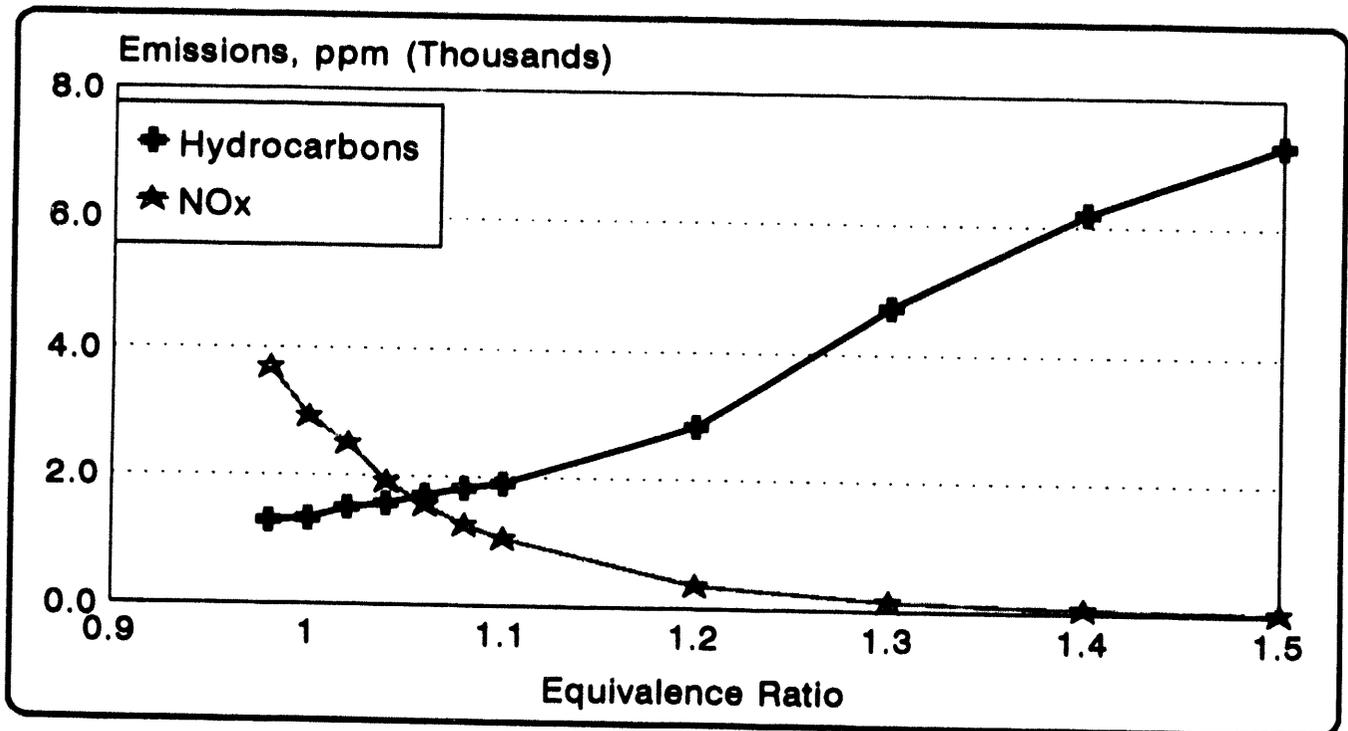
WATER-SHIFT CATALYST

- Converts CO and Water from Rich-Burn Exhaust into Hydrogen and CO₂



238 HC & NO_x EMISSIONS

Labeco CLR Test Engine



HYBRID RICH-BURN/LEAN-BURN ENGINE CONCEPT

- Operate 1 Cylinder $\Phi > 1.4$
- Rich Exhaust Through Watershift Catalyst
- Supplement Remaining Lean Cylinders w/ Hydrogen and EGR

PROJECT TASKS

1. Modeling
2. Rich-Burn Experiments
3. Combined Rich/Lean Experiments
(Two Single Cylinder Engines)
4. Full-Size Engine Demonstration
5. Retrofit Package For
Field Demonstration

ACCOMPLISHMENTS TO DATE

- Minimal Modeling Completed
- Rich-Burn Completed- 10:1 Diesel Piston
(Burn Rate Too Slow at $\Phi=1.45$)
- High-Turbulence Piston Design Completed
- Twin Engine Set-Up Completed

BENEFITS

- **Extremely Low Emissions
w/o Exhaust Aftertreatment**
- **Lean-Limit Extension Increases
Efficiency-Reduced Throttling**
- **Ultra Rich/Lean Burn Allows
Increased Compression Ratio**

**ADVANCED ENGINE
CONTROL TECHNOLOGY**

ADVANCED CONTROL TECHNOLOGY OUTLINE

- Custom Engine Control System
- PRO-LEAN Engine Control System
- TRANSLATOR Conversion System

FEATURES CUSTOM CONTROL SYSTEM

- Fuel Neutral
 - TBI/SMPI
 - Adaptive Spark Control
 - Advanced Adaptive Fuel Control
 - Mass Air Flow or Speed-Density
Open-Loop Fuel Metering
 - Advanced Transient Compensation
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FUEL DELIVERY CUSTOM CONTROL SYSTEM

- **Interface Circuitry for Driving:**
 - Gasoline PWM Injectors**
 - NG PWM Injectors**
 - CNG Proportional Metering Valves**
 - Diesel Electrically Actuated Injectors**

FUEL DELIVERY CUSTOM CONTROL SYSTEM

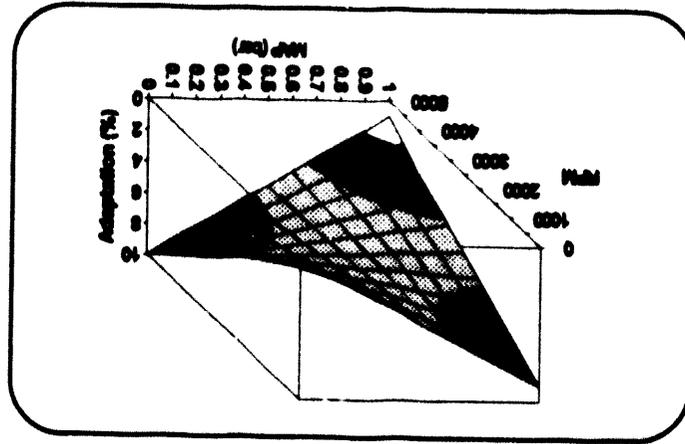
- **Additional Interface Circuitry
for Driving:**
 - EGR Valves**
 - Idle Bypass Valves**
 - Wastegate Actuators**
 - Drive-by-wire Throttle**

ADAPTIVE SPARK CONTROL CUSTOM CONTROL SYSTEM

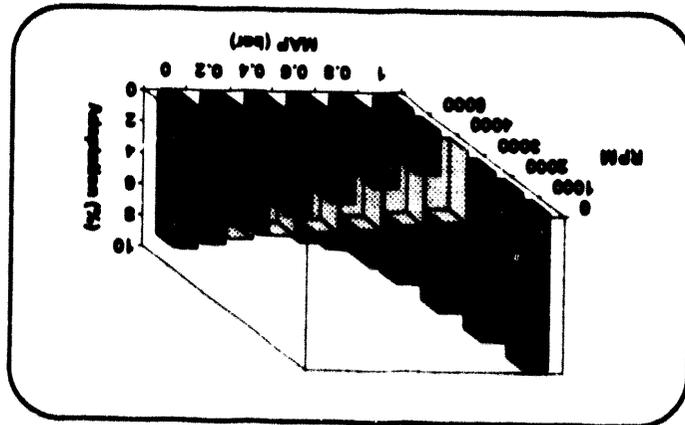
- **Possible Spark Adjustment Inputs:**
 - Cylinder Pressure**
 - Force Sensors**
 - Ionization Probes**
- **Adaptive Learn of Optimum Spark Map**
- **Misfire Detection and Diagnostics**

ADAPTIVE FUEL CONTROL CUSTOM CONTROL SYSTEM

- **Non-Discontinuous Multi-Dimensional Adaptive Learn Scheme:**
 - Injector Miscalibration/Aging**
 - Volumetric Efficiency Changes**
 - Drift in Sensors Used for Open Loop**
 - Faster Fuel Metering Adaptation**
 - **Computationally Efficient**
 - **Small Memory Requirements**
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CONTINUOUS ADAPTATION SURFACE



DISCONTINUOUS ADAPTATION

OPEN-LOOP METERING CUSTOM CONTROL SYSTEM

- **Mass Air Flow Sensor Measurement**
- **Speed-Density Based Calculation**
- **Advanced Manifold Filling/Emptying Model for Throttle Transients**

EQUIVALENCE RATIO CONTROL CUSTOM CONTROL SYSTEM

- **Ability to Use Feedback From:
Stoichiometric EGO
Wide-Range EGO Sensors
Multiple EGO Sensors**
- **Custom Circuitry for UEGO Sensor**

PRO-LEAN NATURAL GAS FOR FUEL CONTROL SYSTEM

- Heavy-Duty Diesel and Gasoline Conversions
- Based on Ford EEC-IV Hardware
- Applied to Hercules GTA3.7L and Mack E7
- Teaming Partners:
 - GRI
 - DAI Technologies
 - Southbend Controls

FEATURES PRO-LEAN CONTROL SYSTEM

- Mass Air Flow Measurement
- Closed Loop Control w/UEGO Sensor
- Direct-Fire Spark Coil Control
- Electronic Wastegate Control
- Engine Speed Governing
- Diagnostic Link

TRANSLATOR CONVERSION SYSTEM

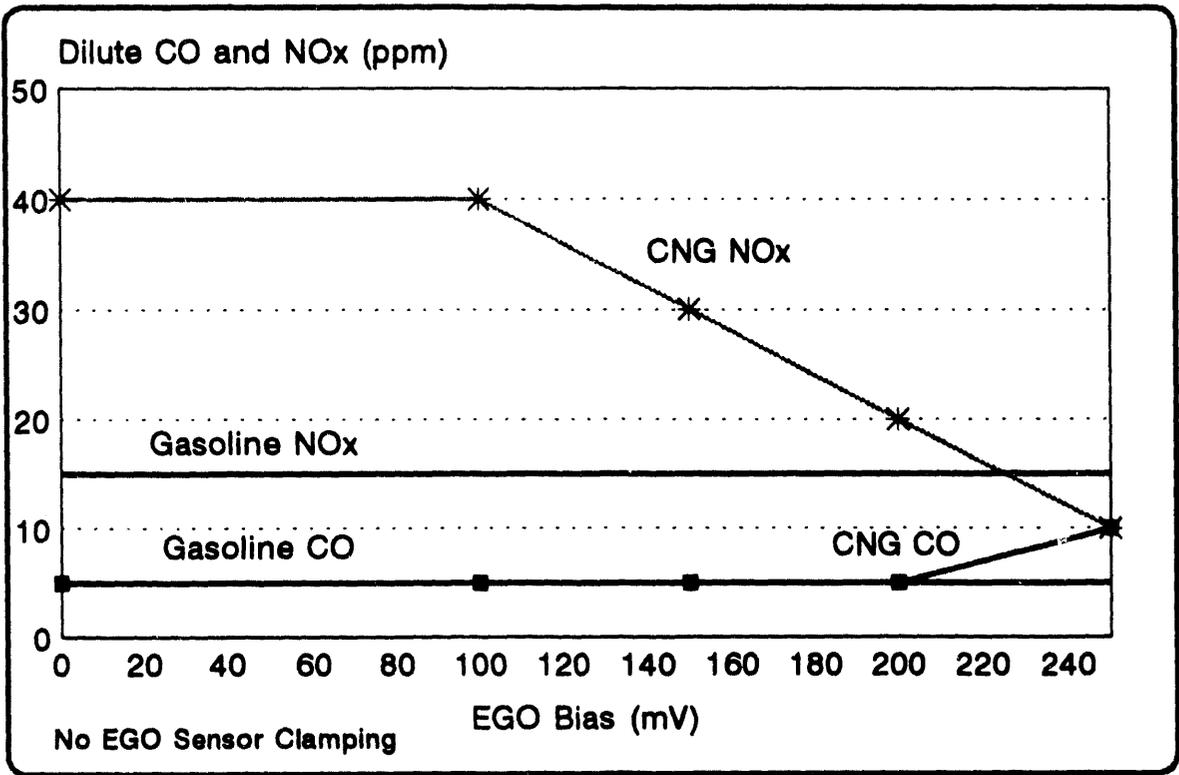
- **Simple Bi-fuel Conversion System**
- **EFI Closed-Loop Gasoline Vehicles**
- **Teaming Partners:**
 - GRI**
 - DAI Technologies**

FEATURES

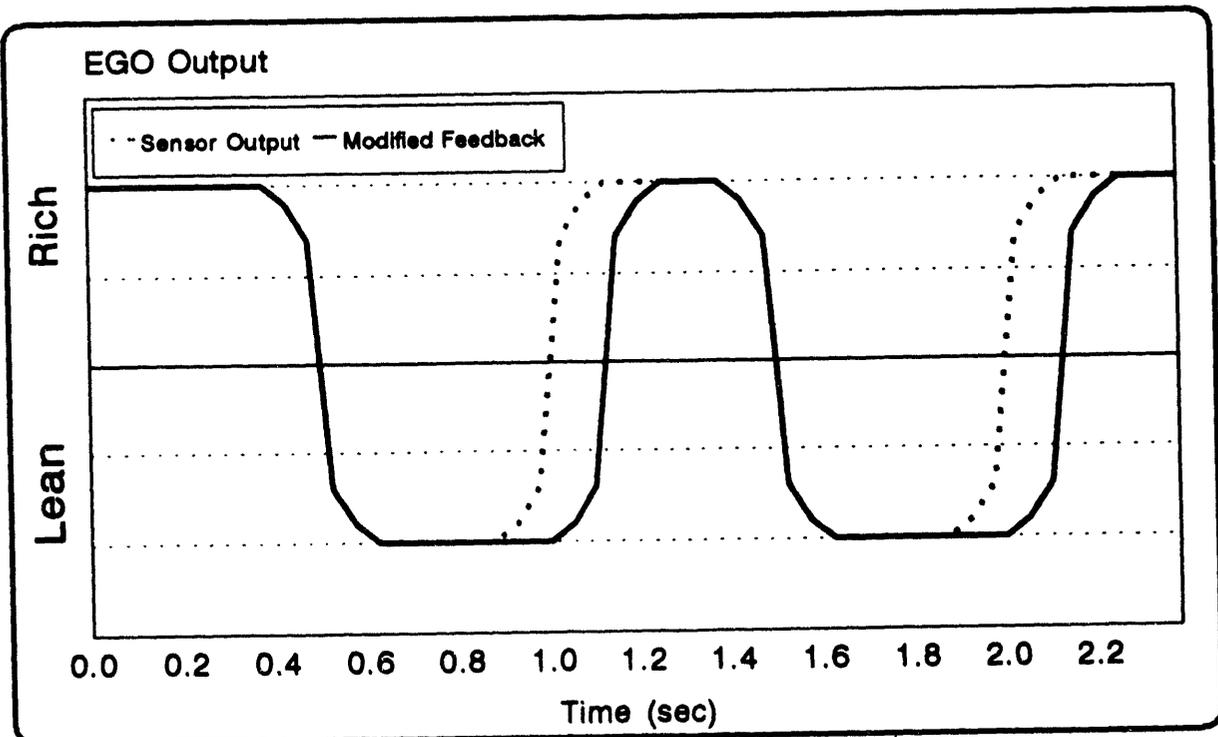
TRANSLATOR CONVERSION SYSTEM

- **OEM Diagnostics**
 - **OEM Adaptive Learn**
 - **Elimination of Cold Enrichment**
 - **Spark Advance**
 - **Rich Bias for Low Emissions**
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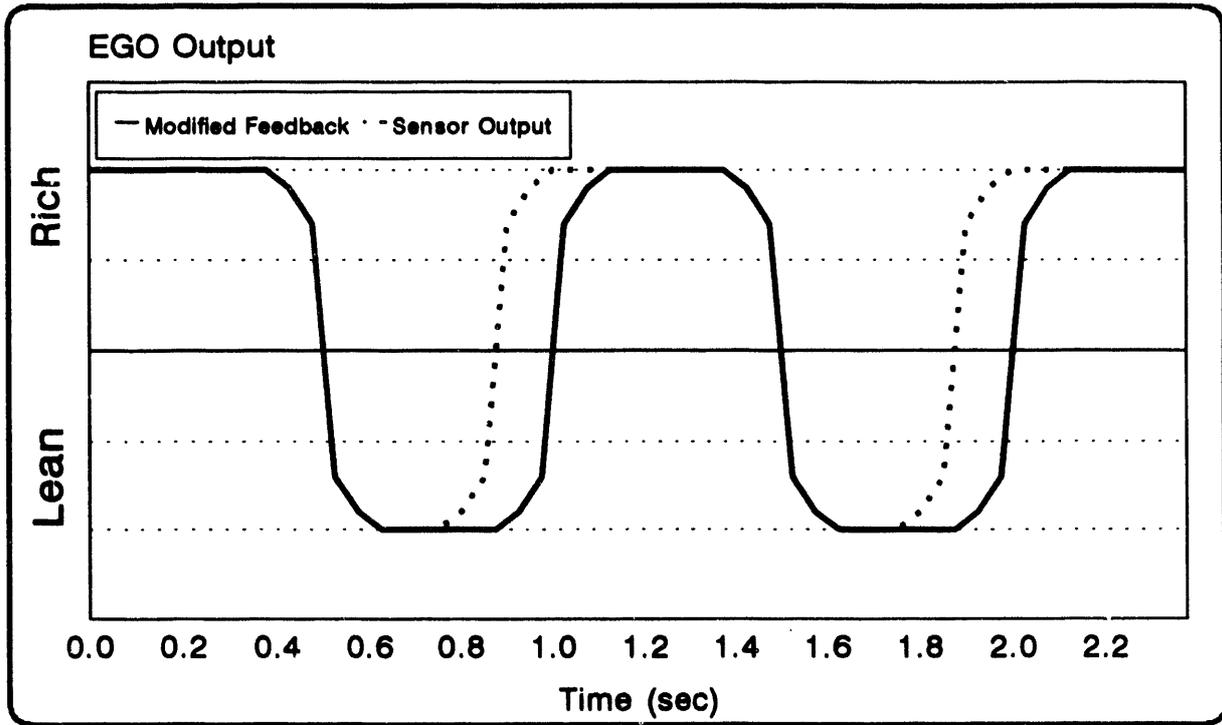
STEADY STATE NO_x/CO TRADEOFF



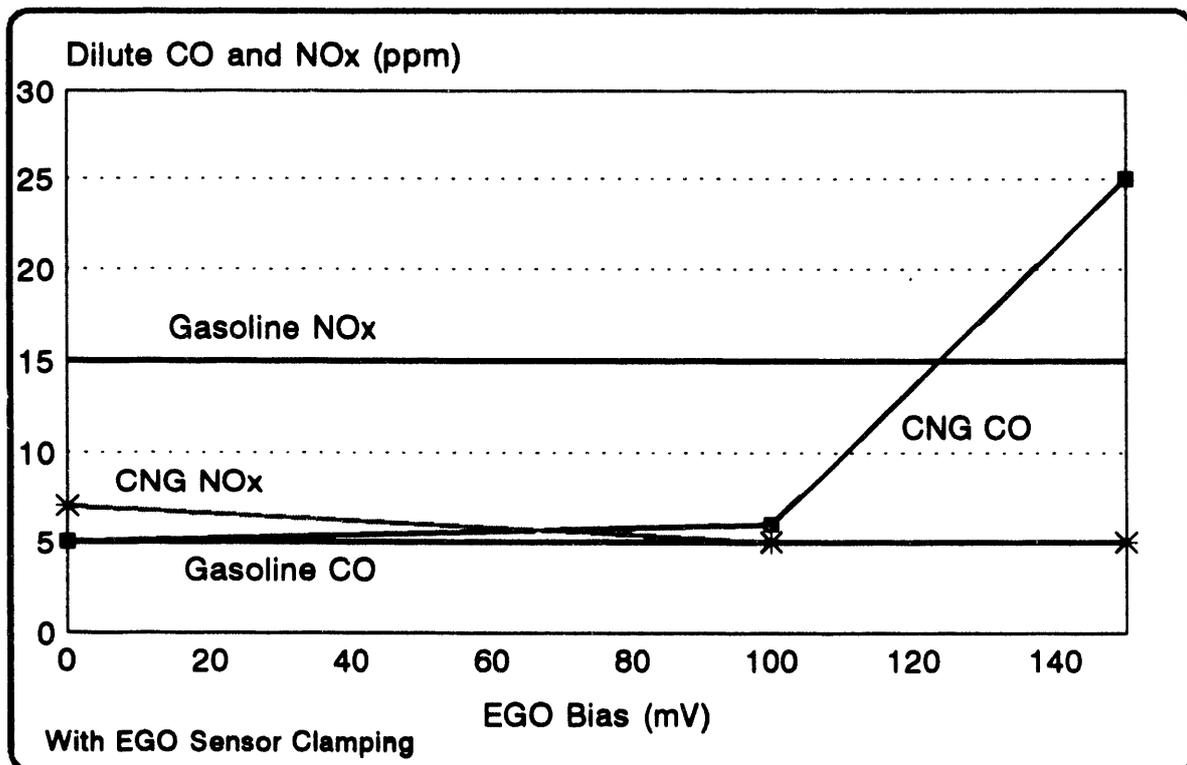
INITIAL LEAN CLAMPING RESPONSE



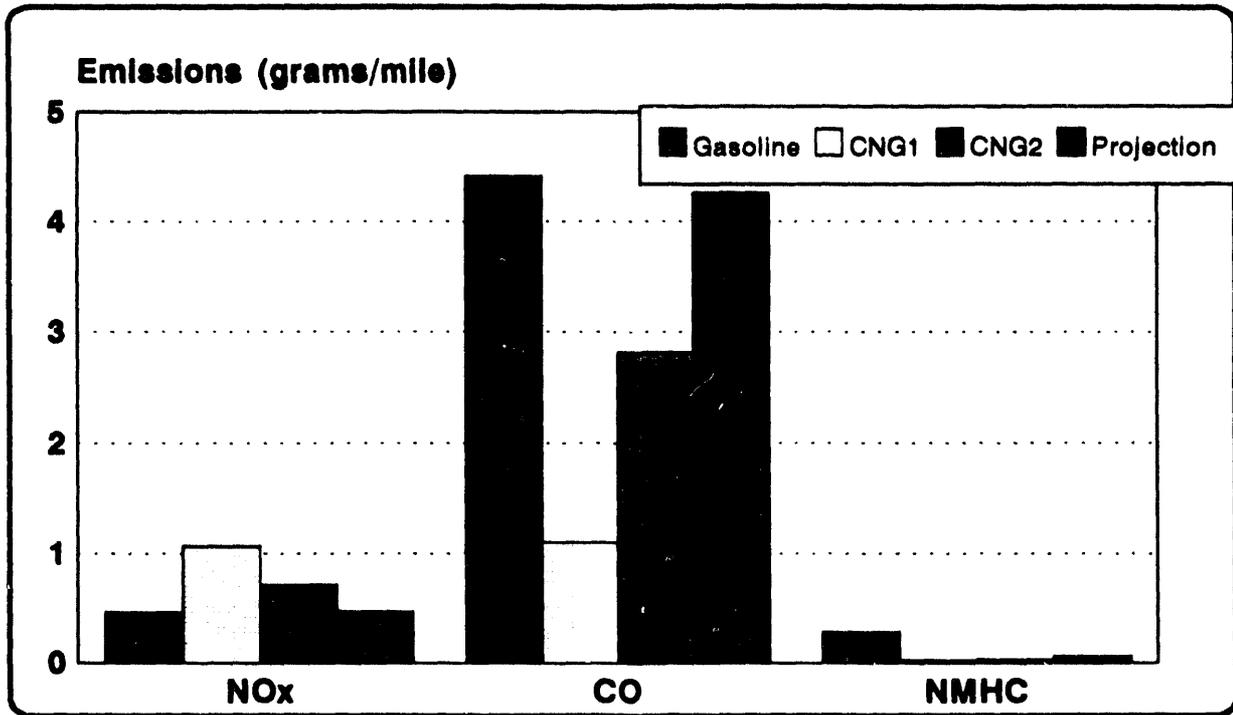
STABILIZED LEAN CLAMPING RESPONSE



STEADY STATE NO_x/CO TRADEOFF



250
3-BAG FTP EMISSIONS
5.2L TRANSLATOR-EQUIPPED DODGE



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SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS AND SPEAKER RESPONSES

EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES FROM SwRI J. Cole, Southwest Research Institute

- Q.** Vinod Duggal, Cummins Engine Co.: As a suggestion, could you mix hydrogen with natural gas for the lean-burn operation?
- A.** That would be a good idea for laboratory tests, but hydrogen is not generally available for blending with natural gas. Also, the plan is to return the unburned and unconverted hydrocarbons from the rich cylinder to the engine so that these materials contribute to the overall efficiency.
- Q.** Anonymous: In the adaptive loop control system, what happens if the fuel is changed from gasoline to natural gas and back to gasoline?
- A.** If the loop is on calibration, not much change occurs, and the control loop adjusts to fit the new fuel.

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**CUMMINS B6G: AN ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY
NATURAL GAS ENGINE**

**M.M. Kamel
Cummins Engine Co. Inc.**

CUMMINS B6G N.G. ENGINE OUTLINE

- * OBJECTIVE
- * TECHNICAL PROFILE
- * TECHNOLOGY CONCEPTS
 - DESIGN FEATURES
 - ELECTRONIC CONTROLS
- * DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE
- * DEVELOPMENT STATUS
 - PERFORMANCE
 - EMISSIONS
 - MECHANICAL
 - FIELD TEST
- * SUMMARY

B6G OVERVIEW OBJECTIVE

*** OBJECTIVE**

**DEVELOP THE B6 ENGINE FOR OPERATION WITH NATURAL GAS
FOR URBAN AUTOMOTIVE APPLICATION**

*** ENVIRONMENT**

- = LEGISLATIONS FOR LOWER EMISSIONS**
- = POLITICAL PRESSURES FOR CLEAN AIR**
- = ENERGY SECURITY**
- = ECONOMICS**

B6G TECHNICAL PROFILE

PERFORMANCE:

- * 195 HP @2800 RPM**
- * 420 FT.LB. PEAK TORQUE @1600 RPM**
- * 285 FT.LB. CLUTCH ENGAGEMENT TORQUE @FULL THROTTLE**
- * UPTO 8500 FT ALTITUDE CAPABILITY**

EMISSIONS:

- * 1998 CARB ULEV LEVELS**
2.5 (NO_x + NMHC) & 0.05 PART

NOISE:

- * US AND EEC DRIVE-BY LEGISLATED LIMITS**

B6G TECHNICAL PROFILE (Con't.d)

HEAT REJECTION:

- * LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 94B-230 DIESEL**

RELIABILITY:

- * APPROACHES DIESEL RELIABILITY AT MATURITY**

DURABILITY:

- * EQUIVALENT TO DIESEL**

ELECTRONICS:

- * ENGINE MOUNTED**

TECHNOLOGY CONCEPTS DESIGN FEATURES

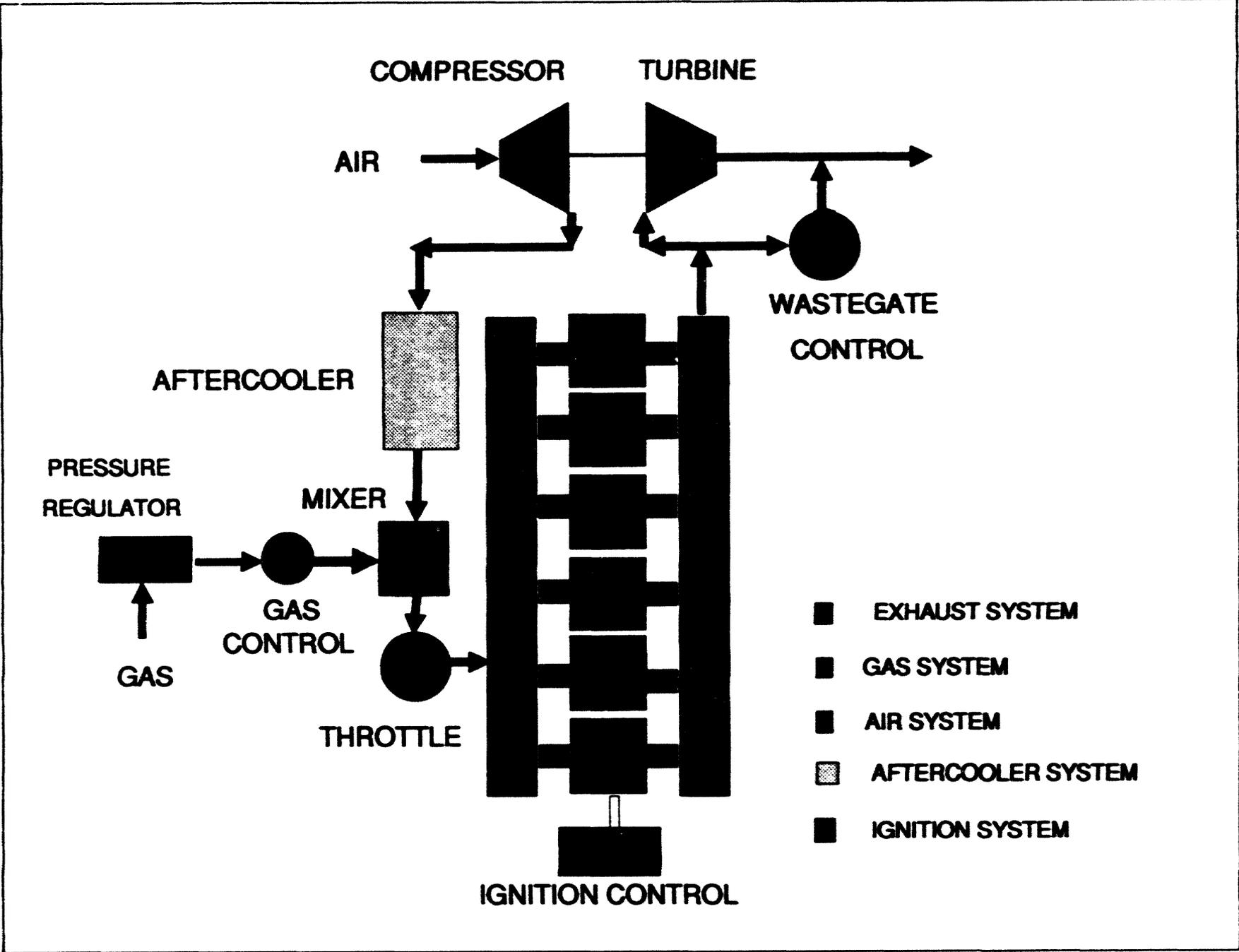
- * LEAN BURN / SPARK IGNITED
 - = DIESEL LIKE THERMAL LOADING
 - = HIGH BMEP CAPABILITY (IMPROVE EFFICIENCY)
 - = LOW ENGINE OUT NOX EMISSION

- * WASTEGATED TURBOCHARGER
 - = TORQUE CURVE SHAPING
 - = ENGINE OUTPUT LIMITING
 - = DROOP CURVE LIMITING
 - = ALTITUDE COMPENSATION

- * AIR-TO-AIR AFTERCOOLING
 - = MATCHES '94 DIESEL CONFIGURATION (COMMONALITY)

- * OXIDATION CATALYST
 - = NMHC CONTROL

- * ENHANCED DURABILITY
 - = NEW CYLINDER HEAD WITH INSERTS
 - = WATERCOOLED BEARING HOUSING TURBOCHARGER

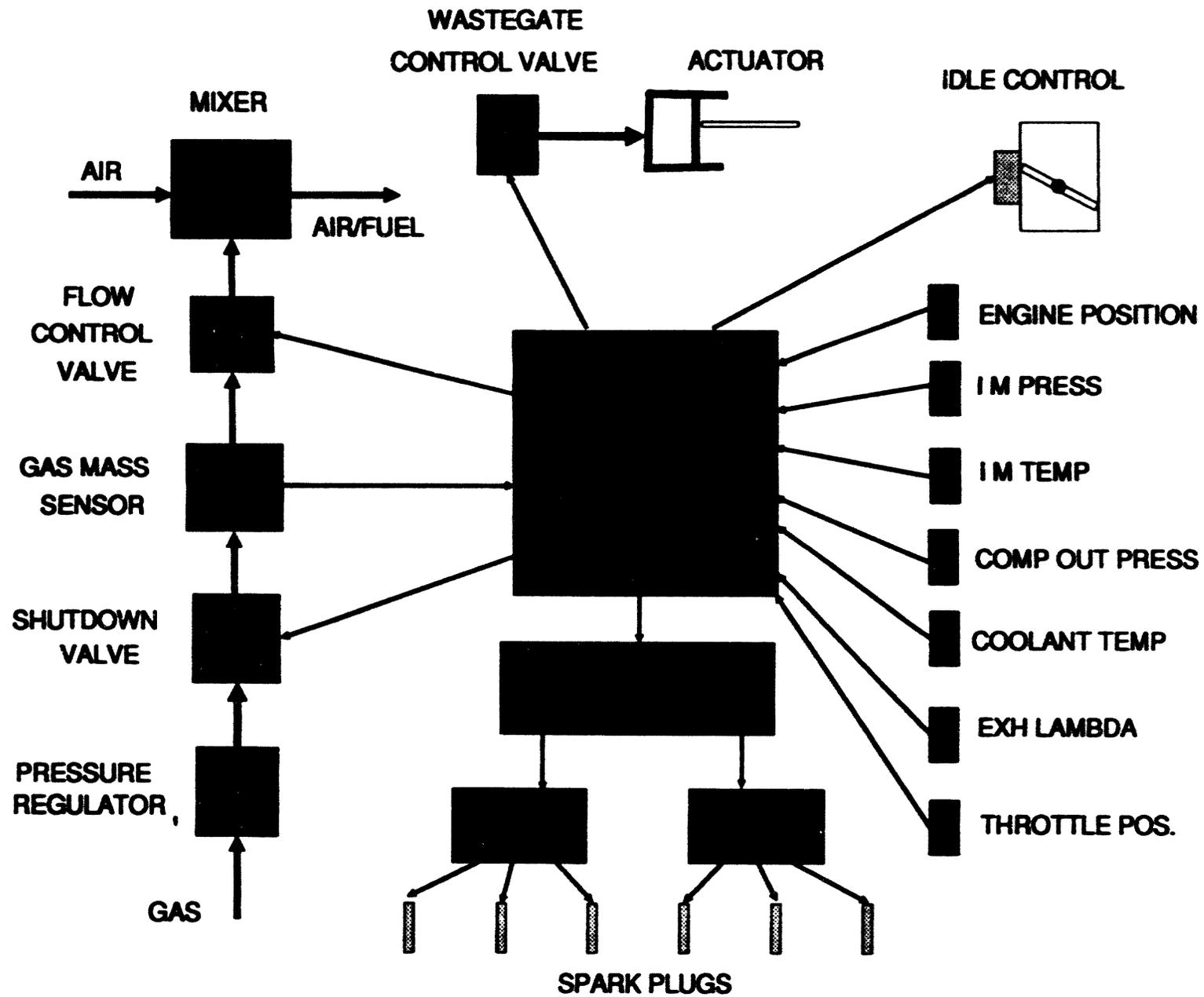


TECHNOLOGY CONCEPTS ELECTRONIC CONTROLS

- * ENGINE MOUNTED ELECTRONICS**
 - = MINIMIZE CUSTOMER INSTALLATION IMPACT**
 - = MAXIMIZE PRODUCT CONTROL**

- * ELECTRONIC CONTROL OF**
 - = IGNITION SYSTEM**
 - = GAS SYSTEM**
 - = MIN/MAX ENGINE SPEEDS**
 - = BOOST PRESSURE**

- * ENHANCE DIAGNOSTICS AND TROUBLESHOOTING**



DEVELOPMENT STATUS PERFORMANCE

* HAVE DEMONSTRATED THE CAPABILITY TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS

= POWER

= TORQUE CURVE SHAPING

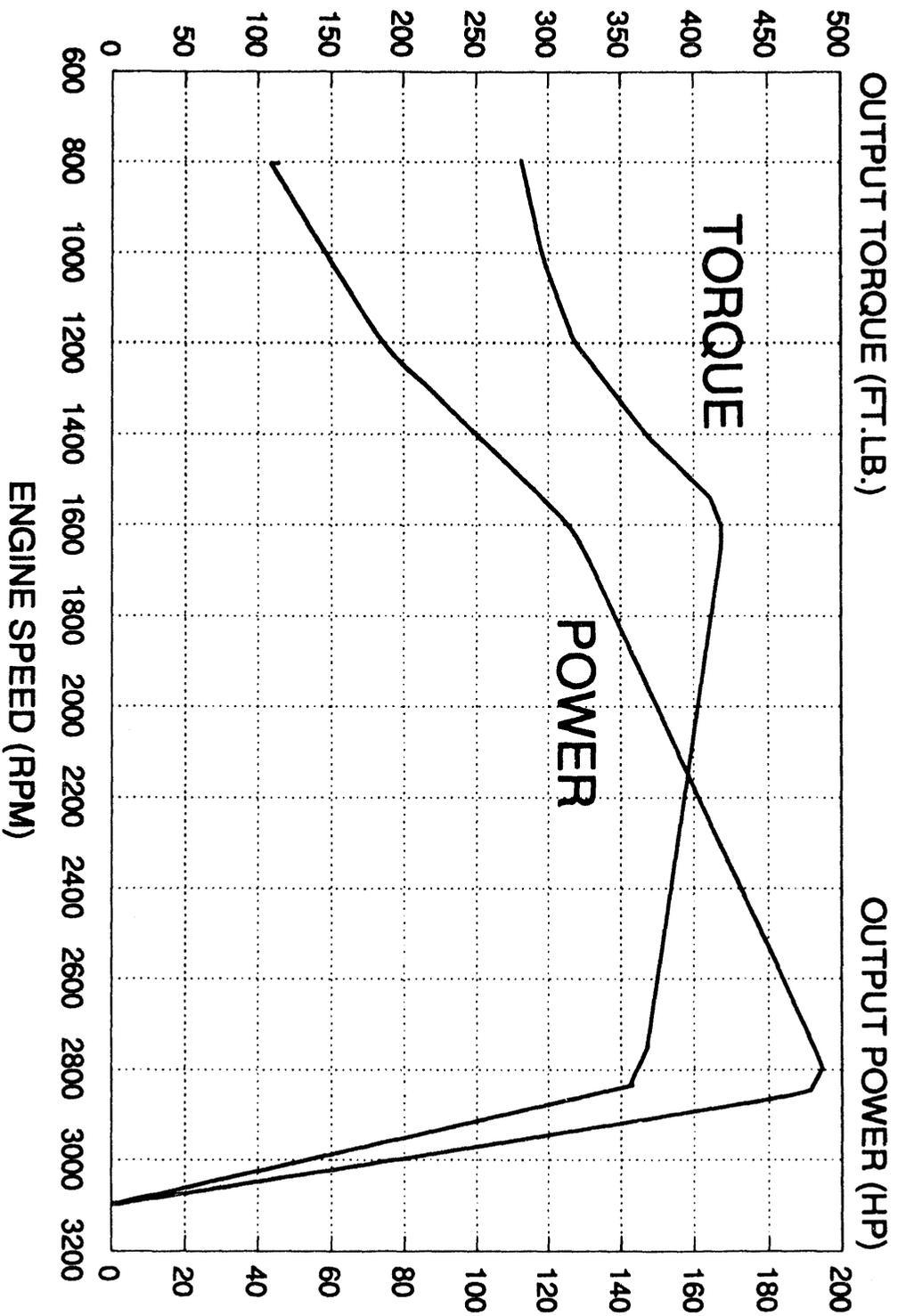
= WASTEGATE CONTROL

= MIN/MAX ENGINE SPEED CONTROL

= GAS SYSTEM CONTROL

* HAVE DEMONSTRATED REPEATED PERFORMANCE ON 9 ENGINES

B6G NATURAL GAS ENGINE TORQUE / POWER CURVES



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DEVELOPEMENT STATUS EMISSIONS

	NOx	HC	NMHC	PART.
NO CATALYST				
MIN	1.81	4.40	0.00	0.054
MAX	2.16	5.59	0.93	0.067
WITH CATALYST				
MIN	1.73	0.59	0.00	0.009
MAX	2.28	3.03	0.27	0.019

DEVELOPMENT STATUS MECHANICAL DEVELOPMENT

* ENGINE TESTS

- = LAB ENGINE TESTS (OVERSTRESS/ENDURANCE)
- = FIELD TEST ENGINES TESTS

* RIG TESTS

- = GAS SYSTEM COMPONENTS
- = IGNITION SYSTEM COMPONENTS
- = VIBRATION TESTING

* QUALIFICATION TESTS

- = SENSORS
- = ACTUATORS
- = CONTROLLER

DEVELOPMENT STATUS FIELD TEST

*** PLANNED FIELD TEST ENGINE IN THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS**

= SCHOOL BUS

= SHUTTLE BUS

= PICKUP/DELIVERY TRUCK

*** HAVE ALREADY SHIPPED FOUR FIELD TEST ENGINES**

B6G TECHNICAL PROGRESS SUMMARY

- * PROJECT IS ON SCHEDULE

- * HAVE DEMONSTRATED THE PERFORMANCE AND EMISSIONS CAPABILITIES OF THE ENGINE

- * MECHANICAL DEVELOPMENT PHASE IS UNDERWAY
 - ENGINE RELIABILITY IS ON TARGET TO ACHIEVE DESIGN GOAL

- * ACCUMULATED 3000 HRS OF ENGINE TEST EXPERIENCE
 - BUILT AND TESTED 9 ENGINES

- * SHIPPED FOUR FIELD TEST ENGINES
 - SHUTTLE BUS
 - SCHOOL BUS

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**SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS
AND SPEAKER RESPONSES**

**CUMMINS B6G: AN ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY NATURAL GAS ENGINE
M.M. Kamel, Cummins Engine Co. Inc.**

- Q. Anonymous: Can Cummins provide conversion of existing engines?
- A. No, the hardware could be purchased, but it would be expensive and there would be no certification.

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**DEVELOPMENT OF A STOICHIOMETRIC
NATURAL GAS ENGINE FOR USE IN
HEAVY DUTY TRUCKS**

(unavailable at time of printing)

**L. Gettel, G.C. Perry
BC Research**

**D.H. Smith
IMPCO Technologies**

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**DEVELOPMENT OF A STOICHIOMETRIC NG ENGINE FOR USE IN HEAVY DUTY
TRUCKS**

G.C. Perry, and L.E. Gettel, B.C. Research Corporation

- Q. Bernard James, Energy, Mines & Resources Canada: What range is obtained by the truck?
- A. The range is 200-250 kilometers.
- Q. Bryan Wilson, Colorado State University: Do you have emissions data?
- A. No, emissions have not been measured yet on the vehicle.

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**DEVELOPMENT STATUS FOR TWO DEDICATED
METHANOL ENGINE COMBUSTION
TECHNOLOGIES: DI HOT SURFACE IGNITION
AND DI SPARK IGNITED STRATIFIED CHARGE**

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**Development Status for Two Dedicated
Methanol Engine Combustion Technologies:
DI Hot Surface Ignition and DI Spark Ignited Stratified Charge**

**Presented by:
Robert J. Last
FEV Engine Technology, Inc.**

At the SAE Fuels and Lubricants Meeting in San Francisco last August, I presented the Phase 1 program results for two engine development programs that FEV has conducted with the support of funding by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and co-sponsorship by Volkswagen.

[SLIDES 1 through 3]

The direct injected, hot surface ignition system uses a shielded glow element that is heated at all times during the engine operating cycle. A single spray from a multi-hole nozzle is directed at the shielded cover of the glow plug. The fuel from the ignition spray enters the cover through perforations in its surface and ignites. This results in a torch-like ignition of the main injection quantity.

[SLIDES 2 through 6]

The DI, spark ignition combustion process is characterized by peripheral injection in a relatively deep, compact combustion chamber and the nearly simultaneous provision of a spark ignition source near the wall of the bowl. The fuel injection is accomplished with a two-spring injection nozzle holder. Mixture formation is supported by a relatively high swirl (4.0). Through adaptation of the two injector stages, a certain rate-shaping effect is possible, allowing control of the injection duration and the position of the spray cone relative to the spark plug. In comparison with traditional Otto engines, the higher compression ratio with this concept requires that a sufficiently large number of multiple sparks occur over a period of approximately 0.8 to 1.0 ms. Consequently, smaller electrode gaps are necessary to avoid "blow-off" or quenching effects. Because of the deep, slightly reentrant bowl shape, the spark plug protrusion must be relatively deep, requiring a long electrode length.

The Phase 1 results for the DI hot surface ignition concept reported near ULEV emissions levels as well as cold startability at -29°C with excellent driveaway characteristics and diesel-like fuel economy. The potential for very low emissions from the DI Spark Ignited, stratified charge concept was also demonstrated.

In addition to the very encouraging results that came out of Phase 1, the need for a number of improvements was also recognized, if the true potential of these concepts was to be realized. Most of the recommendations were related to the desire to dynamically adjust the engine for low emissions and to control the fuel system. The motivation for considering electronic control of the engines included the following considerations:

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With these goals in mind, FEV commenced a Phase 2 effort with funding support by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the assistance of Volkswagen.

Additionally, Robert Bosch provided limited technical support and allowed the use of some of their componentry in the design and development of the controller. I would be remiss in not acknowledging the support of these organizations.

Phase 2 was directed at adapting and developing an electronically controlled injection pump, EGR system and integration of a separate electronic ignition system, in the case of the DI SI engine. As a result of these efforts, the first fully electronic dedicated methanol engine concept for direct injection has been developed. Today, I would like to provide a brief overview of the control system concept and identify areas in which we feel additional development is necessary to ultimately provide a competitive methanol engine design concept.

The primary functions of the controller include:

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1. INJECTION QUANTITY CONTROL

The primary function of an electronic engine controller for DI engines is, of course, the governing of the injection quantity. In the FEV IEEC controller, the fuel injection quantity is controlled in the following manner.

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Based upon the requested engine operational point (foot pedal input), the controller performs any modifications of the request that might be necessary due to the operating state of the engine (such as idle, full load, startup and/or need for temperature compensation) and requests a certain injection quantity. This is referred to in the figure as FQ_SOLL. The difference between the requested fuel quantity and the reported fuel rack position is then determined and a calculation takes place, as indicated in the figure. Depending upon whether the requested injection quantity is less than or greater than the reported quantity, a signal is output to a rotary torque motor which, in turn, drives the fuel rack to either higher or lower fuel delivery positions.

The initial development testing with the electronic controller has indicated a need for better temperature compensation of the fuel rack position feedback sensor. Typically, such sensors have non-linear voltage characteristics and exhibit a certain drift as a function of the temperature in the vicinity of the sensor. This temperature effect has a more significant influence on the engine operating characteristics than originally anticipated. FEV has, therefore, recommended that this problem be addressed in future development efforts with the controller.

In addition to temperature compensation, FEV has recommended the use of a self-calibration circuit in the controller. This circuit would compare the output of the fuel rack position sensor at a known angular position (such as the full load mechanical stop) with a calibration value which is stored in a EPROM. When the sensor deviates from the correct value, this "self calibration" circuit would apply a scalar correction factor to the sensor output, in an attempt to return it to the correct calibration.

2. BEGINNING OF INJECTION

During the course of development for both of the passenger car methanol engine concepts which are being developed by FEV, the need has been demonstrated for an injection timing strategy which is both load and speed dependent.

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Under low load conditions, advanced timing is necessary to ensure good ignition quality as well as low HC and CO emissions. Under high, part load conditions where high temperatures prevent increased HC emissions, retarded timing is employed to reduce NO_x emissions and to ensure good fuel economy. However, under high load, high speed conditions, it becomes necessary to re-advance timing because of the length of the injection event. Clearly, these considerations call for a flexible timing strategy that can only be achieved with electronic timing control.

The AMBAC Model 100 methanol compatible, electronic fuel injection pump is being used in both of these programs. The beginning of injection is controlled in closed loop through an evaluation of the output signals from two vane sensors mounted inside the pump housing. One sensor is located on the pump cam shaft and the other on the driven shaft which rotates the hydraulic head of the injection pump. The controller calculates a phase difference between the two sensors which is related to the BOI and then provides an appropriate driver signal to a linear magnet which, in turn, positions a helical spline gear to adjust the timing. In this manner, the timing for the fuel delivery from the injection pump is controlled in closed loop. However, our recent evaluations with the electronic control system indicate that this control strategy may not be adequate. While the start of fuel delivery is related to BOI, the hydrodynamics in the injection line and nozzle influence the actual BOI to a considerable extent, dependent upon injection pressure and the point in the operating map. Therefore, future efforts are planned to incorporate a needle lift sensor based BOI feedback signal.

3. EXHAUST GAS RECIRCULATION

One of the critical needs that was demonstrated during the Phase 1 vehicle evaluation was the need for closed loop control of the EGR system.

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Under low speed, part load conditions, very high EGR rates are possible, resulting in a substantial reduction in NO_x emissions. Under medium speed, part load conditions, most of the NO_x reduction is achieved within the first 10% of EGR fraction and more sensitivity is observed with regard to higher EGR rates, therefore the EGR rate drops off more rapidly. Under high speed conditions, the sensitivity of the combustion process to higher EGR rates increases substantially and, therefore, EGR must be limited under these conditions.

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However, despite EGR sensitivity (due to misfiring) in both engine concepts, a substantial reduction in NO_x is possible with hot EGR. In general, under low load conditions, the application of hot EGR leads to a slight parallel improvement in HC emissions, since the intake air is preheated by the EGR. At higher EGR rates, the lower O₂ content results in a deterioration in flame speed and ignition characteristics, and HC concentration increases. However, this higher concentration is offset at part load by the fact that the exhaust gas mass flow is significantly lower.

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By properly "tailoring" the EGR and BOI strategy, it is possible to reduce NO_x without a significant penalty in HC or BSFC. However, this ability requires flexible, electronic, closed loop control of both EGR and timing.

This approach is possible with both the HSI engine as well as the DI SI stratified charge engine. Although the spark ignited engine is somewhat more sensitive to EGR, as indicated here in the EGR map for the engine.

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Flexible, dynamic EGR control capability was built into the electronic control system during the development of the electronic controller. A duty cycle signal from the IEEC unit, defining the desired EGR valve lift is provided to a solenoid, which modulates between vacuum pump and ambient pressure as necessary to actuate the EGR valve. An air mass flow sensor provides a feedback signal, indicating the actual air mass flow to the controller. The maximum air mass flow for this particular operating point occurs under conditions of no EGR. This value is stored in an EPROM. The controller then compares the actual air mass flow value with the maximum value, stored in EPROM. An actual EGR rate can, thus, be calculated and adjusted, resulting in closed loop control of the EGR.

4. IGNITION TIMING CONTROL

Although the controller architecture was designed to include it, the current controller concept does not include the capability for spark timing control. Currently, this remains a rather critical limitation for the DI SI stratified charge engine in terms of realization of the true potential engine performance.

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The time difference between BOI and ignition defines the degree of in-cylinder homogenization of the air/fuel mixture. Ignition must occur during the period corresponding to the injection duration. Under part load conditions, very early injection timing (about 21° BTDC) and a (max) 2 - 3° later spark timing is necessary to achieve a good combination of low HC emissions and acceptable BSFC. However, under high load conditions, more homogenization is necessary for good air utilization and good BSFC. Therefore, the ignition timing should be very late in comparison with the injection timing to achieve the best characteristics. Clearly, flexible, independent control of both injection and ignition timing are necessary.

Unfortunately, the desired injection/ignition timing strategy is currently not possible with the ignition system that is being utilized on the vehicle. The ignition timing device that is currently available uses an engine speed dependent timing control function. After a signal for dynamic BOI has been registered, a programmed delay time occurs before spark ignition takes place. The time delay calibration is a function of engine speed and is controlled between 1° crank angle at low speed and 6° crank angle at rated speed. This system, while adequate, represents a compromise from the ideal ignition timing flexibility.

The injection timing for the DI SI engine is shown here and represents the typical compromise between best timing at discrete steady-state points and a smooth transition for good electronic control system function.

[SLIDE 17]

The corresponding ignition timing here. Clearly, it is not currently possible to provide the desired residence time under all load and speed conditions and, consequently, the full potential of the in-cylinder homogenization concept cannot be taken advantage of.

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FEV has recommended the incorporation of this feature into future direct injected, spark ignited vehicle development activities.

5. DRIVEABILITY/ACCELERATION

Numerous points exist in the engine map, from which accelerations typically begin during the FTP-75 cycle. These points are of particular concern due to the heavily weighted contribution of emissions peaks that occur during accelerations to the overall engine emissions characterization. In diesel applications, electronic controllers typically provide a smoke limitation feature that prevents localized overfuelling during accelerations by limiting the rate of increase of the fuel injection quantity. This is done as a function of the available air mass flow. In the methanol engine, where smoke is not a problem, this type of control feature can be utilized for a different purpose. The FEV engine controller uses this capability as an indirect Lambda control under acceleration conditions. The rate of injection quantity increase is limited, through the use of a special look up table that interacts with the EGR and BOI control systems. Hence, the EGR and BOI characteristics can be fine-tuned to reduce or eliminate acceleration induced emissions peaks.

6. IDLE SPEED CONTROL

The FEV controller also features a sophisticated P,I,D governor for idle speed and an integrated glow plug controller for the HSI engine. The glow plug controller feature allows special cold start and warm-up strategies as well as flexible, dynamic control of the hot surface ignition system energy supply during engine operation.

The controller was designed with the intent of upgradeability, including the future potential for spark timing control and variable geometry turbocharger control. However, these features have not yet been incorporated into the design.

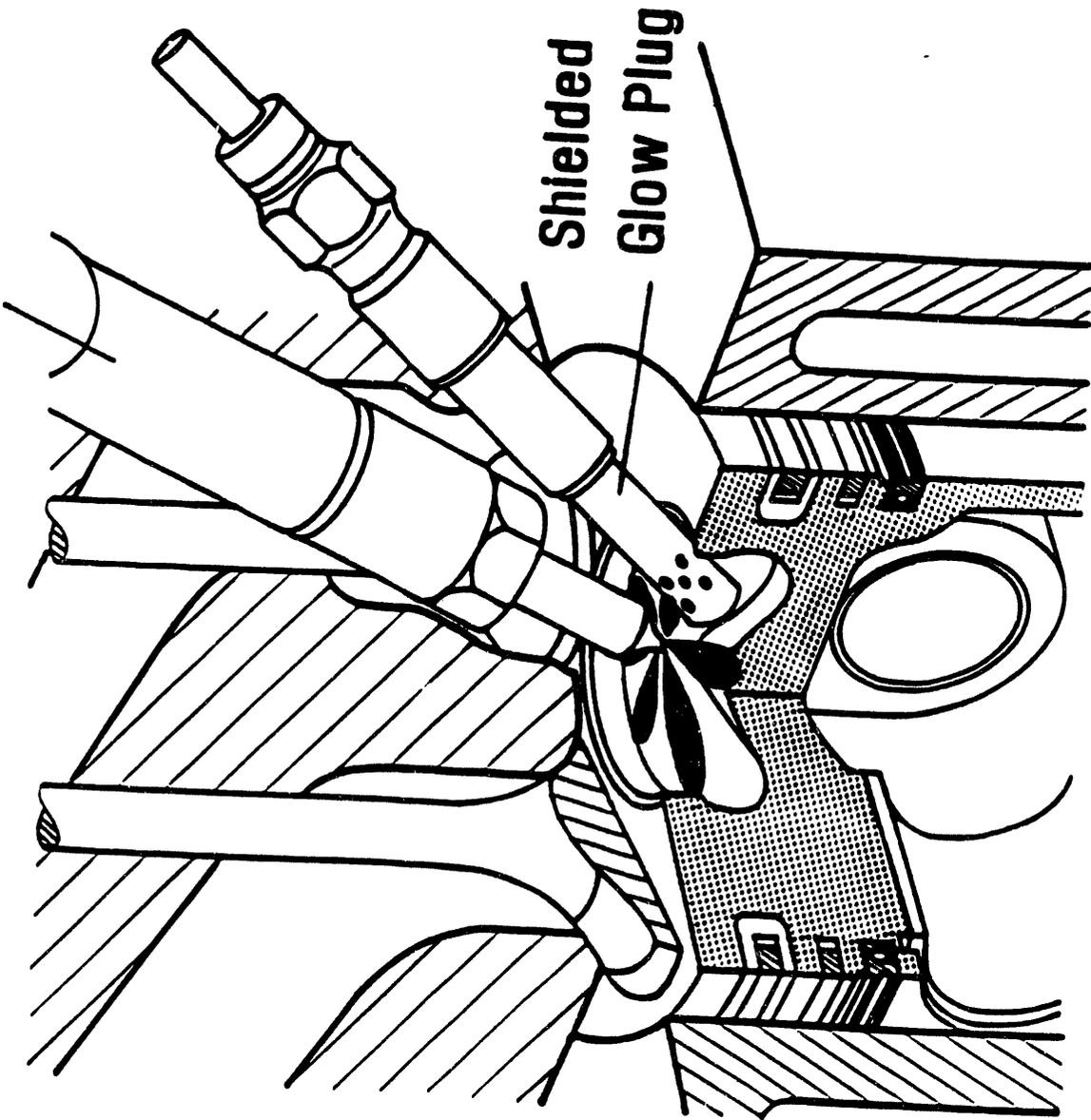
7. SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

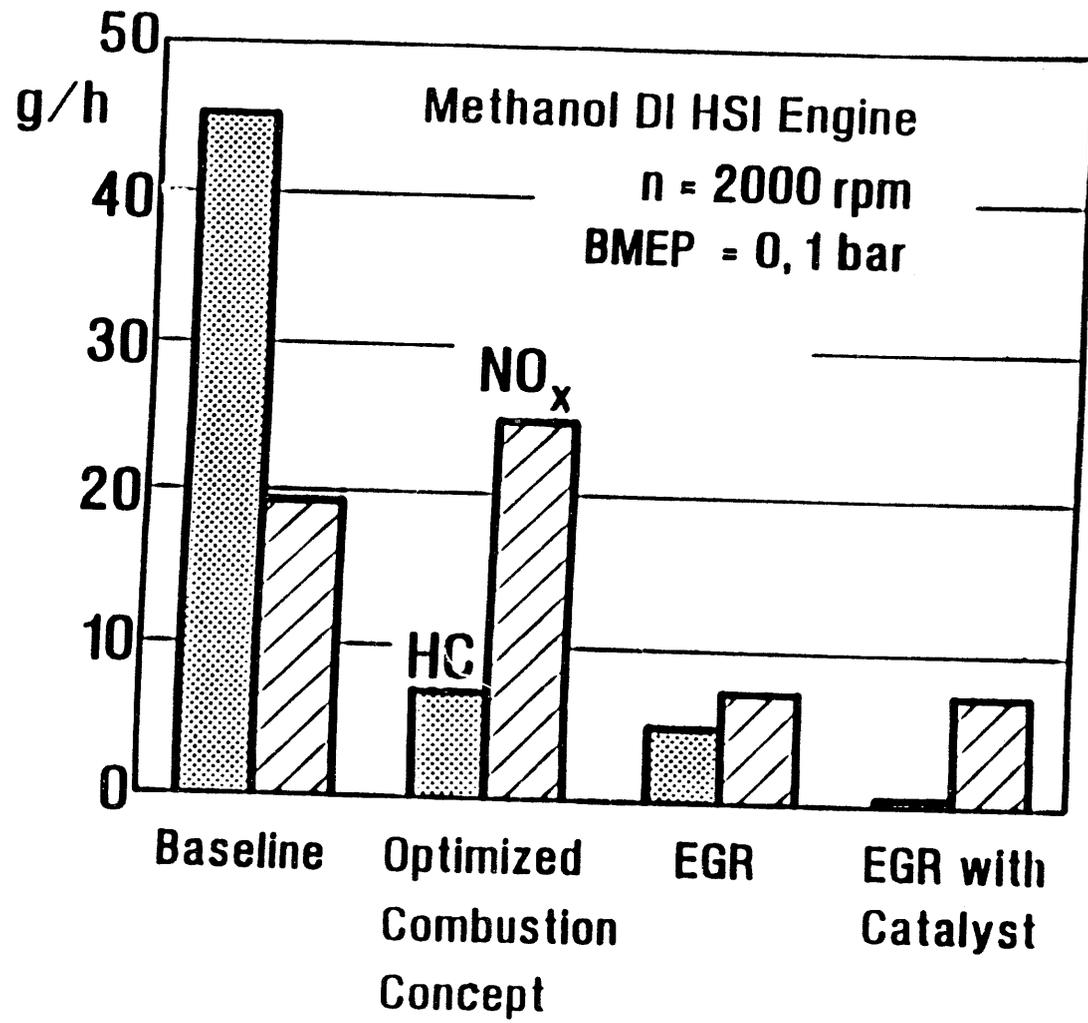
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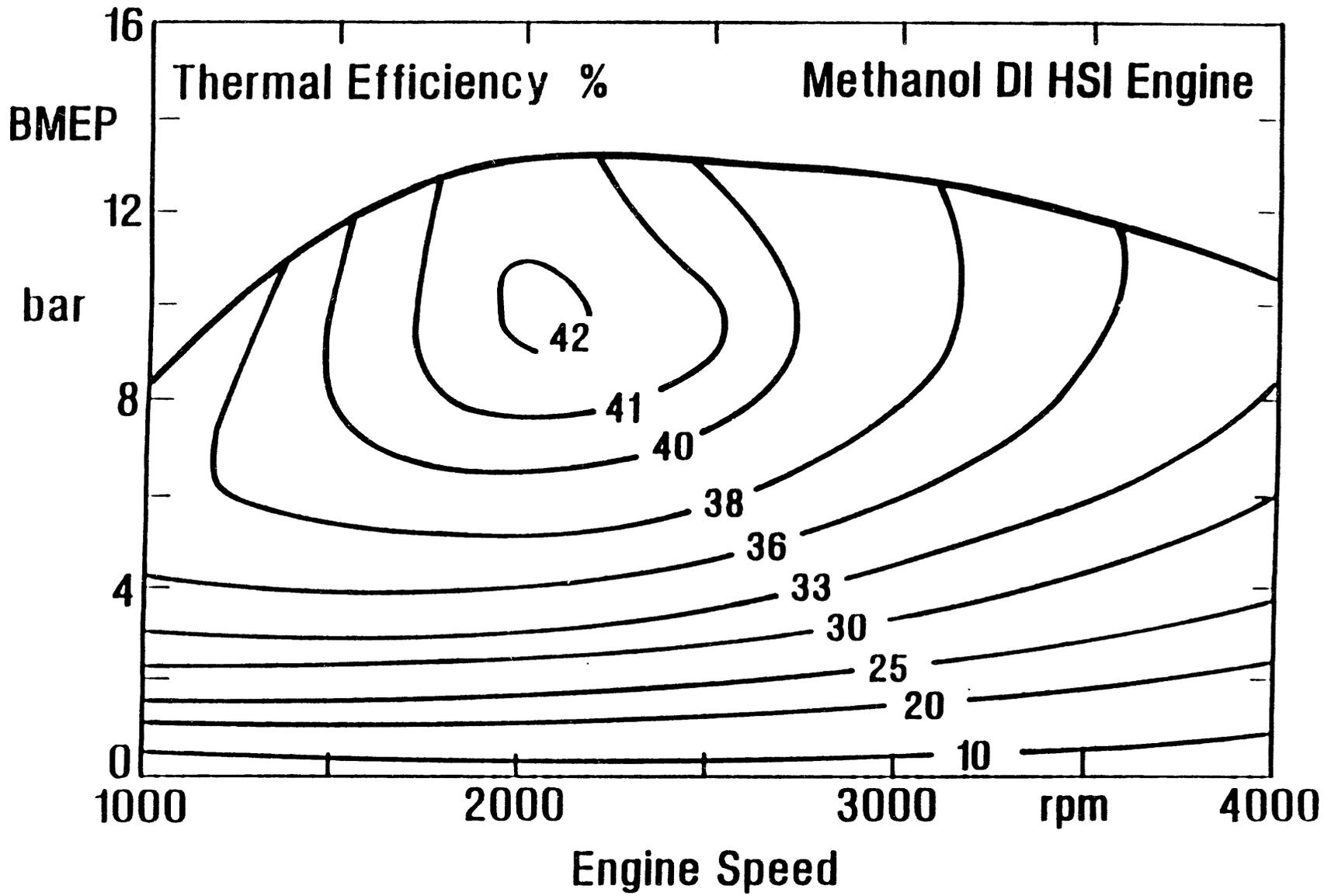
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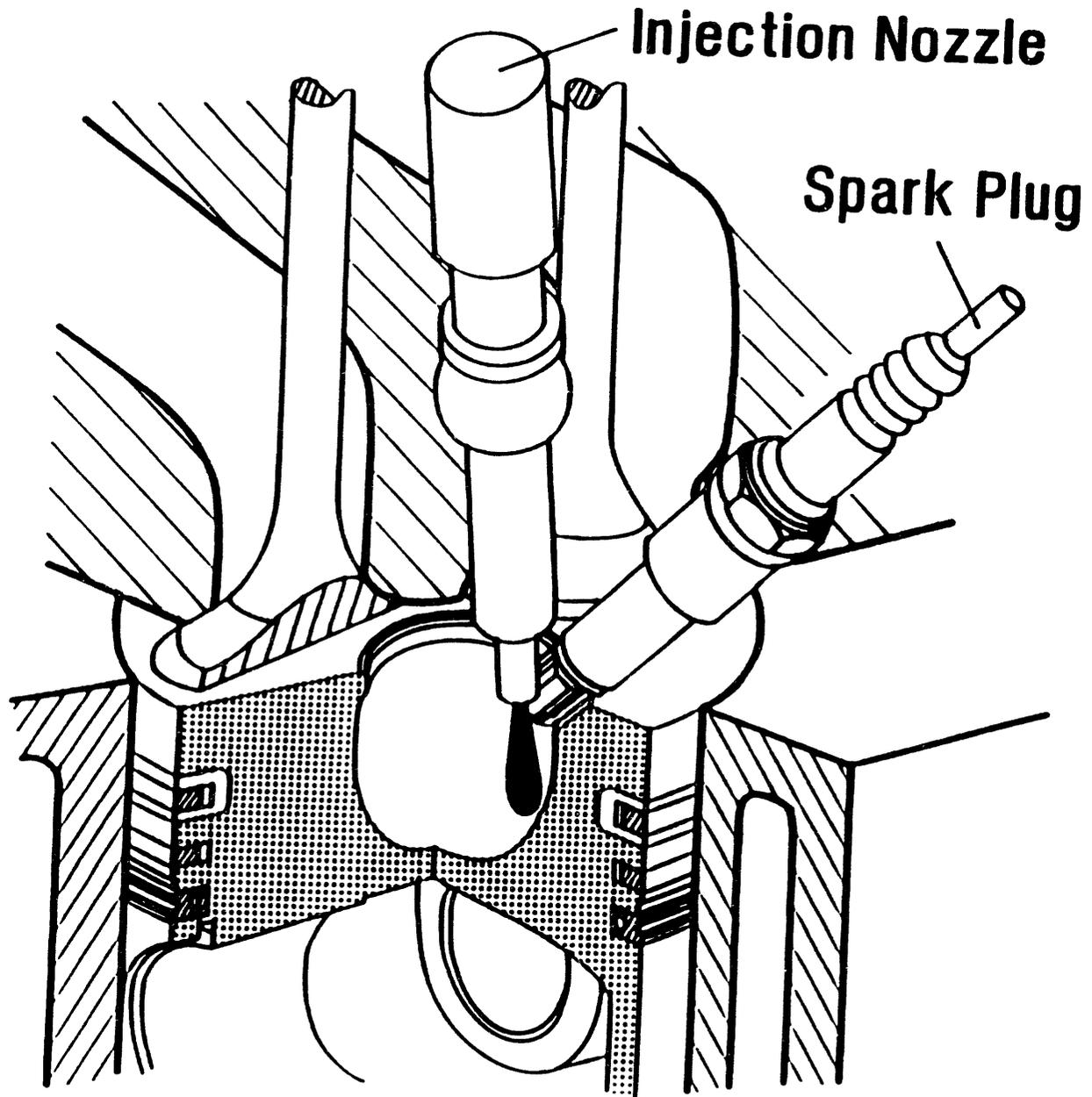
Although recent testing has indicated a need for improvements in the control concept, the FEV IEEC represents a significant development from the standpoint of dynamic control of a methanol engine. When fully developed, FEV believes that extremely low emissions values will be possible with both of these methanol engine concepts. Although the development of these engines on a steady-state basis is nearly complete, a considerable effort is still necessary to dynamically optimize the engine/controller system in a vehicle. Accordingly, these efforts represent FEV's recommendations for near term development goals for these technologies.

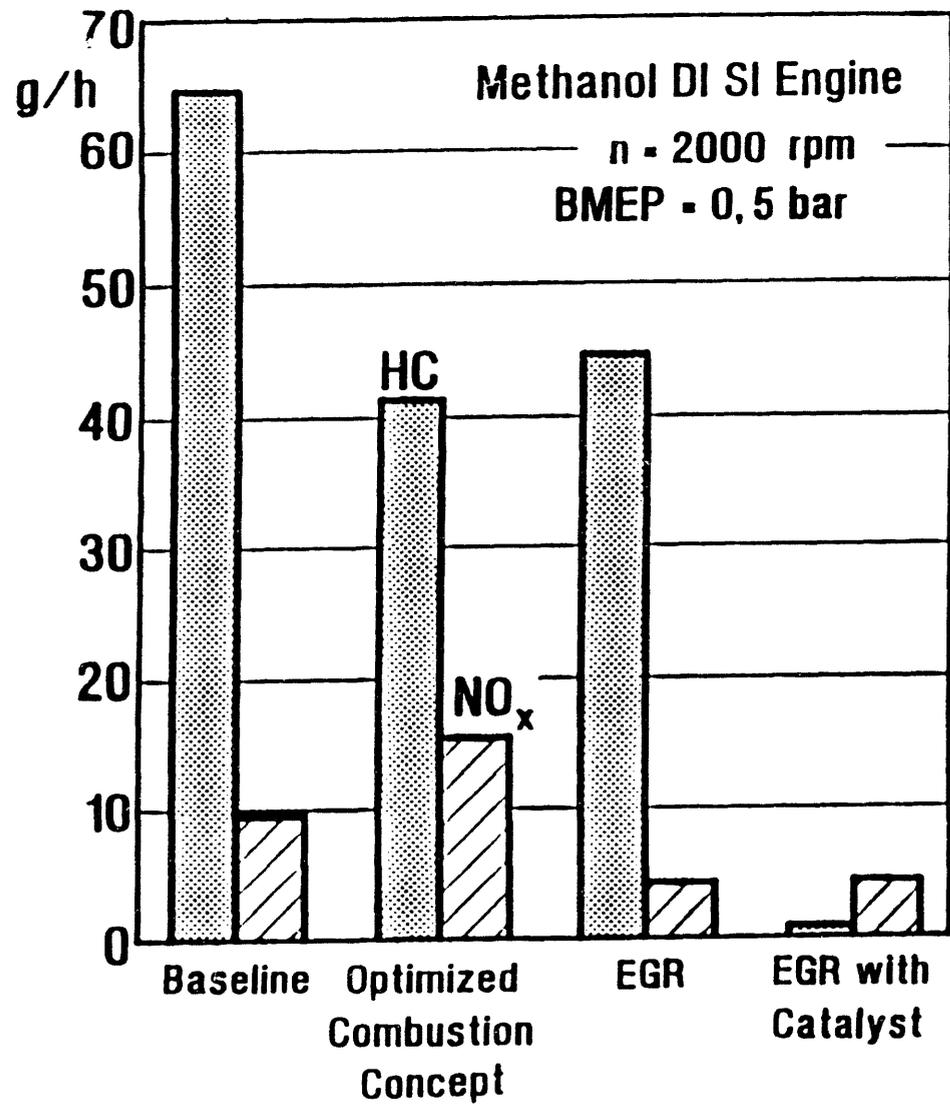
Injection Nozzle

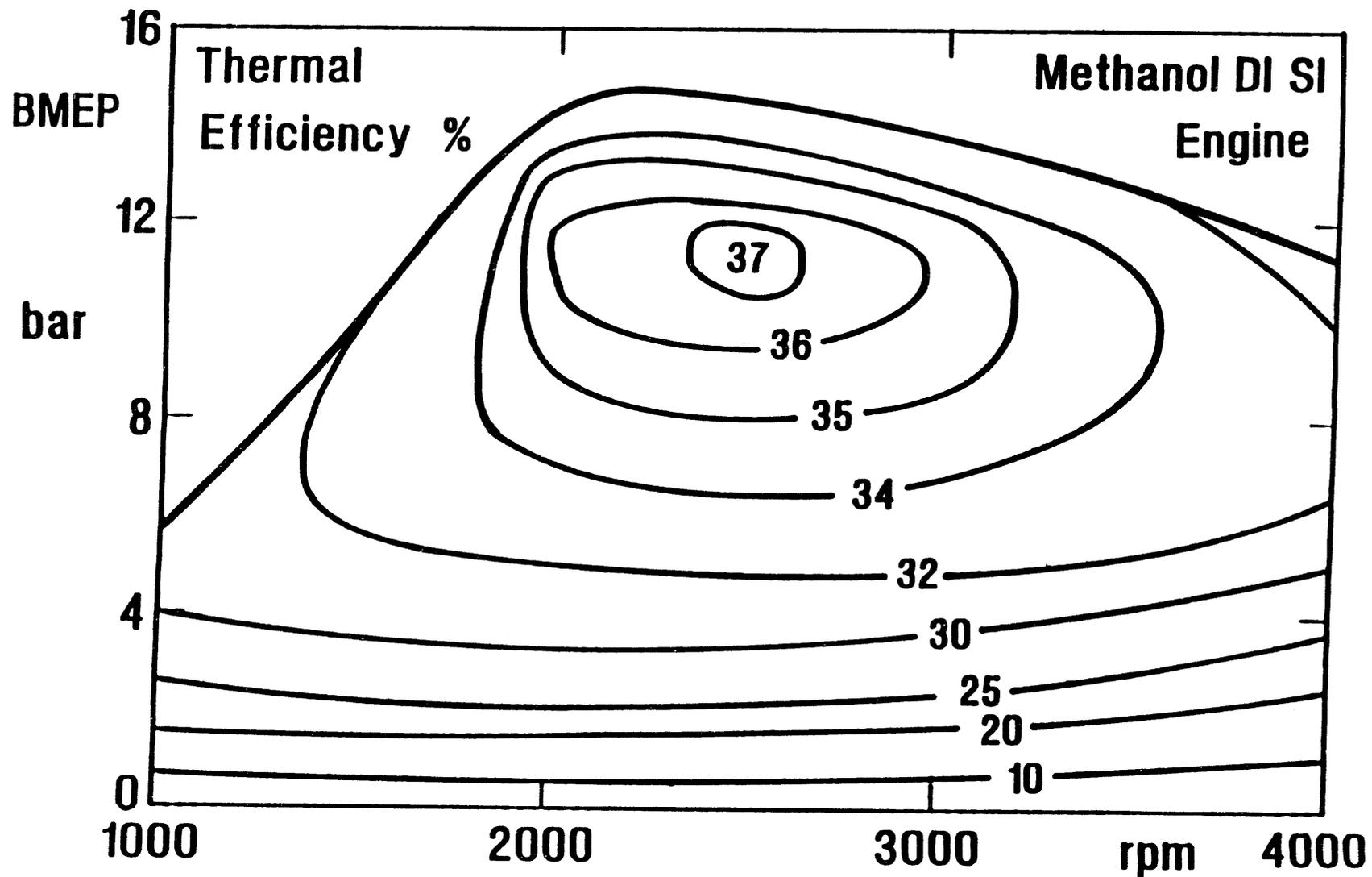












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Reasons for Electronic Injection System Control

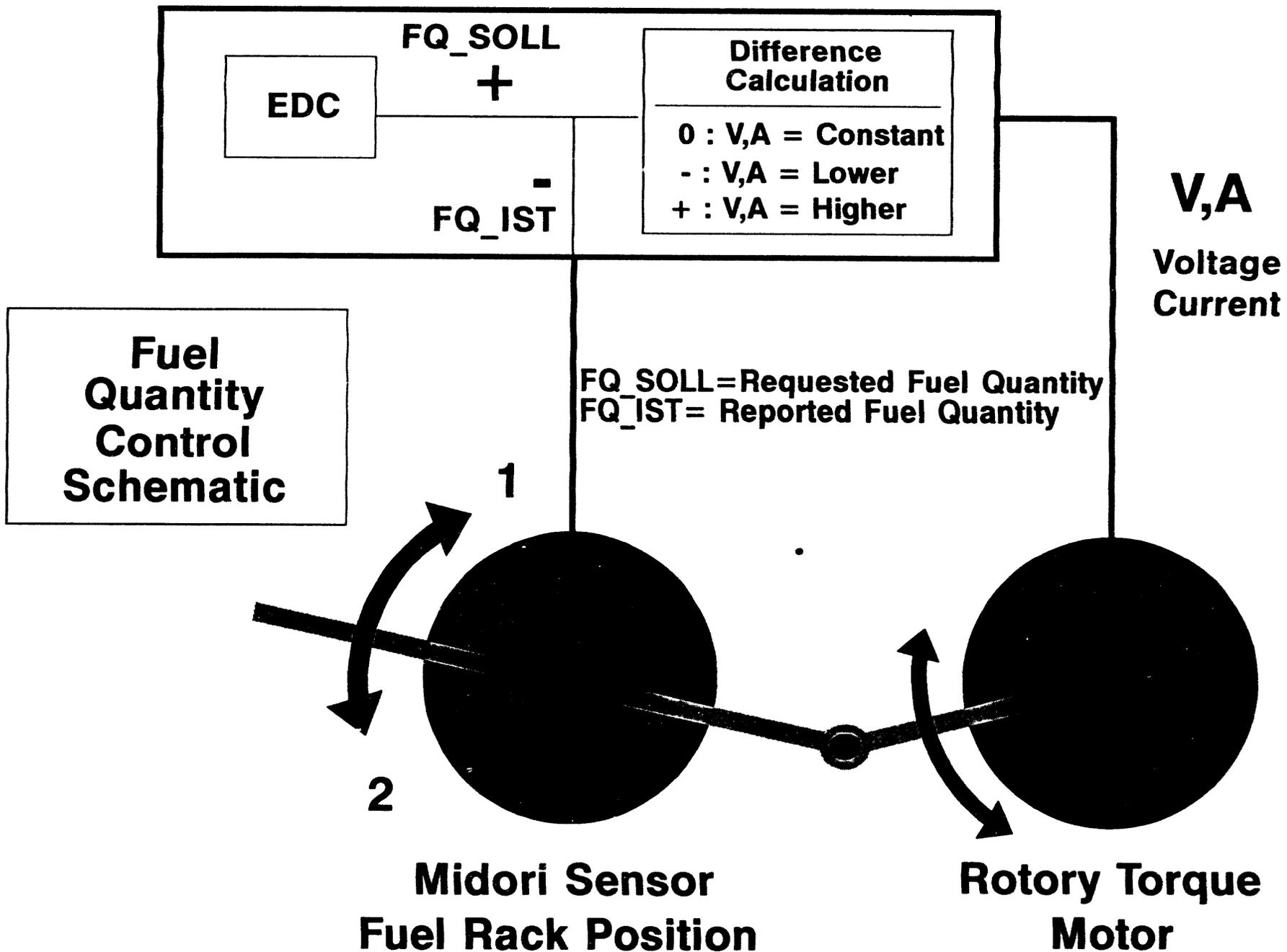
- Control of injection timing as a function of load and speed can only be achieved through complicated and inexact mechanical means (plunger helices and speed advance devices).
- Temperature compensation is not possible with the mechanical system.
- Rate of injection quantity increase cannot be directly controlled in a mechanical system as a means of avoiding transient HC peaks.
- A mechanical system is, in principal, more subject to hysteresis and accuracy problems and requires frequent readjustment and calibration.

Reasons for Electronic Injection System Control

- In-line injection pumps generate a significant level of operating noise (one plunger for each cylinder) in addition to the combustion noise from the engine.
- Due to the number of pumping elements and generally high pressure levels, in-line pumps are generally more expensive than rotary pumps.
- Use of a mechanical system requires separate controllers for EGR, glow plug power and spark timing control. The use of an electronic engine controller allows integration of the pump timing and quantity control with these separate control systems.
- Closed loop control of EGR is not possible with the mechanical system.

