

# Cummins 55% Brake Thermal Efficiency Project

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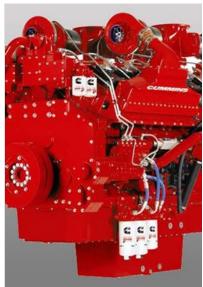
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# **Overview**



## **Timeline**

Start: 12/1/2015

End: 12/31/2017

60% Complete

## **Budget**

- \$9.0M Total Budget
  - \$4.5M DOE
  - \$4.5M CMI
- \$2.3M in Funding for FY2016
- \$2.2M for FY2017

## **Technical Targets / Barriers**

- Advanced Combustion Engine
  - Engine thermal efficiency of 55%
  - Lack of fundamental knowledge of advanced engine combustion regimes
  - Lack of effective engine controls

### **Partners**

**Internal Collaborations** 

- Cummins Fuel Systems
- Cummins Turbo TechnologiesSuppliers

# **Relevance**



- Overall Project Objectives / 2016 Progress
  - Use a diesel engine system to demonstrate in a test cell peak engine system efficiency of 55%
    - Demonstrated 49.2% BTE (engine only)
    - Designed WHR system
  - Develop and demonstrate an engine and aftertreatment system to achieve 2010 emissions compliance
    - Designed aftertreatment system to meet emissions limits
    - Developed dual loop EGR system
- Goals align with VT Multi-Year Program Plan 2011-2015
  - Engine thermal efficiency of 55%
  - Prevailing emissions compliance

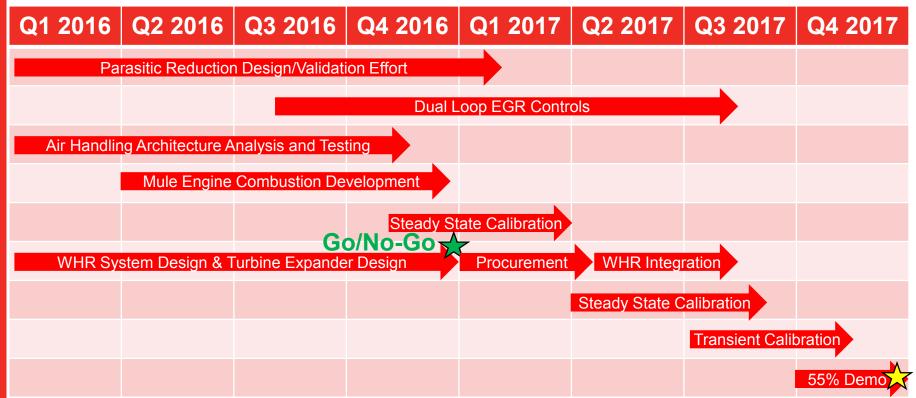
# <u>Milestones – 2016/2017</u>



Budget Period	Milestone	Description	Delivery Date	Status
1	M1	Lube Pump Design Complete and Procured	3/31/2016	Complete
1	M2	Air Handling Controls System Design Selection Complete	6/30/2016	Complete
1	M3	Lube Pump Design Integration Complete	9/30/2016	Complete
1	M4	WHR Turbine Expander Design Complete	12/31/2016	Complete
1	GNG1	50% BTE (Engine Only) Demonstration Complete	12/31/2016	In-Process
2	M5	Aftertreatment System Design Complete	3/31/2017	Complete
2	M6	SET Emissions Demonstration Complete	6/30/2017	In-Process
2	M7	Hot FTP Emissions Demonstration Complete	9/30/2017	
2	M8	55% BTE Final Demonstration Complete	12/31/2017	

