Overcoming the Biomass Barriers, the Taylor Gasification Process



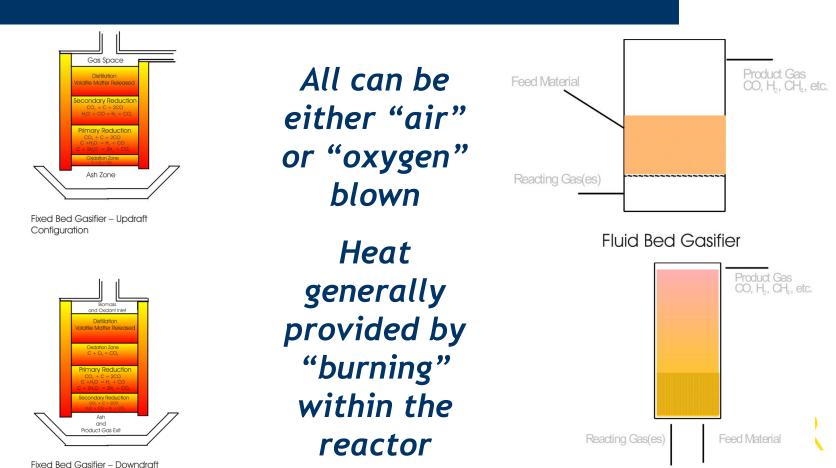
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Biomass is a Great Gasifier Feedstock - but . . .

- Supplies can be limited in a given area
- Feeding and Handling Issues
- Byproduct Differences
- End Use of Products



Generic Types of Gasifiers



Fixed Bed Gasifier – Downdra Configuration

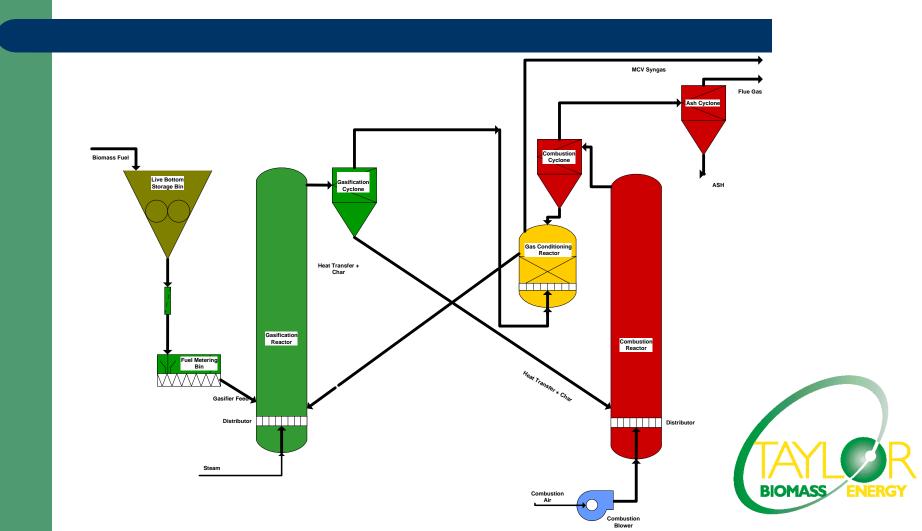
Entrained Gasifier

Types of Gasification Systems

- Air blown
- Oxygen blown --
- Indirect --

~150 Btu/scf (3.5-7 MJ/Nm3) ~300 Btu/scf (7-15 MJ/Nm3) ~350-500 Btu/scf (13-20 MJ/Nm3)