FEV IEEC Controller Primary Functions

- Injection Quantity Control
- Beginning of Injection
- Exhaust Gas Recirculation
- Cold Start and Warm-Up
- Driveability and Acceleration
- Idle Speed Control
- Glow Plug Power Control



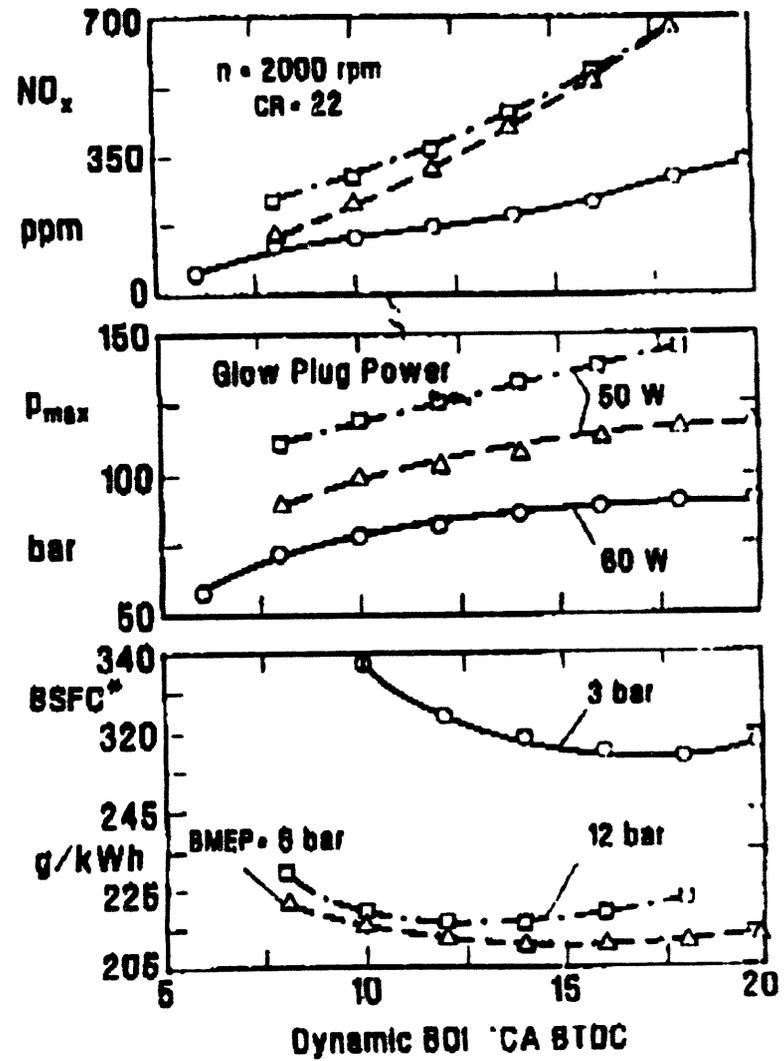
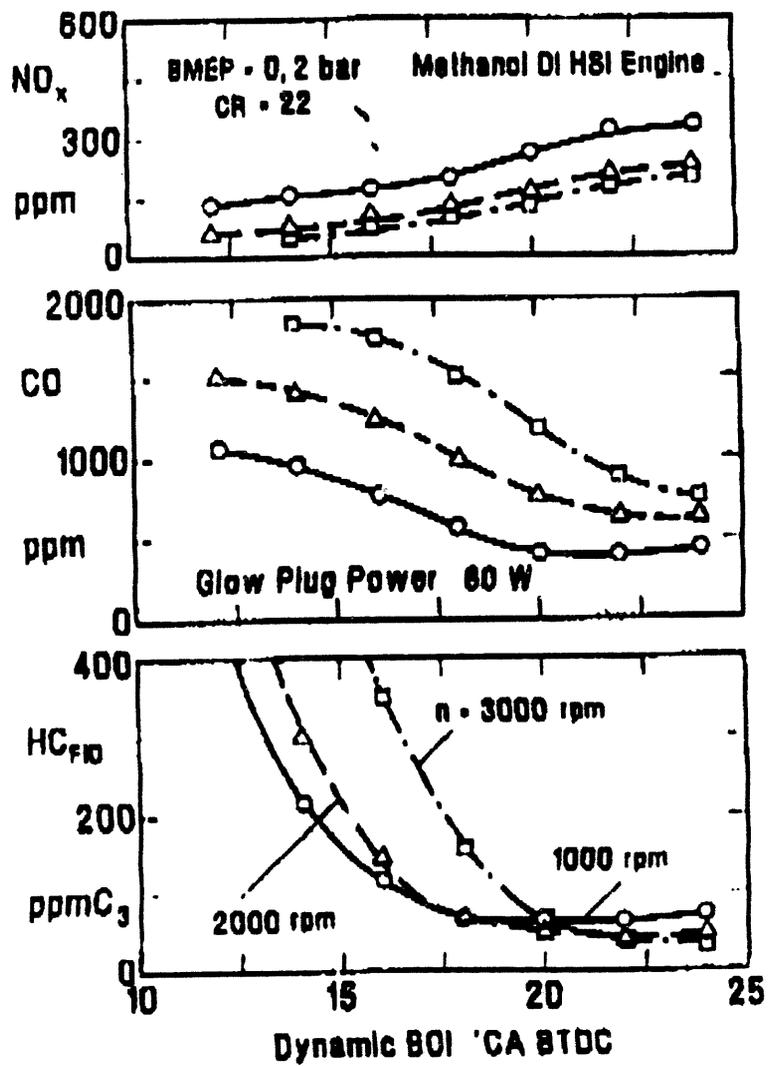
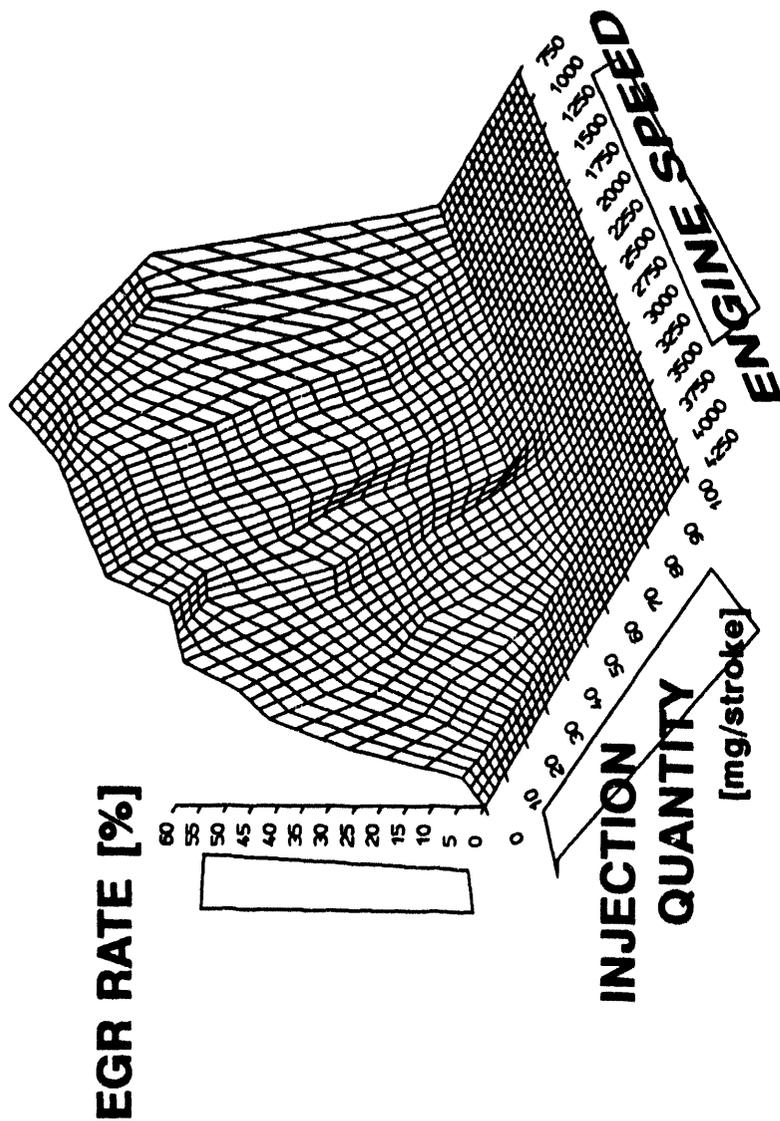
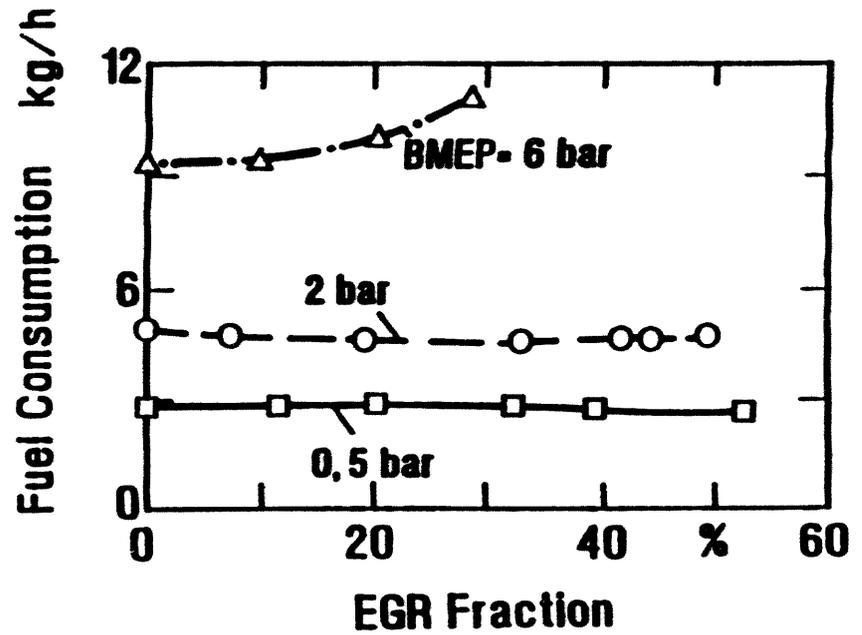
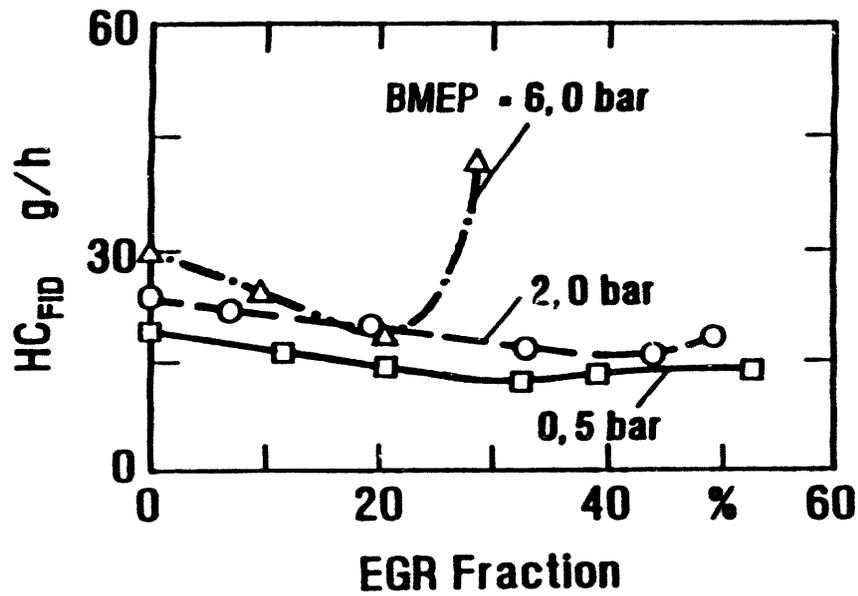
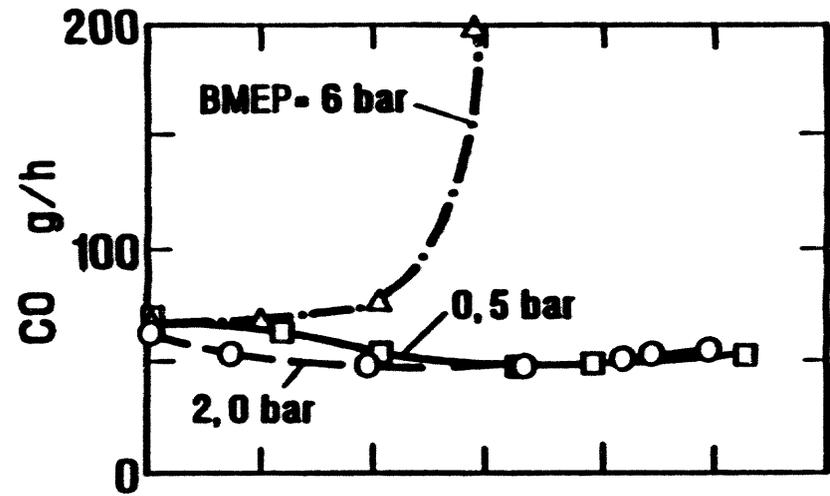
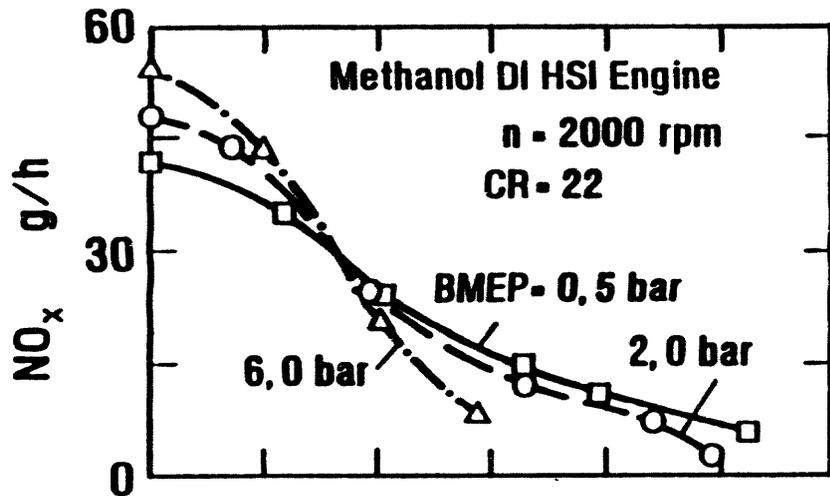


Figure 11 : Influence of Dynamic Injection Timing on the Operational Behavior of the DI HSI Methanol Engine

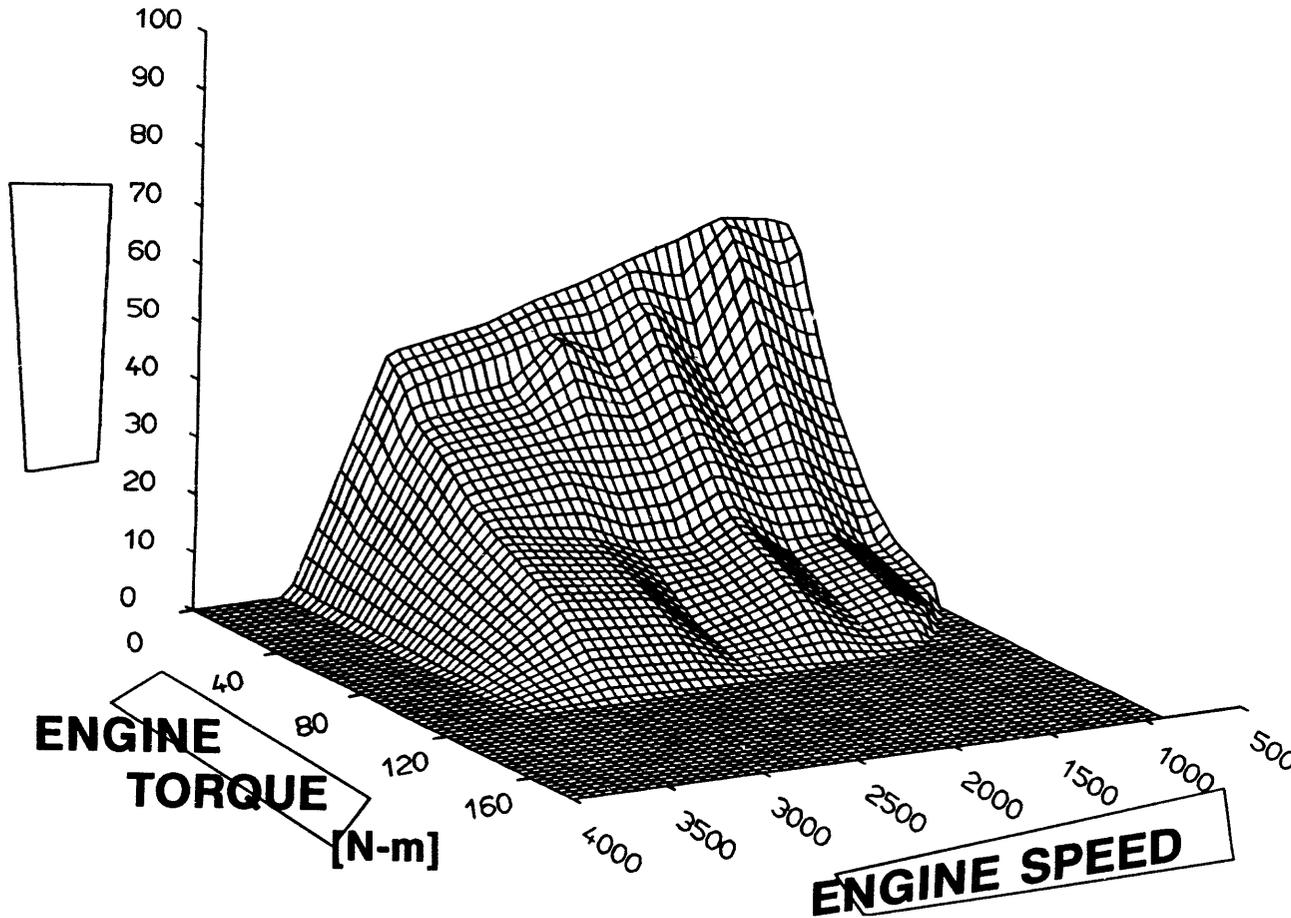
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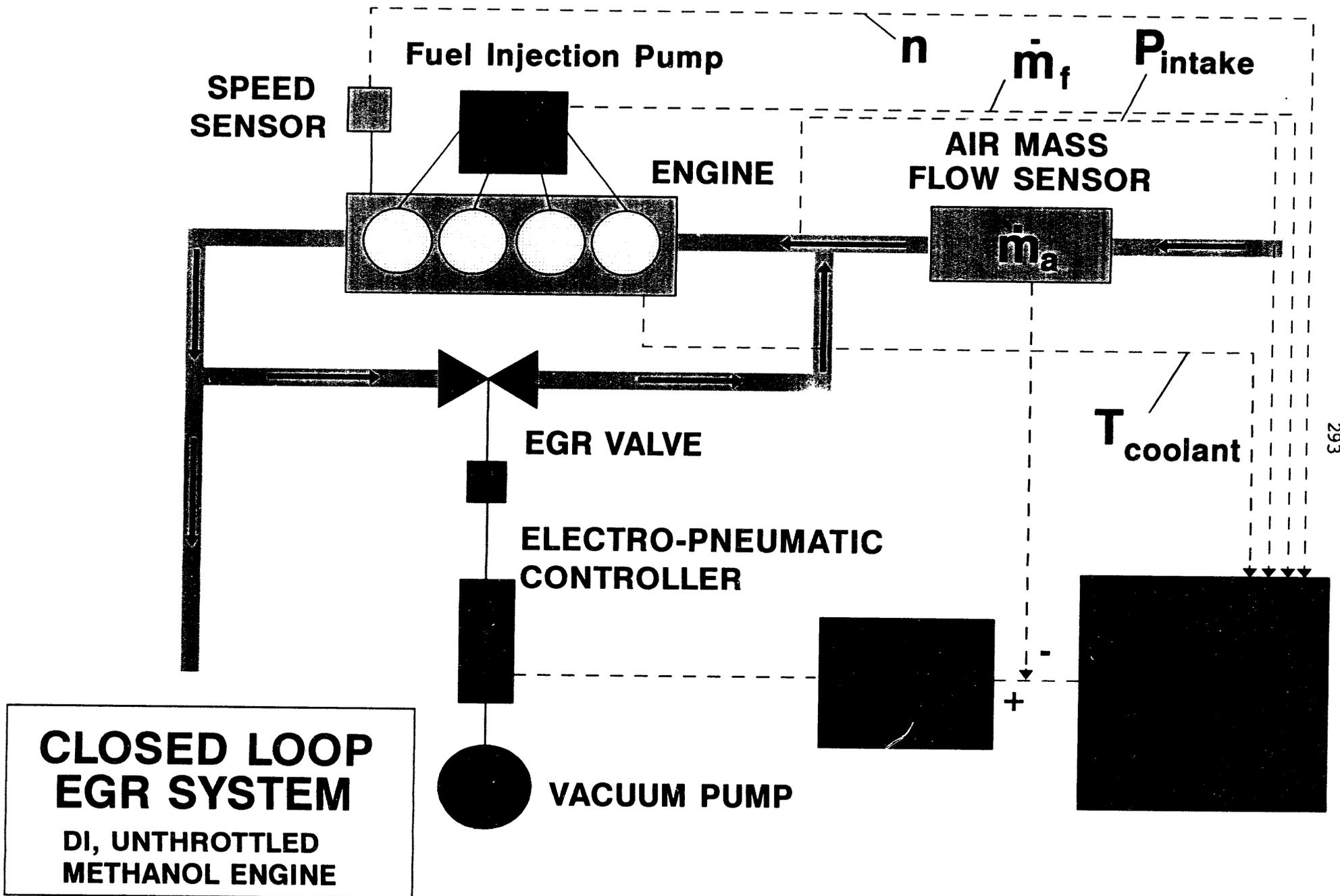




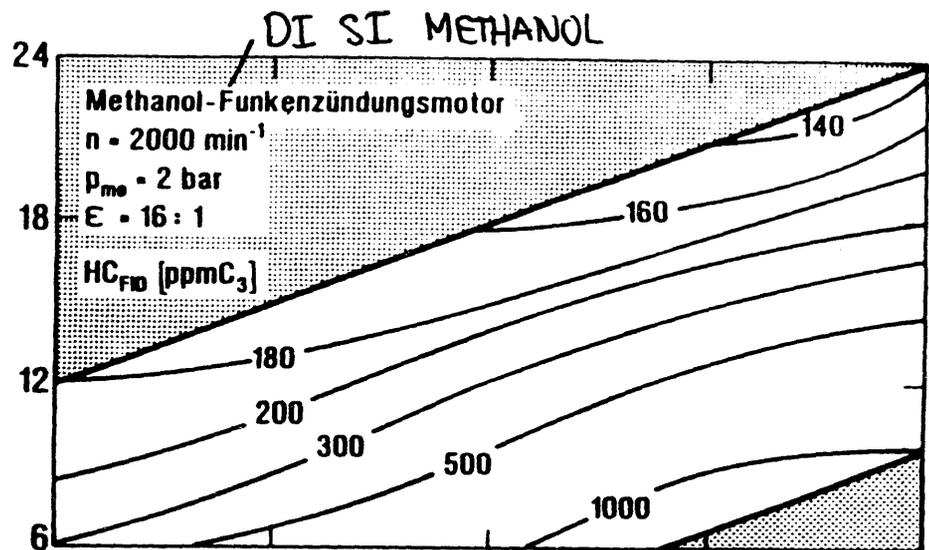
VW 1.7L DI SI METHANOL ENGINE

EGR RATE [%]

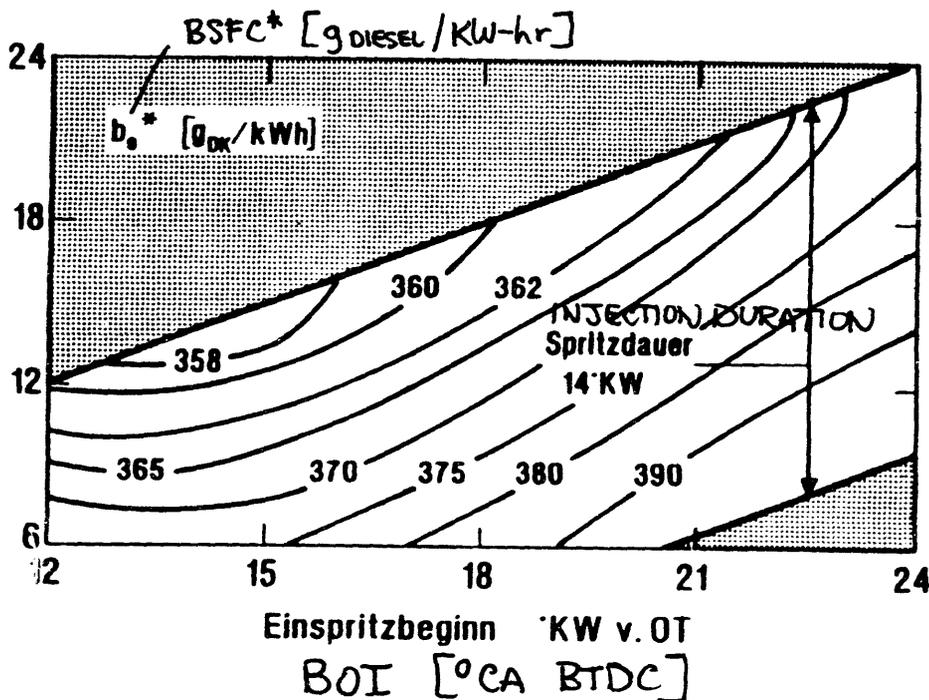




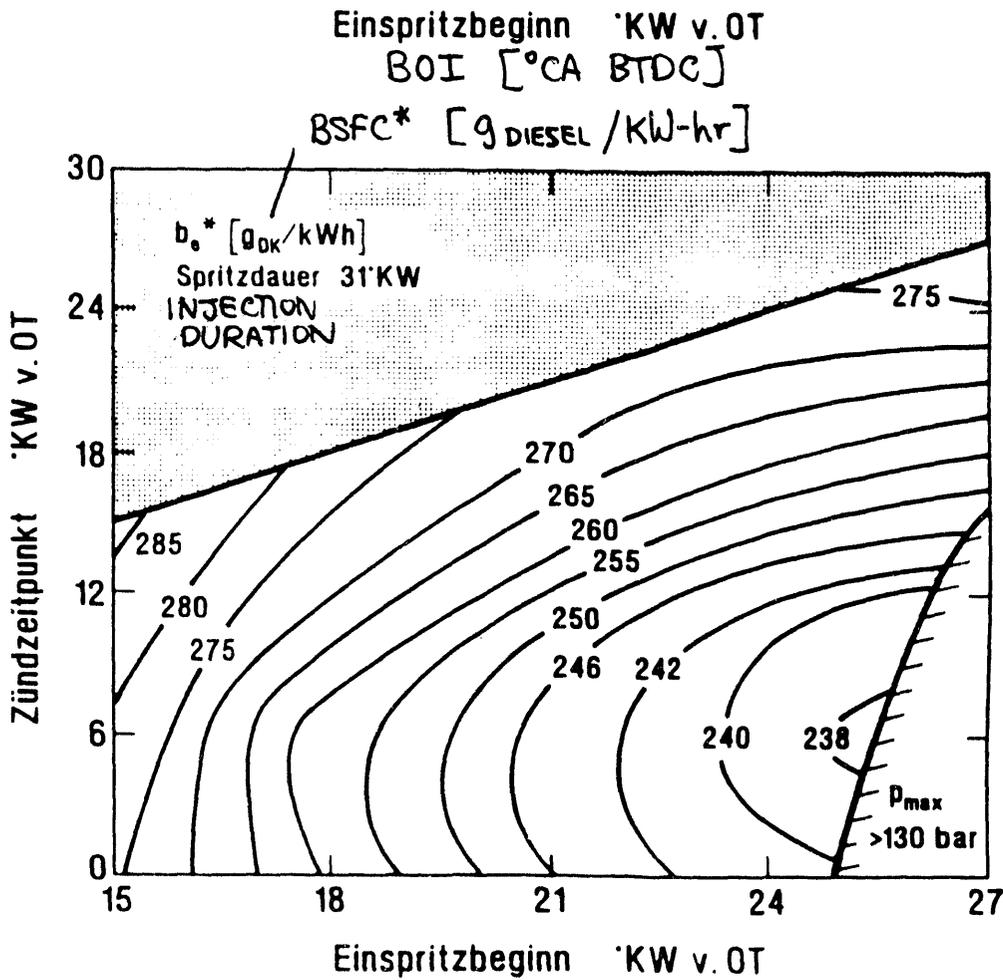
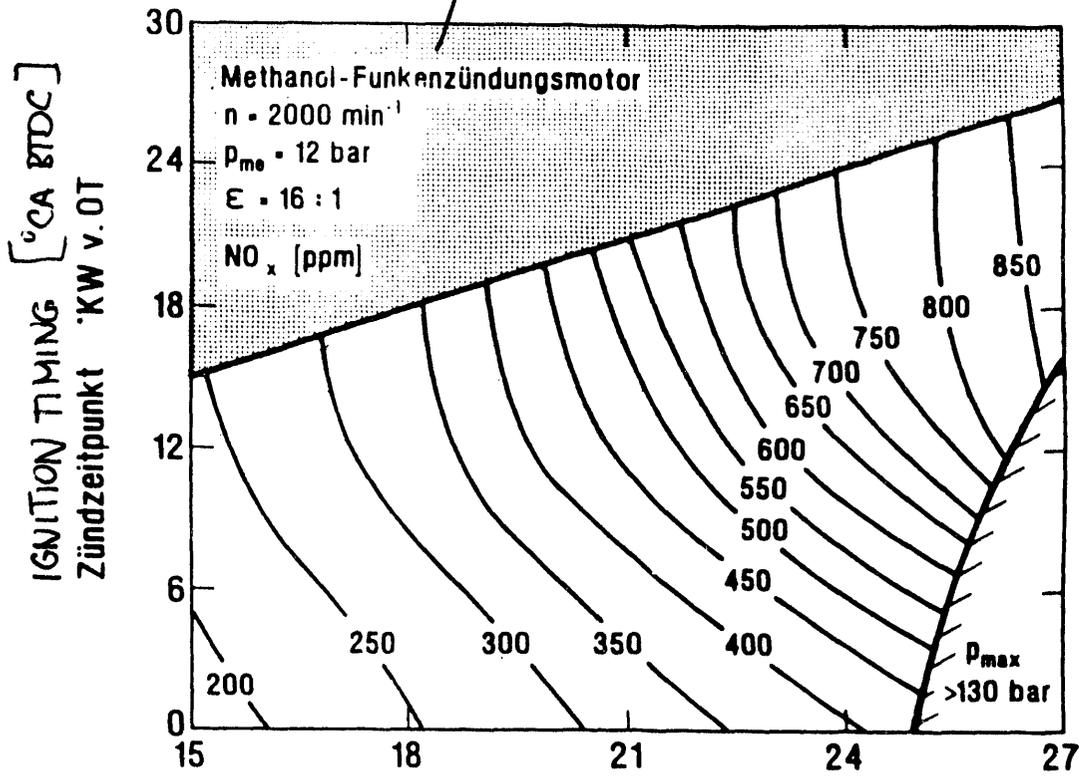
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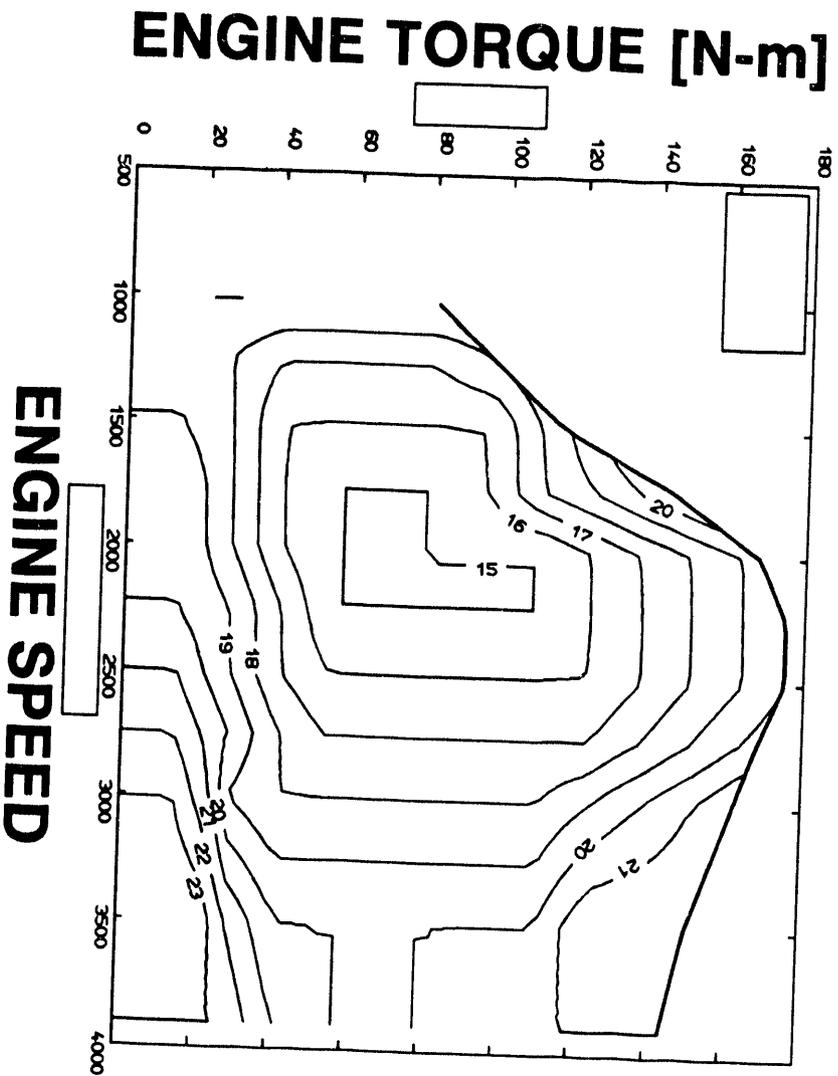
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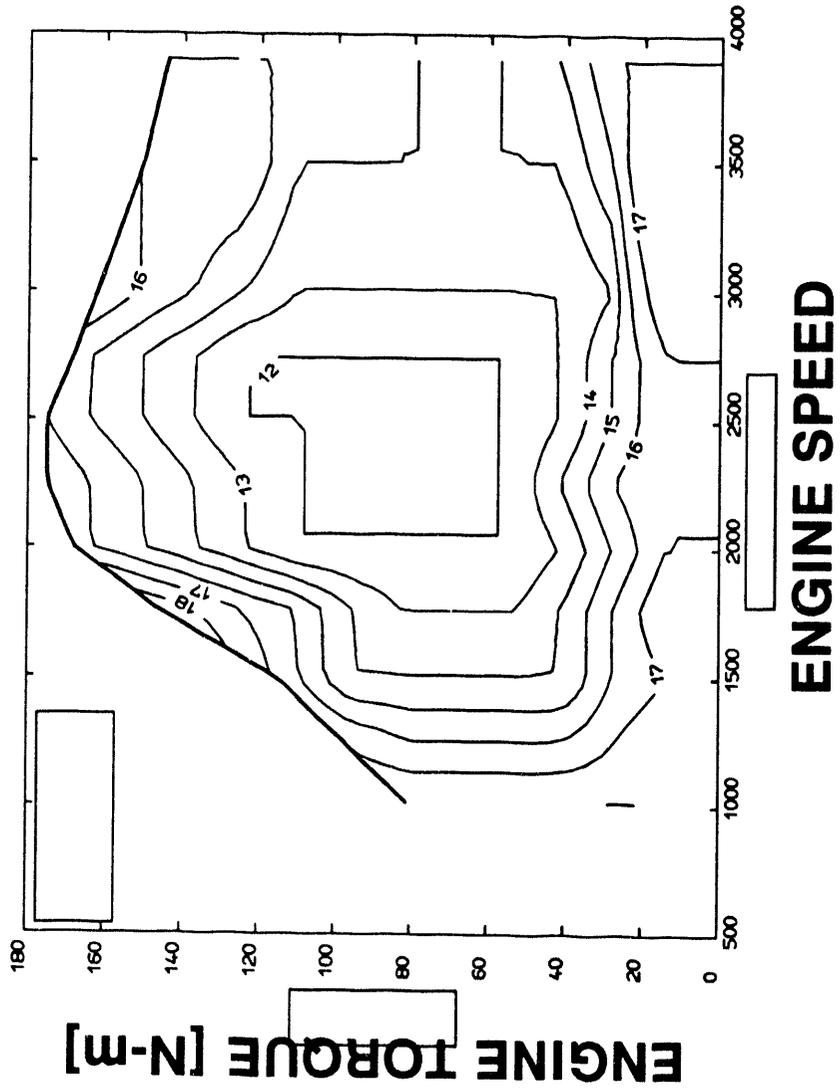
DI SI METHANOL



VW 1.7L DI SI Methanol Engine Injection Timing



VW 1.7L DI SI METHANOL ENGINE IGNITION TIMING



Future Development Efforts

Electronic Engine Control System

- Further development is necessary with regard to the stability of the injection pump feedback signals as well as the interaction between the controller and the pump.
- Temperature compensation for the Midori sensor must be integrated into the control system concept.
- Closed loop control of the start of fuel delivery is not sufficient. A needle lift based, closed loop control of the actual BOI event should be incorporated.
- Nearly all mechanical position sensors are subject to hysteresis, accuracy and drift problems. A self calibration circuit should be incorporated into the control system.
- The fuel rack position feedback signal is critical to nearly every engine control system. The reliability of this position sensor must be improved.

**SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS
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IGNITED STRATIFIED CHARGE
R.J. Last, FEV Engine Technology Inc.**

- Q. Robert Siewert, General Motors: One of your slides showed a large reduction in NO_x emissions.
- A. Yes, that was showing the influence of exhaust gas recirculation (EGR).
- Q. What was the variation in EGR?
- A. Under low load conditions, EGR rates were up to 50 percent. As the load was increased, percent EGR decreased sharply. The first 10 percent EGR normally gives the largest amount of NO_x reduction.

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FUEL CELL POWERED ZEV BUS

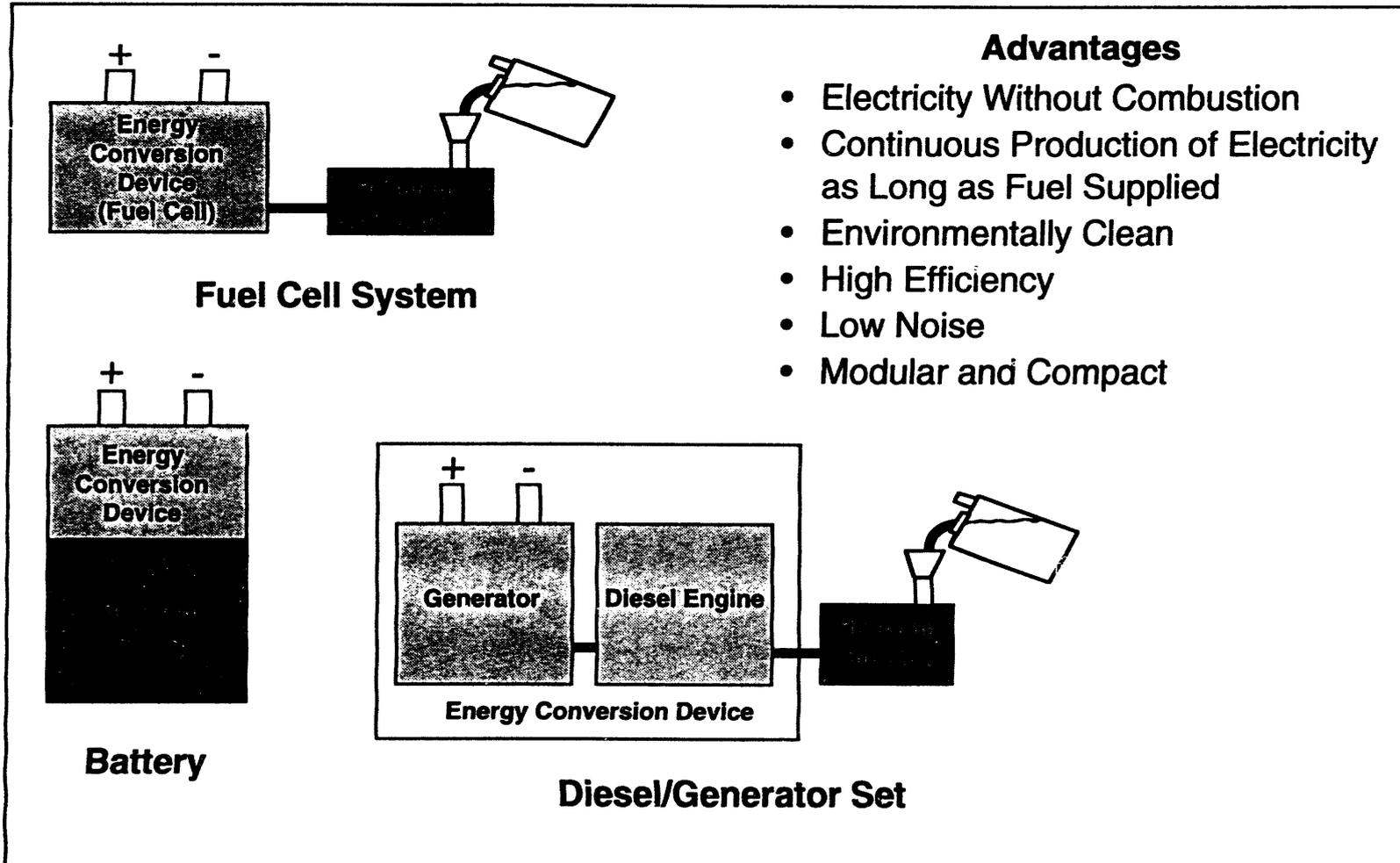
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Outline

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Fuel Cell Technology

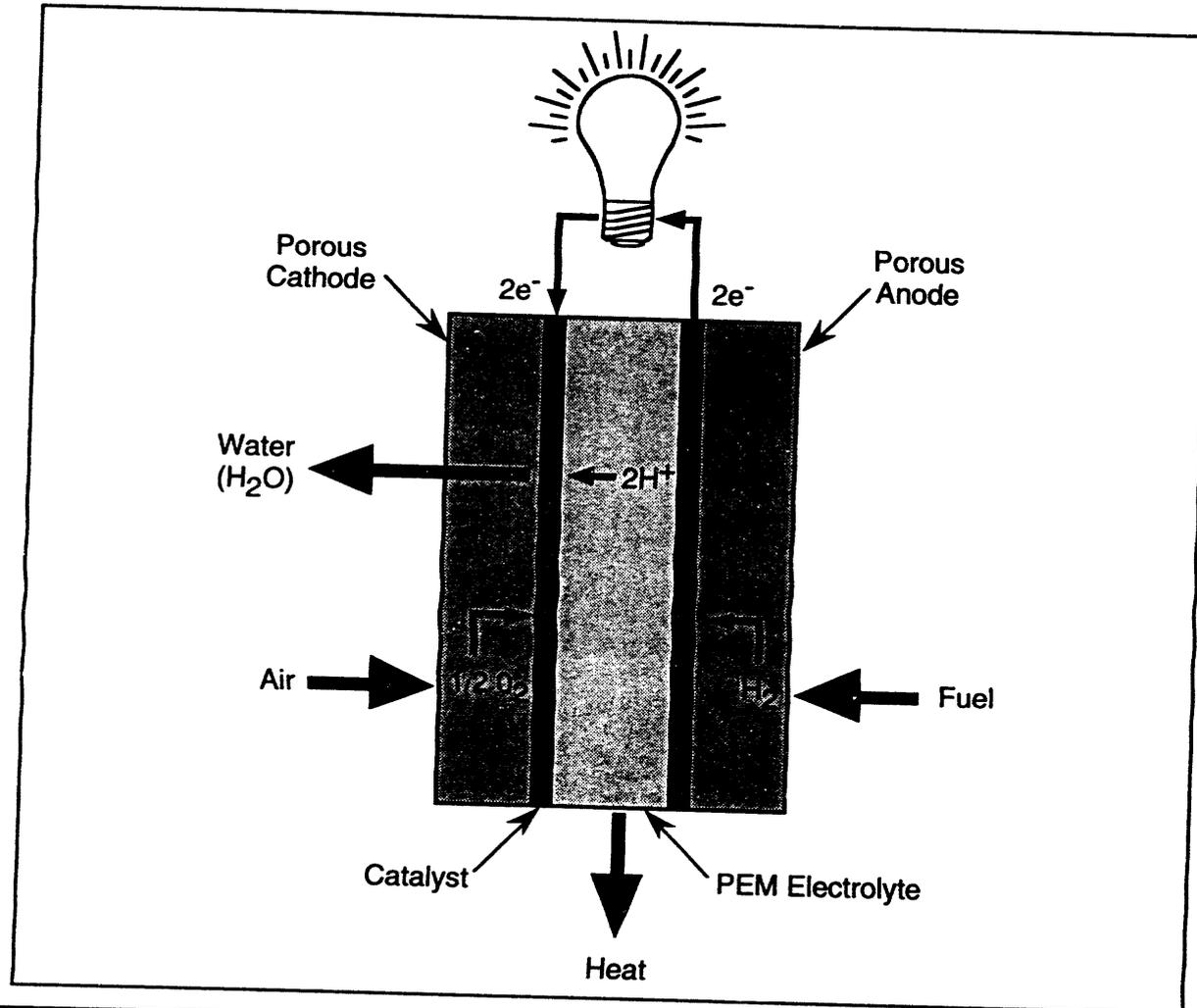


Advantages

- Electricity Without Combustion
- Continuous Production of Electricity as Long as Fuel Supplied
- Environmentally Clean
- High Efficiency
- Low Noise
- Modular and Compact

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Proton Exchange Membrane Fuel Cell





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Company

- Business - Develop/Manufacture/Market PEM Fuel Cell Systems
 - Incorporated 1979
 - ↳ Began PEM Fuel Cell Development in 1984
 - ↳ Membrane Research (BAM)
 - ↳ Battery Manufacturing (BBS)
 - Employees - 150
 - 60,000 ft² in North Vancouver, British Columbia
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Marketing Approach

- Market “Push/Pull”
 - OEM “Push” - OEMs Adapt Ballard Fuel Cell Systems
 - End User “Pull” - Demonstration Programs
 - Secure Programs in Motive/Utilities/Military Sectors
 - End Users Motivate OEMs
 - Government Funding Assistance
 - Bus Program - End User is BC Transit
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Market Creation

		Air Quality Regulations (Emissions, gm/mile)			Implementation Schedule									
		HC	NOx	CO	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
TLEV	Tier 1 Standard	0.250	0.4	3.4	80%	85%	80%	73%	48%	23%				
	Transitional Low Emission Vehicle	0.250	0.4	3.4	10%	15%	20%							
LEV	Low Emission Vehicle	0.075	0.2	3.4				25%	48%	73%	96%	90%	85%	75%
ULEV	Ultra Low Emission Vehicle	0.040	0.2	1.7				2%	2%	2%	2%	5%	10%	15%
ZEV	Zero Emission Vehicle	0.000	0.0	0.0					2%	2%	2%	5%	5%	10%

- California Legislation 
 - 2% ZEV Cars in 1998
 - Bus / Locomotive / Truck in Draft
 - Electric Vehicle Market Created
 - ICE *cannot* meet ZEV
 - Credit Market
- CARB Mobile Source Emission Credit

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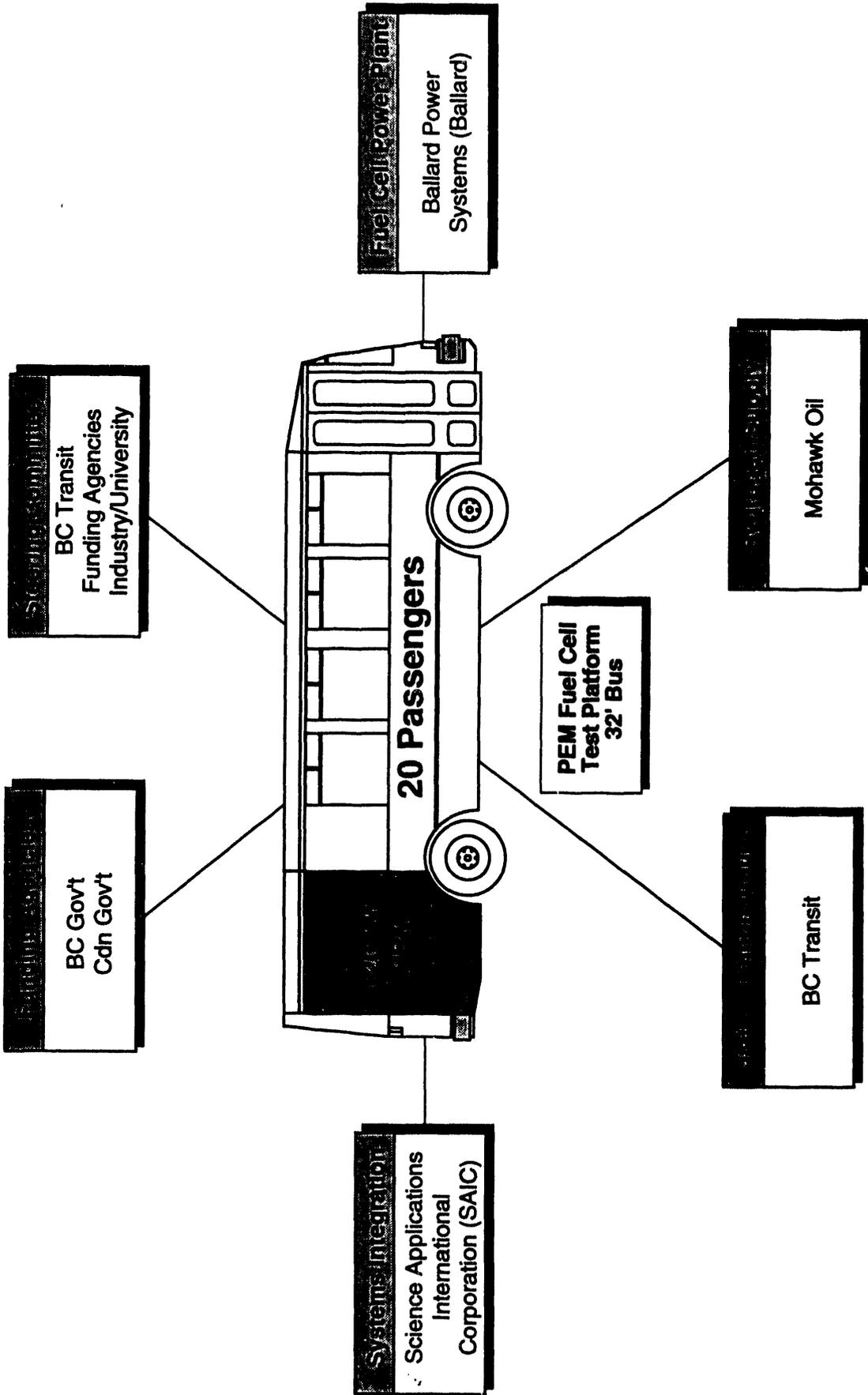
Transit Bus Choices

- Electrified Line - Trolley / Third Rail
 - Battery
 - Fuel Cell
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Demonstration Program - Purpose

- Show PEM Fuel Cell Transportation Capability
 - Advance Market Acceptance
 - OEMs
 - End Users
 - Accelerate Commercialization
 - Market Entry Bus in 1996
 - Commercial Bus in 1998
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Demonstration Program Organization

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Demonstration Program - Scope

- Transit Bus - Powered by Ballard PEM Fuel Cells
 - Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) - Hydrogen
 - Performance \geq Diesel "Driver Acceptability"
 - October 1990 to March 1993 - 30 Months
 - \$4.84 Million Assistance
 - Demonstrate with a Transit Authority
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Demonstration Program - Performance

- White Book Requirements (UMTA)

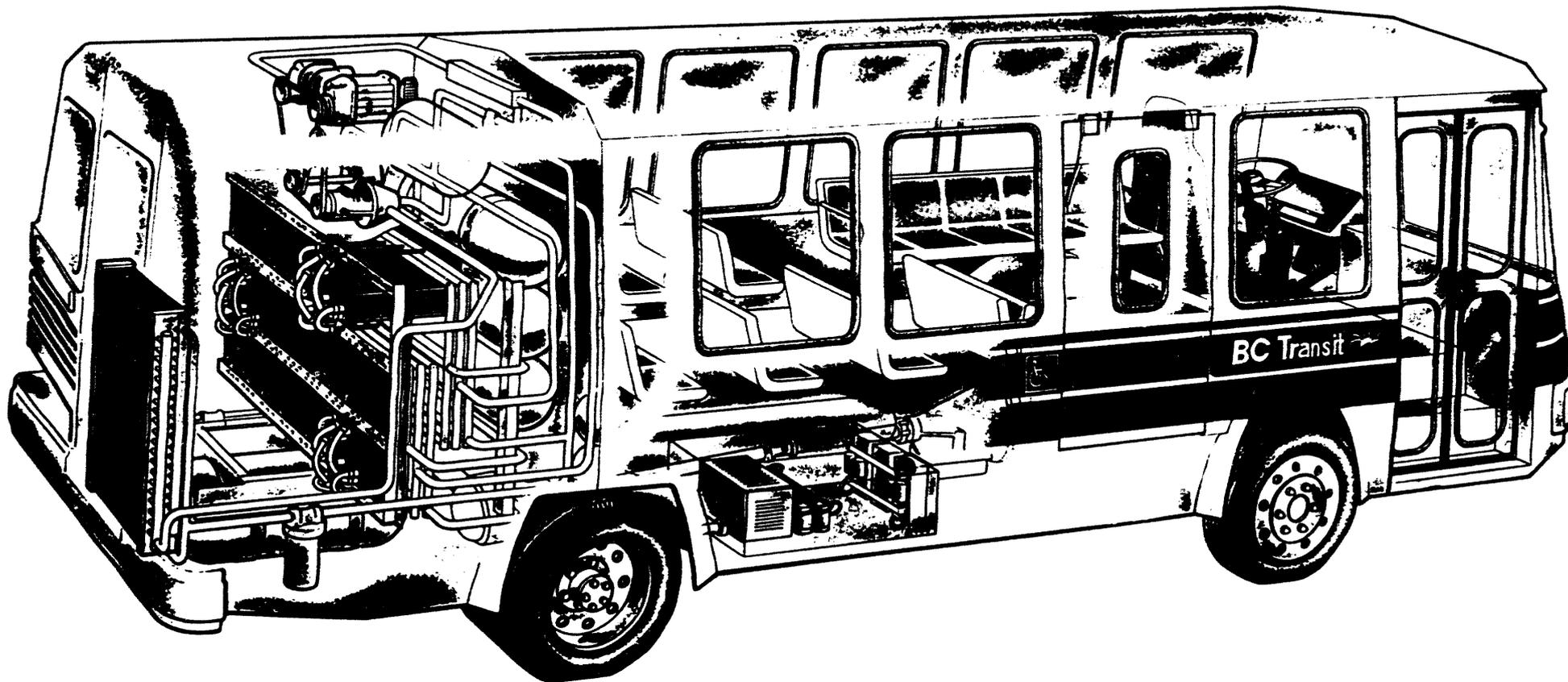
Top Speed	60 mph (95 km/h)
Gradability	Maintain 44 mph (70 km/h) on 2.5% grade Maintain 7 mph (11 km/h) on 16% grade
Acceleration	0 to 30 mph (50 km/h) in 19 seconds
Range	350 miles (560 km)

- Meets or Exceeds White Book Performance
 - Range to be met in Commercial Prototype
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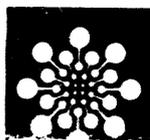
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Demonstration Program - Technical Approach

- Ballard MK5 Stack - 20 Vdc/5kW
 - Hydrogen Fuel Storage @ 3000 psi
 - 32' Light-duty Transit Bus
 - Commercial Components for Ancillaries
 - Automotive Compressor/Turbocharger for Air Pressurization
 - Conventional, Reliable DC Motor and Control
 - Weight Tradeoff 
 - Range - 100 miles (160 km)
 - Passengers - 20
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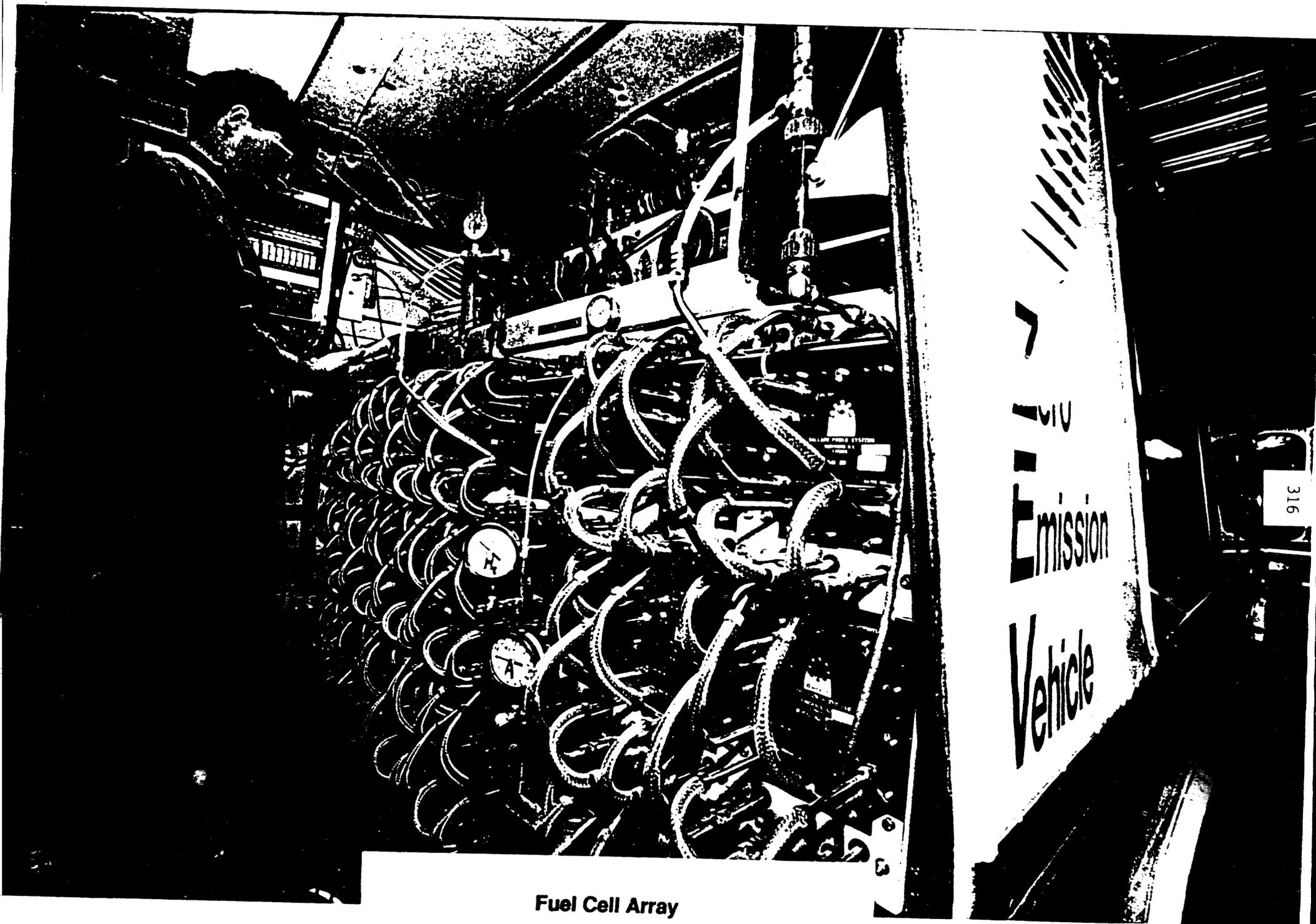
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***PEM Fuel Cell Powered Transit Bus
Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV)***

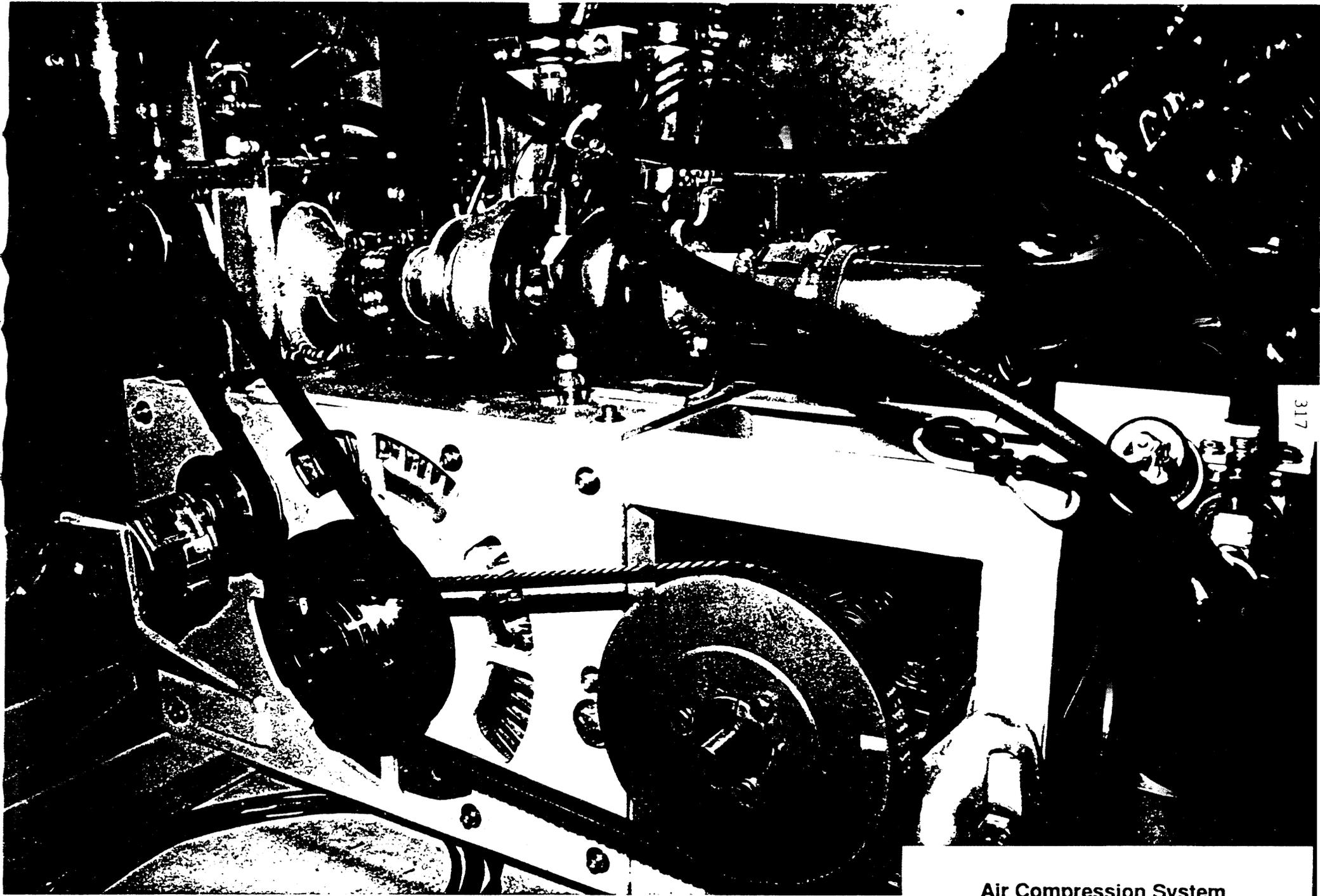
Bus Illustration



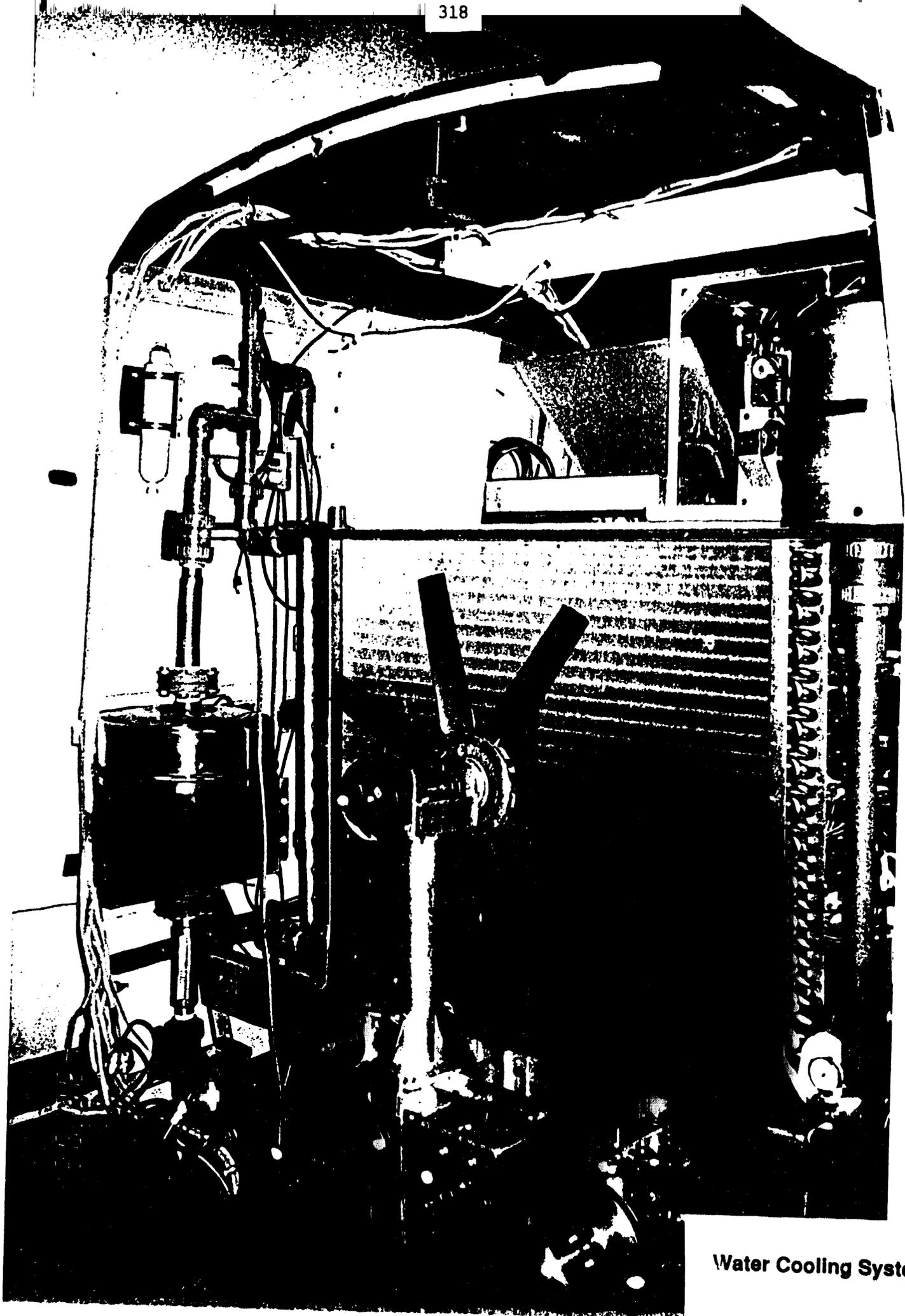
Fuel Cell Array

Emission
Vehicle

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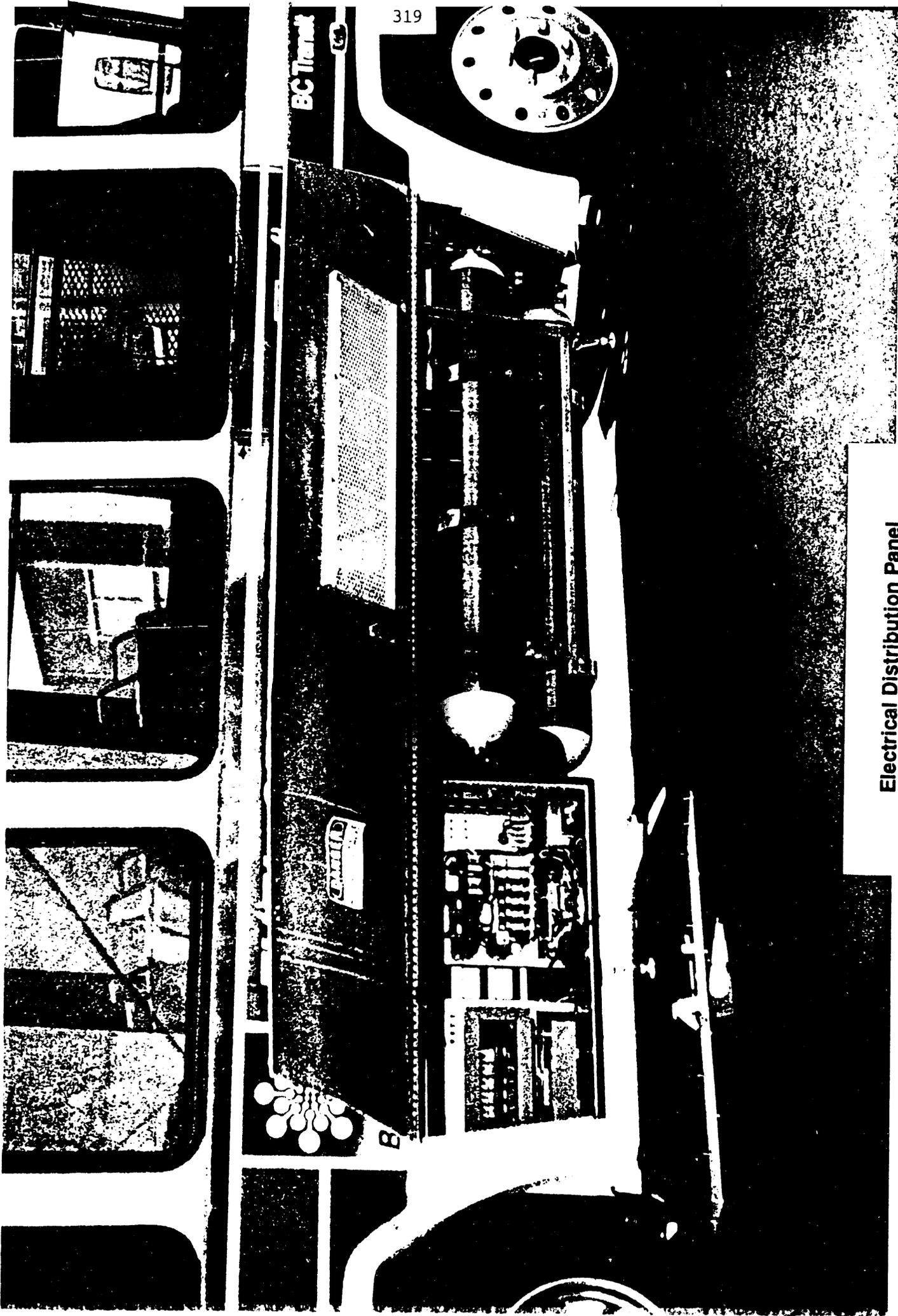


Air Compression System



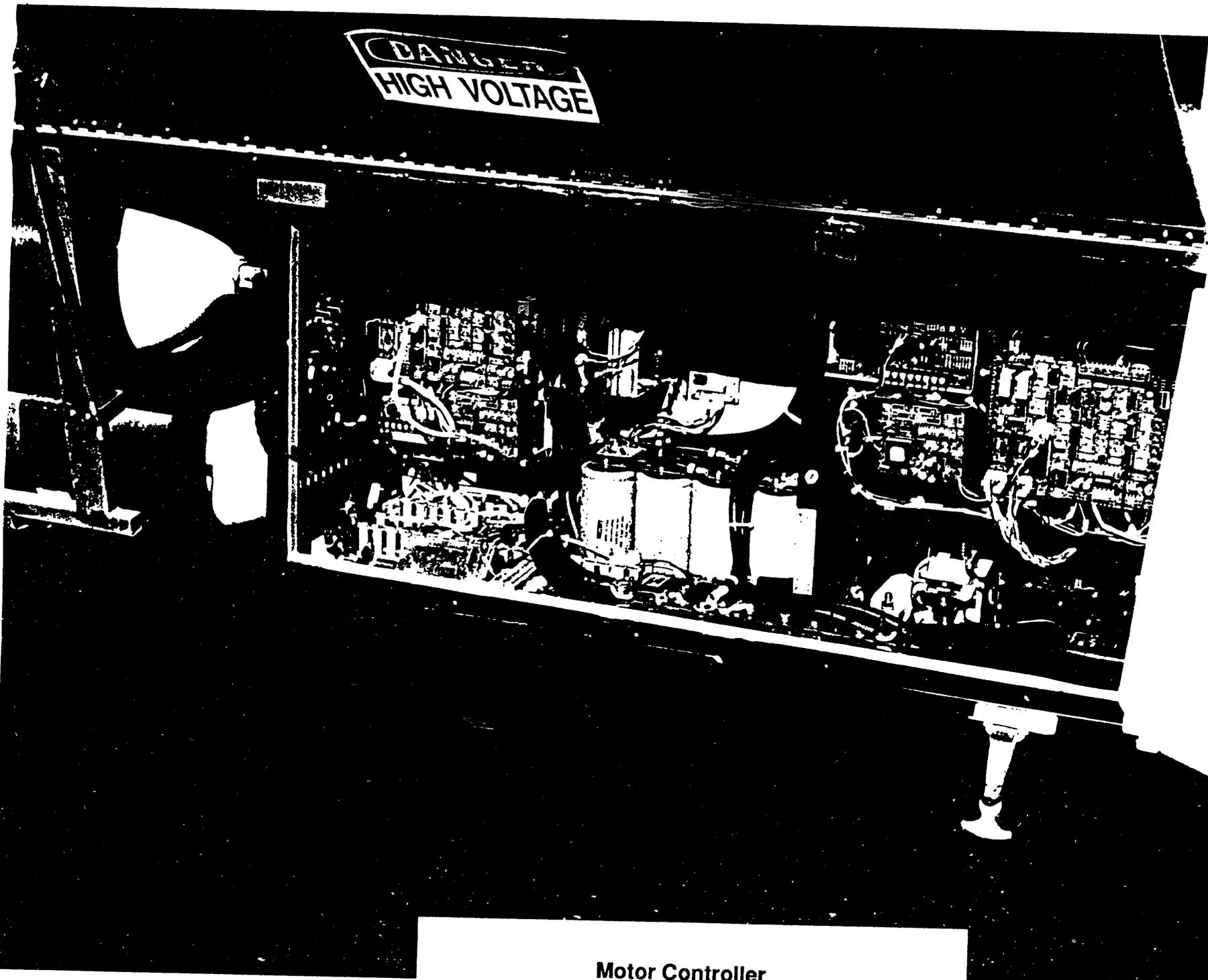
Water Cooling System

BC Transit



Electrical Distribution Panel

DANGER
HIGH VOLTAGE

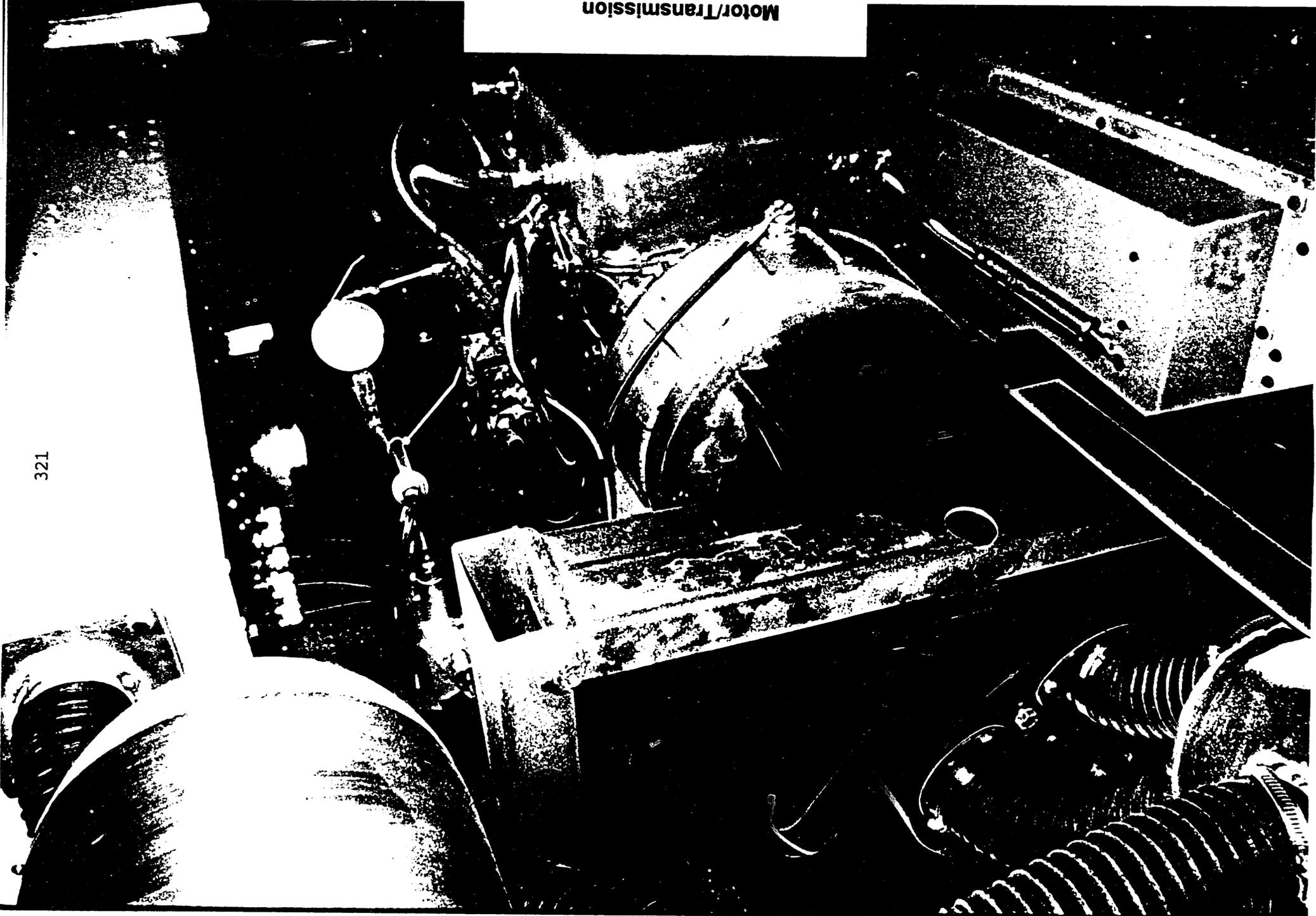


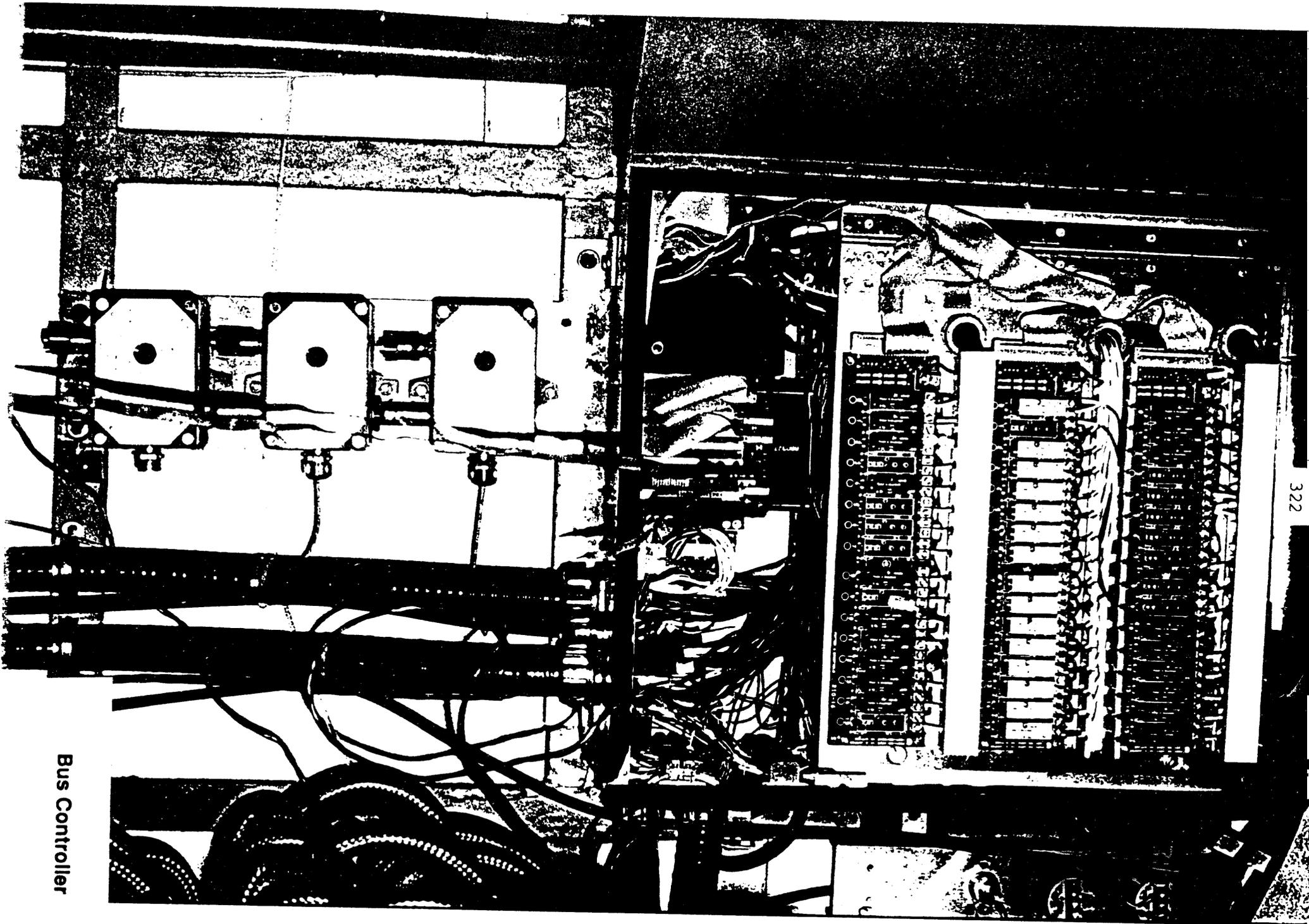
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Motor Controller

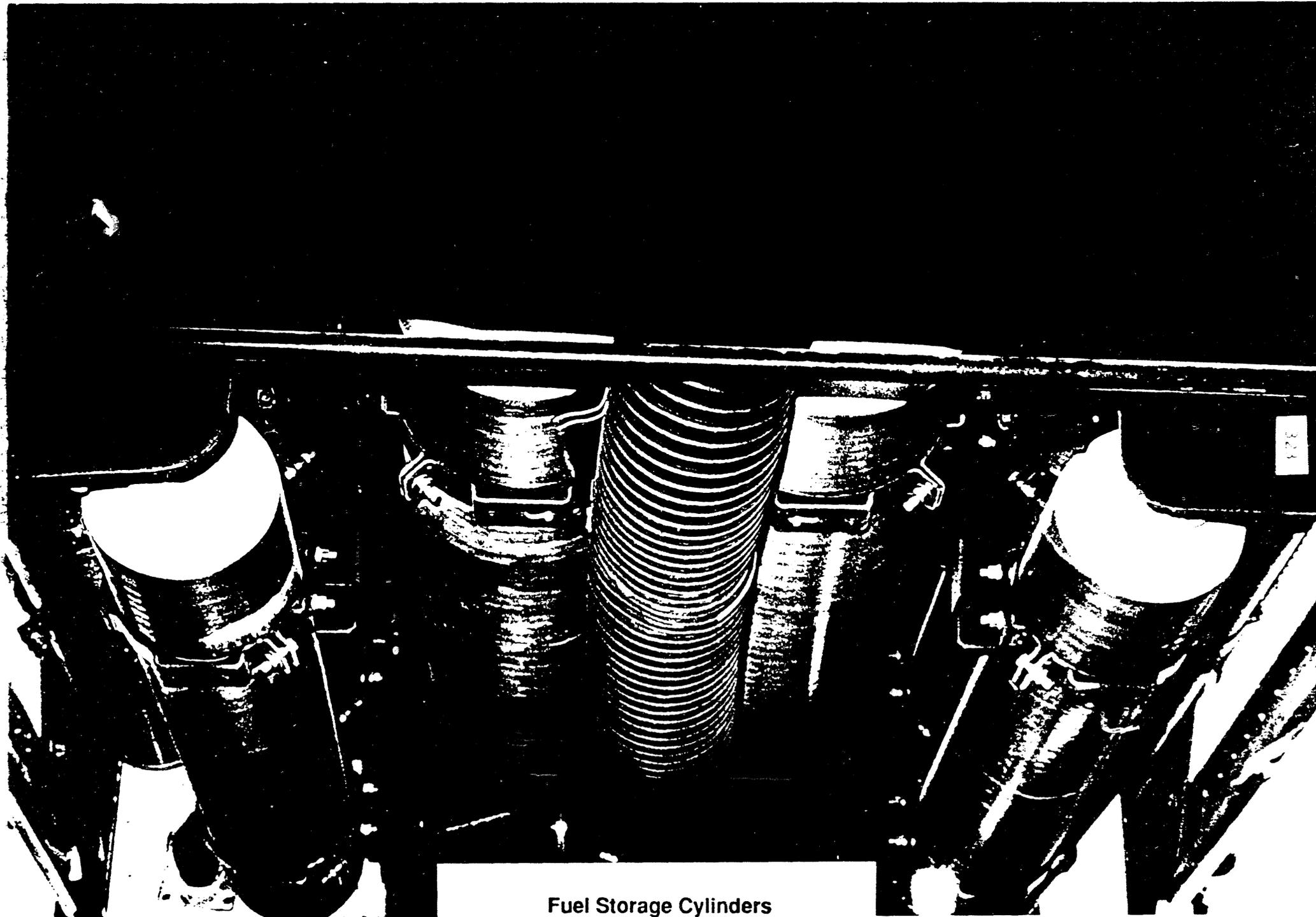
Motor/Transmission

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Bus Controller

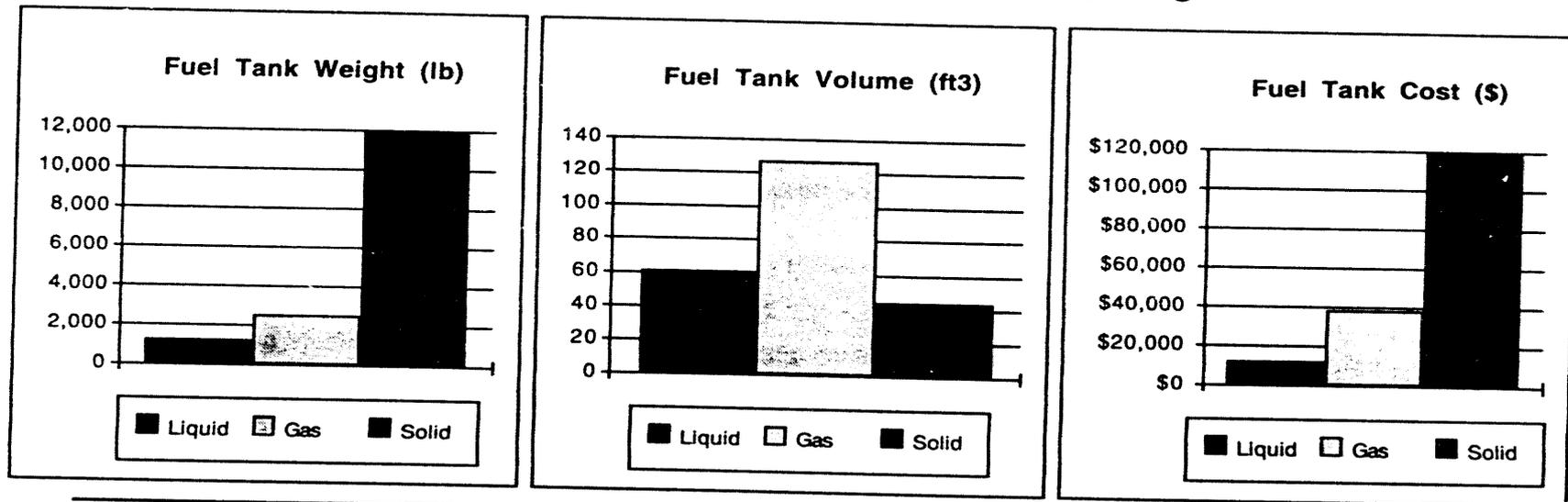


Fuel Storage Cylinders

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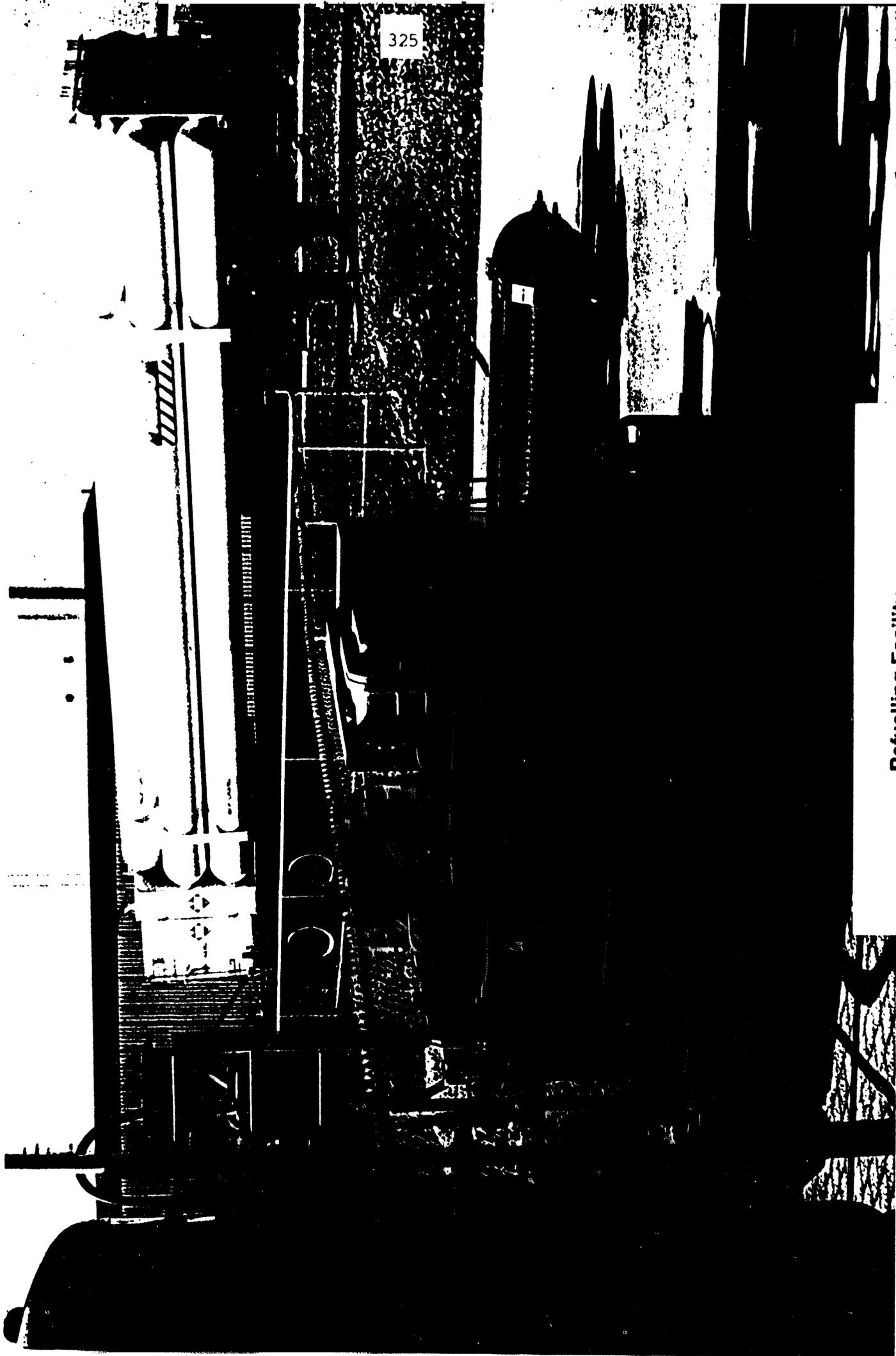
Fuel Storage/Range

- Hydrogen is Required to Meet ZEV Requirement
- Method must be Demonstratable Today
 - Liquid at -253°C
 - Gas at 5000 psi
- Bus Range of 350 miles - 180 lb/300 gallons Hydrogen



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Refuelling Facility



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Refuelling/Cost

- Point Source Production 
 - Natural Gas Reforming
 - Water Electrolysis
 - Well Developed Commercial Technology - Suited for a Bus Depot
 - Hydrogen Fuel Cost ~ \$0.75/lb (\$0.45/gallon)
 - Fuel Cost/Mile - Comparable to ICE with Diesel
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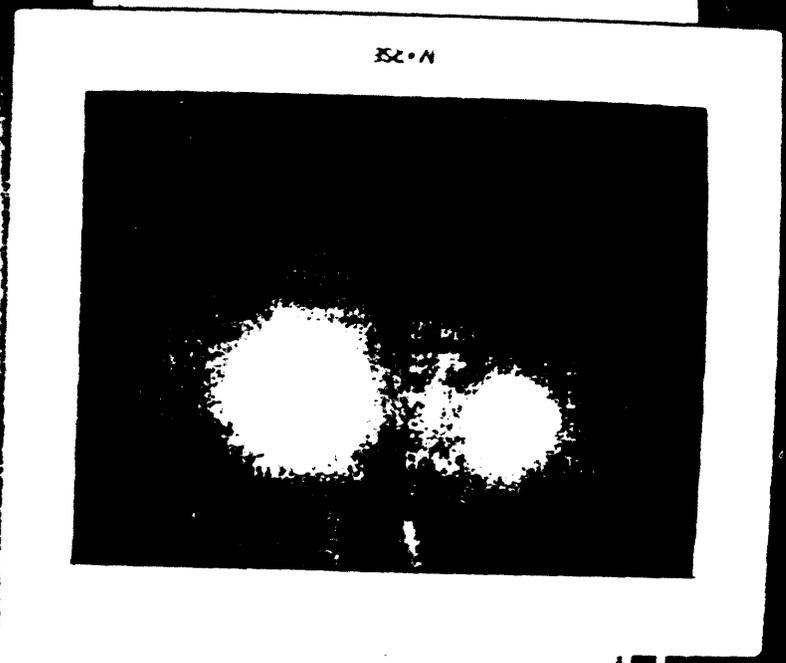


Bus Interior

Passenger Display Computer

DATA
ACQUISITION
PASSAGE
INFORMATION
COMPUTER

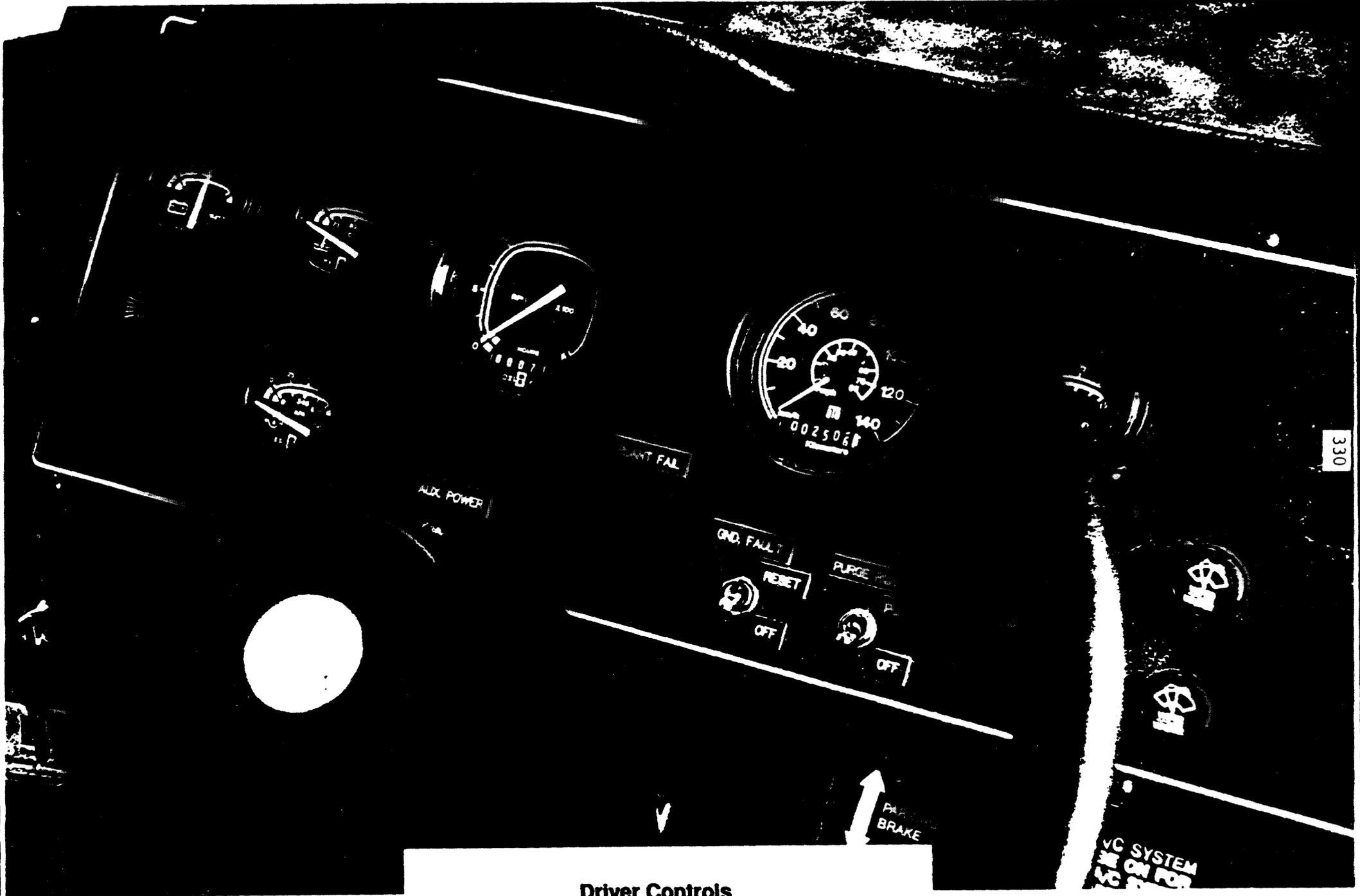
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ARRYOAT	49.4
ARRYIWT	44.0
ARRYU	176.3
STR1 I	20.5
STR2 I	18.0
STR3 I	22.1
MOHMCM2	5.5
BAT144V	169.8
BAT144I	-2.0

Time	1214.2
Gross kW	9.4
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Driver Controls

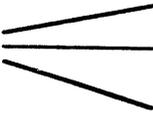
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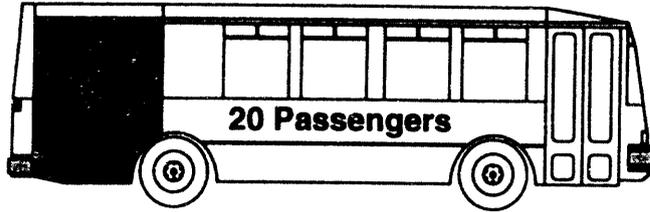
Complete Bus/Wheelchair Lift

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Demonstration Program - Achievements

- Startup Instantaneous - 4 seconds
 - Dynamic Response  Accelerator Command
Rapid Response < 0.1 second
Simulated Routes
 - Full Power (Air)  Highest Power - 120 kW
Highest Voltage - 280 Vdc
Largest System - 24 stacks
 - Efficiency 47%
 - Bus Works
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1990



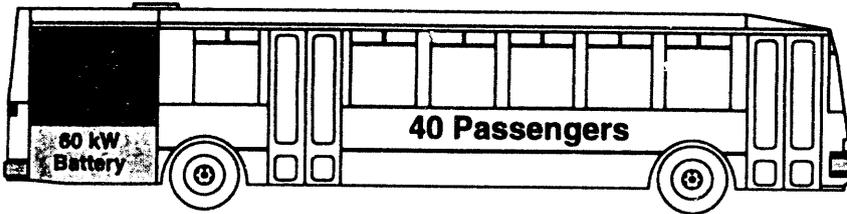
Phase 1 - Proof of Concept

1991

160 km
100 miles

1992

1993

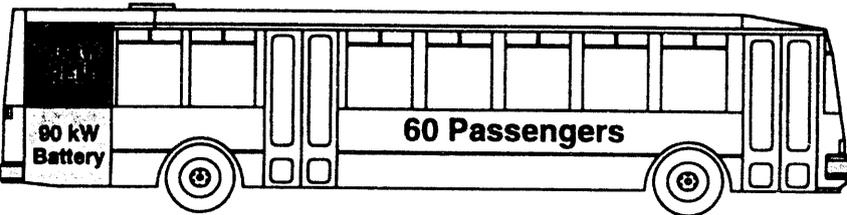


Phase 2 - Prototype

1994

280 km
175 miles

1995



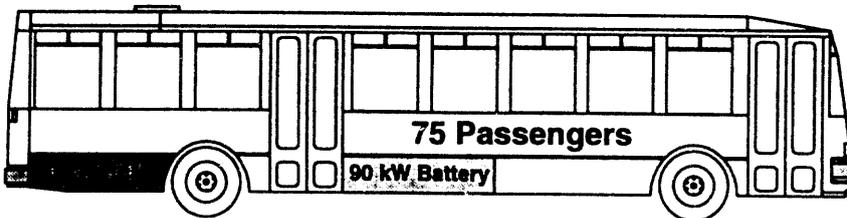
Phase 3 - Demonstration Fleet

1996

400 km
250 miles

1997

1998



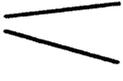
Commercial

560 km
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Commercialization Plan

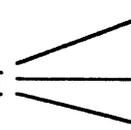
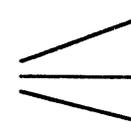
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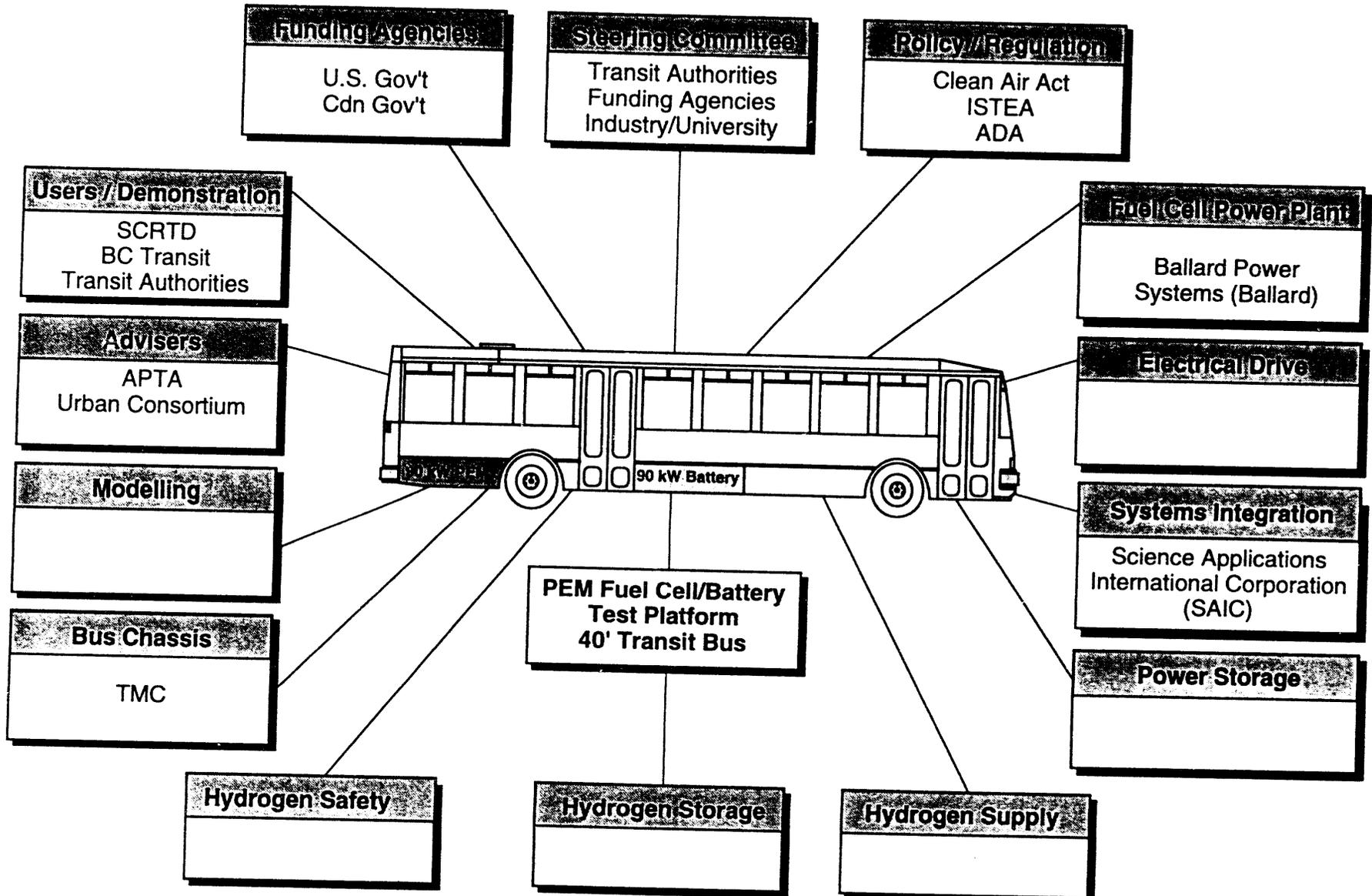
Phase 2 - Commercial Prototype - Scope

- 40' ZEV PEM Fuel Cell / Electric Transit Bus  Design/Fabricate/Test
Demonstrate
 - 32' ZEV PEM Fuel Cell / Electric Bus  Evaluation/Reliability Testing
Showcase in Various Cities
 - April 1993 to September 1995 - 30 Months
 - \$6 Million Funding Assistance
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Phase 2 - Commercial Prototype - Technical Approach

- Ruggedize / Repackage PEM Fuel Cell Power Plant  Air Compression
Cooling System
Control System
 - Add Battery Hybrid / Regeneration - 240 HP (180 kW)
 - 40' Transit Duty Bus  Improved Electric Propulsion
Fuel Storage Integration
Air Conditioning
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Alliance Structure

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Benefits

- Economically Efficient
 - Environmentally Sound
 - **Competes in Global Economy**
 - Air Quality Goals - No Pollutants
 - Energy Security Goals
 - Economic Growth - Emerging \$1 billion Market
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SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS AND SPEAKER RESPONSES

BALLARD FUEL CELL POWERED ZERO EMISSION BUS Paul Howard, Ballard Power Systems, Inc.