# **Technical Approach**





#### Go / No-Go Decision Point

- Test cell demonstration of 50% BTE
  - Engine only performance
  - No WHR

#### **Final Demonstration**

Final demonstration will include emissions demonstration and 55% BTE peak point

#### Technical Challenges / Barriers

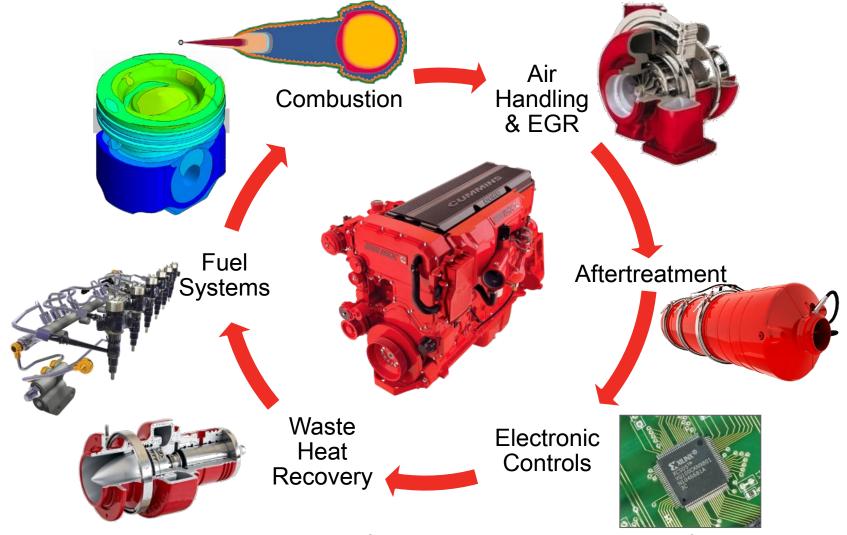
- Combustion system design with low heat transfer
- Design integration of parasitic reduction efforts
- Optimization of Dual Loop EGR architecture and mitigation of condensate

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# **Technical Approach**



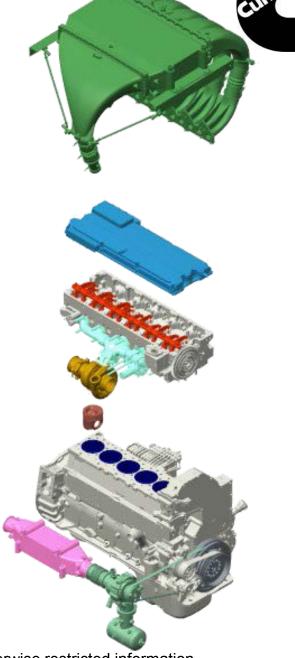
#### **Approach - Integration of Cummins Component Technologies**



# **Technical Approach**

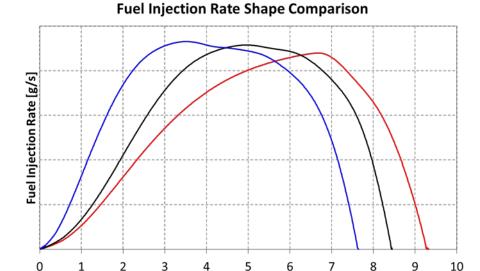
### Virtually All Subsystems Updated

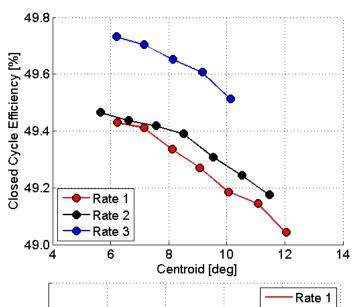
- Subsystems Capable
  - Engine Block
  - Crankshaft
  - Base Cylinder Head
- This level of efficiency increase requires improvements in all areas
- Highly integrated design required to maximize potential benefits from selected technologies

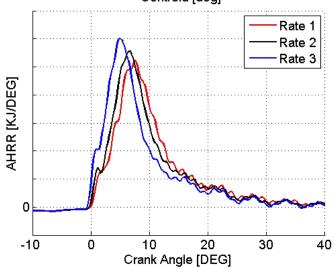


# **Technical Accomplishments: Injectors**

- Optimizing injection rate shape can yield significant CCE improvements
  - New designs have yielded +0.3% dCCE
- Improved shot-to-shot performance







—Rate 1 —Rate 2 —Rate 3

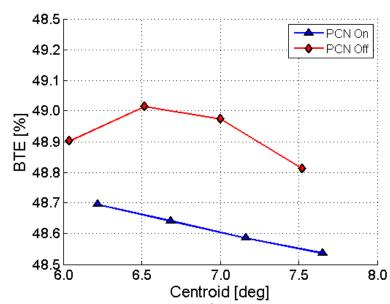
Crank Angle (deg)

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# **Technical Accomplishments: Pistons**



- Development has continued on low heat transfer (LHT) combustion system
- LHT pistons enable piston cooling nozzle flow to be reduced or eliminated
- Test results demonstrate +0.3 dBTE improvement
- Waiting on next set of LHT hardware to be available