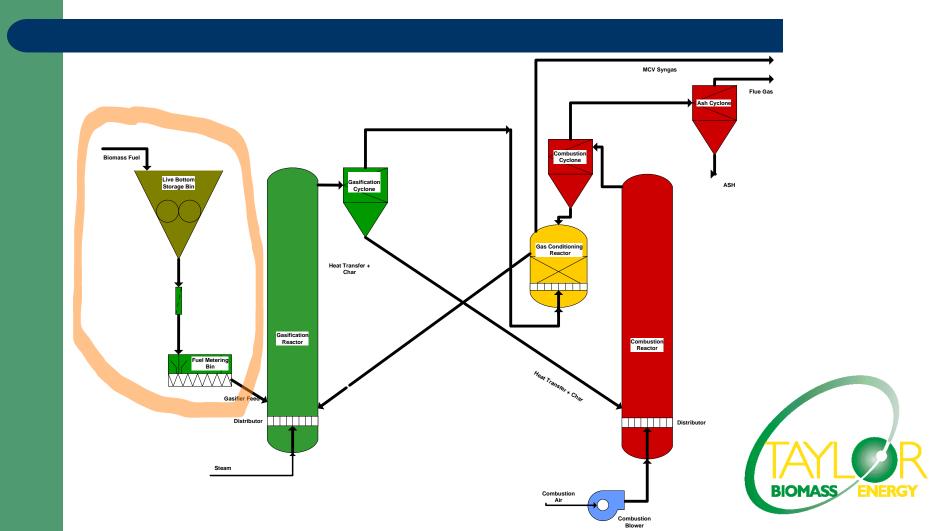


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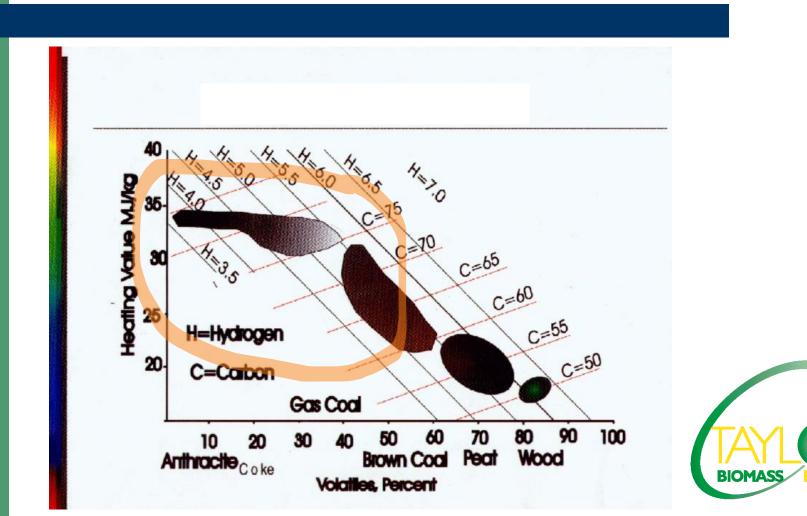