- Q. Rodica Baranescu, Navistar International: Is there a concern about hydrogen diffusion and embrittlement?**
- A. Yes, we are aware of the hydrogen purge and are working with others on the problem.**
- Q. Anthony Bobelis, Brooklyn Union Gas Co.: I understand that fuel cells are sensitive to CO in the air. How do you purify the air?**
- A. That is one of our concerns. We plan to convert the carbon monoxide to carbon dioxide, and we have technology to remove the carbon dioxide. There is a lot to learn about the effect of contaminants.**
- Q. Mostafa Kamel, Cummins Engine Co.: What other fuels could be used in the fuel cell?**
- A. We have considered methanol and natural gas which are being used in two other programs being developed.**
- Q. What is the top gas temperature?**
- A. The fuel cell operates on 160 to 180° F.**

1993 WINDSOR WORKSHOP ON ALTERNATIVE FUELS

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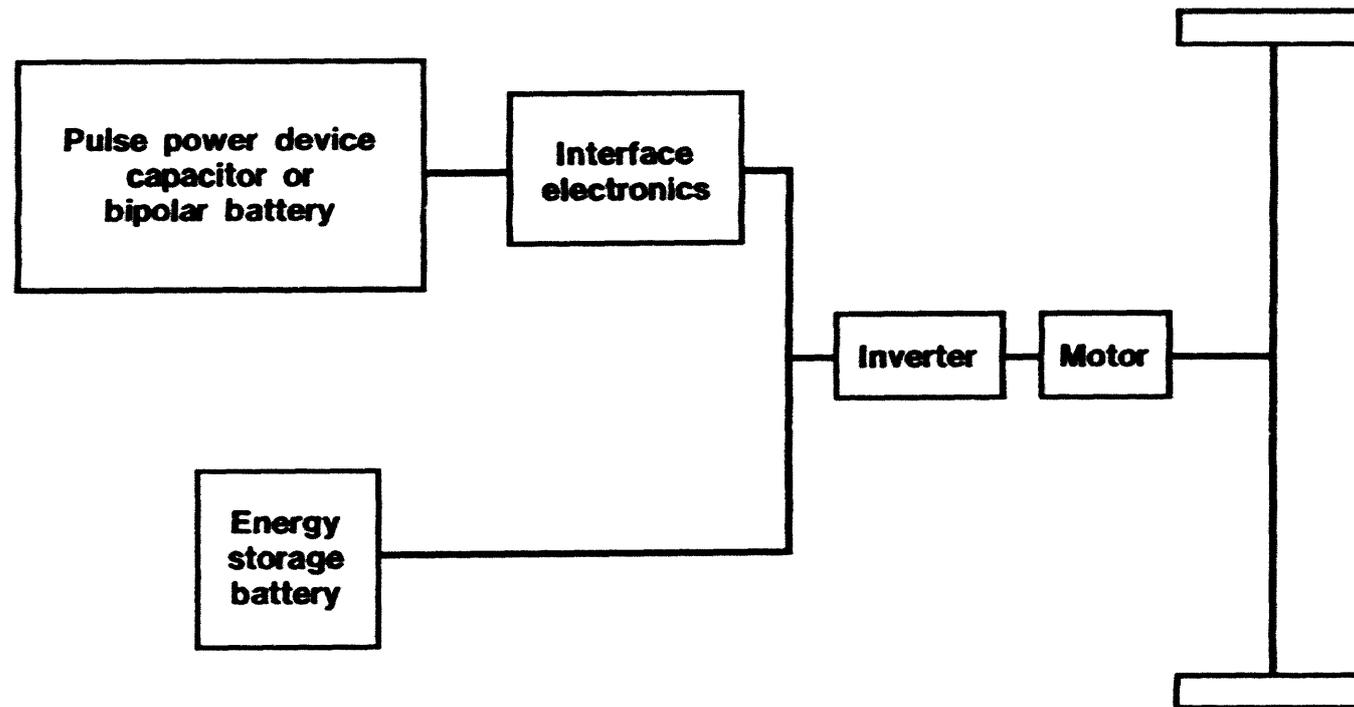
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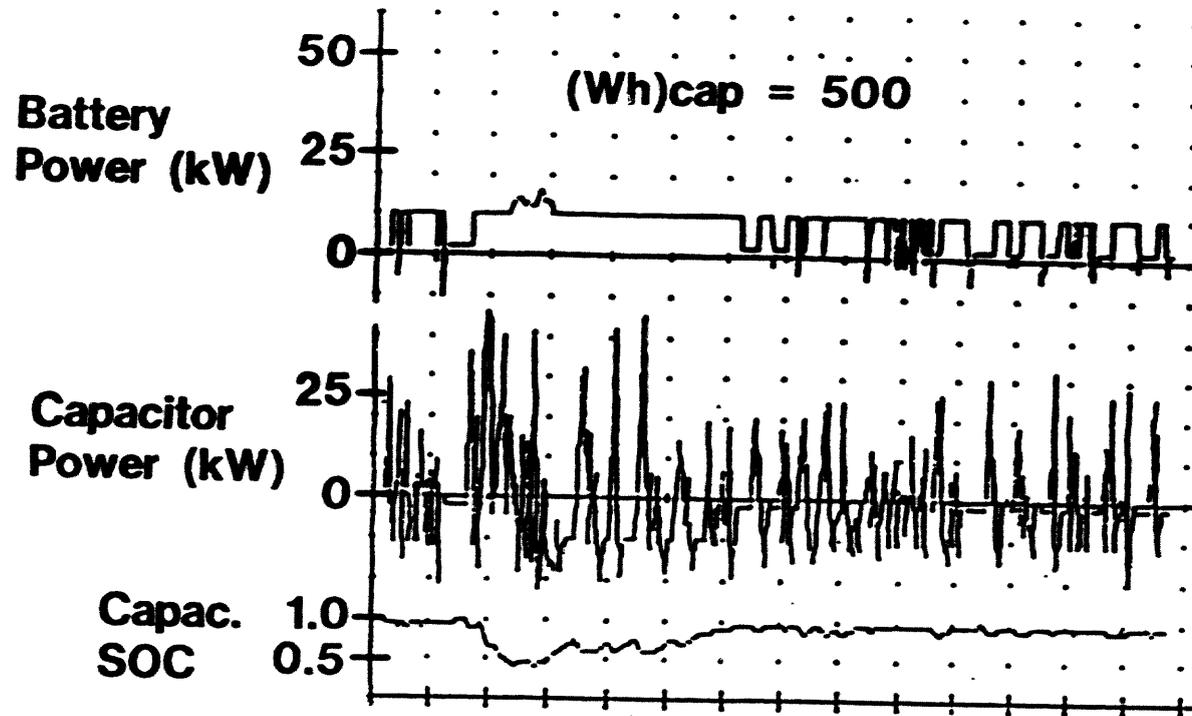
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Schematic of an Electric Vehicle Propulsion System, Including Battery Load Leveling



Load-Levelled Battery Discharge on the FUDS Cycle



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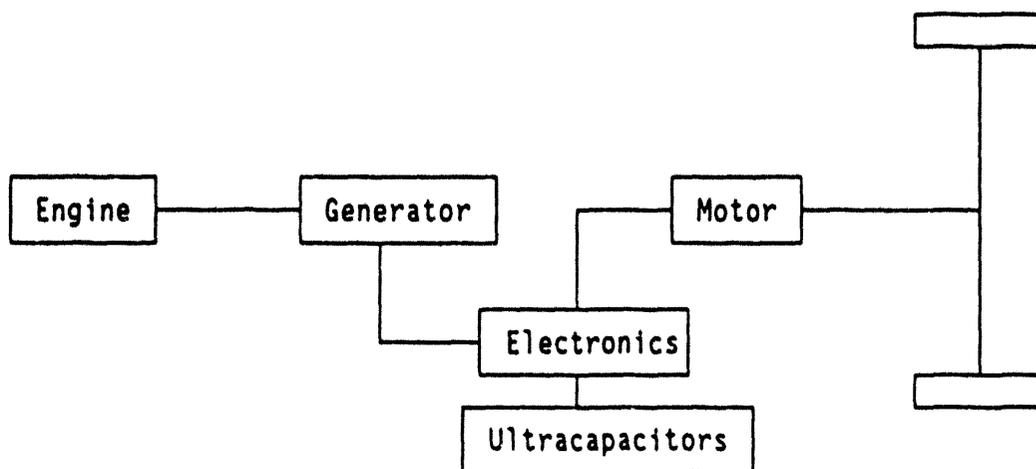


Figure 8. Engine-electric driveline schematic using ultracapacitors.

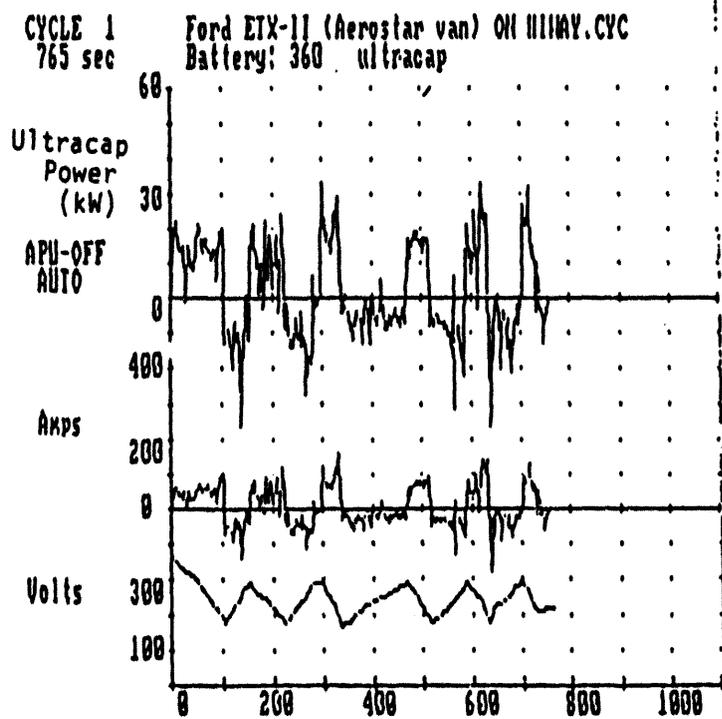
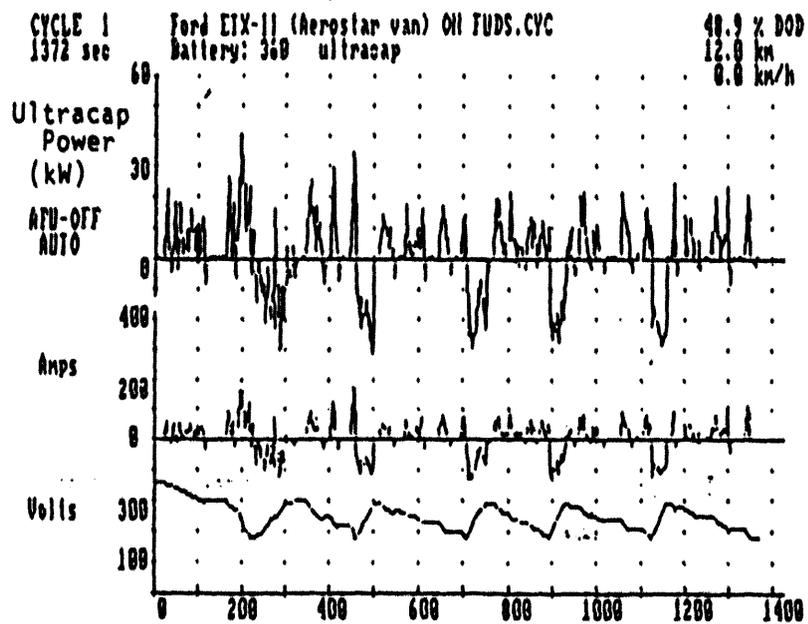


Figure 9. Ultracapacitor charge/discharge on the FUDS and FHWC cycles with an APU.

Table 6. Series hybrid electric range, fuel economy, and acceleration characteristics.

Vehicle Type	Electric				Series Hybrid				Acceleration Times (sec)	
	FUDS		FMWC		FUDS		FMWC			
	Wh/km	Range ⁽¹⁾ (km)	Wh/km	Range (km)	mpg ⁽²⁾	Effic. (%) ⁽³⁾	mpg	Effic. (%)	0-48 km/h	0-80 km/h
Minivan	185	93	188	86	26.1	0.85	26.4	0.88	4.7	12.1
Microvan	136	96	132	93	35.6	0.85	37.5	0.88	4.7	12.5
Compact Car	116	99	103	107	41.9	0.86	47.8	0.87	4.3	11.0
(1) Useable range to DOD = 80%										
(2) Gasoline fuel and min bsfc = 300 gm/kWh										
(3) Average efficiency from engine output to inverter input										

Table 7. Engine-electric vehicle characteristics using ultracapacitors.

Type	Vehicle			Motor/Generator			Ultracapacitors		
	Weight (kg)	$C_D A$ (m ²)	f_r (%)	Motor (kW)	Generator (kW)	Weight (kg)	Wh	(Wh/kg)	Max Power (kW)
Minivan	1501	1.16	0.85	56	25	85	500	5.9	60
Microvan	1200	0.759	0.85	37.5	20	68	400	5.9	46
Compact Car	1150	0.495	0.85	37.5	20	68	400	5.9	42

Table 8. Fuel economy of the engine-electric vehicles using ultracapacitors.

Vehicle Type	Fuel Economy (mpg)			
	FUDS		FMWC	
	Engine-Electric	Conventional ICE ⁽¹⁾	Engine-Electric	Conventional ICE
Minivan	33.1	18	30.5	22
Microvan	45.3	---	44.3	---
Compact Car	51.5	27	56.1	36
(1) 1992 EPA fuel economy rating for cars in this class				

On-Off Engine Operation for Hybrid/Electric Vehicles

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Hybrid/Electric Vehicle Design Options and Evaluations

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ABSTRACT

Various aspects of the design and evaluation of hybrid/electric vehicles are considered with emphasis on the consequences of utilizing advanced electric driveline components such as AC motors/electronics and ultracapacitors. Special attention is given to series hybrid drivelines, because they benefit much more directly than parallel hybrid drivelines from the recent large improvements in the specific weight and volume of electric drive motors/electronics. The results of the present study indicate that series hybrid vehicles with an electric range of 90-100 km and good acceleration performance (0-88 km/h acceleration times of less than 12 seconds) can be designed with a powertrain weight and volume comparable to that of a parallel hybrid of the same performance. The driveline efficiencies of the series and parallel designs for both city and highway driving differ by less than 15 percentage points. The control of the series hybrid driveline is expected to be significantly simpler than that of the parallel hybrid system and in addition, meeting the California ULEV emission standards should be less difficult for the series hybrid design, because the start of its engine can be delayed until the

catalyst is warm without affecting vehicle driveability.

Simulation results for series hybrid vehicles on the FUDS and the Federal Highway cycles indicate that their fuel economy (miles per gallon) operating in the hybrid mode will be 25-50% greater than conventional ICE vehicles of comparable interior size. Hybrid/electric vehicles using ultracapacitors to load level the engine in the driveline showed even a greater potential improvement in fuel economy. Load leveled operation of the engine may make it less difficult to use high specific power engines, such as two-stroke and gas-turbine engines, in light duty vehicles having stringent emission control requirements.

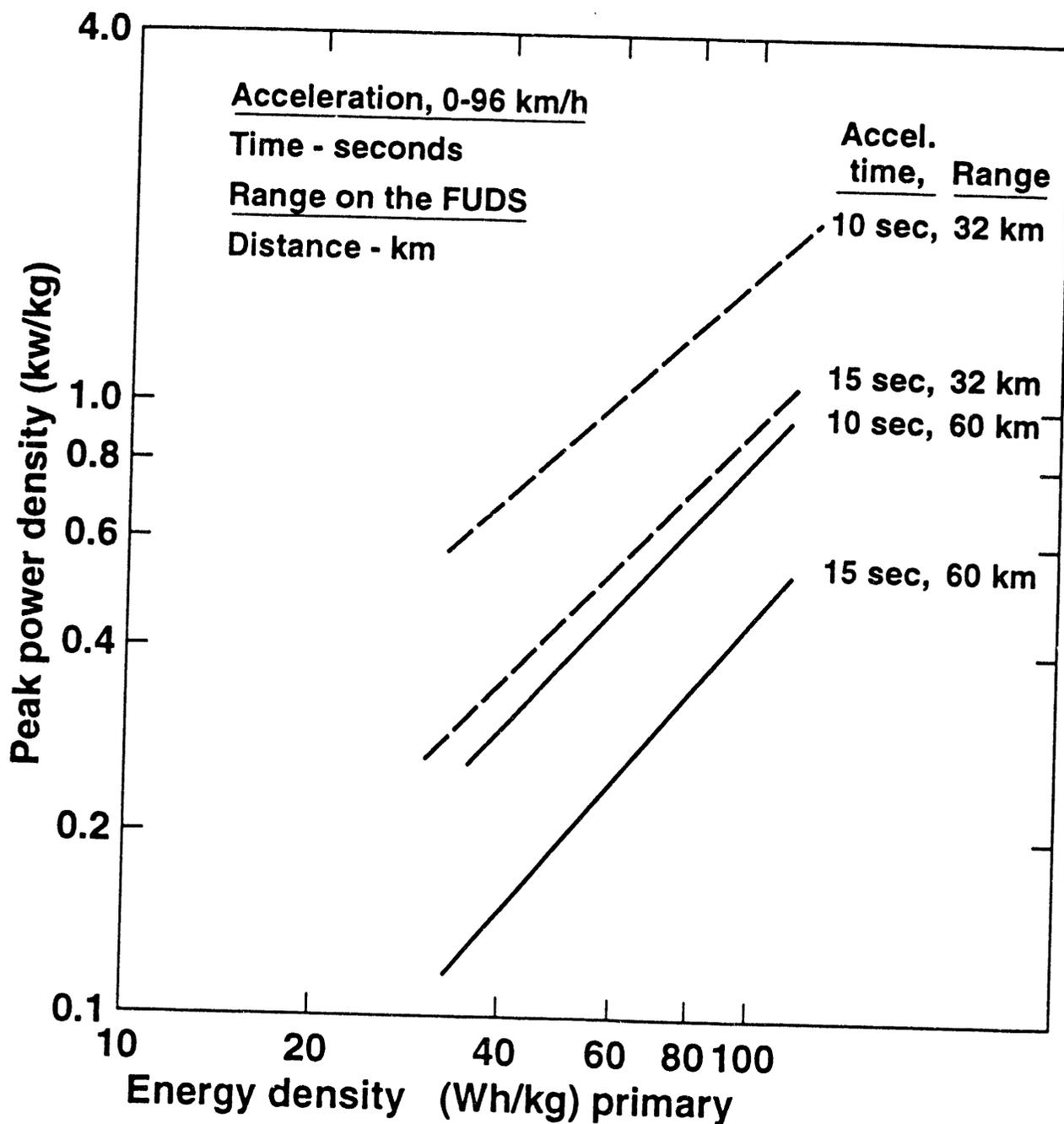
INTRODUCTION

Hybrid/electric vehicles, which utilize both an electric driveline and an engine to provide the power and energy for propulsion, have been studied for the last 20 years. Hybrid propulsion systems are used primarily to overcome the range limitation of pure electric vehicles powered by batteries alone. A number of hybrid vehicles have been built and tested to demonstrate the viability of various hybrid powertrain approaches. Much of the engineering activity on hybrid vehicle occurred between 1978 and 1984 as part of the response of the United States to the oil crises of 1973 and 1979.

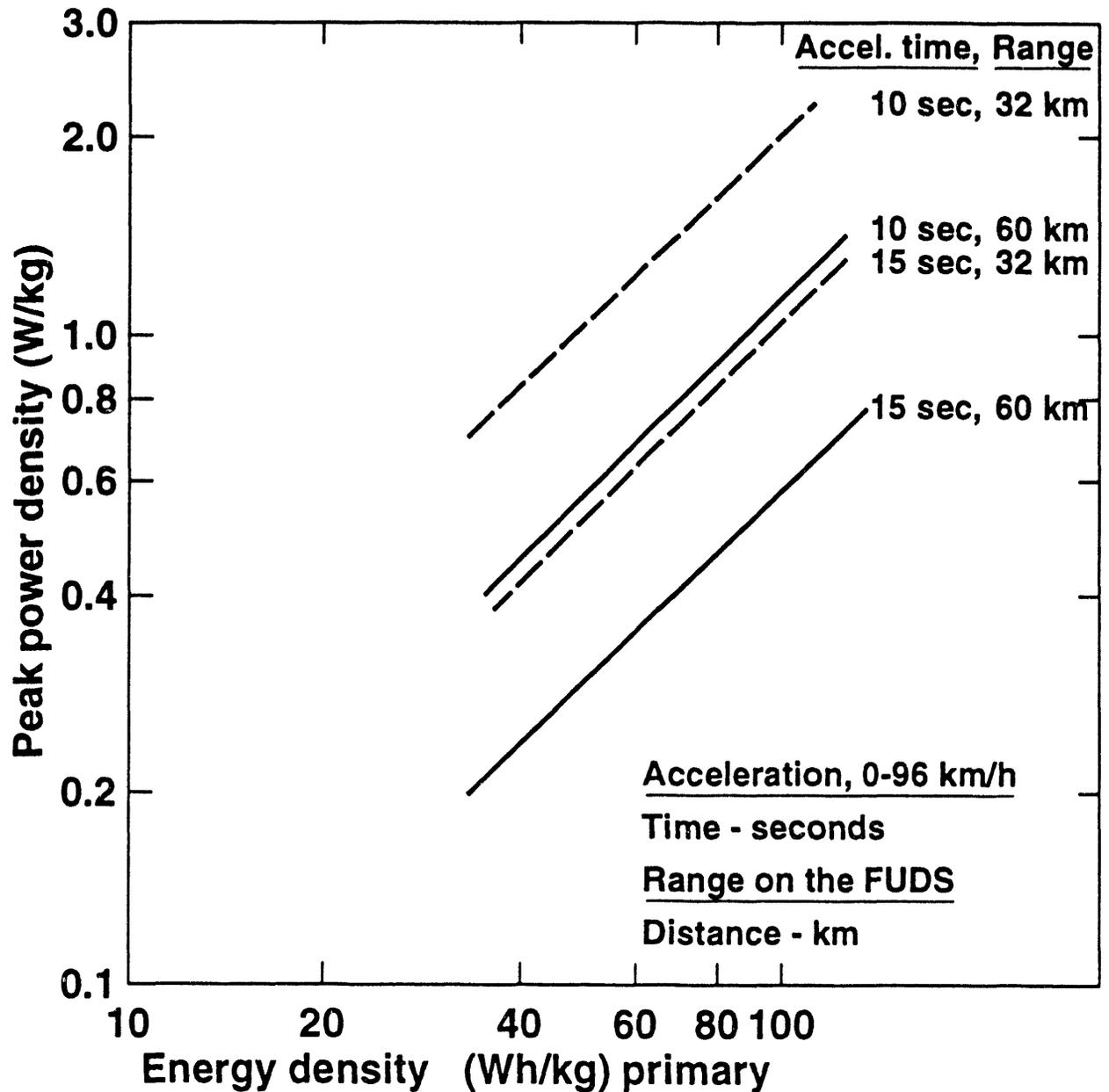
In recent years, interest in hybrid vehicles has been relatively low and most of the work on vehicles using electric

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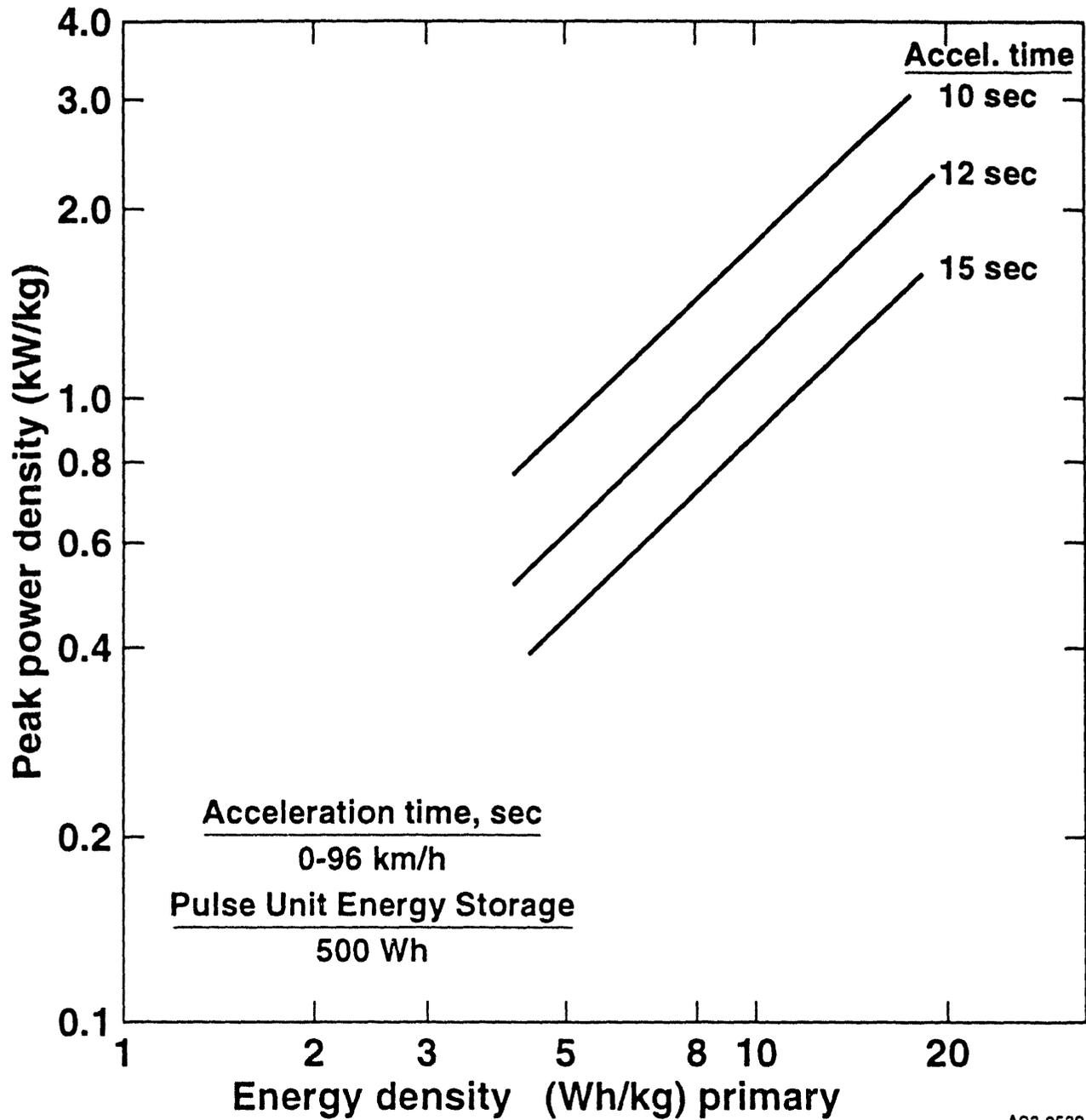
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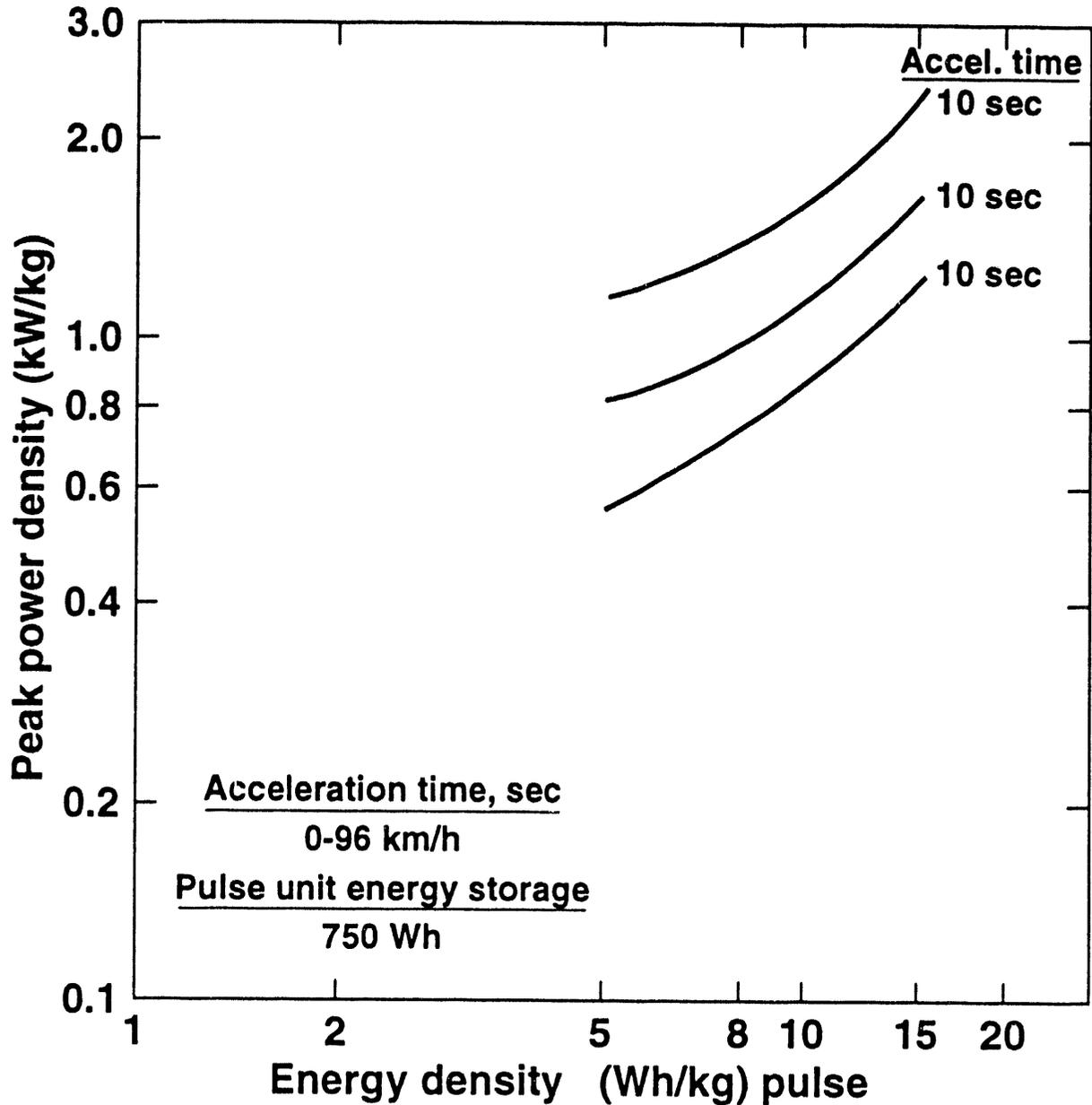
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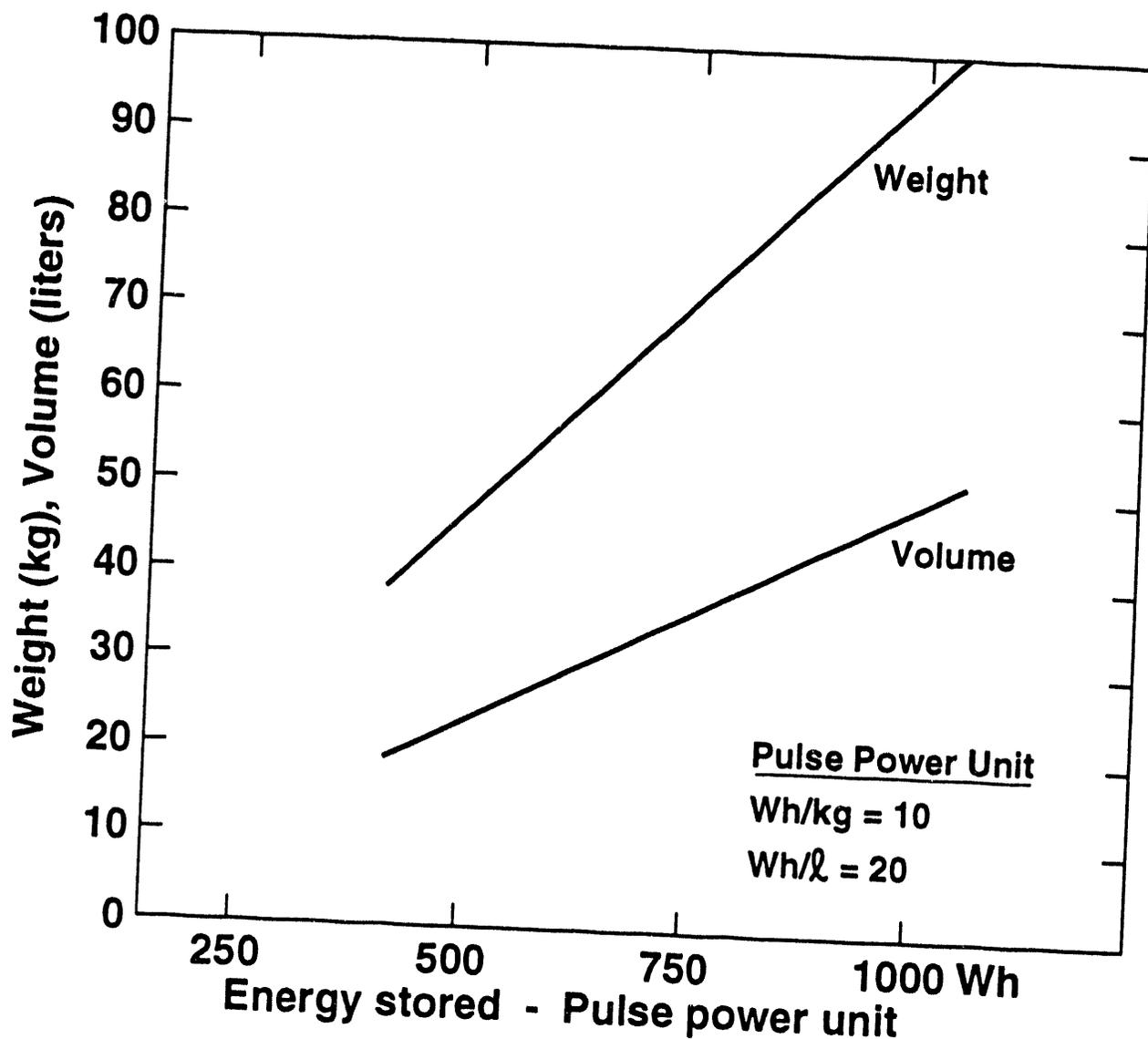
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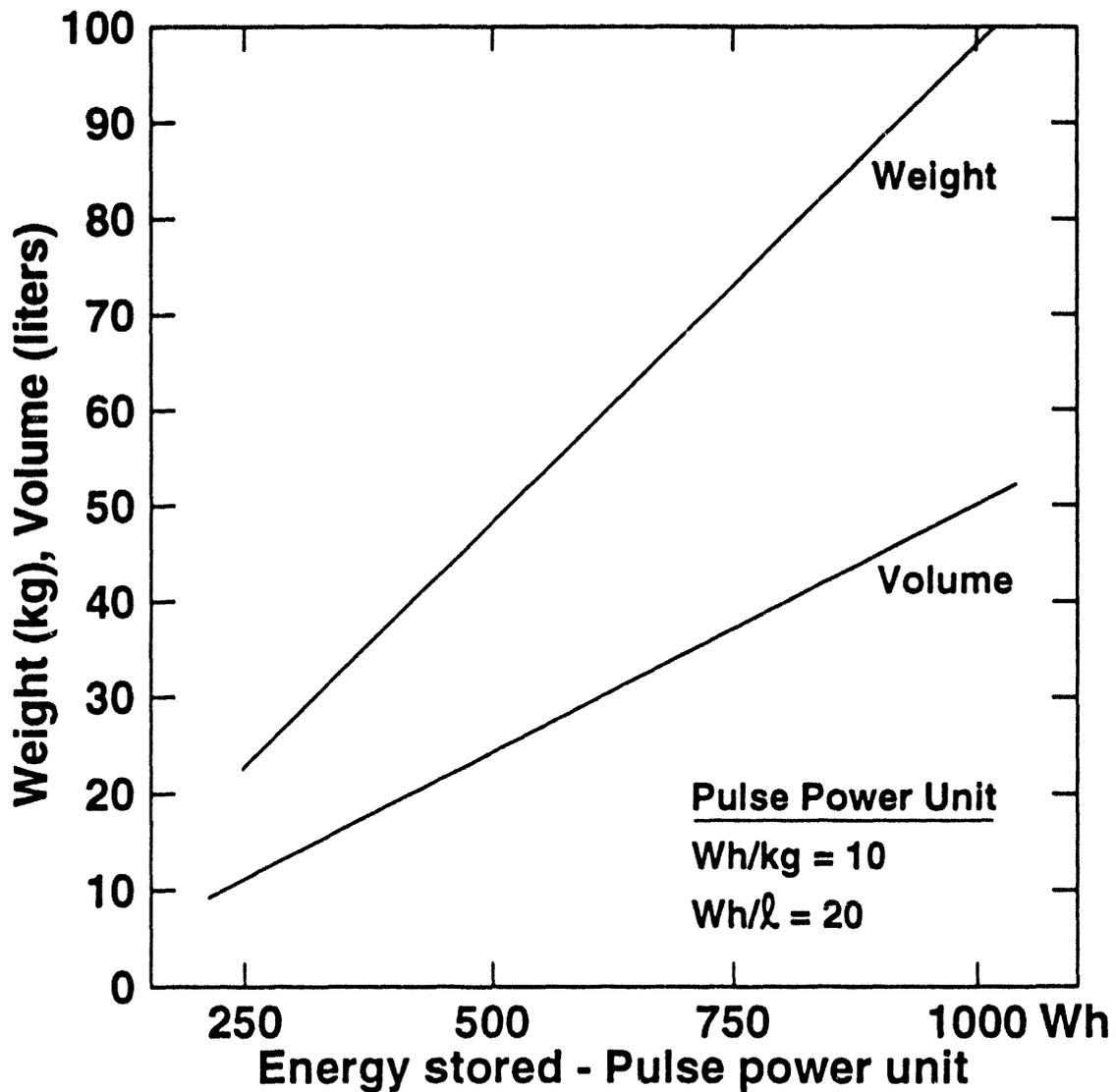
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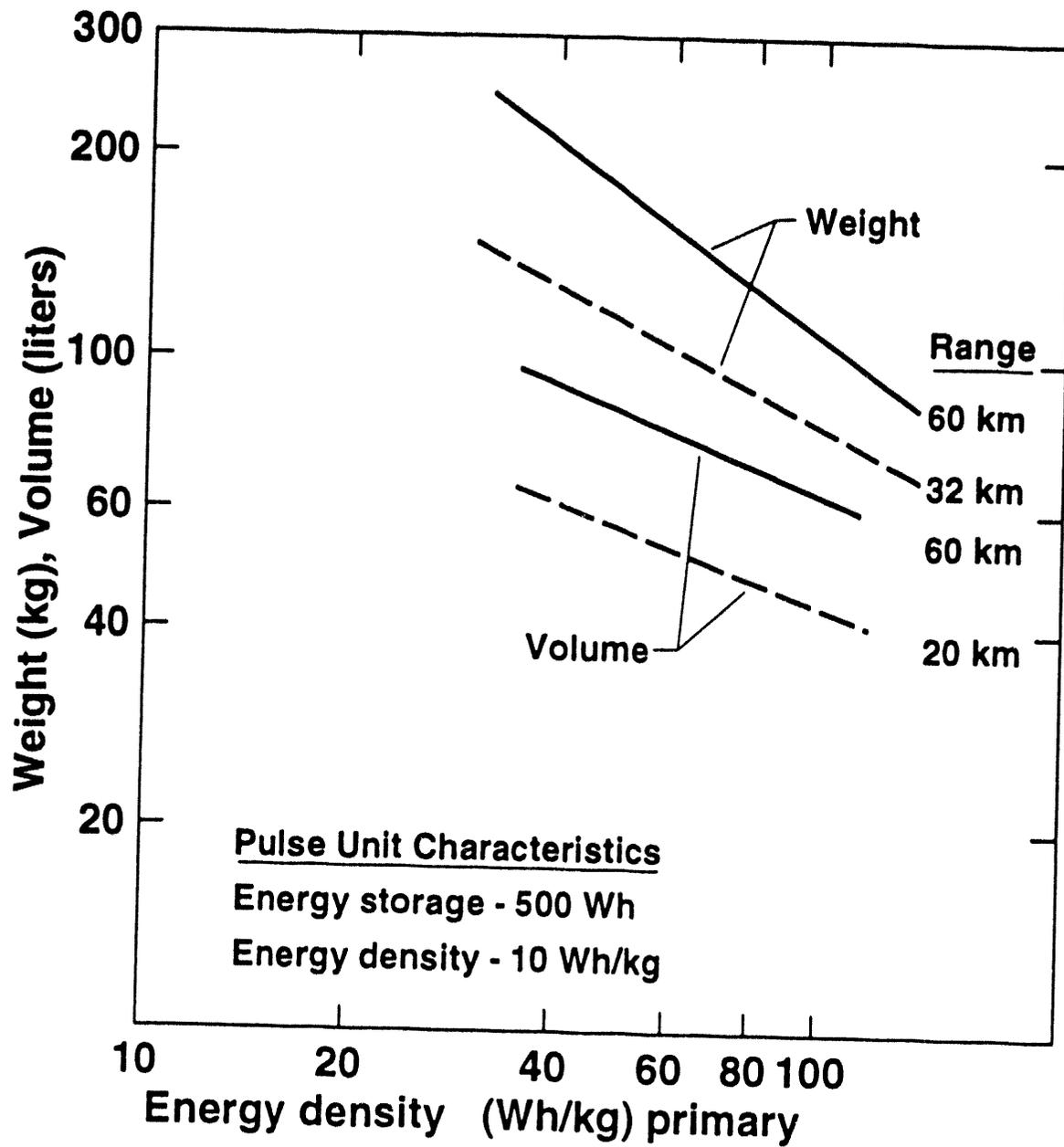
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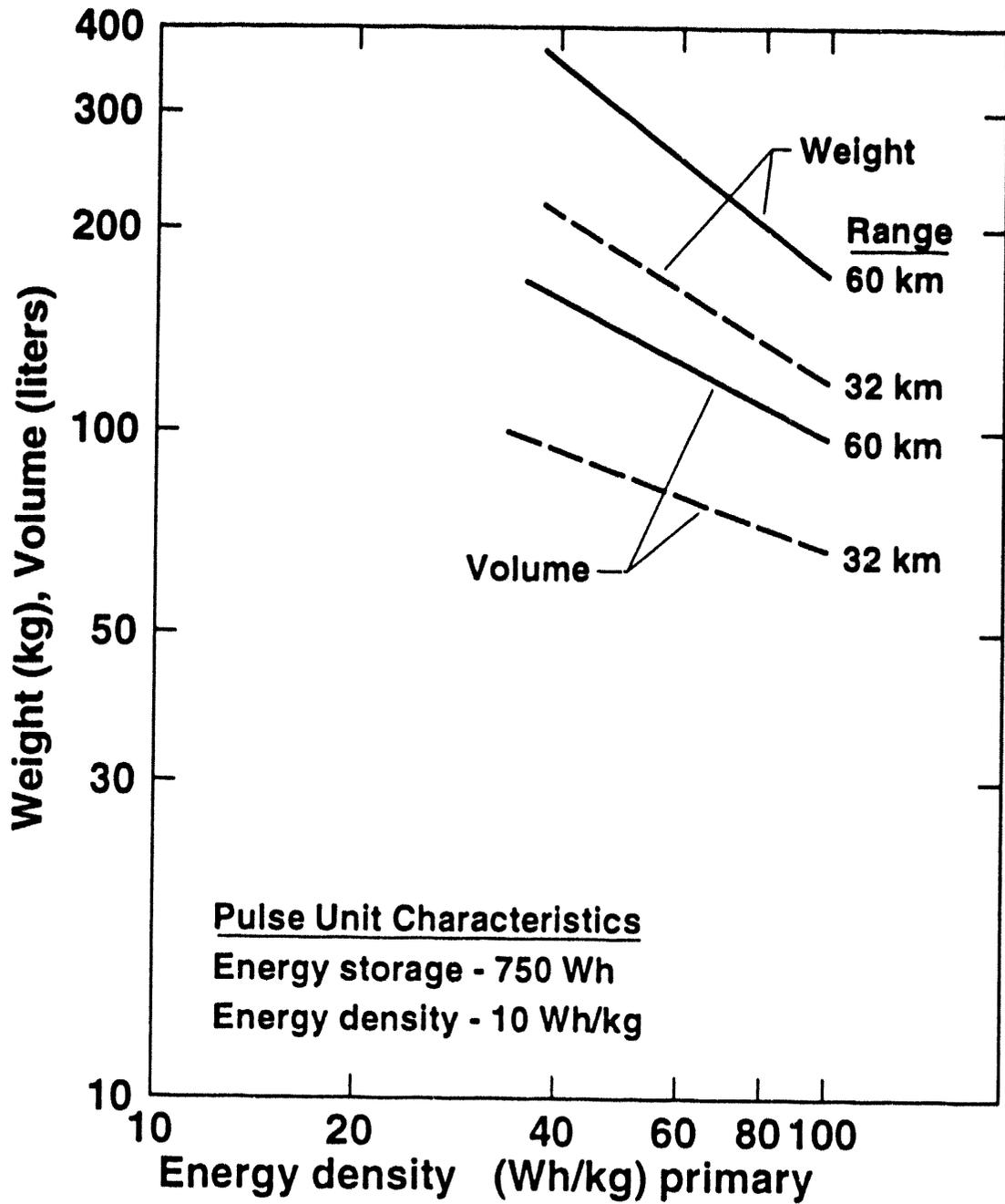
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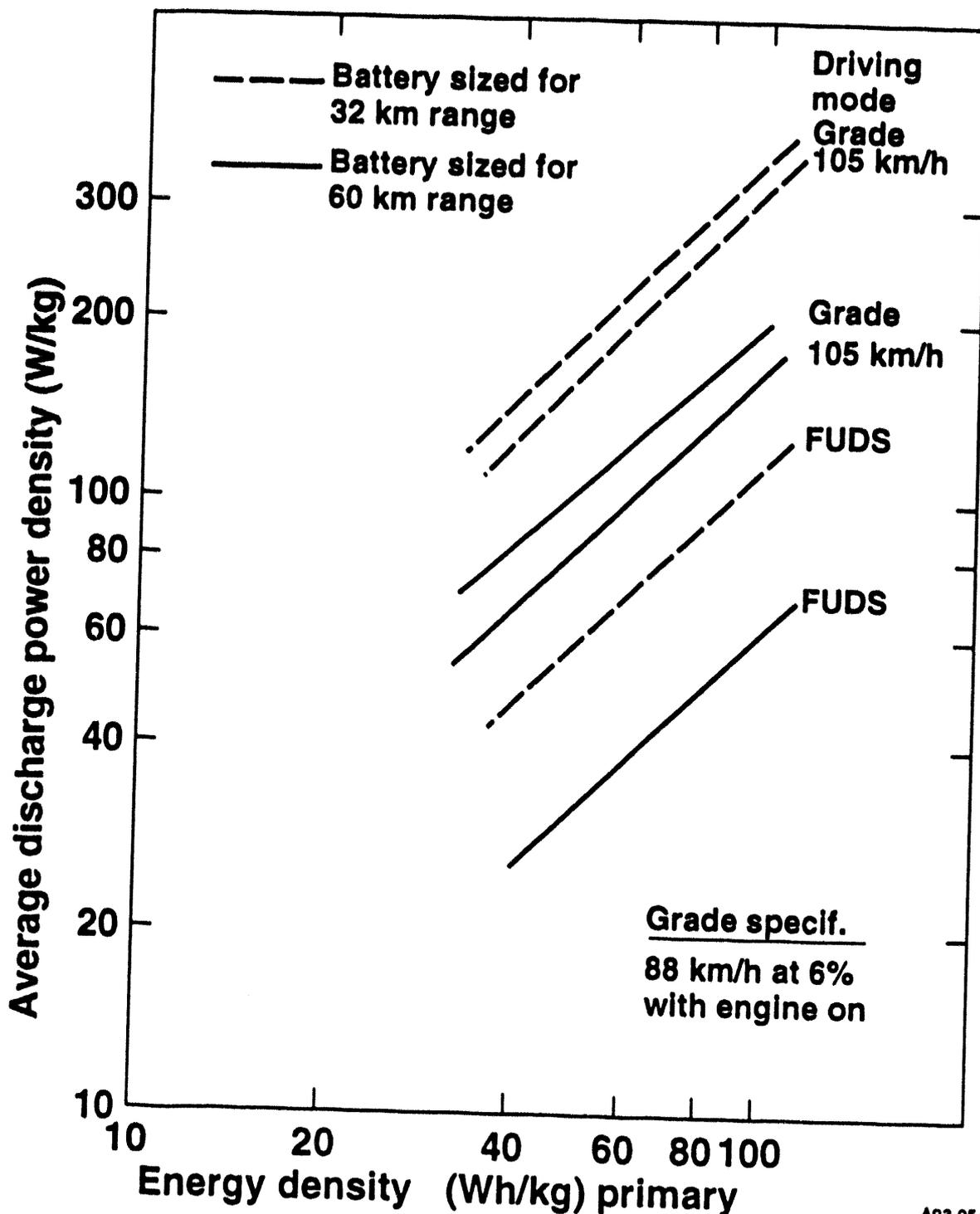
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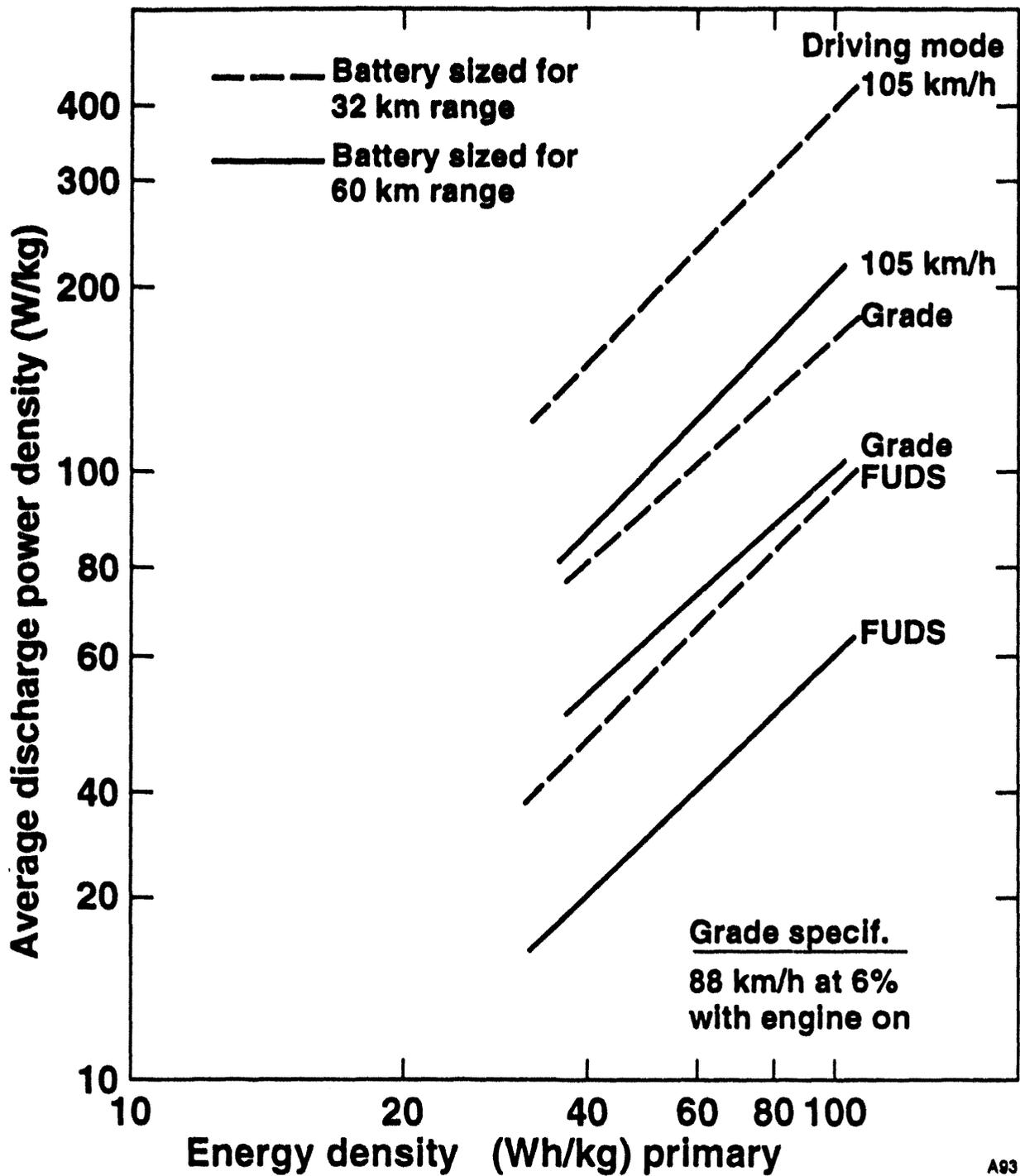
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Average Discharge Power Density for Different Driving Modes for a Compact Car



Average Discharge Power Density for Different Driving Modes for a Minivan



The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Ultracapacitor Program

Technologies

- **Carbon/metal fiber composites - Maxwell/Auburn**
- **Monolith foamed carbon - Livermore National Laboratory**
- **Foamed carbon with a binder - Sandia National Laboratory**
- **Doped polymer layers on carbon paper - Los Alamos National Laboratory**
- **Mixed metal oxides (ceramic) on metal foil - Pinnacle Research Institute**

The U.S. Department of Energy Ultracapacitor Program (cont'd)

Interface Electronics

- **General Electric Corporate Research and Development**

Interface Electronics

- Needed to:
 - Control power split between main battery and pulse power device
 - Match voltage between power sources as capacitor voltage varies between V_0 , $1/2 V_0$
 - Use at least 75% of energy stored in the capacitors
- As a function of:
 - State-of-charge of power sources
 - Average power demand of vehicle
- Pulse power device is recharged during periods of low vehicle power demand
- Energy storage in pulse power device is small compared to that of main battery (50 kWh battery, 500 Wh capacitor)

Applications

Near-Term

(Used With Near-Term Batteries)

- Initial thinking
 - A. Load-level the battery on the FUDS
 - B. Power share during vehicle acceleration (0-50 mph in 20 sec)
 - C. Discharge battery at P_{AV}
 - D. Capacity 300-500 Wh

- Battery requirements without the ultracapacitors

<u>Battery weight</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>W/kg gradeability</u>	<u>Peak</u>
500-600 kg	10	30-50	80

- Ultracapacitor unit
 - 500 Wh, 50 kW, 100 kg, 45 liter,
 - 5 Wh/kg, 11 Wh/l, 500 W/kg
 - > 90% round trip charge/discharge efficiency
- Capacitor energy for vehicle acceleration
 - 20 sec, 280 Wh

Applications

Advanced

(Used With Advanced Batteries and High Performance EVs)

- Advanced thinking
 - A. Load-leveling battery during FUDS
 - B. Power share during vehicle acceleration (0-60 mph in 10 sec)
 - C. Capacity 750 Wh

- Battery requirements without the ultracapacitors

<u>Battery weight</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>W/kg</u> <u>gradeability</u>	<u>Peak</u>
200-300 kg	20	110-160	375-550

- Ultracapacitor unit
 - 750 Wh, 80 kW, 50 kg, 20 liter,
 - 15 Wh/kg, 40 Wh/l, 1600 W/kg
 - > 90% round trip charge/discharge efficiency

- Capacitor energy for vehicle acceleration
 - Acceleration: 10 sec, 230 Wh

Capacitor Specifications for Electric Vehicle Applications

Energy storage *(Wh, MJ)	500, 1.8
Power (kW)	50
Voltage (V)	200-300
Weight (kg)	< 100
Volume (l)	< 45
Specific energy *(Wh/kg)	> 5
Vol. specific energy *(Wh/l)	> 11
Capacitance (F/cm ² /1vcell)	> 1.5
Resistance (m-ohm cm ² /1vcell)	< 100
Discharge time (sec)	20-50
Charge time (sec)	60-120
Duty cycle	Continuous
Cycle life	> 100,000
Cost (\$)	< 1,000

$$*1 \frac{\text{Wh}}{\text{kg}} = 3.6 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}$$

$$1 \frac{\text{Wh}}{\text{l}} = 3.6 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{l}}$$

Near-term and advanced goals for the DOE ultracapacitor development programs

Battery w/o Capacitor	Near-Term	Advanced
Weight (kg)	500-600	200-300
Power Density (W/kg)		
Average	10	20
Gradeability	30-50	110-160
Peak (accel)	80	375-550
Ultracapacitor Unit		
Energy stored (Wh)	500	750
Maximum Power (kW)	50	80
Weight (kg)	<100	<50
Volume (ℓ)	<40	<20
Energy density (Wh/kg)	>5	>15
Maximum useable power density (W/kg)	>500	>1600
Round trip efficiency (%)	>90	>90
Vehicle Acceleration		
0-88 km/h (sec)	<20	<8





Panasonic 3 V, 1500 F Capacitors

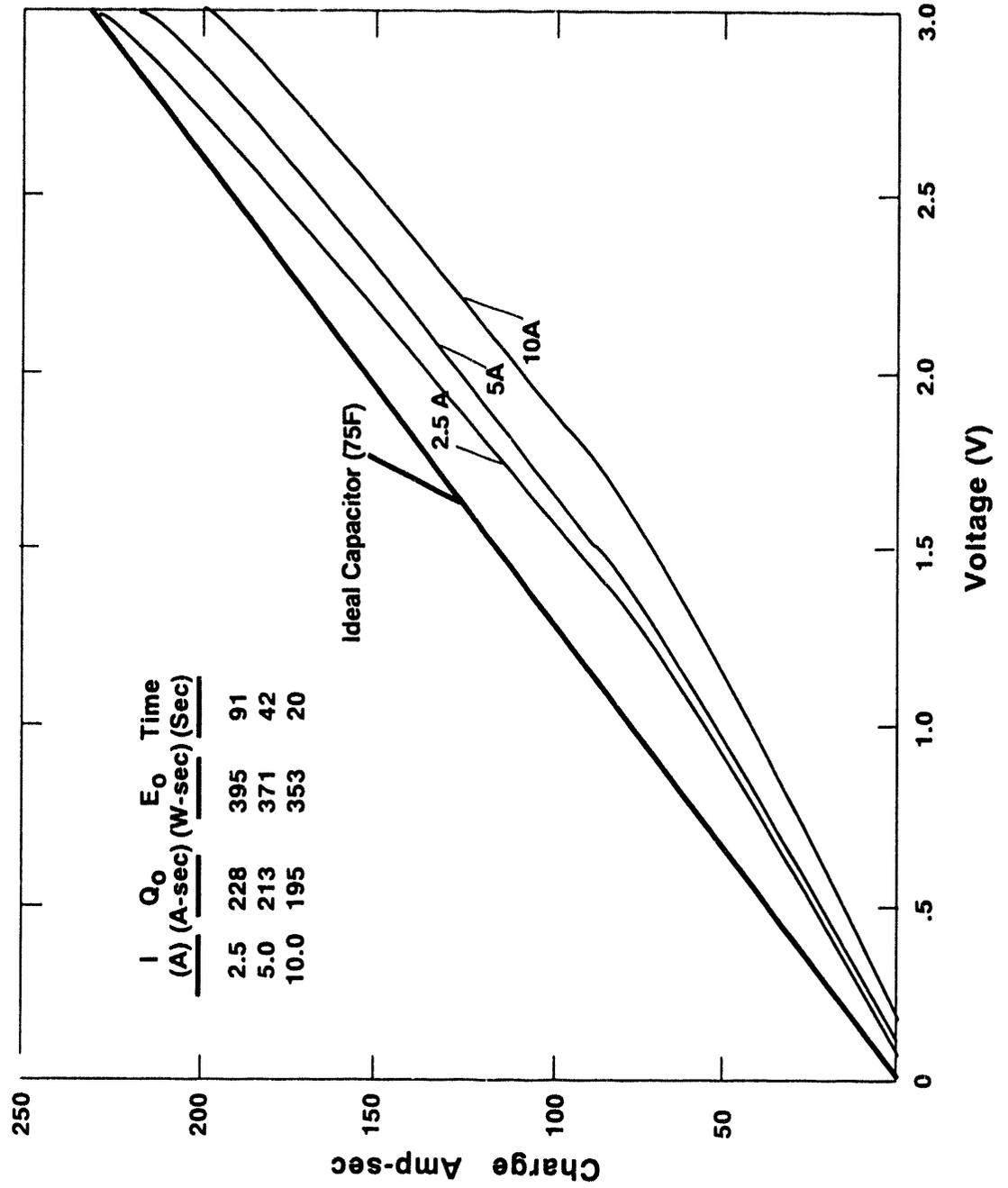
- **Technology** **Single cell, spiral wound, carbon-based, organic electrolyte**
- **Size** **Diameter 7.7 cm**
 Length 14.9 cm
 Volume 693 cm³
- **Weight** **887 gm**

Panasonic Capacitors (cont'd)

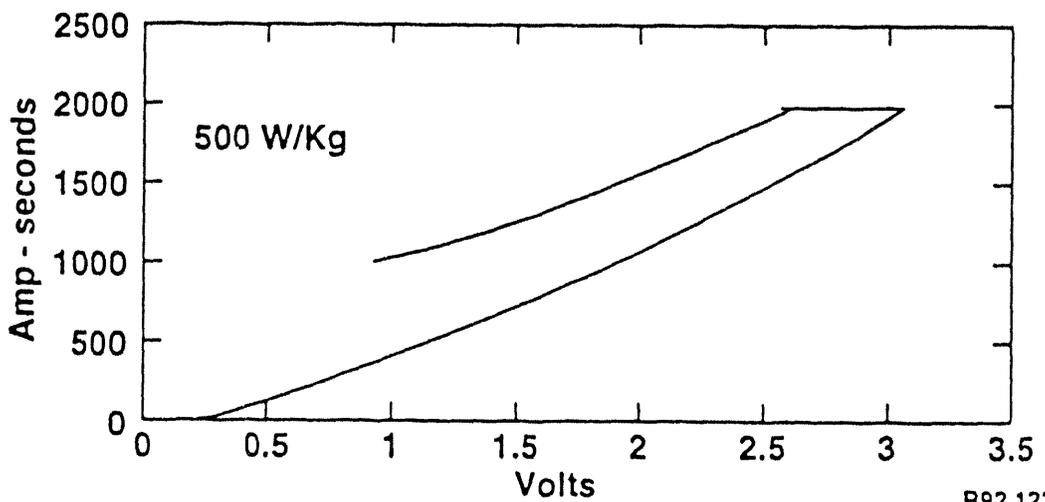
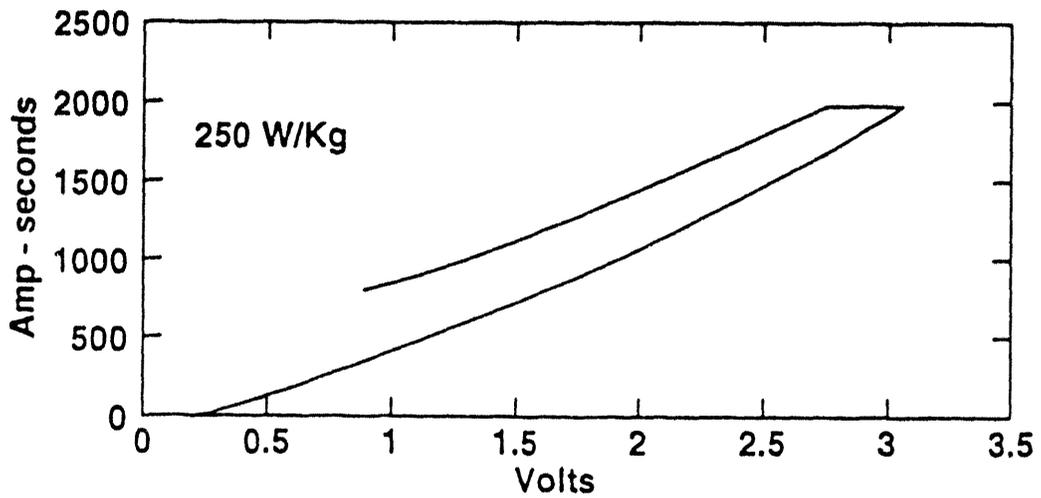
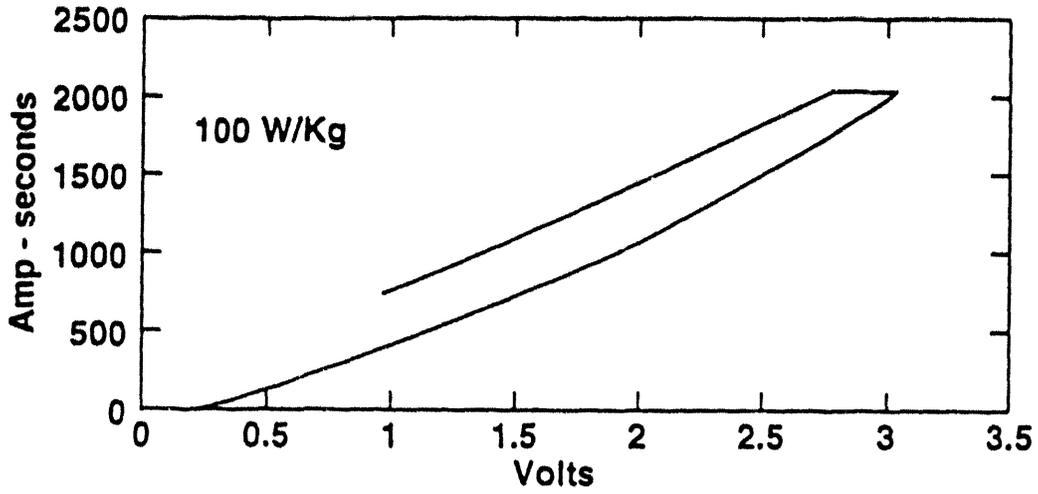
- **Energy stored**
(charging 100 A,
0 to 3 V) **2.667 Wh**
(3.0 Wh/kg; 3.85 Wh/L)
- **Energy Discharged**
(100 A, 3 V to 1 V) **1.89 Wh**
(2.13 Wh/kg; 2.73 Wh/L)
- **Resistance** **1.2 milliohms**
- **Maximum power***
(3 V ---> 1.5 V) **2.1 kW/kg**

* to a matched load

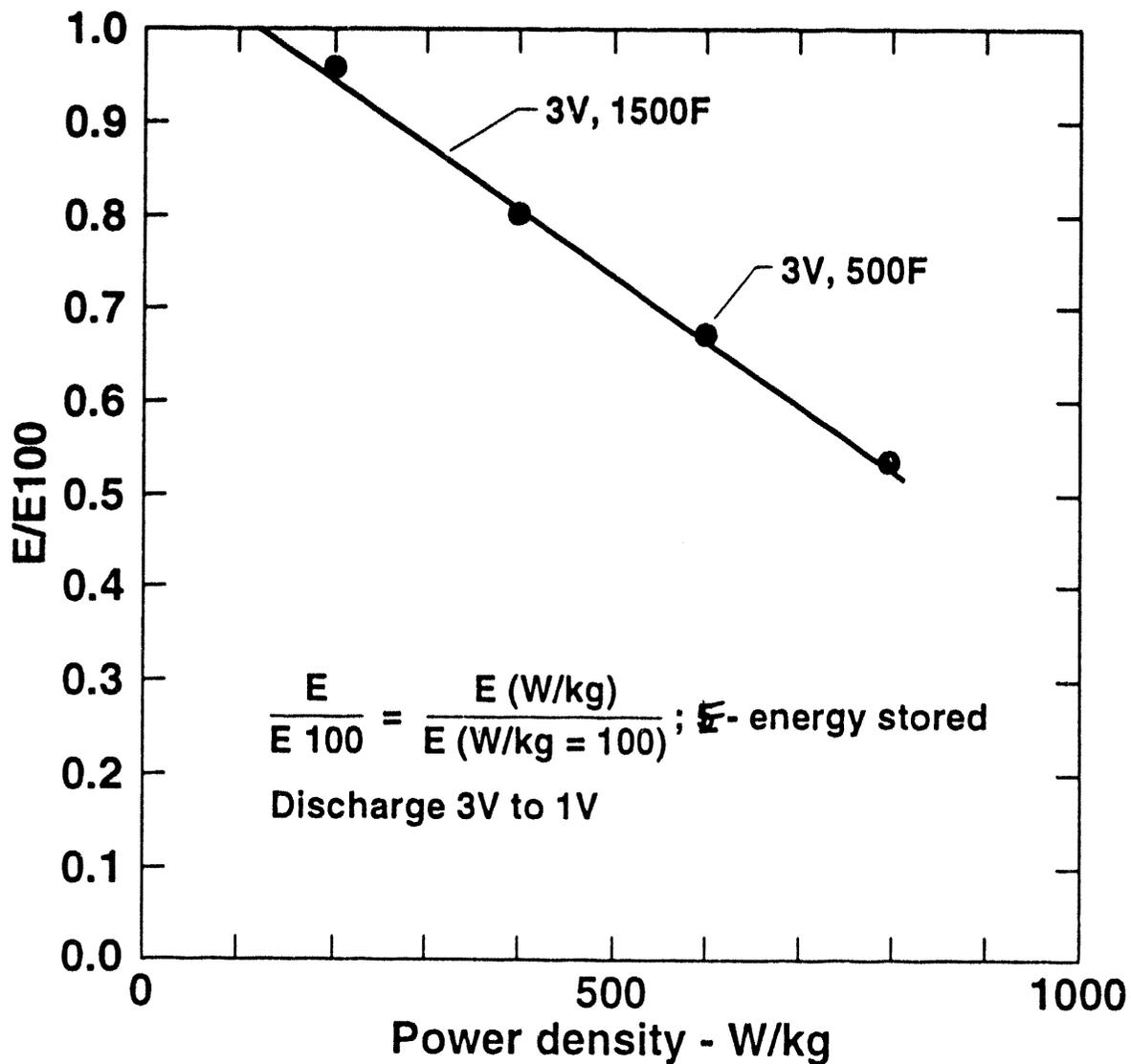
Charging Characteristic of the Japanese Capacitor at Several Charging Currents



Discharge Characteristics of the 600 F Capacitors at Various Power Densities



Constant Power Discharge Characteristics of the Panasonic 3V, 500F and 1500F Capacitors



Life Cycle Test Results

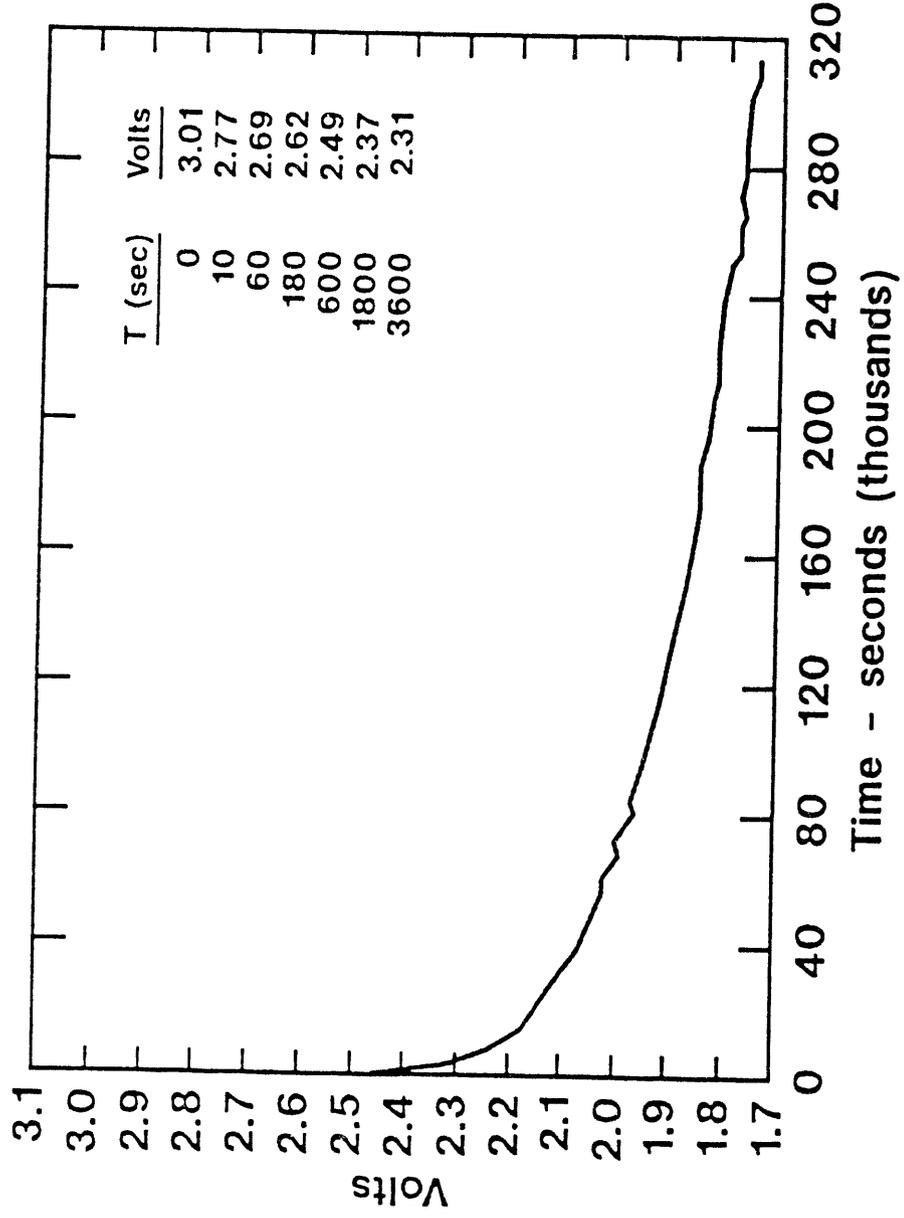
Capacitor - 3 V, 600 F, Panasonic

- **Cycle**
 - 30 A charge in 15 sec (1.5-3 V)
 - 30 A discharge in 15 sec (3-1.5 V)
 - Max power - 300 W/kg
 - Average power - 225 W/kg
- **Cycle life**
 - 503,000 charge/discharge cycles
 - 7 months calendar time
 - 20% degradation in capacitance
 - V vs. time - Symmetric for all cycles

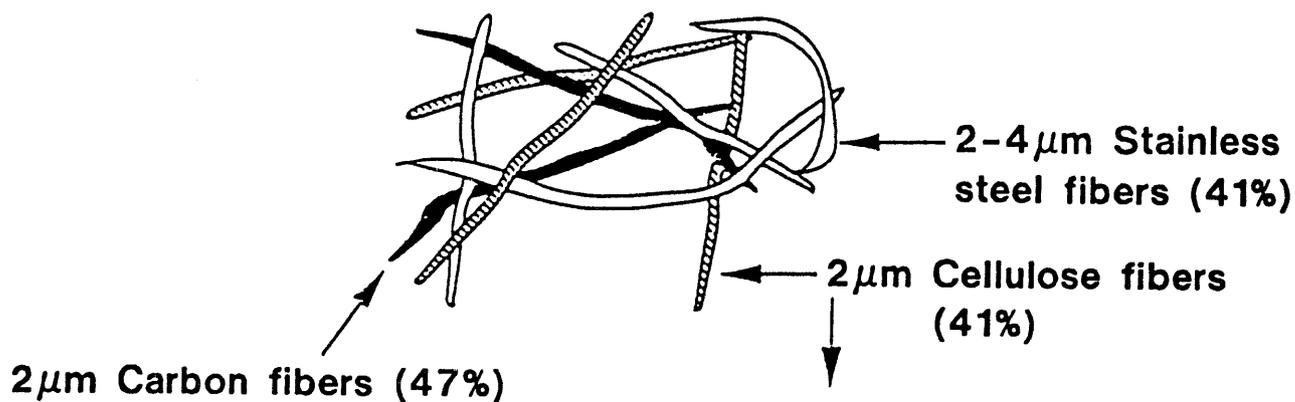
Summary of the 3V, 500 F Capacitor Life-cycle Test Data

DATE	CYCLES K	CHARGE/ DISCHARGE ⁽¹⁾ CURRENT (A)	CHARGE TIME (SEC)	% CAPACITY	RESISTANCE ⁽²⁾ mOHM
01-16	10	20	29.1	100	6.25
02-11	48	20	28.5	98	6.25
02-28	71	20	28.35	97	6.7
04-01	124	20	27.1	93	6.7
04-01	124	30	15.6	93	6.7
04-17	165	30	15.4	92	6.7
04-22	180	30	15.2	91	6.7
04-30	200	30	14.8	88	6.7
05-18	256	30	14.5	86	6.7
05-26	280	30	14.4	85	6.7
06-08	320	30	14.2	84	6.7
06-15	341	30	14.0	83	6.7
06-29	384	30	13.9	83	6.7
07-06	405	30	13.9	83	6.7
07-13	424	30	13.8	82	6.7
07-27	468	30	13.7	81.7	6.7
08-07	503	30	13.5	80.5	6.7
(1) CHARGE/DISCHARGE BETWEEN 3.0V AND 1.5V					
(2) BASED ON THE IR DROP AT BEGINNING OF CHARGE/DISCHARGE STEPS					

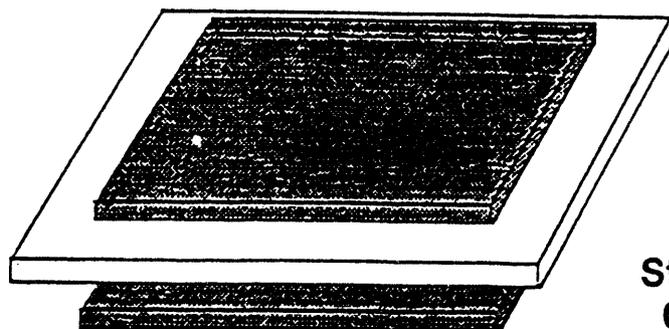
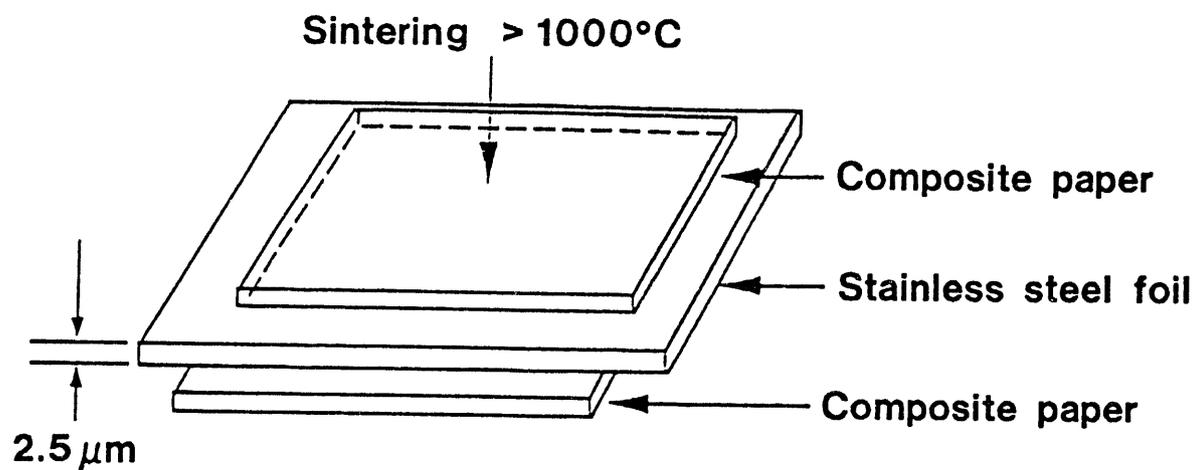
Voltage Decay Characteristic of the Japanese Capacitor After Charging to 3V



Carbon Metal Fiber Electrode Structure

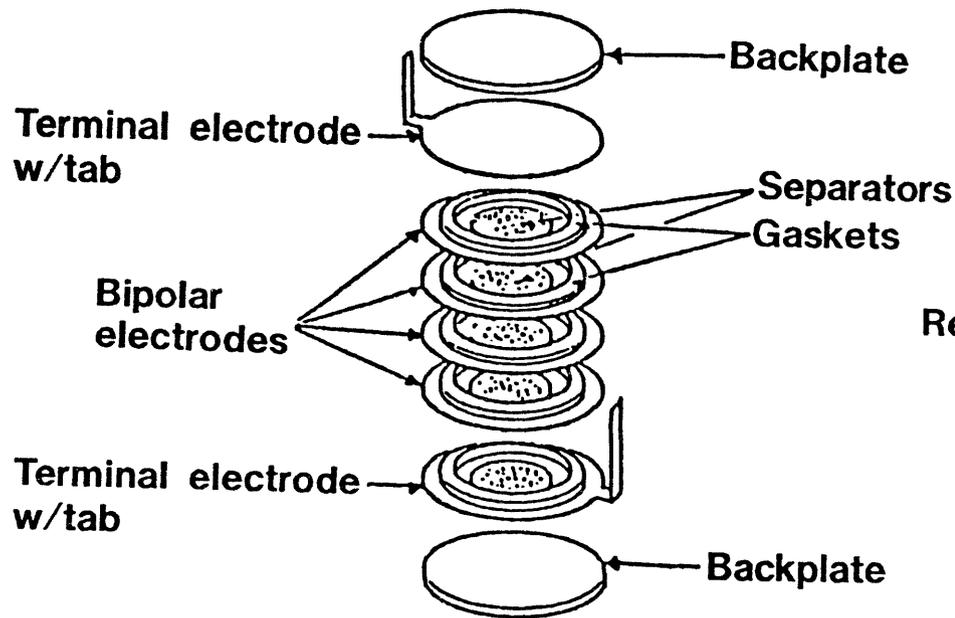


Intimately Mixed Metal-Carbon Composite
Matrices from Paper Precursors

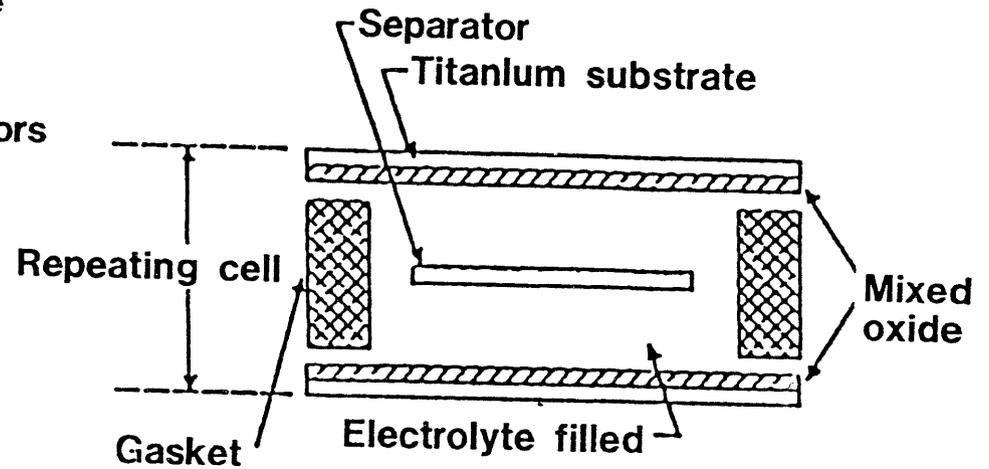


Stainless Steel-Carbon
Composite Electrode

Schematic of Ultracapacitor Construction

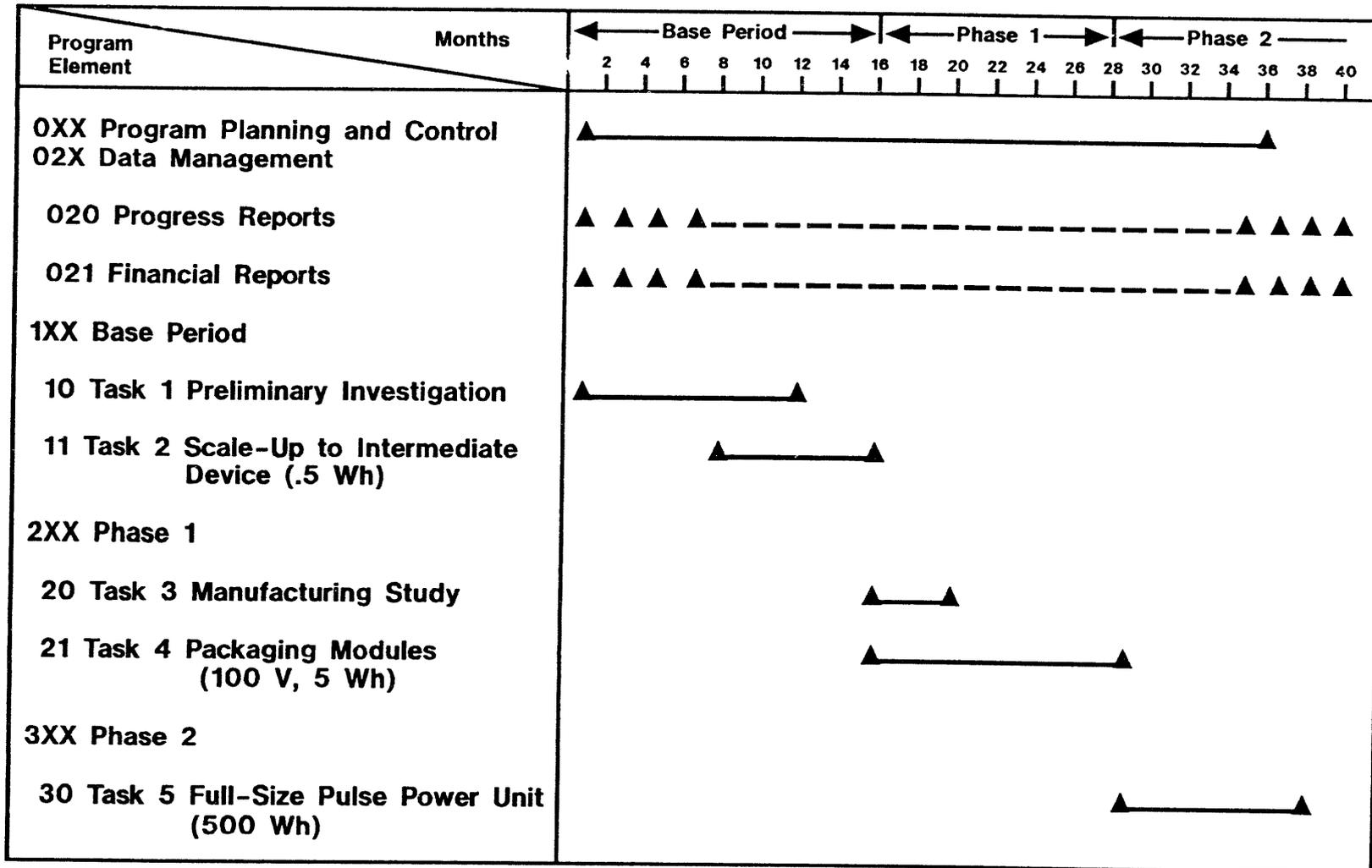


Exploded View of a Small Ultracapacitor



Unit Cell Construction of Ultracapacitor

Milestone Chart for the Development of Ultracapacitor Technology Electric Vehicle Applications



Maxwell/Auburn 1 V, 75 F Capacitor (as of April 1993)

- **Technology** **Single cell, 20 cm² disk,
composite carbon-metal fibers,
aqueous (KOH) electrolyte**
- **Size**
 - Diameter** **5 cm**
 - Thickness** **0.187 cm**
 - Volume** **3.77 cm³**
- **Weight** **6 gm**

Maxwell/Auburn 1 V, 75 F Capacitors (cont'd)

Energy Stored/Discharged (1 A, 0 ---> 3 V)	39 W/sec (1.8 Wh/kg, 2.9 Wh/L)
Resistance	10 milliohmns
Maximum Power* (1 V to .5 V)	4.2 kW/kg

*** to a matched load**

Maxwell/Auburn 3 V, 27 F Capacitor (as of April 1993)

- **Technology** **Single cell, 20 cm² disk, composite carbon-metal fibers, organic electrolyte**
- **Size**
 - Diameter** **5 cm**
 - Thickness** **0.15 cm**
 - Volume** **3 cm³**
- **Weight** **4.5 gm**

Maxwell/Auburn 3 V, 27 F Capacitors (cont'd)

Energy Stored/Discharged (1 A, 0 ---> 3 V)	121 W/sec (7.5 Wh/kg, 11.2 Wh/L)
Resistance	0.15 ohm
Maximum Power* (3 V to 1.5 V)	3.3 kW/kg

*** to a matched load**

Advantages of Ultracapacitors for Use in EV Drivelines

- Very high power > 3 kW/kg
- Very high recharge rates < 20 sec
- Long life > 100,000 cycles
- High efficiency > 95%
- Compatibility with electric drive system
 - Combine ultracapacitor unit with inverter electronics
 - Ease of microprocessor control

Conclusions

- **Power capacitors are available commercially from Panasonic for laboratory tests.**
- **Good progress is being made in the U.S. DOE Program to develop capacitors with energy density of 5 to 10 Wh/kg.**
- **Ultracapacitors are likely to be key components in the drivelines of high performance hybrid-electric vehicles.**

**SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS
AND SPEAKER RESPONSES**

**DESIGN OPTIONS FOR HYBRID-ELECTRIC VEHICLES USING
ULTRACAPACITORS**

Andrew F. Burke, EG&G Idaho, Inc.

