

# Onboard Type IV Compressed Hydrogen Storage System Cost Analysis

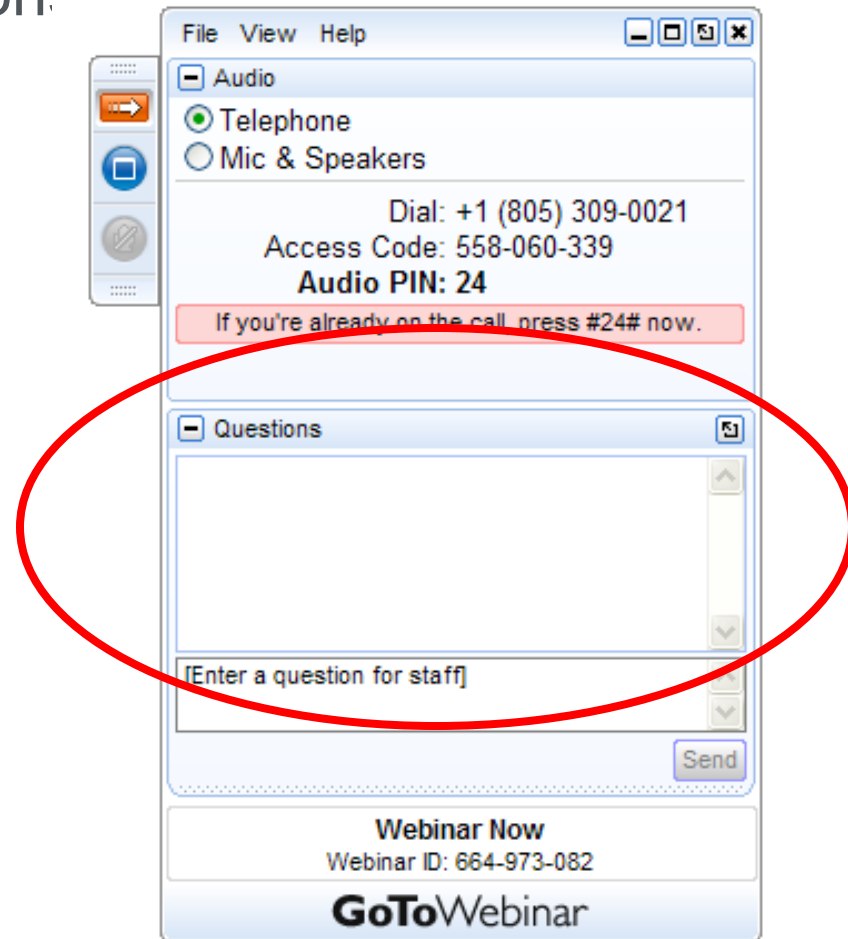


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# Overview

- Cost methodology—DFMA<sup>®</sup> primer
- System diagram
- System cost status comparison between 2013 and 2015
- Cost reductions
  - Balance of Plant
  - Resin with lower density and cost
  - Carbon fiber from high volume process
- Cost increases
  - Doily removal
  - Manufacturing variations

# SA's DFMA<sup>®</sup> - Style Costing Methodology

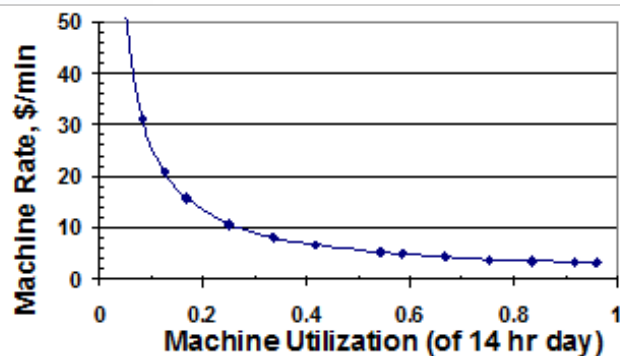
- DFMA<sup>®</sup> (Design for Manufacture & Assembly) is a registered trademark of Boothroyd-Dewhurst, Inc.
  - Used by hundreds of companies world-wide
  - Basis of Ford Motor Co. design/costing method for the past 20+ years
- SA practices are a blend of:
  - “Textbook” DFMA<sup>®</sup>, industry standards and practices, DFMA<sup>®</sup> software, innovation, and practicality

**Estimated Cost = (Material Cost + Processing Cost + Assembly Cost) x Markup Factor**

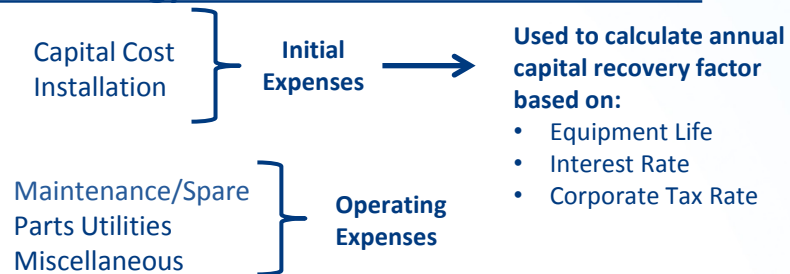
## Manufacturing Cost Factors:

1. Material Costs
2. Manufacturing Method
3. Machine Rate
4. Tooling Amortization

## Methodology reflects cost of under-utilization:



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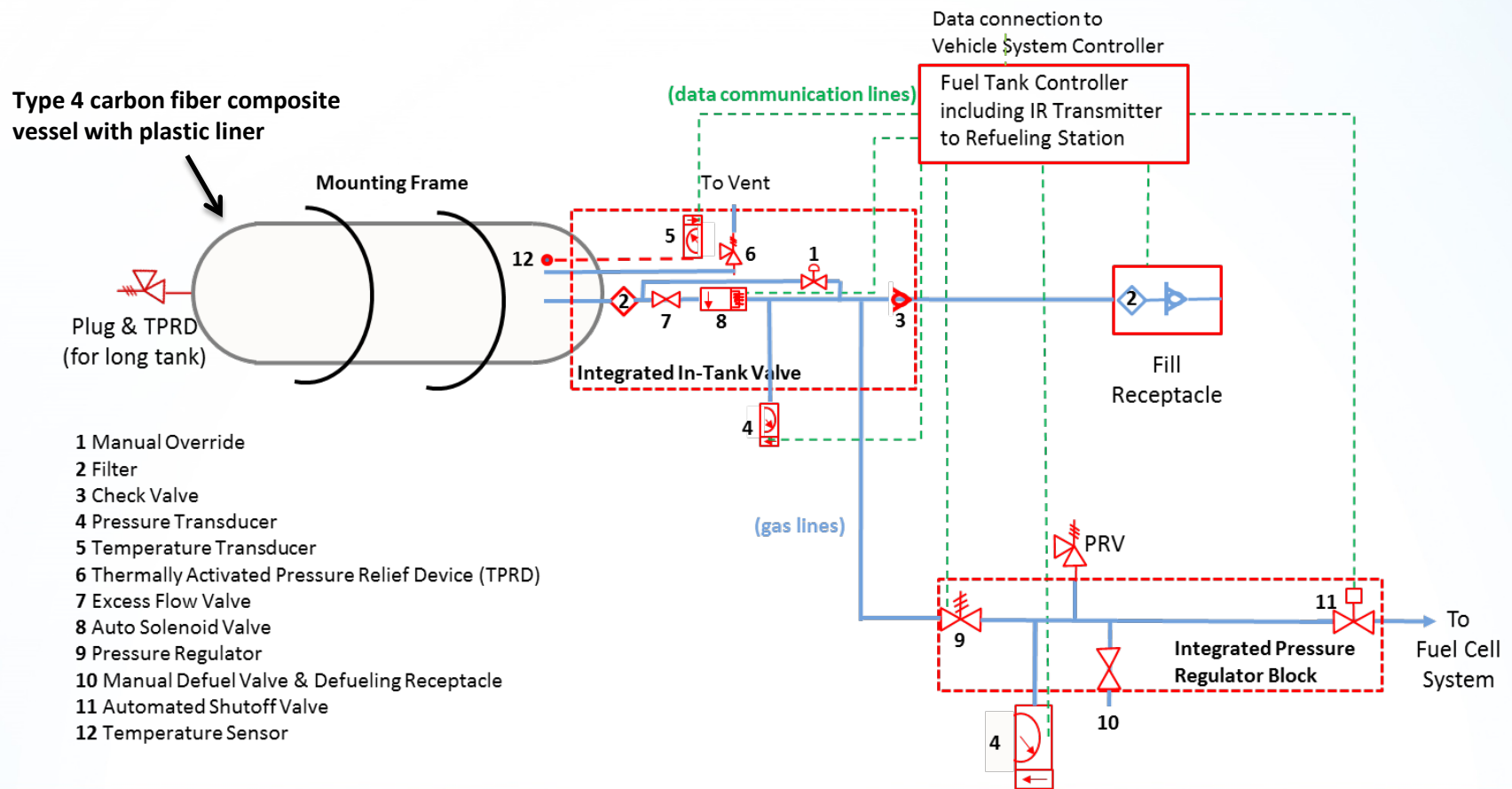
$$\frac{\left( \text{Annual Capital Repayment} + \text{Annual Operating Payments} \right)}{\left( \text{Annual Minutes of Equipment Operation} \right)} = \text{Machine Rate } (\$/\text{min})$$