# **Technical Accomplishments: Parasitic**

# Coolant and Lube System

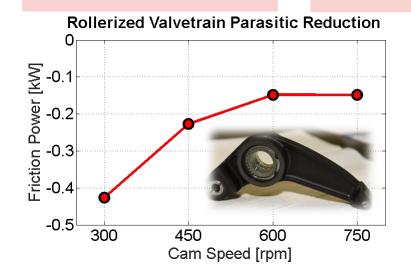
- Variable Coolant Pump
- Variable Lube Oil Pump
- Improved Lube System Flow Losses
- Reduced Oil Flow of Valve Train

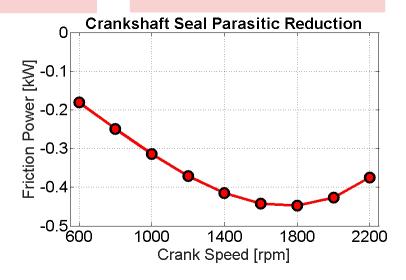
#### Valve Train

- Reduced Component Inertias
- Reduced Stiffness Springs
- Reduced Oil Flow

#### Power Cylinder

- Lower Friction Ring Coatings
- Lower Ring Tension
- Improved Piston Skirt Coatings
- Improved Piston Profiles
- Improved Crank Seals





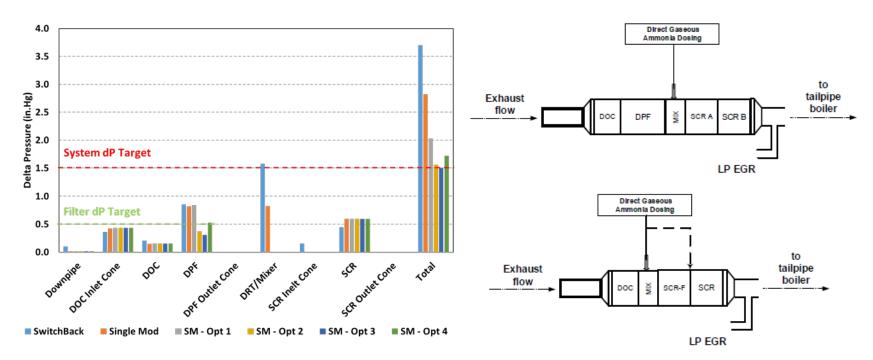
Total parasitic reductions have demonstrated >1 kW of improvement to date

# **Technical Accomplishments: AT**



- Architectures address expected lower temperatures and higher NOx from BTE improvements
- Enable LP EGR packaging
- Enable low back pressure

- Levers for earlier DeNOx
  - Shorter downpipe
  - SCR function pulled forward
  - Gaseous NH3 dosing

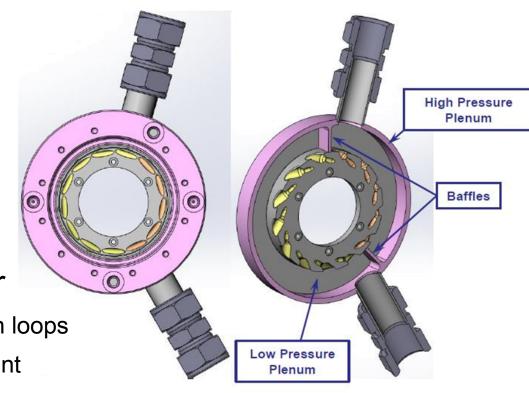


# **Technical Accomplishments: WHR**



#### Waste Heat Sources

- Engine Coolant/Lube
- EGR (LPL & HPL)
- Exhaust
- Charge Air Cooler
- Dual Loop System
- New Turbine Expander
  - Single turbine handles both loops
  - Optimized for best BTE point
- WHR Temperature Control
  - Avoid condensation in LPL EGR



# Response to Reviewer Comments



#### Many complimentary comments:

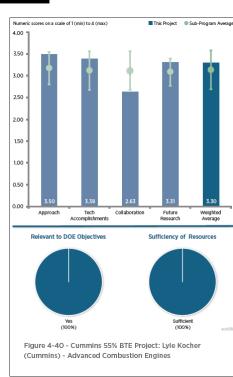
• The reviewer stated that the approach for this project is very good. There is a recognition that, to push to the maximum efficiency, every component on the engine system needs to be evaluated. There is no single silver bullet.