- Q. Anonymous: Why is the ultracapacitor technology not used in Japan?
- A. It is used in different applications. Isuzu uses it to extend life of batteries.
- Q. Mehboob Sumar, ORTECH International: You mentioned an application with catalyst. How did this work?
- A. We did an experiment with a 12-volt module to heat exhaust treatment catalyst to 700-800oC in 6-7 seconds. This use may be an ideal application for this type of device, where the capacitor could be charged off the vehicle battery. We will be studying costs for these devices over the next twelve months.

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**FLEET USERS' EXPERIENCE WITH
ALTERNATIVE FUELED VEHICLES
PANEL DISCUSSION**

Panel Moderator: Mike Jackson

(Presentations made during this Panel Discussion were unavailable at time of printing)

SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS AND SPEAKER RESPONSES

PANEL DISCUSSION: FLEET USER'S EXPERIENCE WITH ALTERNATIVE FUELED VEHICLES

Moderator: Mike Jackson, Acurex Environmental

Panel Members: (In order of presentations)
David Ogilvie, National Association of Fleet Administrators
Michael Snodgrass, U.S. General Services Administration
Chris Burgeson, City of Glendale, California
Todd Krenelka, Batelle/Federal Express Fleet
Don Brunson, Xerox Corporation
Tom Finn, Avis Rent-A-Car

Each panel member made a short presentation. Then questions were directed at the panel. Some replies came from more than one panel member who are identified below by name.

- Q. Matthew Bol, Sypher:Mueller International: Would you comment on resale value of the vehicles?**
- A. Tom Finn: Our contract required that the cars be returned to the vehicle manufacturer who then resold them in California. We have no information on dollar values.**
- A. Michael Snodgrass: We hope that there will be a market for alternative fuel vehicles in about three years. Also, that there will be fuel availability and other parts of the program in place to provide support to the vehicle owners.**
- Q. Norval Horner, Amoco Canada: The slides for Federal Express showed fuel economy data in gasoline equivalent. Was that volume equivalent or energy equivalent?**
- A. Todd Krenelka: It was energy equivalent based on lower heating value of the fuels compared with base gasoline from the Auto/Oil Industry Program.**

**SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS
AND SPEAKER RESPONSES**

PANEL DISCUSSION: FLEET USER'S EXPERIENCE WITH ALTERNATIVE FUELED VEHICLES

- Q. Paul Wuebben, SCAQMD: Could you explain the permitting problems for M85 methanol storage?
- A. Todd Krenelka: Federal Express policy is not to install underground tanks on their property. However, the City of Santa Ana ordinance required extra use permits for the aboveground tanks that were used.
- Q. Paul Wuebben, SCAQMD: In the discussion of CNG refueling, a back-up fueling system was mentioned. What was the experience with that?
- A. Todd Krenelka: We have not had a compressor failure yet and did not need to use the second system.

Comment: John Christie, General Motors; Resale value is an important issue. Our experience so far in turning over our own staff vehicles at dealer auctions is that they offer slightly less on flexible fuel vehicles than conventional vehicles. I think that is a temporary situation.

**SESSION 3: OVERCOMING BARRIERS TO
ALTERNATIVE FUELS
COMMERCIALIZATION**

Chair: Ron Neville, ORTECH

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**PROPANE MOTOR FUEL MARKETING
- CHANGING THE PERCEPTION**

**S. Vedlitz
Conoco Inc.**

Propane Motor Fuel Marketing
Changing the Perception

With this experience, clean air a primary social goal, and propane's advantages over other fuels, it is surprising that its benefits are often overlooked and in the case of the OEMs all but forgotten.

Why is this?

Propane is primarily supported by private initiative falling short of the backing of other fuels -- this makes it difficult to promote propane's advantages and dispel the misconceptions that have become barriers to propane's acceptance.

Propane

A Viable Alternative Motor Fuel

- First Used in the 1920s
- 3.8 Million Vehicles Operating Worldwide
- 500,000 Vehicles Operating in U.S.
- 140,000 Vehicles Operating in Canada
- Annual Vehicle Growth 25,000 U.S.; 15-25,000 Canada
- Ranks Third in Motor Fuel Sales
- 10,000 Public Fueling Locations
- Highest Volumetric Efficiency After Gasoline

What are these misconceptions and what needs to be done?

One perception is that the use of propane as a motor fuel will result in engine power loss -- reduced performance capability.

Changing the Perception

- Performance Capability
- Safety Characteristics
- Fuel Cost & Supply
- Fueling Locations & Availability

The facts are:

Propane has 104 octane

excellent cold weather starting (vaporizes at temp. as low as -44F)

greatest range of any alternative fuel and

clean burning



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**The facts are:
as a result of modern conversion technology,
electronically monitored, fuel injected engines
and the quality standardization of HD5 propane for motor fuel -
Performance is no longer an issue**



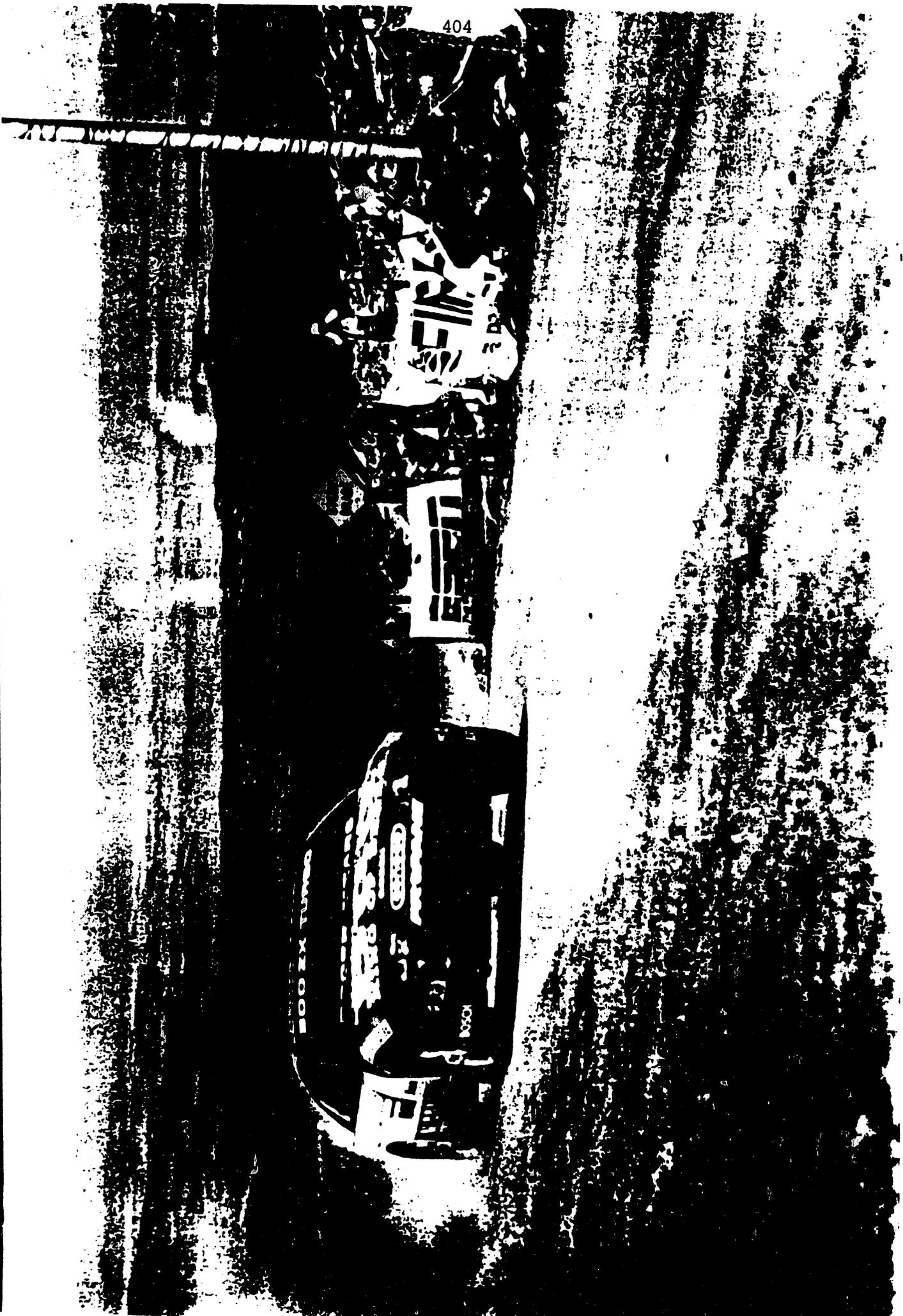
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Power loss is no longer a problem
most vehicles experience less than a 4% power loss if that much
Propane has been tested under the most grueling conditions known in
motor sports racing - Setting a world speed record for alternative fuels
in 1991 at the Bonneville Salt Flats at 218.18MPH



and racing at Pipes Peak in 1991 and 1992. Coming in 2nd in 1992. Roger Mears, the driver, stated that he experienced no power loss at any point on the hill especially the upper third where other fuels always lose power. This year we will again be at Pipes Peak this time in a Dodge Dakota.

Performance is not the issue, education is
Establishing a network of certified conversion centers and promoting their existence is also the issue, not performance.



Safety is a concern with any fuel, but because propane is heavier than air it receives unwarranted notoriety

Changing the Perception

- Performance Capability
- Safety Characteristics
- Fuel Cost & Supply
- Fueling Locations & Availability

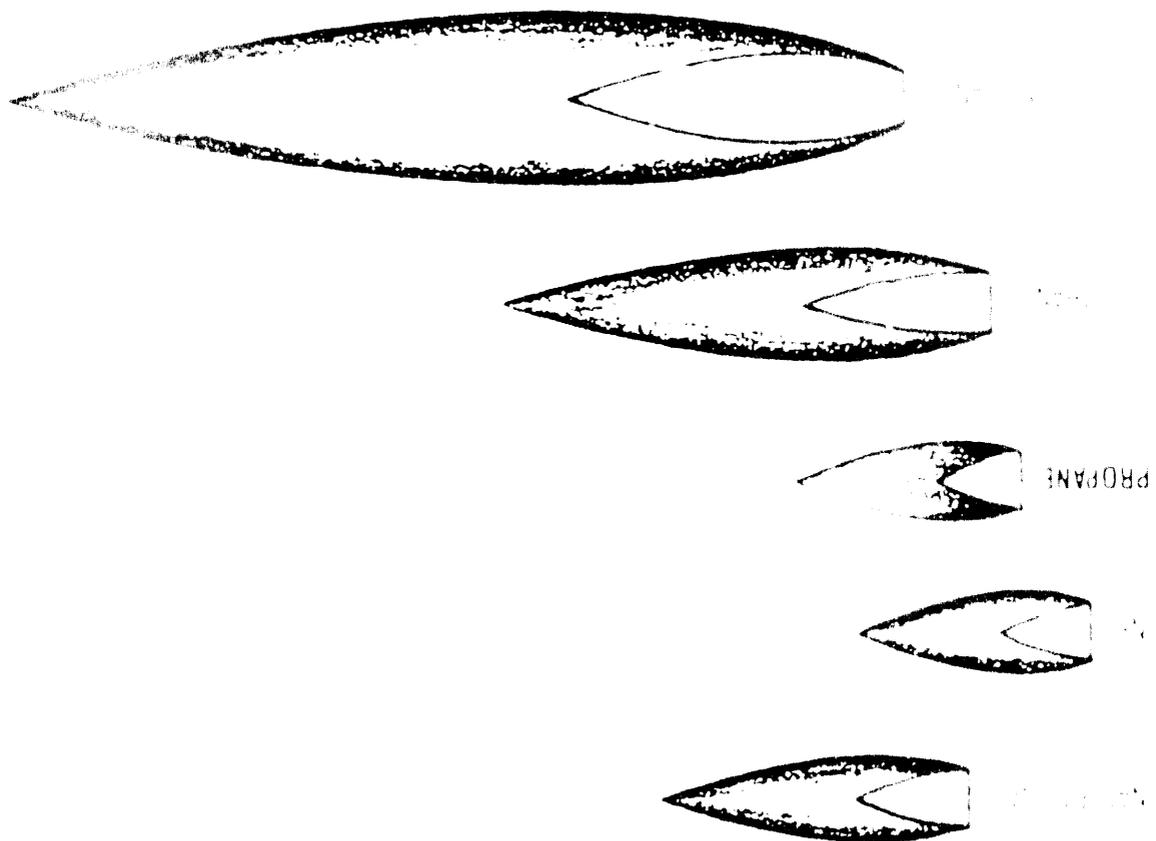
Propane has been in use as a motor fuel since the 1920's with an outstanding safety record

It is heavier than air, but it does not puddle and vaporizes quickly

It has a narrow flammability range (2.15% - 9.6%) air/fuel mixture

It has high ignition temperature 920F - 1120F (gasoline 450 -900F)

FLAMMABILITY RANGE OF ALTERNANES



PERCENT ALTERNAN

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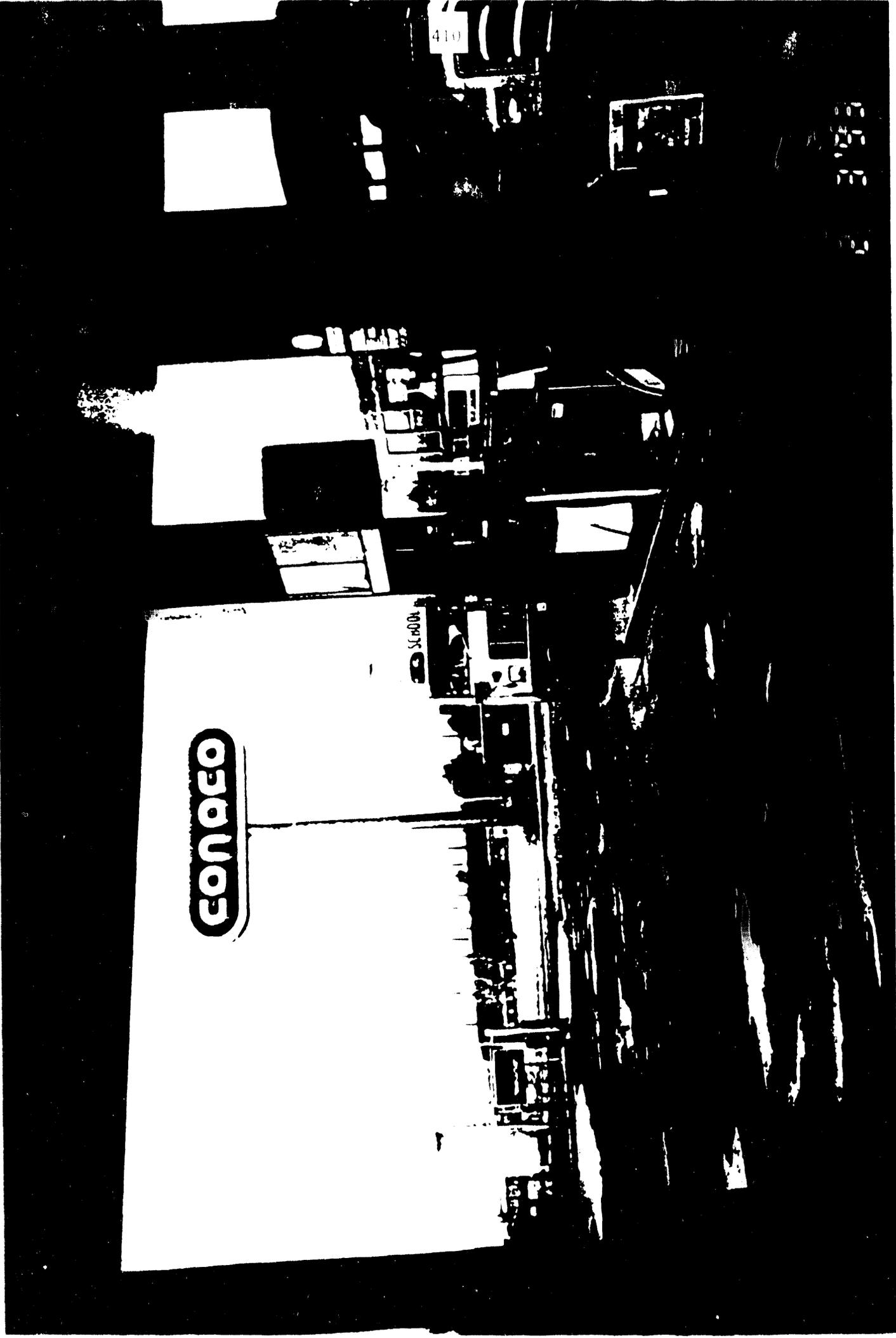
Considered safe by independent school districts throughout the country
Fuel tanks are 20 times more puncture resistant than gasoline tanks
With many safety features designed into the carburation system (like safety relief valves)

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It is the current refueling procedure that reinforces the negative safety perception.

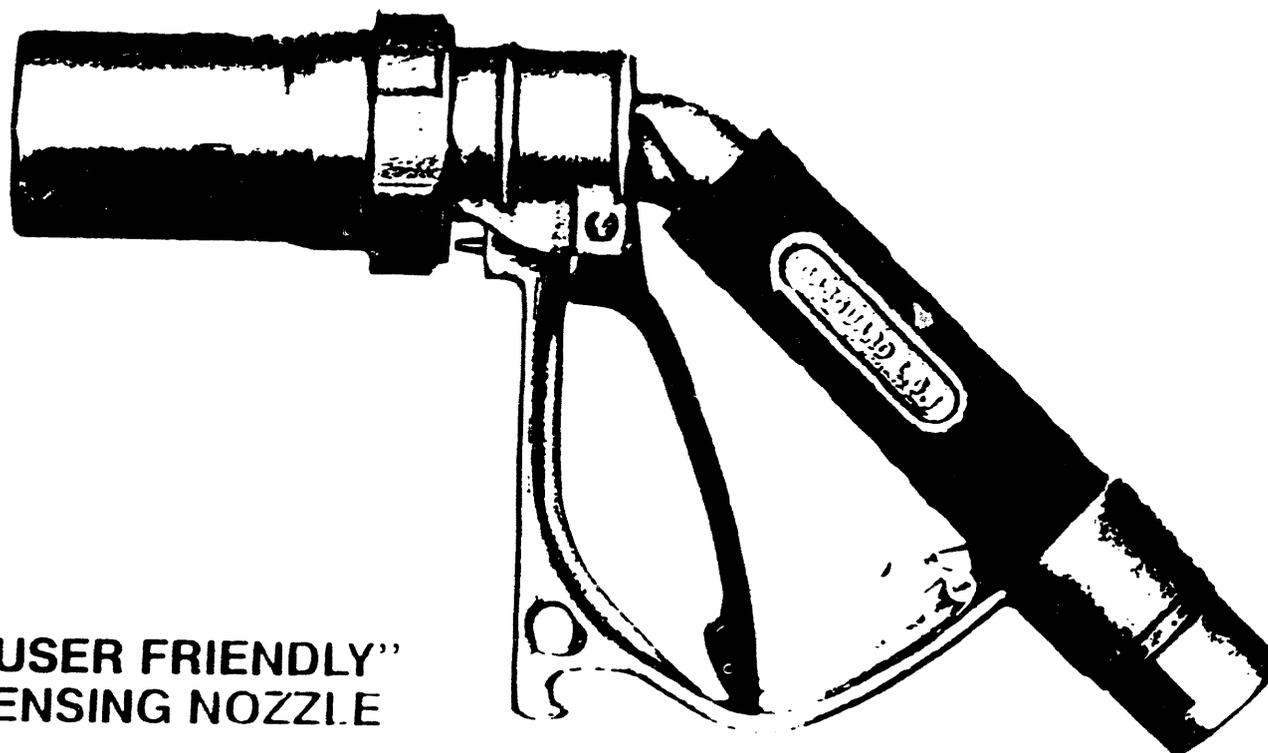
The spit valve needs to be eliminated (modern tanks have built in 80% fill levels)

and modern nozzles that eliminate the white fog and the need to wear gloves at the disconnect need to become common place.



THE "GASGUARD" L.G.1E LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS (PROPANE) NOZZLE

For use in filling propane and other
liquefied petroleum gases



THE "USER FRIENDLY"
DISPENSING NOZZLE

Test after test and years of use have proven propane a safe motor fuel to handle and to use.

It is interesting to note that propane is pronounced unsafe by its critics, not by those who use the fuel on a daily bases.

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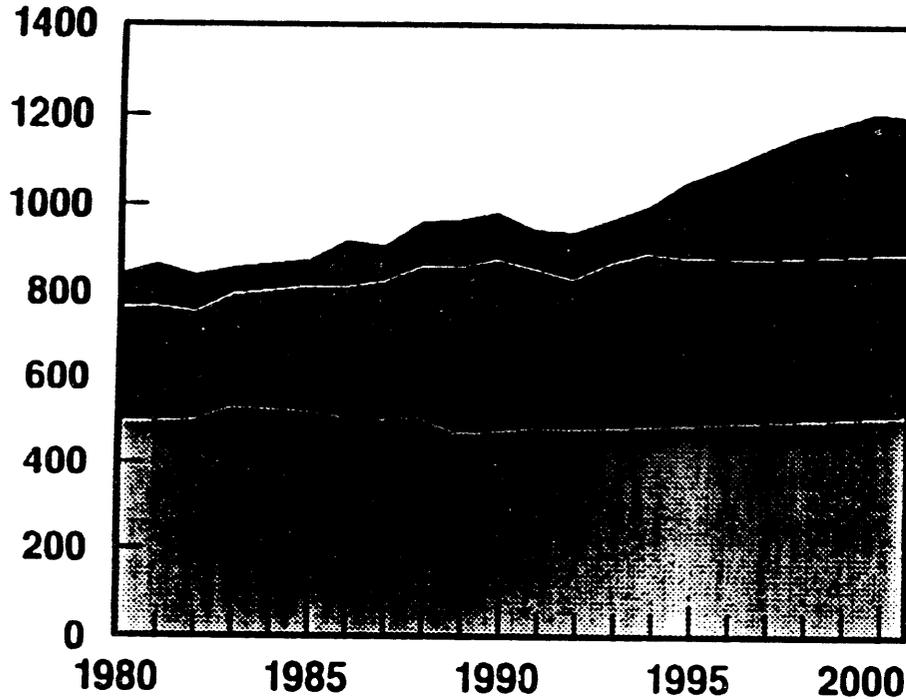
There have been stories and anti-propane publicity surrounding supply availability and unstable seasonal pricing, all designed to discredit propane's use and even its official consideration as an alternative motor fuel.

Changing the Perception

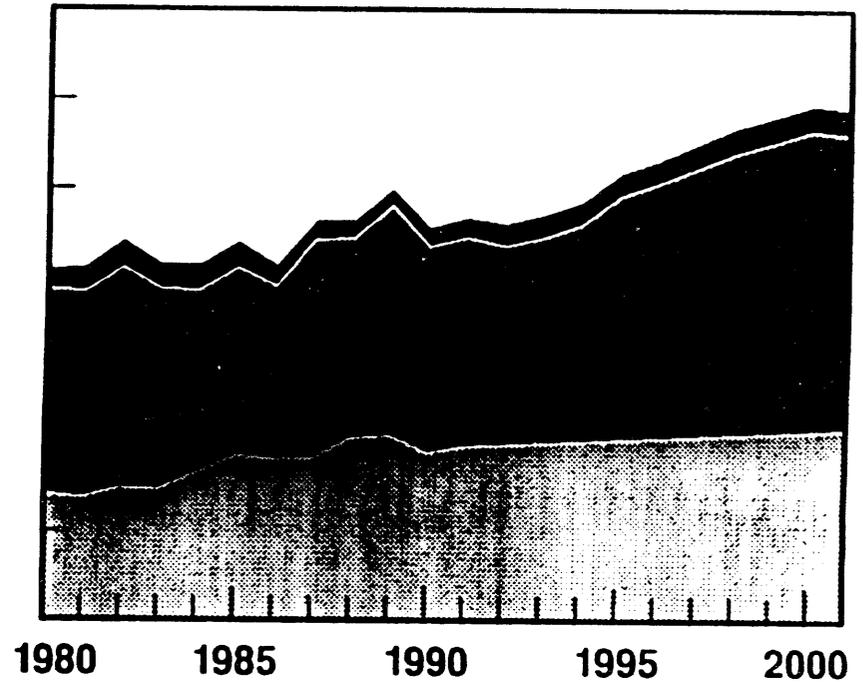
- Performance Capability
- Safety Characteristics
- Fuel Cost & Supply
- Fueling Locations & Availability

Recent supply analysis shows sufficient quantities of propane to extend its use as an alternative fuel - 6.5mm vehicles could be fueled with propane by the year 2004 without effecting domestic supply. According to the recent Webb Study 17mm vehicles could be fueled by propane by the year 2010 with moderate capital investment. There is also an adequate distribution system already in place which is under utilized today - it includes pipelines, storage & distribution terminals, railcars and tankers.

Propane Supply Thousand Barrels Per Day



Propane Demand Thousand Barrels Per Day



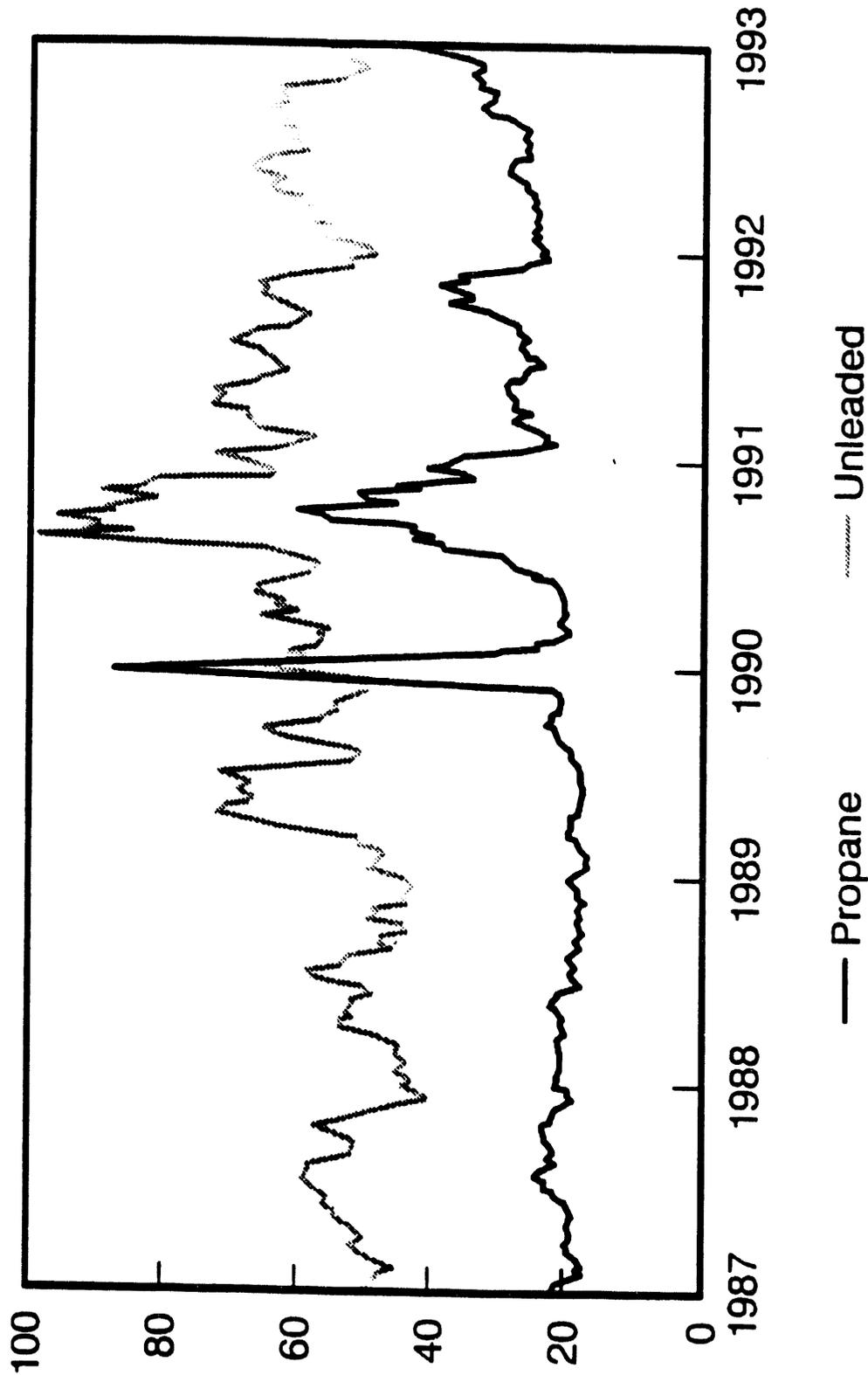
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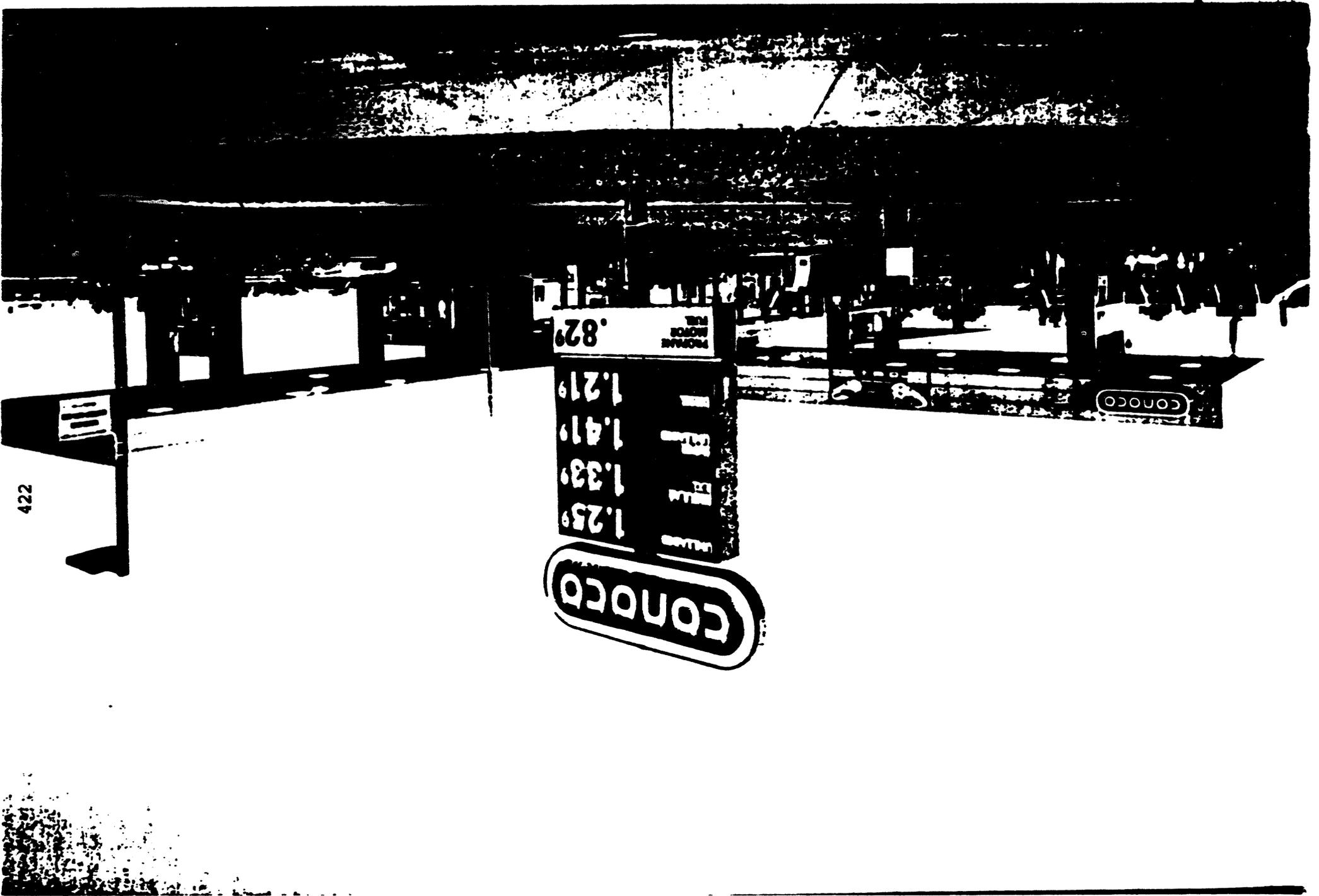
As for pricing instability and high winter prices, the perception is for the most part correct and the propane retailers need to change their pricing philosophy.

The wholesale price of propane only exceeded gasoline once in the past six (6) years - there is a sufficient delta between the two fuels to accomodate a pricing philosophy directly related to the retail price of gasoline.

Propane Vs. Gasoline Prices



**Our pricing position is to price propane as a motor fuel below the retail price of gasoline, year round - we even post our price of propane at the street as we do gasoline for everyone to see.
Others need to and are following this example.**



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Last but not least - we have to upgrade our refueling facilities and thus improve the image of propane motor fuel marketing.

Changing the Perception

- Performance Capability
- Safety Characteristics
- Fuel Cost & Supply
- Fueling Locations & Availability

While there are 10,000 facilities open to the public, the overall image is poor. Set up for bottle fill or RV'S



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Or in the back of some parking lot hard to find much less utilize.

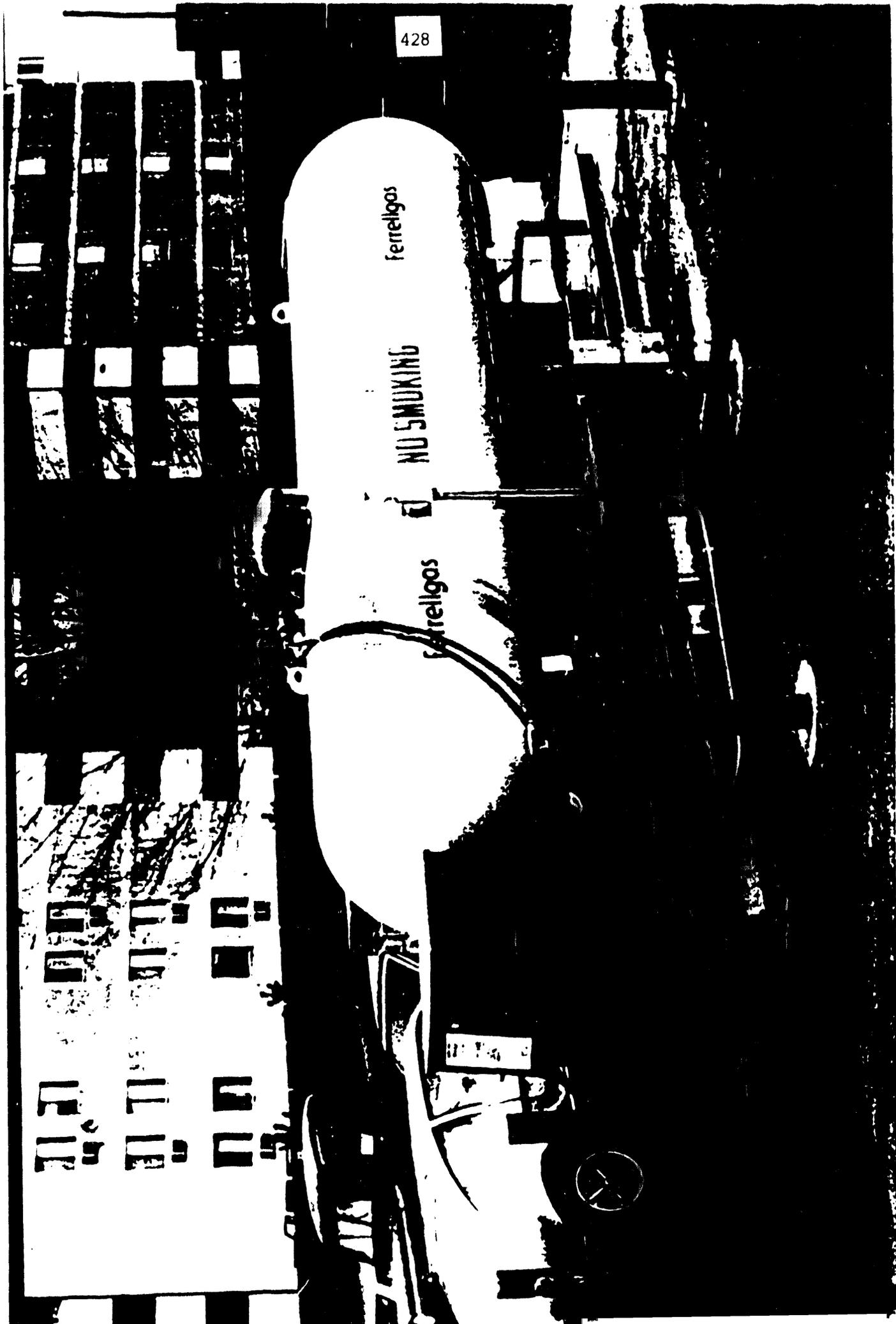
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We must upgrade these units, taking advantage of the thousands of fueling permits that have already been issued to dispense propane motor fuel. Securing a permit is a major hurdle for offering any alternative fuel to the motoring public. We also need to expand the current Alt. Fuel refueling directories to include most if not all of the 10,000 units open to the public. In other words take advantage of propane's built refueling infrastructure.



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We must bring propane marketing to main street USA (like this s/s) as it has been done in Canada and other countries. We must look operate and be as accessible and convenient as gasoline is today.

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**We must utilize modern, user friendly , self serve dispensing equipment
- in other words, be inviting to the public like this unit in Denver, Co.**

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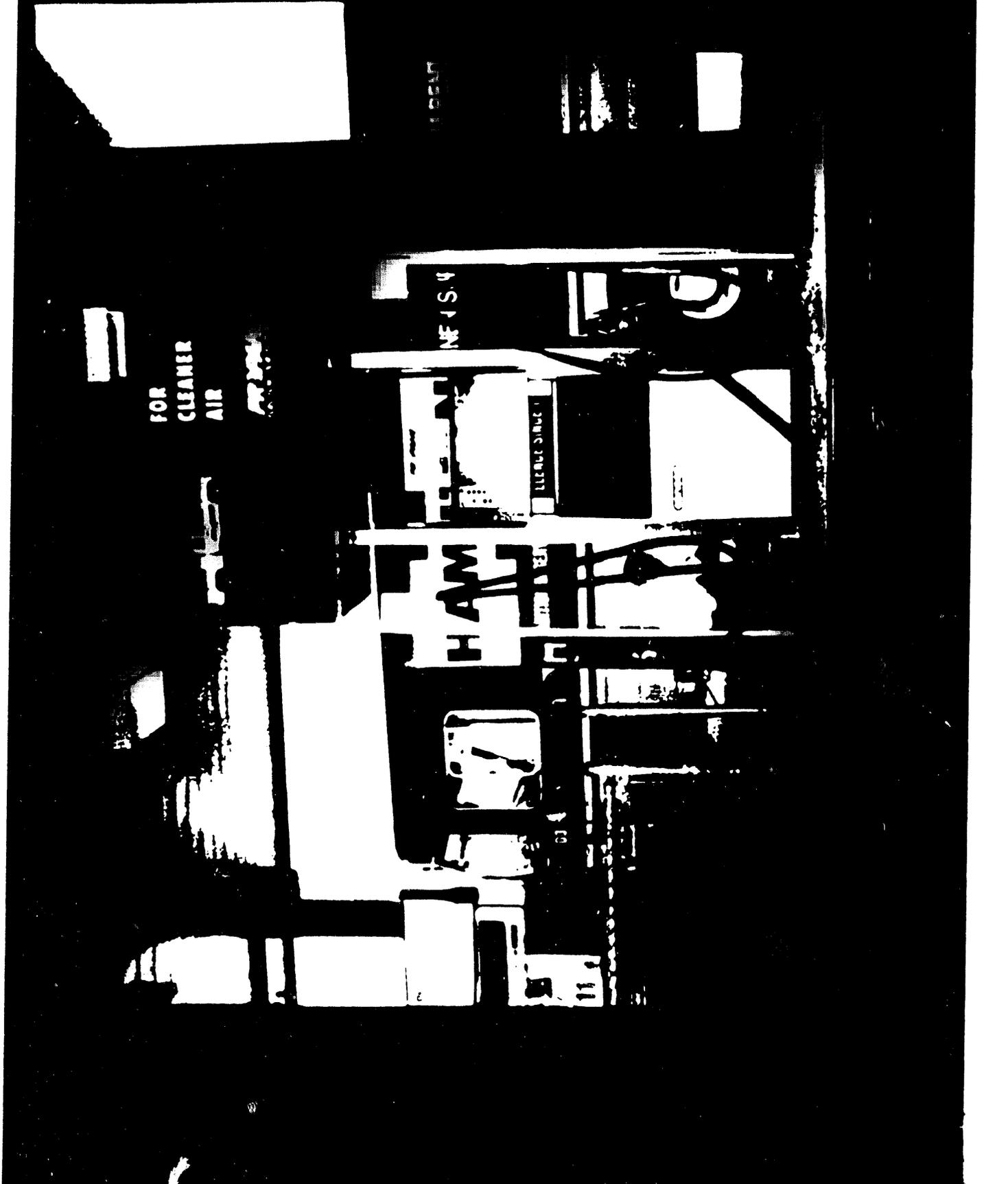
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It is important for the industry

to work together

to work with government

to work with the OEMs

to educate and to create awareness

**By working together, we can get more fleets to try propane, thus
changing the perception of propane as a motor fuel - remember, those
fleets that have tried propane as a motor fuel have a positive impression.**

What's Needed

- **OEM Support**
- **Fleet Demonstrations**
- **Education**
- **Advertising/Publicity**

Those fleets, like myself and many others believe propane deserves to be recognized as the viable clean-burning alternative motor fuel that it truly is.

Thank you

Propane Motor Fuel

**A Viable Clean-Burning
Alternative Motor Fuel**

SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS AND SPEAKER RESPONSES

PROPANE MOTOR FUEL MARKETING - CHANGING THE PERCEPTION S. Vedlitz, Conoco Inc.

- Q.** Bernard James, Energy, Mines & Resources Canada: In the vehicle fuel tanks, will the stop-fill valve eliminate the need for the spit valve?
- A.** The stop-fill valve is required in all new tanks, so the spit valve is no longer needed. Its included because it is still required by regulations.
- Q.** Norman Brinkman, General Motors: What will happen with the price of propane relative to gasoline with an increase in demand for propane? Will it increase such as happened a few years ago with diesel fuel?
- A.** The same problem occurs with any alternative fuel today. We will have to change the pricing philosophy. Propane may reflect the gasoline fuel market in the future instead of being compared with heating oil or chemicals.
- Q.** Anonymous: Where does the excess propane go today?
- A.** It is used as a feedstock for ethylene or other chemicals. I would like to sell it as a preferred motor fuel.
- Comment:** Norval Horner, Amoco Canada: I agree. Ethylene can be made from ethane, butane, naphtha, or gas oil which would release a lot of propane for fuel at a modest price. A change of only a few cents per gallon would take propane out of the chemical market.
- Q.** Norval Horner, Amoco Canada: What is the price of M85 methanol?
- A.** Right now, M85 is about the same price as unleaded gasoline on a volumetric basis. That actually makes it about 50 percent more on an energy basis.
- Q.** Vinod Duggal, Cummins Engine Co.: Was your price chart comparison of propane and gasoline on a gallon basis or a BTU basis?
- A.** The chart was based on price per gallon in the sport market.
- Q.** How does the energy content of propane compare with gasoline?
- A.** Although the BTU content of propane is about 25 percent less, a propane-fueled vehicle will obtain about 15 percent less miles per gallon than gasoline.

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FUEL ISSUES FOR GAS ENGINES AND NGVs

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ABSTRACT

Interest has grown considerably in the U.S. and worldwide in using natural gas in stationary reciprocating engines (e.g., power generation and machinery drives) as well as in natural gas vehicles (NGVs). NGVs are seen in a compressed gas form (e.g., 3000 or 3600 psig) or in a liquefied form (LNG)--both which increase the storage density of the fuel (a critical factor in the vehicle market). In many gas uses, fuel properties are not of major concern. With reciprocating engines and NGVs, however, fuel composition and property changes can impact equipment (i.e., engine and refueling station) operation and performance. Particularly in NGVs, fuel issues come to the forefront because of the *sensitivity* of some engines (e.g., those running near knock-limited power), the extreme pressure and temperature regimes in which the gaseous or liquid fuel may be exposed (relative to ambient), and the low emission targets being sought. This paper will outline many of these areas and provide an update on knowledge of fuel property cause/effect relation on stationary engine, vehicle, and NGV station operation.

INTRODUCTION

There are often complex, elusive issues which arise in the operation of stationary gas engines, NGVs, and NGV refueling stations. One of the more controversial is fuel composition, properties or "quality." Often confusion exists as to the seriousness of some fuel-related issues. In part, this results from the complexity and variability of equipment in use and the number of dimensions along which fuel properties may change and influence equipment operation and performance. The objective of this paper is to provide background and insight on the interactive effect fuel has on performance of these equipment. This is intended to help foster awareness in the industry of some of the major fuel issues, debunk some misconceptions, and provide technology and information transfer. Some of these issues (e.g., fuel metering effects) will likely be familiar, while others may be new. References are cited for those readers who want to explore these issues in more detail.

GENERAL FUEL VARIABILITY

GRI began looking into fuel issues for this market segment in 1990. A program was started with AGA Laboratories, IGT and G. Steinmetz to document fuel property variations in twenty-six major U.S. cities. This included components routinely detected by a gas chromatograph and which have a meaningful influence on fuel properties. This means individual hydrocarbons through C_6 , with hexane and heavier hydrocarbons being summed up as C_6+ and assumed to be n-hexane. Carbon dioxide, nitrogen, oxygen (if present) were included; some data were collected on water and sulfur. The resulting

database(1) contains over 6800 analyses collected in cooperation with the U.S. gas industry. A companion SAE technical paper was written(2) which provides an overview of selected engine/fuel issues.

Figure 1 shows the weighted average non-methane hydrocarbon species for each city sampled and Table 1 shows summary data statistics. Figure 2 shows weighted frequency distributions for various natural gas species and properties. In general, these data show reasonable consistency throughout the U.S. Some areas have extremely stable fuel, while other regions have ongoing fluctuations within a given range. Two areas of exception were identified: (1) a Rocky Mountain region where a blend of ethane and air are added to natural gas and (2) use of propane/air peakshaving by some utilities. This survey established a baseline for understanding potential variations in fuel properties and have helped in assessing fuel effects related to specific equipment operational issues. A number of these issues will be discussed in the following text.

GAS ENGINE OPERATION

Addressing fuel issues for gas engines is not trivial. Though relatively small volumes of gas engines are produced annually (compared to gasoline and diesel engines), an amazing variety of gas engine types exist. These include stoichiometric open-chamber engines, lean-burn open-chamber engines, and lean-burn pre-combustion chamber engines. Many are four-stroke engines, but several thousand natural gas pipeline engines (collectively, millions of horsepower) are direct-injected, spark-ignited two-strokes that in several cases have been running for decades. Most gas engines are spark-ignited, but a small portion use diesel-pilot ignition ("dual fuel" engines). Some engines are being developed which are direct-injected, compression-ignited similar to diesel engines. On top of this complexity, such engines can have a variety of engine compression ratios, boost levels, and emission control strategies. From a technical viewpoint, such diversity makes it difficult to come up with standard answers to the question of how fuel changes impact engine operation.

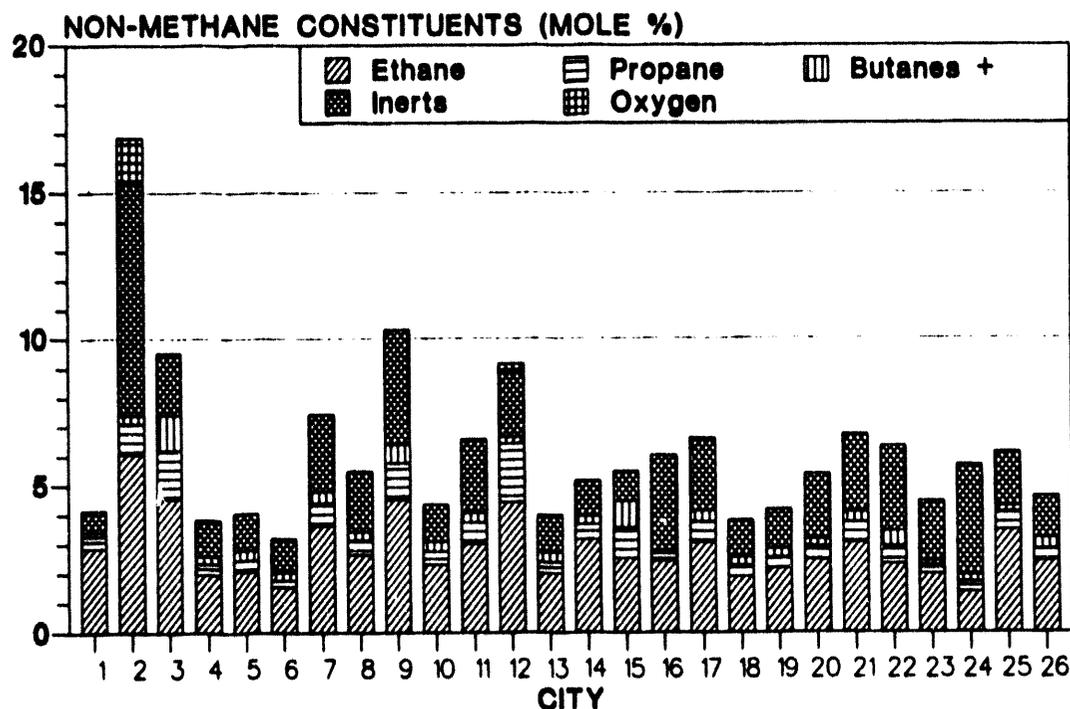


Figure 1: Weighted Average Non-Methane Hydrocarbons For 26 Cities

Figure 2: Weighted Frequency Distributions For Gas Constituents And Properties

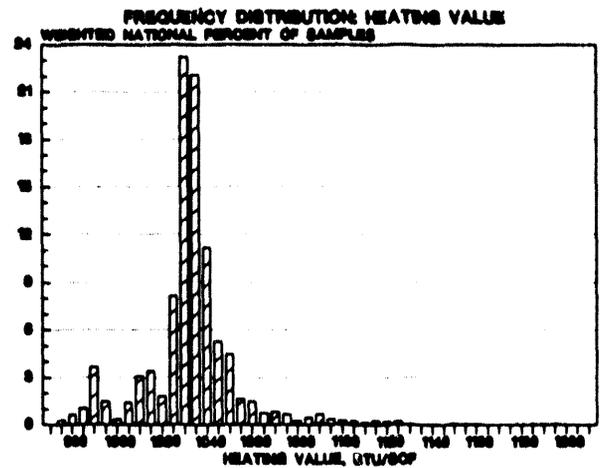
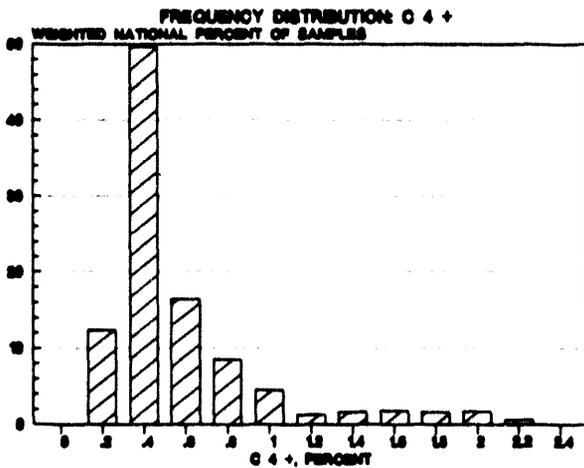
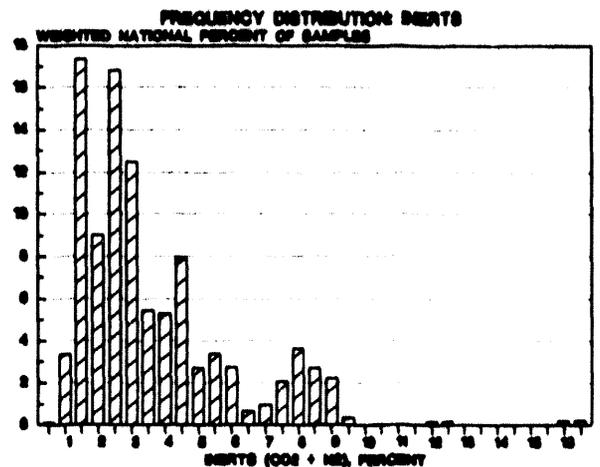
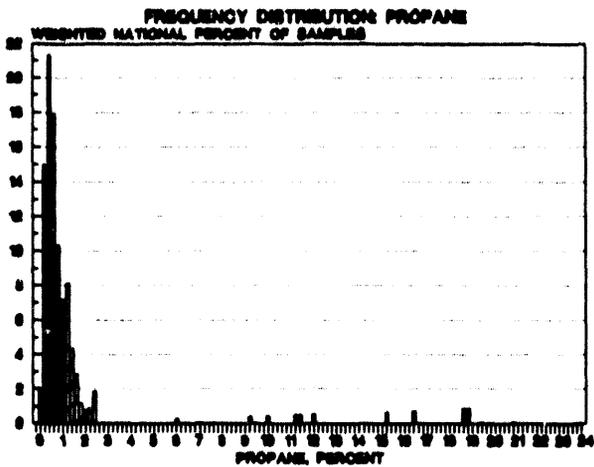
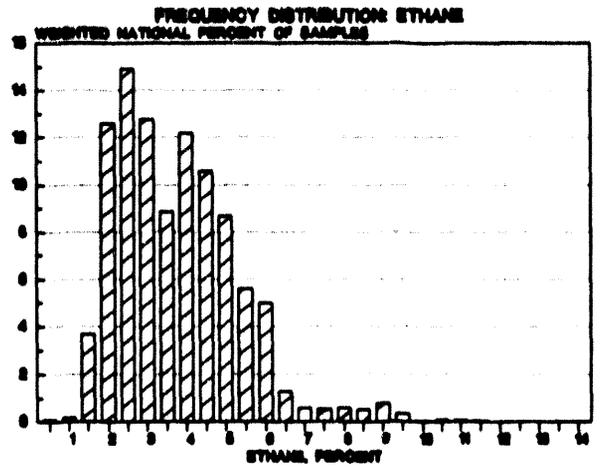
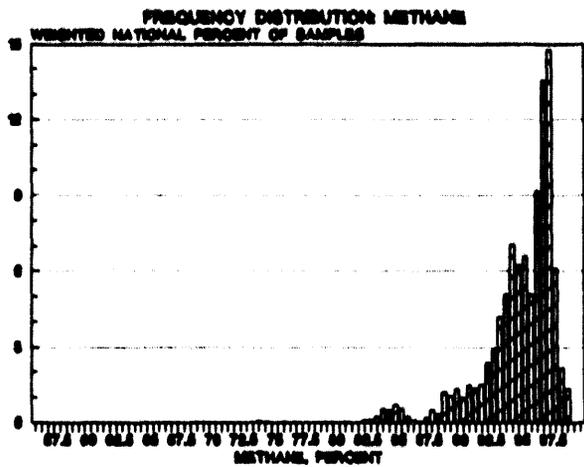


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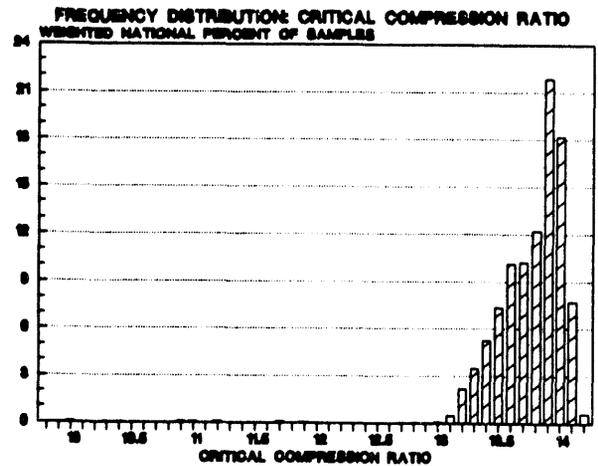
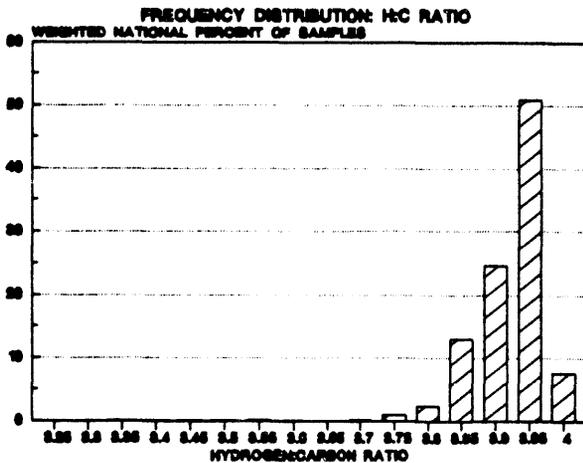
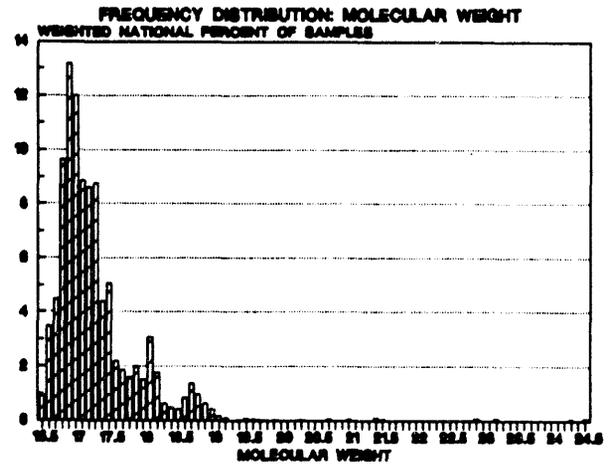
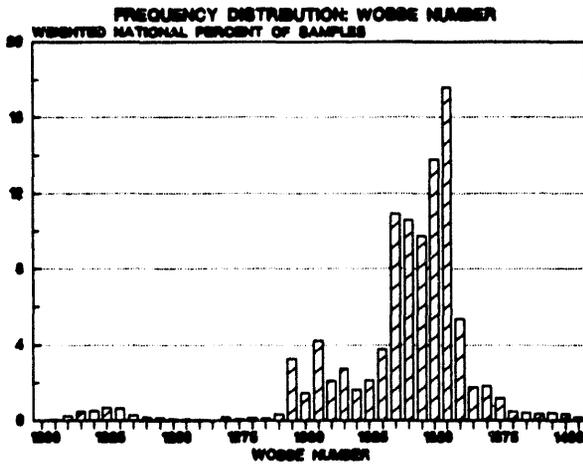
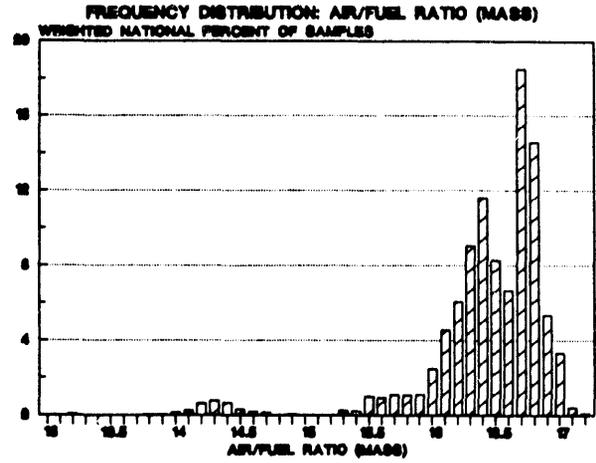
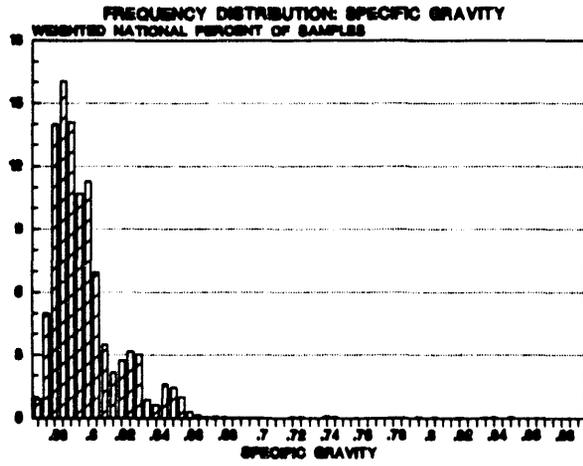


Table 1: Weighted Statistics For Natural Gas In 26 Major U.S. Cities

	Mean	Min. With P/A	Min. W/O P/A	Max. With P/A	Max W/O P/A	10th %-ile	90th %-ile
Methane (Mole %)	93.9	55.8	74.5	98.1	98.1	89.6	96.5
Ethane (Mole %)	3.2	0.5	0.5	13.3	13.3	1.5	4.8
Propane (Mole %)	0.7	0.0	0.0	23.7	2.6	0.2	1.2
C ₄₊ (Mole%)	0.4	0.0	0.0	2.1	2.1	0.1	0.6
CO ₂ , N ₂ , O ₂ (Mole %)	2.6	0.0	0.0	15.1	10.0	1.0	4.3
Heating Value (BTU/scf, HHV)	1033	970	970	1208	1127	1006	1048
Heating Value (MJ/m ³ , HHV)	38.46	36.14	36.14	45.00	41.97	37.48	39.03
Wobbe Number (BTU/scf)	1336	1201	1201	1418	1418	1331	1357
Wobbe Number (MJ/m ³)	49.79	44.76	44.76	52.85	52.85	49.59	50.55
Specific Gravity	0.598	0.563	0.563	0.883	0.698	0.576	0.623
Air/Fuel Ratio (Mass)	16.4	12.7	13.7	17.1	17.1	15.9	16.8
Air/Fuel Ratio (Volume)	9.7	9.1	9.1	11.4	10.6	9.4	9.9
Molecular Weight	17.3	16.4	16.4	25.5	20.2	16.7	18.0
Hydrogen/Carbon Ratio	3.92	3.24	3.68	3.97	3.97	3.82	3.95
Lower Flammability Limit, %	5.00	4.30	4.56	5.25	5.25	4.84	5.07

In the broadest sense, fuel changes impact engine operation in three key areas: (1) fuel metering, (2) emissions/power characteristics, and (3) knock potential. These parameters cannot be dealt with independent of each other--e.g., changes in metering accuracy can either increase or decrease emissions/power output as well as increase or decrease potential for engine knock. While recognizing this, these subtopics will be discussed as if each were independent.

Engine Fuel Metering

Like most gas appliances, fuel is delivered to gas engines via a fuel control strategy. This is done either by carburetion or through independent electronic or mechanically controlled valves (orifices). King's SAE paper(3), sponsored by GRI, illustrates basic equations describing natural gas flow through an orifice as well as an explanation of the magnitude of engine operating changes (i.e., effects) that would occur when switching between two different fuels (i.e., cause). An equation from this paper shows the following approximate relationship⁽¹⁾:

1. Wobbe Number (WN) is a measure of energy flow rate through an orifice and is found by $WN = HV/\sqrt{S.G.}$. Equivalence ratio (ϕ , ϕ) is the actual fuel/air ratio divided by the stoichiometric fuel/air ratio (F_s). Q_c is heating value per pound and generally around 20,000-21,000 BTU/lb (LHV); HHV values are about 10% higher than LHVs.

$$\phi_2 = \phi_1 * (WN_2/WN_1) * [(Q_{c1}/Q_{c2}) * (F_{s1}/F_{s2})]$$

In its most simplest approximation, this relation can be distilled by dropping the Q_c and F_s ratio terms because their product tends to be a constant (an interesting chemical phenomenon)⁽²⁾. This means that a first-order approximation of fuel metering cause/effect on equivalence ratio is obtained by ratioing the respective Wobbe Numbers of the two fuels as follows:

$$\phi_2 = \phi_1 * (WN_2/WN_1)$$

This relation is shown graphically in Figure 3, which includes a spectrum of fuels. The direct proportionality holds true over a broad range, though the presence of inerts and oxygen/air in the lower Wobbe Number range creates some non-linearity. This relation, while *seemingly* simplistic, goes far in describing the most pervasive manner in which fuel composition impacts gas engine combustion.

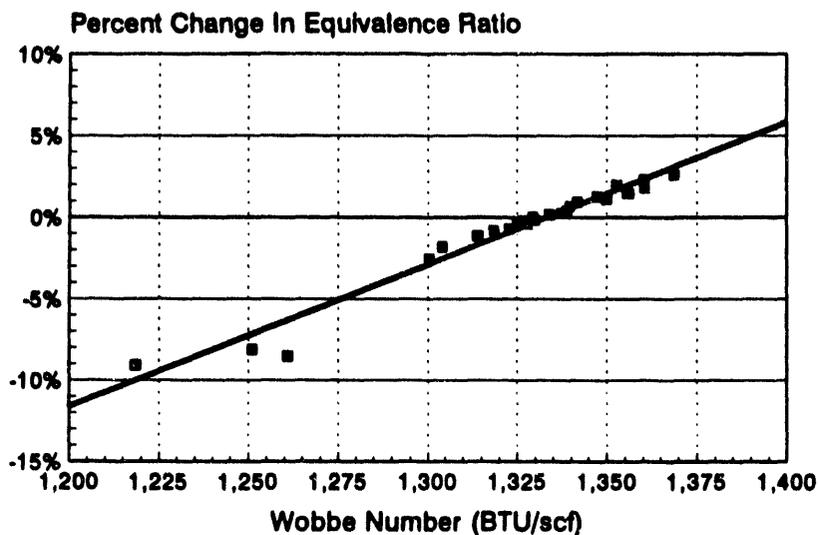
In general, Wobbe Number is held fairly constant in the gas industry. The 10-90th percentile span from the fuel survey is 1331-1357, with a mean value of 1336--nominally a $\pm 1.5\%$ range for most fuels. The maximum and minimum were 1418 and 1201, indicating a broader spread at the fringe. The high-ethane region identified previously has a relatively low Wobbe Number--about 8% from the mean. While different from the norm, this region does tend to have a consistently different fuel--which can aid in recalibrating equipment to this specific region. Higher Wobbe Numbers tend to be encountered in regions located close to production sources. Gases in the 1350-1400 range typically have higher levels on non-methane hydrocarbons and low levels of inert gases.

The analysis linking ϕ and WN is specific to control of a combustion device--i.e., where the concern is the ratio of fuel and air relative to stoichiometry. It is not in principle a mass/volume/energy flow metering scenario. In a classic metering relation, the primary fuel-related issue is molecular weight or specific gravity. From this perspective, the fuel survey showed that the 10-90 percentile span for specific gravity was 0.576-0.623, with an average value of 0.598. This implies that fuel-related metering impacts would be about ± 4 percent, whereas the engine/combustion Wobbe Number metering effect is about a factor of two lower in impact. The reason for this significant difference is largely due to the inverse correlation that exists between specific gravity and fuel stoichiometry. That is, there is a partial cancelling effect⁽³⁾. This is a perhaps a subtle issue requiring greater elaboration. The author encourages interested people to read King's paper and other sources on this subject.

With regard to mass or volumetric metering, the amount of fuel that passes through an orifice under ideal conditions is related to fuel pressure, temperature and properties--basically, density of the fuel. For example, many light-duty NGVs operate with fuel injector pressures around 100 psig. At 90 psig, fuel density in the rail drops by 8.8%, yielding a sensitivity of about 0.9% per psig. Temperature-related density sensitivity is on the order of 0.2%/°F at temperatures around 70°F. Obviously, from a metering-only viewpoint, accurate temperature and pressure measurements are at least as important as having a handle on fuel properties.

In closing, it should be recognized that accurate mass or volumetric metering of fuel to an engine is really a means to an end point--it is not the ultimate goal. For this reason, the author refrains from mentioning mass air/fuel ratio and focuses exclusively on equivalence ratio--the ultimate goal. This will

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2. A broad range of natural gas fuels have an amazingly narrow $Q_c * F_s$ value of 1378-1380 BTU (HHV) per pound of air consumed (under stoichiometric combustion conditions). This relates to molecular structure and H/C ratio of the fuel. Hydrogen has a value of 1393, gasoline is about 1371, and diesel fuel is about 1281. Note that the presence of oxygen in the fuel affects this value considerably.
 3. The GRI fuel survey shows the following relation between specific gravity and stoichiometric A/F ratio (mass basis).
S.G. = $-0.0252 * (A/F)_s + 1.007$ with an R^2 of 0.9.



Choked-Flow Conditions, Baseline U.S. Average

Figure 3: Impact Of Wobbe Number On Equivalence Ratio

be elaborated on in the next section. In general, Wobbe Number (a key determinant for engine metering) is kept fairly constant in the gas industry (though some excursions do exist).

Engine Emissions/Performance

Many factors influence the emissions and operating performance of reciprocating engines. For those interested in this topic, two resources are recommended(4)(5). Details of this area are beyond the scope of this paper, but a linkage will be drawn with the previous discussion of fuel metering accuracy.

As a quick primer, gas engines fall into two broad classes: (1) stoichiometric (or "rich" burn) and (2) lean burn. Stoichiometric engines operate near the chemically correct mixture of air and fuel (i.e., $\phi = 1.0$) and are often equipped with three-way catalysts for control of NO_x, CO, and non-methane hydrocarbon emissions. Exhaust oxygen sensors are used for feedback correction. These concepts are broadly applied on today's automobiles. The exhaust oxygen sensor is critical in that it helps correct for changes in engine condition, ambient conditions, and fuel properties.

Lean-burn gas engines operate with a large excess of air-- ϕ is generally on the order of 0.6-0.7 for low-emission open-chamber lean-burn engines, while prechamber and dual-fuel engines run even leaner ($\phi = 0.46-0.6$). With turbocharging, lean-burn engines can provide low NO_x emissions and excellent full-load fuel efficiency (on the order of 36-44%, LHV depending on size and combustion system). Due to the general lack of suitable oxygen sensors, however, most of these engines operate in an "open-loop" control mode. That is, there is no feedback correction to accommodate engine, ambient or fuel changes.

Engine engineers spend many hours in engine development using dynamometers to characterize (i.e., "map") an engine. In today's climate, most of this is in fine tuning trade-offs between efficiency, power, knock limit, and emissions. In some instances, this can be a delicate balance. While obtaining low emissions in the laboratory is generally possible, an even greater challenge is to devise sensors, controls and algorithms which are capable of ensuring that "in-use" emissions are on par with lab

results. This is the primary purpose of On-Board Diagnostic requirements for vehicles.

The main overriding parameter for achieving emissions consistency is equivalence ratio (ϕ , phi)--especially for premixed combustion process (note that λ , lambda, is the inverse of ϕ and termed the excess air ratio). This is well established in the literature (see Heywood) and confirmed in single-cylinder engines tests conducted by Southwest Research Institute (SwRI) for GRI(6). These tests showed no statistically significant emission effects from widely different natural gas fuels when engine equivalence ratio was held constant (reinforcing the need for control of ϕ).⁽⁴⁾

For most engines, NO_x control is the most difficult challenge. NO_x vs ϕ trade-off sensitivity for stoichiometric and lean-burn engines are different. On stoichiometric engines, slight changes in ϕ (e.g., 1-2 percent) to the lean side can result in dramatic increases in NO_x due to the abrupt drop-off in catalyst NO_x reduction efficiency when operating lean of the peak catalyst efficiency point (which generally exists around $\phi = 1.005$ - 1.01). Figure 4 shows this relation. This sensitivity virtually mandates a feedback oxygen sensor to correct for all factors which influence ϕ (which includes factors beyond just fuel). Running slightly richer has less severe impact--CO and HC emissions increase marginally, but NO_x removal stays high. For this reason, stoichiometric gas engine controls typically have a strong rich bias.

The challenge for stoichiometric fuel control systems is to devise adaptive learning strategies that can recognize and accommodate expected changes in fuels and other parameters. Discussions with control experts gives indications that some existing adaptive learning strategies can effectively accommodate a broad range of natural gas fuels. (However, not all control systems are as evolved.) Presuming such systems become commonplace in the future, it is the author's opinion that combustion/emissions fuel effects on stoichiometric, naturally aspirated gas engines will likely be of minimal concern on the vast majority of natural gas fuels.

Lean-burn engines also have sensitivity to fuel/air metering accuracy, though not as dramatic as stoichiometric engines. When operating richer--e.g., with a higher Wobbe Number fuel--engine power and NO_x levels increase and knock potential increases. When operating leaner--e.g., with a lower Wobbe Number fuel--the opposite effects will occur (up to a limit). If run too lean, the engine moves beyond the flammability limit of the fuel, resulting in misfires, hesitation and possibly stalling. In practice, the cause/effect relation between fuel changes on lean-burn engines depends on the "degree of lean-ness." In general, the margin for fuel metering is about ± 5 percent with open-chamber, low-emission lean-burn engines operating near $\phi = 0.675$ (though manufacturers will state that other factors "eat up" some of this margin). This is shown in Figure 5. Obviously, if the engine is running right at the "lean limit" decreases in Wobbe Number could shift the equivalence ratio beyond the flammability of the fuel⁽⁵⁾. As in stoichiometric engines, use of exhaust feedback control systems can be a solution to fuel shifts. Reliable, durable, and cost-effective feedback sensors (e.g., wide-range oxygen sensors) are needed for most low-emission lean-burn engines.

In closing, experience with engines has shown that accurate control of ϕ is the primary goal for repeatable engine emissions and performance (at least those using spark-ignited, homogeneous combustion). Closed-loop exhaust oxygen sensors and adaptive learning algorithms are seen as the most direct, pragmatic approach to achieving this end given the known or expected variability in engine condition, ambient conditions, and fuel properties. Reliance on equipment-based solutions is warranted

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4. The importance of ϕ on engine operation cannot be overemphasized. Evaluation of engine operation or emissions based on air/fuel ratio is of questionable value. For example, an air/fuel ratio of 16.5:1 will be lean on some fuels while rich on others--air/fuel ratio must be referenced to stoichiometry to be put into proper context.
 5. As discussed in King's paper, a shift in Wobbe Number may also result in a fuel with a slightly different flammability limit. This could alter the equivalence ratio at which the lean-limit exists.

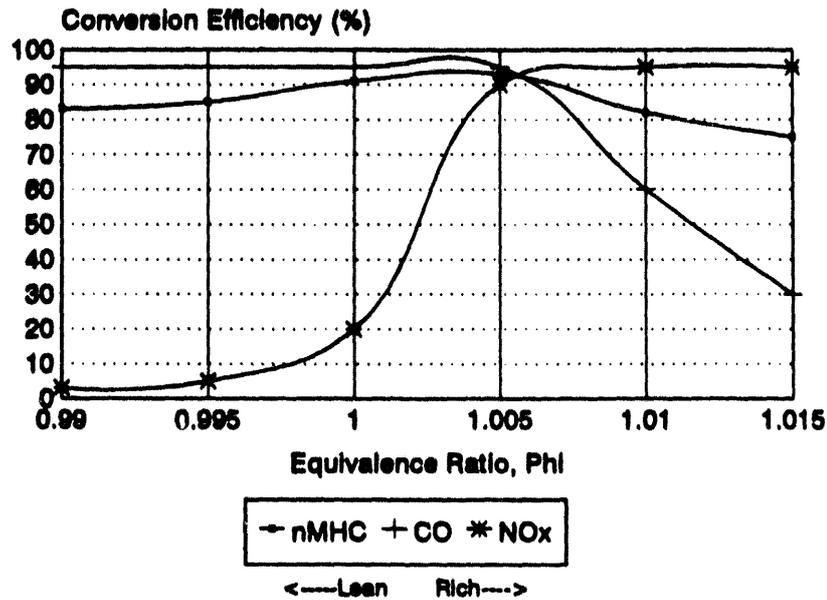


Figure 4: Influence Of Equivalence Ratio On Three-Way Catalyst Efficiency

given the low probability that wholesale changes in the operations of the natural gas industry will transpire over near-term (due to the low volumes of fuel used by engines compared to other natural gas markets).

Gas Engine "Octane Rating" and Knock Resistance

Gasoline users are familiar with the terms Octane and Octane Number. In essence, Octane Number is a non-dimensional value obtained by comparing a test fuel's resistance to knock relative to two reference fuels on a specific test engine. There are other less-common knock rating methods, such as Performance Number and Methane Number (for gaseous fuels), but Octane Number is the most widely known.

GRI-sponsored research performed at SwRI by Kubesh has applied ASTM Octane Rating methods to various natural gas fuels. These data are documented in a GRI report(7) and companion SAE paper(8). These tests show that pure methane has a Motor Octane Number (MON) index of approximately 140. Most natural gases have MONs in the range of 115-130, while peakshaving gases containing high levels of propane (e.g., 17-25%) have MON ratings of 105-110. Pure propane has a rating of about 96-97.

Kubesh developed two mathematical relations that can be used to estimate MON rating of natural gas fuels. The range of applicability of these relations cannot be stated with certainty, but it is believed to cover most conventional fuels containing saturated (i.e., paraffinic) hydrocarbons.

Linear Coefficient Relation

$$\text{MON} = 137.78 \cdot \text{Methane} + 29.948 \cdot \text{Ethane} + (-18.193) \cdot \text{Propane} + (-167.062) \cdot \text{Butane} + 181.233 \cdot \text{CO}_2 + 26.994 \cdot \text{N}_2$$

Where Methane is equal to methane mole fraction, Ethane equals ethane mole fraction, etc.

 Engine-Out vs Phi

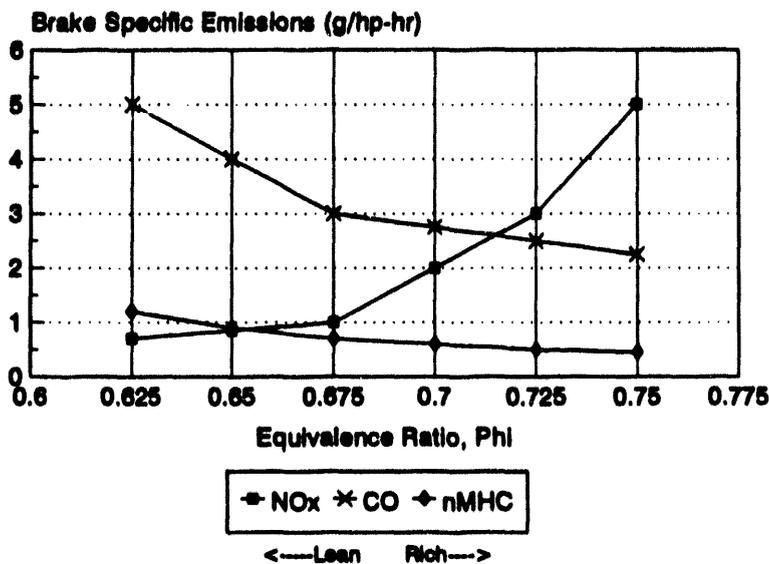


Figure 5: Influence Of Equivalence Ratio On Lean-Burn Engine Emissions

Hydrogen/Carbon Ratio Relation

$$\text{MON} = -406.14 + 508.04 \cdot \text{H/C} - 173.55 \cdot (\text{H/C})^2 + 20.17 \cdot (\text{H/C})^3$$

Where H/C is the ratio of hydrogen atoms to carbon atoms.

These equations both provide an excellent fit to the experimental data points. Figure 6 is a graphical representation of the H/C vs MON relation.

To (possibly) help put the Octane Number scale into context, the author has modified an exhibit by Heywood⁶ and incorporated data from Kubesh's work and Westbrook et al(9). Figure 7 shows the Research Octane Number⁷ for a broad range of saturated (i.e., paraffinic or alkane) hydrocarbons containing up to eight carbon atoms. The basic trends are:

- Long, straight chains (i.e., "normal") hydrocarbons decrease in RON value significantly. For example, methane has a RON value of about 140 while n-heptane has an RON value of 0.
- Hydrocarbon branching generally increases RON value.

However, a simple mixing relationship cannot be used to predict the Octane Rating of a mixture of individual hydrocarbons. This is clear from the linear coefficient relationship--each hydrocarbon has a weighted impact on knock resistance. Thus, Figure 7 is mostly of academic interest--empirical

6. *ibid.*, p 472.

7. The author has shifted between Motor (MON) and Research (RON) values because Westbrook's data only showed RON values. MON values are lower than RON due the greater severity of the MON test. On gasoline pumps, consumers normally see the average of the two $[(R + M)/2]$.