## Production Volume Range of Analysis:

10,000 to 500,000 H<sub>2</sub> storage systems per year

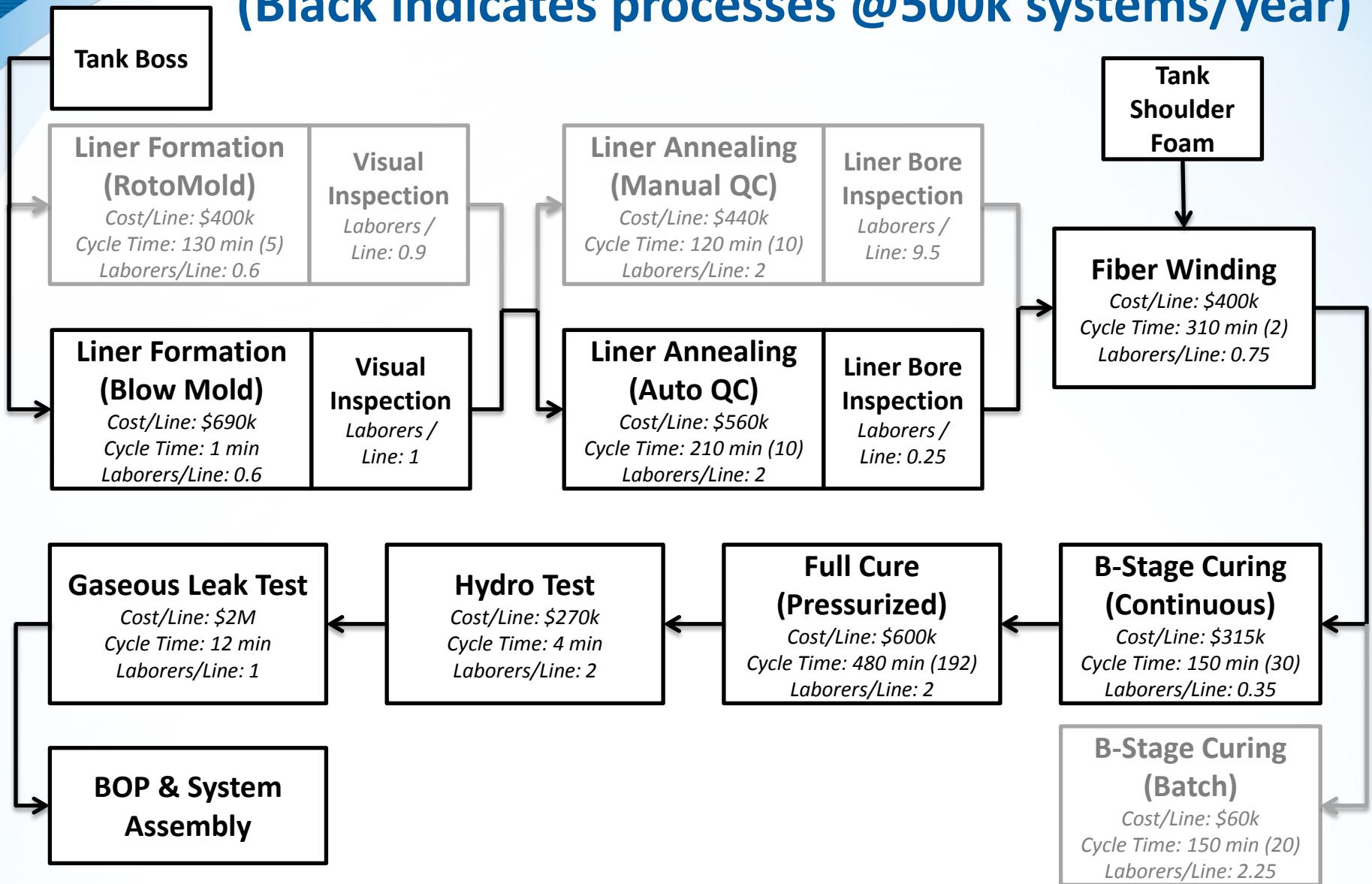
# System Diagram

- System cost based on a single tank configuration
- Balance of tank includes:
  - Integrated in-tank valve
  - Integrated pressure regulator block

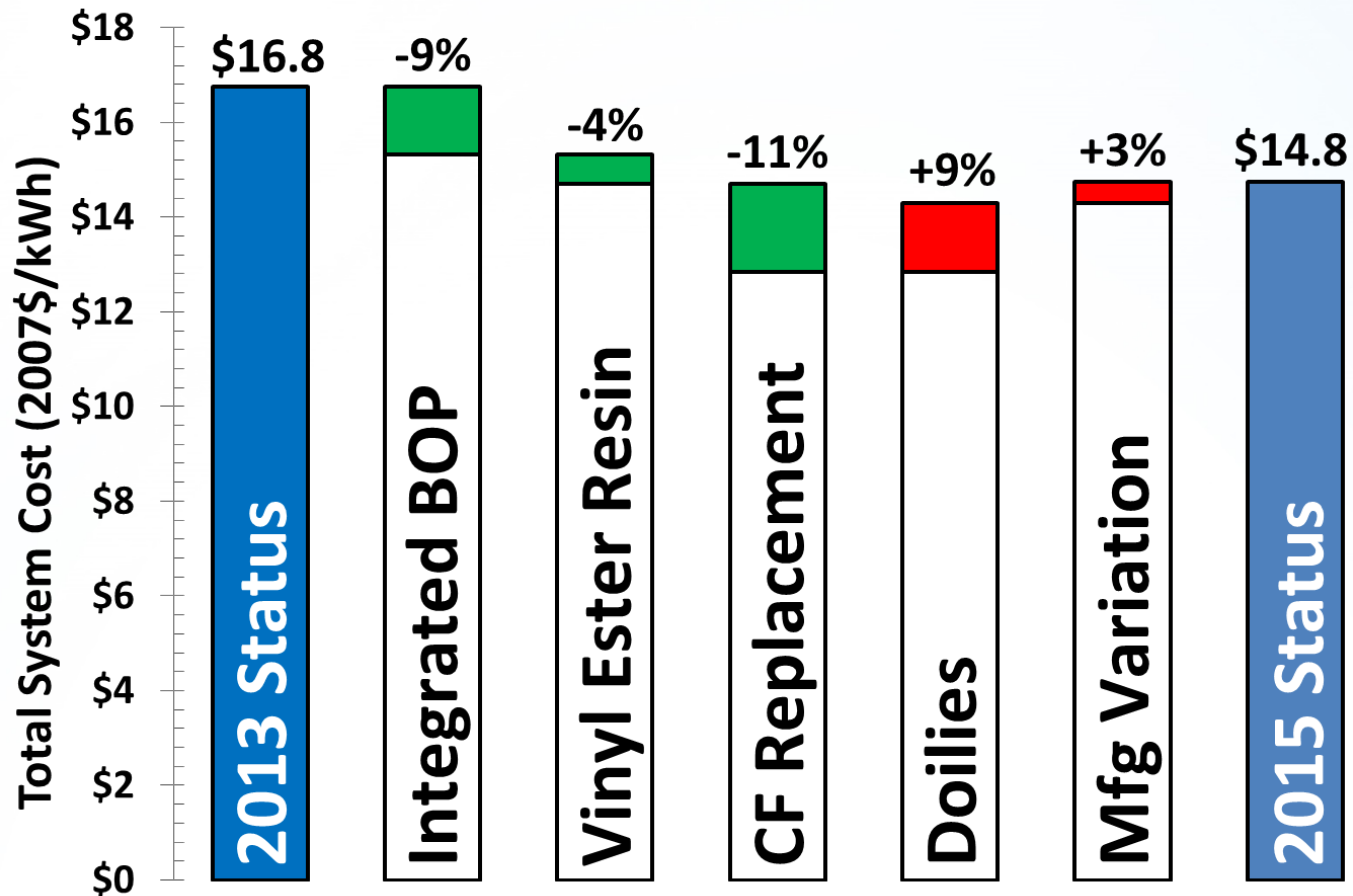


# Process Flow Schematic

(Black indicates processes @500k systems/year)



