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# Accelerating Light-Duty Diesel Sales in the U.S. Market

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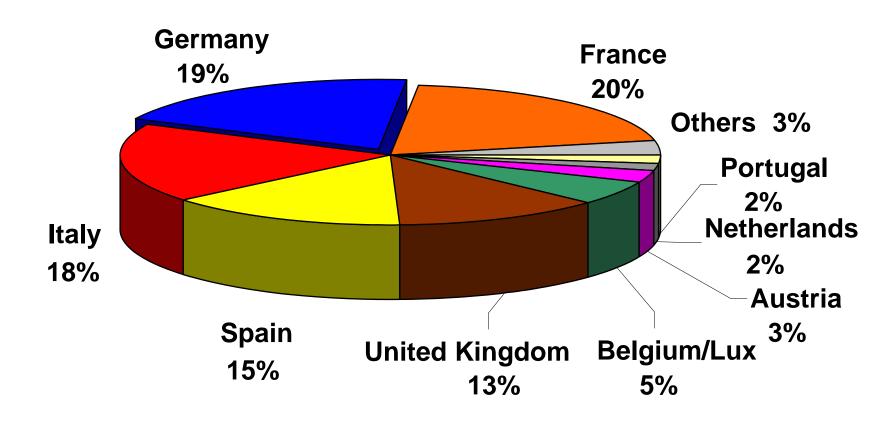
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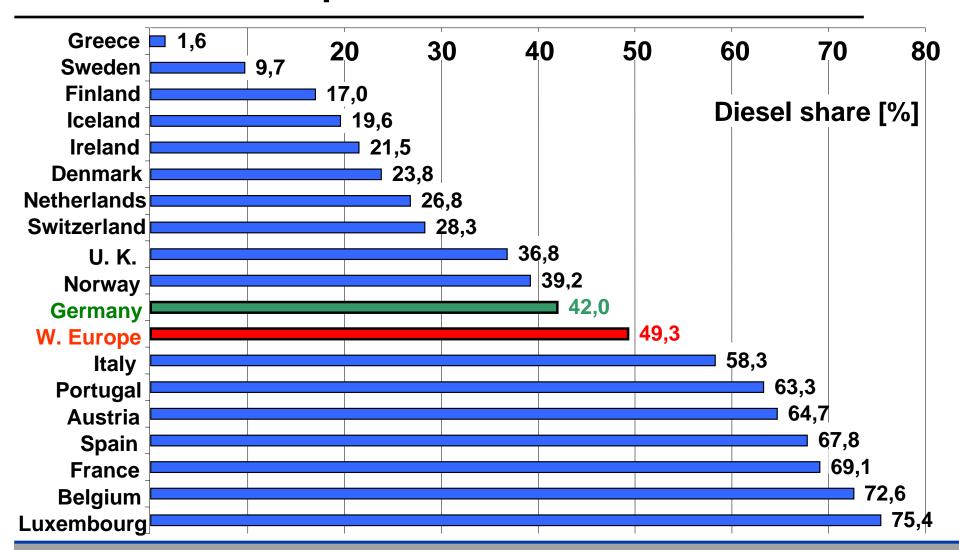
# Diesel Market in Western Europe New Registrations in 2005