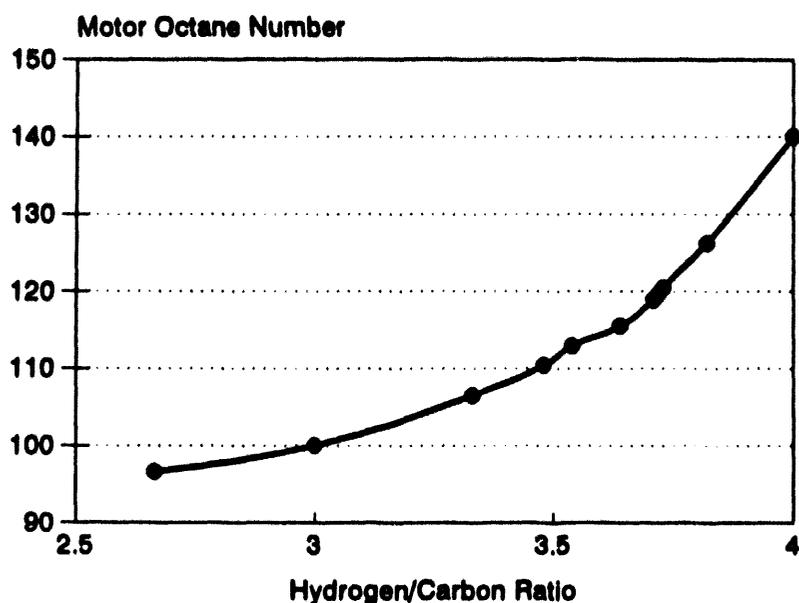


Figure 6: Correlation Of Motor Octane Number and H/C Ratio

testing is the best means of accurately determining the Octane Number of a fuel mixture.

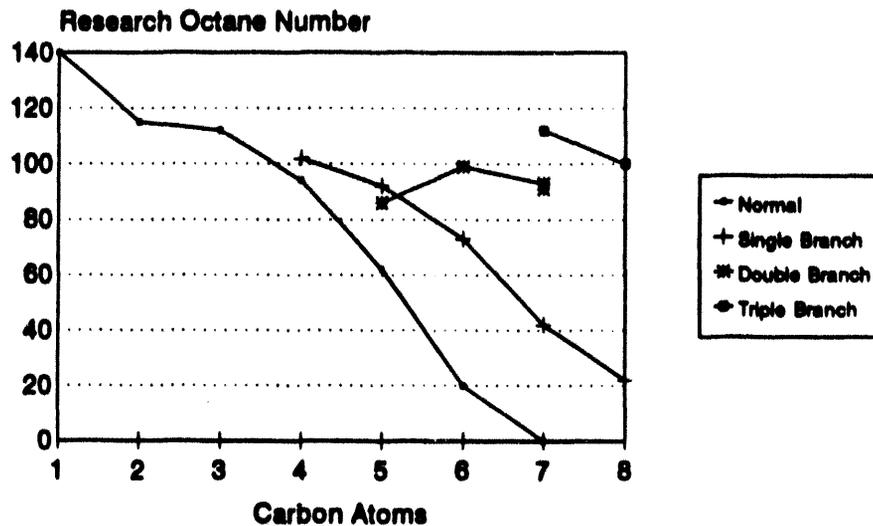
In closing, Kubesh's empirical data shows that the Octane Number of nearly all conventional natural gas fuels is extremely high on this scale. A mixture of 75% methane and 25% propane exhibited an estimated $(R + M)/2$ anti-knock rating of 112. From a knock resistance viewpoint, even the most outlandish gas blends have knock resistance much greater than commercial gasolines.

Gas Compression and NGV Refueling

Virtually all end-use delivered natural gas was once in a compressed state...interstate gas transportation normally occurs at 1000-1500 psig (or higher). The concept of compressing and handling high-pressure gas is not new to the gas industry. Despite this, NGVs go beyond typical transmission pressure levels (e.g., 3000-4000+ psig). What are some of the fuel issues associated with compressed gas at these levels? Examples include water content and water dewpoint, hydrocarbon dewpoint, compressibility factors, pressure-volume-temperature relations, compressed energy content, and others. These are all important factors influencing gas compression, refueling operations, retail metering, as well as vehicle operation and range. The following text will discuss some of these factors.

Heating Content, Gas Density and Vehicle Range

The most important aspect of NGVs is their fuel storage capability and driving range, which is dictated mainly by vehicle design (storage volume, tank pressure rating, and fuel economy) as well as the ability of the refueling station to *correctly* fill the tanks. Ultimately, the figure-of-merit is the amount of energy in the on-board storage tanks--which takes into account fuel heat content and compressibility. How does fuel composition relate to this? Further, the industry appears to be heading towards a unit of retail measure termed the "gasoline gallon equivalent" (GGE)--what is this and how does fuel alter this index?



SAE 912314 (Westbrook, Pitz, Leppard)
SAE 922359 (Kubesh, King, Lee)

Figure 7: Relation Between Carbon Number, Branching, and Research Octane Number

The author believes that a nominal heating content for gasoline is 114,000 BTU/gallon (lower heating value--LHV). Using an average natural gas composition as shown in Table 2, it can be estimated that 123 scf of natural gas equal a gallon of gasoline [GGE = (114,000 BTU/gallon)/(926.2 BTU/scf)]. This is an apples-apples comparison of both fuels, using lower heating values.⁸

Ideally, NGV stations should operate in a fashion that provides a constant energy density (BTU/ft³) of compressed gas. However, much to the consternation of the gas industry, stations do not even always fill tanks to the proper pressure levels. To elaborate, compared to the ideal fill at 3000 psig @70°F, 2400 psig gives 18.2% less energy, 2600 psig gives 11.7% less energy, 2800 psig gives 5.6% less energy, and 3600 psig gives 14.3% more energy. Pressure fill inaccuracies result in a 1.4%/50 psig compressed energy sensitivity impact around the set point of 3000 psig and 70°F. Clearly, an accurate fill is an important goal for consistent vehicle range. Temperature compensation (or mass fill concepts) can lead to this ideal(10).

To see the impact of fuel on range, envision a vehicle storage system with a "water" volume capacity of 6.5 ft³. Using our average fuel, we have 74.49 lbs of fuel at 3000 psig (6.5 ft³*11.46 lb/ft³) on board with a total energy content of 1,516,318 BTUs (74.49 lbs*20,356 BTU/lb = 1.516 MMBTU). Assuming a fuel economy of 15 mpg (about 7600 BTU/mile, using 114,000 BTU/gallon), this vehicle should go about 200 miles before running completely out of fuel.

With this baseline, what happens when other fuels are plugged into the calculations of GGE and energy density? Table 3 shows four fuels that are meaningfully different than the U.S. average. The 10th and 90th percentile fuels were taken directly from the fuel survey. The high-ethane was derived from the survey results of one region; the propane/air peakshaving gas is a 20% blend of propane and air (in equal proportions) mixed with 80% of the average fuel.

8. The standard temperature and pressure (STP) reference points are 60°F and 14.73 psia.

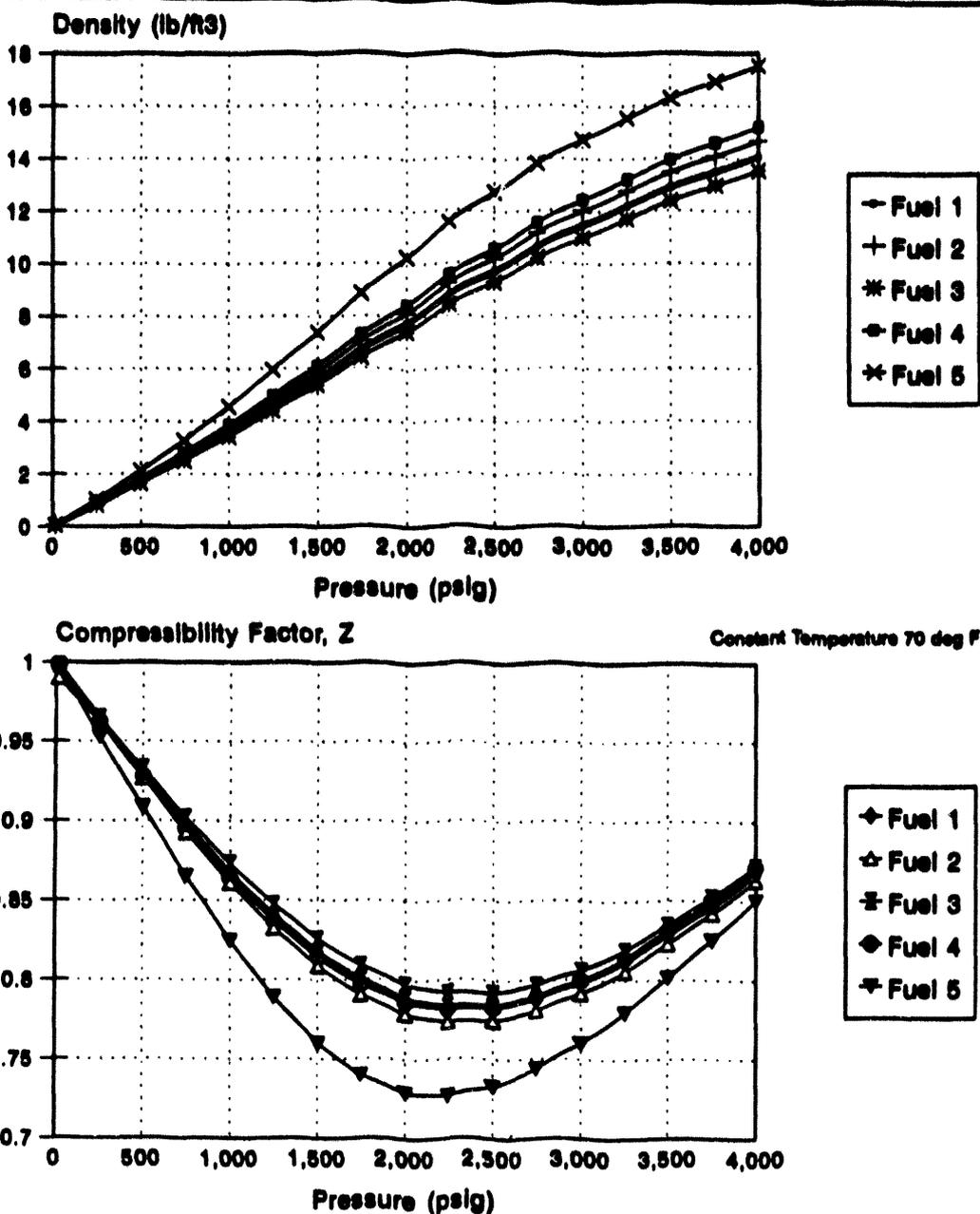


Figure 8a,b: Relationship Of Iso-Thermal Density And Compressibility Factor For Various Fuels

The differences in GGE (at STP) are shown. For the 10-90th percentile fuels, shifts in GGE value are minor--on the order of $\pm 0.5\%$. The other two atypical fuels have greater impacts (though the magnitude is not much more than "gasohol" blends have on gasoline).

With regard to compressed gas energy storage density, we see that the 10-90th percentile range for natural gas would have a nominal $\pm 1.4\%$ impact on vehicle driving range--about the equivalent of 50 psig underfill. The two atypical fuels--i.e., the high ethane and propane content--have larger impacts. Figures 8a,b illustrates the reason why compressed energy density is different than the GGE value (which is referenced to standard conditions). This shows how gas density and compressibility factor change with increasing pressure for each of the five fuels under constant temperature conditions. The 10-90 percentile and the average fuel fall within a fairly tight region. The density of the high ethane

Table 2: U.S. Average Composition and Properties

Species	U.S. Avg. (Mole %)	LHV (BTU/scf)	HHV (BTU/scf)	Relative Density	Spec. Volume (ft ³ /lb)
Methane	93.3	909.4	1010.0	.5539	23.654
Ethane	3.2	1618.7	1769.6	1.0382	12.620
Propane	0.7	2314.9	2516.1	1.5226	8.6059
n-Butane	0.08	3010.8	3262.3	2.0068	6.5291
i-Butane	0.10	3000.4	3251.9	2.0068	6.5291
n-Pentane	0.07	3706.9	4008.9	2.4912	5.2596
n-Hexane +	0.04	4403.8	4755.9	2.9755	4.4035
Carbon Dioxide	0.80	--	--	1.5196	8.6229
Nitrogen	1.71	--	--	0.9963	13.484

Calculated Values Of Average Gas Mixture					
LHV (BTU/scf)	LHV (BTU/lb)	Density (lb/ft ³ , STP)	Density (lb/ft ³ @ 3000 psig, 70°F)	Z-Factor(3000 psig, 70°F)	SCF/Gallon
926.2	20,356	0.0457	11.460	0.7988	123.1

Table 3: Comparison Of Five Diverse Fuels

Species (Mole %)	U.S. Avg.	10th %-tile	90th %-tile	HI-Ethane	P/A Peaking
	Fuel 1	Fuel 2	Fuel 3	Fuel 4	Fuel 5
Methane	93.3	89.6	96.5	82.5	74.64
Ethane	3.2	4.6	1.8	6.9	2.59
Propane	0.7	1.15	0.4	1.0	10.56
n-Butane	0.08	0.10	0.04	0.10	0.06
i-Butane	0.10	0.12	0.06	0.11	0.08
n-Pentane	0.07	0.08	0.04	0.07	0.04
n-Hexane +	0.04	0.05	0.02	0.04	0.02
Carbon Dioxide	0.80	1.30	0.46	0.78	0.64
Nitrogen	1.71	3.00	0.68	7.1	9.18
Oxygen	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	2.19

Calculated Values Of Mixtures					
Heating Value (BTU/scf, LHV)	926.2	927.7	921.3	895.8	971.7
Heating Value (BTU/lb, LHV)	20,356	19,663	20,939	18,023	17,352
GGE (SCF/gallon)	123.1	122.9	123.7	127.3	117.3
GGE, % From Fuel 1	--	-0.2	0.5	3.4	-4.7
Density (lb/ft ³ , STP)	0.0457	0.0474	0.0442	0.0496	0.0559
Density (lb/ft ³ , compressed)	11.46	11.953	10.98	12.42	14.71
Compressed Energy In 6.5 ft ³ , (MMBTU)	1.516	1.528	1.495	1.485	1.660
Compressed Energy, % From Fuel 1	--	0.8	-1.4	-4.0	9.5

fuel is marginally higher, though Z-factor vs pressure relationship is virtually identical to the average fuel. Fuel 5, representing the propane/air blend, has a noticeably different density and compressibility relationship and yields a range increase of over 9%. This fuel is obviously different from typical fuels. Note that the values would be different at other temperature points.

In closing, understanding fuel-related range impacts requires more than evaluation of volumetric energy content--the overall determination must include analysis of gas compressibility and density at the final stored conditions. For most typical fuels encountered, there is a relatively minor fuel effect on energy storage density. Propane/air fuels tend to have a more dramatic impact on stored energy density due to their higher molecular weight and *more positive, non-ideal* behavior.⁹ While fuels do have an impact on range, in practice the challenge of achieving an accurate temperature- and pressure-compensated fill tends to overwhelm the fuel issue for most conventional natural gases.

Water Content

One of the more contentious NGV fuel topics is water. This substance is found in natural gas due to natural absorption, similar to its presence in the air we breathe. Like rain and snow from the earth's atmosphere, water can condense from natural gas if the relative humidity exceeds 100%. Water becomes an issue in NGVs because of the extreme temperatures and pressures that the fuel can be exposed to, including station storage pressures from 3500-4500 psig and possible expansion-induced temperatures (at lower pressures) down to -25°F or lower. Water condensation from natural gas can be as a liquid, an ice or frost, or as a hydrate (a clathrate crystalline compound made up of water and trapped hydrocarbons).

Information on water/natural gas psychrometry is well-documented in the industry^{(11),(12),(13)(14)}. The water content of natural gas is typically quoted as a maximum of 7 lbs/MMSCF--in practice, values higher and lower do exist. Using a typical natural gas specific volume of about 21.9 ft³/lb and a water content of 7 lbs/MMSCF, it can be found that water is about 153 ppm on a mass basis. This effectively is the absolute humidity. Using a water specific volume of 21 ft³/lb, the volumetric concentration at STP is about 147 ppmv. Using the previous example of a 6.5 ft³ storage system and 11.46 lbs/ft³ compressed gas density, it can be found that the entire storage system contains about 0.011 pounds of water--or about 5 grams. Obviously, this is not a lot of mass⁽¹⁰⁾.

While seemingly insignificant, problems can occur if water condenses in a concentrated fashion. Of course, the Joule-Thomson expansion--induced by pressure drop through a restriction--can cause significant gas cooling. The combination of gas cooling and tight piping, filters, or orifices can lead to possible freezing and plugging. In the author's viewpoint, herein lies the crux of the water issue in NGVs.⁽¹¹⁾

Figure 9 shows the issue of water content in terms of 100% Relative Humidity (100% RH) as a function of gas temperature at 3000 psig. A condition (i.e., temperature and water content point)

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9. Fluid density is inversely proportional to the compressibility factor ($\rho \propto 1/Z$). Lower Z-factors provide the opportunity for higher densities than expected by ideal gas-law calculations.
 10. The author made a reference previously to air and condensation (rain and snow). It is important to note that natural gas has a water holding capacity (i.e., absolute humidity) that is two orders of magnitude (100 times) lower than air--these are really different fluids.
 11. The issue of water-induced corrosion is often raised. While not meaning to trivialize an important safety issue, especially out of ignorance, the author is skeptical on this subject given the excellent track record of compressed gas cylinders for NGVs. Freezing is a more immediate, tangible issue. Further, most condensation is presumed to occur at low temperatures where condensate is a solid which is not an effective medium for corrosion processes.

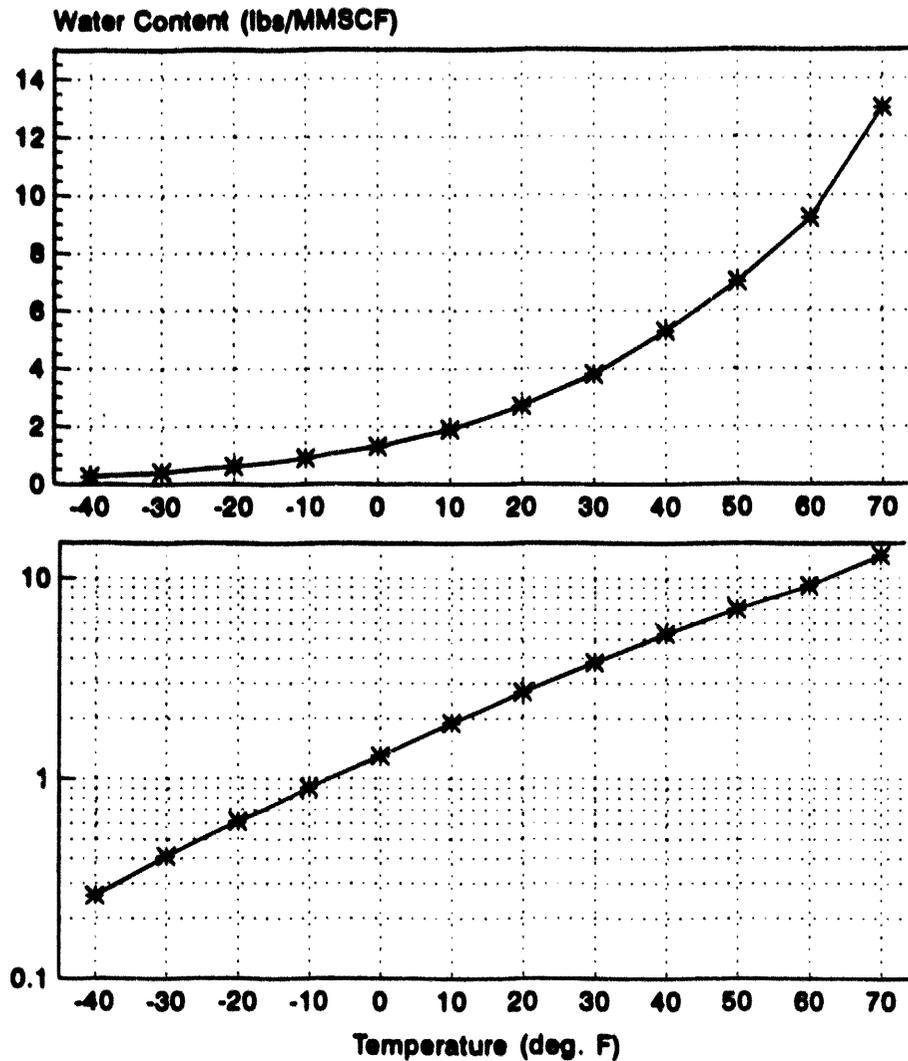


Figure 9: Natural Gas Relative Humidity

above the line represents an over-saturation condition--some form of condensation would occur to bring it down to the 100% RH line. Points below the line should be free of condensate. The amount of water that will condense is the difference between the specific condition and the 100% RH point for that temperature. At these elevated conditions, it becomes probable that water forms as a solid--certainly below 32°F. Even above this point, a solid water phase can form as a hydrate--even at temperatures up to 70°F.

To elaborate, take a gas with a water content of 7 lbs/MMSCF at 3000 psig, 70°F--just slightly below 100% RH. Assume further this gas was cooled by a drop in ambient temperature to 30°F. The saturated water content at this point is about 3.75 lbs/MMSCF at 3000 psig (in reality, tank pressure would drop to about 2500 psig, but this effect on water holding capacity is relatively small and will be ignored). Taking the difference, this implies about 3.25 lbs/MMSCF of water should condense--in this case, completely as a solid. Using the 6.5 ft³ tank scenario, we have approximately 1630 *standard* cubic feet of compressed gas which implies about **2.4 grams** of water should condense. Is there any wonder that water is such a controversial issue in the NGV industry? Can so little mass

cause *real* problems? No doubt some areas have higher water content, but many areas of the country have even drier gas.

Presently, control of water content is predicated on preventing any form of condensation under the most extreme winter weather conditions. In the viewpoint of many, this is seen as an extreme requirement. Referring back to Figure 9, note the leveling off of this curve as temperature drops to about 10°F. As temperature decreases further, the absolute humidity appears to approach a horizontal asymptote---i.e., a point of diminishing return seems to exist. Yet, even at extremely cold temperatures a dewpoint exists (as shown in the bottom portion where the same data are displayed on a logarithmic scale). The water holding capacity continues to decrease, but the question is, so what? For example, between -10 and -20°F the water holding capacity of natural gas has drops about 0.3 lb/MMSCF. In our 6.5 ft³ tank scenario, we're talking about possible condensation of about 0.2 grams. Is this worthy of concern? When does water become a *de minimis* concern and dewpoint become an essentially meaningless measure? These are difficult questions to quantitatively answer.

In closing, it is likely that water will continue to remain a controversial topic in the industry. Anecdotal evidence exists on both sides to substantiate either the need or ridiculousness of tight water control measures. One point is clear to the author: dewpoints, while a measure of dryness, become of questionable worth at temperatures below about 10°F. It appears there comes a point where the specter of water problems (operational or safety-related) becomes a matter more of academic debate rather than practical concern. Hopefully, at some point in the not too distant future an acceptable and justified limit on NGV water content can be found.

Lubricating Oils

Lubricating oil is often present in natural gas either from oil carryover from gas transmission compressors or from NGV refueling compressors. For NGVs, refueling compressors tend to have the potential for being the larger source. The actual amount of oil carried over during compressor operation is dependent on the design of the compressor, the wear on rings and liners, and (if used) the removal efficiency of coalescing filters.

The potential negative or positive role of lube oils in NGVs is uncertain. Anecdotal evidence exists that high levels of lube oil can cause build-up of liquids in tanks and regulators, possibly influencing the performance of the latter. Conversely, one could speculate that trace levels of lubricating oil may have a beneficial effect by coating internal metal surfaces (i.e., acting as a corrosion inhibitor) and possibly lubricating moving parts in the system.

It appears that several NGV station operators are tending toward non-lubricated compressors, watching more closely the level of oil consumption on lubed compressors, or installing coalescing filters downstream of the unit. Recent unreported and draft data from Powertech Labs, in work sponsored by the Canadian Gas Association(15), revealed coalescing filter oil removal efficiency of about 75% on average, with a span of 60-97% (six different samples). More information and insight is needed on this subject.

Propane-Air Peakshaving

Propane-air (P/A) peakshaving is a method used by some gas utilities to meet peak fuel demand--generally during cold winter periods. P/A plants are owned by only a portion of the industry and many of these are used sparingly. P/A plants nominally prepare a mixture of 50% propane and 50% air, having a heating value of about 1258 BTU/scf (HHV). This mix is then capable of being blended with natural gas. In practice, when use, P/A levels typically are on the order of 10-30% send out, though higher levels may be used during extreme periods.

In gas distribution systems, P/A is an acceptable medium for transporting energy to the customer. At

low pressures (e.g., up to a few hundred psig) and typical ambient temperatures, P/A has a high level of solubility in natural gas. However, for NGVs, high levels of propane, elevated pressures and low temperatures can cause liquids to form. The condensation behavior of these mixtures is mostly dependent on (1) the amount of propane present and (2) the fuel temperature. Pressure has an impact, but only up to the critical point. To elaborate, Figure 10 is a phase diagram (or "envelope") of a natural gas/propane mixture (about 10.5% propane). Within the envelope, a distinct two-phase region of liquid and gas exists. Outside of this region, only one phase exists. The interpretation of this single fluid phase can be rather subjective. To the left of the envelope and below Pt. C, (the critical point) it can be called a liquid; to the right and below C it can be called a gas. Those points above Pt. C (and outside the phase envelope) are best referred to as highly compressed fluids of varying density. To reinforce the point, when NGV storage pressure goes above the critical point (typically ranging from 900-1500 psig depending on composition), the *gas* should really be considered a critical, high-density, single-phase fluid.

Adding propane to natural gas has the effect of extending the phase envelop to the right--i.e., raising the temperature at which condensation can occur. This increases the potential for liquids to form at typical winter conditions. To document this area, GRI has been undertaking modeling analysis with SwRI using an established commercial software package(16). The model is constructed to simulate the depressurization of a compressed gas storage tank--i.e., simulating engine fueling and dropping of pressure from a condition where the fluid is in a critical state. Nominally, the model goes from about 1800 psig to about 100 psig in 20 finite steps. Fuel temperature is held constant.

Figure 11 shows typical results. These data are a 75 mole% blend of natural gas with a 25% blend of P/A--overall, the propane level was about 13.5%. The figure shows that initially there is no change in gas-phase concentrations because the fuel is above the critical point. However, at a pressure of 1500-1600 psig there is a change in the concentrations of the gas-phase methane and propane. Effectively, the fluid has entered the two-phase region and a liquid phase has formed. The liquid is comprised mostly of propane and other heavy hydrocarbons. The transfer of mass from the gas phase to the liquid phase increases the methane concentration in the gas phase. As pressure is further

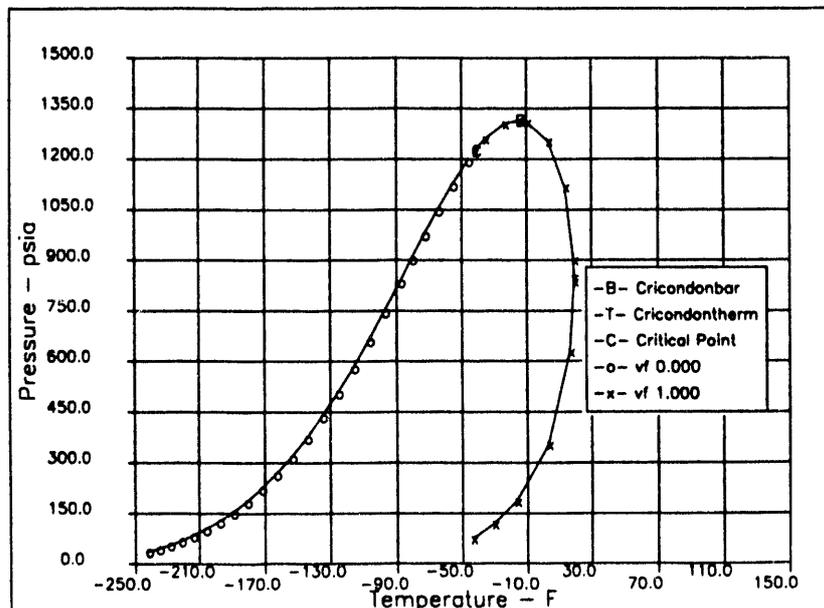
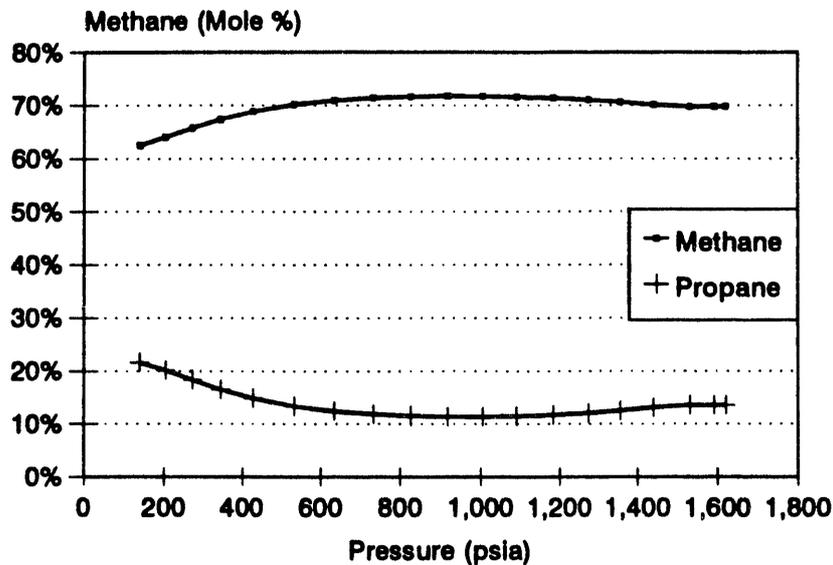


Figure 10: Pressure vs. Temperature Phase Envelope



Temp. = 20 deg. F

Figure 11: Depressurization Of A Natural Gas/Propane-Air Mixture

decreased, a minimum point is found at around 900 psig. Further drops in pressure are increasing the solubility of the liquid constituents in the gas as the mixture approaches the right-most border of the envelope--i.e., the dewpoint curve. At low pressures, conditions exit the two-phase region and the revaporized liquid results in a final gas-phase propane concentration greater than the starting point. The greater the amount of liquid that forms initially, the greater the final propane concentration will be.

In closing, it should be recognized that P/A is not a widely used practice in the gas industry. However, for regions of the country where it is used, station operators and users should recognize that high levels of propane and low temperatures can result in liquid hydrocarbon condensation--which in turn can negatively impact station and vehicle operation.

Liquefied Natural Gas

Liquefied natural gas (LNG) is an attractive NGV fuel option because of its high energy density and lighter weight tanks (i.e., when compared to compressed gas). LNG seems to be especially attractive for use in heavy-duty engine and long-haul applications (e.g., locomotives, over-the-road trucks).

The primary fuel issue with LNG is its storability or *shelf life*. Testing and modeling work carried out by SwRI for GRI partially documented LNG NGV weathering and enrichment issues(17)(18). These data reveal that either limiting the flux of heat to LNG or quickly (e.g., within 4-7 days) using the fuel is of paramount importance. Either poorly insulated tanks (including those which lose their vacuum) or long storage periods can result in boil-off gas losses. The repeated withdrawal of these gases can result in a liquid which progressively becomes more concentrated with heavier hydrocarbons.

This phenomenon can become severe when the tank liquid level falls below ~1/4 full. This is shown in Figure 12, where the term "boil-off rate" refers to the proportion of system mass removed via the gas phase. At high liquid tank levels it is virtually impossible to alter the methane concentration (i.e., a high level of inertia exists). However, as the liquid level drops the amount of mass in the system

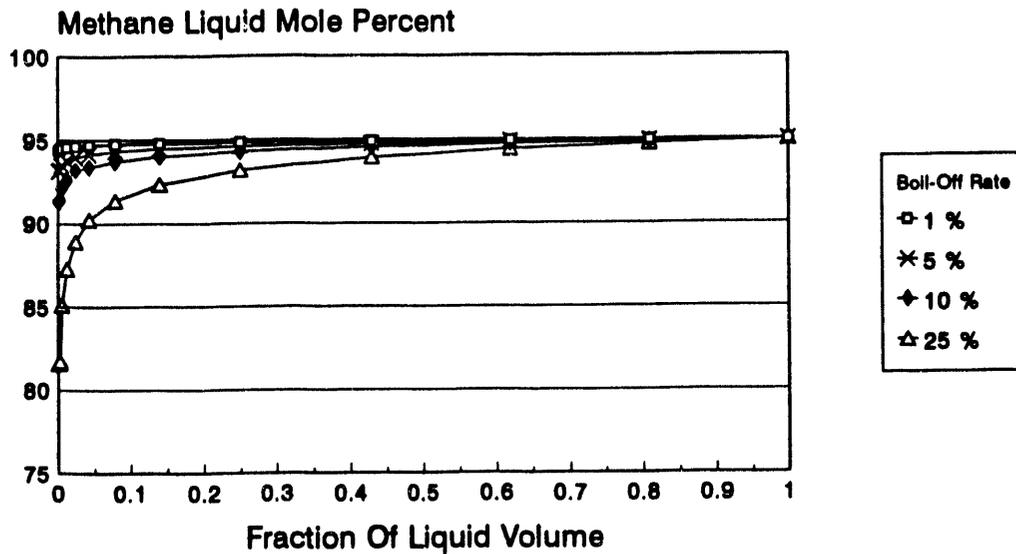


Figure 12: LNG Weathering Effects

decreases and the removal of boil-off gases can more meaningfully alter the liquid composition. For this reason, it is usually wise to keep LNG storage tanks filled. This helps increase the inertia (i.e., heat capacity) of the system. This latter point is believed to be important because the heat flux (or heat "leak") rate to the tank (BTU/hr) remains virtually constant regardless of the amount of liquid in the tank. That is, a tank containing small levels of liquids will have a higher specific rate of vaporization (i.e., moles vaporized/moles remaining) than a full tank--increasing the enrichment rate.. If LNG is left idle too long, it can effectively spoil (i.e., decrease in methane concentration). LNG has a finite shelf life.

SUMMARY

This discussion of fuel issues for NGVs goes into detail regarding potential cause/effect relations. An effort has been made to put these into context with other issues--such as sensitivities to measurement errors, requirement for advanced controls, etc. The reader should recognize that the practical reality is that NGVs are fully operational with the situation as it exists today. In most cases, equipment has a high level of tolerance to fuel changes. In fact, it should be a principal design challenge to incorporate such capabilities into refueling stations, vehicles, and engines.

By its nature, the discussion of issues and scientific phenomena on this subject tends to bring to light aspects of equipment operation for which even seasoned users are oblivious to and may appear as overly negative. In fact, many of these issues are more academic than practical. If minor effects occur, but are virtually undetectable by the user, do they really matter? From a practical standpoint, the answer is obviously no. However, as interested parties, it is in our collective interest to continue to expand our knowledge base on issues of various levels of importance--both minor or major. This is part of the evolutionary process that will make an already excellent vehicle fuel choice--natural gas--even better.

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SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS AND SPEAKER RESPONSES

FUEL ISSUES FOR GAS ENGINES AND NGV'S

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- Q. Matthew Bol, Sypher:Mueller International: What advice do you have for a utility company that wants NGV business but uses propane-air for peak shaving?**
- A. It depends on the amount of propane-air used. In low proportions, the mixture would not affect vehicle performance. If high levels of propane-air are needed, it would be preferable to use liquefied natural gas instead of propane-air for periods of peak demand. The utility company could import the LNG or produce it locally in off-peak periods.**
- Q. Vinod Duggal, Cummins Engine Co.: Do I understand that CNG from pipeline gas does not require a specification for NGV fuel?**
- A. The NGV market is small proportion of the natural gas market. Having a specification for vehicle fuel is a good idea because it makes the gas industry aware of what is desired. However, it may not accomplish the changes to make such fuel available at all times. It would be more practical to provide closed loop control on vehicles to accommodate fuel variations.**

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SUMMARY AND PURPOSE

- * California Energy Commission Demonstration Program involving methanol (M85) fuel flexible vehicles and fuel storage and dispensing facilities.
- * Determination of M85 fuel quality.
- * Identify sources of possible fuel contamination.
- * Suggestions for maintaining fuel quality.

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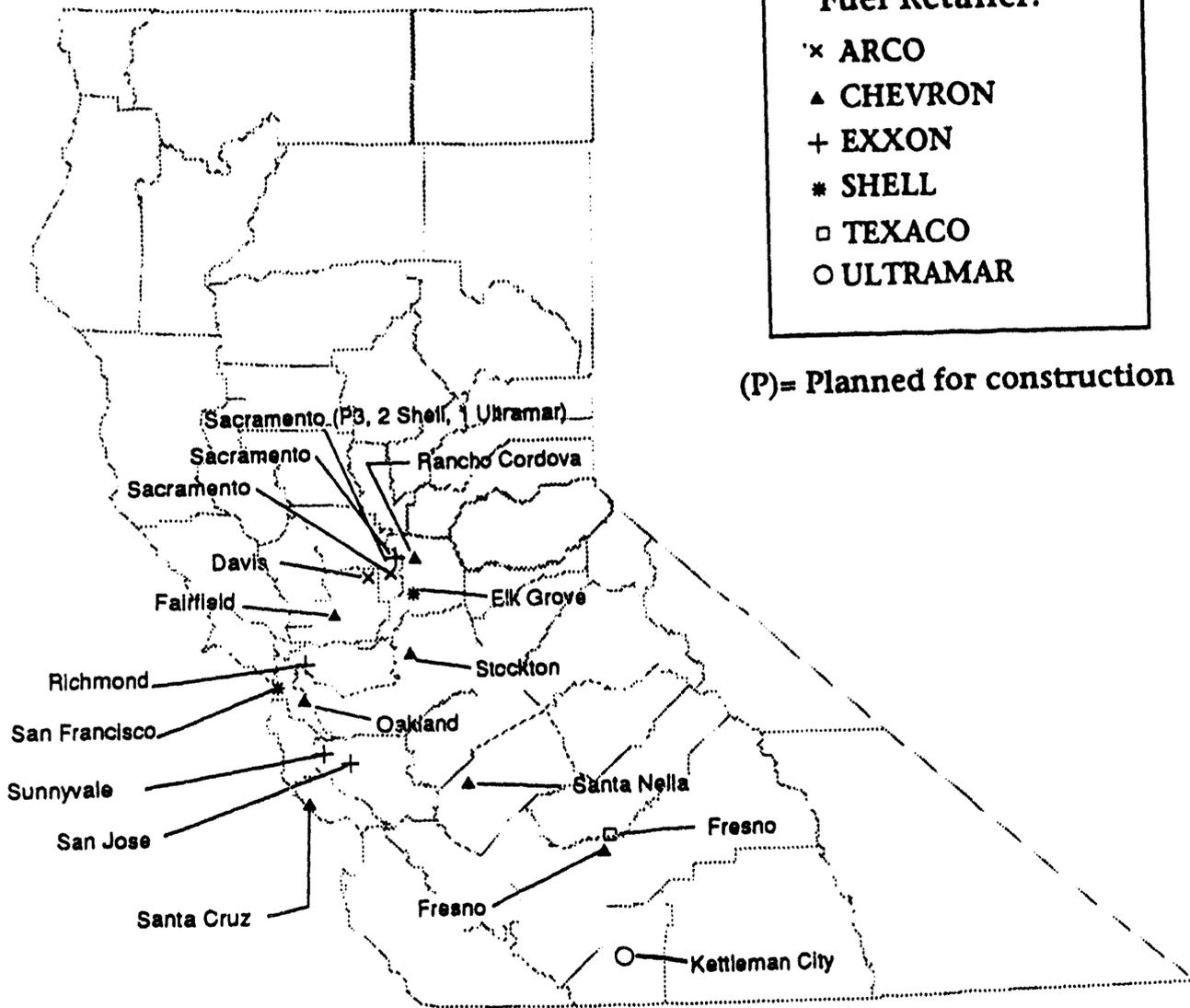
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Fuel Retailer:

- × ARCO
- ▲ CHEVRON
- + EXXON
- * SHELL
- TEXACO
- ULTRAMAR

(P)= Planned for construction



THROUGHPUT IN SAMPLED STATIONS, GALLONS

	June 1992	May 1993	
Northern California M85 Retail Total	20,595	23,909	
High Sacramento	6,778	6,906	
Average	1471	1708	470
	June 1992	May 1993	
Southern California M85 Retail Total	26,322	39,461	
High Ventura	5,455	7,461	
Average	2025	3035	

Air Resources Board M85 Specifications

Test Parameter	Test Method	Specification
Particulates, max.	ASTM D 2276-89	0.6 mg/l
Gum, washed, max.	ASTM D 381-86	5mg/100ml
Water, max.	ASTM E 203-75	0.5% by mass
Lead, max.	ASTM D 3329-88	2 mg/l
Vapor Pressure	Methods in Title 13, sec. 2262	7.0 - 13.1 psi (dependent upon geographic area)
Methanol, min.	ASTM D2 Proposal P-232, Draft 8-9-91 (Annex A-1)	84% by volume
Higher alcohols, max.	ASTM D 4815-89	2% by volume
Acidity as acetic acid, max.	ASTM D1613-85	0.005% by mass
Total chlorides, max.	ASTM D 3120-87	0.0002% by mass
Phosphorus max.	ASTM D 3231-89	0.2mg/l
Sulfur, max.	ASTM D 2622-87	0.004% by mass
Hydrocarbons + aliphatic ethers	ASTM D 4815-89	16% by volume
Luminosity	NA	Luminous flame
Appearance	ASTM D 4176-86	Free of turbidity, suspended matter and sediment

Comparison of M85 Specifications

Test Parameter	ARB	Chrysler	Ford	GM	MVMA
Particulates, max.	●	●	●	○	●
Gum, washed, max.	●			●	
Water, max.	●	●	●	●	○
Lead, max.	●		●	●	○
Vapor pressure	●	●	○	●	●
Methanol, min.	○	●	○	○	●
Higher alcohols, max.	●			●	
Acidity as acetic acid, max.	●		○	●	○
Total chlorides, max.	●		●	○	○
Phosphorus, max.	●		●	●	○
Sulfur, max.	○		●	●	●
Hydrocarbons + aliphatic ethers	●	○		●	○
Luminosity	●				
Appearance	●				
Aromatics	●				
Gasoline (unleaded)			●		
Distillation residue, max.			●		●
Conductivity, max.				●	
Gum, unwashed, max.				●	

○ = Most stringent specification

● = Specification exists

M85 ANALYSIS PROTOCOL

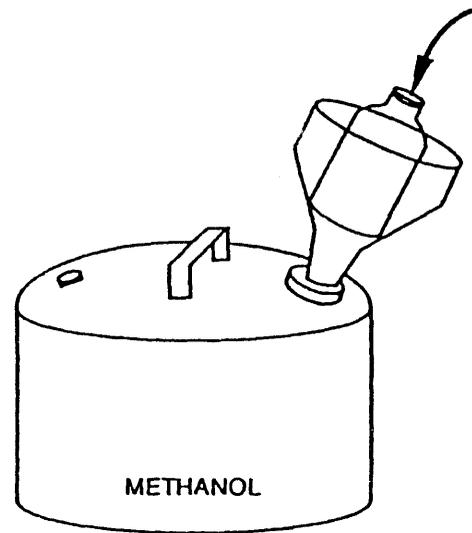
Property	Test Method
Electrical Conductivity	ASTM D 1125
Particulate contaminants, residue solids, and sediments	Modified EPA 160-2
Gum	ASTM 381
Water	ASTM D 1744
Lead content	ASTM D 3237
Sulfates	Ion Chromatography
Dry vapor pressure	ASTM D 4953
Aluminum	Atomic Absorption
Sodium content	Atomic Absorption
Calcium	Atomic Absorption
Iron content	Atomic Absorption
Aromatic content (vol. %)	Capillary Gas Chromatography
Methanol content	Modified ASTM D 4815
Other alcohols	Modified ASTM D 4815
Ethers	Modified ASTM D 4815
Specific gravity at 60 deg. F	ASTM D 1298
Acidity	ASTM D 1613
Total chlorides	Microcoulometry
Phosphorus content	ASTM D 3231
Sulfur content	ASTM D 3120
Refractive index	ASTM D 1218
Chlorinated hydrocarbons*	EPA 8010

*To be performed if total chlorides greater than 1ppm

FUEL SAMPLING METHOD

1. SAMPLING EQUIPMENT

Amber Glass Sample Bottles with Teflon Caps, and Pre-cleaned to EPA Specifications, 5-Gallon Container, Funnel, Conductivity Meter (VWR Model 604, Serial No. 9109139), and Distilled Water



2. RINSE SAMPLE BOTTLES WITH REAGENT GRADE METHANOL

3. WITH 8 OZ BOTTLE IN THE FUNNEL IN THE 5-GALLON CONTAINER, ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN 4 OZ SAMPLE.

- observe and record visual appearance
- measure and record conductivity
- seal and label bottle
- rinse the conductivity meter cell with distilled water twice

4. OBTAIN A 1 LITER SAMP IN AN AMBER GLASS BOTTLE

FUEL SAMPLING METHOD CONT'D

5. PUMP 4 TO 5 GALLONS INTO THE FFV (OR THE 5 GALLON CAN)

*Record the time

*Record the amount of fuel

6. OBTAIN FOUR 1 LITER SAMPLES IN AMBER GLASS BOTTLES

*Rinse the bottles

*Discard the rinse into the 5 gallon can

*Obtain four 1 liter samples

*Seal and label the bottles

7. STORE THE BOTTLES IN A COOLER WITH ICE

8. TRANSFER CONTENTS OF 5 GALLON CONTAINER TO FFV

Summary of Analytical Results - M85 Retail

Fuel Property	ARB SPEC	Low	High	Mean
Particulates, max. (mg/l)	0.6	0.1	0.8	0.5
Gum, washed, max. (mg/100ml)	5	0.1	4.6	0.9
Water, max. (mass%)	0.5	0.0029	0.1990	0.0204
Lead, max. (mg/l)	2	<1	<1	<1
Vapor pressure (psi)	7.0-13.1	7.0	9.3	7.8
Methanol, min. (vol%)	84	80	87.2	84.6
Acidity as acetic acid, max. (mass%)	0.005	0.002	0.005	0.004
Total chlorides, max. (mas.%)	0.0002	<0.0001	0.0003	0.0001
Phosphorus, max. (mg/l)	0.2	<0.03	<0.2	<0.05
Sulfur, max. (mass%)	0.004	0.0004	0.0033	0.0017

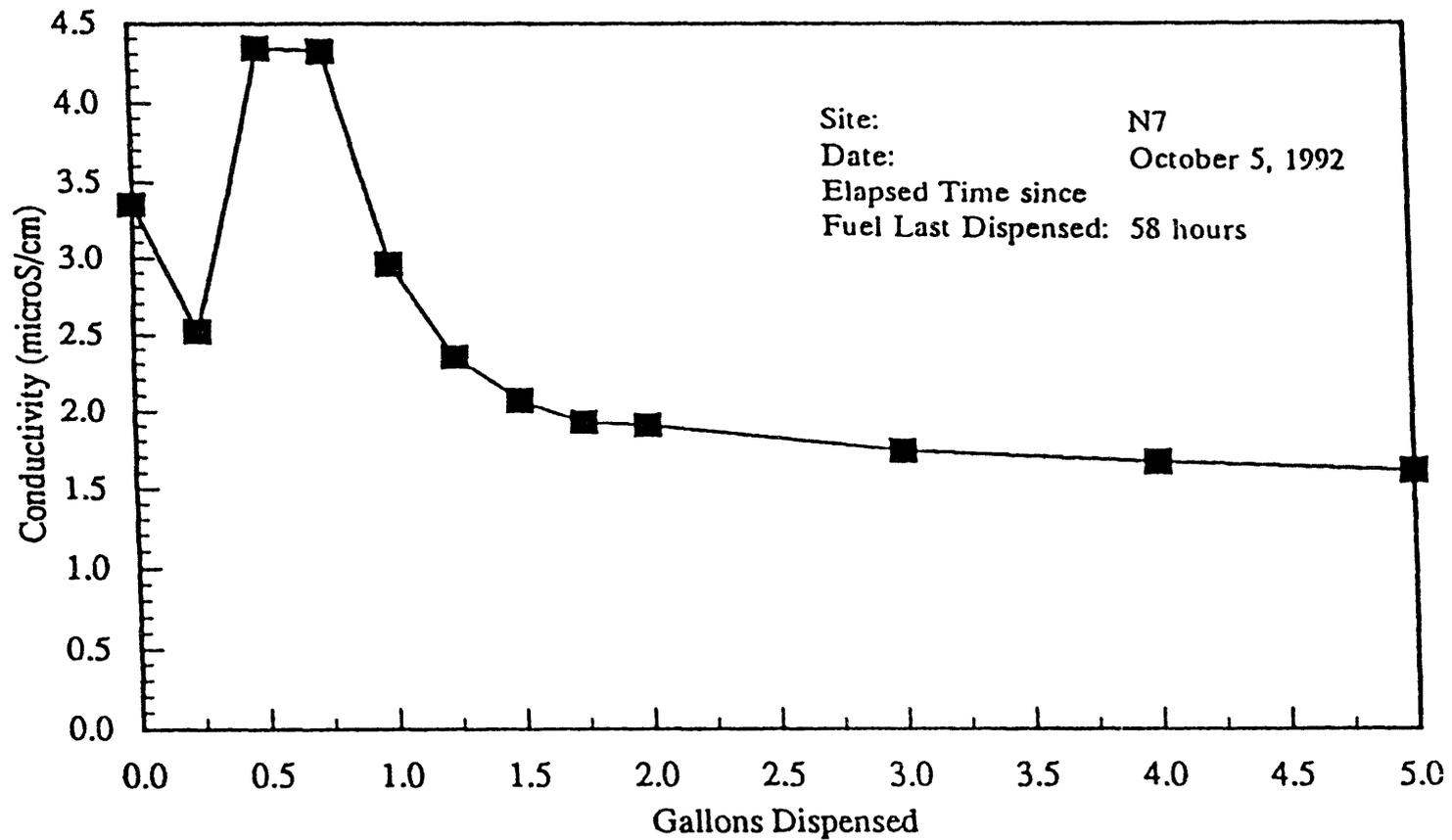
Summary of Analytical Results - M85 Non Retail

Fuel Property	ARB SPEC	Low	High	Mean
Particulates, max. (mg/l)	0.6	0.2	0.5	0.3
Gum, washed, max. (mg/100ml)	5	<0.1	0.6	0.2
Water, max. (mass%)	0.5	0.0022	0.61	0.097
Lead, max. (mg/l)	2	<1	<1	<1
Vapor pressure (psi)	7.0-13.1	7.3	9.3	7.7
Methanol, min. (vol%)	84	73.6	87.1	84.36
Acidity as acetic acid, max. (mass%)	0.005	0.003	0.010	0.004
Total chlorides, max. (mass%)	0.0002	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001
Phosphorus, max. (mg/l)	0.2	<0.003	<0.2	<0.1
Sulfur, max. (mass%)	0.004	0.0004	0.0046	0.0023

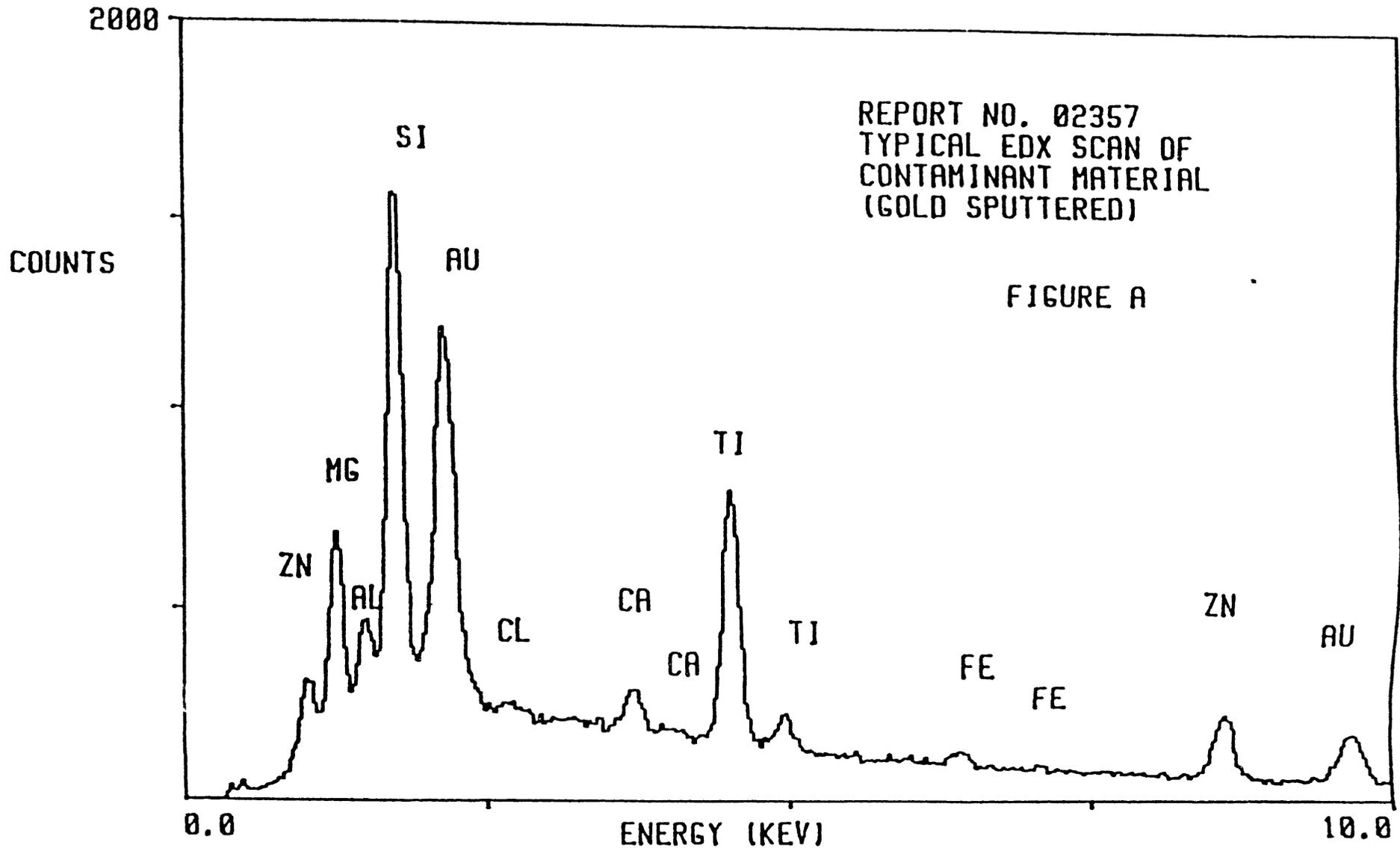
ARB Specification Exceedances

Test Parameter	ARB Std.	M85 Retail	M85 Non-Retail	Range to Exceedances	
				M85 Retail	M85 Non-Retail
Particulates, max. (mg/l)	0.6	11	—	0.7-0.8	—
Water, max. (mass%)	0.5	—	1	—	0.61
Methanol, min. (vol%)	84	6	1	80.0-83.6	73.6
Acidity as acetic acid, max. (w%)	0.005	—	1	—	0.010
Chlorides (mass%)	0.0002	1	—	0.0003	—
Sulfur, max. (mass%)	0.004	—	1	—	0.0046

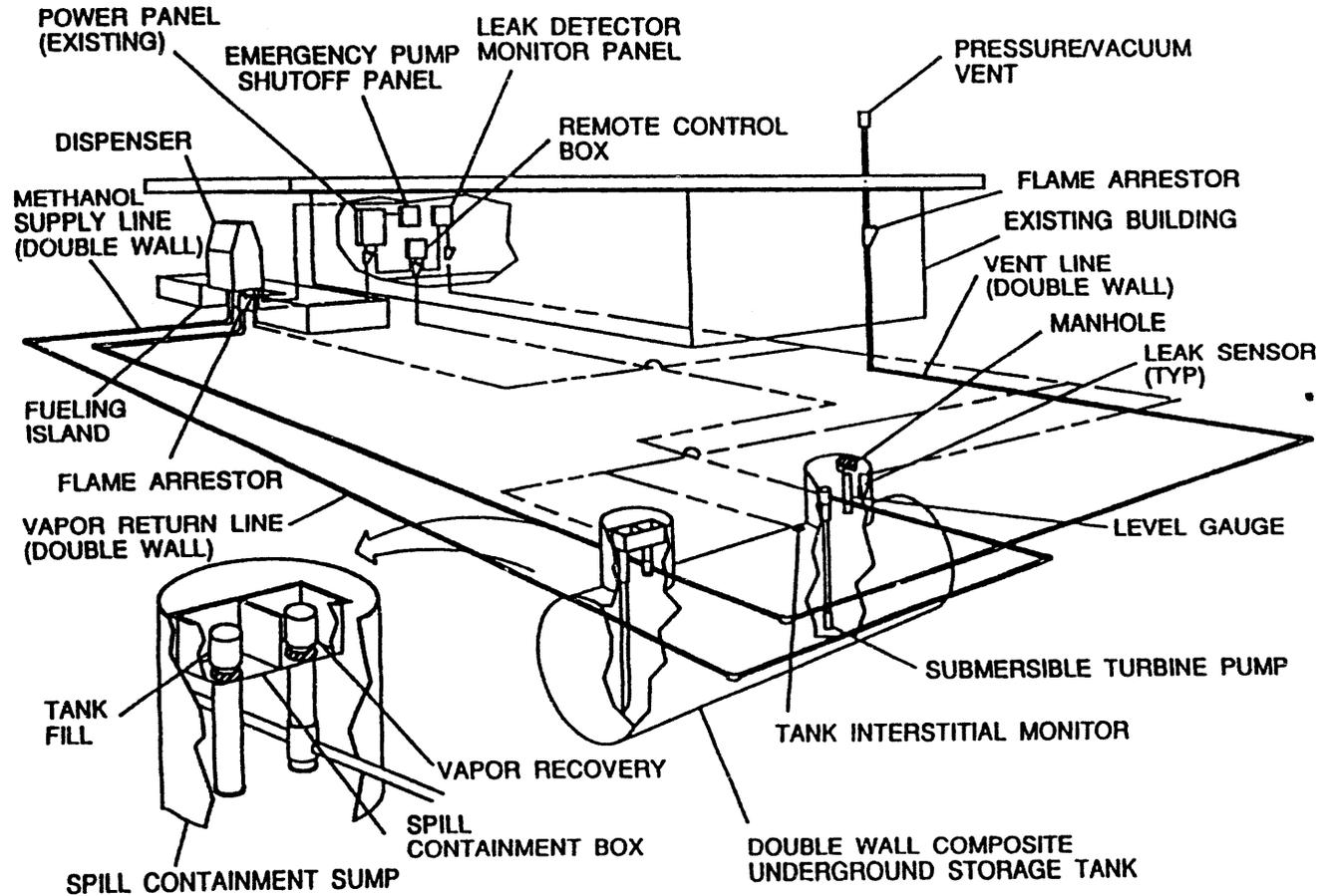
Fuel Conductivity



Fuel Precipitate



Generic M85 Fuel Station Design



Major Equipment Items

ITEM	MANUFACTURER	DESCRIPTION
UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS	OWENS-CORNING	Double-wall Fiberglass
	XERXES	Double-wall Fiberglass
	JOOR	Double-wall steel W/Fiberglass wrap
	MODERN WELDING TRUSCO	Double-wall Glass-steel Double-wall steel
FILL TUBES	OPW	Model 61SOM with 1/500" anodizing
	EBW	Duratube Model No. 782-207-02
DISPENSERS	TOKHEIM	Models 1250 & 262RC Modified for M85 use
	GILBARCO	Salesmaker II modified for M85 use
	DRESSER WAYNE	Modified for M85 use
SUBMERSIBLES TURBINE PUMPS	RED JACKET	Model A/G 75S1 3/4 HP
	TOKHEIM	Model 535-13
PIPING	AMERON	Dualloy fiberglass piping (UL listed for alcohol services)
	A.O. SMITH	Red Thread II
FLEX CONNECTORS	TITFLEX	Stainless steel

MAJOR EQUIPMENT ITEMS CONT'D

ITEM	MANUFACTURER	DESCRIPTION
ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING SYSTEM	API/RONAN POLLULERT CEI TIDEL	Miscellaneous Tank, sump, and image probes, line pressure sensors, etc.
IN-LINE FLAME ARRESTORS	PROTECTOSEAL	Models C4951F & C4952F
VAPOR RECOVERY NOZZLES	EMCO WHEATON OPW	Electroless nickel plated A4001 & A4005 Electroless nickel plated 11VF-4297
BREAK-A-WAY	EMCO WHEATON OPW	Electroless nickel plated A4019-003 66CL-0250
PRODUCT HOSE	GOODYEAR	Maxxim coaxial hose with RC58P602 tube compound
JUMPER HOSE	GOODYEAR	24" XLPE Fabchem hose with MxM roster fittings
FILTER HOUSING	AMF CUNO	Model 1B1 & 1B2 (Stainless or carbon steel)
FILTER MOUNTS	CIM-TEK	Models 50016, 50017 & 50018
FILTERS	CIM-TEK	1 Micron microglass inserts for 1B1 & 1B2 1 Micron microglass 70025-B
CARD READER	NBCS	GCII reader, dosc & pedestal

POTENTIAL SOURCES OF PROBLEMS

1. ALUMINUM EQUIPMENT
 - * DISPENSER FITTINGS
 - * NOZZLES
 - * COAXIAL ADAPTERS/VAPOR VALVES
 - * DROP FILL TUBE
 - * FILTER HOUSING OR FITTINGS
2. INCOMPATIBLE SUBMERSIBLE TURBINE PUMPS
3. GALVANIZED METAL PIPING
4. INCOMPATIBLE HOSES
 - * PRODUCT HOSE
 - * JUMPER HOSE
5. INCOMPATIBLE SEALANT/PIPE DOPE

COMPONENT UPGRADES

NOZZLES

EMCO WHEATON A4001, A4005, AND OPW 11VF-4297 VAPOR RECOVERY NOZZLES TO BE REPLACED BY ELECTROLESS NICKEL PLATED VERSIONS OF THE SAME MODEL NOZZLES.

VAPOR VALVES/COAXIAL ADAPTERS

EMCO WHEATON A226 AND A227 VAPOR VALVES TO BE REPLACED WITH EITHER EMCO WHEATON A4041-003, A4041-004, OR A4042-002 ELECTROLESS NICKEL PLATED COAXIAL ADAPTERS.

OPW 38CS-0380 COAXIAL ADAPTER TO BE RELACED WITH ELECTROLESS NICKEL PLATED VERSIONS OF THE SAME MODEL ADAPTER.

BREAKAWAYS

EMCO WHEATON A4019-003 AND OPW 66CL-0250 BREAKAWAYS TO BE REPLACED WITH ELECTROLESS NICKEL PLATED VERSION OF THE SAME MODEL BREAKAWAYS.

DISPENSER FILTER HOUSINGS/MOUNTS

ENSURE THAT THE FOLLOWING FILTER HOUSINGS OR SPIN-ON MOUNTS ARE USED:

FILTER HOUSINGS

AMF CUNO 1B1

AMF CUNO 1B2

SPIN-ON FILTER MOUNTS

CIM-TEK 50016

CIM-TEK 50017

CIM-TEK 50018

DISPENSER FILTERS

CIM-TEK 70025B (SPIN-ON)

CIM-TEK (1B1 & 1B2 INSERTS)

PRODUCT HOSE

PRODUCT HOSES TO BE GOODYEAR MAXXIM M85 COMPATIBLE HOSE
(W/RC58P602 TUBE COMPOUND)

JUMPER HOSE

HARD PIPE W/BLACK IRON OR USE GOODYEAR 24" XLPE FABCHEM HOSE WITH MxM ROSTER
FITTINGS

CONSTRUCTION QUALITY ASSURANCE

- * **M85 FUELING EQUIPMENT LIST SHOULD BE REVIEWED BY THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL PRIOR TO PROCUREMENT**
- * **EQUIPMENT SHOULD BE INSPECTED UPON RECEIPT TO ENSURE THAT IT'S THE SPECIFIC EQUIPMENT THAT WAS ORDERED**
- * **PRIOR TO ASSEMBLY OF THE SYSTEM THE SEALANT FOR THE FITTINGS SHOULD BE VERIFIED FOR M85 COMPATIBILITY**
- * **AFTER INSTALLATION, FUELING EQUIPMENT SHOULD BE VISUALLY AND PRESSURE TESTED FOR POSSIBLE LINE LEAKS**
- * **PRODUCT HOSE SHOULD BE SOAKED FOR A MINIMUM OF TWENTY-FOUR HOURS IN M85 TO LEACH OUT PLASTISIZERS PRIOR TO INSTALLATION**
- * **FUEL SAMPLES SHOULD BE TAKEN FOR VISUAL INSPECTION OF POSSIBLE PARTICULATE MATTER**

CONCLUSIONS

- * BASED UPON AVERAGE TEST RESULTS, M85 FUEL QUALITY MEETS ARB SPECIFICATIONS.
- * HOWEVER, PARTICULATE LEVELS NEED TO BE REDUCED.
- * THERE MAY BE A CORROSION-TYPE PHENOMENA THAT MAY BE OCCURRING BOTH IN THE NOZZLE AND IN THE DISPENSER.
- * CONDUCTIVITY MAY BE A USEFUL INDICATOR OF POTENTIAL CONTAMINATION.
- * PROTECTING OR ISOLATING ALUMINUM PARTS THAT ARE IN CONTACT WITH M85 AND THE USE OF M85 COMPATIBLE HOSES ARE REQUIRED.
- * RESEARCH NEEDS TO BE DONE ON THE SEALANT WHICH SHOULD BE USED ON THE DISPENSER AND PRODUCT LINE FITTINGS. THIS INFORMATION SHOULD BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE MAINTENANCE STAFF IN THE FIELD.

SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS AND SPEAKER RESPONSES

MAINTAINING FUEL QUALITY CALIFORNIA METHANOL EXPERIENCE

D. Fong, California Energy Commission

Q. Norval Horner, Amoco Canada: What is the cost of a methanol filling station?

A. CEC contributes 35 to 40 thousand dollars for the equipment that goes into a station. The oil company adds another 30 to 40 thousand dollars in engineering, design, and construction, and they are committed to operate and maintain the facility for ten years.

Q. Anonymous: Could you comment on the plan to have 2,500 new methanol outlets across the U.S.?

A. I do not have all the details, but a major supplier is ready to make methanol available where needed, on their own or through other marketers. The fleet operators are asking for more M85 stations. The oil companies should be glad to hear this if there will be more vehicles to increase fuel demand and station throughput.

We believe that there could be 20,000 flexible fuel vehicles in California in the next 2 to 3 years. A regulation by CARB would require additional fueling sites in California with emphasis in the South Coast Air Basin.

SESSION 4: INFRASTRUCTURE ISSUES

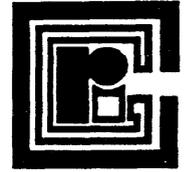
Chair: Paul Wuebben, SCAQMD

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**MICROPROCESSOR CONTROL OF
NATURAL GAS VEHICLE FAST FILLS**

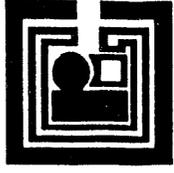
**J.Y. Guttman
Canadian Gas Research Institute**

Objective of CGRI Work



- **To provide fast fills to NGVs**
 - Refueling in two minutes or less
 - Operation analogous to gasoline refueling

Conventional Technology



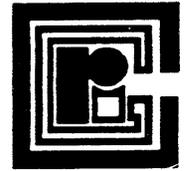
- **Mechanical dome load valve stops fill by creating zero pressure drop between dispenser and vehicle fuel tank toward end of fill**
 - Prolonged fills
 - Very large range of flow rates during the fill
 - Difficulty in accurate metering

Fundamentals of CGRI Approach



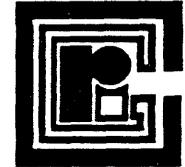
- Mechanical dome load valve replaced using microprocessor technology
- Utilizes a mathematical algorithm developed by CGRI
- Sensors are placed entirely in the dispenser cabinet
- No sensors are attached to the vehicle since no vehicle information is required
- Automatic compensation for different flow path properties and different vehicle storage volumes

How Does It Work?



- **Microprocessor receives sensor inputs and utilizes algorithm to estimate current vehicle fuel tank pressure 60 times per second**
 - Flow of gas monitored by micro motion meter
 - Gas pressure in dispenser
 - Gas and ambient temperatures
- **Microprocessor contains pre-programmed information on maximum allowable vehicle fuel pressure**
- **Microprocessor instantaneously closes main valve to stop fill when estimated vehicle pressure reaches allowable maximum**

Test Conditions



- All mechanical dome load valves must be removed from the system in order to observe and evaluate the CGRI technology
- Ten fills correctly stopped out of twelve documented test fills
- Mathematical algorithm confirmed since random stopping of fill would unlikely be correct ten time out of twelve
- Failures related to human error

Field Use



- **Field tested by CGRI for one year, filling gas utility company vehicles at a company depot**
- **Extensive laboratory testing and field use by a second gas utility company in Canada**
- **Brief opportunity to test at a public filling station**
- **Installed at a public filling station in the U.S.**
- **Technology licensed to a manufacturer and is commercially available**

Benefits of CGRI Technology

- Better protection against overfills
- Eliminates restrictions to obtain faster fills
- More accurate fills for greater travel range
- Eliminates maintenance of mechanical valves



Summary



- **Based on the available data, the CGRI technology works well**
- **Mechanical dome load valves can be completely eliminated from the dispensing system**
- **The CGRI technology can provide control of all storage and dispenser functions**

MICROPROCESSOR CONTROL OF NATURAL GAS VEHICLE FAST FILLS

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Full consumer acceptance of natural gas as a motor vehicle fuel requires availability of a convenient and efficient "fast fill" procedure at public filling stations. Therefore, the natural gas fast fill time must be no greater than the gasoline refuelling time, i.e., less than two minutes for the typical passenger car or light truck. The natural gas vehicle must receive the maximum safe amount of fuel, for maximum range, without danger of overfilling.

The Fast Fill

Mass of fuel dispensed is not a direct indicator of the correct point at which to stop the fill. Mass of fuel is proportional to volume of on-board storage, which varies from vehicle to vehicle.

The maximum safe amount of fuel in the on-board storage is typically defined by regulatory agencies in terms of a maximum allowable pressure at a given temperature. In Canada, the maximum allowable pressure is 20.8 MPa absolute (3,000 psig) at 21.1°C (70°F). Over the year, outdoor temperatures in various parts of Canada range from -50°C to +40°C. The vehicle has been filled correctly if the pressure in the fuel tank would "settle" at 20.8 MPa if the vehicle were held indefinitely in a 21.1°C environment.

The primary factor in knowing when to stop the fill is vehicle fuel tank pressure. Temperature is less clear-cut; the temperature in the tank at the end of the fill is a function of initial and final tank pressures, as well as outdoor temperature, gas supply temperature, and fill time.

The requirement to fill in under two minutes means that flow rate must be high throughout the fill. For flow rate to be high, the driving force for flow must be high. Therefore, the pressure drop between the dispenser and the interior of the vehicle fuel tank must be significant throughout the fill. The pressure in the vehicle fuel tank during the fill is not known, complicating determination of when to stop the fill.

Drawbacks of Current Technology

Many dispensers utilize the dome load valve with a reference cylinder in order to stop fills at approximately the correct point. The dome load valve is located in the dispenser and can only sense the dispenser pressure rather than the vehicle fuel tank pressure. With the dome load valve, the correct final vehicle pressure is achieved essentially by equalization between the dispenser and the vehicle fuel tank. The result is very low flow rates toward the end of the fill.

The dome load valve is generally restrictive and, as a result, flow rates are lower than necessary throughout the fill. The dome load system is not readily able to account for the temperature increase in the vehicle tank during the fill. To ensure safety, most vehicles are, therefore, underfilled and driving range is reduced.

CGRI Microprocessor System

Canadian Gas Research Institute (CGRI) has developed a microprocessor-based system which resolves these problems. The CGRI system has been field-tested with excellent results and is available commercially.

The main points concerning the CGRI technology are the following:

- The system utilizes a proprietary mathematical algorithm developed by CGRI. The mathematical model is programmed into the microprocessor which is installed within the dispenser cabinet.
- The microprocessor receives inputs from the flow meter, from flowing gas pressure, and temperature sensors installed within the dispenser cabinet. There is also an input related to outdoor temperature.

- The CGRI system can be installed in new dispensers during manufacture or can be retrofitted to existing dispensers after removal of the dome load valve.
- The CGRI system does not require knowledge of the total volume of on-board storage. The CGRI system automatically compensates for different values of flow resistance due to different types of fittings and different tubing sizes on different vehicles.
- There is no mechanical equipment in the flow path, other than the main on-off valve within the dispenser cabinet. On the basis of the mathematical model, and using initial and current flow information, the microprocessor, typically 60 times per minute during the fill, prepares an estimate of current vehicle fuel tank pressure. When the estimated pressure reaches a pre-programmed value, the microprocessor instantaneously closes the on-off valve to stop the fill. The preprogrammed pressure values take account of the temperature increase in the tank during the fill.

Test Results

Consider a vehicle tank which contains 10 kg of fuel when the fuel tank internal pressure and temperature are 20.8 MPa and 21.1°C. On a cold day the correct final vehicle fuel tank pressure may be only 18 MPa in order to have 10 kg of fuel in the tank at the end of the fill.

The most straightforward test of the CGRI system is carried out during cold weather, when the correct final vehicle fuel tank pressure is well below the supply pressure. Under these conditions, observers can readily satisfy themselves that fills are stopped by the action of the CGRI system, rather than by equalization.

Also, the dome load valve must be removed from a dispenser in which the CGRI system is installed for test purposes. Otherwise, it is impossible to determine whether the CGRI system is working properly or not.

Two typical tests were carried out on January 16, 1990. These tests were performed with the commercial version of the CGRI system, installed at a public filling station in Mississauga, Ontario. The outdoor temperature was 4°C and at this temperature the pre-programmed pressure at which the CGRI system is supposed to stop the fill is 19.50 MPa (2815 psig).

In both fills, vehicle fuel tank pressure immediately after cessation of flow was 19.40 MPa (2800 psig). The dispenser pressure was observed continuously during the fills. The dispenser pressure toward the end of the fill was 21.47 MPa (3100 psig) in the first case and 20.78 MPa (3000 psig) in the second. Therefore the fills were correctly stopped by the CGRI microprocessor-based system, rather than by pressure equalization between the supply and the vehicle fuel tank. Flow rate was also observed to be substantial right up to the instant of the closing of the ball valve.

A further twelve documented fills resulted in ten correct fills and two underfills due most likely to human error. The mathematical algorithm is therefore confirmed since random stopping of fill would unlikely be correct ten times out of twelve.

The CGRI fast fill technology was field tested for one year at a gas utility company fuelling station for company vehicles. Extensive laboratory testing and field use of the system was carried out by a second gas utility company in Canada. There was also a brief opportunity to test the technology at a public filling station in Canada and another is installed in the U.S. The technology is licensed to a Canadian manufacturer and is commercially available.

Summary

The CGRI fast fill technology can completely eliminate the mechanical dome load valves, provide better protection against overfills, and obtain significantly faster and more complete fills of natural gas vehicles.

**SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS
AND SPEAKER RESPONSES**

MICROPROCESSOR CONTROL OF NATURAL GAS VEHICLE FAST FILLS

J.Y. Guttman, Canadian Gas Research Institute

- Q. Anonymous: Will the system overpressure a tank slightly to compensate for cooling to 70°F after the tank is filled?
- A. The microprocessor is temperature compensated so that calculations will predict the final pressure and temperature.
- Q. William Liss, Gas Research Institute: Do Canadian regulations allow electronic replacement for mechanical devices?
- A. Yes, the microprocessor-based technology has been accepted and eliminated the need for dome load valves.

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**INFRASTRUCTURE ISSUES FROM THE RETAILERS'
PERSPECTIVE - PANEL DISCUSSION**

Panel Moderator: Paul Wuebben

**ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION FUEL IMPLEMENTATION
ISSUES - CALIFORNIA PERSPECTIVE**

**D. Fong
California Energy Commission**

TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

- * ENGINE AND COMPONENT DURABILITY

- * Fuel Systems
- * Emission Control Systems

- * FUEL STORAGE AND DISPENSING SYSTEMS

- * Materials Compatibility
- * Vehicle/Fueling System Interface

- * LUBRICANTS/ADDITIVES

- * Oils
- * Fuel Additives

INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

- ★ **FUEL AVAILABILITY**

- ★ **Number of Fueling Sites**
- ★ **Location**
- ★ **Supply and Distribution**

- ★ **FUEL TRANSACTIONS**

- ★ **Access Control**
- ★ **Payment**

- ★ **REGULATORY CONSTRAINTS**

- ★ **Local Authorizations (Permits)**
- ★ **State Certifications for Equipment**

- ★ **MAINTENANCE SUPPORT**

- ★ **Vehicles**
- ★ **Fuel Distribution Systems**

- ★ **SPECIFICATIONS**

- ★ **Fuel**
- ★ **Equipment**

MARKET DEVELOPMENT

- * **EDUCATION**
 - * Consumers
 - * Retailers
 - * Mass Media

- * **PRODUCT AVAILABILITY**
 - * Vehicle Types/Models

- * **MARKET PENETRATION**
 - * Consumer Targets
 - * Timing

COST REDUCTION

- * **INCENTIVES**
 - * Technology Development
 - * Regulatory
 - * Marketing

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METHONAL FUEL INFRASTRUCTURE OVERVIEW

**J. Spacek
Canadian Oxygenated Fuels Association**

Canadian Oxygenated Fuels Association

COFA is a Methanol Fuel Industry Association.

Formed in 1984 by:

- ◆ **Celanese Canada Inc.;**
- ◆ **Methanex Corporation; and**
- ◆ **Novacor Chemicals Ltd.**

COFA's Objective is to Promote the Responsible Use of Methanol as a Transportation Fuel.

Light Duty Vehicle Program **(to March 31, 1993)**

Program initiated in February 1991

- ◆ 11 vehicles (pre-production)
- ◆ 4 service stations

Program amended in January 1992

- ◆ 136 vehicle (production)
- ◆ 11 pre-production LH vehicles
- ◆ 5 service stations
- ◆ 6 portable stations

Amendment No. 2 August 1992

- ◆ dedicated project manager
- ◆ additional marketing resources

Proposed MLDVP (to March 31, 1994)

Program Activities

- ◆ continue dedicated project manager
- ◆ fuel quality monitoring program
- ◆ vehicle marketing and promotions program
- ◆ station program

Targets

of stations

	<u>Current</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>Total</u>
Toronto	2	6	8
Vancouver	1	3	4
Calgary	1	2	3
Kitimat	-	1	1
Medicine Hat	-	1	1
Kamloops	1	-	1
TOTAL	5	13	18

Refuelling Infrastructure Summary

Transit Installations

- ◆ Medicine Hat Transit;
- ◆ Winnipeg Transit; and
- ◆ Transit Windsor.

Service Station Installations

- ◆ Toronto, Ontario (Sunoco)
- ◆ Calgary, Alberta (Robertson/Mohawk)
- ◆ Kamloops, B.C. (Mohawk)
- ◆ Burnaby, B.C. (Mohawk)

Portable Refuelling Stations

- ◆ Clemmer Steel Tank Assemblies

Transit Installations

Overview

- ◆ Typically a Red Jacket submersible pump;
- ◆ 10,000 gallon steel double-walled under-ground tank;
- ◆ GasBoy island dispenser rated at 40 gallon/minute;
- ◆ Emco-Wheaton dry-brake nozzle;
- ◆ RPCO 559N hose;
- ◆ 5 micron Micro-Wind cartridge filters; and
- ◆ vacuum monitoring with alarm system.

Transit Installations

Cost (Based on Transit Windsor 1991)

Equipment

Tankage	\$ 18,700	
Card Tool	\$ 1,750	
Pump/Dispenser	<u>\$ 13,200</u>	
	\$ 33,750	\$33,750

Installation

Installation Contract*	\$22,500	
Inspection	\$ 1,000	
Insurance	\$ 1,250	
Freight	\$ 1,000	
Engineering Fees	<u>\$10,000</u>	
	\$35,750	\$35,750

Other

Engineering Mark-Up	\$ 6,000	
Goods & Services Tax	<u>\$ 6,000</u>	
	\$12,000	<u>\$12,000</u>

TOTAL		<u>\$81,500</u>
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* Includes contractor supplied materials

Service Station Installations

- Two Approaches:
1. M85 Installation
 2. M100 With Pump Blending

M85 Installations

- ◆ Various dispenser/pump brands used including:
 - ▶ Red Jacket
 - ▶ GasBoy; and
 - ▶ Bennett
- ◆ Both steel and fibreglass tankage used;
- ◆ Hoses now standardized to cross-linked polyethylene with nickel plated swivels;
- ◆ Nozzles are OPW nickel-plated aluminum;
- ◆ 1 micron Cim-tek spin-on filters; and
- ◆ Vacuum monitoring with alarm system.

M85 Installation

Cost (Based on Calgary 1992)

Equipment

Tankage	\$ 8,000	
Dispenser	\$ 3,600	
Other	<u>\$ 7,000</u>	
	\$18,600	\$18,600

Installation

Contractor*	\$17,300	\$17,300
Permits/Engineering/ Signage**	\$14,100	<u>\$14,100</u>
TOTAL		<u>\$50,000</u>

* Includes submersible pump, cardlock and contractor supplied materials.

** Estimate.

Service Station Installations

M85 Pump Blending

- ◆ Wayne/Dresser electronic blending dispenser;
- ◆ Red Jacket submersible pump;
- ◆ Cross-linked polyethylene with nickel-plated swivels;
- ◆ OPW nickel-plated nozzle;
- ◆ 1 micron Cim-tek spin-on filters; and
- ◆ Vacuum monitoring with alarm system.

M85 Pump Blending Installation

Cost (Based on Toronto 1992)

Equipment

Tankage	\$11,700	
Dispenser	\$10,000	
Submersible Pump	\$ 1,800	
Other	<u>\$ 6,850</u>	
	\$30,350	\$30,350

Installation

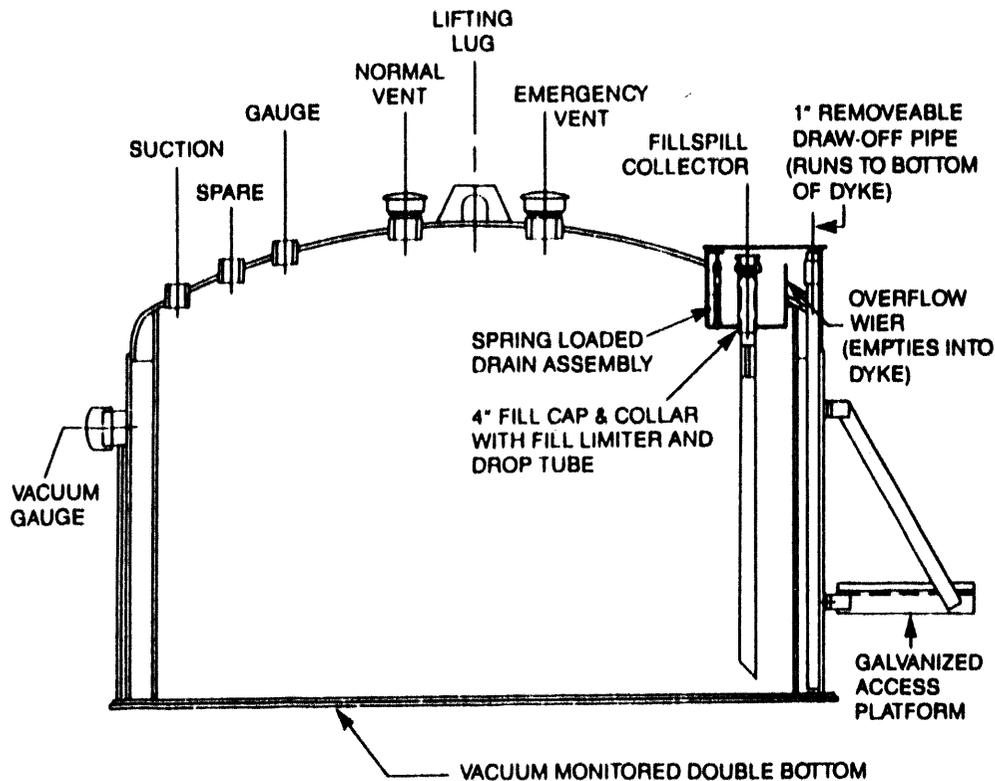
Contractor*	\$23,150	\$23,150
Permits/Engineering/Signage**		<u>\$16,500</u>
		<u>\$70,000</u>

* Includes contractor supplied materials.

** Estimate.

Fleet Installations

Clemmer Tank Diagram



- ◆ Methanol fuel portable station designed by Clemmer Industries;
- ◆ GasBoy commercial-use pump included; and
- ◆ Cost approximately \$6,000.

Field Experience: Regulatory Environment

"The only thing worse than a regulation is no regulation"

Fuel Safety Organizations

- ◆ not familiar with methanol fuel;
- ◆ deviation approach typically used; and
- ◆ more stringent requirements than gasoline.

Fire Code/Practice Organizations

- ◆ not familiar with methanol fuel;
- ◆ methanol fuel not in fire codes; and
- ◆ substantial education required to obtain permits.

Weights and Measures Organizations

- ◆ not familiar with methanol fuel; and
- ◆ pumps installed under "demonstration" approval.

Field Experience: Fuel Quality

Early installations provided steep learning curve:

- ◆ "Methanol compatible" hoses were not M85 compatible;
- ◆ "Methanol compatible" nozzles were not M85 compatible; and
- ◆ "Methanol compatible" pumps/dispensers were not M85 compatible;

COFA published Methanol Fuelling Systems Guide:

- ◆ recommends installation procedures; and
- ◆ lists infrastructure manufacturers offering/claiming methanol compatible equipment.

Continued

Fuel retailers involvement critical in:

- ◆ "auditing" methanol installations to ensure methanol compatible components used; and
- ◆ Monitoring fuel Quality.

Other:

- ◆ Stations with low fuel through-put exhibit higher levels of fuel contamination;
- ◆ Aluminum contamination highest priority.

Transit:

- ◆ Fuel quality not a concern
- ◆ Vehicle fuel system design pro-active

Lessons Learned

Be Pro-active

- ◆ methanol fuel education of regulatory bodies a must;
- ◆ network to ensure access to latest fuel infrastructure knowledge.

Be Specific

- ◆ identify specific methanol compatible components and manufacturers.

Be Patient

- ◆ allow for long regulatory approval period;
- ◆ be prepared to educate fuel retailers.

Be Watchful

- ◆ ensure aggressive fuel quality monitoring;
- ◆ ensure fuel installation is "audited" for methanol compatible materials.

Recommendations

Infrastructure

- ◆ Immediate Requirements For:
 - ▶ dispensing nozzle;
 - ▶ dispenser; and
 - ▶ hose.

- ◆ Investigate Temporary Refuelling Infrastructure:
 - ▶ above ground tankage with island pump
 - ▶ estimate \$15,000 - \$20,000

- ◆ Investigate Station Retrofit
 - ▶ clean steel tank;
 - ▶ replace components with methanol compatible; and
 - ▶ replace dispensing pump.
 - ▶ estimate \$15,000-\$20,00.

Continued

Government:Regulatory

- ◆ Accelerated Methanol Fuel Education of Regulatory Officials
- ◆ High Priority Needed on Placing Methanol Fuel into Regulatory Regime:
 - ▶ fuel specification
 - ▶ fire code
 - ▶ fuel safety

Government:Policy

- ◆ Government Leadership to Encourage Flexible Fuel Infrastructure;
 - ▶ development of service station infrastructure compatible with all liquid fuels;
 - ▶ encourage all tankage to be methanol compatible; and
 - ▶ encourage competition in market place.

Continued

- ◆ **M85 Service Station Financial Assistance:**
 - ▶ should be provided after evidence of quality fuel performance; and
 - ▶ should reward pump blending approach on strategic and cost effectiveness objectives.

Other Stakeholders:

- ◆ **Vehicle Manufacturers Address Accessible and Enhanced Fuel Filtering on Vehicles.**

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**INFRASTRUCTURE ISSUES FROM THE RETAILERS'
PERSPECTIVE - PANEL DISCUSSION**

Panel Moderator: Paul Wuebben

**PROPANE - INFRASTRUCTURE ISSUES FROM THE
RETAILERS' PERSPECTIVE**

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PROPANE - INFRASTRUCTURE ISSUES FROM THE RETAILERS PERSPECTIVE

PRESENTED TO THE
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9. PRICE AND CONCLUSIONS

*NOTATIONS BASED ON
ACTUAL DELIVERED UNIT
C.V. VERBODEN*

1. INTRODUCTION AND HISTORY

- . CINDERELLA FUEL - MOST POPULAR ALTERNATIVE FUEL IN CANADA AND U.S.
- . RAPID GROWTH IN CANADA IN THE 1980 TO 1993 PERIOD.
 - INCENTIVES ON CONVERSIONS (TO '84)
 - INCENTIVES ON ROAD TAXES (DECLINING)
- . IN 13 YEARS WE HAVE ACHIEVED:
 - 5000 AUTO PROPANE STATIONS IN CANADA
 - 170,000 PROPANE POWERED VEHICLES
 - 1.3 BILLION LITRES/YR SALES TO VEHICLES
 - ABOUT 4% OF GASOLINE'S SALES:
 - o NOTE HOLLAND HAS PROPANE AT 13.5% OF TOTAL TRANSPORT FUEL
- . GROWTH DUE TO PROPANES ADVANTAGES
 - ENERGY DENSITY 3/4 OF GASOLINE
 - OCTANE RATING OF 100+
 - NATIONAL PRODUCTION & PIPELINE INFRASTRUCTURE

MORE STATIONS THAN DIESEL

NOTE : CANADA IS A SIMILAR SIZE MARKET TO CALIFORNIA.