# Storage System Cost Reduced by 12%

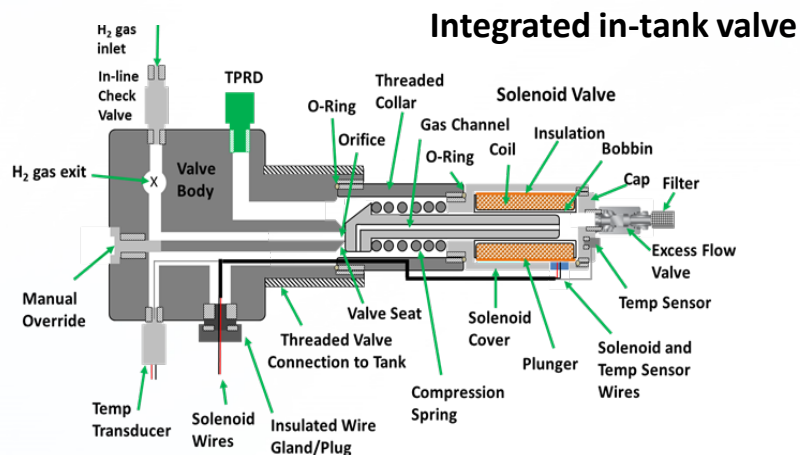
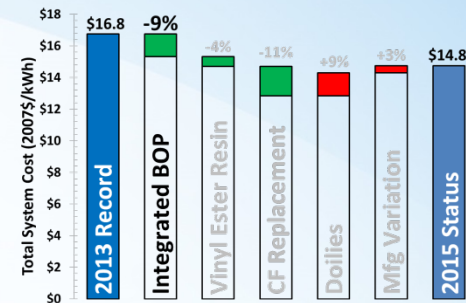


\*Cost at 500,000 systems per year

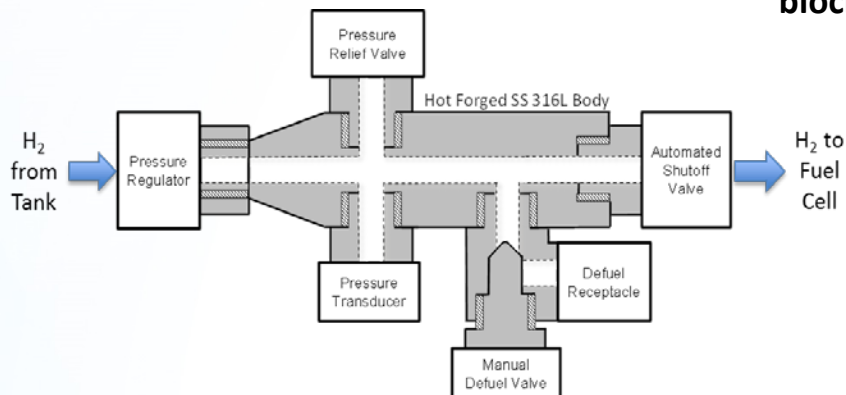


# Integrated BOP

## Integration of functionality reduces system cost



**Integrated pressure regulator block**

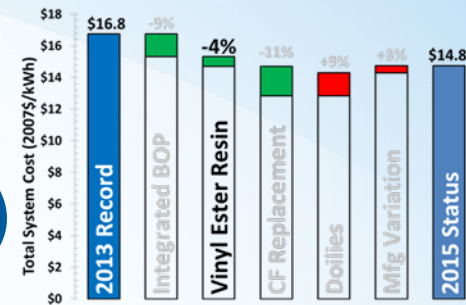


Analysis Year	BOP Assumptions/Changes	BOP Cost (2007\$/kWh)
2013 (DOE Record)	Majority of vendor quotations, limited by product availability	\$4.98/kWh
2014	DFMA® analysis of integrated in-tank valve and pressure regulator quotation update	\$4.37/kWh
2015	Integrated pressure regulator block will reduce number of fittings (translates to other H <sub>2</sub> storage systems)	\$3.64/kWh

(projected 9% system cost savings)

# Lower-Cost, Low-Density Resin

(as replacement for epoxy resin in pressure vessel)



## PNNL, Hexagon Lincoln, and Ford Collaboration

- Alternative lower-cost and lower-density vinyl ester resin
- Used alternate fiber sizing

## Sub-scale experimental burst test results used to calibrate finite element model

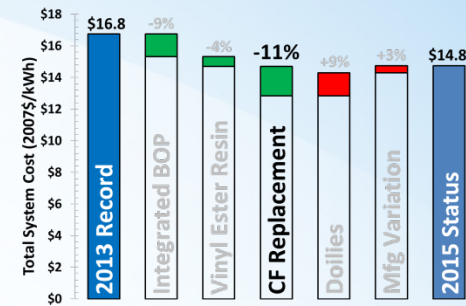
- Vinyl ester resin reduced composite mass by 6.6%
- Vinyl ester resin + alt sizing reduced composite mass by 9.0%
- Lower density resin and lower volume fraction largely responsible
- But some reduction in CF due to higher translation efficiency

	Weight (kg)				Cost
	Hoop	Helical	Doilies	Total	
2013 Baseline (with doilies)	40.2	48.0	2.8	91.0	\$16.76/kWh
Calibrated Performance Model (no doilies)	34.3	72.3	N/A	106.6	
Calibrated Model + Low-Cost Resin	31.4	68.2	N/A	99.6	
Calibrated Model + Low-Cost Resin + Alternate Sizing	30.3	66.7	N/A	97.0	\$16.17/kWh