Total Diesel Market: 7 Mio. vehicles Source: ACEA

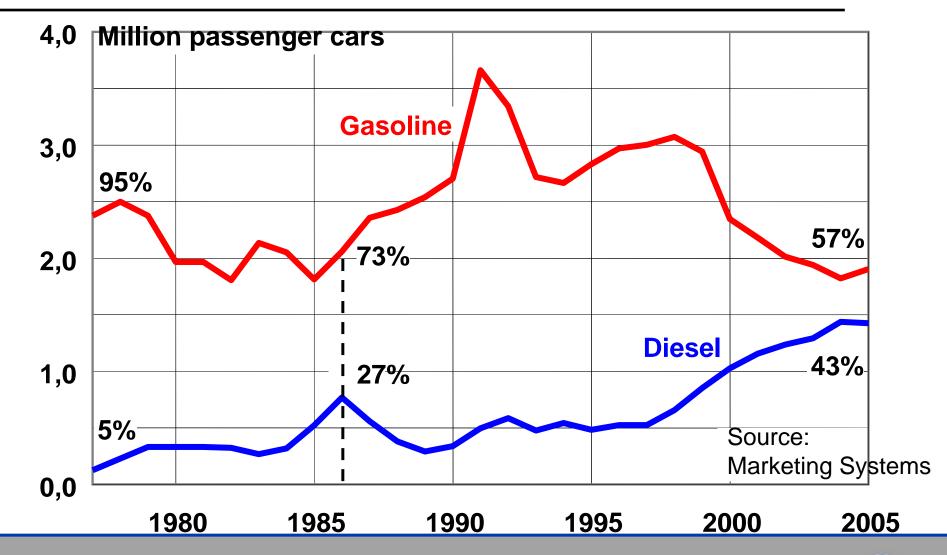


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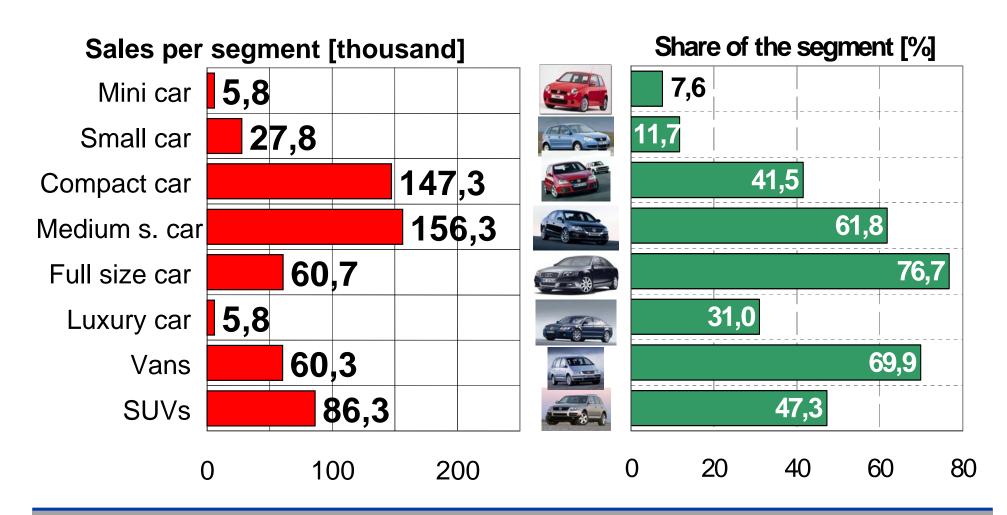


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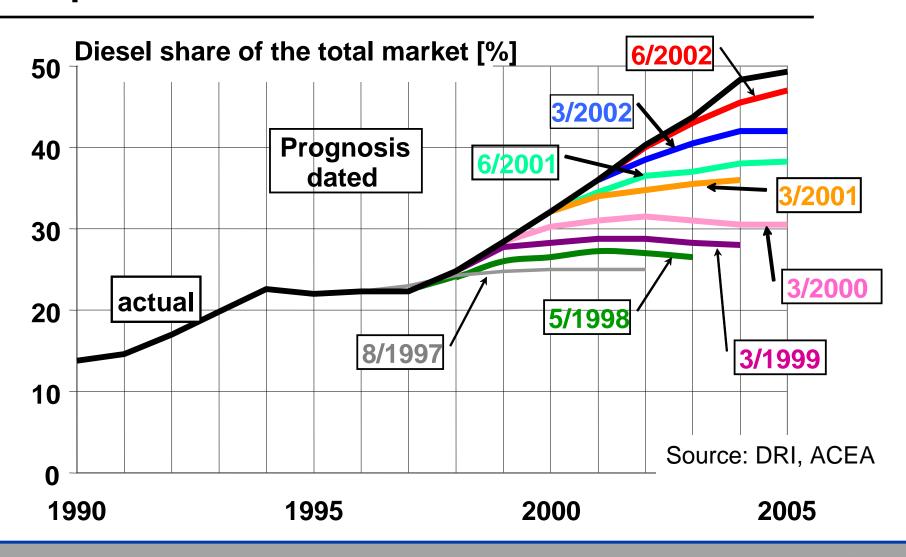