2. TYPICAL PROPANE AUTO FILL STATION

- . ADD-ON TO A GASOLINE STATION
- . USUALLY FULL SERVICE
 - SELF SERVE REQUIRES TRAINING
 - CARD LOCK OR KEY LOCK ALSO USED
- . TYPICAL TANK VOLUME, 2000 GAL.
- . SKID MOUNTED SELF CONTAINED DISPENSER
- . PROPANE IS STORED AND DISPENSED AS A LIQUID
- . SAFETY SYSTEMS AND TRAINED PERSONNEL
- . COST \$40,000 ALL-IN
- . DISTRIBUTOR USUALLY PROVIDES THE FACILITY AND THE PRODUCT. THE STATION OWNER GETS A GALLONAGE FIGURE.
- . CURRENT AVERAGE SALES = 200,000 LITRES/YR
- . COULD SELL 5 TIMES AS MUCH PER STATION (1,000,000 LITRES/YR)
PROPANE COULD BE WORKING HARDER YET

3. DESIGN

- . STANDARDIZED DESIGNS
- . CGA B149 CODE
- . PROPER TRAFFIC FLOW
- . DECIDE ON ATTENDED VS CARDLOCK APPROACH
- . USUAL LIGHTING/SIGNAGE ISSUES
- . USUALLY SKID MOUNTED - SIMPLE EQUIPMENT
- . STEEL TANK, STORAGE PUMP, CONTROLS AND POWER
 - 45 LPM DISPENSING RATE
- . SAFETY ASPECTS - COLLISION PROTECTION
 - INTERNAL SAFETY CONTROL VALVE
 - HIGH FLOW SHUT OFF
 - AUTOMATIC SHUT OFF ON HEAT

← MODEST PRESSURE
PROPANE STORES
AT UNDER
200 PSIA.

← SAME FILLING
TIME AS GASOLINE.

PERMITS

- . TANK AND OTHER EQUIPMENT MUST MEET A VARIETY OF STANDARDS AND CODES
 - IE. ASME, ELECTRICAL
- . VARIOUS APPROVALS REQUIRED (ZONING, BUILDING PERMIT, FIRE DEPARTMENT)
- . IN ONTARIO - REQUIRE A PROVINCIAL PROPANE TRANSFER FACILITY LICENCE
- . TYPICALLY REQUIRES 4 - 6 WEEKS OF TIME

4. CONSTRUCTION

- . SIMPLIFIED DUE TO STANDARDIZATION - SKID MOUNTED - ABOVE GROUND
- . REQUIRES ONLY POWER CONNECTIONS, FOUNDATIONS AND COLLISION PROTECTION
- . CONSTRUCTION NORMALLY TAKES 2 WEEKS
- . SITE INSPECTIONS - ELECTRICAL & FUEL SAFETY

OPERATION

- . NORMALLY ATTENDED VEHICLE INSPECTION STICKER REQUIRED
- . ALL ATTENDANTS RECEIVE PGAC 100-1 TRAINING
 - 900 CERTIFIED INSTRUCTORS IN CANADA
 - 14,000 PER YEAR ARE TRAINED
- . UNATTENDED, IE. CARDLOCK OPERATION, WE REQUIRE VEHICLE OPERATOR TO BE TRAINED
- . FILL TO 80% OF TANK TO ALLOW EXPANSION
 - HISTORICALLY USED A LIQUID LEVEL VALVE
 - NOW HAVE AN APPROVED AUTOMATIC "STOP FILL"
- . VAPOURS MINIMIZED DUE TO CLOSED SYSTEM
- . MINIMAL OPERATING COSTS - LOW POWER REQUIREMENTS

5. MAINTENANCE

- . PROPANE IS DELIVERED BY BULK VEHICLES
- . DISPENSING NOZZLES AND HOSE NEED THE MOST MAINTENANCE
- . PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE SCHEDULES ON BREAKAWAY COUPLERS, FILTERS, METERS AND PUMPS - SEMI ANNUAL OR ANNUAL

PRODUCT QUALITY

- . AUTO PROPANE, HD5 - NATIONAL STD OF CANADA
- . ALL PROPANE IN CANADA MADE TO THIS (SO IS ALL RETAIL PROPANE IN THE U.S.)
- . LIMITS ETHANE, BUTANE, SULPHUR, WATER AND OIL STAIN
- . POLYPROPYLENE LIMITED TO 5% (HURTS OCTANE RATING)
- . ODORANT ADDED
- . NO OXYGEN, INHERENTLY NON-CORROSIVE
- . CONSISTENT ACROSS NORTH AMERICA

SLIDES ON PROPANE LINE HAUL CARRIERS
DISTRIBUTION CENTRES, DELIVERY TRUCKS
RETAIL AND WHOLESALE STATIONS.

6. OEM PRESENCE

- . BUSINESS HISTORICALLY BASED ON CONVERSION FROM GASOLINE TO PROPANE.
- . DOING BETWEEN 15-20,000 CONVERSIONS/YR IN CANADA.
- . COST \$1800 BASIC PLUS \$400 TO ADAPT TO A CURRENT ENGINE FEEDBACK CONTROL.
- . GM AND FORD MAKE FACTORY PREPARED ENGINES DESIGNED FOR AFTERMARKET CONVERSION TO PROPANE.
- . FORD MEDIUM DUTY TRUCKS AVAILABLE FOR PROPANE FROM MANUFACTURER.
- . CHRYSLER \$4.25 MM JOINT INDUSTRY/GOV'T PROJECT TO BUILD A PROPANE AFV. GOAL IS VANS AND/OR LIGHT TRUCKS AVAILABLE IN 1995.

7. SUPPLY

- . PROPANE IS IN SURPLUS IN CANADA
 - CDN PRODUCTION IS 190,000 BBL/DAY
 - EXPORTS ARE APPROXIMATELY 50%

- . PROPANE IS IN BALANCE IN NORTH AMERICA
 - U.S. PRODUCTION OVER 900,000 BBL/DAY
 - PETCHEM DEMAND

- . FOR COMPARISON (U.S. PRODUCTION):
 - METHANOL - 78,000 BBL/DAY (8.5%)
 - ETHANOL - 52,000 BBL/DAY (6%)

WORLD METHANOL PRODUCTION = 460,000 BBL/DAY.

IE: THE U.S. PRODUCES 12 TIMES AS MUCH PROPANE AS IT DOES METHANOL!

THE U.S. ALONE PRODUCES 2 TIMES AS MUCH PROPANE AS THE ENTIRE WORLD PRODUCTION OF METHANOL!

PROPANE IS NOT THE WHOLE SOLUTION
SEE A LARGER ROLE FOR NATURAL GAS
AS WELL.

8. TRANSPORTATION & WHOLESALE INFRASTRUCTURE

- . THERE IS A NORTH AMERICAN WIDE PROPANE STORAGE AND DELIVERY STRUCTURE ALREADY IN PLACE.

- . IN CANADA:

- MAJOR TRANSCONTINENTAL PIPELINES IN PLACE FROM THE WEST TO ONTARIO. TARIFFS OF 1 - 2.4 CENTS/LITRE.
- PRODUCTION AT REFINERIES
- THE STORAGE, DISTRIBUTION TERMINALS, THE BULK TRUCKS ARE ALL IN PLACE.

- . IN THE U.S.A.:

- OVER 800 GAS PLANTS PRODUCE PROPANE
- THERE ARE 31 FRACTIONATORS
- 150 MILLION BARRELS OF STORAGE (C3)
- TWENTY FIVE STATES SERVED BY PIPELINE
- OTHERS SERVED BY INTERNAL REFINERY OR GAS PLANT PRODUCTION

OTHER LIQUID FUELS WOULD HAVE TO
 SPEND A STAGGERING SUM TO REPEAT
 THIS INFRASTRUCTURE

9. PRICE

- CURRENT SARNIA WHOLESALE PROPANE PRICE IS 11.6 CENTS/LITRE FOR PROPANE.
- CURRENT TORONTO PROPANE PUMP PRICE IS 29.9 CENTS/LITRE INCLUDING TAXES (APRIL 27, 1993).
- CURRENT TORONTO GASOLINE PUMP PRICE IS 53.6 CENTS/LITRE INCLUDING TAXES.
- CHECK FINANCIAL PAGES FOR PROPANE FUTURES AND UNLEADED GASOLINE FUTURES.
- ON A LEVEL PLAYING FIELD PROPANE CAN WIN ON ECONOMICS ALONE VS GASOLINE.

• ENERGY COMPARISON

$$\frac{\text{PROPANE LHV}}{\text{GASOLINE LHV}} = \frac{82,500}{114,000} = 72.4\%$$

(PER GALLON)

• ADJUSTED PRICE COMPARISON.

$$\frac{1.38 \text{ } \{ \text{PROPANE} \}}{1.0 \text{ } \{ \text{GASOLINE} \}} = \frac{41.2 \text{ } \{ \}}{53.6 \text{ } \{ \}}$$

- PROPANE ACTUALLY GETS BETTER MILEAGE THAN A STRAIGHT ENERGY CONVERSION WOULD IMPLY.

CONCLUSIONS

- PROPANE SUPPLY AND INFRASTRUCTURE WOULD ALLOW CANADA TO TRIPLE EXISTING AUTO PROPANE USE WITH VIRTUALLY NO INVESTMENT.
 - SAME IS TRUE IN THE U.S.
- OTHER LIQUID FUEL ALTERNATES REQUIRE:
 - MASSIVE INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT
 - MASSIVE INVESTMENT TO EXPAND SUPPLY
- PROPANE IS INEXPENSIVELY RETAILED
- MORE OEM INVOLVEMENT COMING.

SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS AND SPEAKER RESPONSES

PANEL DISCUSSION: INFRASTRUCTURE ISSUES FROM THE RETAILERS' PERSPECTIVE

Moderator: Paul Wuebben, SCAQMD

Panel Members:

Dan Fong, California Energy Commission
John Spacek, Canadian Oxygenated Fuels Association
Herbert Burnett, Southern California Gas Co.
Norval Horner, Amoco Canada

After short presentation by each panel member, questions were permitted. Panel member replies are identified by name below.

- Q. Paul Weubben, SCAQMD: What materials are used for methanol dispensing nozzles?**
- A. John Spacek, We have been through several iterations with nozzle materials. Nickel plated aluminum has been used for M85. Another choice for M100 was nickel plated brass or stainless steel. An all-steel version will also be tested this year.**
- Q. Paul Weubben, SCAQMD: Is there a concern for moisture in natural gas, especially in cold weather?**
- A. Herbert Burnett: There have been problems with freezing where water content has been above 0.5 pound per million SCF. We recommend filter-coalescers and dryers on the suction side of compressors and non-lubricated compressors to avoid oil contamination of the gas. We also encourage a vigorous testing program for contaminants.**
- Q. Joe Wagner, NYSERDA: What is the largest transit bus fueling facility?**
- A. Herbert Burnett: We have two facilities for buses that have 80 gallon equivalent tanks on board. Fueling time allowed is 10 minutes per bus. We deliver about 10 gallons per minute per hose to a temperature-compensated fill point of 3000 psi and 70oF within plus or minus 2 percent. Building the facility is about a 12-month process. Market development may take 2 to 3 months minimum. Design, procurement, and construction require 8 to 9 months. Permits can add another 2 to 3 months.**

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PANEL DISCUSSION: INFRASTRUCTURE ISSUES FROM THE RETAILERS' PERSPECTIVE

- Q. Anonymous: What type of drivers are used on natural gas compressors? And what are compression costs?
- A. Herbert Burnett: All of our compressors are electric-driven. Compression costs are about 30 cents per gallon, including power cost and other operating expenses.
- Q. Anonymous: What type of card system is used for access to methanol dispensing stations? Will this change in the future?
- A. Dan Fong: The oil companies each have their own cards. There may be a move to a single card for all seven companies. That would depend on increased demand to justify software development to use bank-type cards.
- Q. Anonymous: What use is made of mobile natural gas dispensing equipment?
- A. Herbert Burnett: We use mobile refueling systems as means to start a developing station. Customers typically start with a small portion of their fleet dedicated to natural gas. We can provide a cost effective systems with a portable trailer and a lower cost station without compression to provide up to 250 gallons per day.
- Q. Lois Bennett, General Motors: What actions are in progress to adopt standard connectors for refueling natural gas vehicles?
- A. Herbert Burnett: The American Gas Association committees are working on this subject. A draft document is expected by the end of 1993 that will incorporate overpressure protection for various type of fittings.

SESSION 5: NEW INITIATIVES IN R & D

Chair: Matthew Bol, Sypher:Mueller

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**DEVELOPMENT OF A PORT-INJECTED M100
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COLD STARTING MECHANISMS FOR S.I. ENGINES

Port-Injected Engine: Spark ignition of vaporized fuel

Spark Ignited DISC Engine: Spark vaporization/ignition
of liquid fuel droplets

PROVIDING FUEL VAPOUR AT -30°C

- < 10% of gasoline or M85 will vaporize at -30°C
- Injecting > 10 times the stoichiometric fuel quantity can enable starting
- > 90% of the fuel is wasted

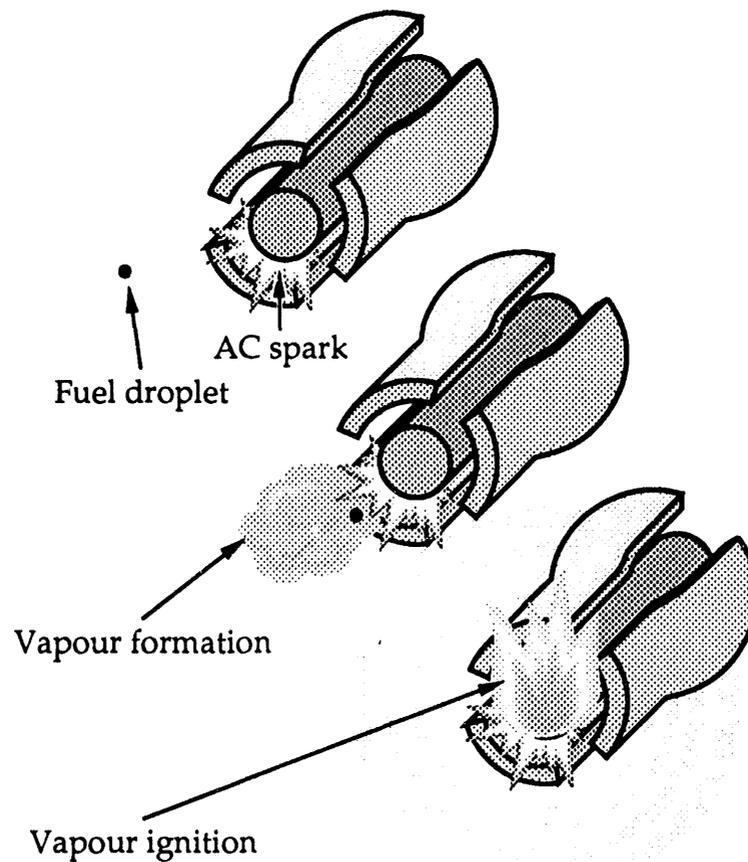
M85 EMISSIONS

"Formaldehyde emissions increase
in proportion to the amount of
mixture enrichment"

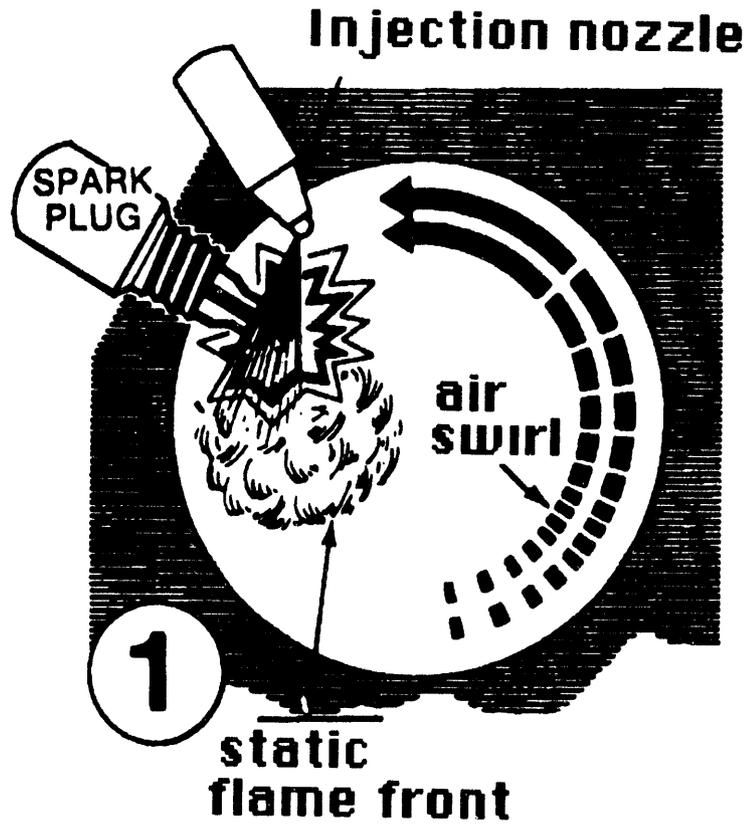
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M100 COLD STARTING

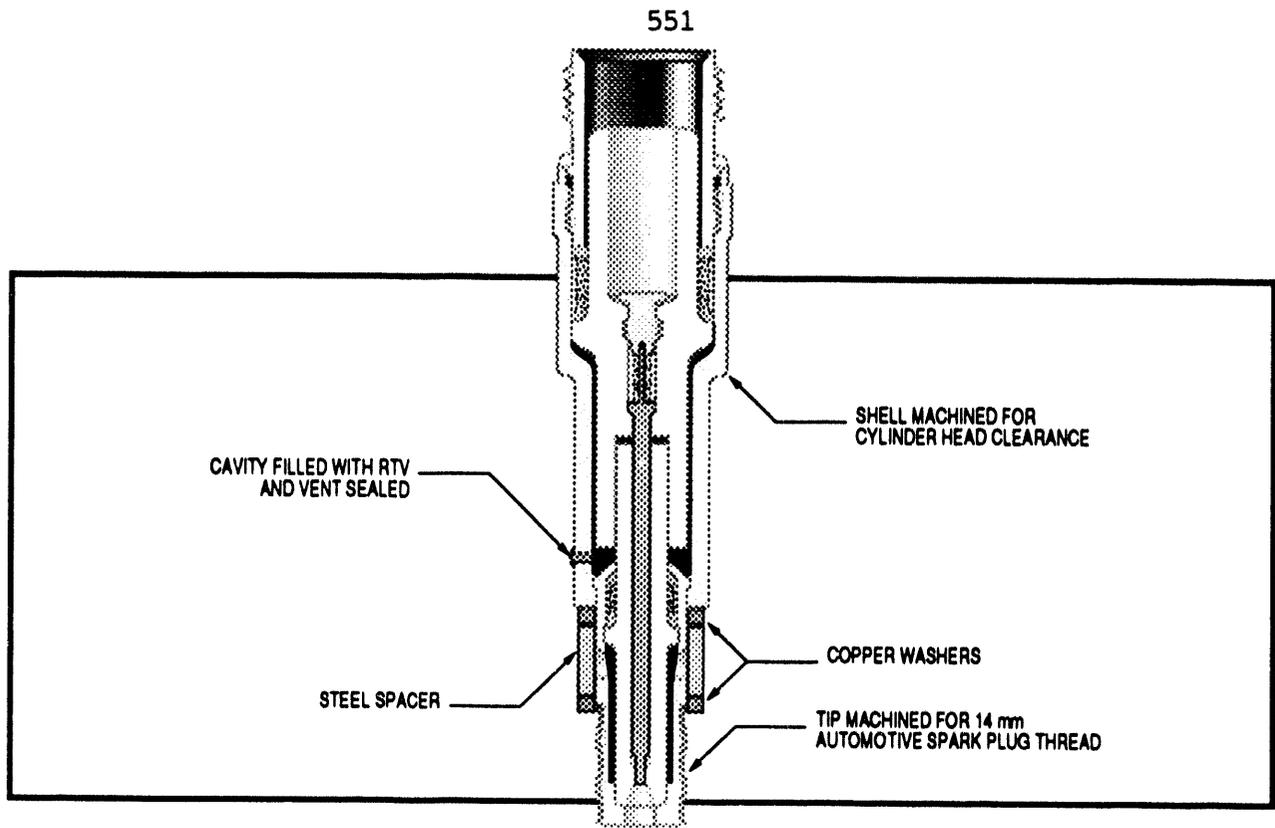
- M100 (neat methanol) contains no "light ends"
- Overfuelling is not effective for cold starting



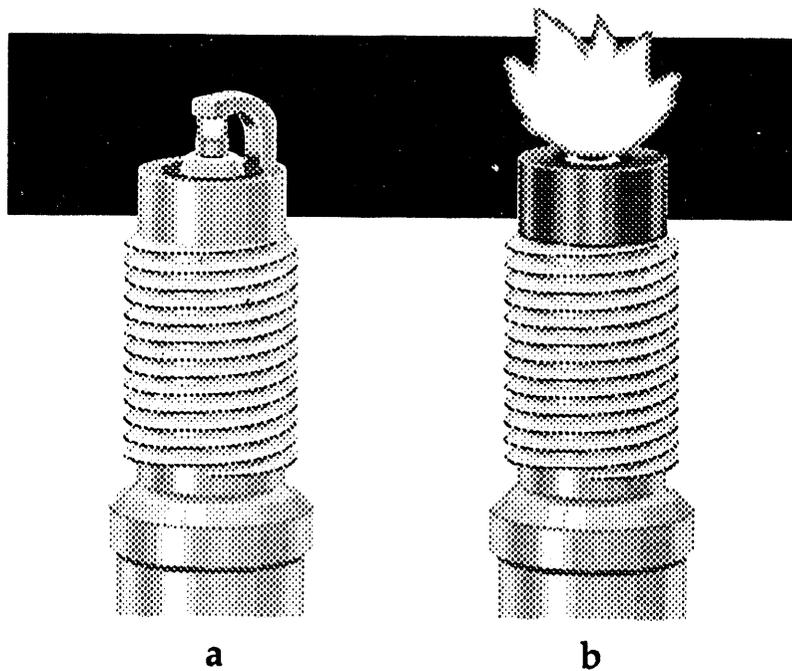
SPARK VAPORIZATION WITH THE DISC ENGINE (JORGENSEN, 1988)



SPRAY COMBUSTION IN THE DISC ENGINE (LEWIS, 1986)



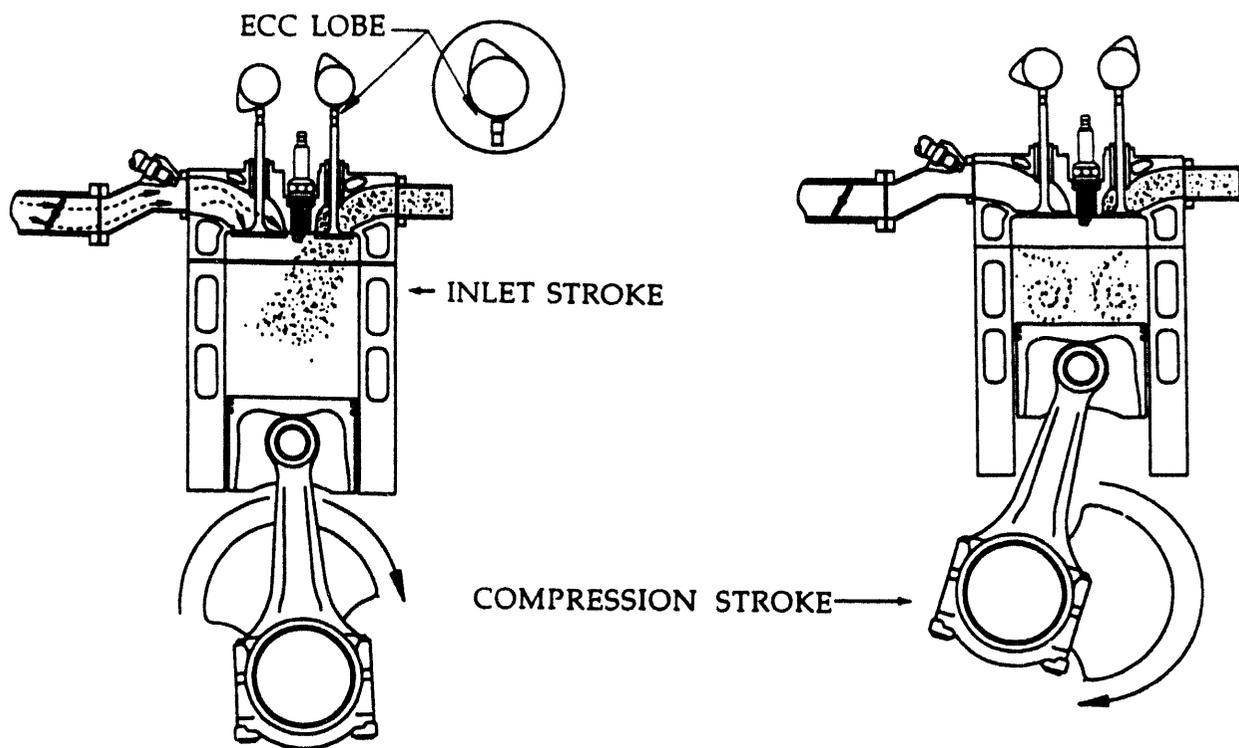
HIGH VOLTAGE RECESSED GAP IGNITOR



AIR-GAP SPARK PLUG (a) AND OPEN CAVITY PLASMA JET IGNITOR (b)

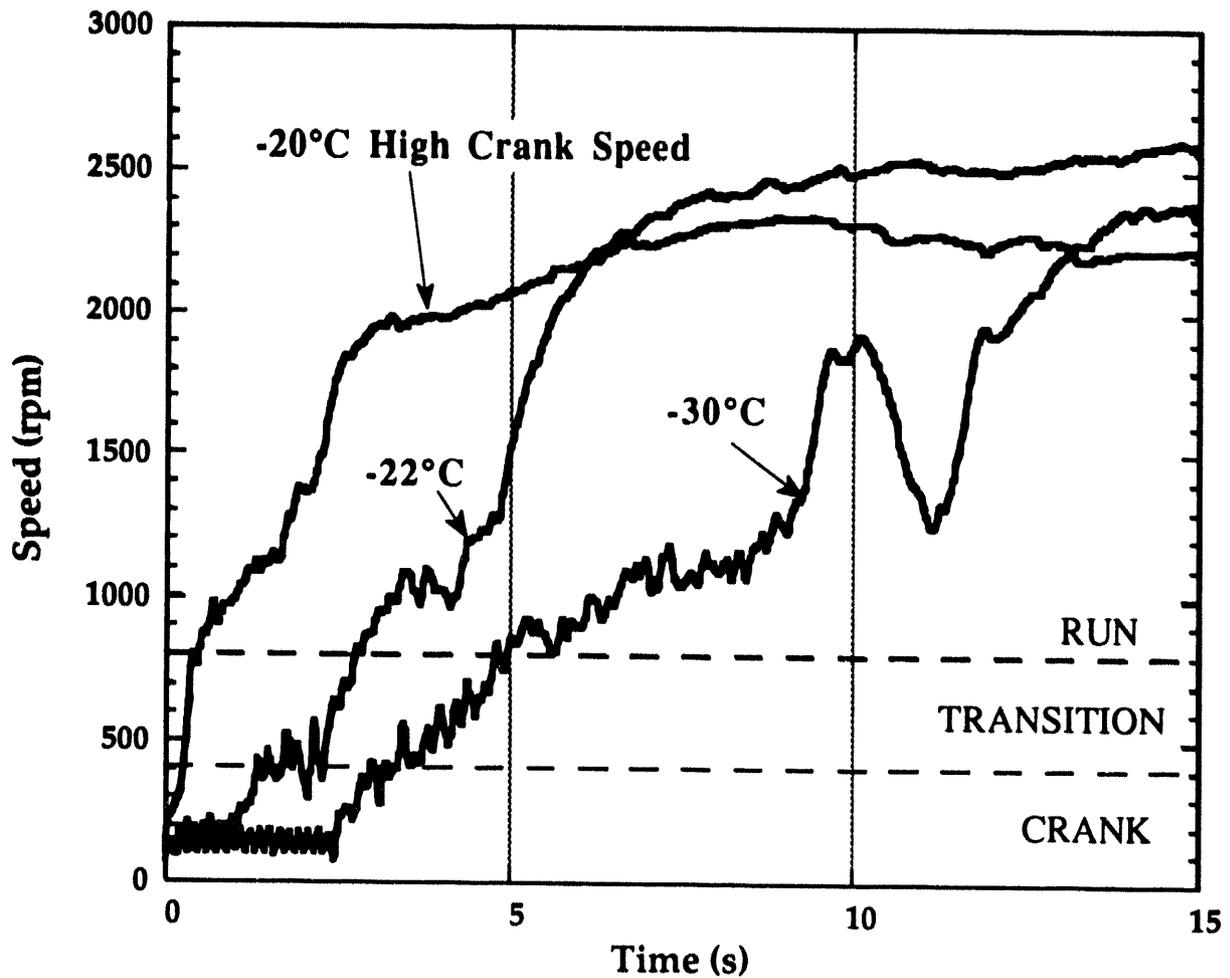
1. Plasma Jet Ignition (PJI)
2. Prompt EGR Using Exhaust Charged Cycle (ECC)

THE EXHAUST CHARGED CYCLE (ECC)

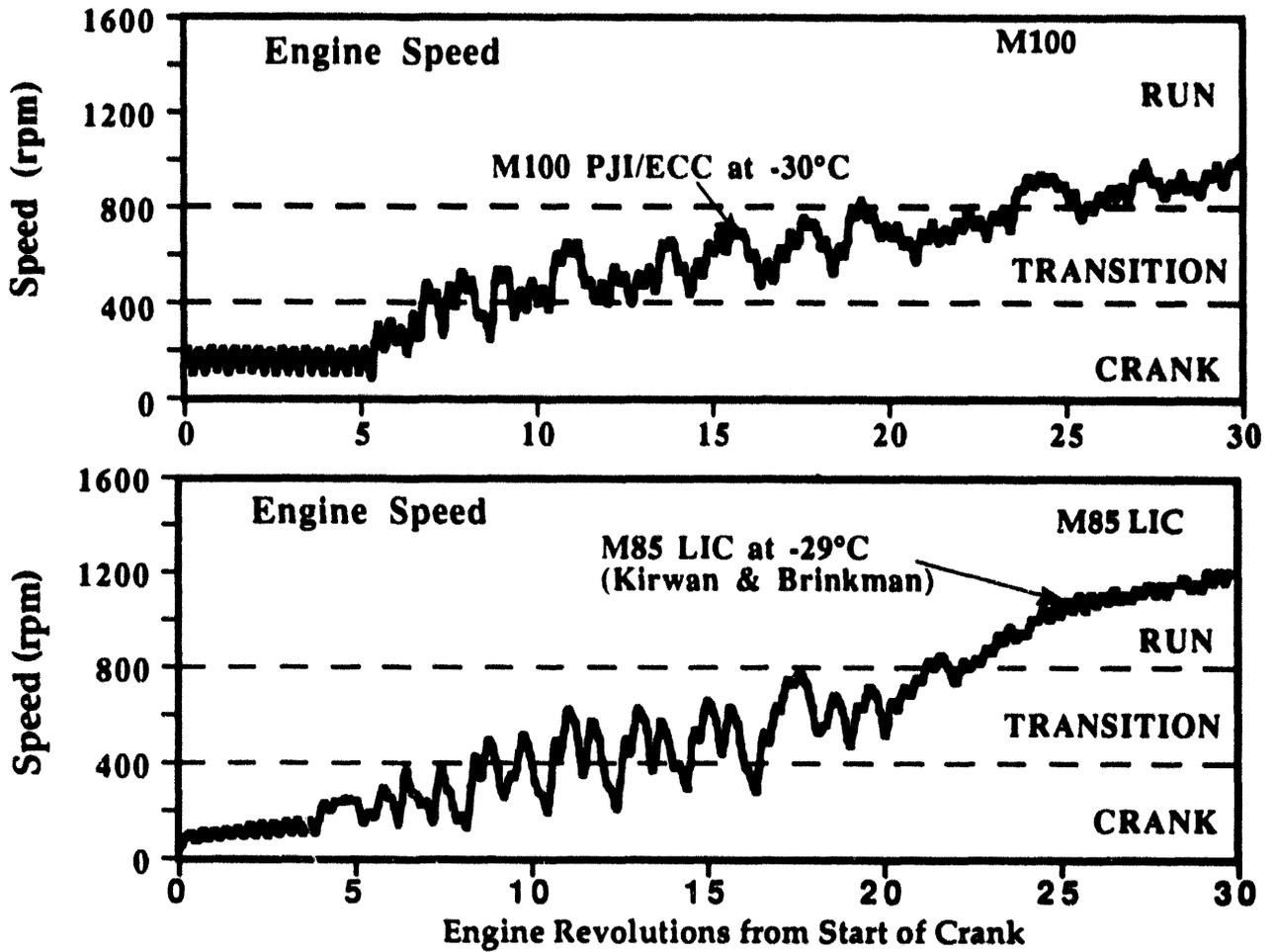


COLD STARTING HYPOTHESIS FOR PJI/ECC

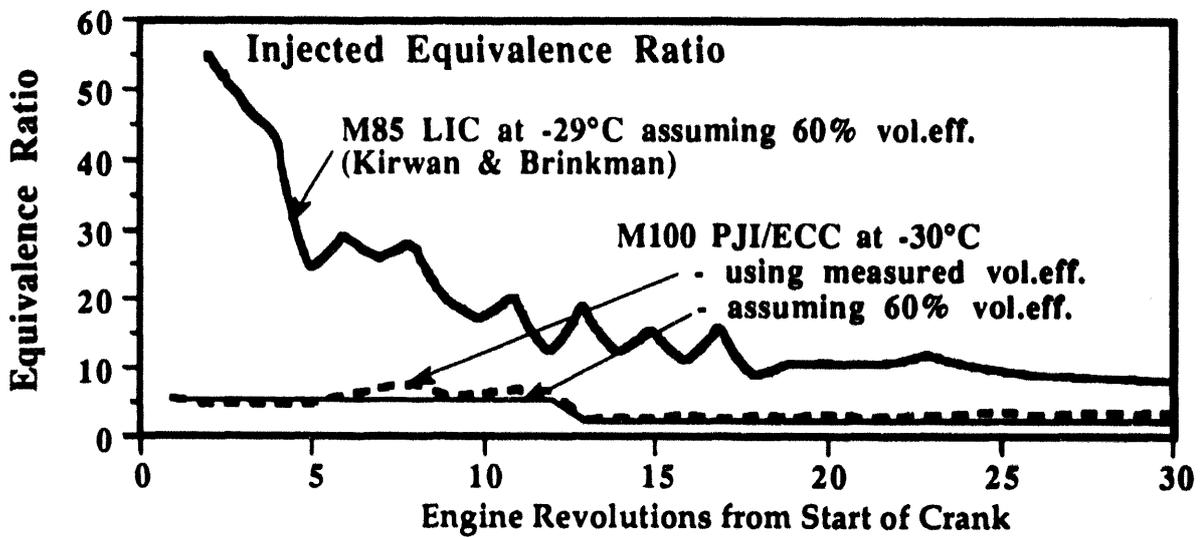
1. First fire achieved by PJI through spark vaporization mechanism
2. Transition to prevaporized combustion mode achieved by ECC through hot product recycle



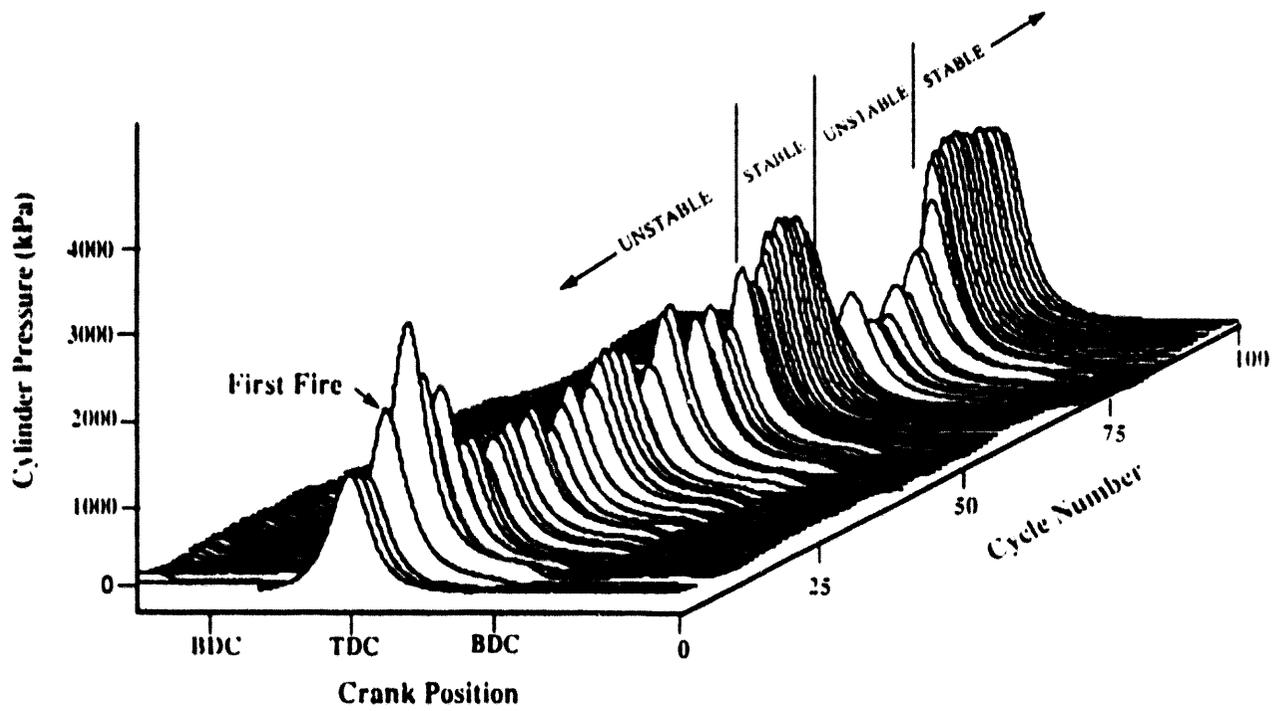
TIME TO RUN AND IDLE WITH M100 PJI/ECC



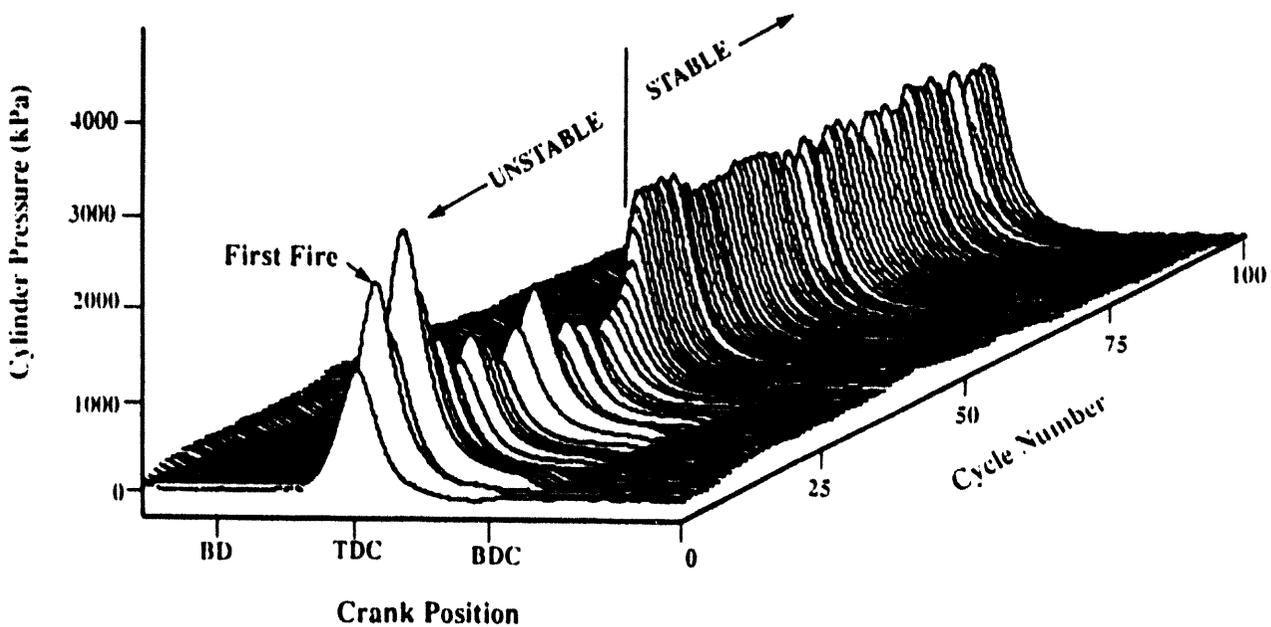
CRANK-TO-RUN BEHAVIOUR



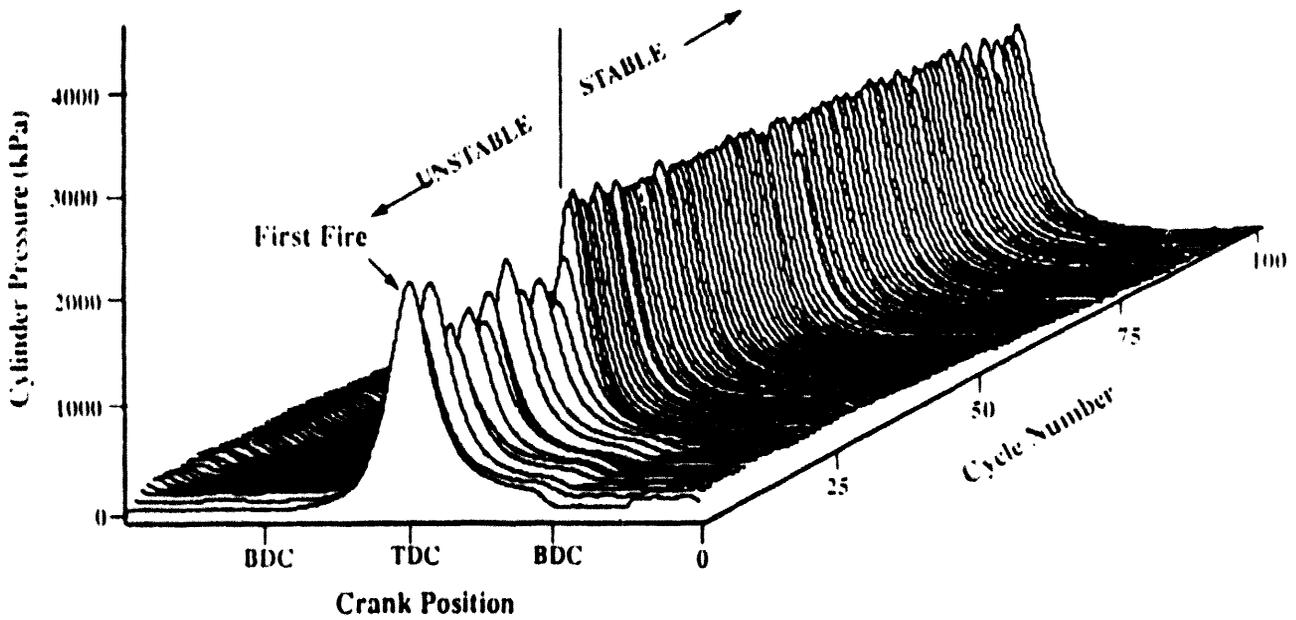
CRANKING EQUIVALENCE RATIO



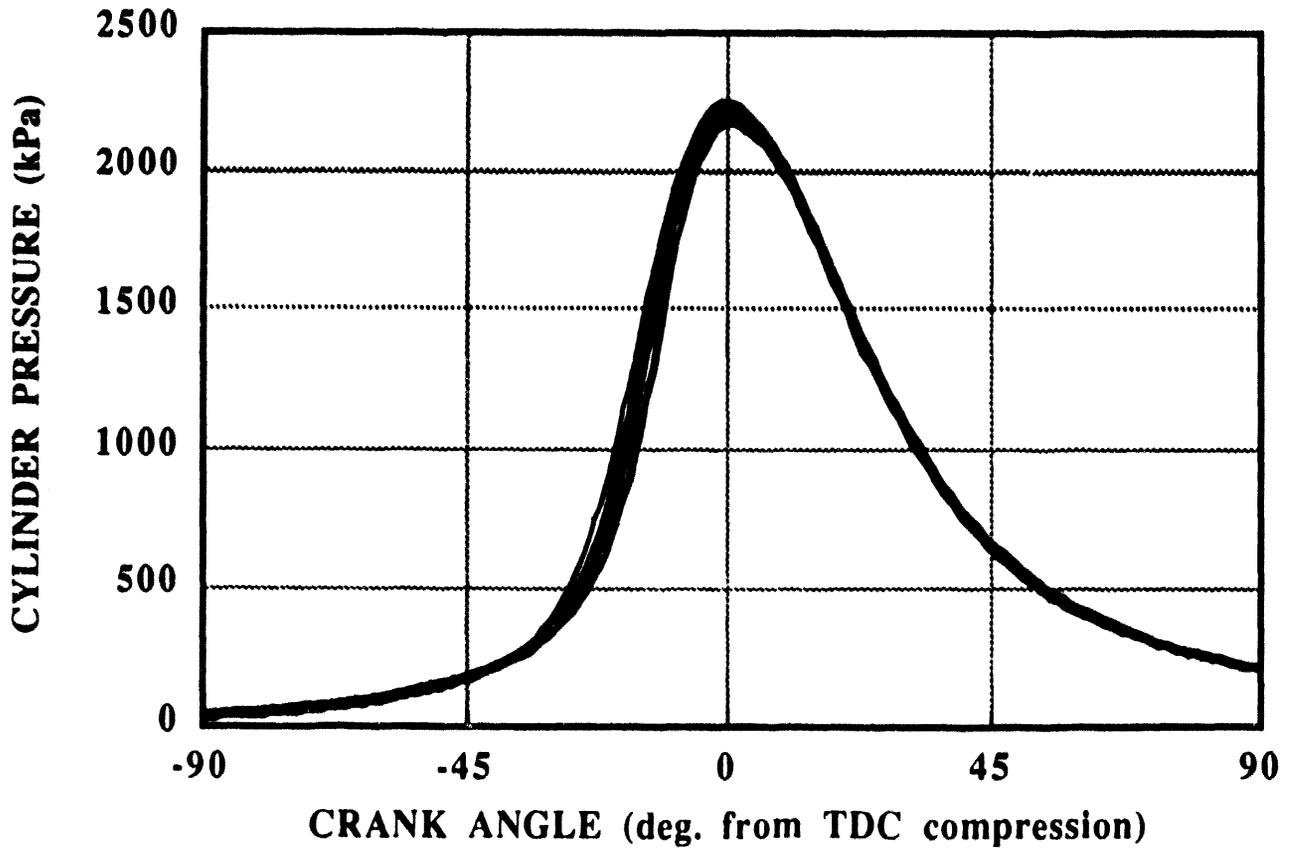
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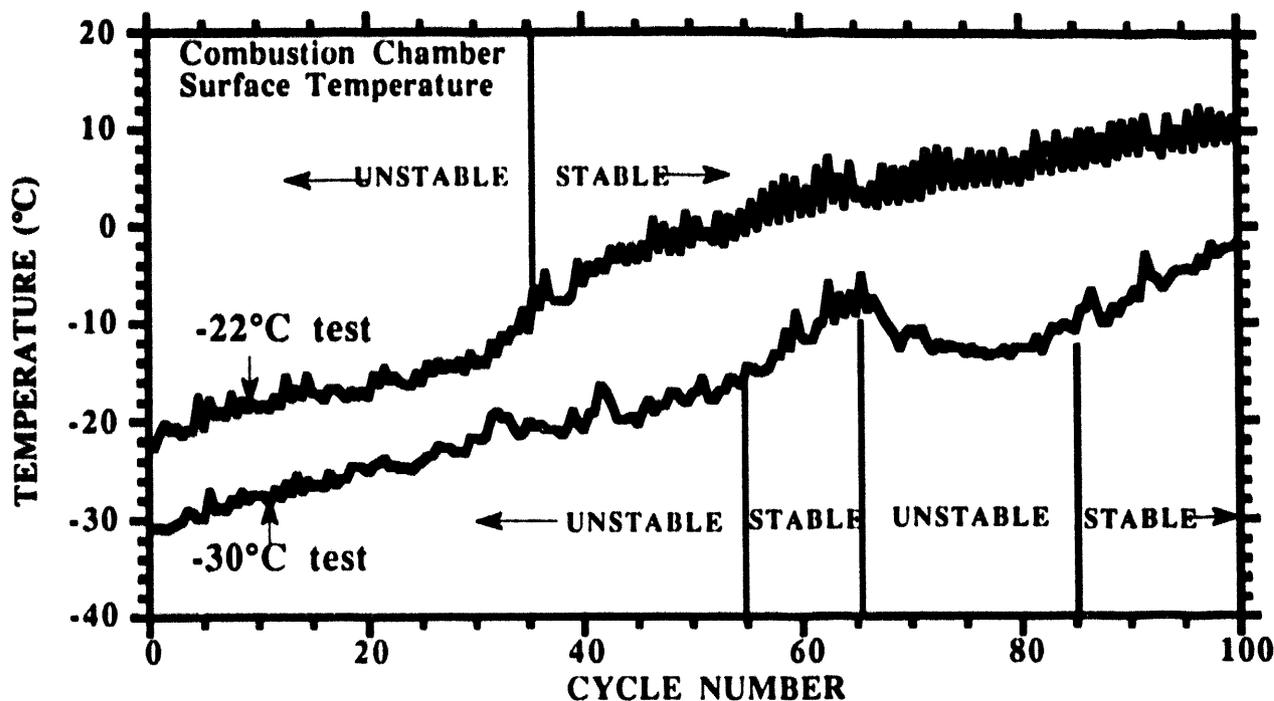
CYLINDER PRESSURE DATA FROM -22°C COLD START TEST



CYLINDER PRESSURE DATA FROM -20°C COLD START TEST WITH HIGH CRANKING SPEED



CONSECUTIVE CYCLES FROM STABLE RUNNING AFTER STARTING AT -20°C



ENGINE TEMPERATURE DATA FOR M100 PJI/ECC
COLD STARTING TESTS AT -30°C AND -22°C

CONCLUSIONS

1. Proof of concept performance: Cold starting at -30°C, 5s crank-to-run.
2. Cold starting performance compares favourably to M85 blends using full boiling range gasoline.
3. Fuel/air equivalence ratios required for cold starting are 10-30% of typical M85 values.
4. Exceptionally good combustion stability achieved following sub-zero cold starts.

WORK IN PROGRESS

1. Use of external EGR to reduce fuel consumption.
2. Use of Plasma Jet Ignition and Prompt EGR to increase tolerance to external EGR.

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Ontario, V. Battista, Transport Canada, Ottawa, Ontario**

- Q. Robert Siewert, General Motors: Have you tried to start using the plasma jet only without the prompt EGR?**
- A. Experiments at the University of Alberta tested with the plasma jet only and managed to start the engine at minus 15oC. They had to crank longer than we like to do, and it did not run smoothly. We began our work with prompt EGR on gasoline and on methanol; the plasma jet was added later.**

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VISIBILITY OF METHANOL POOL FLAMES

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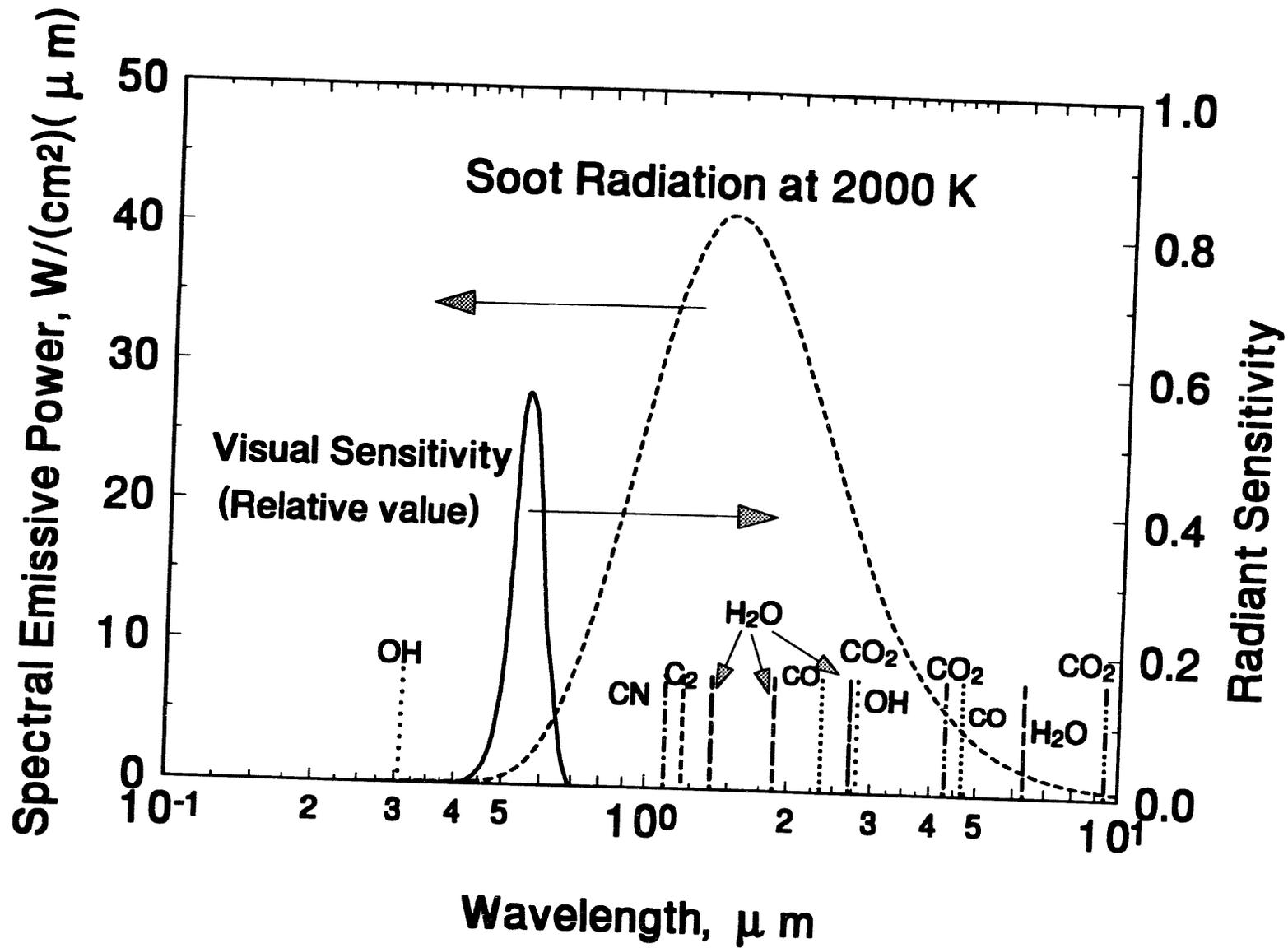
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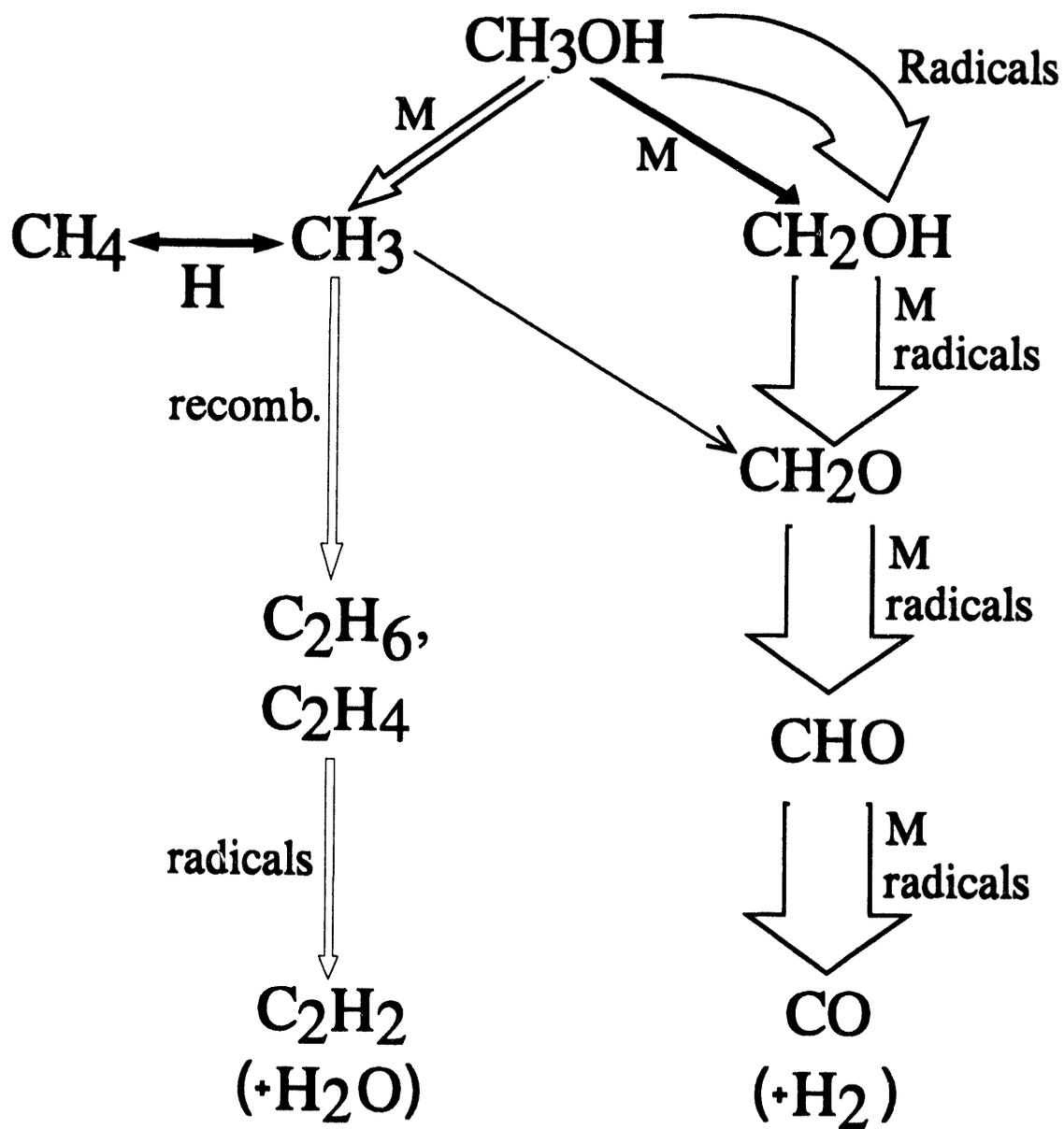
PROBLEM

- **Very low luminosity of a methanol diffusion flame represents a potential safety issue**
- **In hydrocarbon diffusion flames, soot particles are formed as a result of pyrolysis and observed as an intense yellow radiation**
- **Methanol pyrolysis does not produce any soot, and hence methanol pool flames burn with a faint blue colour of very low visibility**
- **This decreases the likelihood of a fire being noticed immediately**



WHY METHANOL DOES NOT SOOT ?

- **No clear answer backed by experimental evidence**
- **The reason for this is a lack of a basic understanding of soot formation mechanism in hydrocarbon flames**
- ***Soot Formation Mechanisms in Flames:***
 - ***neutral species condensation reactions***
 - ***chemi-ions are dominant in forming soot precursors***



POTENTIAL ANSWERS

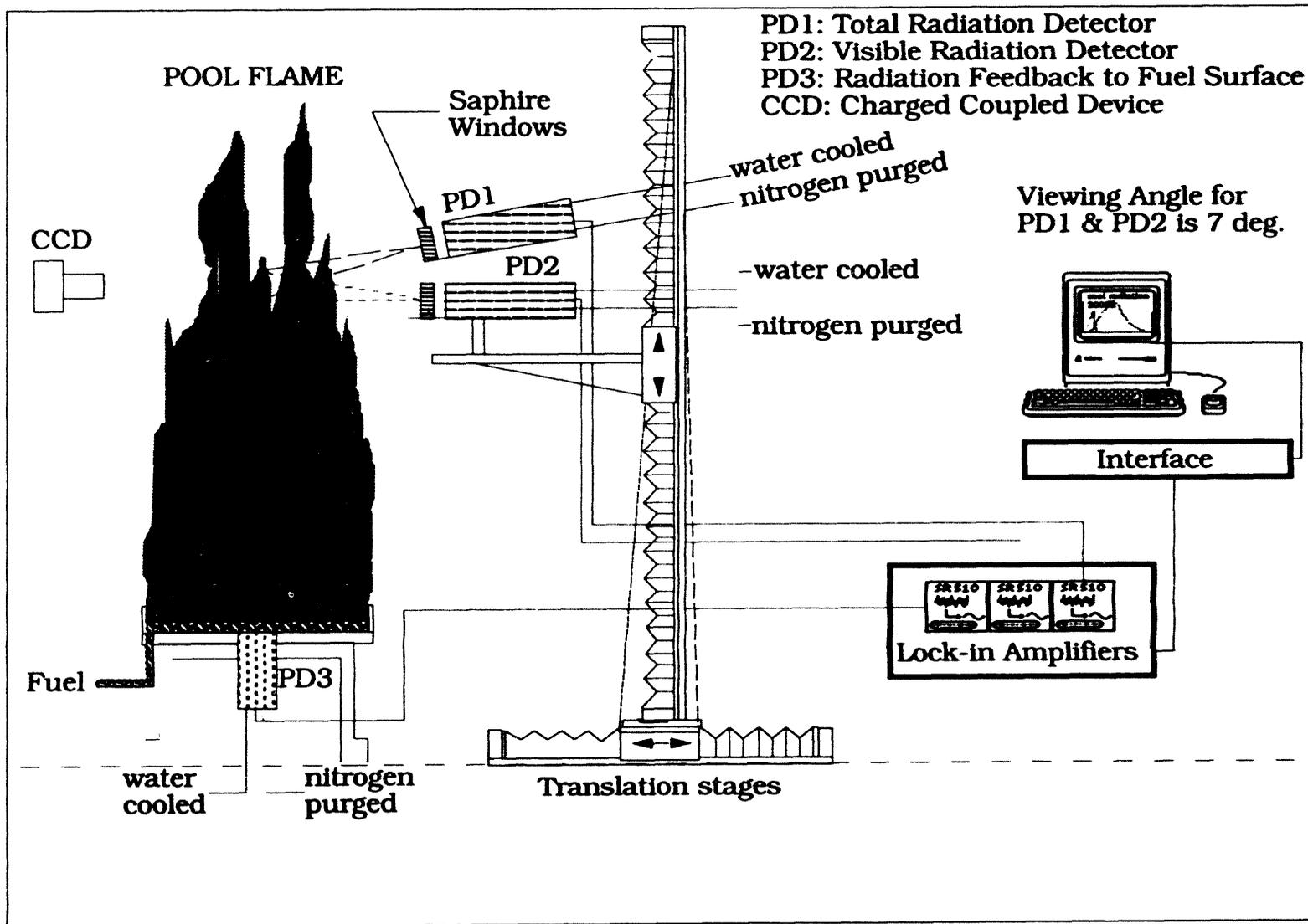
- **During pyrolysis, almost all methanol dissociates into carbon monoxide and hydrogen. Very small amount of acetylene(s) formed**

In hydrocarbon pyrolysis, a lot of lower hydrocarbons especially acetylenes and olefins are formed

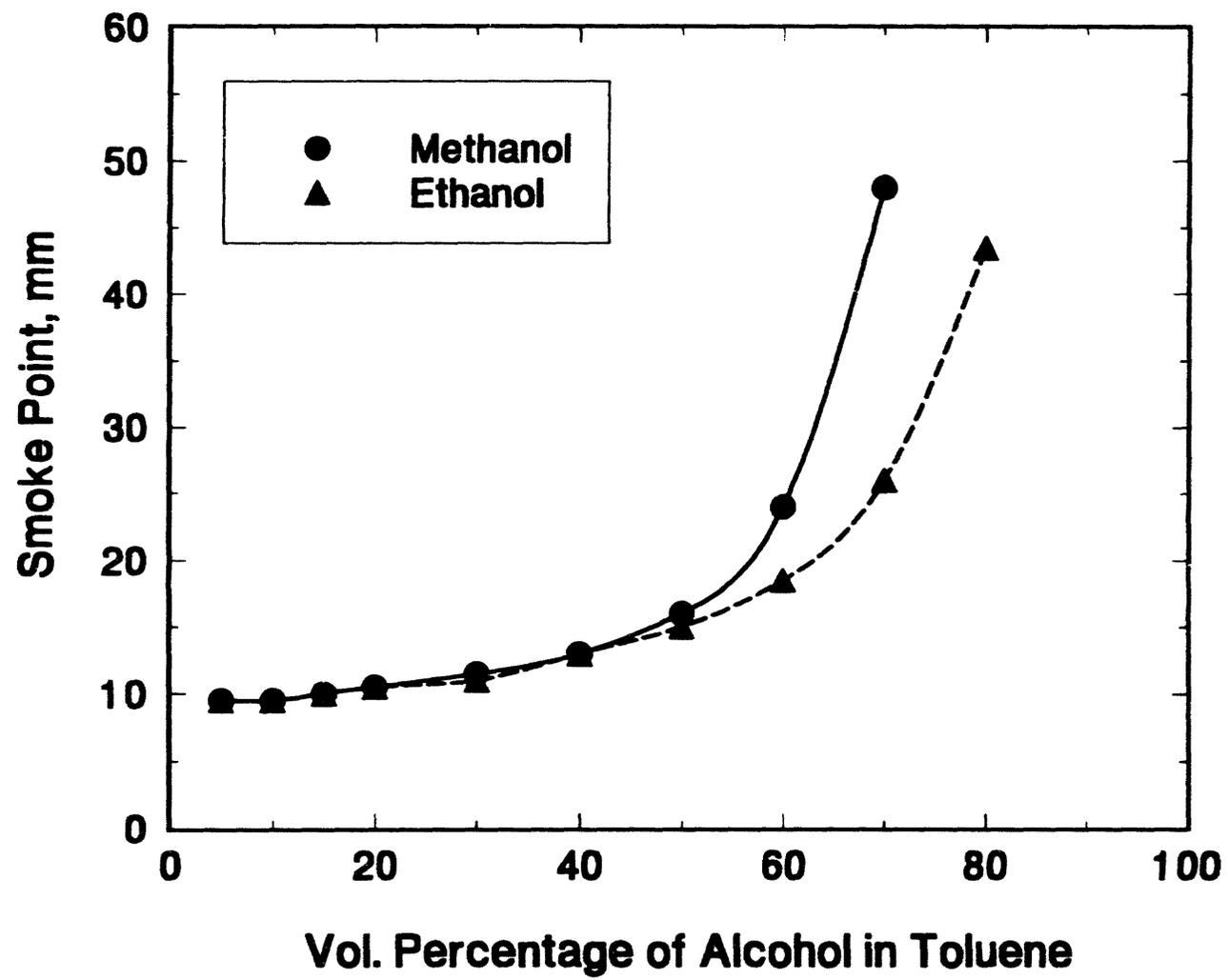
- **Due to existence of oxygen atom in fuel structure OH radical is readily formed, and can oxidize any potential soot precursor**

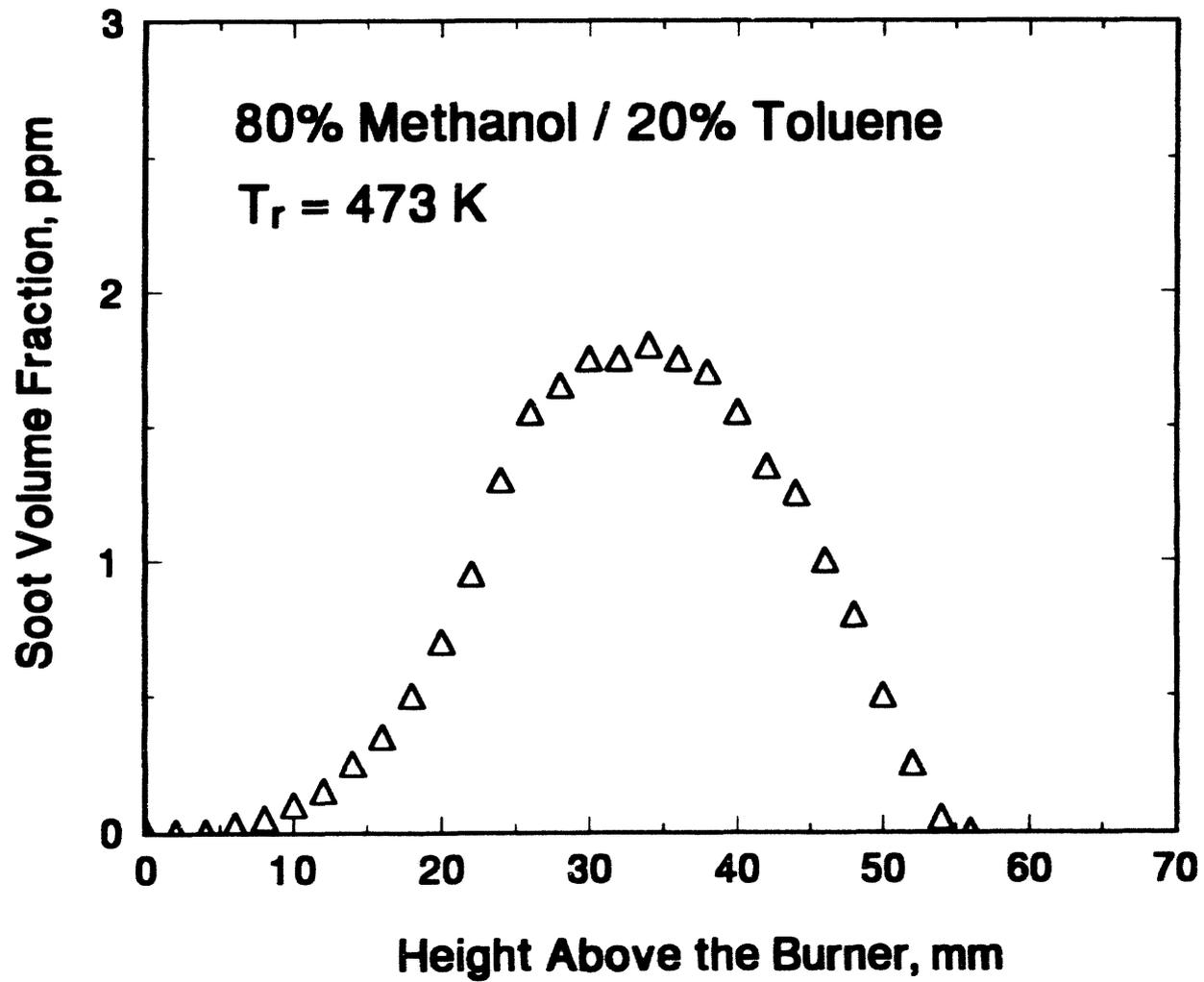
EXPERIMENTAL WORK

- **Laminar diffusion flame experiments: *SOOT***
 - **Methanol and air are heated to 673 K to elevate the flame temperature**
 - **Methanol hydrocarbon blends**
 - **Methanol with additives**
- **Pool flame experiments: *RADIATION***
 - **Two different pool flames: 0.1 m & 0.3 m diameters**
 - **Methanol with additives**



Schematic of the pool flame burning rig





NON-HYDROCARBON ADDITIVES - I

- **Ten compounds of Group 5 and 6 elements:**
 - **expected to have some influence on carbon chemistry during pyrolysis and oxidation of hydrocarbons**
 - **some of these additives (1000 ppm to 1.2% in methanol) provided significant improvement in luminosity in diffusion flames**
 - **Laser extinction measurements in these flames showed no sign of soot. Observed luminosity is due to gaseous emissions**

NON-HYDROCARBON ADDITIVES - II

- **Three of these ten compounds yielded promising results**
- **At 0.5 to 1.2% level, measured visible flame luminosity of the pool flames is comparable to the luminosity of M85**
- **These additives leave some residual material**
- **These additives may not be suitable for catalytic converters**

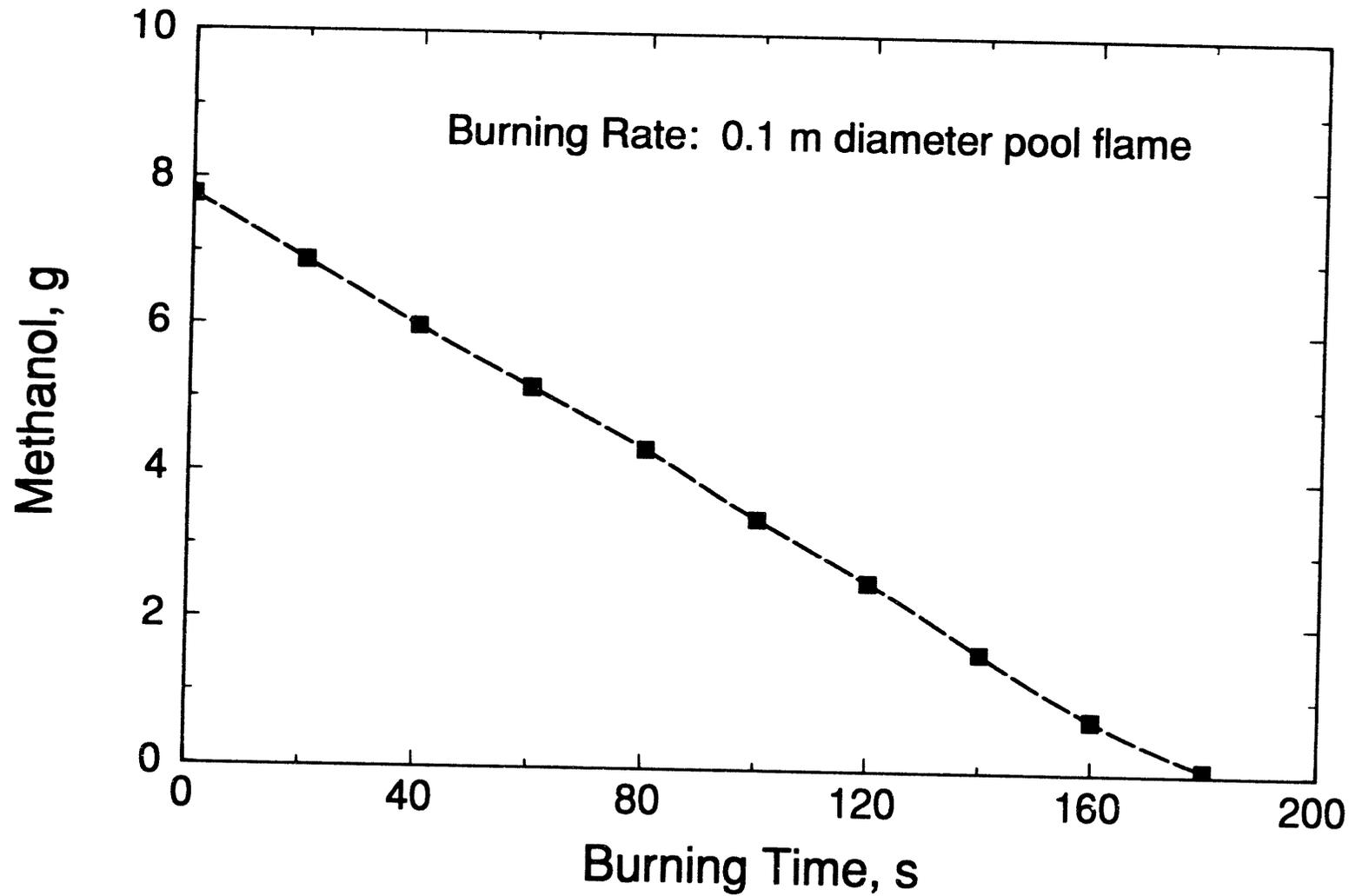
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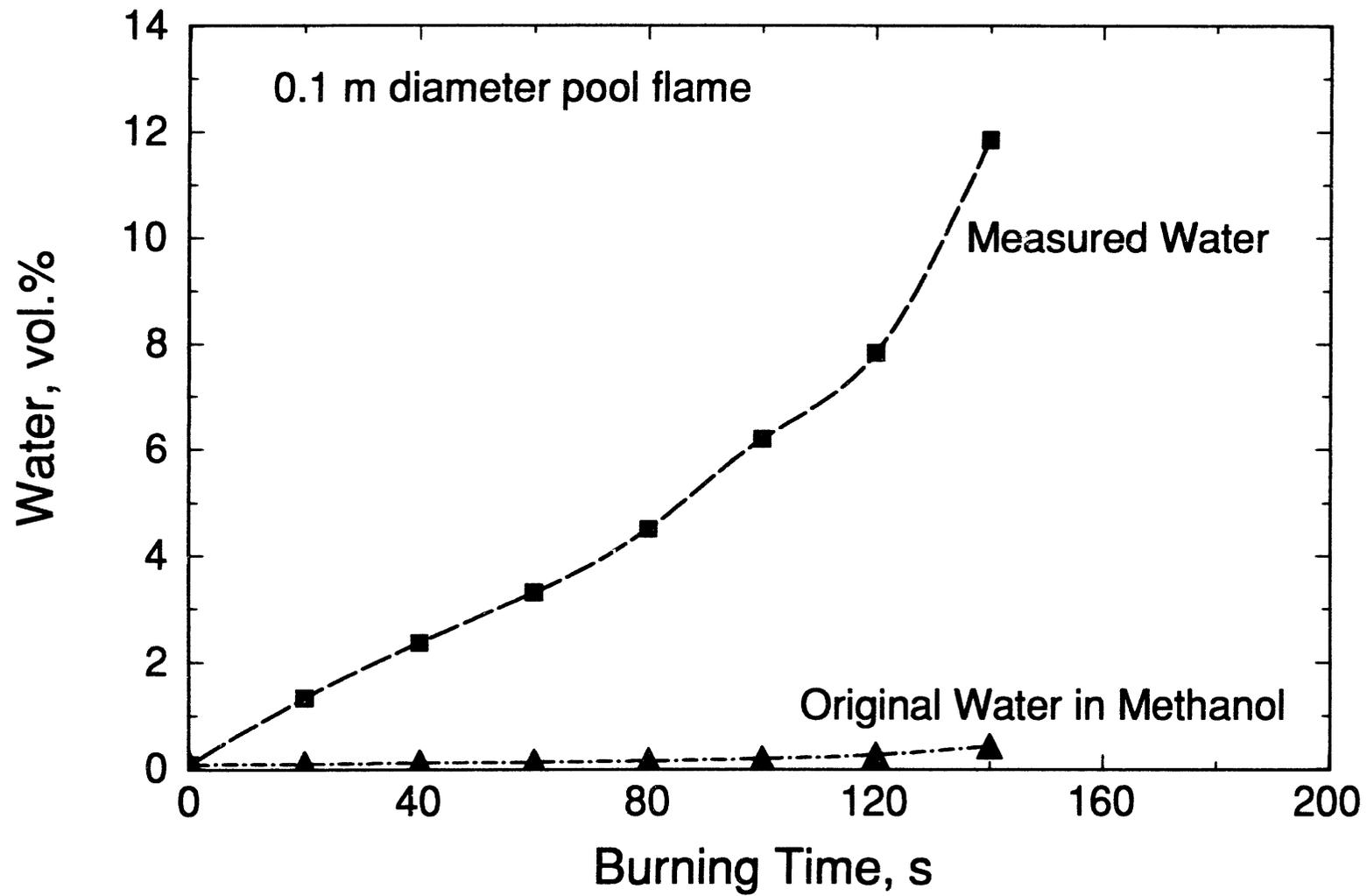
- **Ferrocene:**

- **0.5 to 1% addition colors the methanol flame**
- **No evidence of soot formation in diffusion flame**
- **Pool flame visibility significantly improved**
- **Leaves residual material**

HYDROCARBON ADDITIVES

- **Narrowed to one from more than one hundred**
- **MVE3 consists of several hydrocarbons:**
 - **none of the components aromatic**
 - **4% MVE3 provides luminosity comparable to M85**
 - **MVE3 initiates soot formation in pool flames**
 - **Luminosity enhancement of MVE1 lasts for the full burning period in both sizes of pool flames**





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VISIBILITY OF METHANOL POOL FLAMES

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- Q. Norman Brinkman, General Motors: Can you tell us the composition of MVE-3? Does it contain any triple bonds?
- A. I cannot say because the product may be licensed and marketed. It does not contain acetylenes, and its specific gravity is similar to gasoline.
- Q. Anonymous: Does the additive form soot?
- A. Yes, it does.
- Q. Alex Lawson, Alex Lawson Associates: I would suggest engine tests to measure emissions.
- A. That is part of the plan.
- Q. Vinod Duggal, Cummins Engine Co.: Does it help in cold starting?
- A. I am not sure, but it probably does not.
- Q. Matthew Bol, Sypher:Mueller International: Do you have an estimate of cost?
- A. About two cents per liter.

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**FAST BURN COMBUSTION DEVELOPMENT
FOR NATURAL GAS ENGINES**

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ORTECH**

**R.L. Evans
University of Victoria**

**V.K. Duggal
Cummins Engine Co. Inc.**

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CANADIAN GAS ASSOCIATION

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY

CUMMINS ENGINE COMPANY Inc.

Targets

- **Reduce ignition delay and combustion duration**
- **Increase heat release**
- **Extend lean flammability limit**
- **Increase thermal efficiency**
- **Reduce emissions, emphasizing NOx**

Objectives

- **Evaluate the effect of turbulence generating jets on ignition delay and heat release in a single cylinder NG fueled engine.**
- **Implement most effective approaches for fast burn on a single cylinder L10 NG engine.**
- **Implement the best technology on a multi-cylinder L10 and develop a control strategy for transient evaluation.**
- **Explore the potential of high BMEP (~ 250 psig) / low NO_x combination.**

Technical Approach

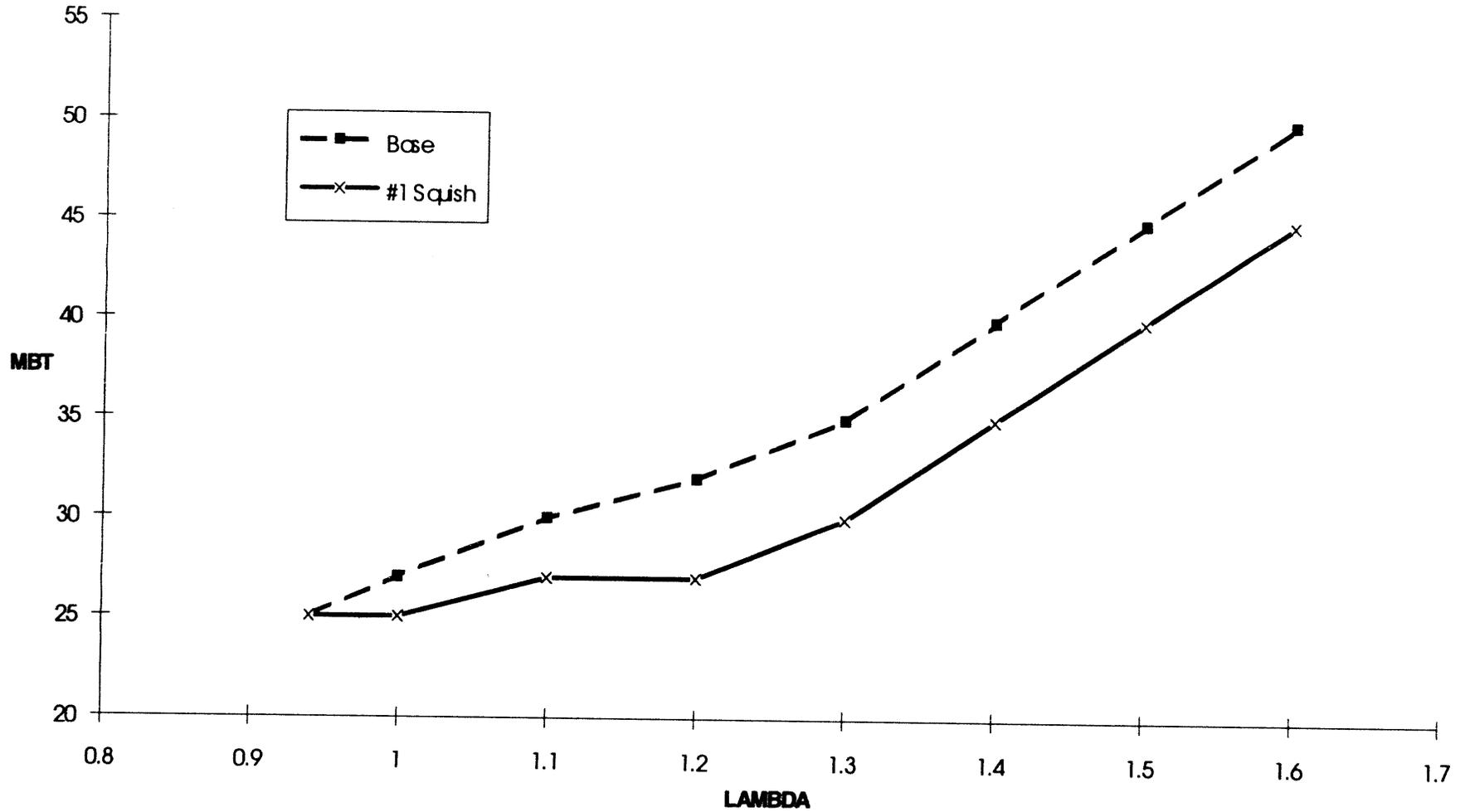
PHASE I: Evaluate effects of fast burn technology on a single cylinder Ricardo Hydra Engine.