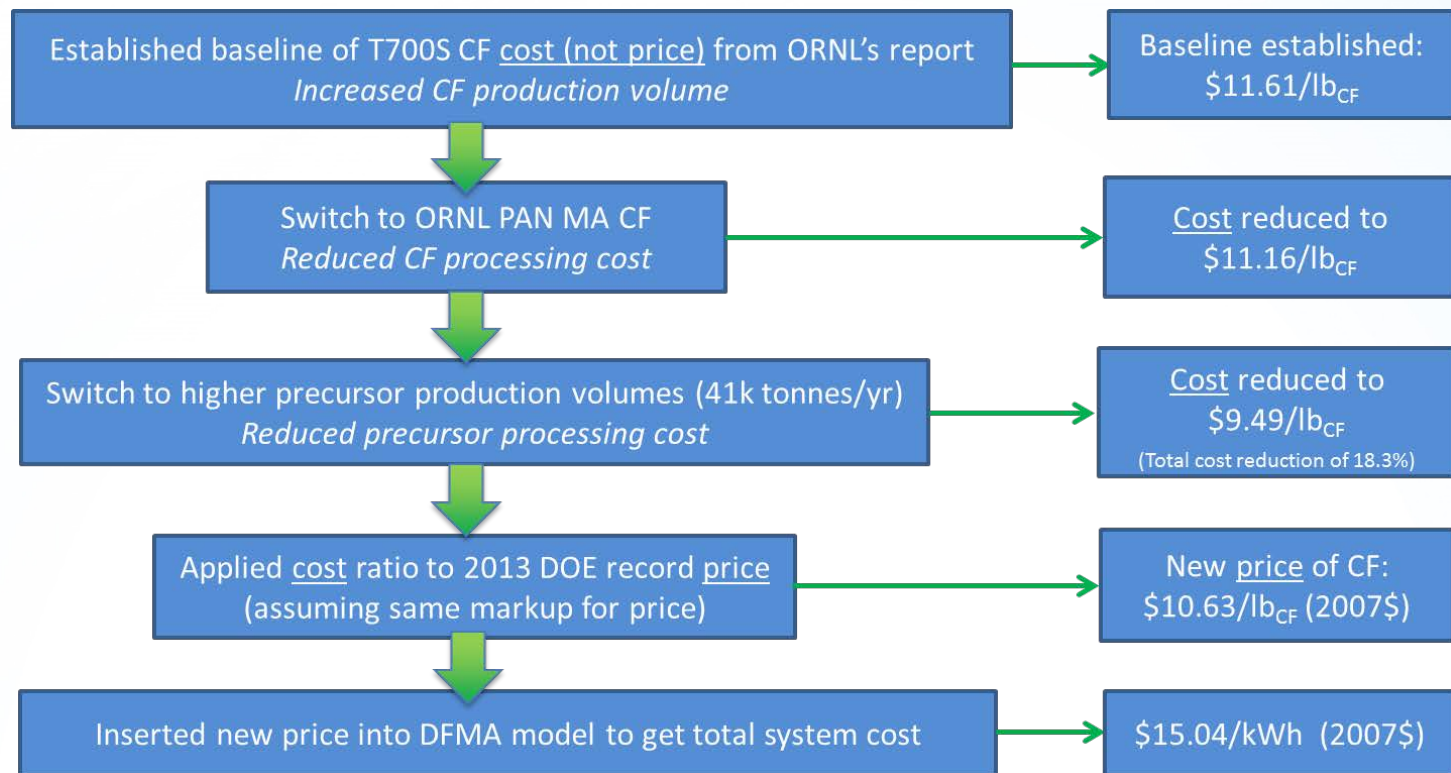
(projected 4% system cost savings)

# ORNL Low Cost Fiber

Textile precursor process projected to reduce cost of CF by enabling higher volume CF manufacturing



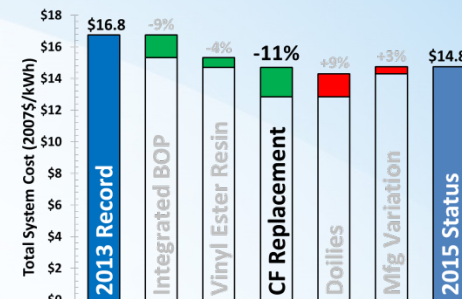
## Approach to applying CF cost reduction to total system cost



All costs in current year dollars, unless otherwise specified

# ORNL Low Cost Fiber

ORNL CF has similar tensile strength to conventional T700S but is less expensive to produce due to economies of scale.



Parameter	2013 Baseline System (T-700S)	Reported ORNL Textile PAN MA CF	Textile PAN MA CF as used in SA's System Cost Model
Ultimate Tensile Strength	711 KSI	577 KSI (in 2014 AMR <sup>1</sup> ) 655 to 750+ KSI (ORNL <sup>2</sup> )	711 KSI
Modulus	33 MSI	39.8 MSI (2014 AMR)	NA
TOW	24k	24K	24K
Filament diameter	7 micron	7 micron	7 micron
CF Density (dry)	1.8 g/cc	1.78-1.81 g/cc	1.8 g/cc
CF Price (2007\$)	\$13/lb (at 25,000 tonnes/year)	Price NA (2014\$ cost as reference: \$9.49/lb, at 25,000 tonnes/year)	\$10.63/lb (at 25,000 tonnes/year)
System Cost (5.6kg H2 usable, single tank, 500ksys/year, 2007\$)	\$16.76/kWh	NA	\$15.04/kWh

18.3% cost reduction from \$13/lb

**projected 11% system cost savings**

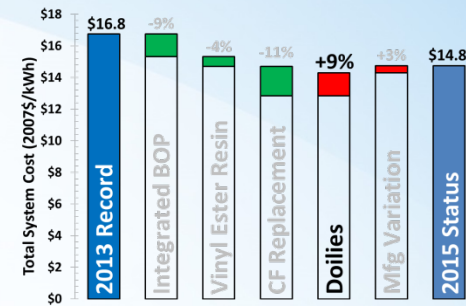
<sup>[1]</sup> "Development of Low-Cost, High Strength Commercial Textile Precursor (PAN-MA)", C. David (Dave) Warren, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, presentation at 2014 DOE Hydrogen and Fuel Cells Program Annual Merit Review Meeting, Washington, D.C., June 2014.

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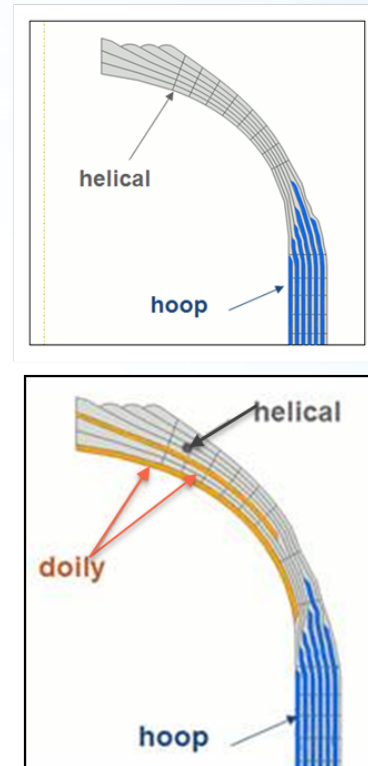


# Vessel/Manufacturing Design Change—Doily Removal

- Doilies are strips of CF applied to the dome to provide local reinforcement
  - Reduce number of helical windings
  - Transfers load to hoop windings
  - Reduces composite materials which reduces total cost
- Doilies introduce High Vol. Prod. challenges
  - Increases manufacturing complexity
  - Creates possibility for single-point failures
- Doilies removed from 2015 design after input from vessel manufacturers resulting in **\$1.36/kWh** increase
  - May still be useful in reducing composite mass in the future but R&D needed