# New Registrations of Diesel Passenger cars Germany: January – May 2006





# Diesel sales in Europe have always exceeded expectations





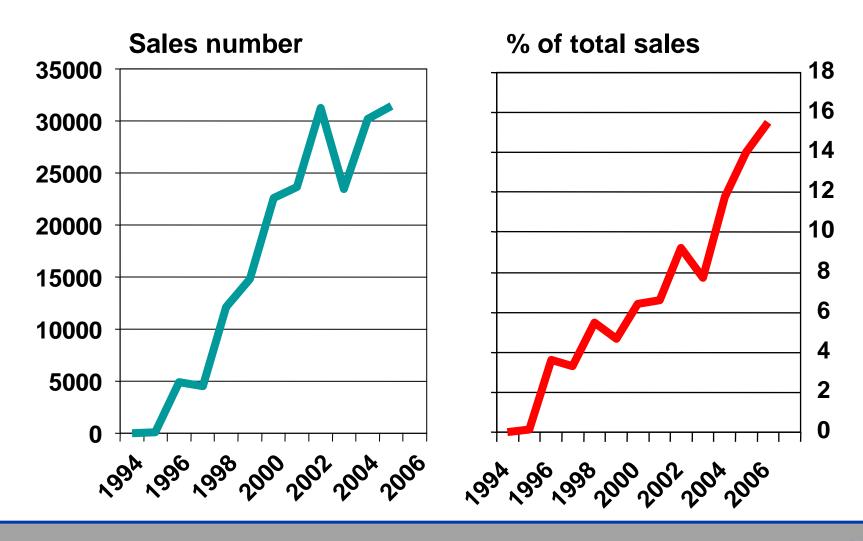
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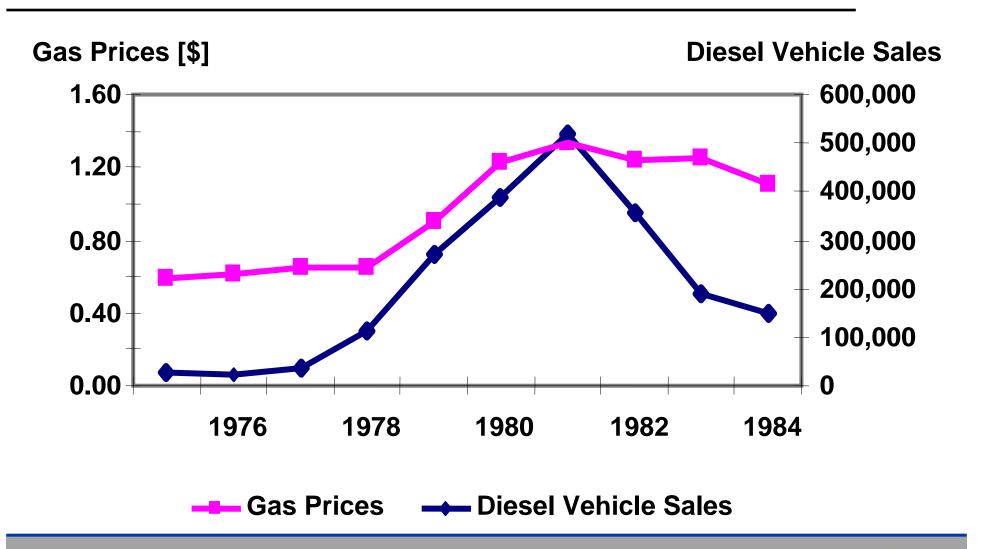