PHASE II: Select the most promising configurations and test them on a single cylinder L10 engine

PHASE III: Document the benefits of fast burn combustion technology on a multi-cylinder L10 engine

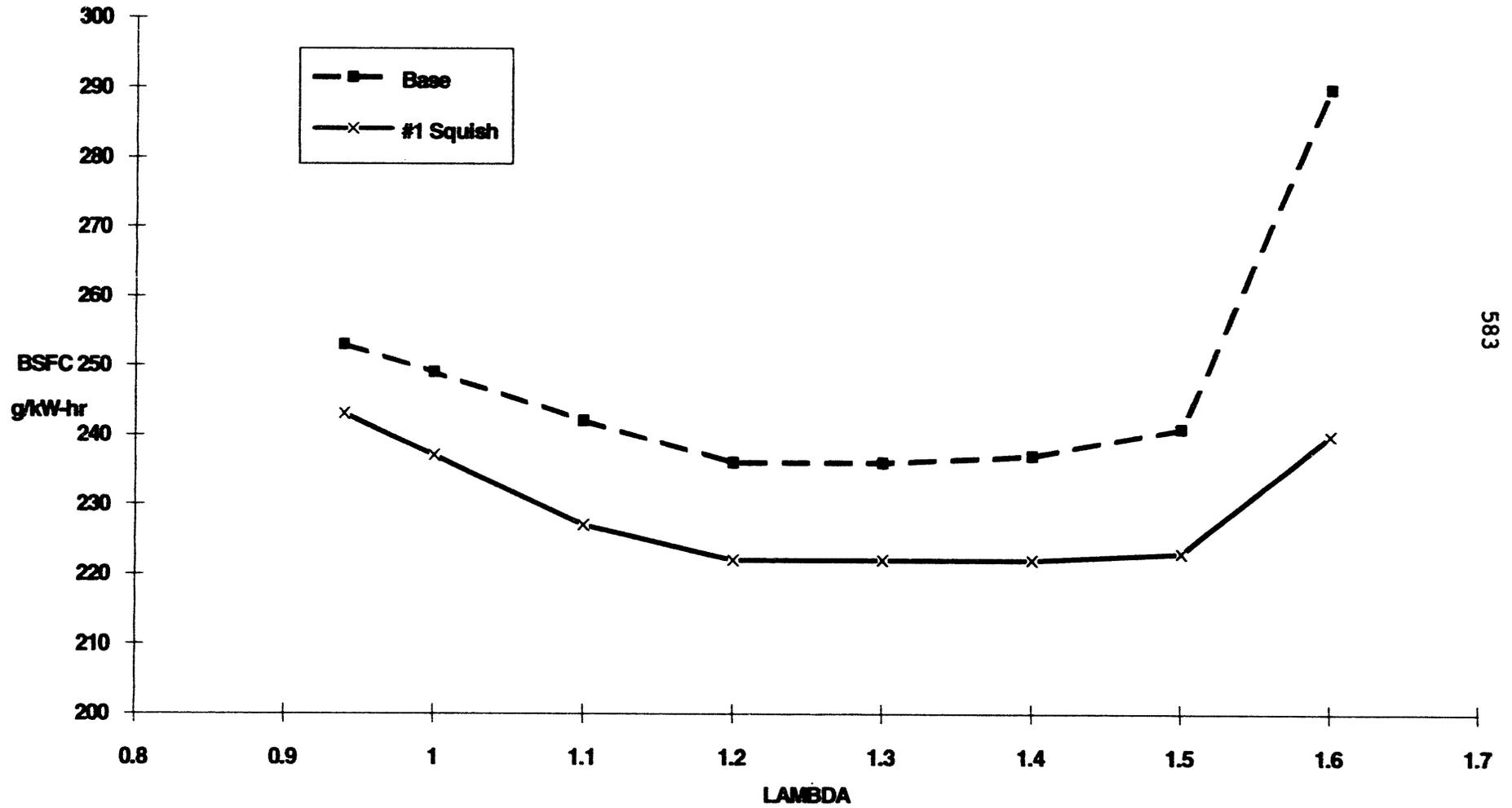
MBT vs LAMBDA

Ricardo Hydra



BSFC vs LAMBDA

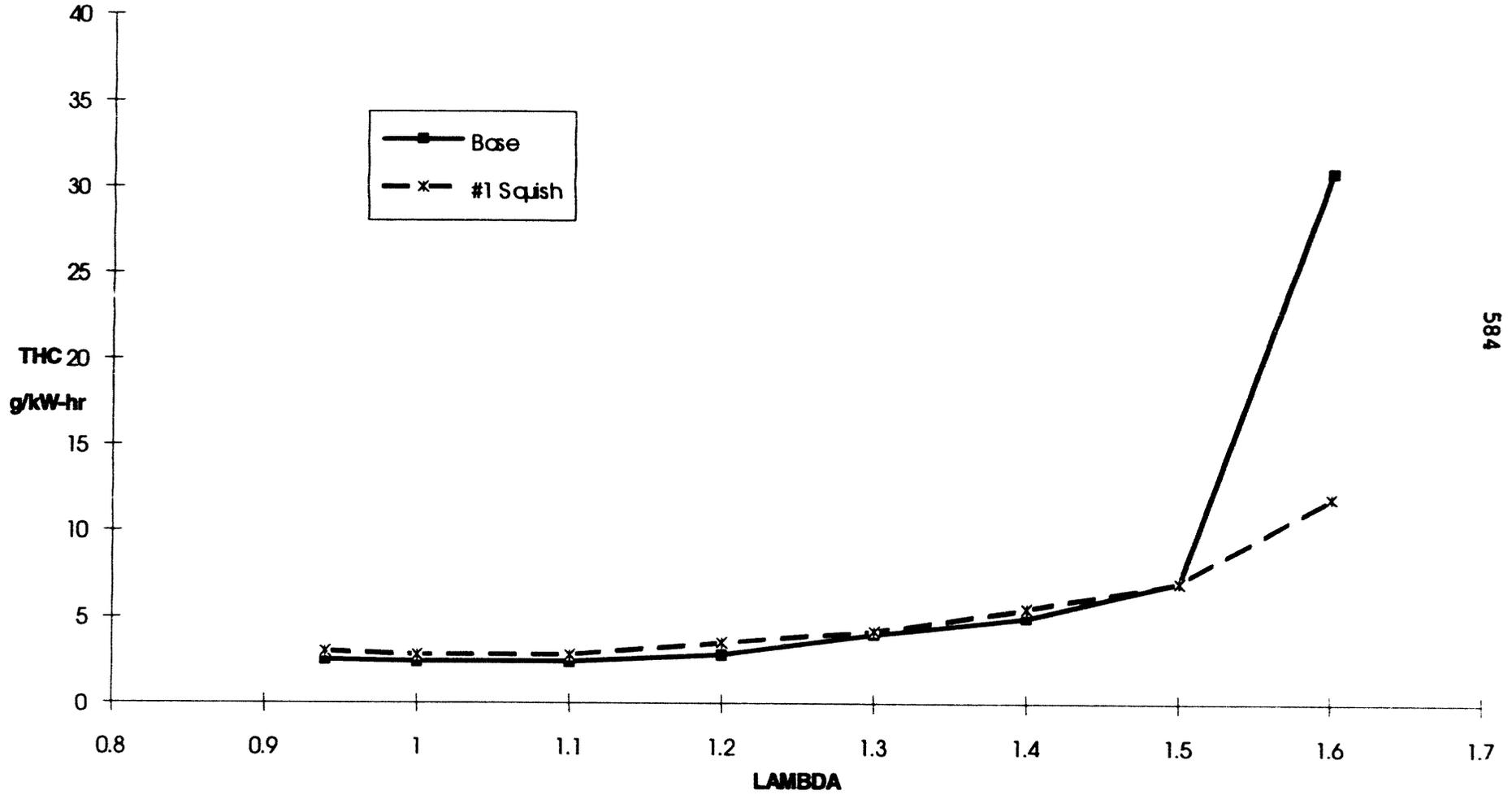
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THC Emissions vs LAMBDA

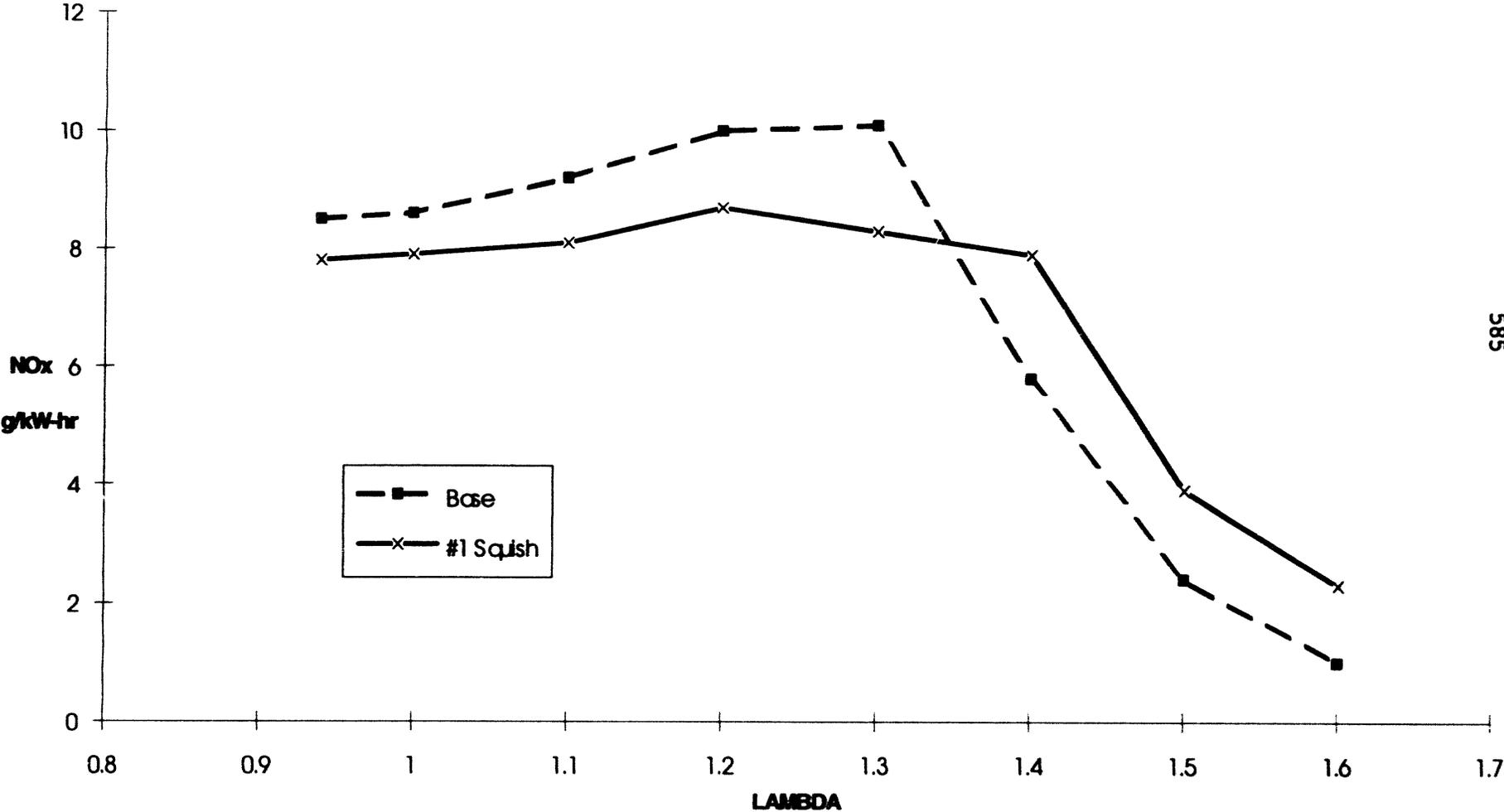
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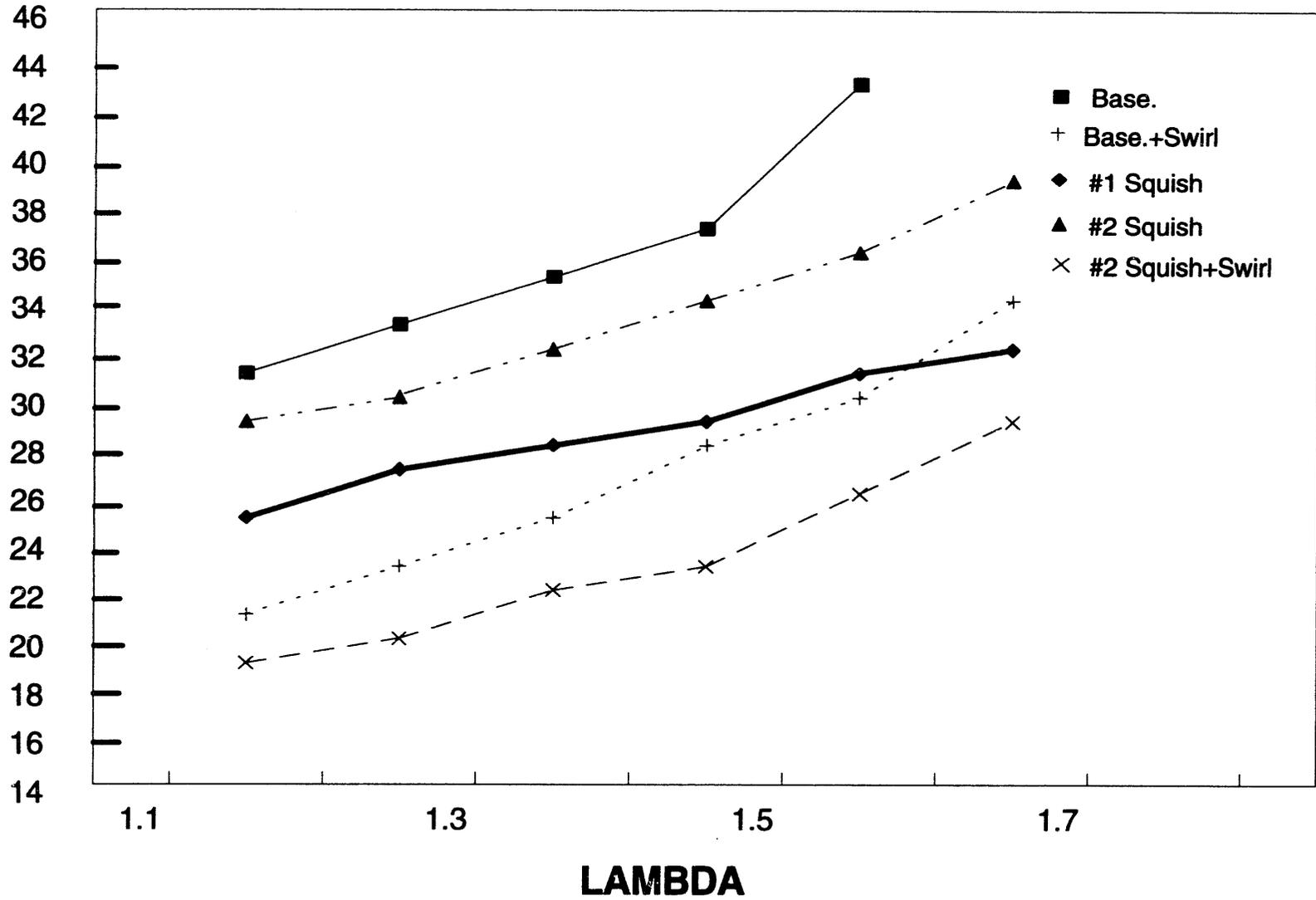
Fast Burn Combustion Chamber Parameters

Engine Configurations	Swirl Ratio	Squish Ratio
Stock L10 240G	quiescent chamber	0.51
Stock L10 240G + swirl plates	2.5:1	0.51
#1 Squish	quiescent chamber	0.75
#2 Squish	not available	0.75
#2 Squish + swirl plates	not available	0.75

MBT vs. LAMBDA

Single Cylinder L10

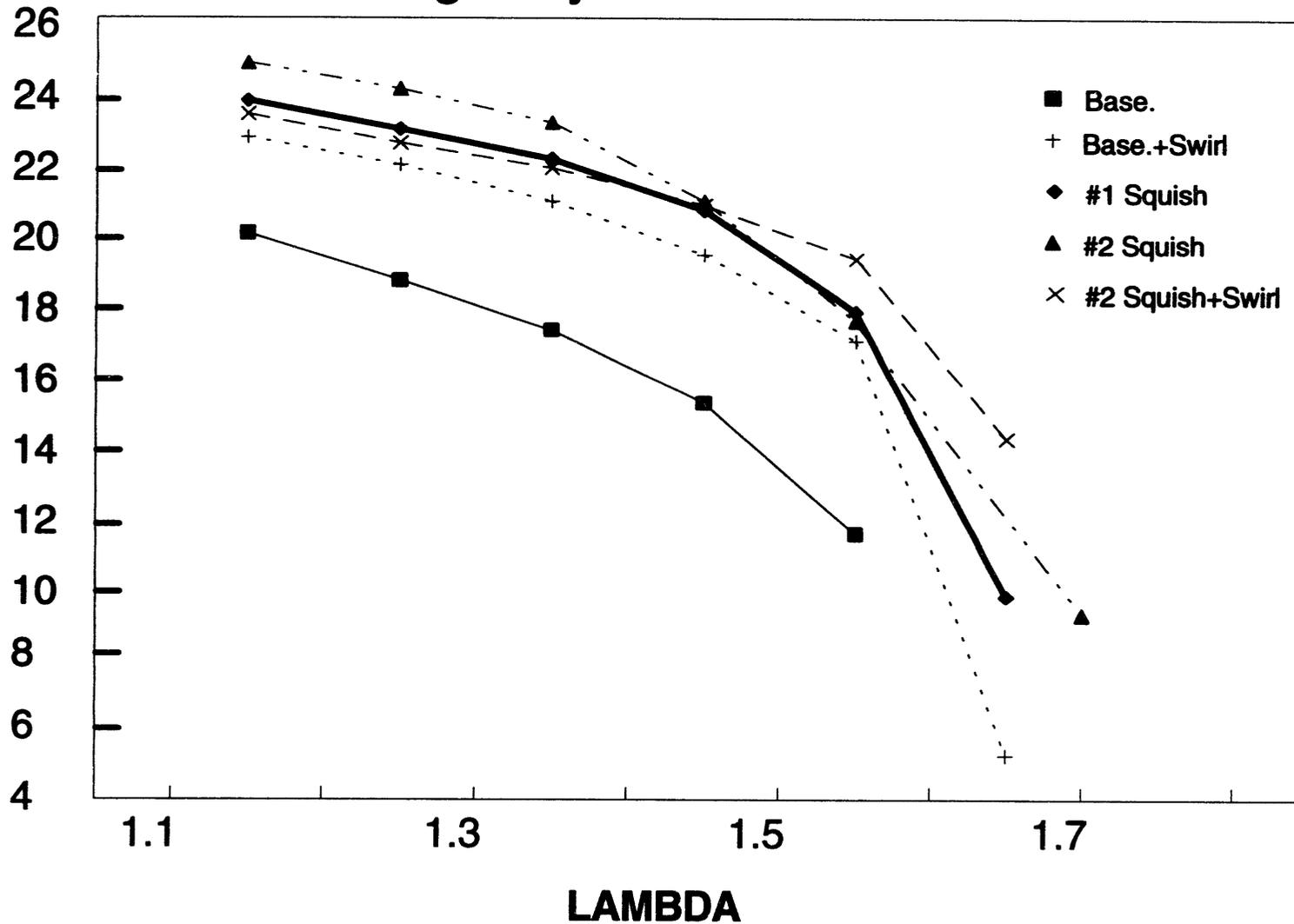
MBT (Deg. BTDC)



Efficiency vs. LAMBDA

Single Cylinder L10

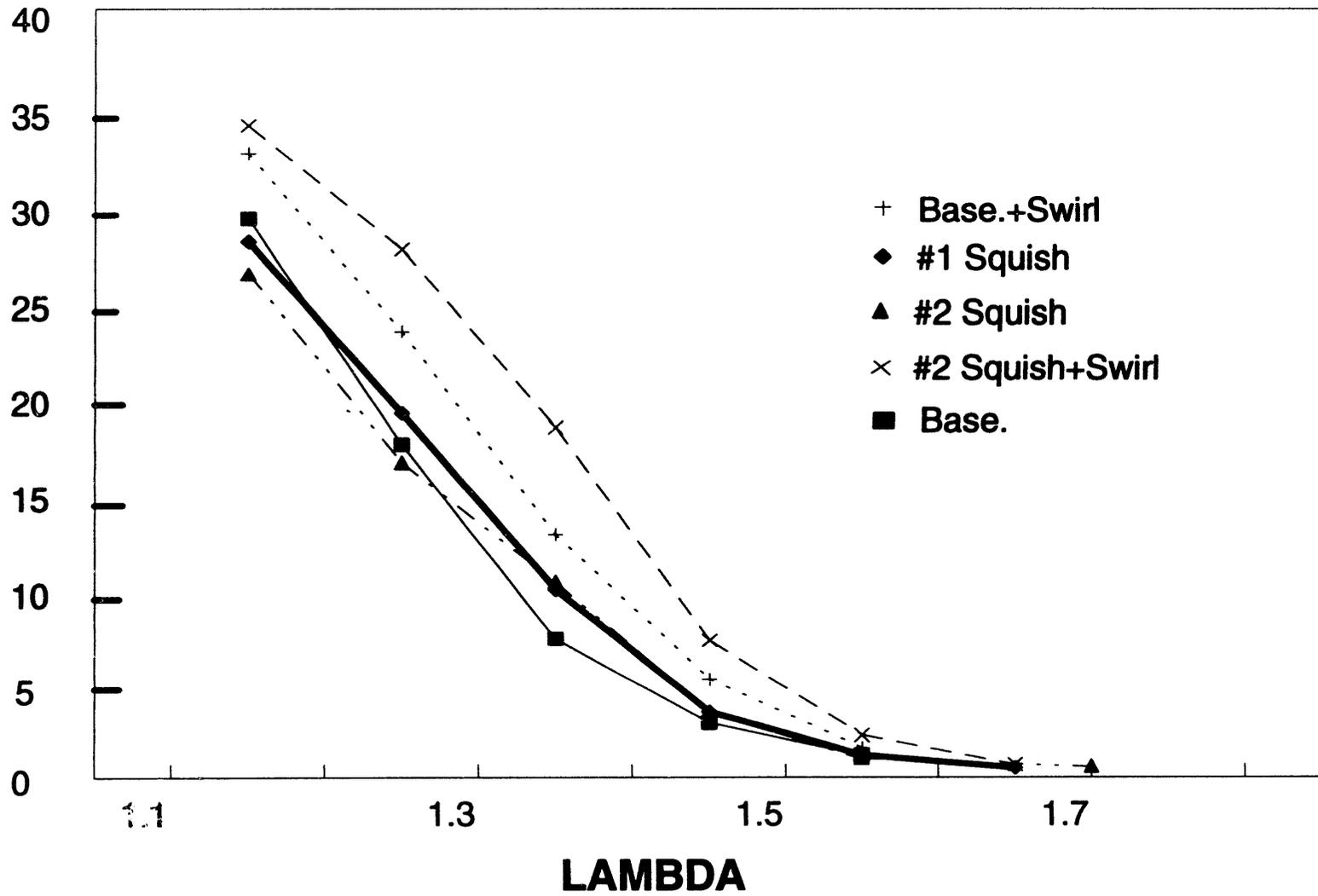
Efficiency (%)



NOx Emissions vs. LAMBDA

Single Cylinder L10

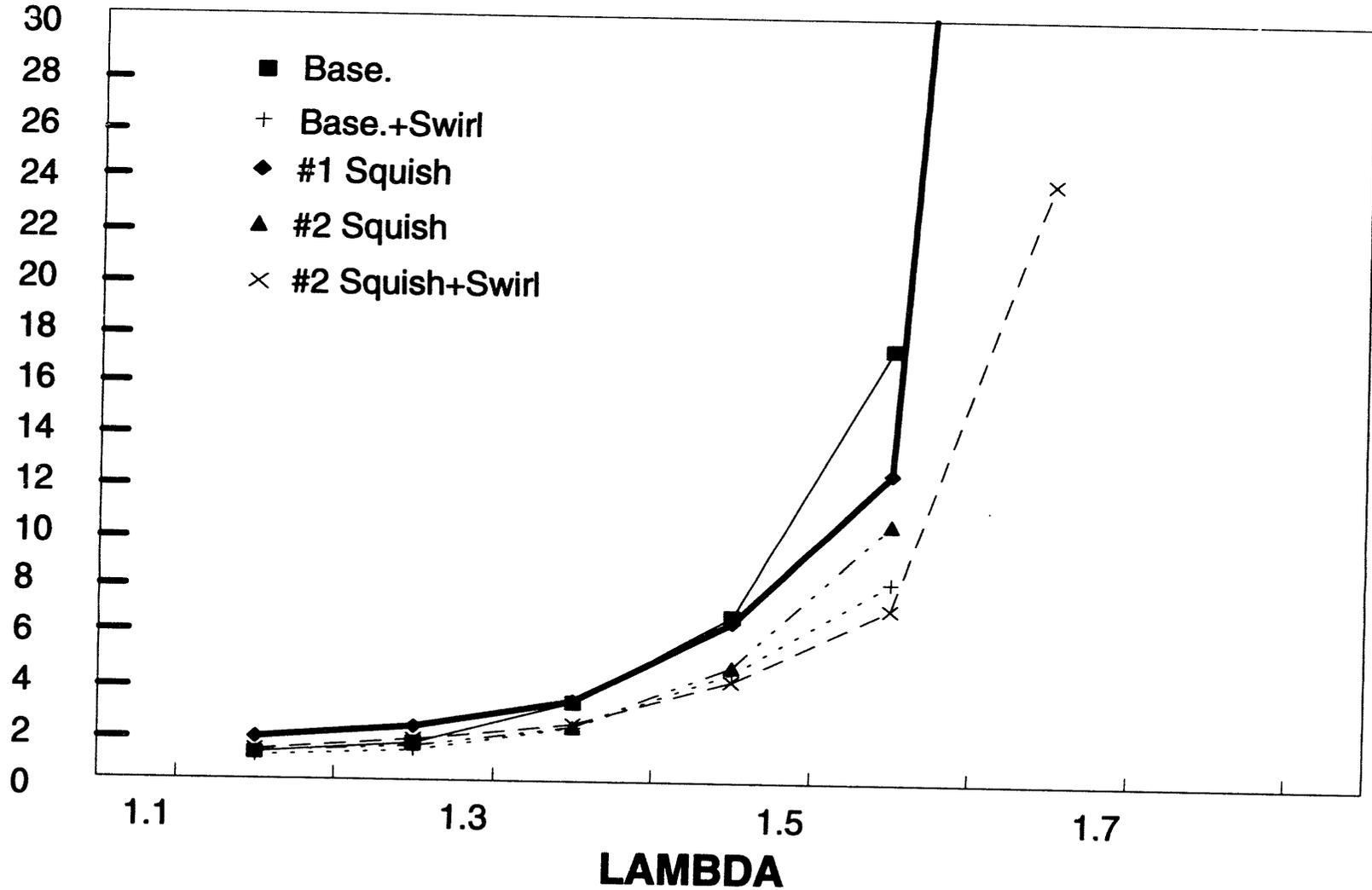
NOx (g/hp-hr)



THC Emissions vs. LAMBDA

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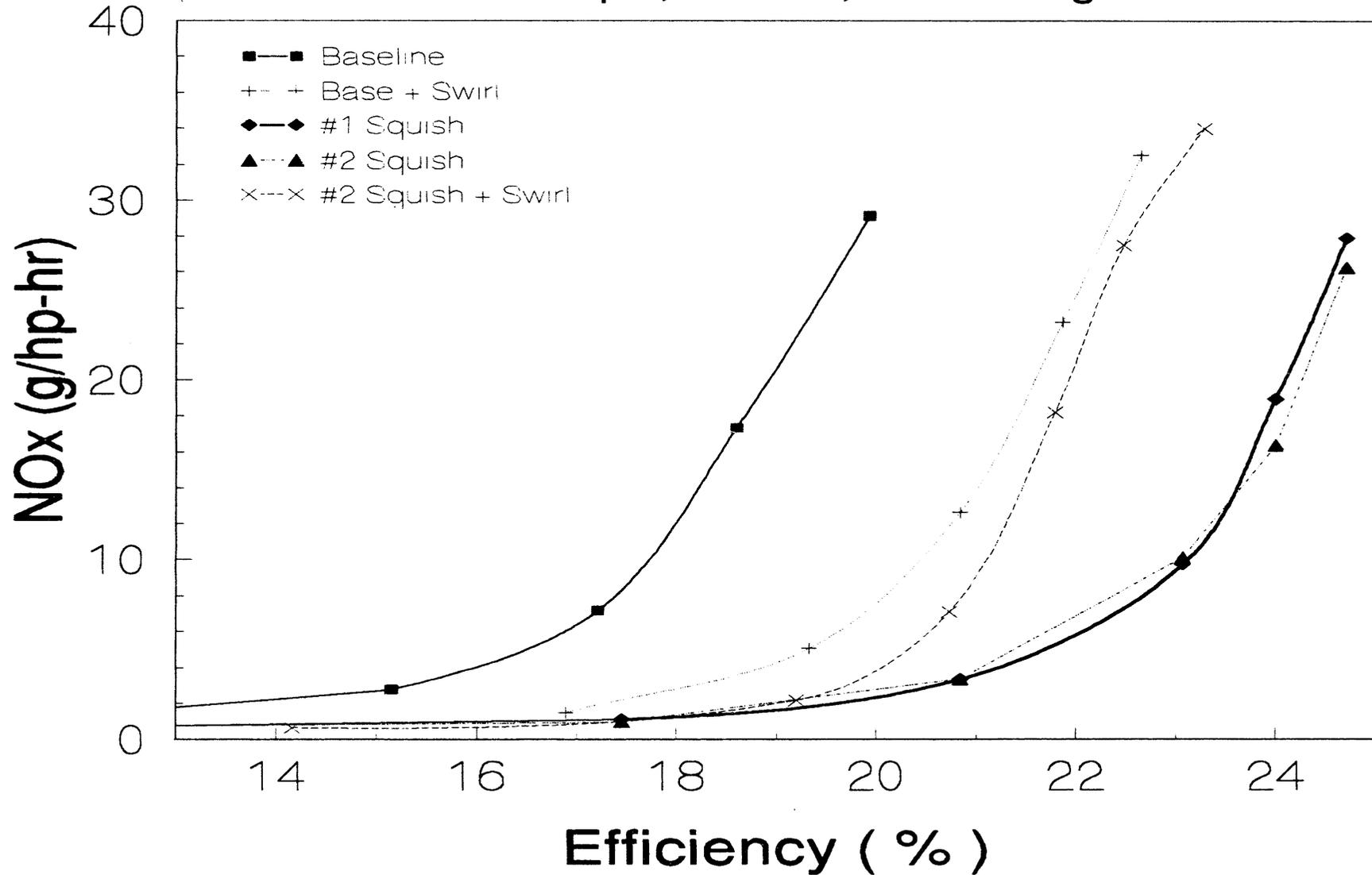
THC (g/hp-hr)



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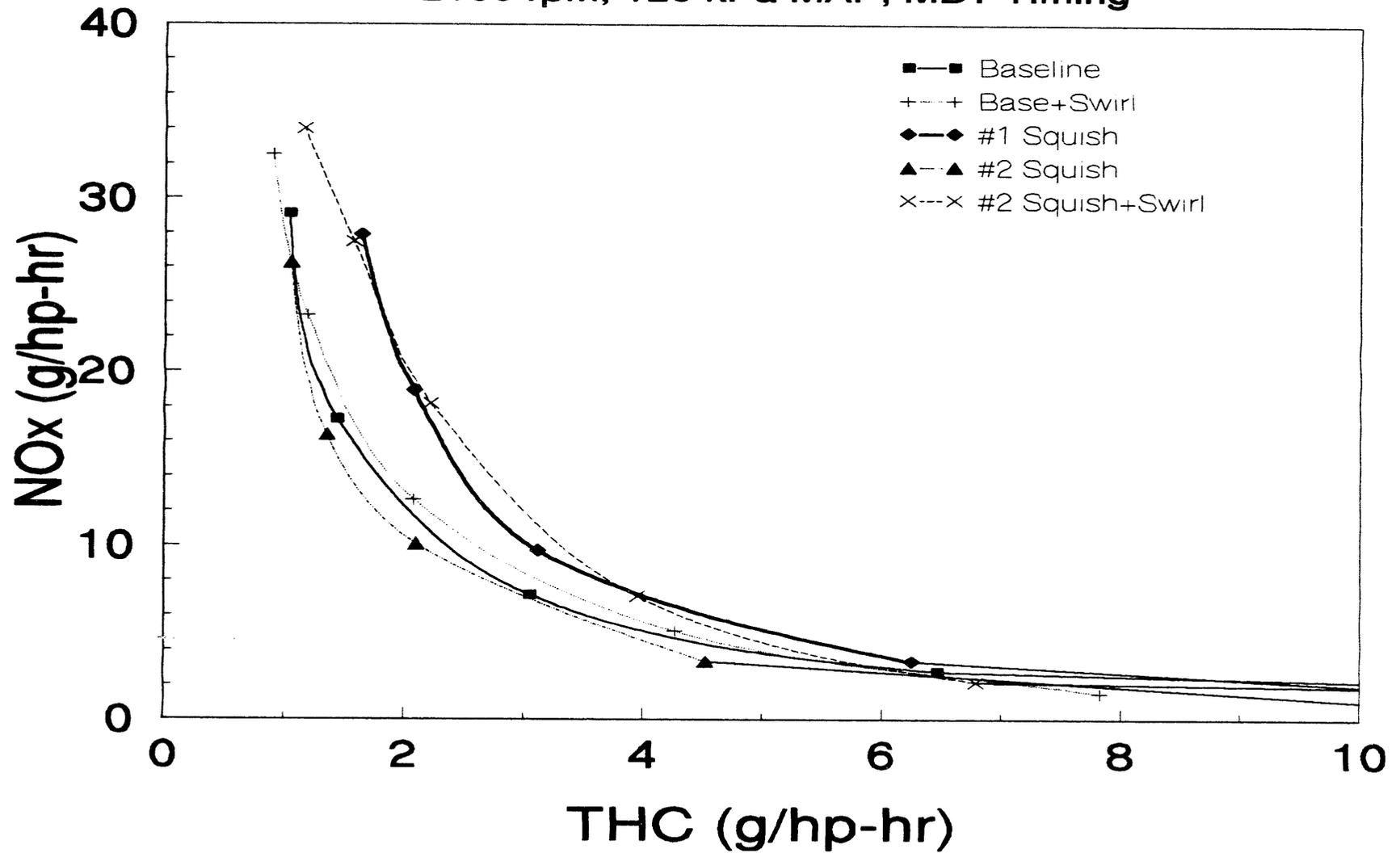
NOx vs. Effi. @ Various LAMBDA

2100 rpm, 120 kPa, MBT Timing



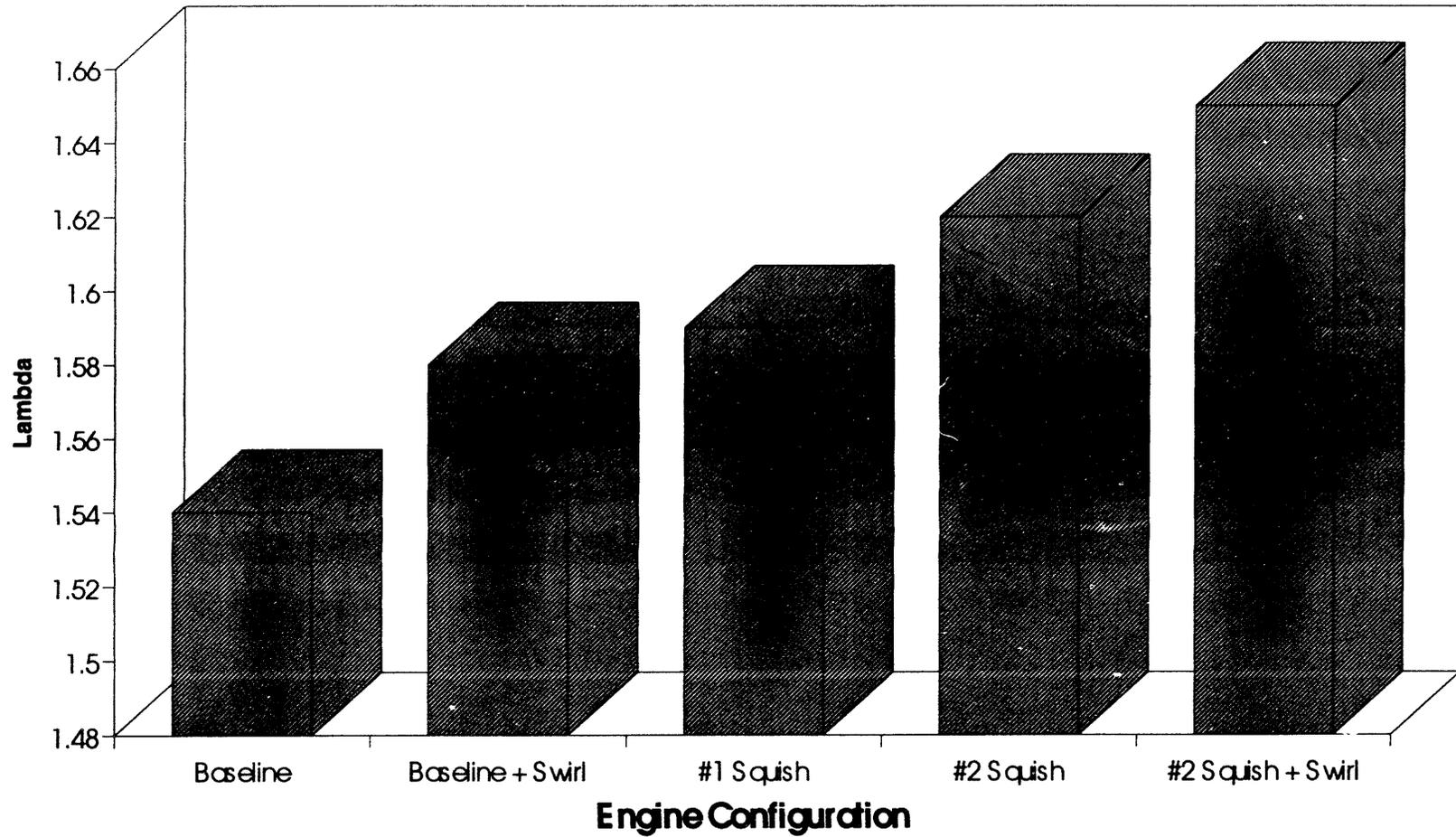
NO_x vs. THC @ Various LAMBDA

2100 rpm, 120 kPa MAP, MBT Timing



Lean Limit

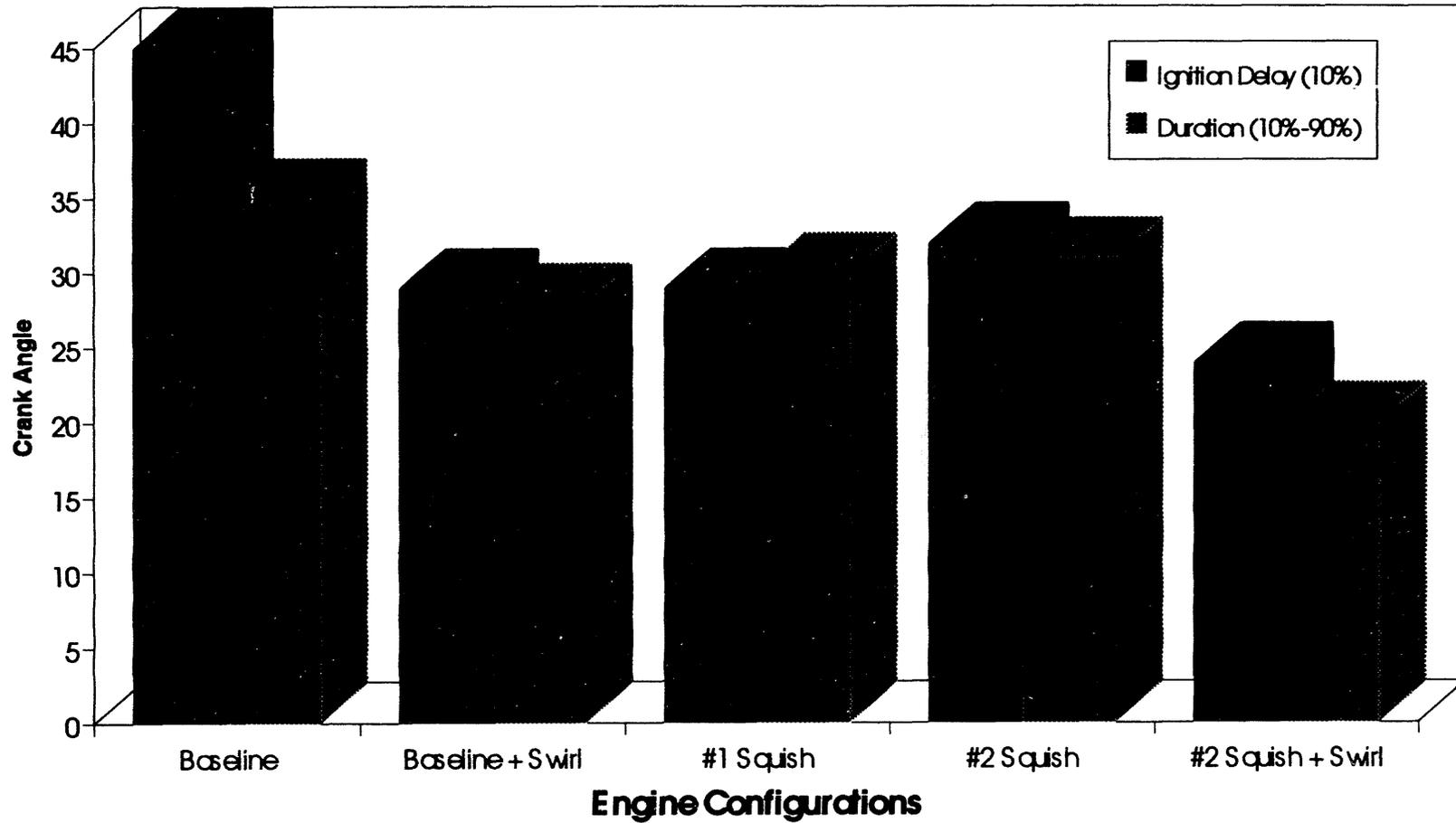
2100 rpm, 180 kPa MAP, 21% efficiency



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Ignition Delay & Combustion Duration

2100 rpm, 120 kPa MAP, 1.55 Lambda @ MBT

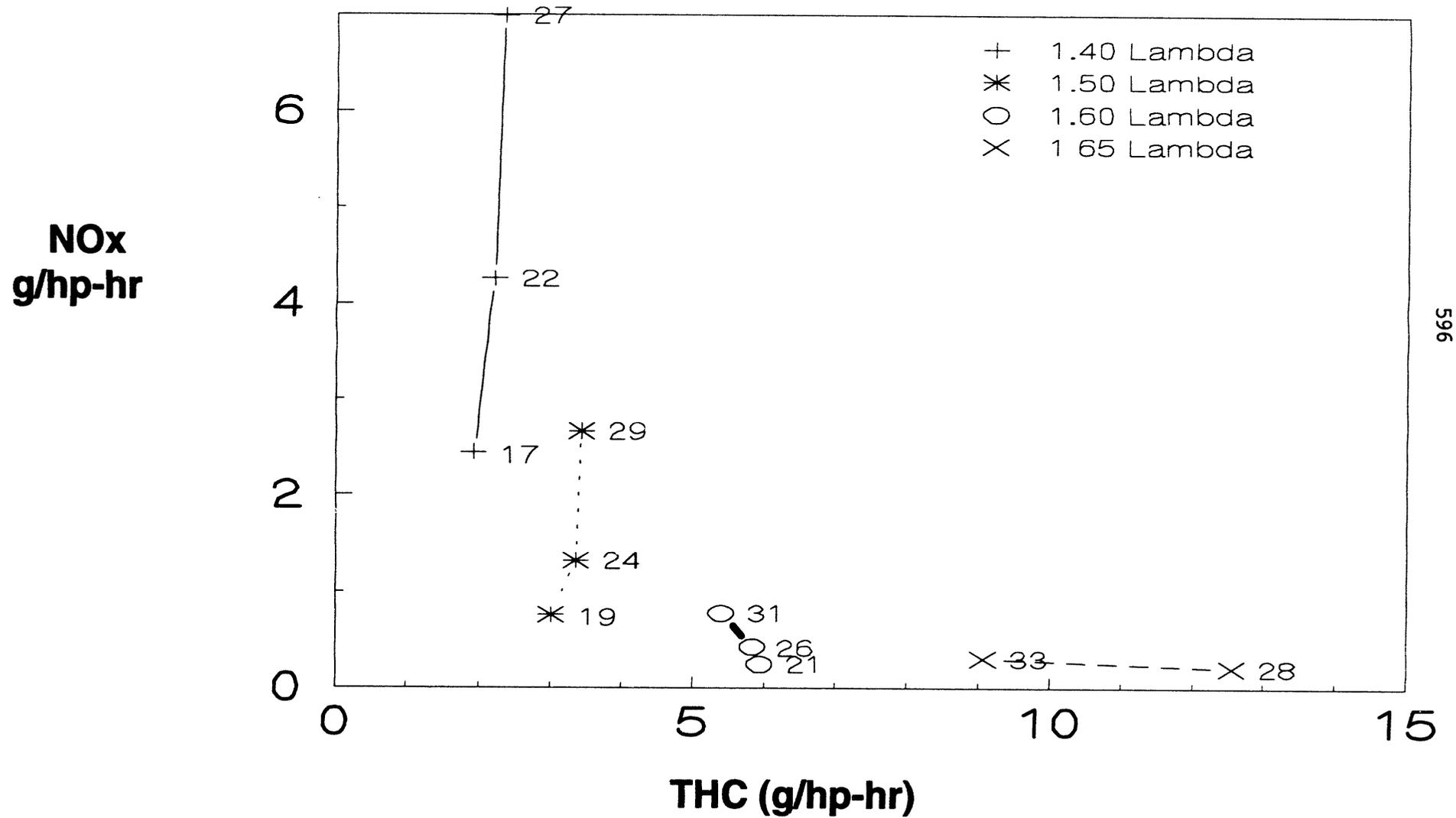


Single Cylinder Results

- **Less advanced MBT spark timing**
Reduced ignition delay
- **Reduced combustion duration**
- **Extended Lean Limit**
- **Increased efficiency**
- **NO_x reduction through leaner operation and less spark advance**
- **Good correlation between the Ricardo Hydra and L10 single cylinder engine data**

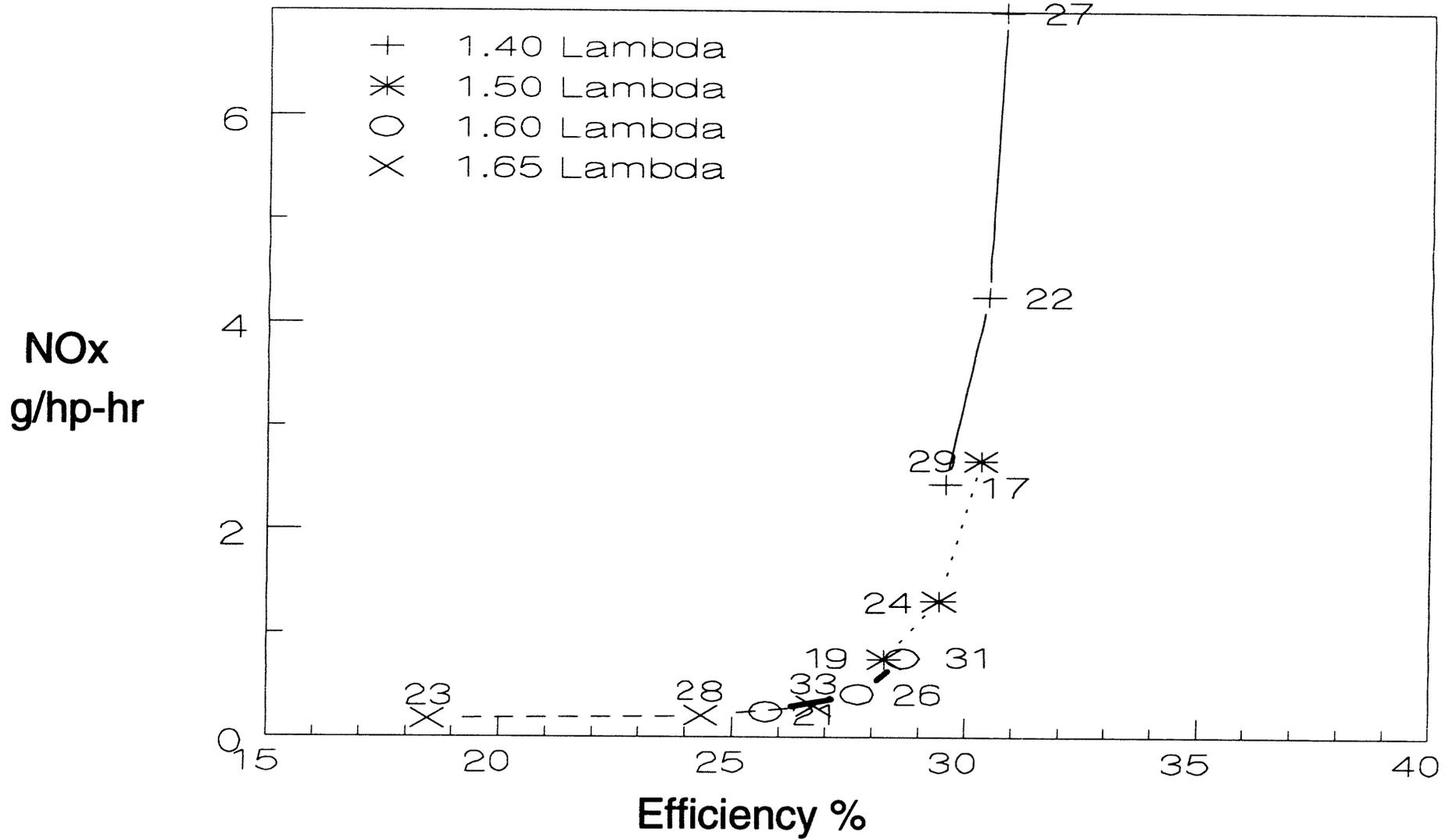
NOx vs. THC

Multi-cylinder L10



NOx vs. Efficiency

Multi-cylinder L10



Multi-cylinder L10 Results

- **THC is primarily a function of air/fuel ratio except near the lean flammability limit.**
- **The leaner the mixture, the greater the effect spark timing has on engine efficiency.**
- **NO_x is sensitive to spark timing at richer air/fuel ratios; at leaner air/fuel ratios, retarding spark timing is ineffective in NO_x reduction.**
- **The L10 was able to achieve 300 HP @ 2100 rpm and 250 psig BMEP.**
- **Two calibrations were developed (240 HP and 300 HP) and evaluated using a non-motoring transient test schedule.**

Emissions Summary

	(g/hp-hr) CO	NOx	NMHC	Part.
1994 CARB Standard (diesel derived engine)	15.5	5.0	1.2	0.10
Proposed 1994 EPA Standard	15.5	5.0	1.1	0.10
Fast Burn 300 hp without a catalyst (avg. non-motoring)	1.78	1.28	0.55	0.025
Fast Burn 240 hp without a catalyst (avg. non-motoring)	1.87	0.95	0.54	0.019

Conclusions

- 1. Fast burn combustion technology (squish and swirl) allowed the engine to operate up to 11% leaner, while maintaining the same efficiency.**
- 2. Increased squish and swirl in the combustion chamber retarded the MBT timing.**
- 3. NO_x can be reduced while maintaining efficiency and THC emission levels, through leaner mixtures and the retarded spark timing achieved by a combination of squish and swirl.**

Conclusions

- 4. Leaner mixtures and reduced spark advance increased the knock margin of the engine, allowing the L10 to be operated at a higher BMEP**
- 5. In-cylinder turbulence created by squish and swirl can improve efficiency by as much as 24%.**

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**EFFICIENCY VS EMISSIONS TRADEOFF WITH
INCREASING COMPRESSION RATIO IN A
LIGHT DUTY NATURAL GAS FUELED ENGINE**

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Objective:

Comparative study between natural gas and gasoline fueling of an engine representative of current light duty vehicle, high specific output, design practice.

Nissan SR20DE Engine.

4 cylinder

1998 cc displacement

‡ 10:1 compression ratios
11.5:1

Pent roof combustion chamber with
central spark plug,

DOHC, 4 valves/cylinder

Fueling Systems

Gasoline:

**closed-loop, sequential, port
fuel injection.**

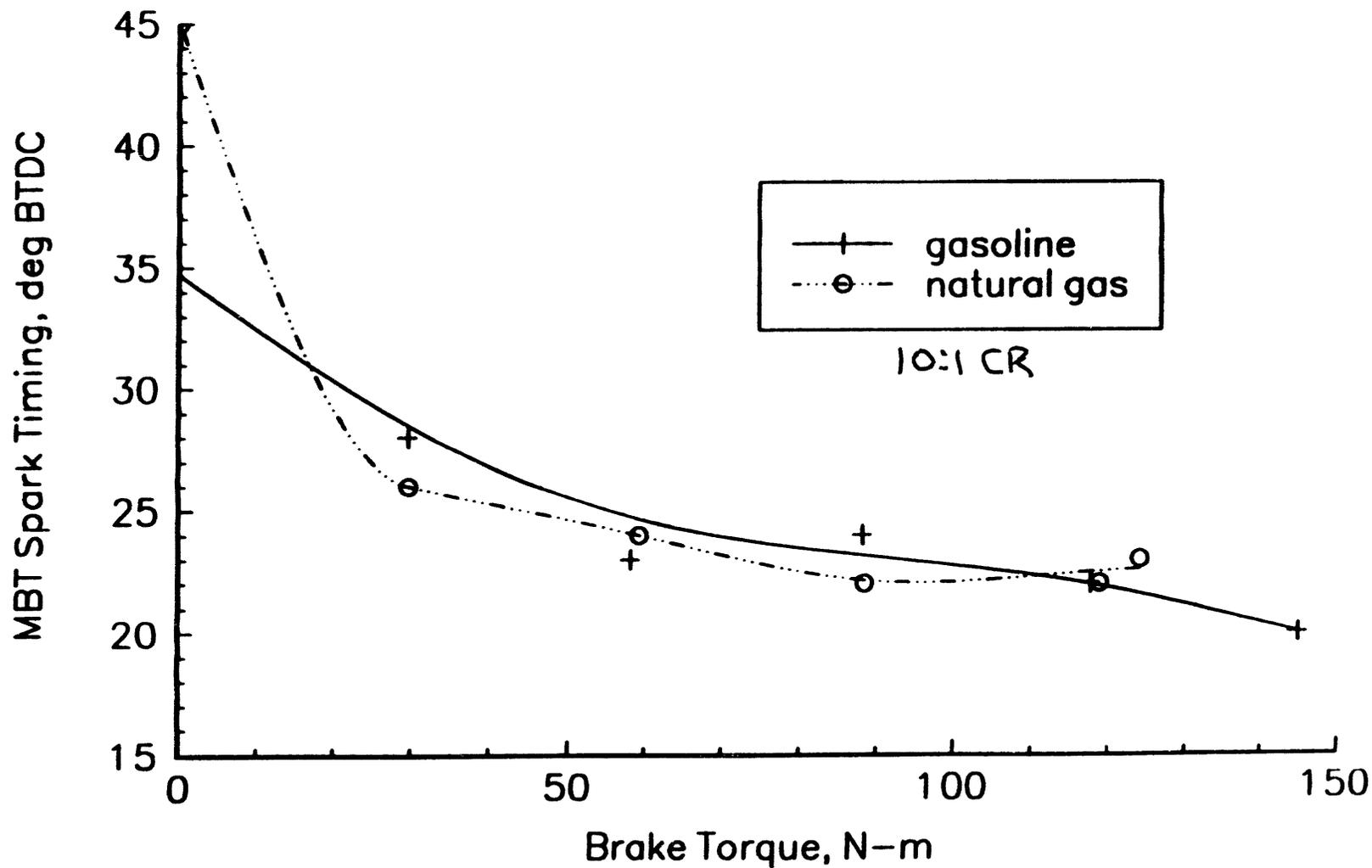
Natural Gas: Aftermarket

**closed-loop carburetion, air valve type
mixer.**

venturi type mixer was used for WOT.

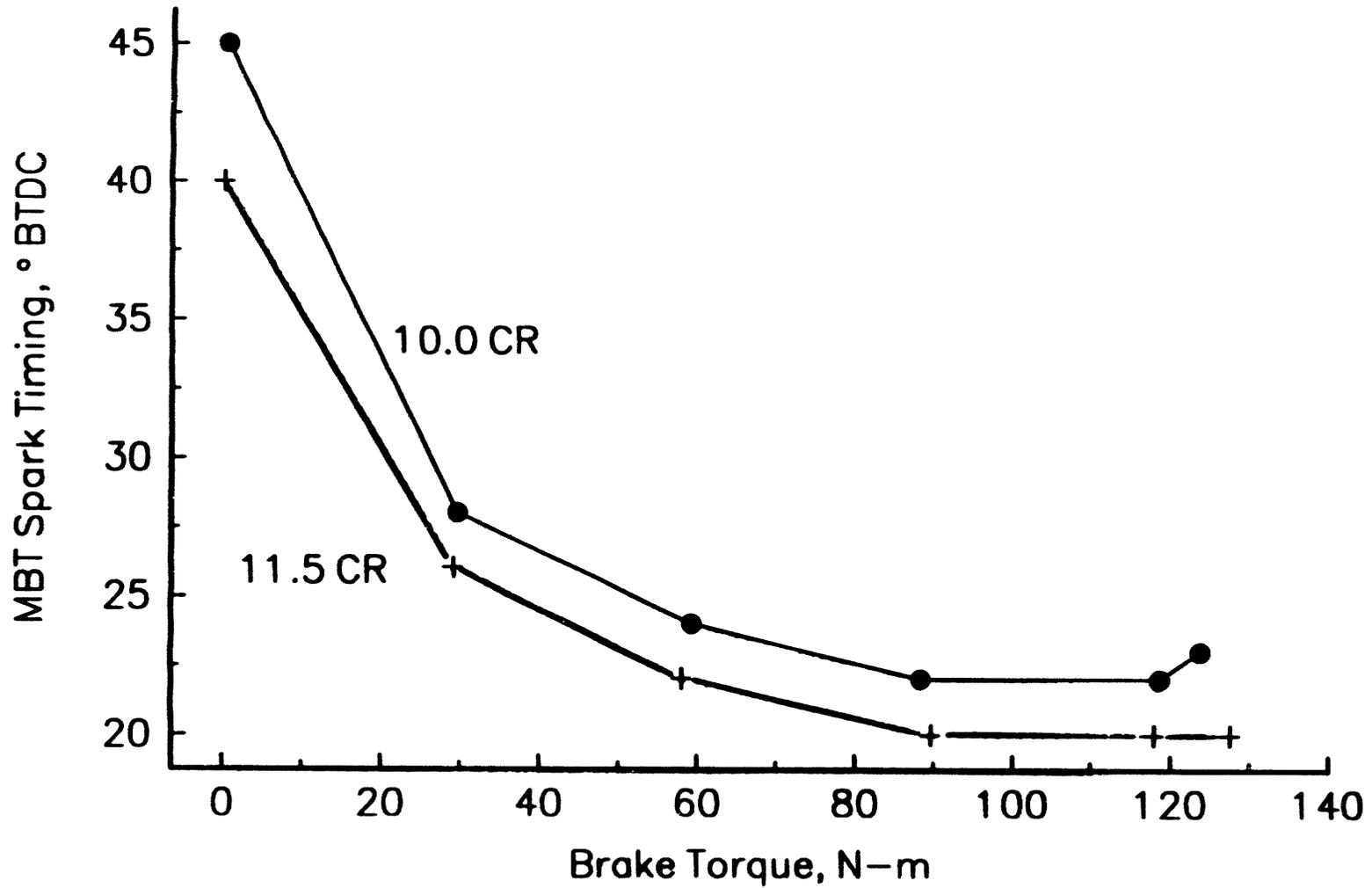
GASOLINE / NATURAL GAS COMPARISON

Nissan SR20DE, 2000 rpm, MBT timing



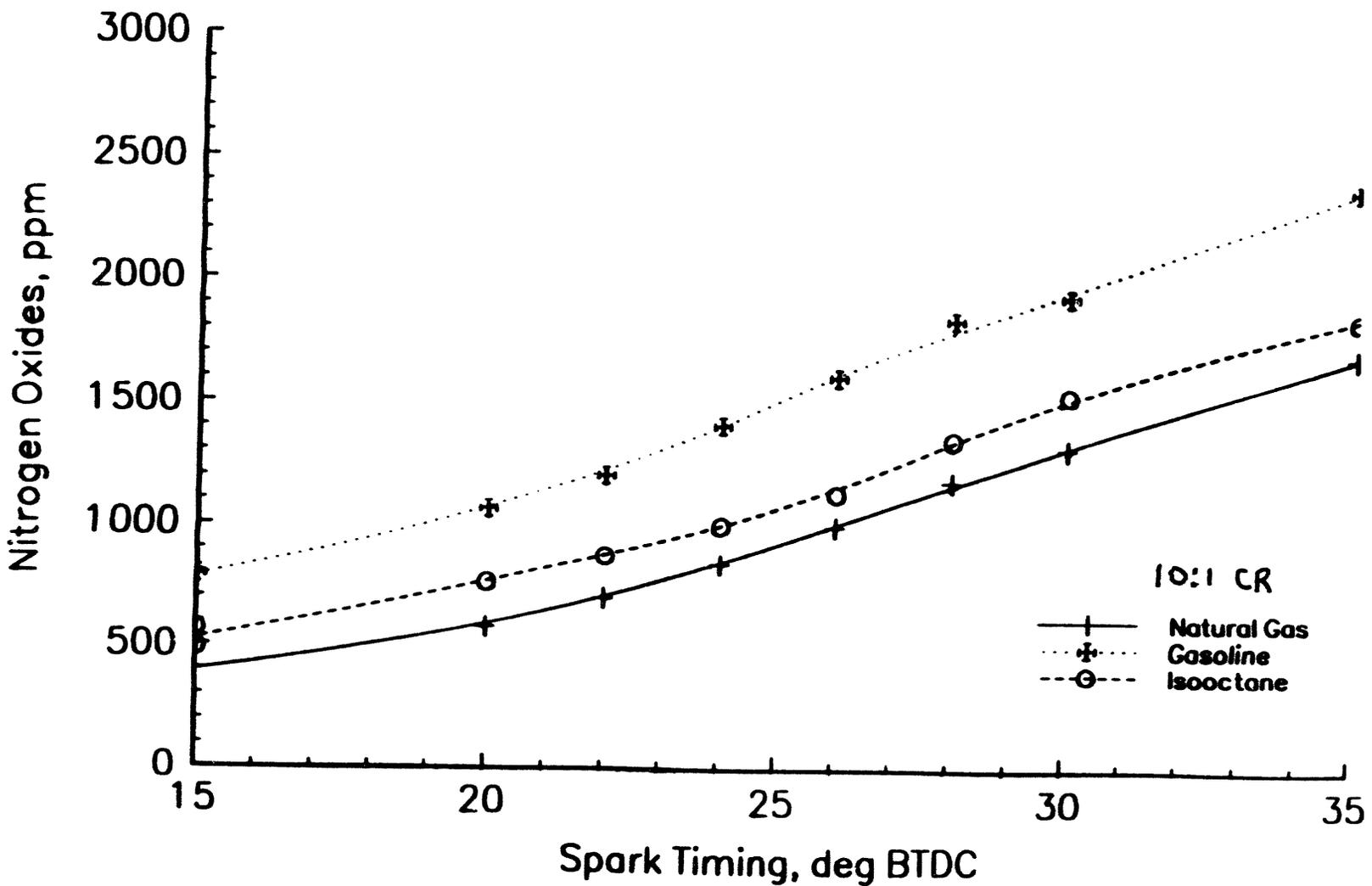
Little difference in spark advance due to the dominating effect of fluid dynamics on the combustion process.

EFFECT OF COMPRESSION RATIO
Nissan SR20DE, natural gas, 2000 rpm



FUEL COMPARISON

Nissan SR20DE, 2000 rpm, 29.4 N-m



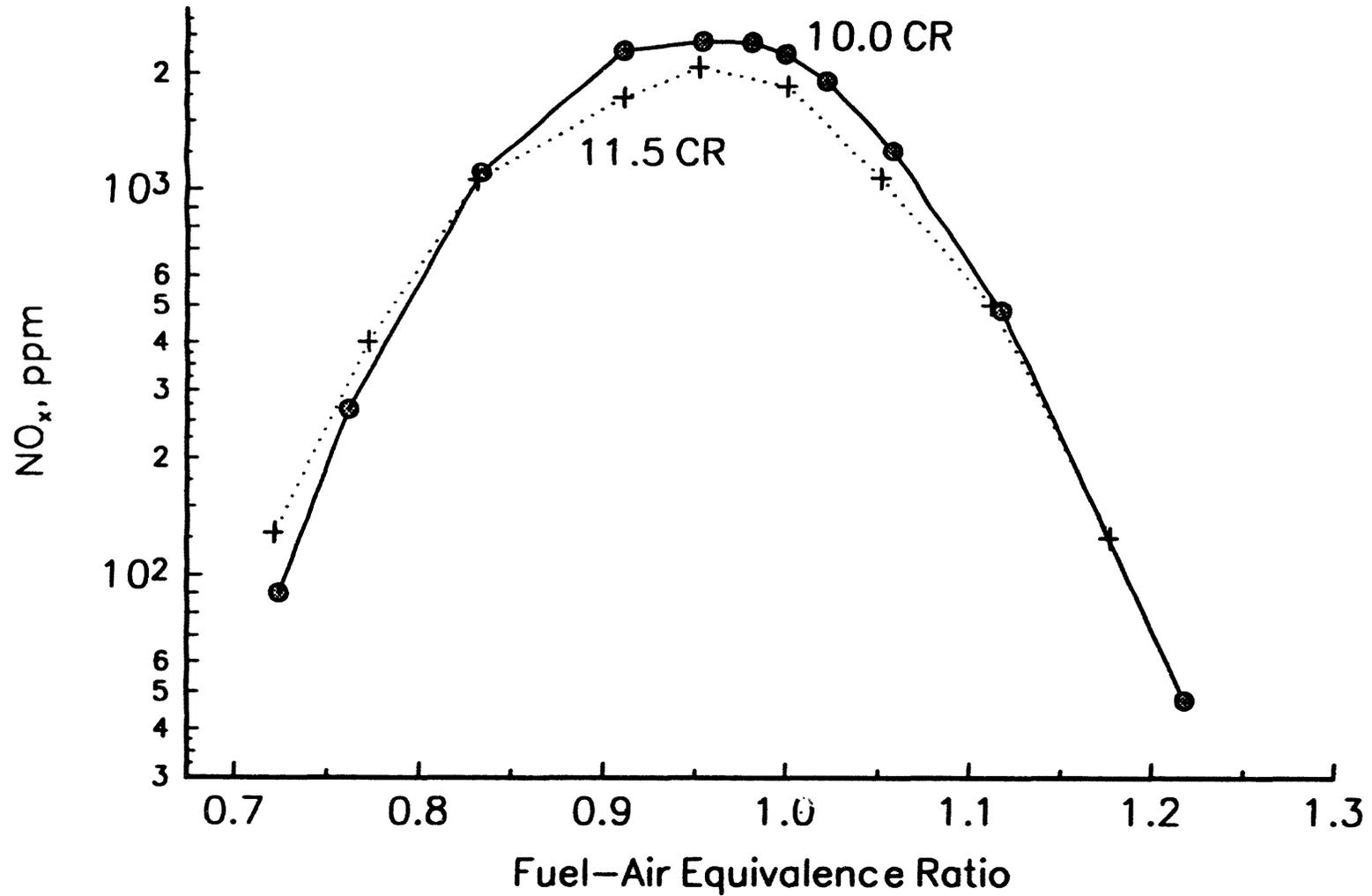
For similar spark timing, the lower flame temperature of natural gas produces less NO_x.

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Adiabatic Flame Temperatures in Air:

Methane	2236 K
Isocatne	2302 K
Benzene	2365 K

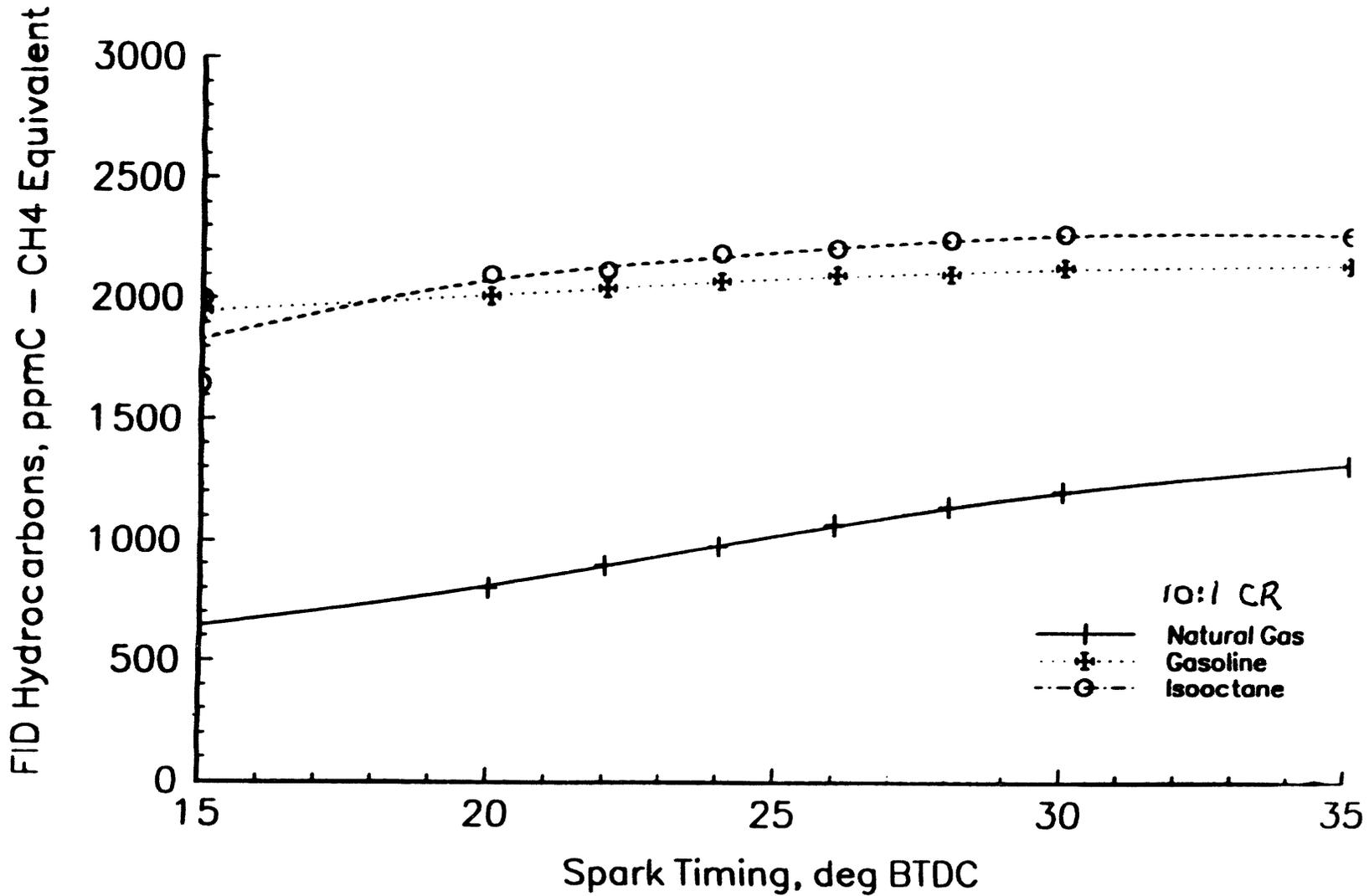
Effect of Compression Ratio
Nissan SR20DE, Natural Gas, 2000 rpm, 58.9 N-m



Spark advance held constant at stoichiometric MBT

FUEL COMPARISON

Nissan SR20DE, 2000 rpm, 29.4 N-m



Sources of Hydrocarbon Emissions:

1. Crevices.

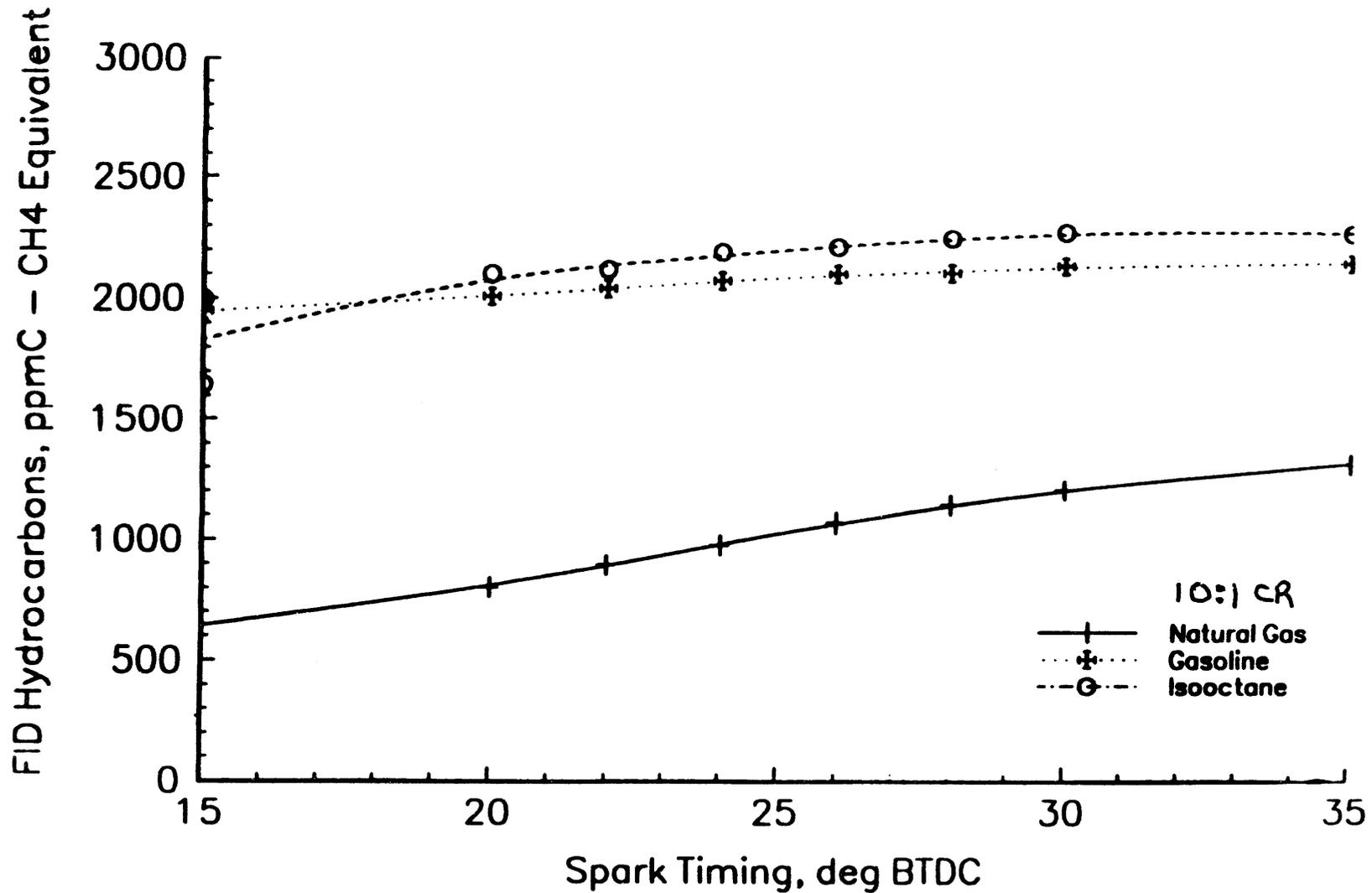
- dependent on spark timing**
- dependent on fuel type**

2. Oil layer

- independent of spark timing**
- dependent on fuel type**
- enhanced by liquid fuel**

FUEL COMPARISON

Nissan SR20DE, 2000 rpm, 29.4 N-m



Gasoline Hydrocarbon Sources:

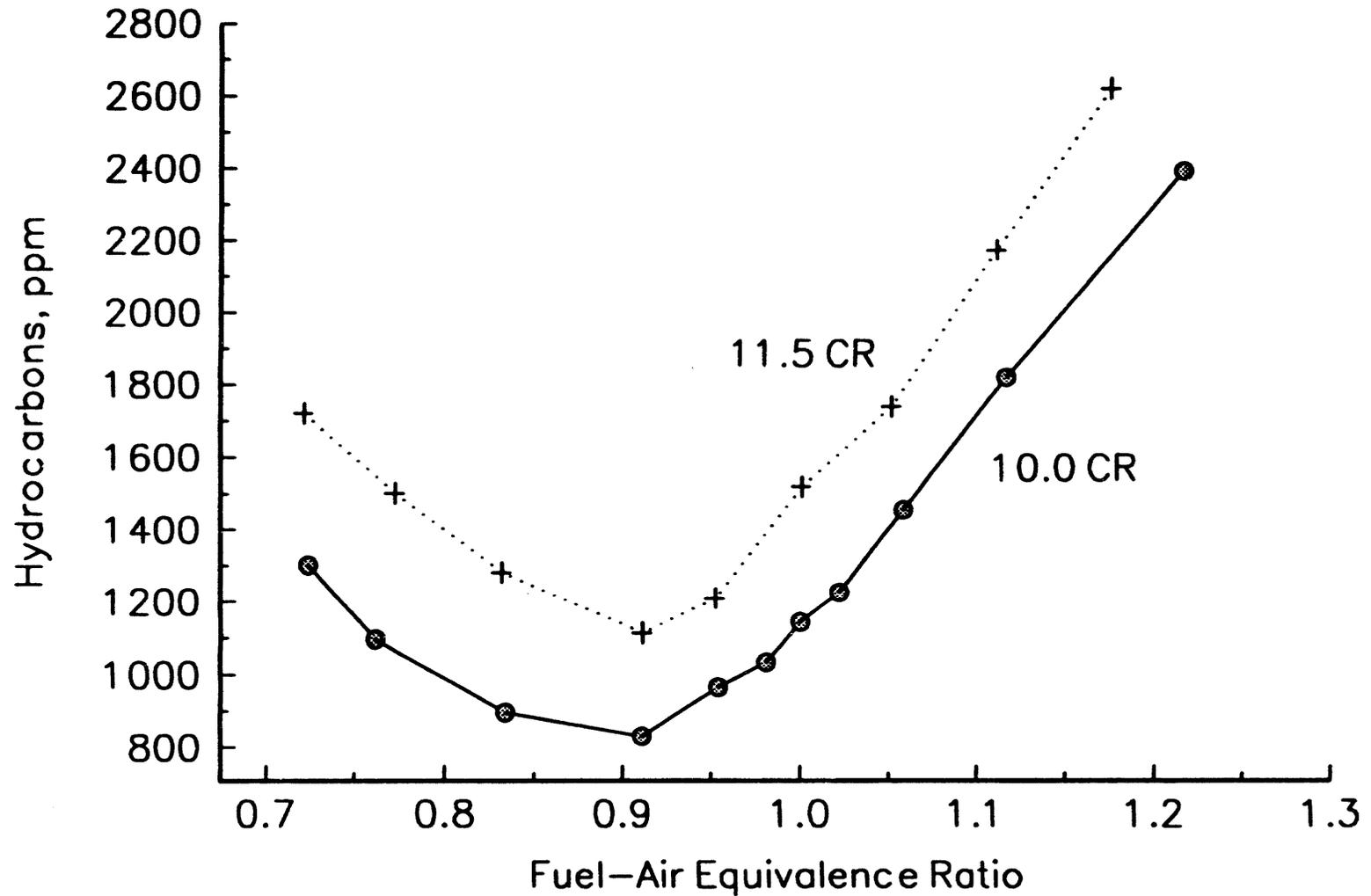
- 1. Crevices.**
- 2. Oil layer.**

Natural Gas Hydrocarbon Sources:

Oil layer mechanism virtually eliminated because of low solubility of methane in oil.

- 1. Crevices.**

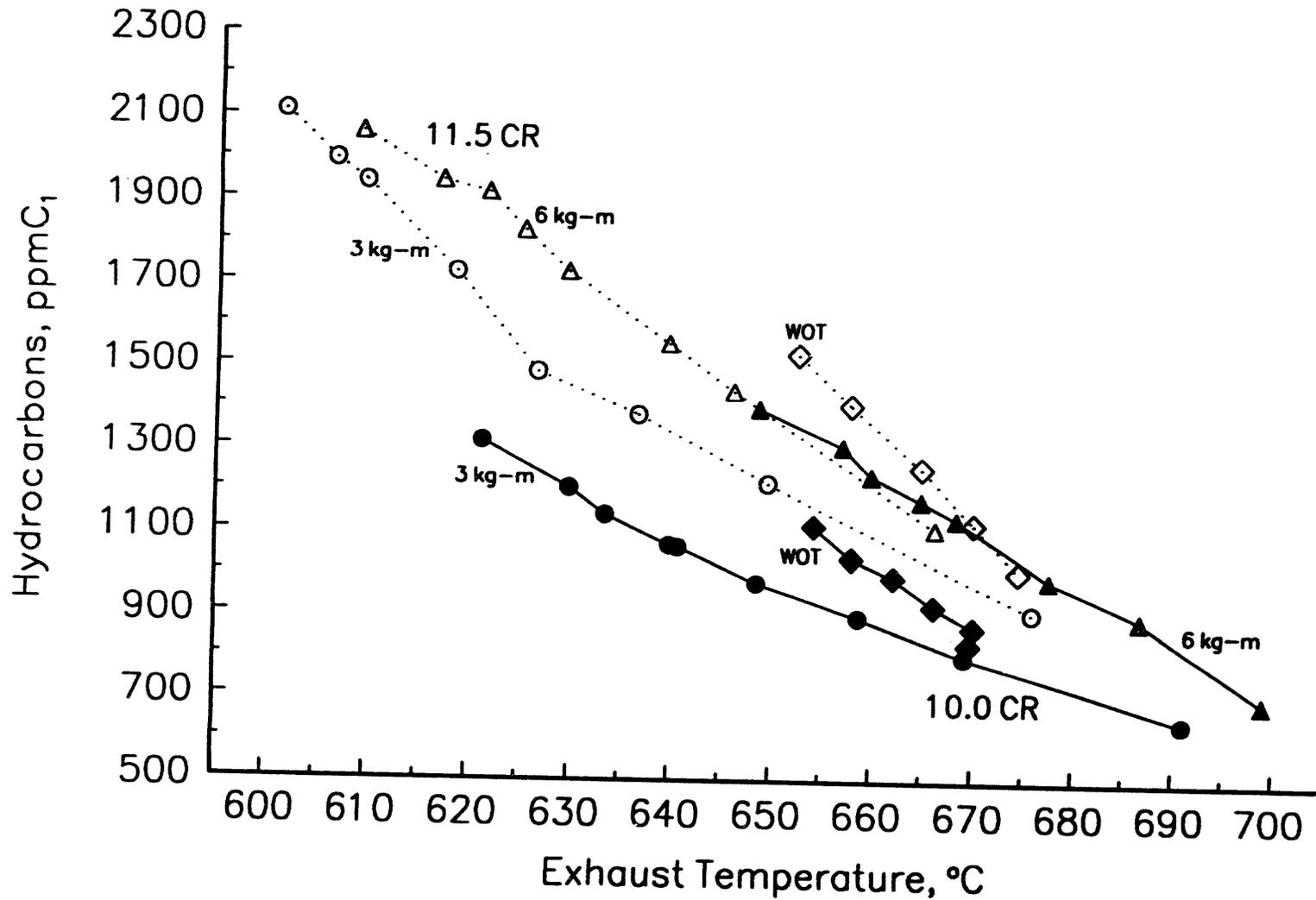
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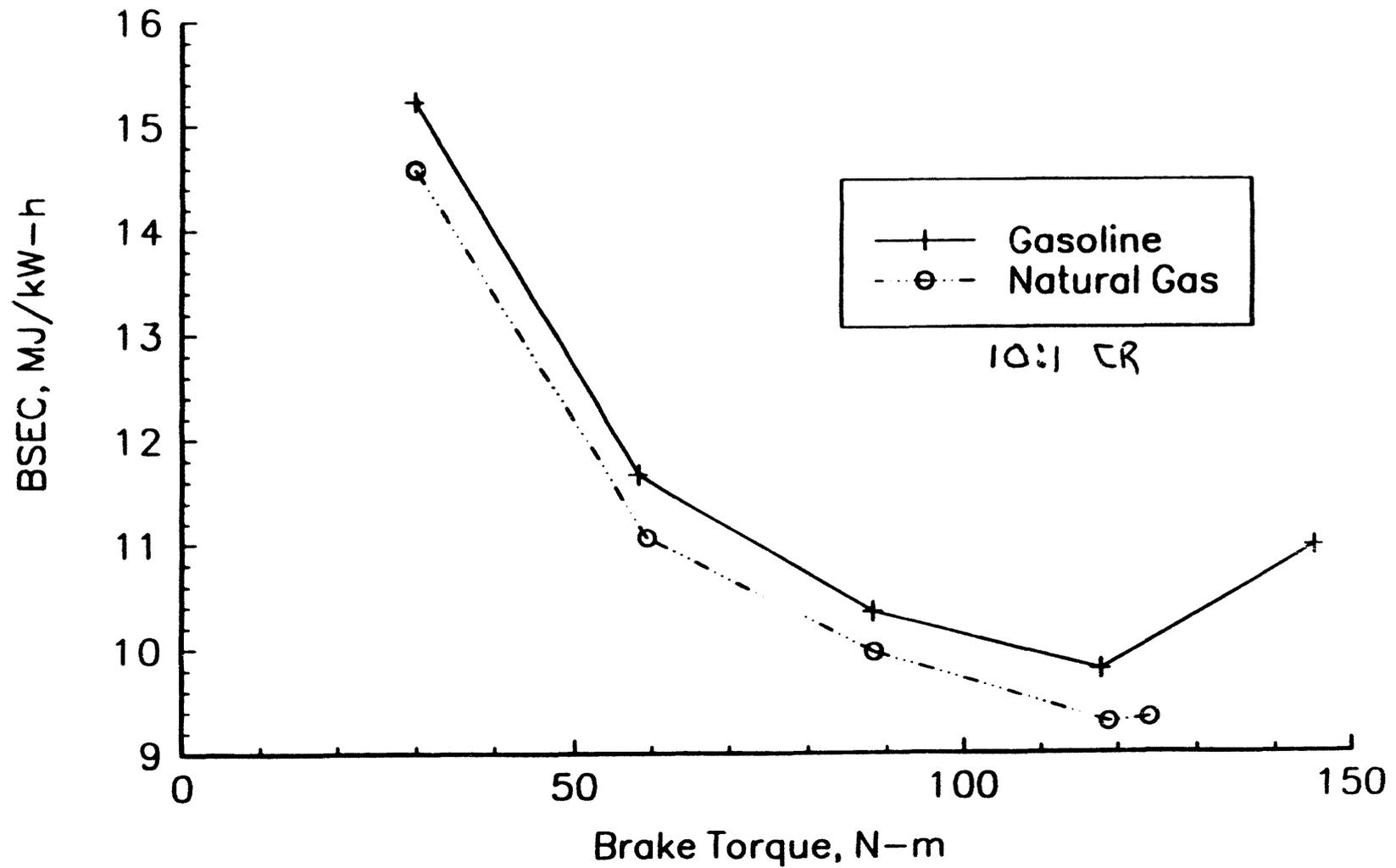
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Nissan SR20DE, Natural gas, 2000 rpm.