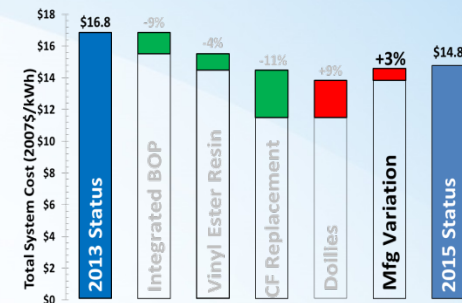
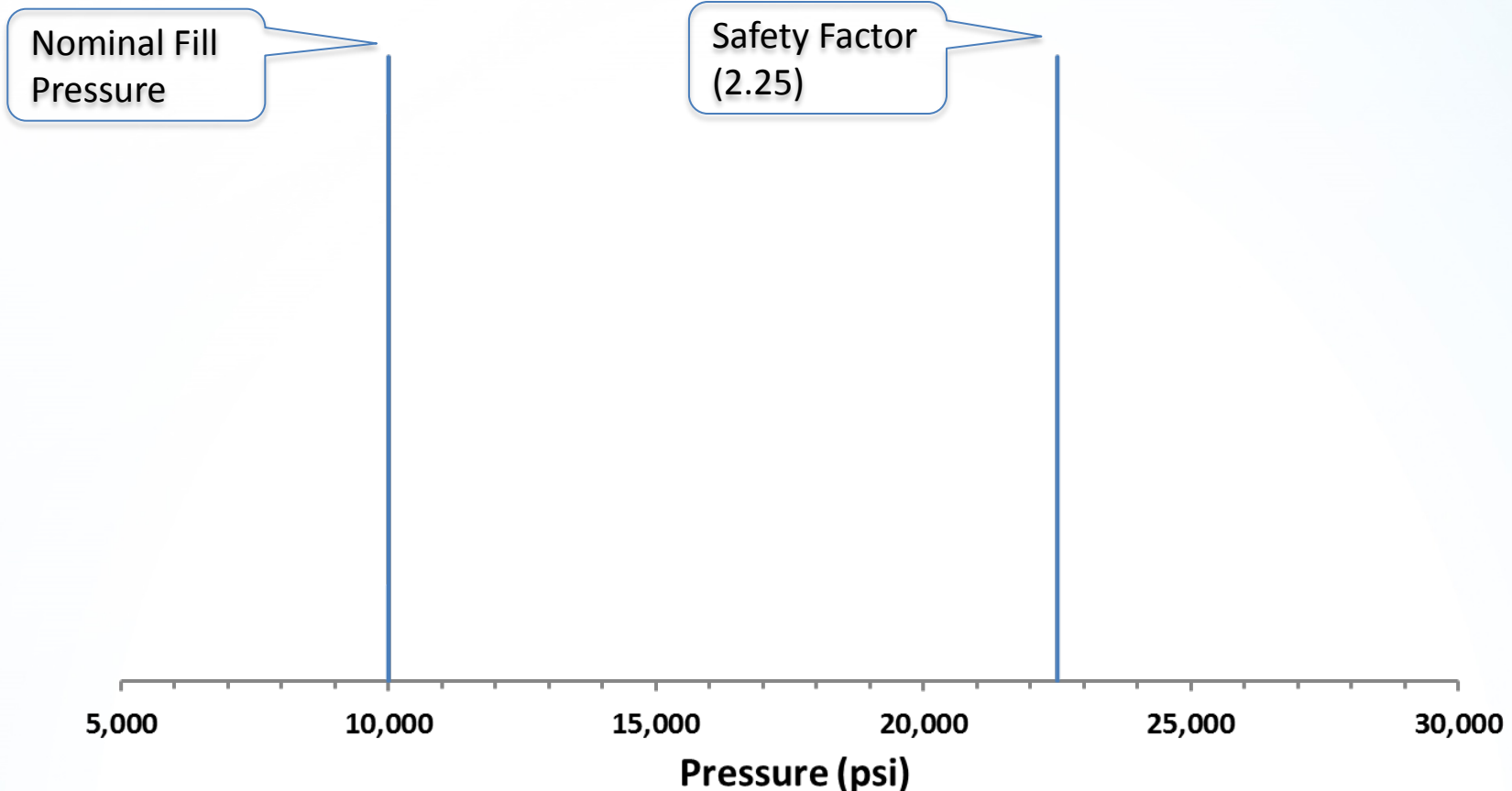
Cross-section of dome with and without doilies



**projected 9% system cost increase**

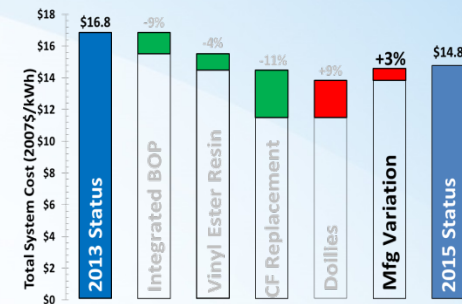
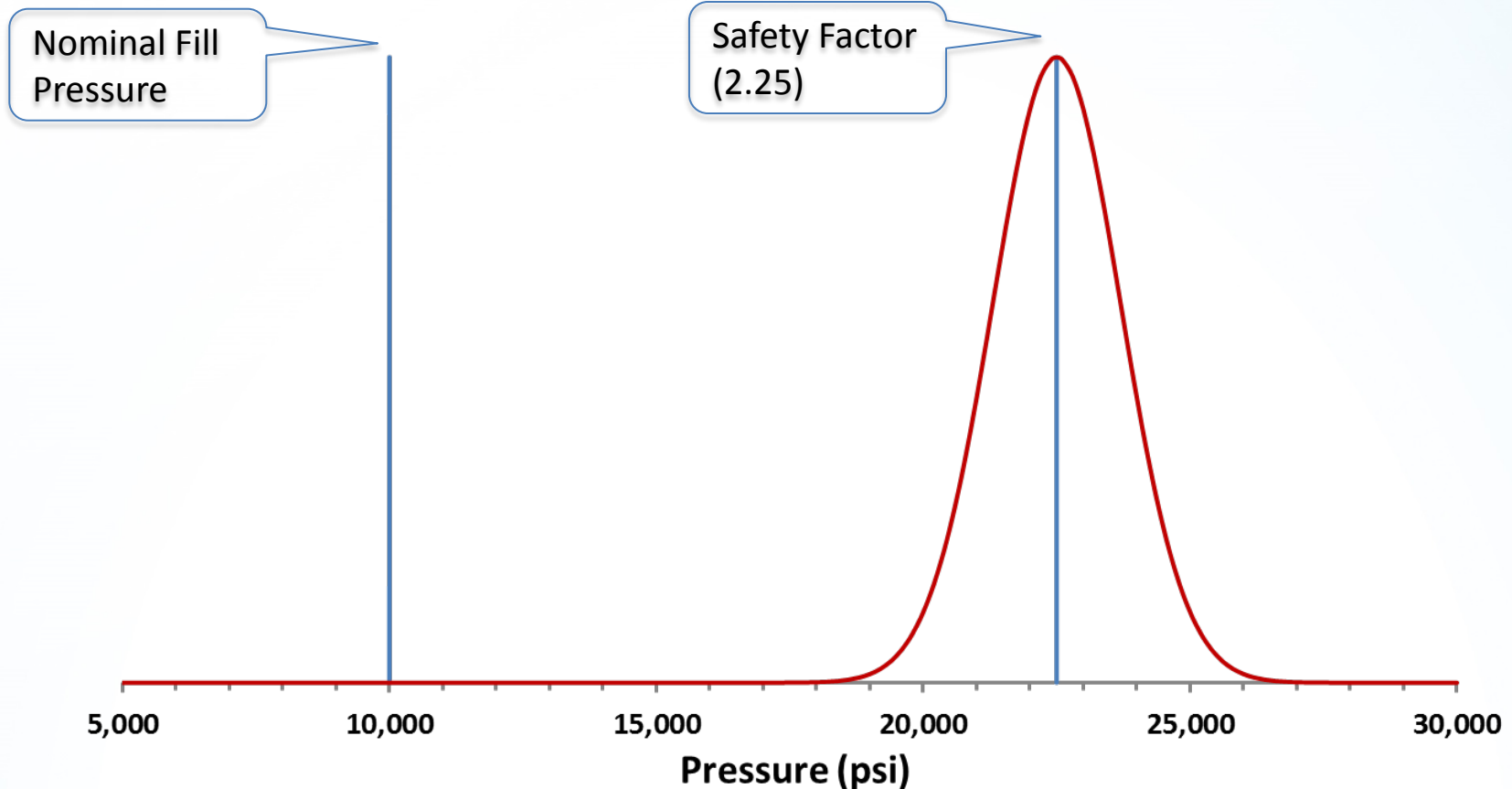
# Addition of Explicit Manufacturing Variation COV (COV = Coefficient of Variation)

Pressure vessels are designed to withstand pressures with a safety factor 2.25 greater than the nominal fill pressure.



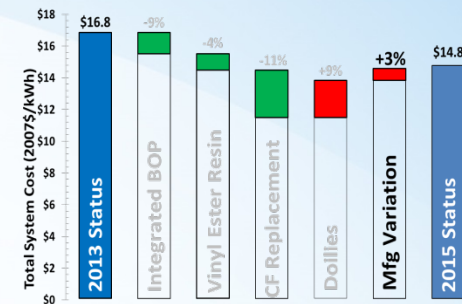
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In high volume manufacturing, tank burst pressures are normally distributed (shown in red) due to statistical variations in carbon strength fiber and manufacturing process