# Sales of Volkswagen diesel vehicles in U.S. VW has continously sold diesels in U.S. for over 25 years





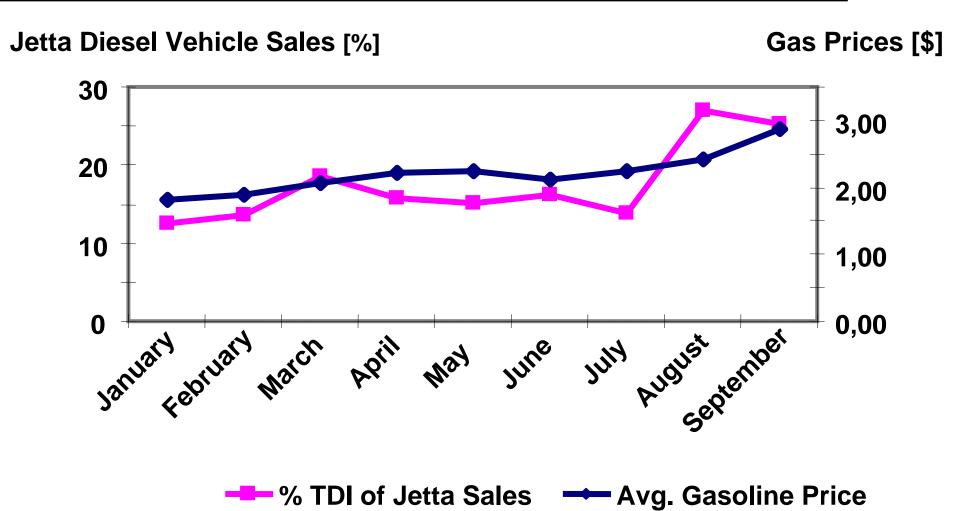
#### 1975-1984 U.S. Gas Prices vs. Diesel Vehicle Sales







# Percentage of TDI of 2005 Jetta Sales vs. Average Gasoline Prices in U.S.





#### Diesel Market Potential in U.S.

- Current U.S. diesel sales at about 15 % at Volkswagen
- Diesel sales depends on fuel price
- Fuel price related surge in diesel demand (25% of Jetta orders)
- Fuel Price projections?



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# Why do customers in Europe purchase Diesel engine vehicles?

