



# Idle-Reduction Technologies

A White Paper To Discuss The  
Opportunity and the Challenges

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# Agenda



The targets of this presentation:

- ☐ Provide information to support decision process for Idle-Reduction Technologies
- ☐ Provide forum, to discuss customer and industry requirements
- ☐ Share our technical knowledge and R&D results

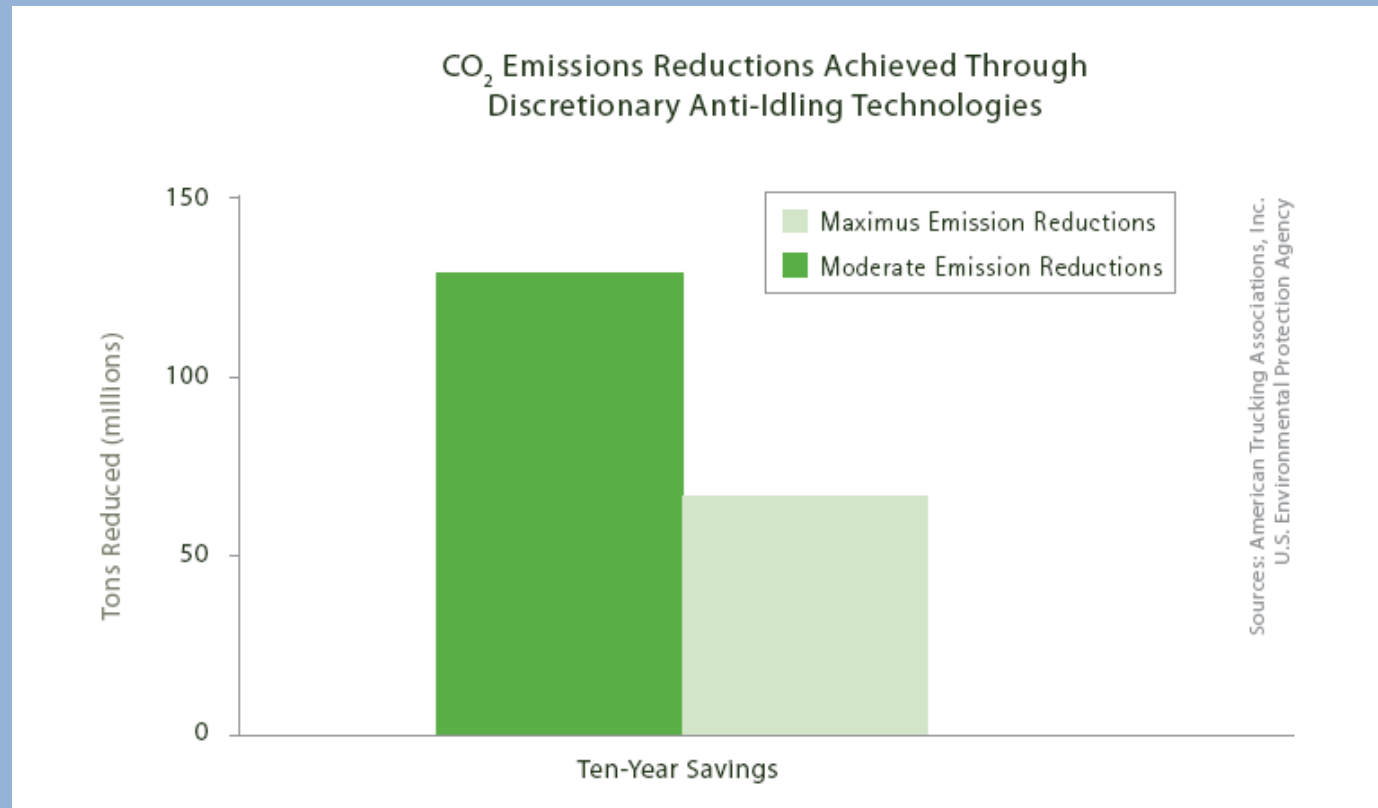
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# The Opportunity



## Discretionary Idling:

Idling when drivers idle their engines during their **rest period** to provide heat or air conditioning for the **sleeper compartment**, **keep the engine warm** during cold weather, and **provide electrical power** for their appliances