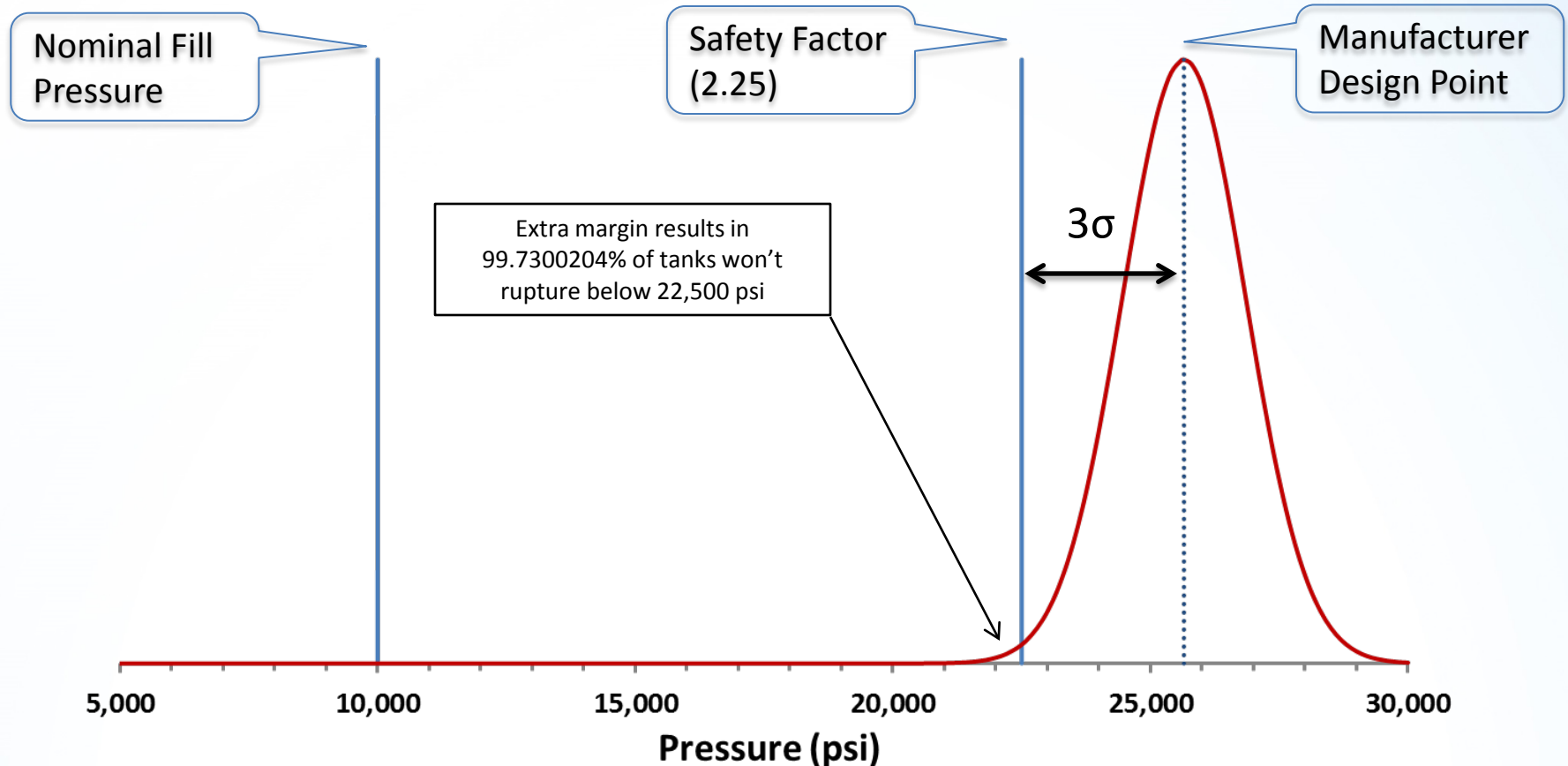


# Addition of Explicit Manufacturing Variation COV

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To ensure tanks are designed to meet the 2.25 safety factor, manufacturers design tanks with additional carbon fiber to meet  $3\sigma$  quality standards