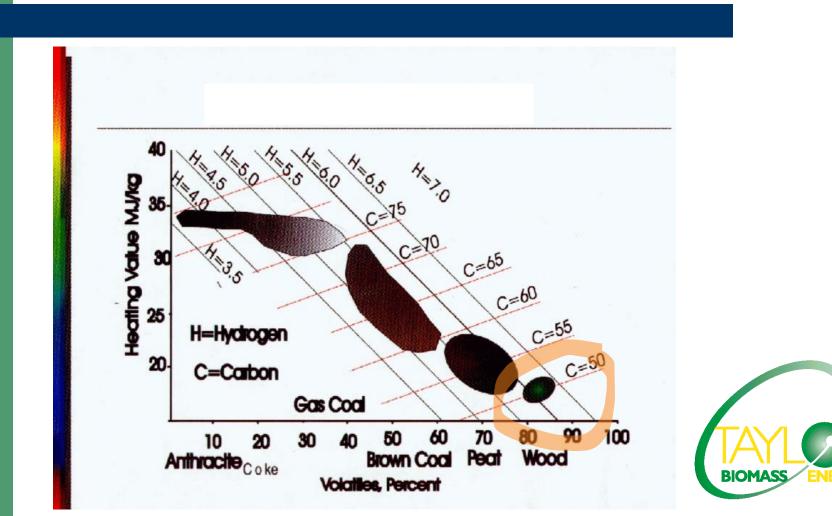
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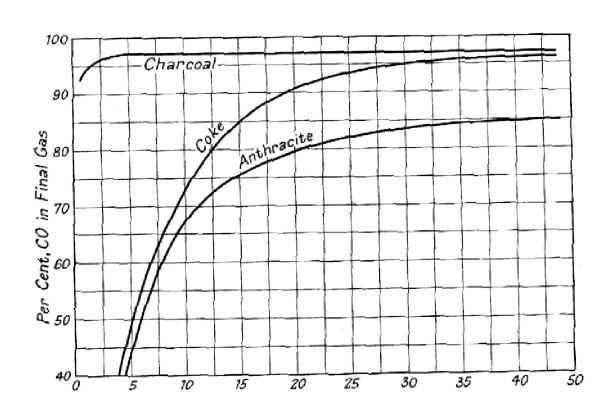
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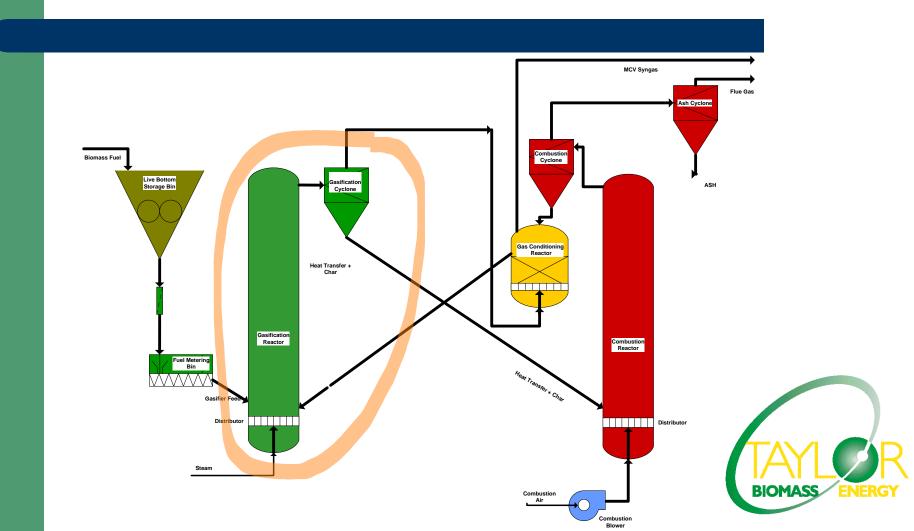
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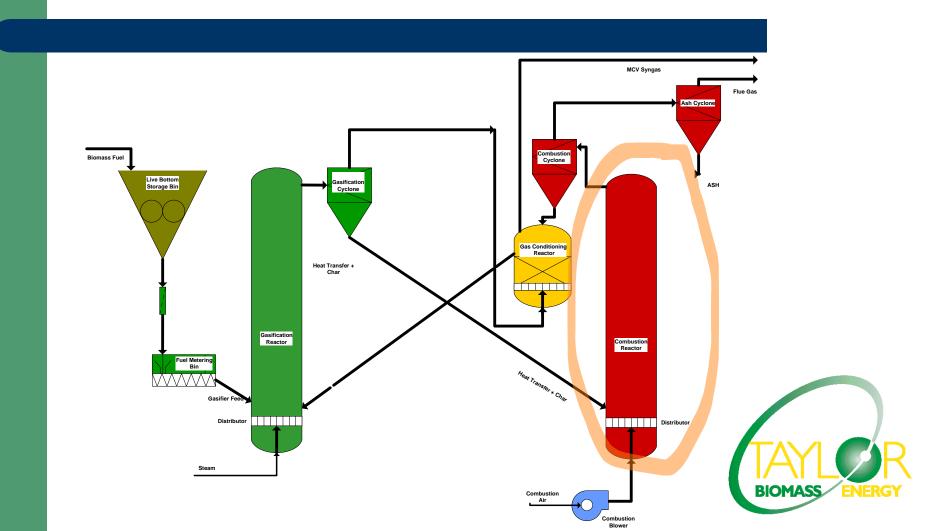