#### **Concerns:**

- LP EGR condensate
  - Response: Condensate from the LP EGR circuit is being managed in two ways.
     First, the WHR system is being utilized to try and control the heat exchanger temperatures to stay above the dew point when possible. Second, condensate collection paths and traps have been designed into the system to mitigate corrosion on key engine components. Our approach is to minimize and manage.
- Risk mitigation and contingency plans
  - Response: Additional technologies have been analyzed and considered in the program, such as water injection, but remain in the back-up category. A two year program and limited budget unfortunately do not allow full development of all contingency options to be possible. The short AMR presentation does not allow all these options to be discussed in detail.

#### Collaboration

Response: The short length of the project and budget makes collaboration difficult
and this was expressed during the proposal for the project. The program has
engaged the supply base extensively touching virtually every part of the engine.



# **Collaborations**



### **Internal Collaborators**

- Cummins Fuel Systems
  - Provide Advanced XPI Fuel System
    - Tailor fuel injection rate shape
    - Analysis led design process to provide robust, cavitation-free injectors
- Cummins Turbo Technologies
  - Provide Advanced Turbocharger Technologies
    - High efficiency wheel designs
    - Advanced coatings
    - Turbine diffuser

## Supply Base

Mahle, Federal-Mogul, Bontaz, Modine, RBC, NGK, BorgWarner, Bosch,
 Pierburg, Continental, Johnson Matthey, Corning, Concentric, Honeywell

# Remaining Challenges & Barriers



- Procurement times for hardware is long compared to overall program length
  - Many items such as optimized turbochargers and LHT pistons have extremely long lead times
    - Limits ability to recycle designs for improved performance
- Previous work with insulated combustion systems have been challenged to demonstrate improved efficiency
  - Program has demonstrated improvement but more is needed to meet program goals
- Higher engine out NOx will likely be required to achieve BTE goal
  - How to handle OBD implications

# **Proposed Future Work**



- Continue engine system developments
  - Reduce in-cylinder heat losses
    - Currently waiting on piston hardware to become available
  - Shorten combustion duration
- Continue air handling optimization
  - Dual loop EGR optimization
  - Turbocharger efficiency improvements
- Continue WHR system optimization
  - Validation of new dual loop turbine expander
  - System optimization at best BTE point

Any proposed future work is subject to change based on funding levels.

# **Summary**



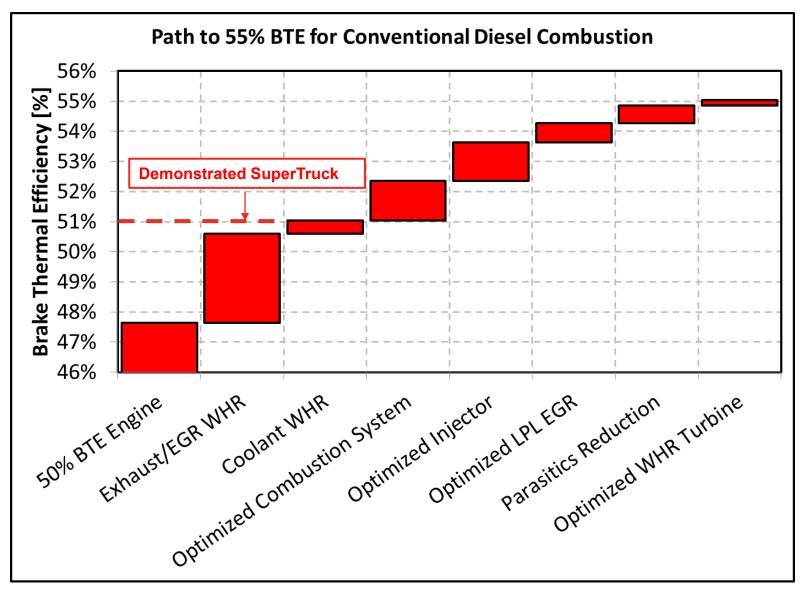
- Cummins is validating the path to 55% BTE
  - Demonstrated Performance To Date
    - Demonstrated 49.2% BTE engine only
    - Fuel system injector designs have been completed
      - Further rate shape optimization has demonstrated +0.3% dCCE
    - LHT piston development enables PCN flow to be eliminated
      - Enables +0.3% dBTE improvement with current hardware
    - Parasitic reduction validation work has been completed
      - Demonstrated for rollerized overhead and crankshaft seals
      - Demonstrated > 1 kW parasitic improvement
    - Aftertreatment architectures have been selected
      - Architecture simulations show capability to meet program targets
    - New WHR turbine expander has been designed
      - Dual loops feed single turbine expander