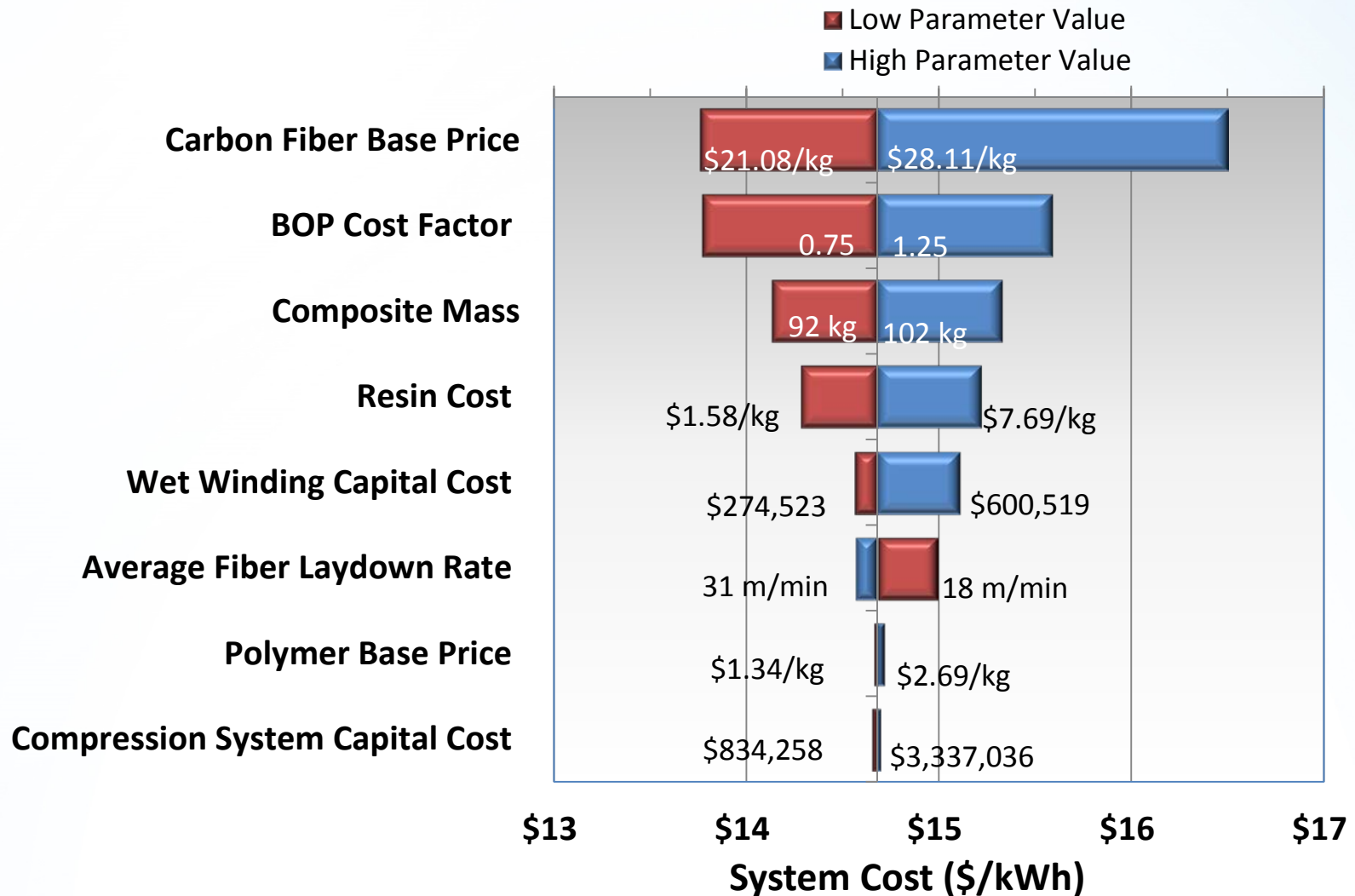




# Uncertainty Analysis

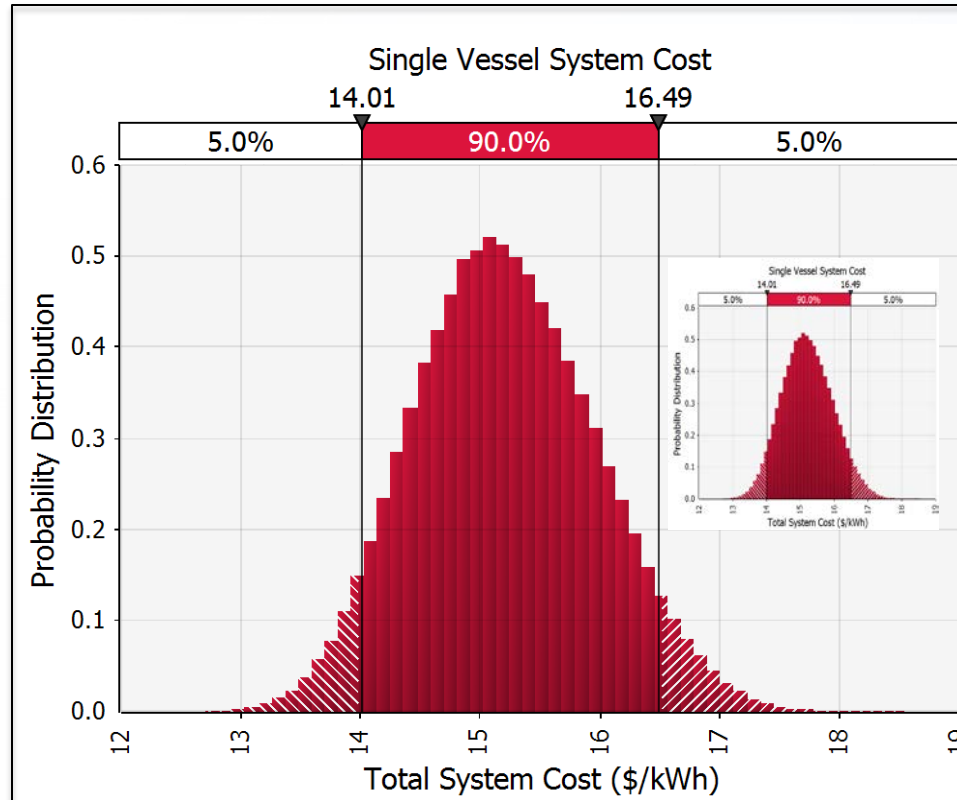
	Unit	Low	Most Probable	High	Rationale
<b>CF Composite Mass</b>	kg	<b>92</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>102</b>	Based on the difference of 5 kg between the 2013 PNNL/Ford and ANL analyses. The distribution was assumed to be symmetric with a range of $\pm 5$ kg.
<b>Polymer Base Price</b>	\$/kg	<b>1.34</b>	<b>1.79</b>	<b>2.69</b>	Assumed -25% to +50%. Baseline is approximately commodity pricing.
<b>Carbon Fiber Base Price</b>	\$/kg	<b>21.08</b>	<b>23.43</b>	<b>28.11</b>	Assumed -10% to +20%. Baseline is SA projection of CF fiber using ORNL low-cost precursor.
<b>Blow Molding Capital Cost</b>	\$	<b>443,955</b>	<b>591,940</b>	<b>739,925</b>	Assumed $\pm 25\%$ . Baseline is approximate equipment cost.
<b>Blow Molding Cycle Time</b>		<b>0.5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	Assumed -50% to +100%. Range based on our level of uncertainty in cycle time.
<b>Wet Winding Capital Cost</b>	\$	<b>274,523</b>	<b>343,154</b>	<b>600,519</b>	Assumed -50% to +100%. Baseline is average of several vendor price quotes.
<b>Average Fiber Laydown Rate</b>	m/min	<b>18</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>32</b>	Assumed -8 m/min to +6 m/min. Range and average taken from informal survey of winding literature and discussions with PNNL regarding winding times.
<b>Curing Oven Capital Cost</b>	\$/ft	<b>1,506</b>	<b>2,008</b>	<b>2,511</b>	Assumed $\pm 25\%$ . Baseline is based on vendor quotation.
<b>Conveyor Capital Cost</b>		<b>0.20</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>1.50</b>	Assumed -80% to +50%. Range is deliberately wide as conveyor costs are relatively low and thus % uncertainty is high.
<b>B-Stage Dwell Time</b>	hrs	<b>2</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>3</b>	Assumed $\pm 0.5$ hrs. Baseline from vendor input. Range based on eng. judgement.
<b>Full Cure Dwell Time</b>	hrs	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>12</b>	Assumed $\pm 50\%$ . Baseline from vendor input. Range based on eng. judgement.
<b>Compr. System Capital Cost</b>	\$	<b>834,258</b>	<b>1,668,518</b>	<b>3,337,036</b>	Assumed -50% to +100%. Baseline from vendor input. Range based on eng. judgement.
<b>BOP Cost Factor</b>		<b>0.75</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>1.25</b>	Assumed $\pm 25\%$ . Range based on eng. judgement.
<b>Resin Cost</b>	\$/kg	<b>1.58</b>	<b>4.52</b>	<b>7.69</b>	Assumed -65%/+70%. Range based on same $\pm\%$ used in 2013 DOE Record. Baseline based on vendor quote of PNNL low-cost resin at high production quantity, inclusive of 25% overage for winding wastage.
<b>Foam Dome Protection</b>	\$/kg	<b>1.25</b>	<b>2.50</b>	<b>5.00</b>	Baseline from online pricing for polyurethane foam. Assumed -50% and +100% based on ranges in price and eng. judgement.

# Sensitivity Study



# Monte Carlo Analysis Results

## (Stochastic multivariable error analysis)



90% confidence the cost will be between \$14.01 and \$16.49/kWh.

# Conclusions

- **Projected storage system costs decreased by a net 12% from 2013 baseline due to technology improvements and design adjustments**
  - Cost reductions identified result in a projected decrease in cost of 24%
    - Integrated balance of plant with reduced fittings and part counts
    - Low-density lower-cost vinyl ester resin
    - High volume textile processed carbon fiber precursor
  - Adjustments were made to the tank design that raised cost by a projected 12% but result in improved manufacturability and performance
    - Removed doilies to accommodate high volume manufacturing
    - Increased tank mass to account for manufacturing variation
- **CF usage reduction remains key system cost reduction strategy**
  - Mirai demonstrates feasibility of reduced CF mass from alternative winding patterns
  - Reduction in manufacturing variations could reduce CF mass and cost
  - Other approaches (e.g. vacuum infiltration of resin) are currently being considered
  - Alternative fibers (e.g. glass)
- **Further optimization of BOP components**



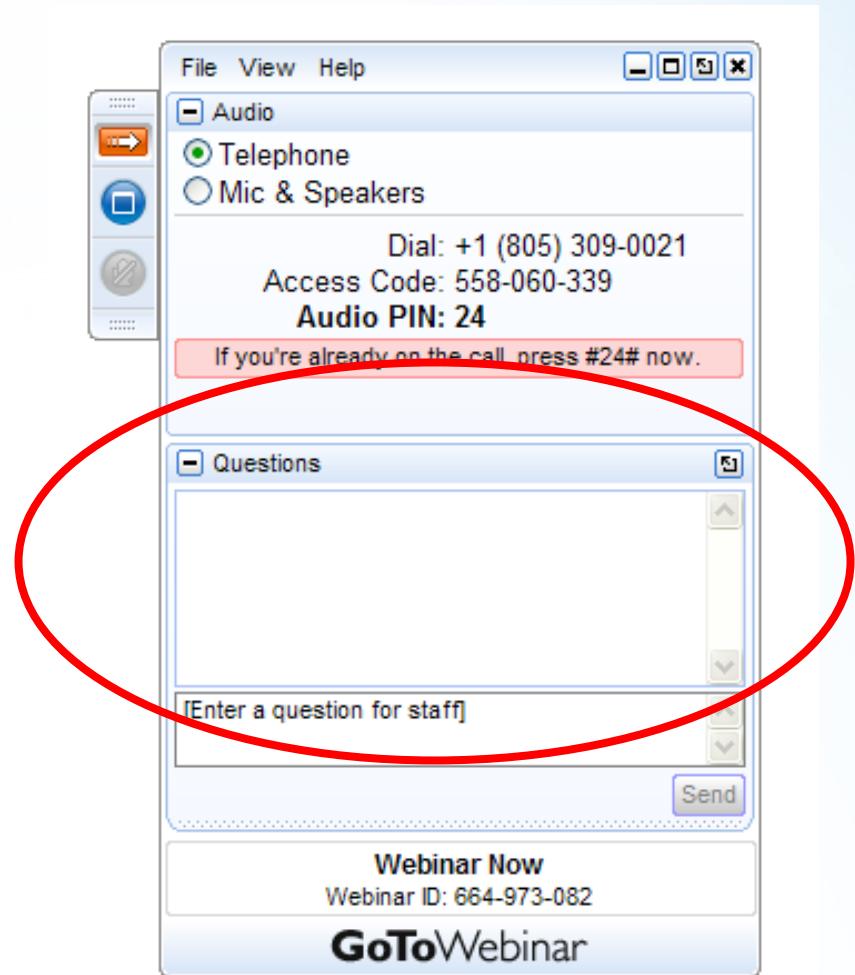
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# Questions?



