Manufacturing Automation & Recycling

Challenges of Hydrogen Fuel Cell Recycling From a Secondary Processor's Perspective



Recovering your precious metals since 1919



- 1. Background of Gannon & Scott capabilities and processes
- 2. Highlight H2 Recycling Today
- 3. Role of a Secondary Processor vs. Refiner
- 4. Advantages & Challenges of Processing Hydrogen Fuel Cell Industry Scrap
- 5. Questions & Discussion



Recover More. Worry Less.

Recovering your precious metals since 1919

100+ years of experience

4th Generation, family owned, private company

Advanced Equipment and Technology

Precious Metals We Recover:



Worry less Recover more



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PROCESSSING CAPABILITIES

Thermal Reduction

Filters, Fuel Cells, Resins, Wipes, Factory Debris, E-Scrap Largest PM Incineration Capacity in the U.S.

Melting

High Grade Industrial Scrap, Cathodes

Chemical Processing

Cyanides, Acids, Non-Regulated

Laboratory Services

ISO:9001 Certified, Fire Assay & Classical Wet Chemistry





PGM Recovery Process for the Hydrogen Fuel Cell Industry

Proprietary Pre-Treatment

Incineration/ Thermal Reduction

Milling & Screening

Blending & Sampling

Assay Analysis



TRuH₂ & Tru3Tec System

Maximum NET recovery utilizing our Tru3Tec custom designed Thermal Reduction System. Our proprietary, enclosed furnace design allows us to control the air flow, process speed and burn temperature AND process material in an environmentally responsible and sustainable way.

Pre-Treatment & Incineration eliminates hazardous materials & reduces organics:

Broad Spectrum of Electrolytes Phosphoric Acid - Potassium Hydroxide - Acetic Acid Array of Polymers & Elastomers

Adhesives used to bond plates & membranes







Note on "FULL PROCESSING"

Gannon & Scott processes 100% OF ALL MATERIAL WE RECEIVE



<u>We do not</u> *Stream Sample Chop Sample* 2%-5% Grab Sample

INCONSISTENT INACCURATE NOT REPEATABLE



Secondary Processing

Vs.

Refiner

See synonyms for refiner on Thesaurus.com

noun

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refiner / (rɪˈfaɪnə) / 🏠

1 a person, device, or substance that removes impurities, sediment, or other unwanted matter from something

Gannon & Scott's Role as a "Secondary Processor"

Fully Process Material

Sample & Analyze for precious metal content

Pay the customer based on the assay analysis

Market the prepared commodity globally

Worry less

Recover more



For This Discussion, <u>2 Main Types of H2 Recycling</u>

End-of-Life

Manufacturing Waste





End-of-Life Limited - Newer Technology

Current Material Flow: Manufacturers Directly Mixed with Manufacturing Waste

Scrap Metal Recyclers

Auto Salvage





End-of-Life ***IMPORTANT***

Future Discussion revolving around the salvage & recycling industry for end-of-life

Educate Assist Facilitate





Manufacturing Waste Pt – Ir - Ru





Manufacturing Waste

Membranes Anodes & Cathodes Trim Scrap Platinum Black Containers & Packaging Wipes, Rags, PPE



ADVANTAGES of a "Secondary Processor" in Hydrogen Fuel Cell Recycling





Able to handle H2 material in its raw form

Able to receive & process HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Quick Turn-around for processing & payment

Ability to support multiple closed-loop recycling programs

Able to Handle & Segregate Smaller Lot sizes

Create a uniform & homogeneous commodity

Recover more

Worry less



ADVANTAGES

CHALLENGES of a "Secondary Processor" in Hydrogen Fuel Cell Recycling





*Global Refiner or End-user able (or willing) to recover ALL 3 PGMs



CHALLENGES







Each Manufacturer has a different *"Formula"*

Ratio of Precious Metals, differences in Electrolytes, different Plate material for anodes & cathodes, etc.

Requires Flexibility and Expertise





Global Refiner willing to take in the material based on deleterious elements: (Low levels of Chlorides, Lead, Chromium, Etc.)



CHALLENGES

3s² 3p³

Chlorine

35.452





Questions & Discussion





Thank you

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