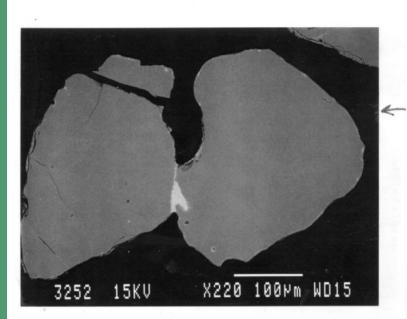


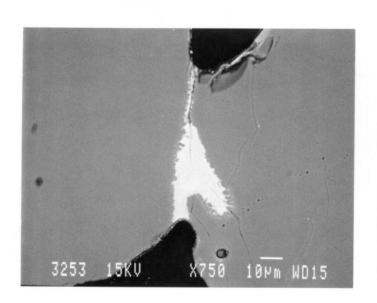
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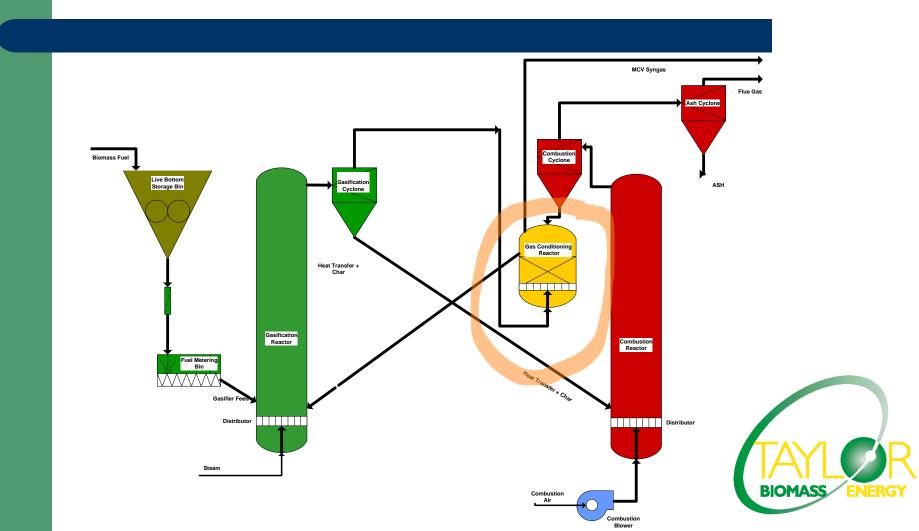
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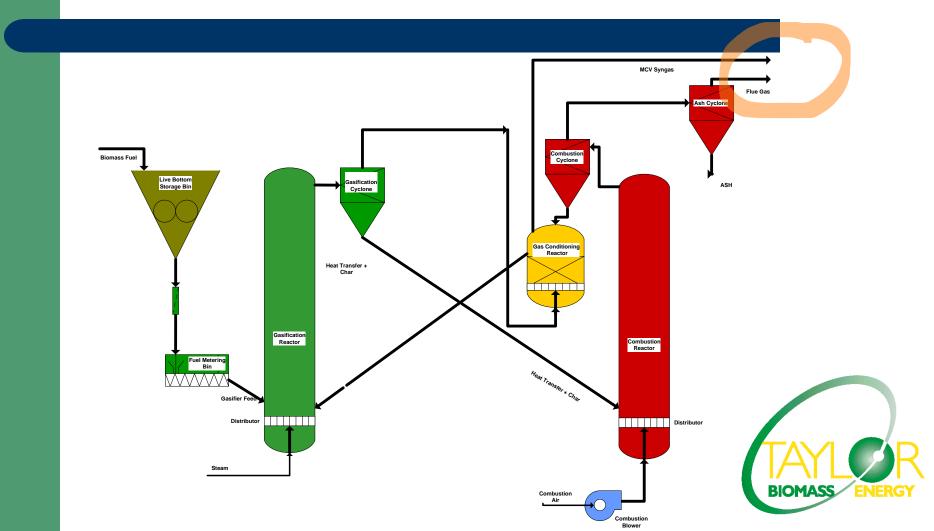