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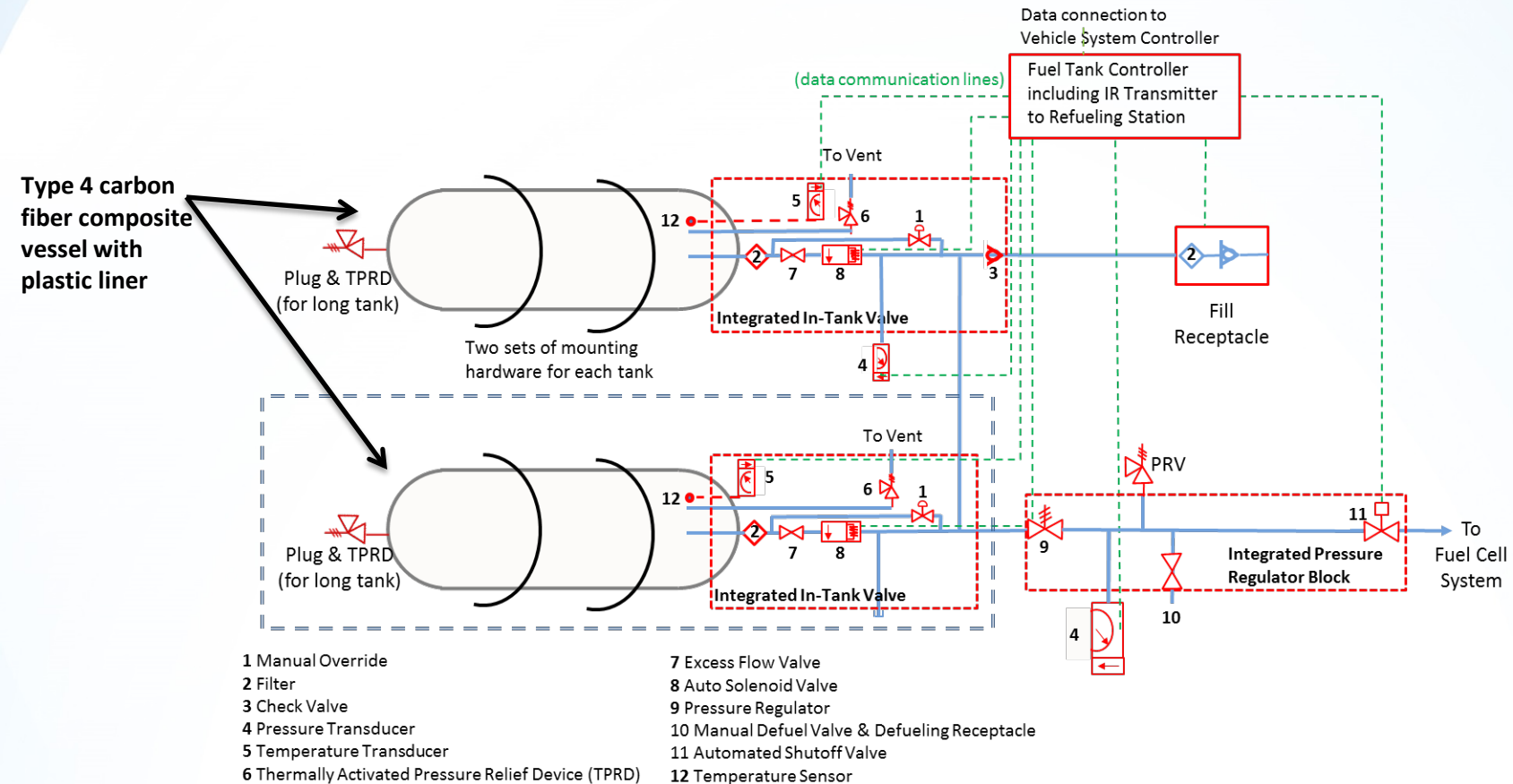
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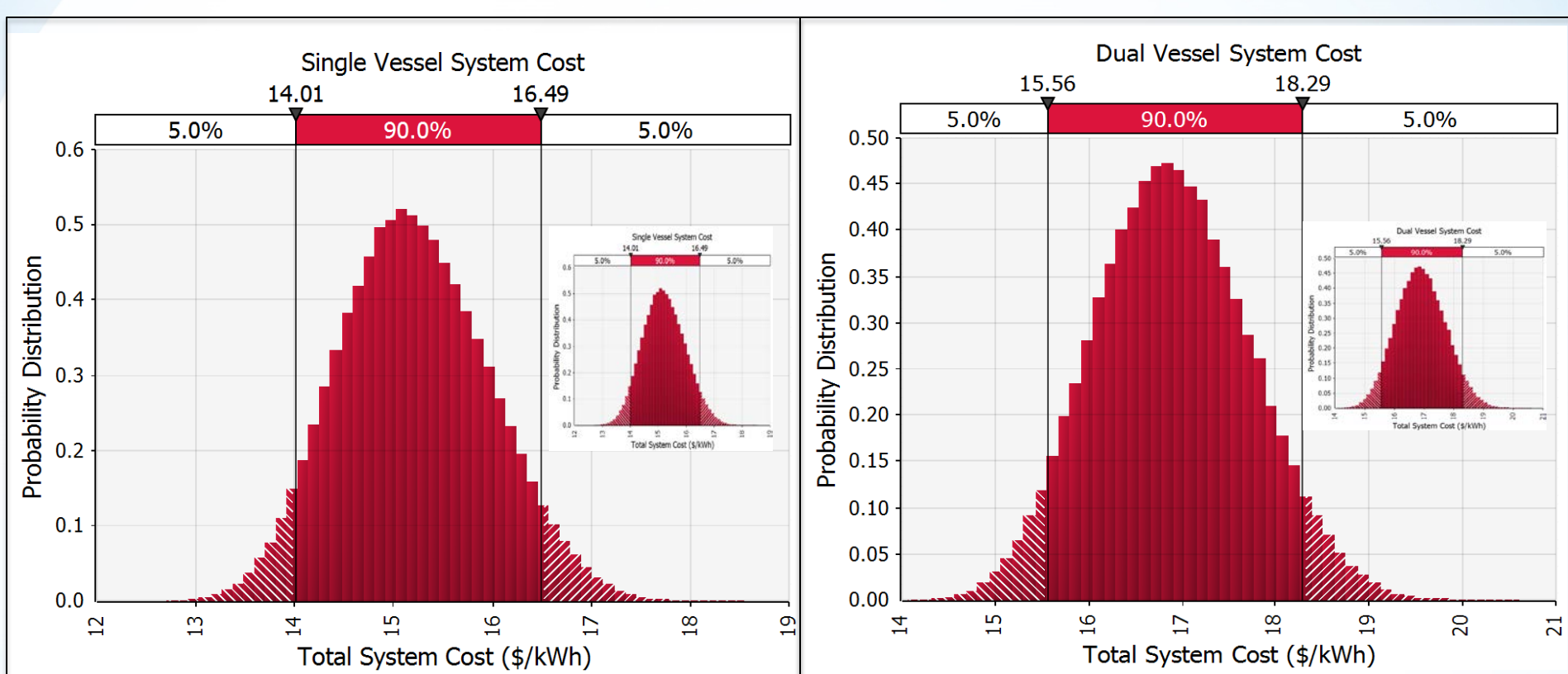
# Two Tank Configuration

- System cost for two-tank configuration is higher than for single tank
- Two-tank configuration duplicates the integrated in-tank valve
- Overall carbon fiber mass is higher for two-tank configuration



# Monte Carlo Analysis Results

## (Stochastic multivariable error analysis)



Single Vessel: 90% confidence the cost will be between \$14.01 and \$16.49/kWh

Dual Vessel: 90% confidence the cost will be between \$15.56 and \$18.29/kWh