#### The modern TDI engine is ....

- powerful
- economical
- ecological
- future-oriented







# The modern TDI engine is ...

#### powerful

because it is a mature high-tech product with

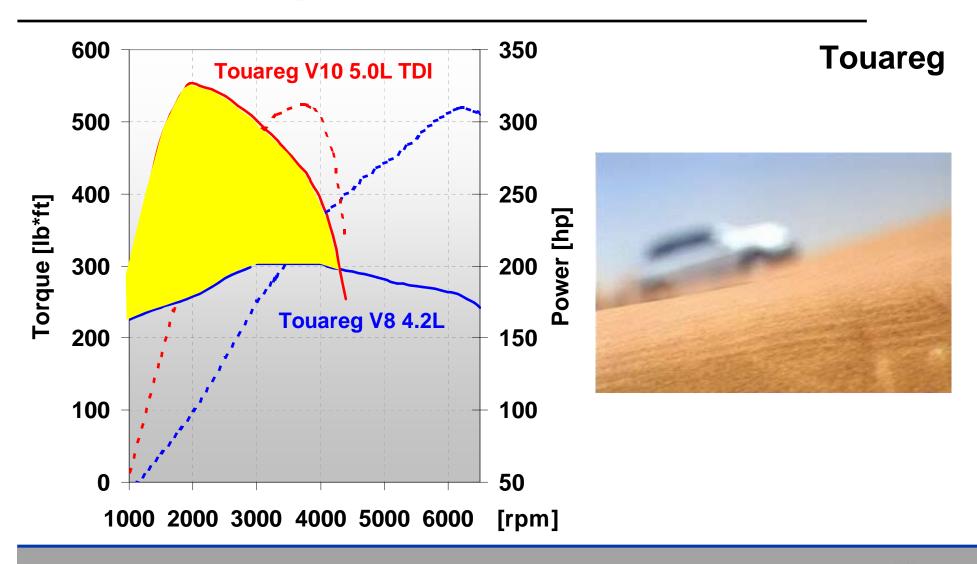
- high traction power
- high elasticity

### and impressing with its

- speed
- acceleration
- handling
- comfort

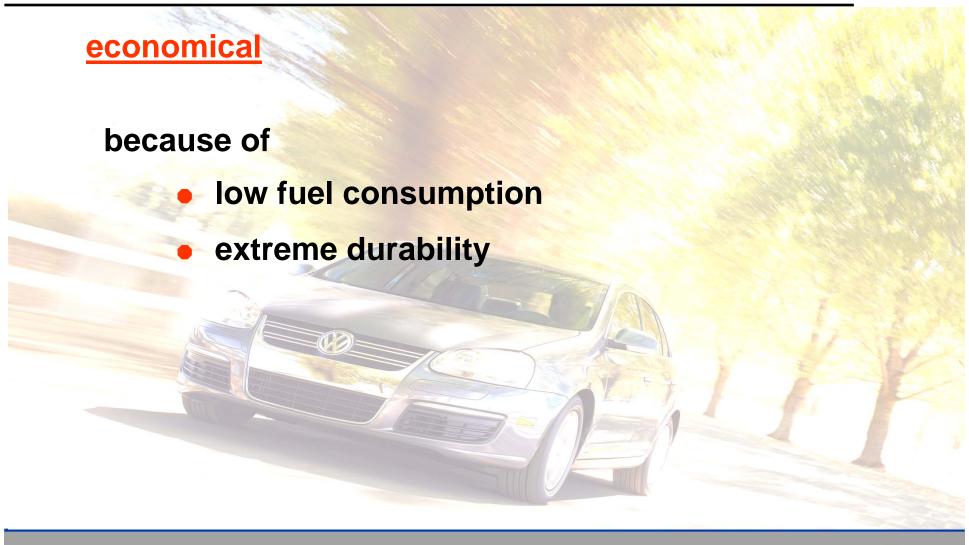


## The TDI is powerful ...



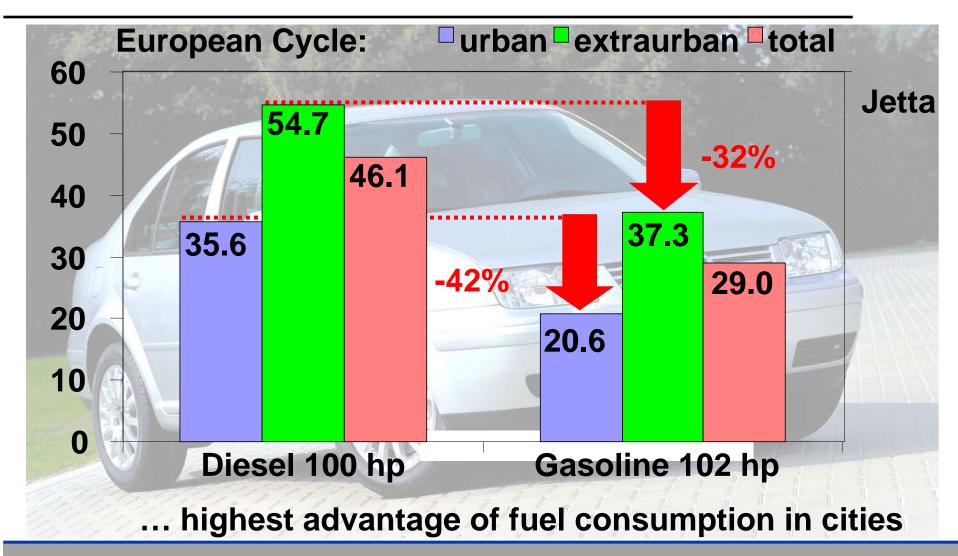


# The modern TDI engine is ...





#### The TDI is economical ...





# The modern TDI engine is ...

#### ecological

#### because

- it saves the resources worldwide due to its outstanding fuel economy
- it enables low environmental pollution
- it contributes very little to greenhouse relevant gases
- the particulate emissions have been reduced by over 90% since 1988