GASOLINE / NATURAL GAS COMPARISON

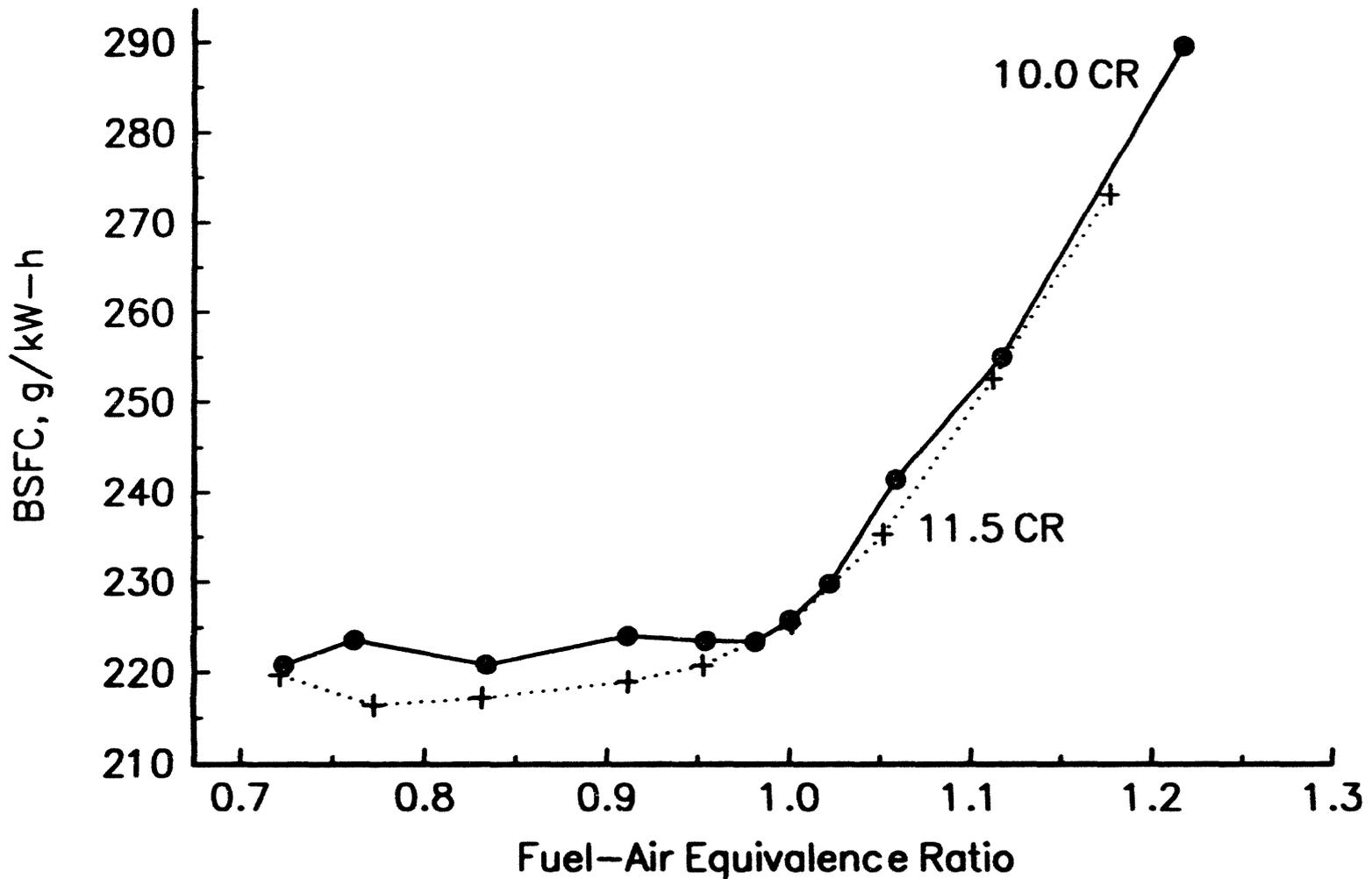
Nissan SR20DE, 2000 rpm, MBT timing



Improved efficiency with natural gas:

- combustion product composition increases ratio of specific heats.**
- lower emissions of HC and CO carry away less energy.**
- lower temperatures and heat losses.**

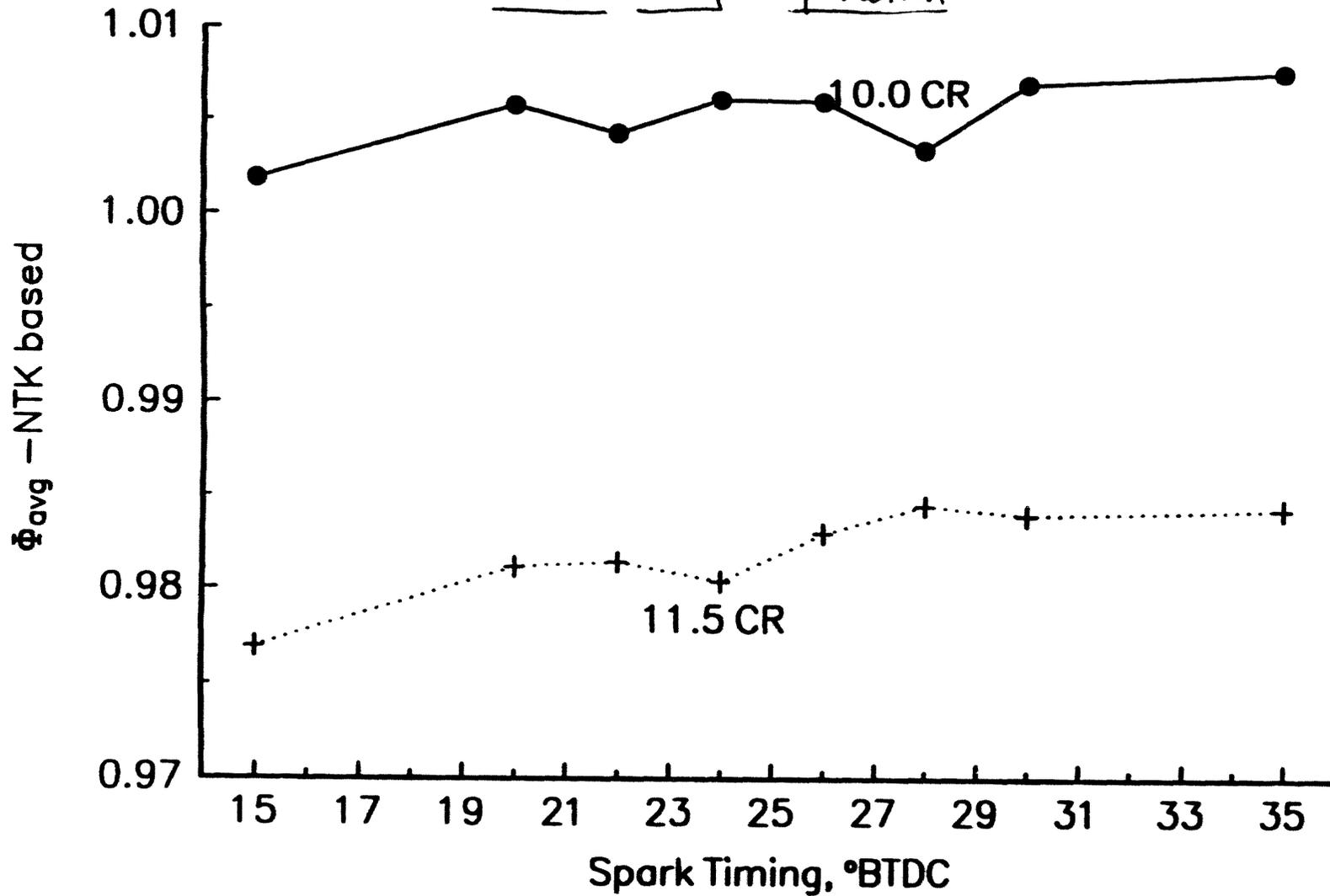
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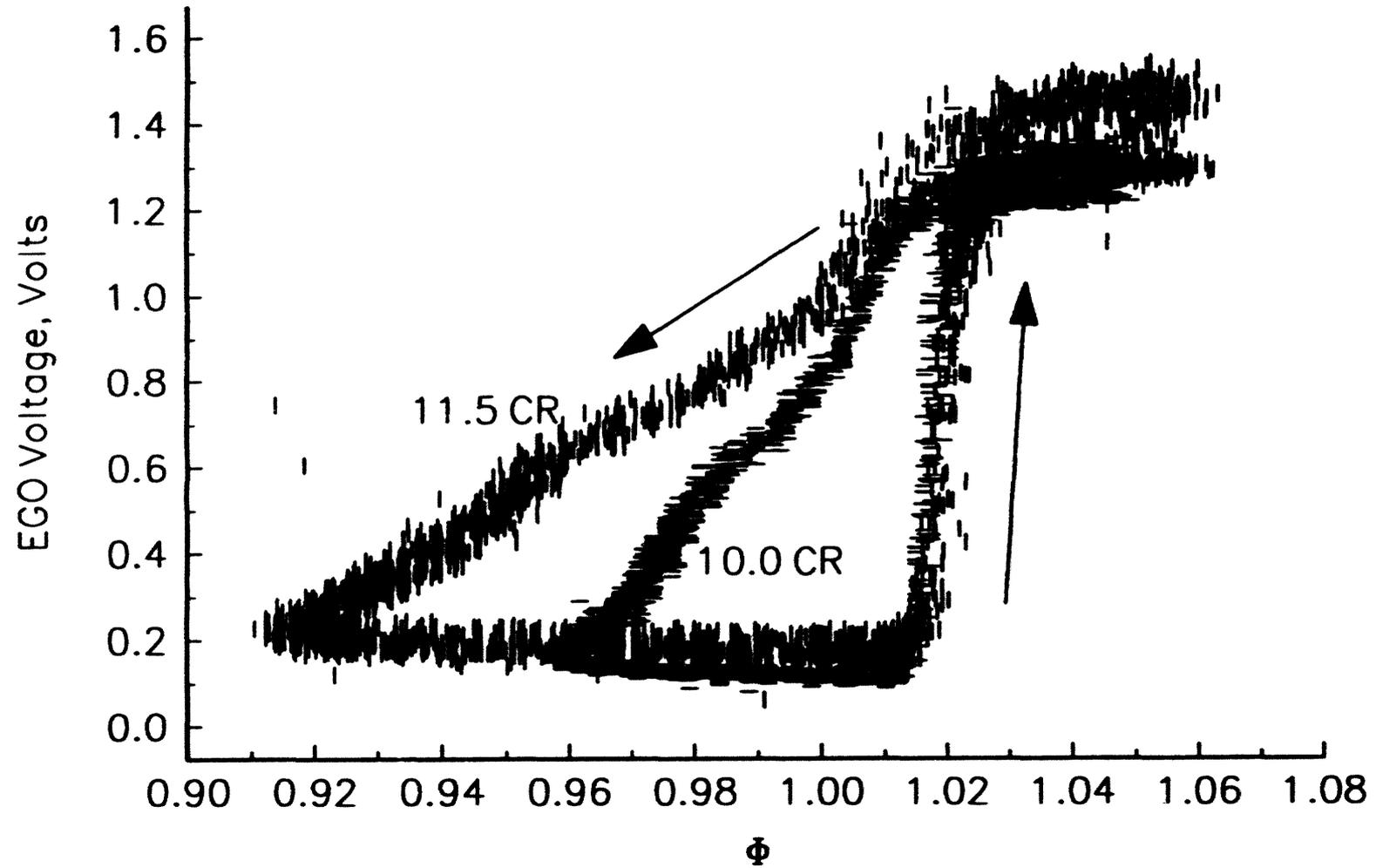
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Closed Loop Operation



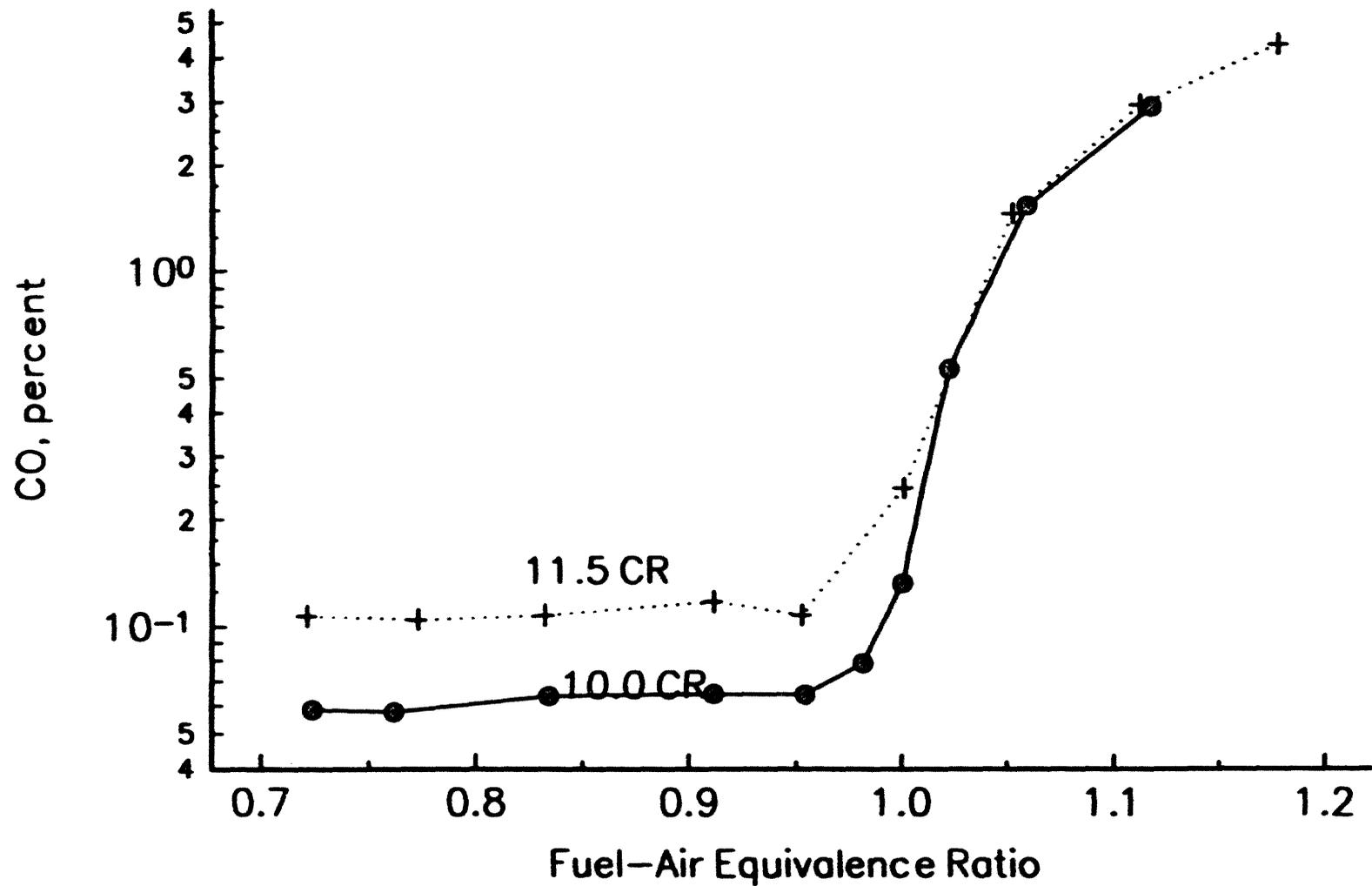
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Effect of Compression Ratio

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Spark advance held constant at stoichiometric MBT

WOT Torque Comparison.

fuel	CR	torque	ϕ	spark timing	percent of 10.0 CR gasoline torque
2000 rpm					
gasoline	10.0	149.5 N-m	1.16	20° BTDC	-
natural gas	10.0	130.0 N-m	1.05	23° BTDC	87.0
natural gas	11.5	134.2 N-m	1.05	20° BTDC	89.9
4800 rpm					
gasoline	10.0	167.7 N-m	1.18	23° BTDC	-
natural gas	10.0	142.4 N-m	1.06	23° BTDC	84.9
natural gas	11.5	147.0 N-m	1.05	18° BTDC	87.7

CONCLUSIONS

Increasing compression ratio yields:

- Higher hydrocarbon emissions because of reduced oxidation late in the expansion stroke.
- Less spark advance required for MBT timing
- At MBT spark timing, NO_x emissions with 11.5:1 compression ratio are less than or equal to NO_x emissions at 10.0:1 compression ratio.

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RATIO IN A LIGHT DUTY NATURAL GAS-FUELED ENGINE**

Hannu E. Jaaseklainen and James S. Wallace, University of Toronto

- Q. William Liss, Gas Research Institute: Would it be feasible to advance the spark timing in order to regain some of the power lost by converting from gasoline to natural gas?
- A. Yes, that would increase power, but it would also adversely affect the NOx emission.
- Q. Question inaudible.
- A. I think we had 3 to 6 percent better energy consumption by changing from gasoline to natural gas.

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**EXHAUST EMISSIONS AND FUEL ECONOMY OF
TRANSIT BUSES - CHASSIS DYNAMOMETER
TEST RESULTS**

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Exhaust Emissions and Fuel Economy of Transit Buses – Chassis Dynamometer Test Results

**Presented to the
1993 Windsor Workshop
on Alternative Fuels**

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PURPOSE

To inform the 1993 Windsor Workshop attendees of recent measurements of the exhaust emissions and fuel economy characteristics of CNG, Methanol, and Diesel (with and without particulate traps) powered transit buses.



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BACKGROUND

- **Ontario transit systems are demonstrating:**
 - **CNG** (75 buses in Hamilton, Toronto, and Mississauga)
 - **Methanol** (6 buses in Windsor)
 - **Diesel** (8 buses in Ottawa)**particulate traps**
- **The Ministry of Transportation of Ontario is the overall coordinator of the program**



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BACKGROUND (cont'd)

- **The program enjoys the enthusiastic participation of:**
 - **Energy, Mines, and Resources Canada**
 - **Environment Canada**
 - **Ministry of Environment and Energy Ontario**
 - **Bus, engine, and component suppliers**
 - **Fuel and fuelling system suppliers**
 - **Industry associations**
- **The program includes a chassis dynamometer exhaust emissions and fuel economy test component which is being conducted at Environment Canada**



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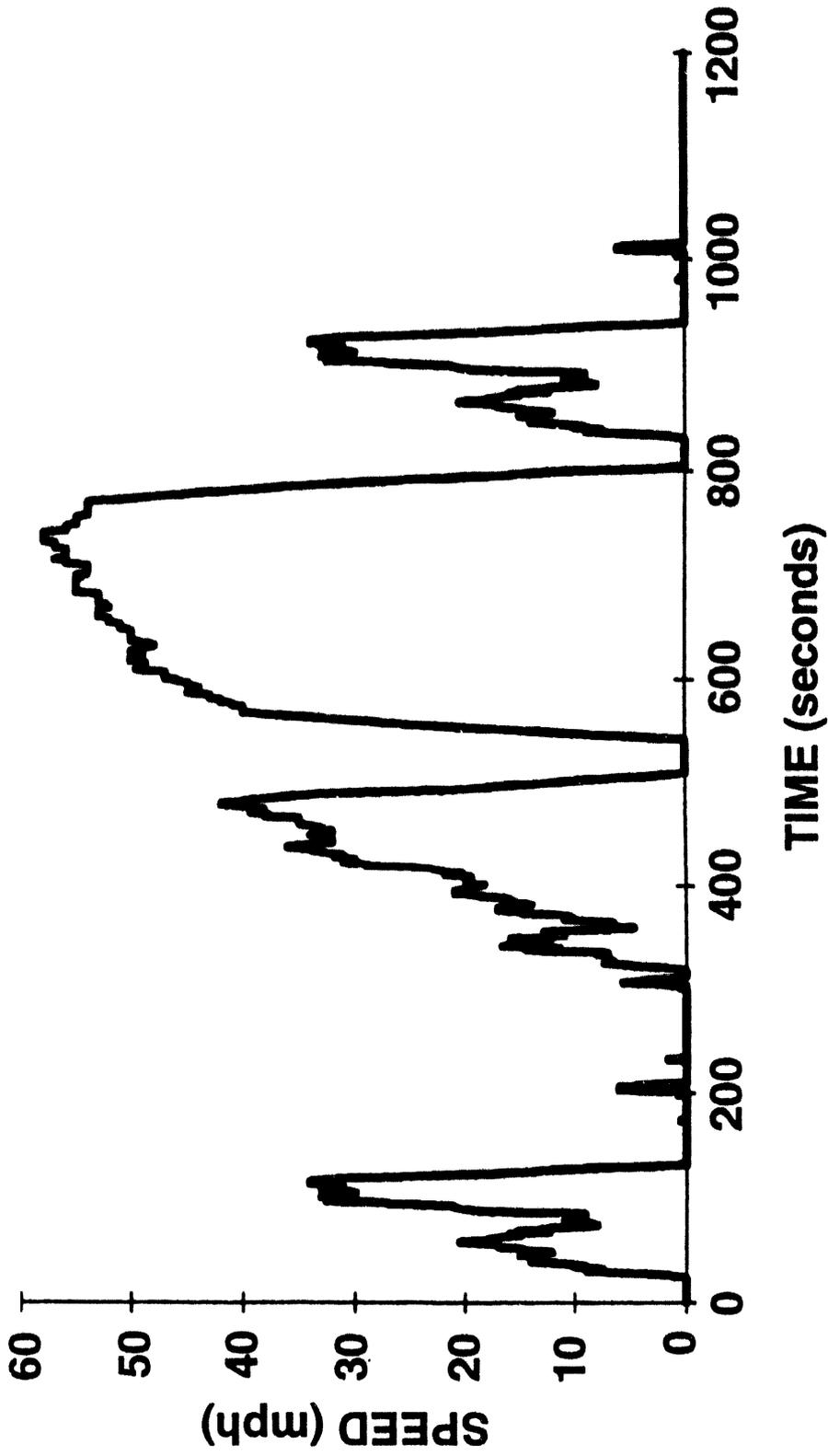
SCOPE OF TEST PROGRAM

- Test buses representative of each new technology and compare them with corresponding baseline diesels under "identical" conditions
- Repeat testing over a substantial portion of useful bus life to assess long-term performance
- Measure exhaust emissions of:
 - Particulate matter (PM)
 - Oxides of nitrogen (NO_x)
 - Carbon monoxide (CO)
 - Hydrocarbons (HC)
 - Carbon dioxide (CO_2)
 - Formaldehyde (HCHO)
 - Carbonyls (RCHO)



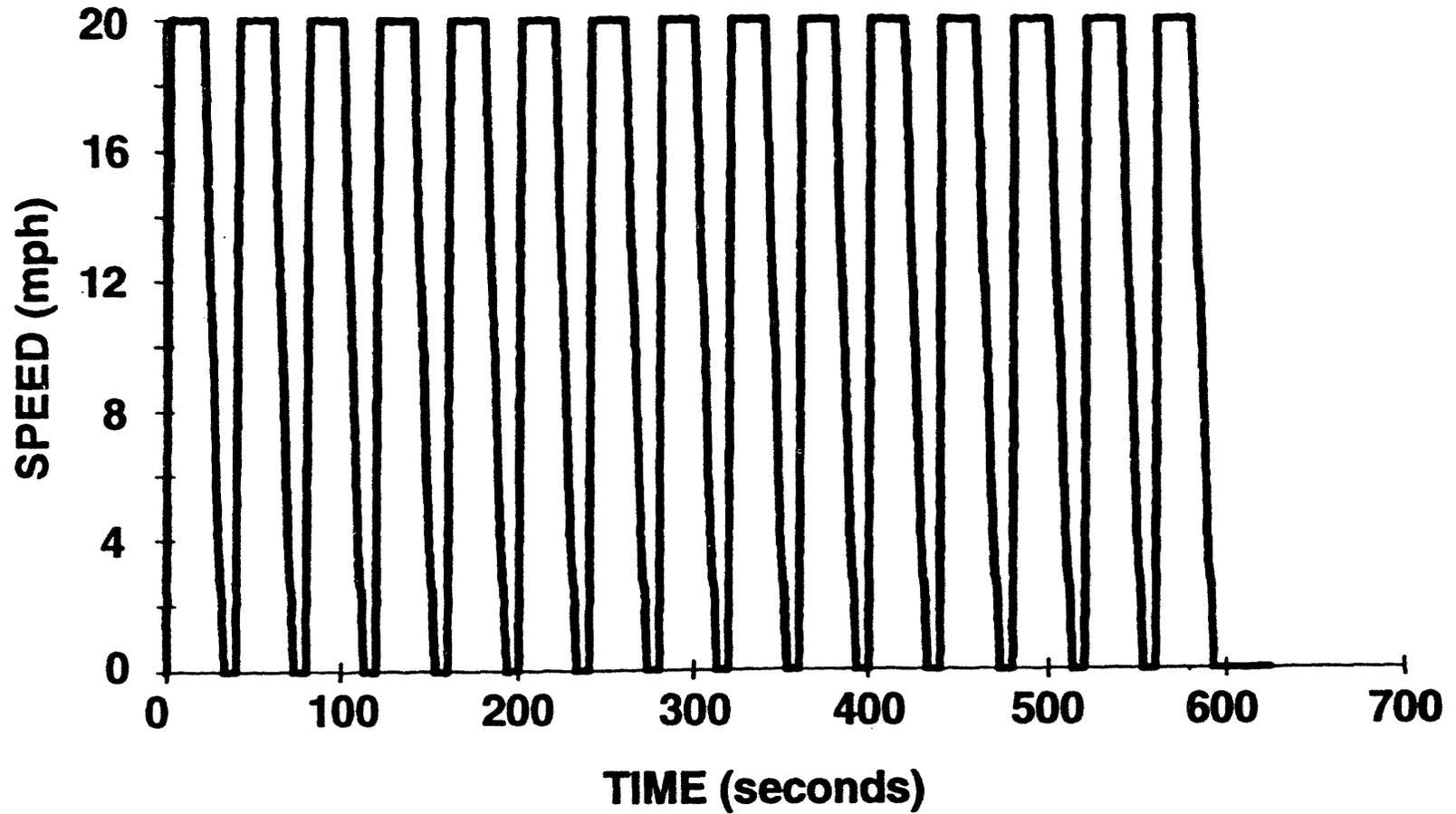
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EPA HEAVY-DUTY CHASSIS TRANSIENT CYCLE



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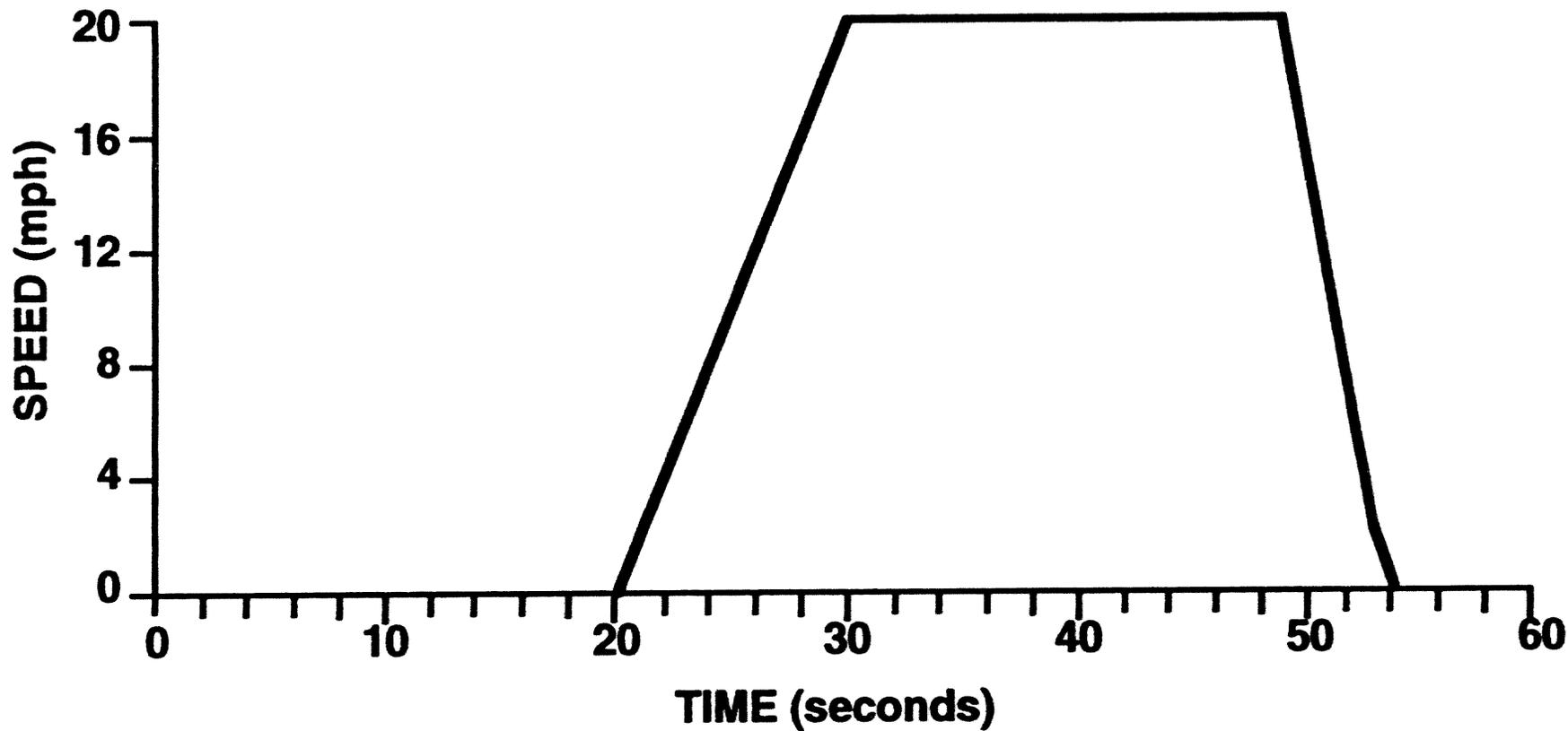
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ONE SEGMENT OF THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT CYCLE

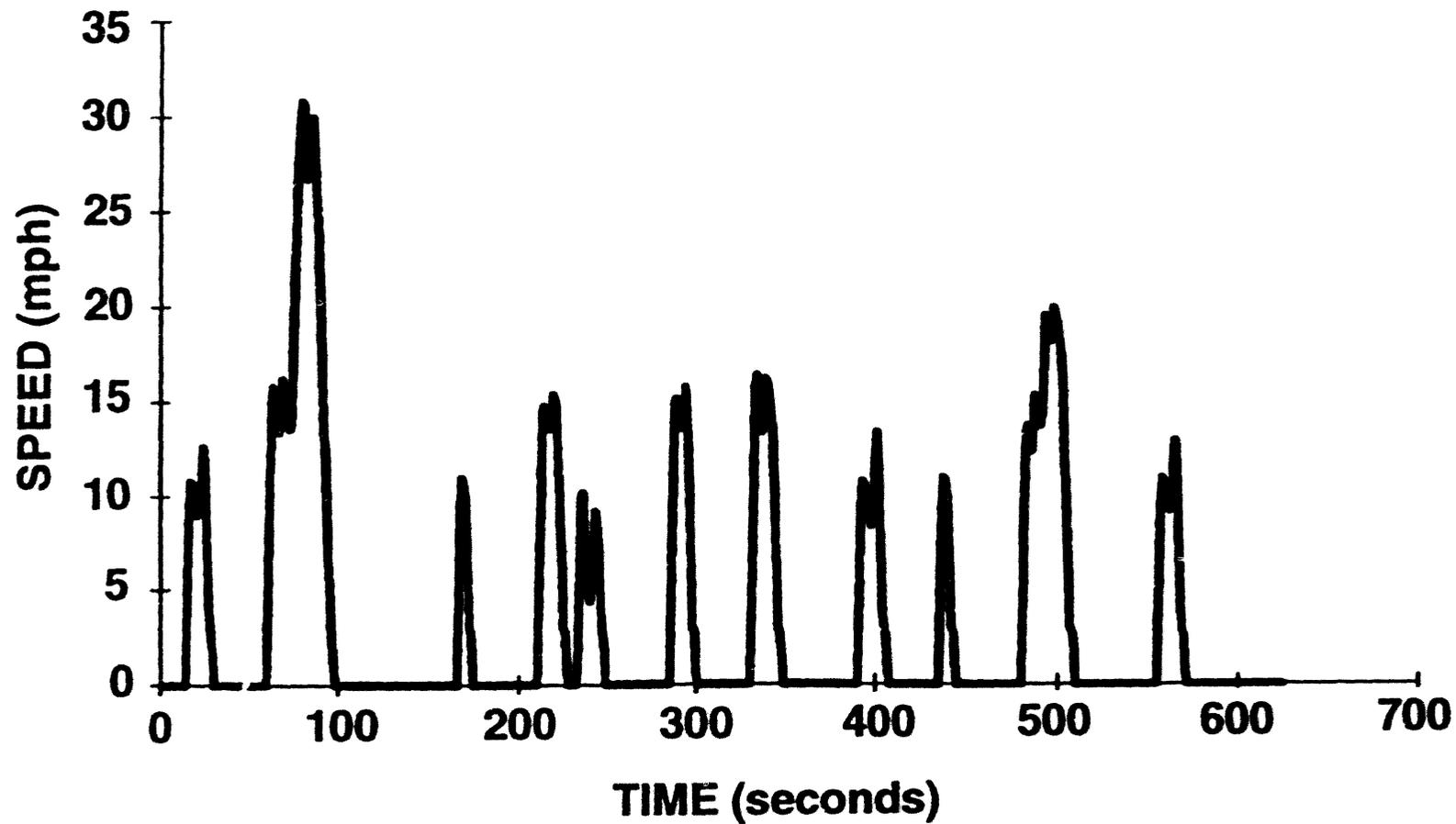


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NEW YORK BUS CYCLE



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SCOPE OF TEST PROGRAM (cont'd)

- **Assess effects of driving cycle:**
 - **EPA Heavy-Duty Test Cycle (HDTC)**
 - **DOT/FTA Central Business District Cycle (CBD)**
 - **New York Bus Cycle (NYBus)**
 - **New York Composite Cycle (NYComp)**
- **Assess effects of bus weight:**
 - **26,000 to 33,000 lb for 40-ft buses**



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SCOPE OF TEST PROGRAM (cont'd)

- **Buses included in test program:**
 - **Ontario Bus Industries (OBI) 40-ft CNG powered buses with Cummins L-10 engines and oxidation catalysts**
 - **Motor Coach Industries (MCI) 40-ft methanol powered buses with Detroit Diesel 6V-92TA engines and oxidation catalysts**
 - **MCI and OBI 40-ft and 60-ft buses with DDC 6V-92TA, DDC 6V-71NA, DDC 6L-71T, and Cummins N-10 diesels and Donaldson particulate traps**
 - **OBI and MCI baseline buses**



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RESULTS OF THE PROGRAM

- **To-date a large number of tests have been completed with each technology**
- **Test program will continue for several years to provide a more complete assessment**
- **Presentation will be limited to representative results with low-mileage or new 40-ft buses**



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COMPARISON OF FUEL/ENGINE/BUS TECHNOLOGIES

(40-ft bus; 33,000 lb inertia weight; CBD cycle)

	Two-stroke Diesel	Four-stroke Diesel	Methanol	CNG
PM (g/mile)	3.32	3.02	0.29	0.12
NO _x (g/mile)	20.36	23.90	11.69	10.26
CO (g/mile)	20.85	27.33	13.02	0.03
HC ¹ (g/mile)	0.79	1.43	2.77	0.02
FE ² (m/USgal)	2.96	3.57	3.09	3.74

- 1 for CNG, non-methane hydrocarbons (NMHC)
for Methanol, organic matter hydrocarbon equivalent (OMHCE)
- 2 Diesel equivalent fuel economy in mile/US gallon



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RESULTS WITH PARTICULATE TRAPS

(40-ft bus with DDC 6V-92TA; 32,000 lb inertia weight; CBD cycle)

	WITHOUT TRAP	WITH TRAP
PM (g/mile)	2.47	0.38
NO _x (g/mile)	23.28	25.73
CO (g/mile)	18.36	25.72
HC (g/mile)	2.44	2.17
FE (m/USgal)	2.74	2.80
Trap efficiency (%)		85



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EFFECT OF DRIVING CYCLE

(40-ft bus with DDC 6V-92TA; 33,000 lb inertia weight; CBD cycle)

	HDTC ¹	CBD	NYBUS
PM (g/mile)	2.18	3.32	4.79
NO _x (g/mile)	12.85	20.36	51.89
CO (g/mile)	7.56	20.85	57.23
HC (g/mile)	0.53	0.79	2.01
FE (m/USgal)	3.92	2.96	1.50

¹ Warm-start cycle



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EFFECT OF INERTIA WEIGHT **(40-ft bus with CNG engine; CBD cycle)**

	26,000 lb INERTIA	33,000 lb INERTIA
PM (g/mile)	0.09	0.12
NO_x (g/mile)	6.83	10.26
CO (g/mile)	0.01	0.03
NMHC (g/mile)	0.00	0.02
FE (m/USgal)	4.16	3.74



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CONCLUSIONS

- **New and emerging technologies offer major exhaust emissions improvements relative to the "standard" diesel**
- **CNG powered buses appear to approach the status of zero emission vehicles with respect to all regulated emissions, except NO_x**
- **The fuel economy of the CNG bus with the Cummins L-10 engine is comparable to its diesel counterpart at the same inertia weight and under identical driving conditions**



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CONCLUSIONS (cont'd)

- **The Donaldson particulate trap achieves an 85% trapping efficiency under typical bus driving conditions**
- **The bus duty cycle has a profound impact on fuel economy and exhaust emissions with all technologies**
- **The weight of the bus has a major effect on fuel economy and exhaust emissions**
- **The test program will be continued to provide a better assessment of the long-term potential of emerging technologies**



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Transportation of Ontario**

- Q. Dan Fong, California Energy Commission: Were the engines certified, and to which standard?**
- A. The diesel engine was certified to the U.S. EPA standard and the CNG engine was certified essentially identical to the CARB standard.**
- Q. Anonymous: Would you clarify the heavy duty cycle?**
- A. The heavy duty test cycle is first driven from a cold start and is repeated with a hot start. The test results reported were for the hot start portion only.**

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CARS AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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International Energy Agency**

CARS AND CLIMATE CHANGE

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY¹

The transport sector is an essential element in the process of creating and consuming wealth. Popularisation of the motor car in particular has been important in the process of industrialisation and economic growth. At the same time there is an emerging consensus among OECD governments that policies are required to address some of the adverse social and environmental effects of motor vehicles. Traffic can be detrimental to quality of life, especially in cities, through the risks, noise and air pollution it causes. Vehicles are also a major source of greenhouse gas emissions. In the context of continuing growth in car use, stabilisation of the emissions poses a major challenge.

Cars and Climate Change contributes to the analysis of the technical potential, economic potential and market potential for emission reduction in the transport sector through increased efficiency and fuel substitution. The car market and its related fuel supply and infrastructure systems are examined, along with policies that might effect beneficial changes in the market.

Energy Use and Emissions

Energy use in OECD transport nearly tripled between 1960 and 1990. The growth rate for emissions of carbon dioxide (CO₂) was virtually the same, though other transport emissions have been decreasing. Transport, including international marine bunker fuel use, is now responsible for more than one-third of OECD final energy use. It is the largest final energy use sector and the share is growing. It is also the sector that has been the least responsive to policy makers' attempts to encourage energy efficiency and fuel flexibility.

Over the last 20 years, all transport modes except seagoing ships carried increasing levels of passenger traffic. The increase in rail and bus travel has been slight, and most of the additional land-based travel is by car. Of the passenger transport modes, air travel, which has the highest energy use and greenhouse gas emissions per passenger-kilometre, has increased fastest. Its growth rate is matched by that of road freight traffic. Air travel and road freight, which are causing increased concern in terms of both energy use and the environment, will be the focus of future IEA studies.

1 Extract from: International Energy Agency; *Cars and Climate Change*. OECD, Paris 1993. (61 93 02 1) ISBN 92-64-13804-8.

Of the land-based passenger transport modes, car travel is the most energy intensive. At typical seat occupancy levels, buses and trains use less energy per passenger-kilometre. Gasoline-powered cars, in aggregate, consume more energy than any other type of vehicle, and produce more greenhouse gas emissions.

Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Cars

For this study the IEA has used a life-cycle emission model that takes into account upstream emissions in considerable detail. Fuel supply is analysed, including raw material extraction, transport, processing and fuel distribution. Similarly, the model calculates emissions in vehicle production, from raw material extraction, transport and processing to vehicle manufacture. The model can be used to examine the effects on emissions of vehicle and engine design, of switching to alternative fuels and of using electric vehicles. The model also takes account of emissions other than CO₂, weighting them according to their greenhouse forcing¹ and how long they stay in the atmosphere.

About 72% of greenhouse gases from cars are emitted from the tailpipe during vehicle operation; 17-18% of car life-cycle emissions arise from fuel extraction, processing and distribution; a further 10% come from vehicle manufacture². For cars with below-average annual kilometrage, the emissions in vehicle manufacture become more significant as a proportion of life-cycle emissions. The reverse holds for cars with above-average kilometrage.

Exhaust emission control devices are expected to be installed on most cars throughout the OECD by about 2005. Catalytic converters reduce emissions of carbon monoxide, volatile organic compounds (VOC) and nitrogen oxides (NO_x). However, they increase emissions of CO₂ and nitrous oxide (N₂O).

Greenhouse gas emissions can be reduced through:

- **Energy efficiency improvements.** Lower fuel use — for example, as a result of improved aerodynamic design — can reduce emissions throughout the fuel and vehicle life-cycle.
- **Fuel switching.** Alternative energy carriers can result in lower life-cycle CO₂ emissions because they contain less carbon, or because they contain carbon absorbed by plants from the atmosphere. Some alternative fuels can give higher engine efficiency than gasoline. Life-cycle analysis is particularly important in examining the potential benefits of alternative fuels.

1 Effect on global radiative balance per unit mass.

2 Emissions of chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) and emissions associated with vehicle disposal vary widely between countries and are not treated in this report.

These two measures can complement each other. Improvements in gasoline vehicle design are clearly applicable to most alternative-fuel vehicles. Similarly, the vehicle design improvements that will be necessary to develop a viable electric vehicle can be used in gasoline vehicle production.

Energy Efficiency Improvements

Technical Potential. Technology is available that would improve car fuel economy by a factor of three or more. This could not be done without reducing performance or raising costs, however. Few of the resulting cars would be competitive in today's market.

Economic Potential. Analysis of the energy efficiency distribution of the current fleet can be used to indicate the economic potential for energy efficiency improvements: the fuel economy that would be achieved if car purchasers were to choose the model that satisfies their needs at the least overall cost. Studies in the United States and the United Kingdom indicate that the economic potential is probably at least 20% better than the current average fuel economy.

Market Potential. Many analysts have attempted to identify the market potential for fuel economy improvements — that is, the improvement that the market will produce without additional intervention. This can be done by:

- making techno-economic assessments of changes that do not affect vehicle size, performance or comfort level;
- mapping the energy efficiency distribution of cars currently being purchased and using the top 10% or 20% to indicate the potential for the fleet as a whole over the next ten to 20 years;
- using macroeconomic models to generate scenarios of the future that include energy efficiency indicators as an output.

All these approaches suggest that fuel economy may improve by 10-20% between now and 2005.

Alternative Fuels

Some alternative fuels — diesel, LPG¹ and CNG², for example — can be produced with less processing than gasoline from crude oil. Synthetic fuels such as alcohols generally require more energy and more capital-intensive plant for processing. Switching fuels generally results in lower tailpipe emissions of CO₂ and pollutants but may result in higher emissions from fuel supply. Where alternative liquid fuels are produced from gas or coal, life-cycle greenhouse gas emissions can exceed those due to gasoline use. Fuels from biomass or other renewable sources can in principle have zero life-cycle emissions. Manufacturing of vehicles using gaseous fuels that require heavy cylinders, or electric vehicles with heavy batteries, involves more energy use and emissions than that of more conventional cars.

Technical Potential. Figure 1 shows an example of the calculation of life-cycle emissions for a variety of alternative fuel options for use in North America. The options can be divided into four main groups:

- Fuels which offer little or no greenhouse gas abatement but may be attractive from the perspective of other areas of government policy. Synthetic liquid fuels using fossil fuel inputs, including some biomass-derived fuels, fall into this group, as do CNG used in existing vehicles (not shown in the graph) and electric vehicles using power from some existing generation mixes;
- Alternatives available now, or expected to become available by 2005, including diesel, LPG, CNG in optimised engines and electric vehicles using power from existing generation mixes; these options can reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 10-25%;
- Synthetic fuels from wood or other low-input biomass feedstocks, which are not yet technically demonstrated but could offer 60-80% greenhouse gas abatement;
- Fuels derived from completely renewable sources, including hydrogen produced by electrolysis of water using electricity generated by renewable sources; synthetic fuels from zero-input biomass feedstocks; and electric vehicles powered by electricity from renewable sources. All would mean large-scale replacement of the existing fossil-based energy system. They can result in over 80% greenhouse gas abatement.

One striking result of the analysis of alternative fuels and electric vehicles is the considerable range of emission levels that could be associated with each option (see Figure 2). The results depend on the fuel inputs and emission levels associated with power generation and fuel conversion. Any ranking of the

1 Liquefied petroleum gas.

2 Compressed natural gas.

options will vary by region and according to the assumptions made about technology that is not yet fully developed. Even currently available options, including CNG and ethanol from maize, have considerable ranges of emissions and may result in higher life-cycle emissions than gasoline.

Economic Potential. The car buyer considering an alternative-fuel vehicle has to consider the cost of the vehicle, its probable operating costs and its expected resale value. In the case of fuels such as CNG or diesel, the vehicle cost is likely to be higher than that of a gasoline vehicle and the fuel costs are likely to be lower. The buyer has to make a trade-off, depending on the cost of capital, expected annual costs and kilometrage and the probable time before the car will be resold.

An earlier IEA study examined the costs and technical feasibility of using several alternative fuels (IEA, 1990b). **Figure 3** shows the cost-effectiveness of using alternative fuels to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, considering only the costs involved in fuel supply.

The current study provides a deeper economic analysis of fuels that may have significant market potential by the end of the 1990s. Costs are calculated for gasoline, diesel and CNG cars in the United States and France in 2000. **Figure 4** shows the estimated ranges of costs in each country of switching from gasoline to diesel and CNG cars at 1992 fuel prices and taxes. The fuel duties in each country have important effects on the economics of fuel switching. In France diesel is subject to lower tax than gasoline, and is likely to remain very attractive for most vehicle buyers. Tax exemptions introduced in the United States by the 1992 Energy Policy Act may make CNG attractive, at least for drivers who are unaffected by a shorter driving range.

Market Potential. Market share projections for alternative fuels are unreliable, as there is little experience on which to base them. Macroeconomic models such as the IEA's World Energy Outlook are not designed to predict fuel switching in the long term. Econometric models with more detailed disaggregation of transport fuel demand may be more helpful in identifying possible niche markets for alternative fuels.

Market surveys have been carried out in California, where alternative fuels are being promoted by the state government. The surveys indicate that disadvantages of alternative fuels, such as uncertainty about availability, outweigh any cost advantage for most consumers. As a result the main users of alternative-fuel vehicles have tended to be fleet operators.

Policies for Greenhouse Gas Abatement

Many OECD Member countries have adopted policies to promote alternative fuels. These policies have usually been motivated by objectives other than greenhouse gas abatement. In the United States alternative fuels are being introduced as a result of legislation that is intended mainly to reduce emissions of carbon monoxide and VOC.

Energy-efficient vehicles are not achieving their economic potential in the car market now, and alternative-fuel vehicles appear unlikely to do so by 2005 without government intervention. This is partly due to aspects of the technologies that make them unattractive to consumers — reduced performance, uncertainty regarding fuel availability, uncertainty about the resale market. It may also be due to market imperfections, such as lack of information about new technologies or the existence of external costs and benefits associated with them.

CO₂ emissions are linked directly to fossil fuel demand. In economic terms the most efficient way to reduce emissions would be to tax all fuels, in all sectors, throughout the world, according to their carbon content. This approach, however, is unlikely to be adopted in the near future. The external cost of CO₂ emissions is not known and may be unknowable, so it is not possible to determine the tax level that would internalise the cost.

Approaches that do not depend on international agreement, such as vehicle fuel economy standards, have been widely adopted. Such standards may have the drawback of resulting in lower driving costs and hence more propensity to drive. Other indirect approaches to reducing fuel demand may have similar drawbacks. Even if they result in fuel savings, they are likely to do so at greater expense in consumer welfare than would have been incurred using carbon taxes.

A case study carried out in the Netherlands analyses the effects on traffic and emissions of several policy measures, including parking controls, fuel pricing, road pricing and public transport investment. The study also examines the effects of combinations of different types of measures. Combined measures have more effect than would be produced by adding the effects of the component measures. The use of such combinations reduces opportunities for consumers to compensate for restrictions imposed by individual measures.

Policies for Sustainable Transport

Although greenhouse gas abatement appears difficult to achieve for passenger cars, there is growing recognition of the range of problems caused by cars. Oil dependence has long been a concern of governments in OECD countries. Other issues rising in the political agenda include traffic congestion, accidents, noise and local air pollution.

These issues have relevance for greenhouse gas emissions. Policies to deal with the other problems caused by transport can also reduce greenhouse gas emissions. For example, in Europe the fitting of speed limiting devices to heavy-duty vehicles reduces not only accidents but also energy use. In California the promotion of CNG vehicles to reduce local air pollution may also result in reduced greenhouse gas emissions.

Concern about global warming adds weight to the arguments for governments to reconsider their transport policies according to the "polluter pays" principle. They should try to reduce the damage caused by transport as far as possible. Where damage cannot be reduced, transport users should be required to pay the full cost of their mobility. Yet the considerable existing government intervention affecting transport makes this task difficult.

Responsibility for acting on many problems associated with transport tends to be split between government departments. National administrations are beginning to address transport sector issues as a whole, by consultation between departments. The process is important in helping policy makers see the synergy among the different issues, and should result in more effective action to deal with each problem.

This report cannot prescribe policies or policy packages for governments. The main recommendation arising from the study is that governments should carry out and act on their own careful, comprehensive analyses of transport policy options.

Figure 1. Life-Cycle Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Alternative Fuel Cars

in North America, 2000

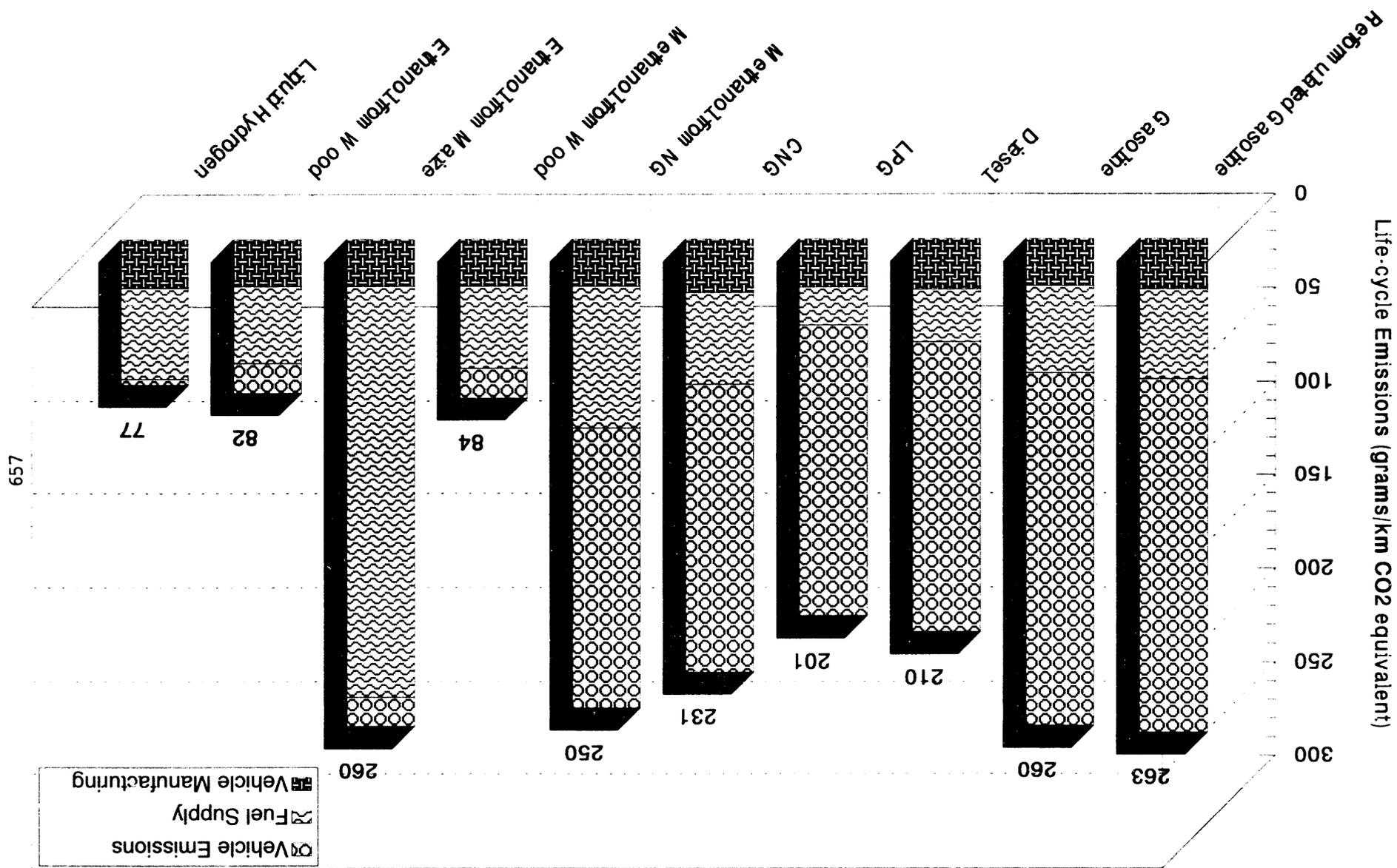


Figure 2.
Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Alternative Fuels
(Reformulated Gasoline=100)

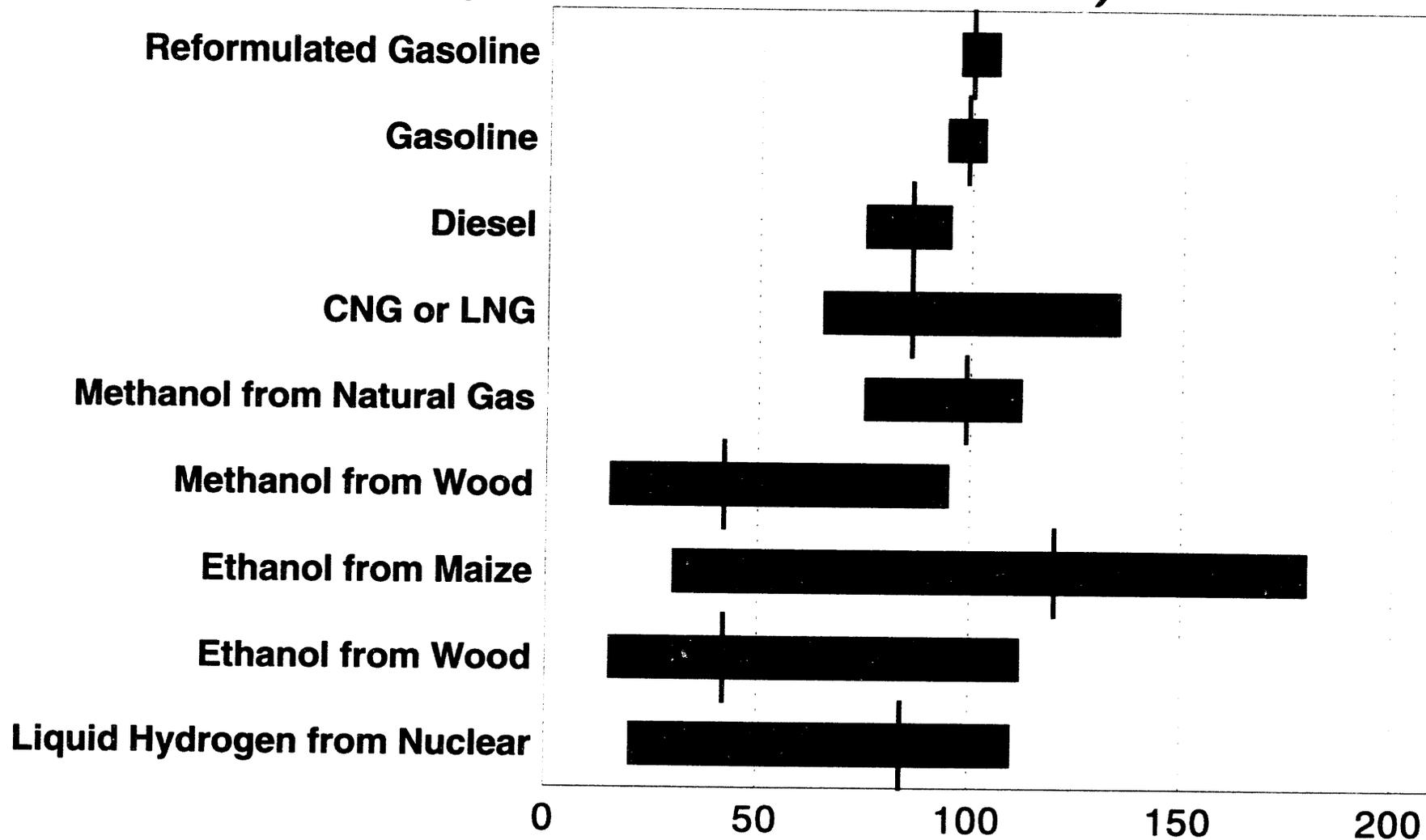
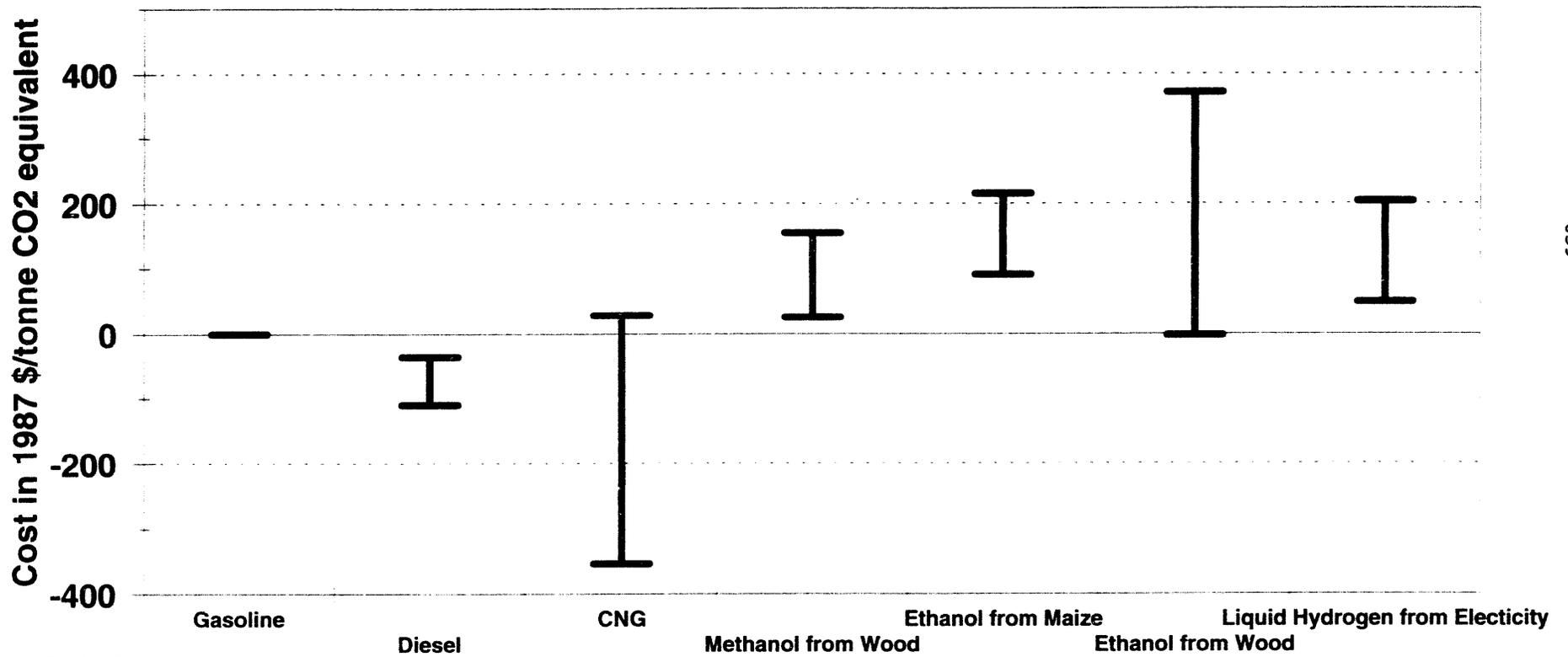


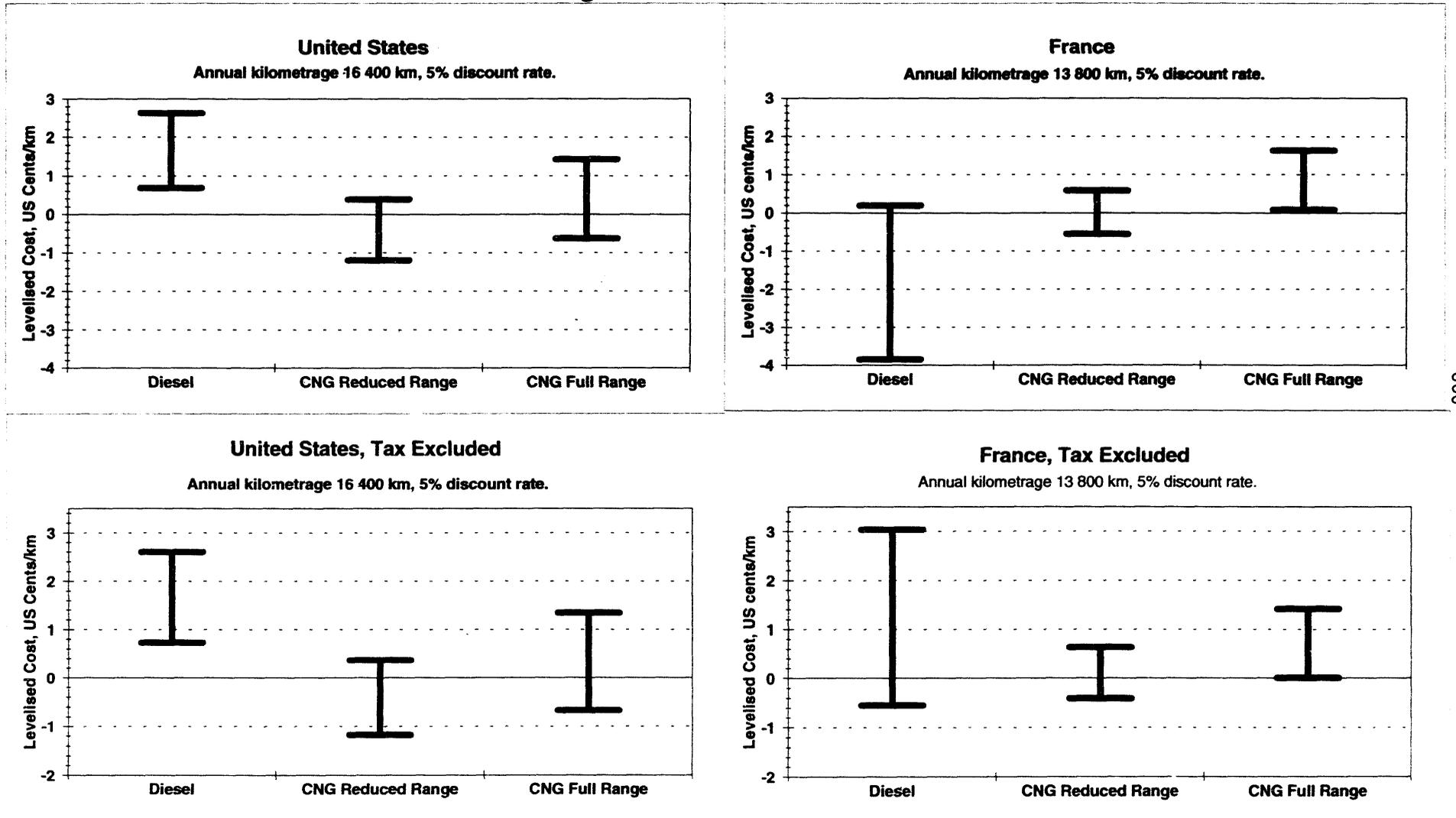
Figure 3 Alternative Fuels Cost-Effectiveness for Greenhouse Gas Abatement

(Fuel cost relative to gasoline in 1987 US \$/metric ton CO2 equivalent not emitted)



Sources: IEA 1990
Department of Energy 1990
CEC 1992

Figure 4
Cost of Switching from Gasoline to Diesel or CNG



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Study Objectives

Greenhouse gas emissions inventory

Assessment of abatement technologies

Assessment of policy instruments



**Passenger Car Technologies
Covered**

Energy
Efficiency

Alternative Fuels

Electric Vehicles



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Emission Abatement Potential

Technical

Economic

Market



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True Technical Fix

Reduces greenhouse gas emissions

Costs no more than current technology

Performs as well as current technology



Lifecycle Emissions Analysis

Several greenhouse gases

Rigorous tracing of upstream emissions

Spreadsheet format allows variation in assumptions



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Cost Effectiveness - Spreadsheet Analysis

Options for first owner

Consumer vs national perspective
(i.e. with/without taxes)

Detailed analysis - annual kilometrage



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Further work needed:

National analyses

Shadow pricing to reflect
non-monetised
costs and benefits of technologies

Interaction with econometric
modellers of car market



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Conclusions

Technical potential is considerable:
could reduce emissions per VKT by 80%

Economic potential much smaller:
20% from energy efficiency
10-20% per VKT from switching to CNG, diesel, LPG

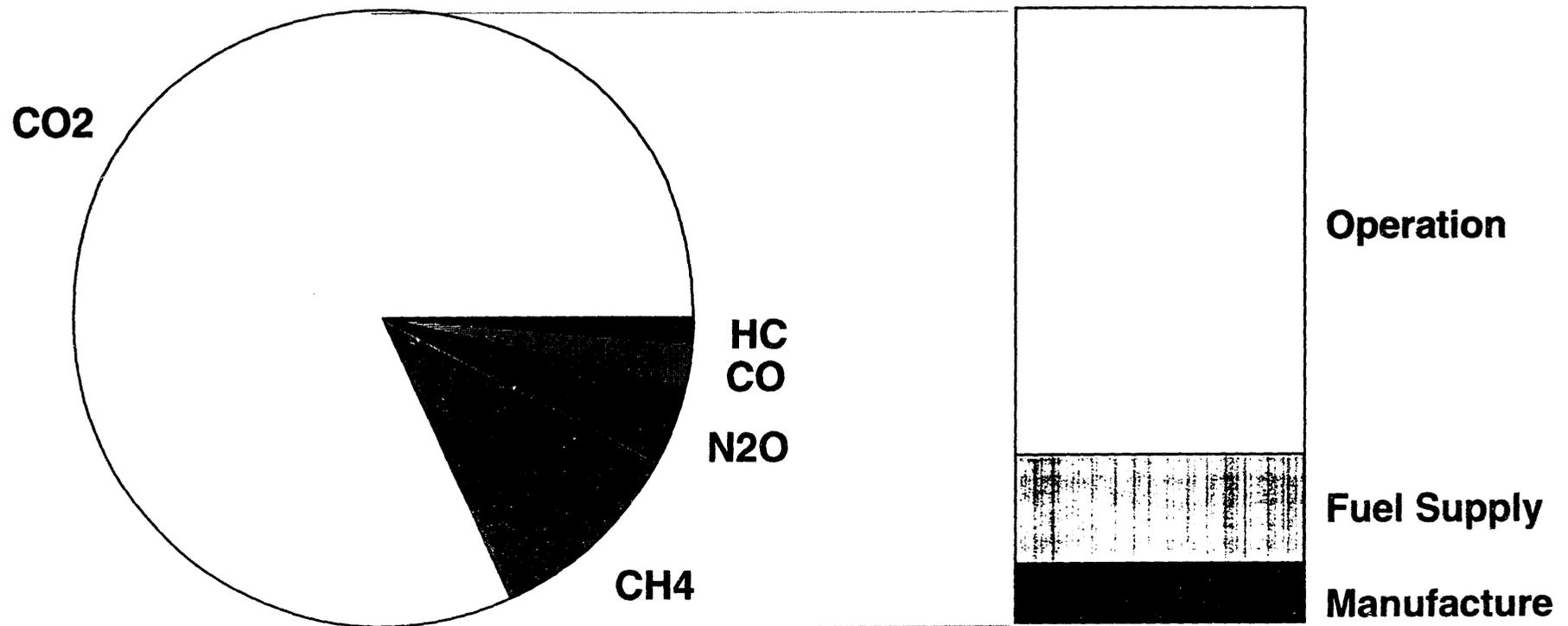
Market potential even smaller:
OECD-wide 10-20% from energy efficiency by 2005
<5% from switching fuels



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CNG Car: Lifecycle Emissions

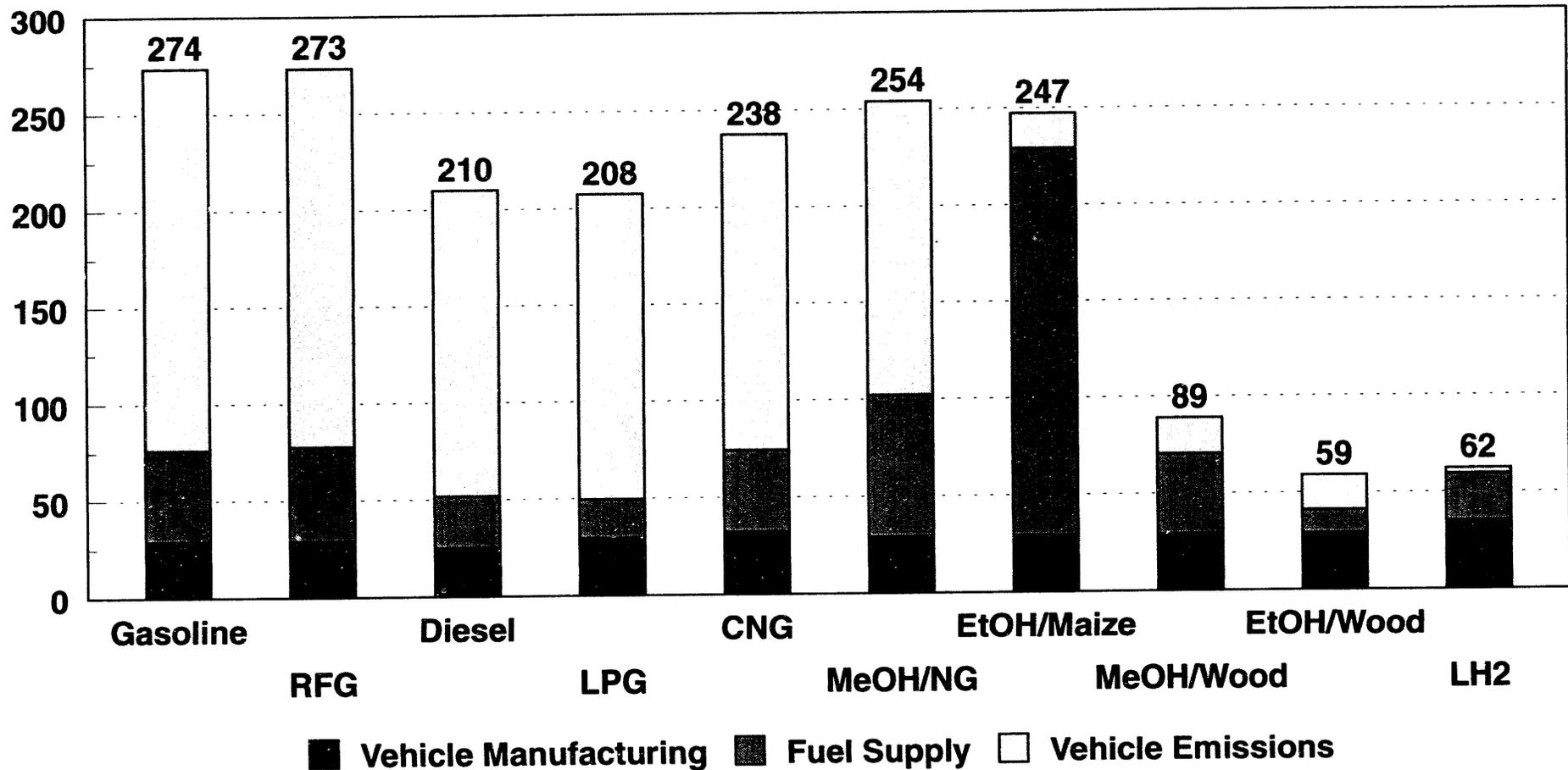
Greenhouse Forcing by Gas, and by Lifecycle Stage



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Alternative Fuel Vehicle Lifecycle Greenhouse Gas Emissions

grams/km CO2 equivalent



AIE l'énergie et l'environnement



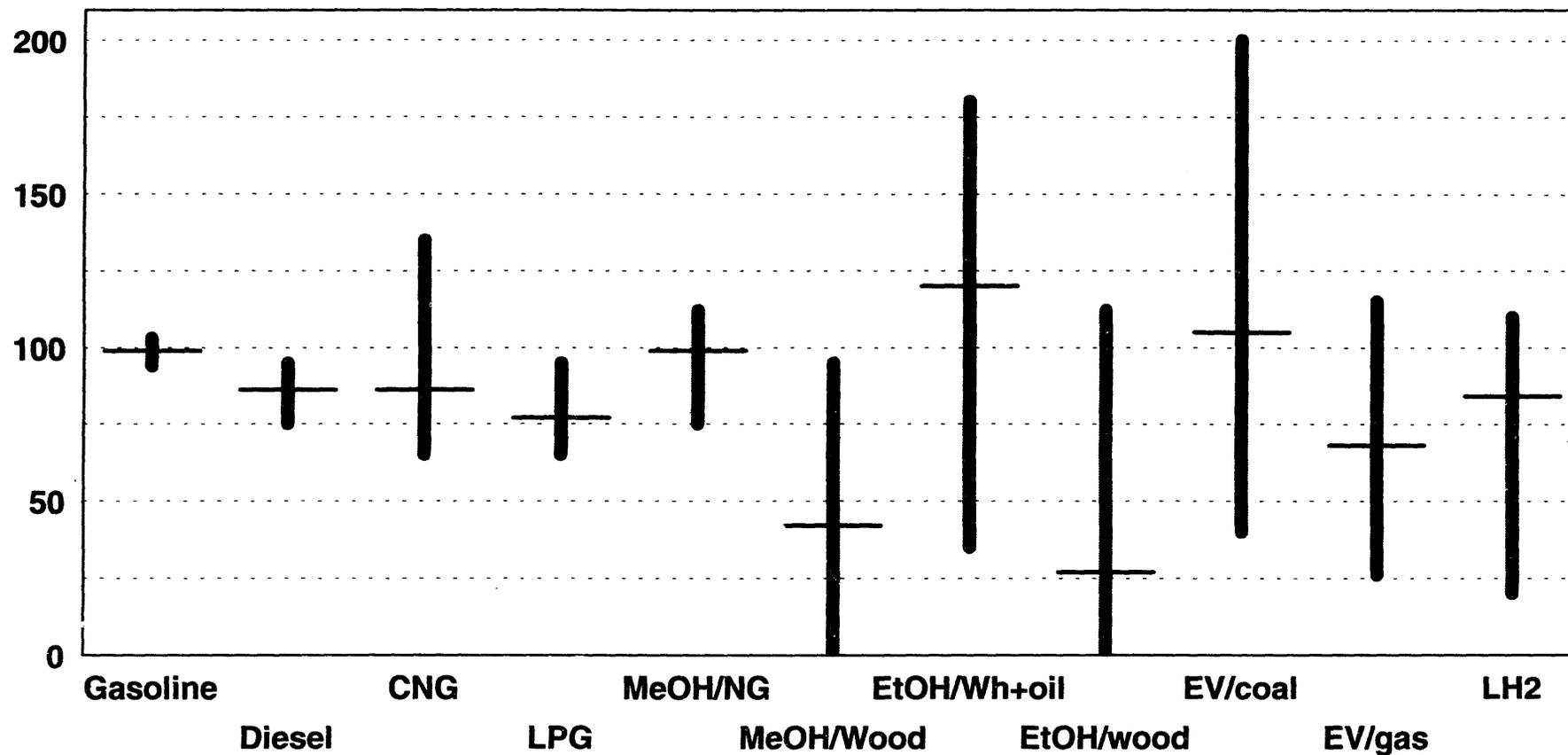
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Lifecycle GHG Emissions for LDV Technologies

Ranges and Best Guesses

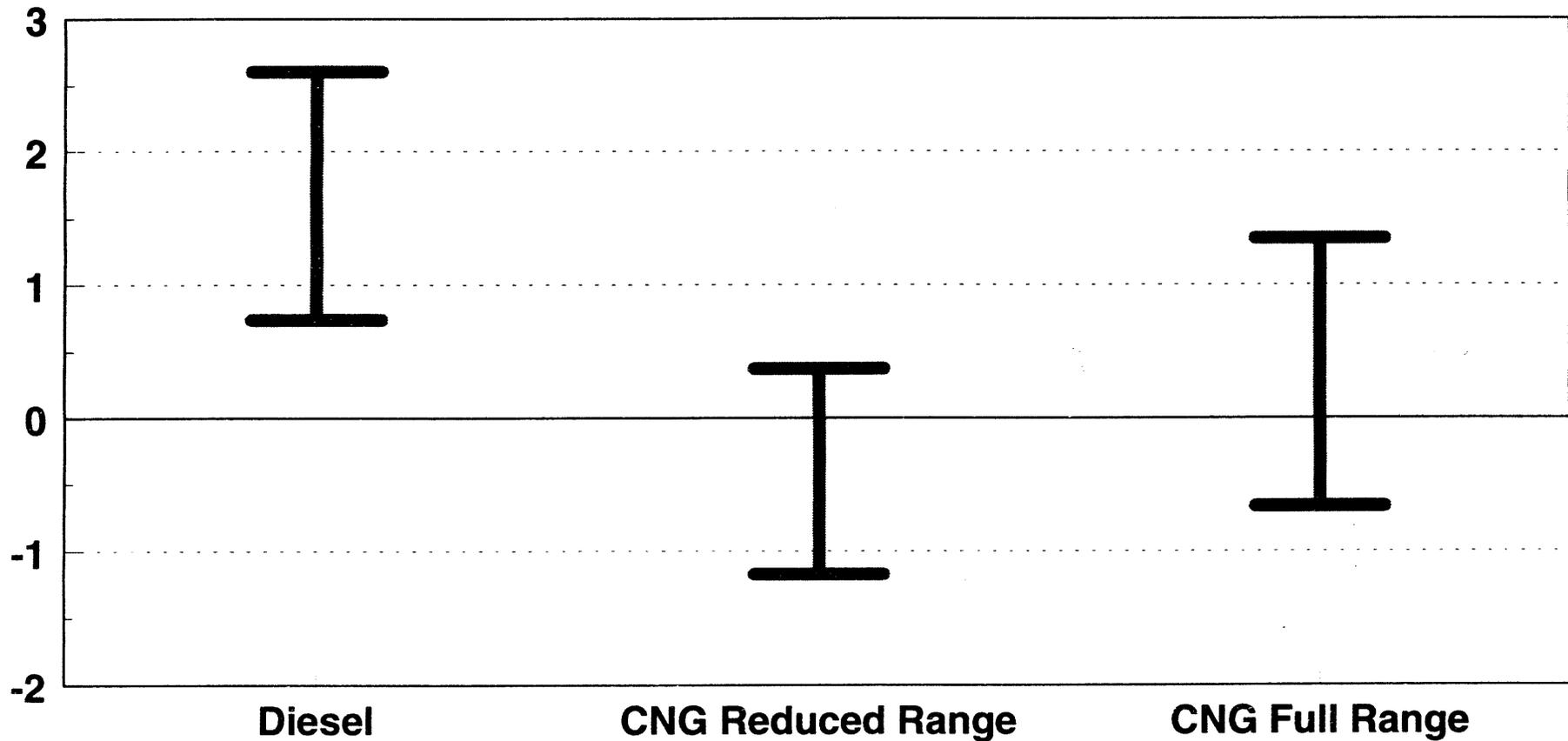
Emissions Index (Gasoline Vehicle = 100)



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Cost of Switching from Gasoline in United States

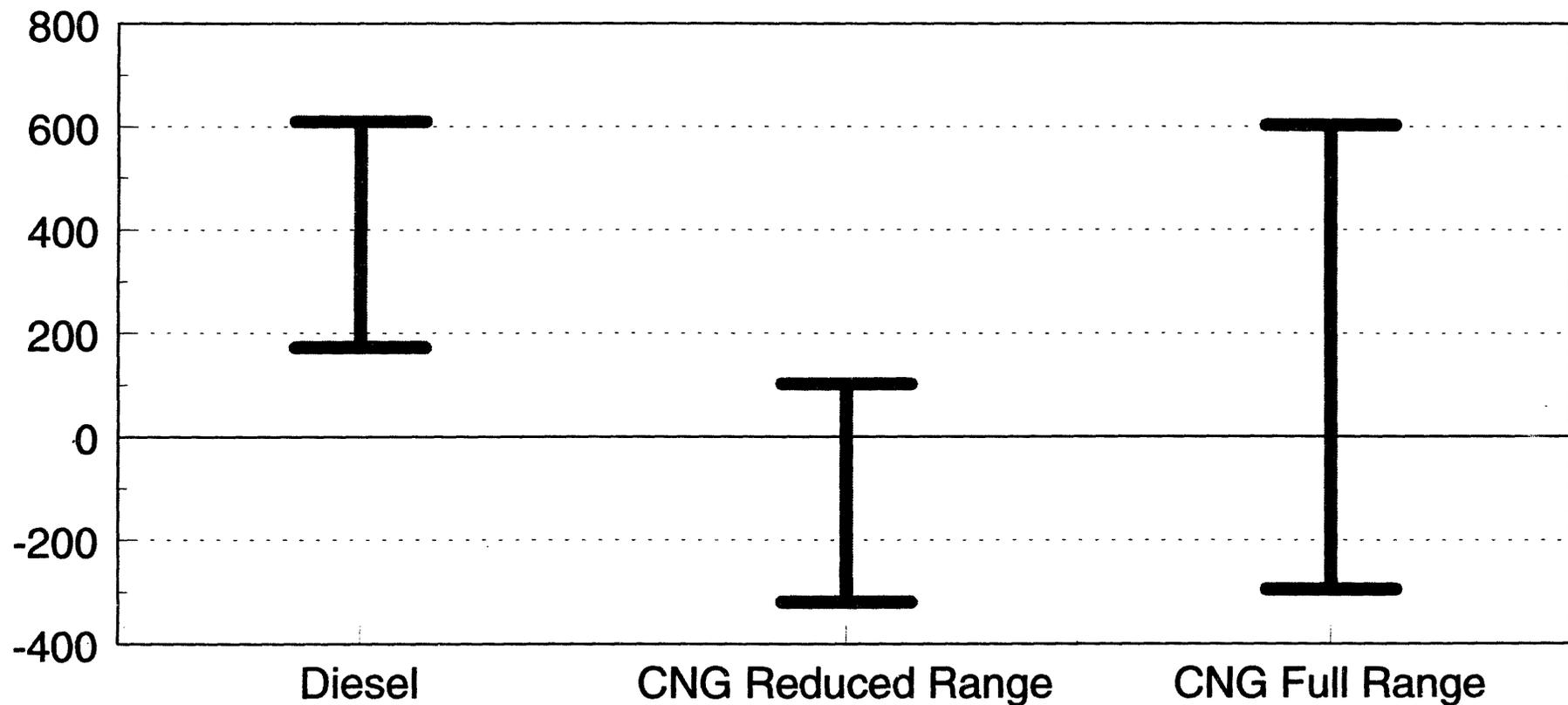
US cents per km



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Cost of Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions by Switching from Gasoline in the United States

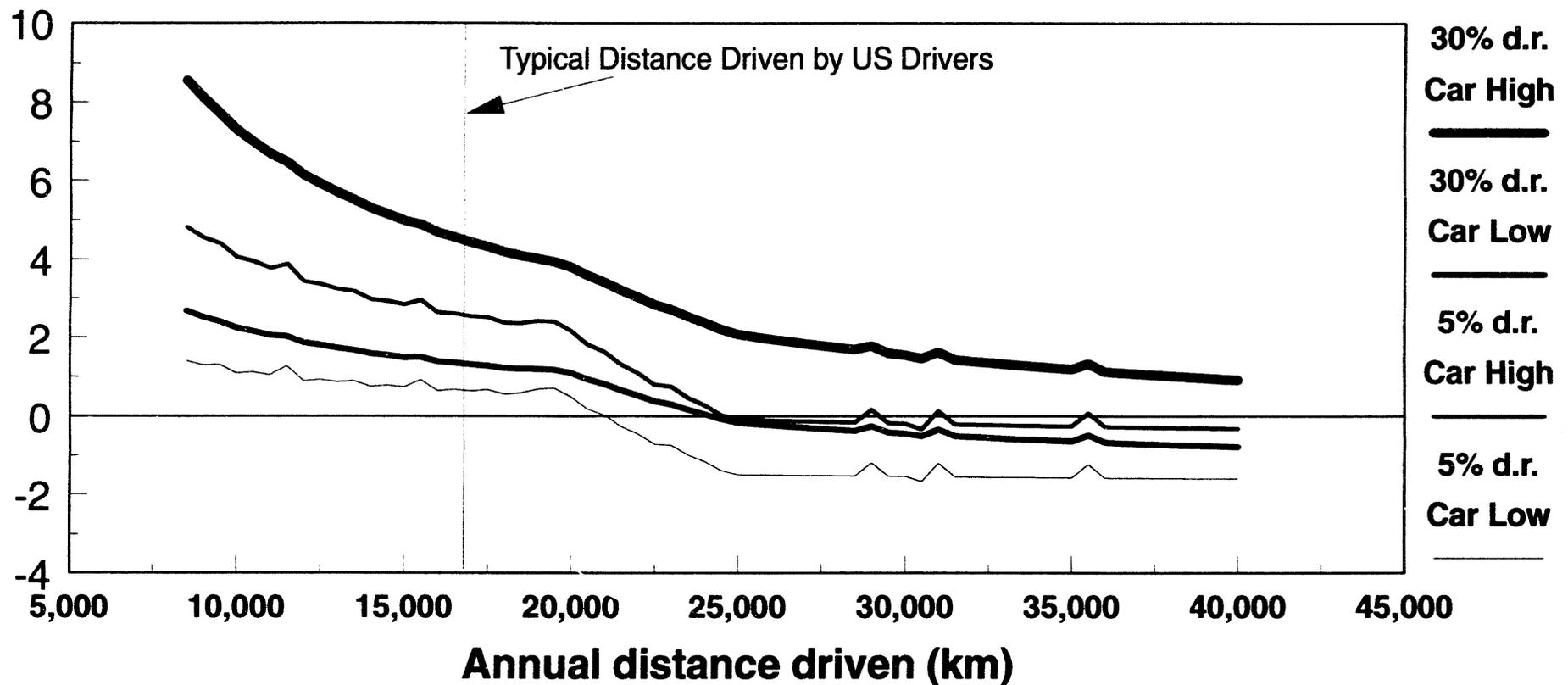
Switching Cost in US \$/tonne CO2 Equivalent



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Cost of Switching from Gasoline to Diesel in the United States, 2000.

Cost in cents per km



**SUMMARY OF VERBAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS
AND SPEAKER RESPONSES**

ALTERNATIVE FUELS IN IEA COUNTRIES: A LIFE-CYCLE STUDY
Laurie Michaelis, International Energy Agency

- Q. Rene Pigeon, Energy, Mines, & Resources Canada: Propane LPG comes from refineries but also comes from natural gas liquids. How was this handled?**
- A. In North America, most LPG comes from natural gas liquids. In Europe, LPG is mostly petroleum-derived. We took the data in proportion to the LPG source.**

1993 WINDSOR WORKSHOP ON ALTERNATIVE FUELS

FUTURE R & D FORUM

Discussion Leader: Malcom Smith, Consultant

FUTURE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FORUM

Discussion Leader: Malcolm Smith, Consultant

This forum was set up by a written question given, at registration, to all delegates. "What do you think is the most exciting thing happening, right now, in alternative fuels?" Twenty delegates provided written replies. The following summarizes the replies:

- Alternative fuels in face-to-face competition with conventional fuels. Technology must deliver comparable or better user experience with alternatives or this competition will not be sustainable.
- OEM vehicles designed to use alternative fuels; refueling stations that are a reality; real infrastructure.
- Alternative fueled vehicles now available from OEMs.
- Optimized OEM engines for alternative fuels (need M85 and E85 programs too).
- The coming availability of competitive medium and heavy duty dedicated natural gas engines from US OEMs.
- The development of OEM alternative fuel vehicles in response to incentives and legislation.
- OEM involvement/technology improvement/consumer interest.
- OEMs finally realizing the market-desire-for bi-fuel, not just dedicated fuel, vehicles now.
- Especially in the US, alternative fuel vehicles are showing signs of being commercially viable.
- Hydrogen fuel cells are showing that hydrogen might become a realistic transportation fuel.
- Demonstration of the hydrogen fuel cell bus in Vancouver.
- Fuel cell vehicles, low emissions, high efficiency, CO₂ reduction, renewable feedstock.
- Electrical hybrid vehicle development.
- LNG fuel dispensing is viable.
- The rapid emergence of natural gas as a realistic alternative transportation fuel.

- **Development of natural gas vehicles able to meet LEV standards.**
- **Lightweight CNG storage cylinders.**
- **The use of methanol as a light vehicle fuel seems imminent. To some this represents a challenge/threat.**
- **The development of biodiesels.**
- **New US government focus on accelerating alternative fuel use for transportation.**
- **Efforts to cooperate between Federal, State, City and Industry clean fuel programs.**
- **THC regulations for NG powered vehicles.**
- **Clinton administration initiatives to promote (or force) alternative fuel vehicles into the market place.**
- **The impetus that US legislation and economic nationalism is giving to the alternative fuel industry.**

Analysis of the 20 replies showed the following breakdown by topic (several replies contained comments about a number of aspects).

• Alternative Fuel Vehicles Now	50%
• New Beneficial Regulations (US)	20%
• Fuel Cells, Electric and Hybrid Vehicles	20%
• Natural Gas Vehicles	10%
• Methanol	5%

In the Forum itself, the following topics were put up as overheads, with the heading "Topics Worth Talking About".

- **OEMs are delivering product.**
- **The Halo effect.**
- **Who wants to talk about Propane? Nobody? Concern for a fuel that is here now and has environmental benefits, but not the pizzazz to stimulate discussion.**
- **Where have Canada's policy makers gone?**
- **What does "clean" mean? What do you want it to mean?**
- **Its time to bring in the electrics, fuel cell, and hybrid fueled vehicles.**
- **What would you like to see in or out of next year's Windsor Workshop?**
- **The case for public and private sector interaction - ATFs in New Zealand and Australia.**

There was considerable discussion on propane, redressing to some extent, the lack of propane/LPG presentations in the main body of the Workshop. The following is the set of "on-the-fly" comments captured during the forum:

- The fuel (propane) isn't really there.
- The real energy cost is hard to get at.
- Fuel quality is a problem. So is availability.
- Canadian pilot programs for heavy duty engines produced useful information, but there's been no follow up.
- Don't expect governments to do the whole thing.
- Fragmentation in the propane industry is a problem.
- Propane has lost its "bloom". It's an old fuel and isn't cutting it in the transportation market.
- The feedstock is too valuable in other markets.
- Pricing instability gets in the way of wider adoption.

Other topics were:

- There's been a shift over the past 8 years. Stability of supply is no longer an issue.
- Can we (afford) to research all alternative fuels?
- The Alternative Fuels shouldn't compete with one another. They should compete with the major fuels.
- Fuel-neutral research organizations can assist if there are dollars available.
- Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance programs have the potential for substantial market impact in conjunction with product availability. More thought needs to be given to this for the alternative fuels.

These comments, as with those culled from the 20 replies to the initial question, are not necessarily inclusive or balanced, but they are reasonably representative of the from-the-floor comments.

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FUTURE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FORUM

Discussion Leader: Malcolm Smith, Consultant

- Q.** Vinod Duggal, Cummins Engine Co.: There is a case for propane in Canada and the U.S. because of its relatively low price. But what will the price be in five years? It could take that long to develop the engine technology. Will there be enough demand for engines to pay back the development costs? Also, what is propane, how much is available, and at what cost?
- A.** Bernard James, Energy, Mines & Resources: There is a specification for fuel-grade propane called HD-5. It has been used in both light duty and heavy duty vehicles in Canada without a great deal of research. The reasons for the small amount of research are not clear. The economics are favorable for use of propane as engine fuel.

Comment: Sheldon Vedlitz, Conoco Inc.: We do have some answers on propane. Grade HD-5 is mostly propane, with not over 2.5 percent butane or 5 percent propylene. On cost, I can get a vehicle converted to propane for \$900 to \$2,200. A CNG conversion would cost \$2,000 to \$4,200. Propane has been around for a long time and does not have the appeal of newer CNG technology, but it should be given a chance to compete with the other alternative fuels.

Comment: Anonymous: Propane engine technology can be developed by other entrepreneurs who see it as an opportunity.

Comment: William Chamberlin, Lubrizol Corporation: Our objectives have shifted over the years at this workshop. Methanol was popular in the early days because of its potential for tremendous quantities to replace imported petroleum, not because of its low emissions. Cost is an issue with alternative fuels, but national security is also a concern.

Comment: Chandra Prakash, Environment Canada: We all know that vehicle emissions were not good using old techniques with mechanical systems. The new technology with electronic computer controls accomplish improved results. There is still a concern about supply and price of propane.

Comment: Bernard James, Energy, Mines & Resources Canada: I want to recall that ten years ago these workshops were started by Geoffrey Maund and Eugene Ecklund as an off-shoot of contractor coordination meetings. It has been great to see the progress and technology developments over that period of time. I want to thank Alex Lawson for guiding the program and for his hard work.

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