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THE LEADER IN **ON SITE** GAS GENERATION.

PEM Electrolysis Technology R&D and Near-Term Market Potential

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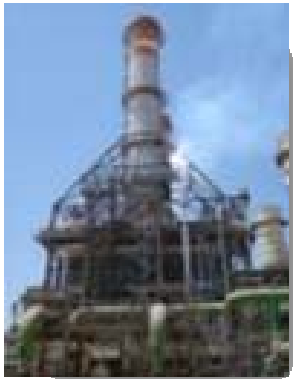
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Proton OnSite: Current Status

- Industrial markets form base for commercial sales
 - 50% growth over last 2 years
 - Clear technology leader in PEM electrolysis
 - >2000 fielded units, 10 MW capacity shipped
- Continuing to scale output and manufacturing capability

Industrial Markets

Power Plants



Heat Treating

Semiconductors



Laboratories

Government

Energy Markets



Fueling



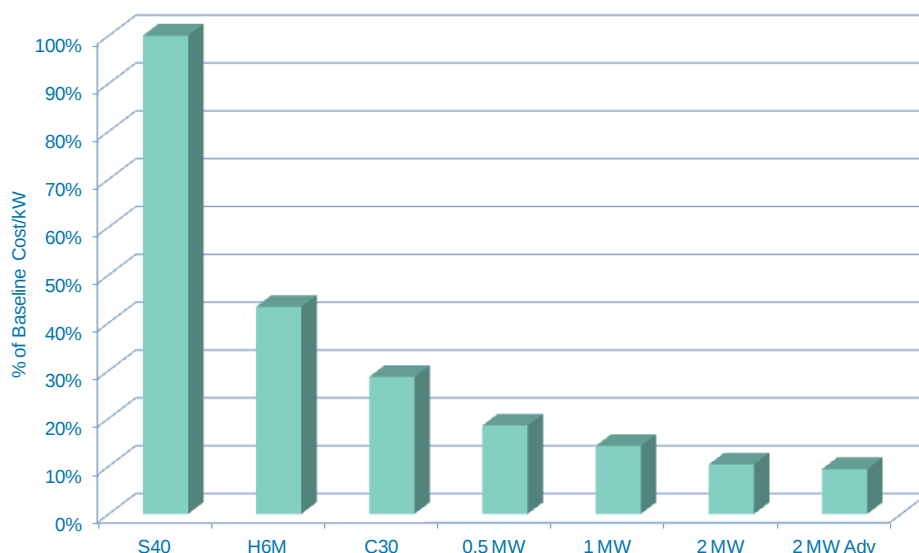
Backup Power



Renewable
Energy Storage

Why PEM Electrolysis?