# The modern TDI engine is ...

#### future oriented

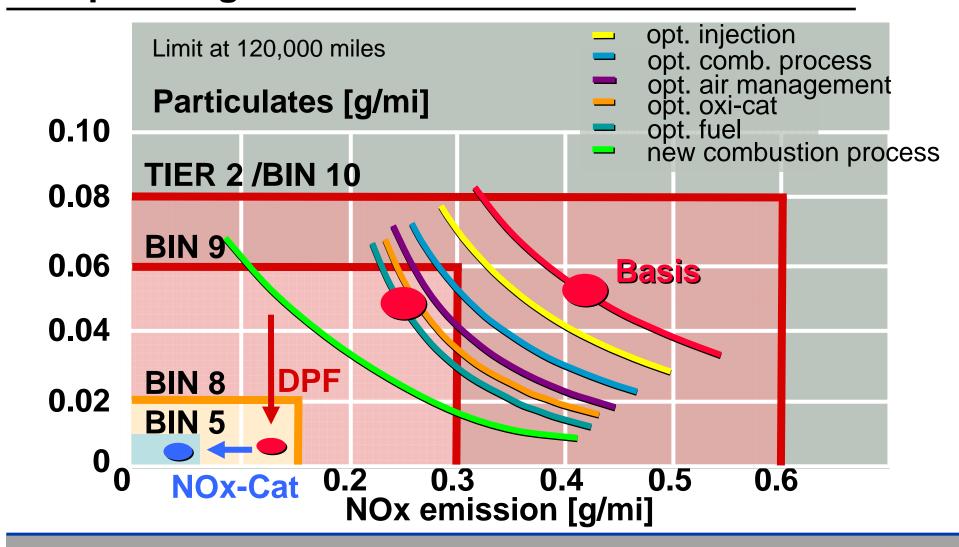
#### because

- ti will comply with future emission legislations
- the problems of the diesel (PM, NOx)
  - are (DPF) or
  - will be (deNOx)