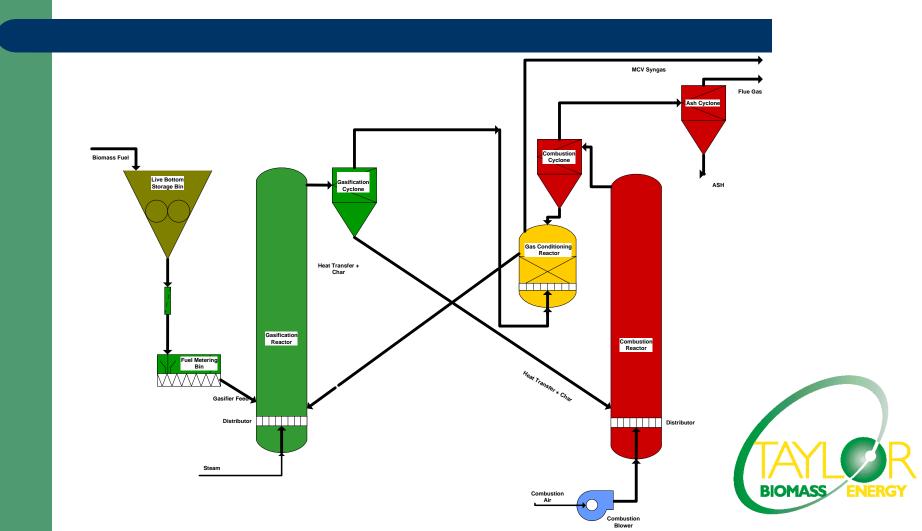




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Condensibles	heavy	light
Produced		







Characteristics of the Taylor Process

- MCV gas without oxygen
- Stable gas composition
- Atmospheric pressure process
 - Simplifies feeding
 - Expands range of acceptable biomass
- Allows use of solid biomass as a gas turbine fuel or chemical synthesis

- High process efficiencies to power



MCV Gas Advantages

• Simplified / lower cost gas cleanup

- Use as synthesis gas
- Direct interchangeability with natural gas



The Taylor Gasifier Provides Significant Advantages

- Tars converted to additional syngas
 - Higher temperature enhances performance
 - 90% of heavy hydrocarbons converted
- A significantly higher hydrogen content
 - Improves environmental performance
- Modular construction
 - Lowers cost
 - Faster assembly on site

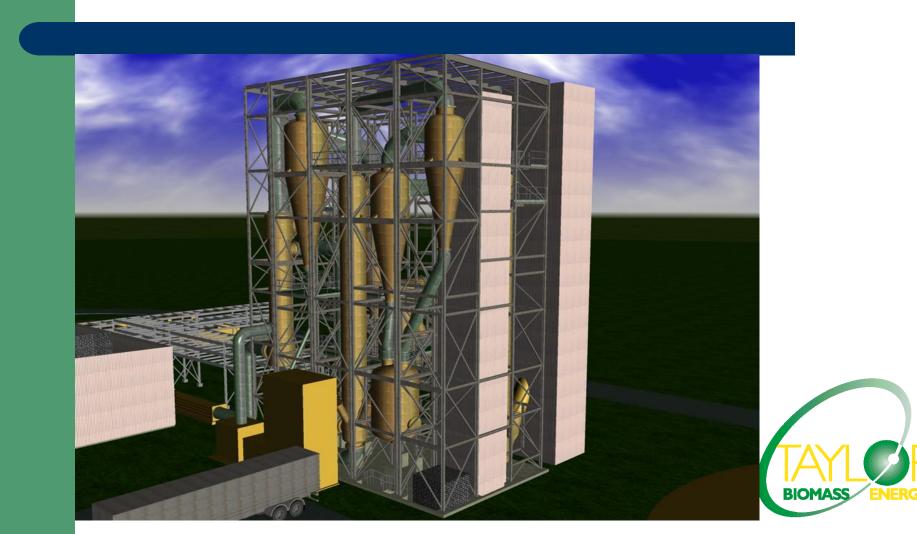


Program Underway to Utilize the Taylor Gasification Process

- Expand capacity of the current C&D operations in Montgomery, NY
 - Add capacity for 500 tons per day of MSW
- Construct modular gasification facility
- Install gas turbine based combined cycle system
- Sell green energy to NY grid



Gasifier Module Layout



Conclusions

- Biomass can be a viable gasification feedstock
- Fuel differences can be overcome
- Gasification becomes a flexible fuel "pretreatment"



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