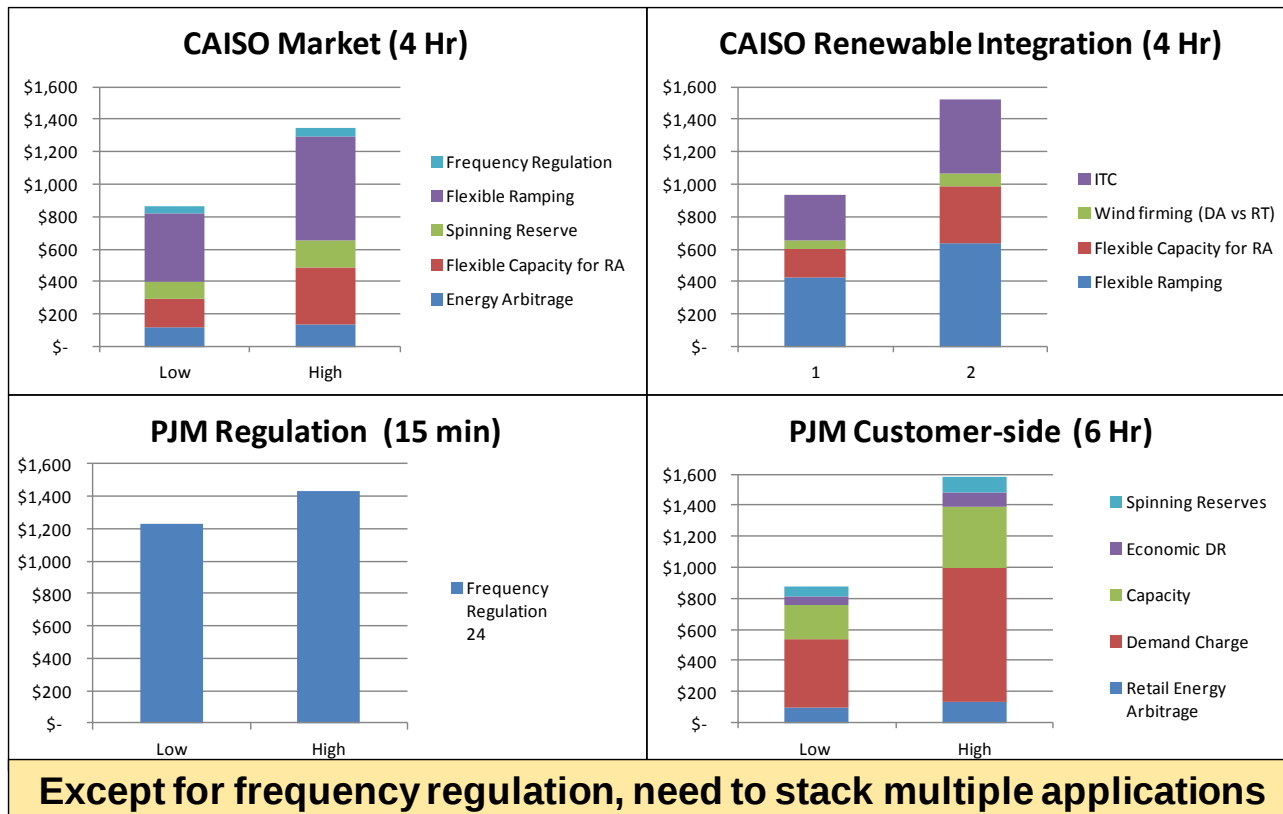
- HES scales with low cost hydrogen storage.
- Making hydrogen allows you to monetize stranded renewables, simply through its commodity value.
- Hydrogen is readily marketed for a variety of applications:
 - vehicle fuel, energy arbitrage, ammonia production, biogas enhancement, power-to-gas, etc.
- Ancillary services markets provide added revenue streams.
- Creates a potential pathway for renewable/low carbon fuel credits: LCFS (California), RINs (Federal), other market based credits.
- Cost scales favorably with increasing scale



Market feedback for ancillary services

- Capital cost targets are challenging without added value streams

Target System Cost per kW in 2018 (10% IRR, 5 Year Forecast)



Source: J. Judson-McQueeney, 2013

Case 1: Cheap Power, High Utilization

**1 MW station (400 kg/day), 100% electrolysis generation,
RINS credit and ancillary service offsets,
90% capacity factor, \$0.05/kWh electricity**

Cost Category	Value, \$/kg
CAPEX with 20 year amortization	\$1.52
OPEX, assuming \$0.05/kWh power	\$3.60
O&M, assuming 20 year life	\$0.30
Fuel credit offsets (RINS, etc.)	(\$1.00)
Revenue offsets (ancillary services ¹ , etc.)	(\$0.60)
Net Cost of Fuel:	\$3.82

¹“Study on the Development of Water Electrolysis in the European Union,”
Fuel Cells and Hydrogen Joint Undertaking Final Report, Feb. 2014.