# **Technical Back-Up Slides**

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# **Technical Accomplishments: Path**



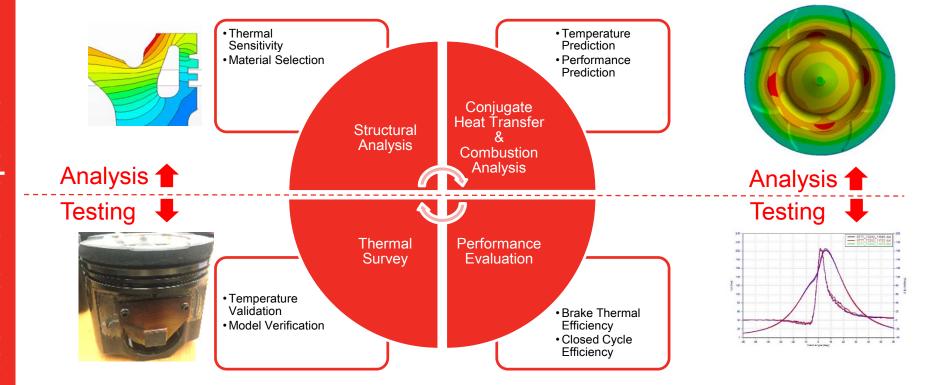
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# **Technical Accomplishments: Path**

Subsystem	SuperTruck 51% BTE (Baseline)	55% BTE Proposal (Additional or Replace)	<b>Expected Benefit</b>
Combustion System	Steel Piston, Piston Cooling	Higher CR Piston, Insulated Surfaces No/Low Piston Cooling, Higher Coolant Temperature	+1.3% BTE Point
Fuel System	Traditional Common Rail Injector	High Flow Injectors (3 times faster injection)	+1.3% BTE Point
Air Handling	High Pressure Cooled EGR, Variable Geometry Turbocharger	Dual Loop EGR & Larger Turbocharger, Consider Twin Entry WG	+0.6% BTE Point
WHR	EGR, Exhaust, Coolant, Lube	HP EGR, LP EGR, Exhaust, Coolant, Lube, Charge Air Cooler	+0.2% BTE Point
Aftertreatment	DOC+DPF+SCR Conventional	DOC+SCRF Close-Coupled + SCR	NOx Conversion Efficiency
Mechanical System	Low Tension Oil Ring, Variable Flow Lube Pump, Plasma Coated Liners, Reduced Piston Cooling	Low Tension Piston Rings, DLC Coated Rings, New Plasma Coated Liners, No/Low Piston Cooling, Variable Flow Pumps, Reduce Valvetrain Parasitic	+0.6% BTE Point

# **Technical Accomplishments: Pistons**





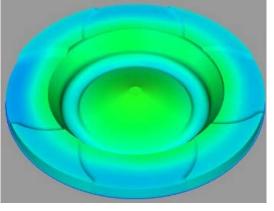
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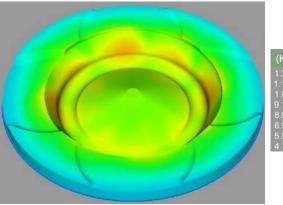
# **Piston Crown Temperatures**

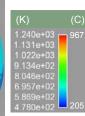
Standard Steel Piston Design

Moderate Temperature Increase Design



Aggressive Temperature Increase Design





- Working with multiple suppliers on piston designs
- Conjugate Heat Transfer analysis is guiding the work
  - Performing CHT with suppliers in the analysis process
- Challenge is to turn heat transfer reductions into efficiency
  - This has been limiting factor in previous work

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# **Technical Accomplishments: EGR**



- HP & LP Cooled EGR
  - Dual Loop
- Advanced turbo technologies
  - Larger turbocharger
  - Abradable coatings
  - Turbine diffuser
  - Roller bearings
  - Extrusion honed turbine casing
- Optimized exhaust manifold design
  - Pulsation utilization
- Cam timing optimization