solved

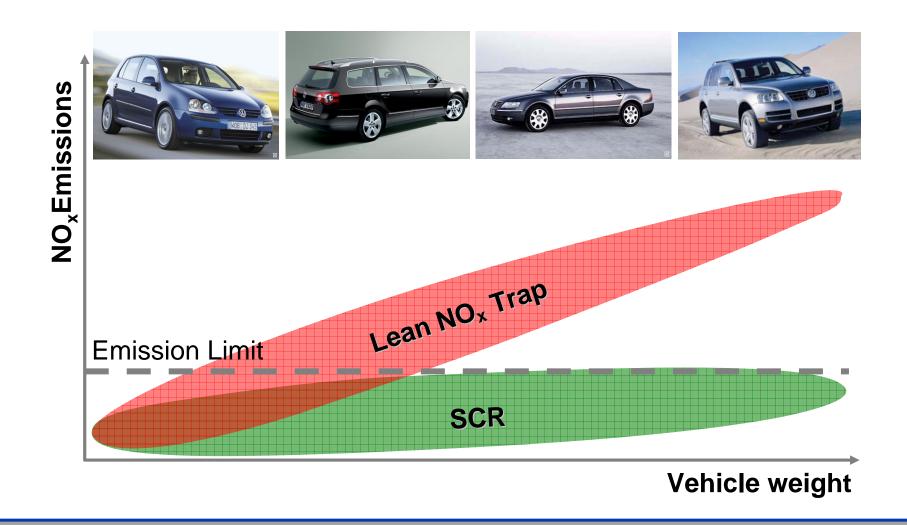


# Future development potential for passenger cars





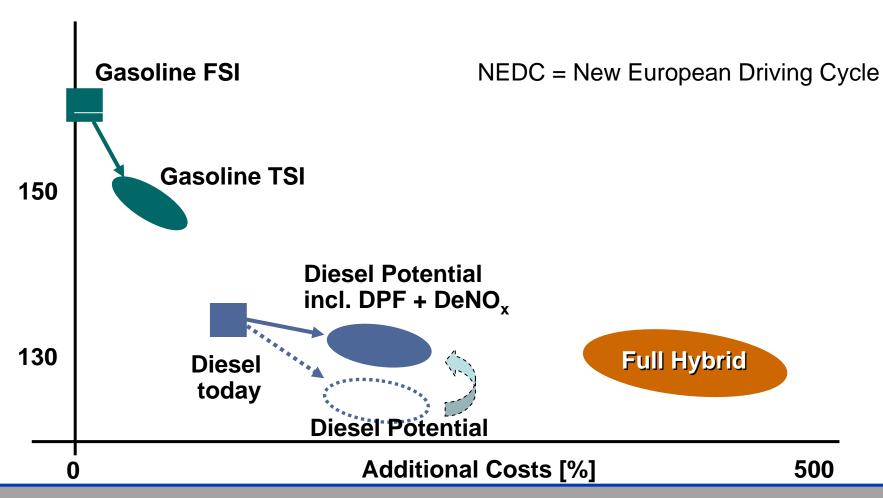
# **System Applicability**





### **Cost efficiency – example Golf**







# Why do customers purchase Diesel vehicles?

- the TDI technology closed the gap to the gasoline engine on
  - performance
  - noise
  - emissions
- the TDI has increased fuel economy / reduced CO<sub>2</sub> emissions dramatically
- the TDI provides lower operating costs



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### Volkswagen ...

- ... is ranked 4th in total vehicle production worldwide (12% of global market share)
- ... is a worldwide leader in diesel technology and diesel passenger car production with a current Diesel sales in
  - Western Europe: ~ 50 %
  - Canada: ~ 50 %
  - US: ~ 15 %



### Volkswagen ...

- ... is strongly committed to the marketing of diesel powered cars in the future, including in the United States
- ... believes Diesel will succeed by delivering
  - Increased energy efficiency;
  - Reduced CO2 emissions;
  - High levels of performance, convenience;
  - The best platform for renewable fuels including Biodiesel, Sunfuel, SunDiesel

But there are some challenges which must be addressed .....



# **Obstacles Facing LD Diesel Development**

- Image deficit customer acceptance
- Emissions Controls
- Competition from other technologies with potential to reduce CO2 emissions
- Fuel Issues
- Cost (break-even)



# **Addressing Diesel's Image Deficit**

- Ongoing campaign to educate opinion makers and policymakers about the advances in diesel technology and the benefits that advanced diesels can provide for the economy, the environment, and for consumers.
- High visibility events that demonstrate technical advances to the public incl. motorsports campains (e.g. Audi R10 first diesel vehicle wins Le Mans and Sebring).
- Marketing: Promoting diesel sales through advertising and through promotion of alternative fuel strategies that relate to diesels (biodiesel, BTL/GTL projects to address customer interest in renewable fuel capability).
- Customer experience: The biggest gains in diesel acceptance will come through successful customer experience as more diesel vehicles appear in the US.



# **Addressing Diesel's Image Deficit**





### Addressing the Diesel Emissions Challenge

- The threshold for success is to meet EPA's Tier 2 Bin 5 emissions levels in MY 2007 – 50 state strategy
- Volkswagen and other manufacturers have confidence this can and will be achieved
- Multiple technological solutions under current development, evaluation and comparison
- Diesel Particulate Filter in serial production
- NO<sub>X</sub> is the toughest challenge: Solutions include Selective Catalytic Reduction (Urea Injection) and NO<sub>X</sub> storage with regeneration



# Addressing the Competition

- Advanced Diesels will compete against and coexist with other technologies including
  - Advances in Gasoline Technology
  - "Success" of Hybrids
  - Public Focus on Long Term Solutions (Hydrogen)
- Government should promote innovation and assure fair competition by establishing technology neutral regulations and incentive programs
- Industry must invest in development and production of clean diesel technology
  - → Volkswagen is committed to play a leading role



## **Addressing Fuel Issues**

#### Fuel quality

- ultra low sulfur content important for new aftertreatment devices
- strict standards must be applied to alternative fuels/blends (biodiesel, synthetic diesel)

#### Fuel Availability

- 35 40 % of U.S. filling stations sell diesel fuel
- fuel distributors plan to increase availability in line with market demand

#### Fuel Prices

- new level of consumer interest in fuel economy,
  \$3.00/gallon as "tipping point"
- Fuel prices are not expected to decline



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#### Conclusion

- Modern TDI Diesel technology has come a long way since the old diesel engines of the past
- The modern TDI Diesel engine is not only powerful but also very economical
- A major progress in lowering the exhaust gas emissions has taken place



We are convinced that

- ✓ the TDI is a solution for future powertrains for light duty vehicles
- ✓ there is a further potential in the U.S. which will be realized





# Thank for your attention!

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