Case 2: Cheap Power, Low Utilization

**1 MW station (400 kg/day), 100% electrolysis generation,
RINS credit and ancillary service offsets,
50% capacity factor, \$0.05/kWhr electricity**

Cost Category	Value, \$/kg
CAPEX with 20 year amortization	\$2.74
OPEX, assuming \$0.05/kWh power	\$3.60
O&M, assuming 20 year life	\$0.55
Fuel credit offsets (RINS, etc.)	(\$1.00)
Revenue offsets (ancillary services, etc.)	(\$0.60)
Net Cost of Fuel:	\$5.29

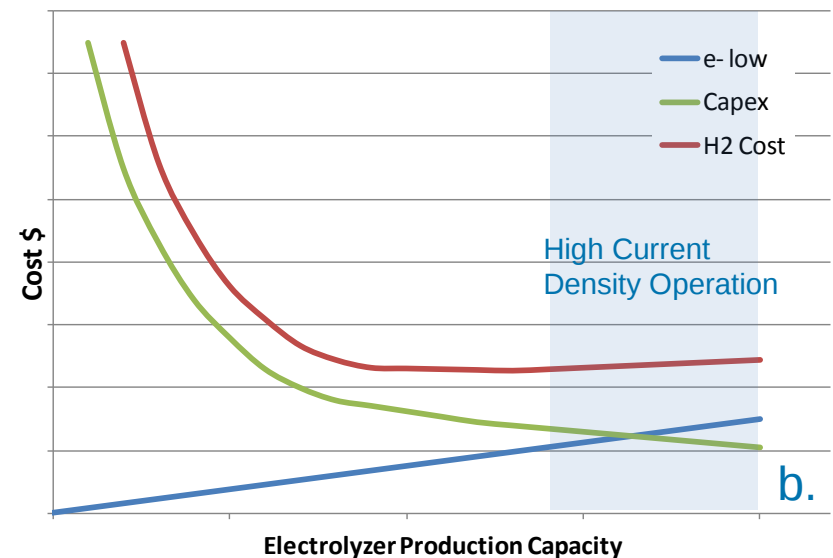
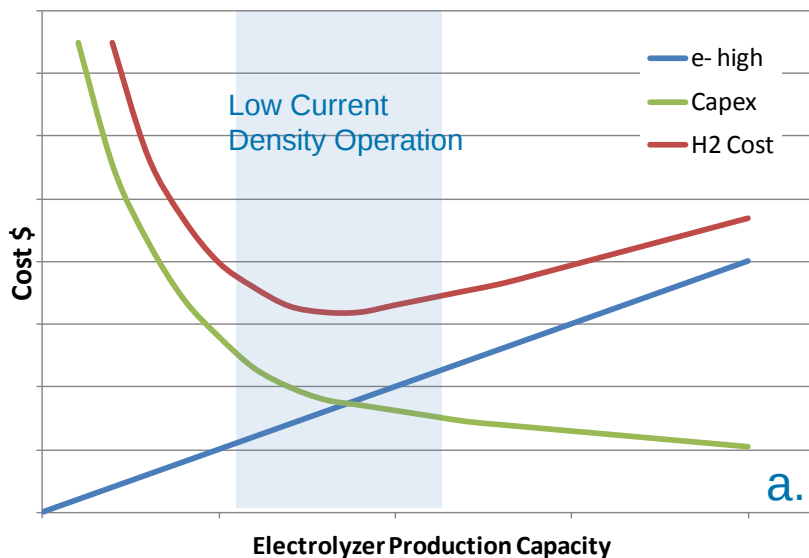
Case 3: Expensive Power, High Utilization

**1 MW station (400 kg/day), 100% electrolysis generation,
RINS credit and ancillary service offsets,
90% capacity factor, \$0.10/kWhr electricity**

Cost Category	Value, \$/kg
CAPEX with 20 year amortization	\$1.52
OPEX, assuming \$0.10/kWh power	\$7.20
O&M, assuming 20 year life	\$0.30
Fuel credit offsets (RINS, etc.)	(\$1.00)
Revenue offsets (ancillary services, etc.)	(\$0.60)
Net Cost of Fuel:	\$7.43

Effect of electricity cost on operating strategy

- Case a: high electricity cost optimizes cost of hydrogen at lower current density.
- Case b: low electricity cost allows higher current density to capture lower CAPEX.



Remaining R&D Priorities

- Cost reduction opportunities for both stack and system
 - Over 50% decrease achievable
- Opportunities in material substitution, automation, and scale up
 - Collaborations established with key partners
- Need investment in manufacturing implementation, internally and in supply chain
- Optimization for grid and/or DC interface