1 gal. Diesel (7 lbs)  $\Rightarrow$  22.2 lbs CO<sub>2</sub>

# The Challenge



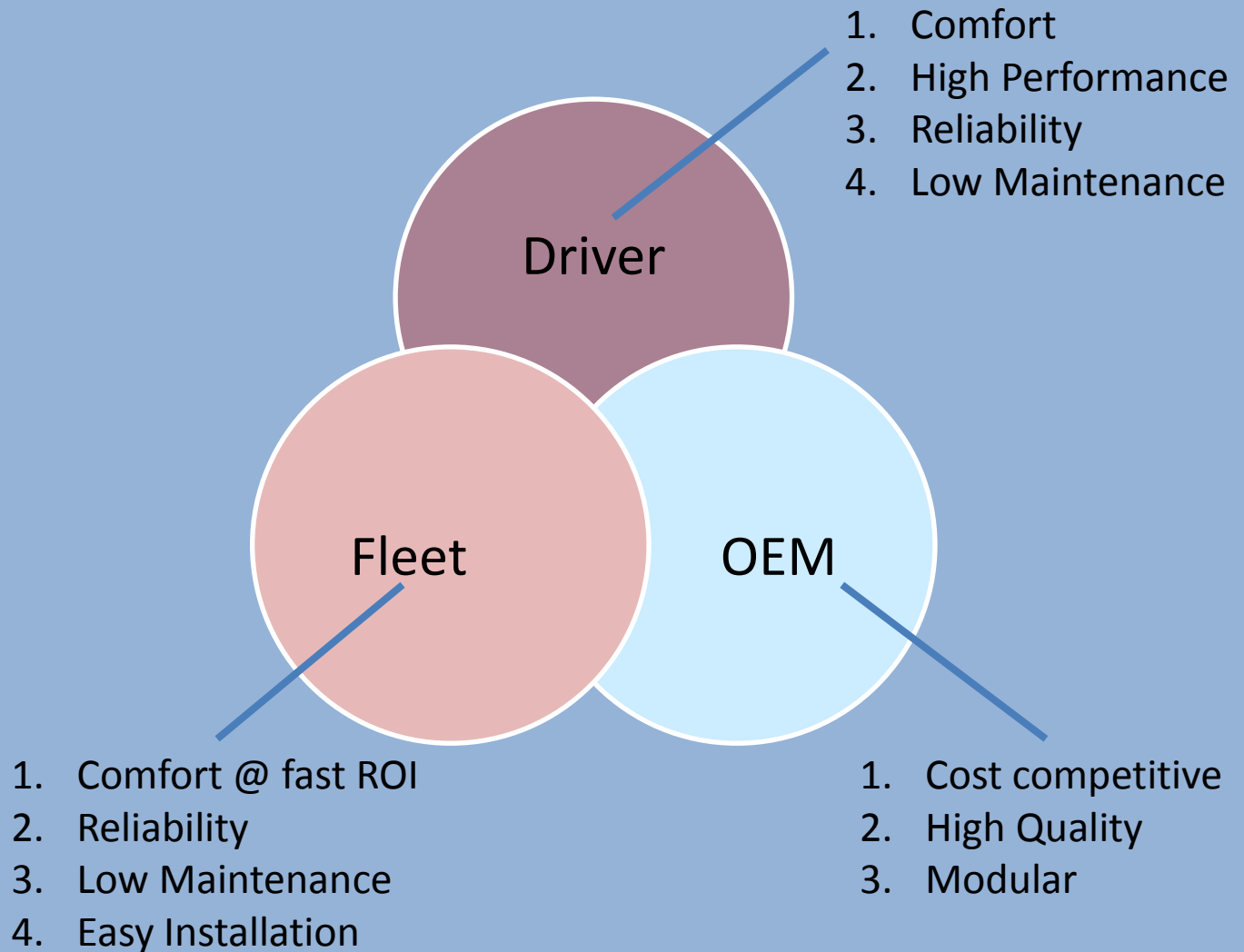
## Customer checklist:

☐ Is the product / system providing the target comfort and performance ?

☐ Is the product reliable ?

☐ What are the lifetime maintenance cost ?

☐ What are the installation methods and cost ?



# Regulation and Industry Trends



## Regulation:

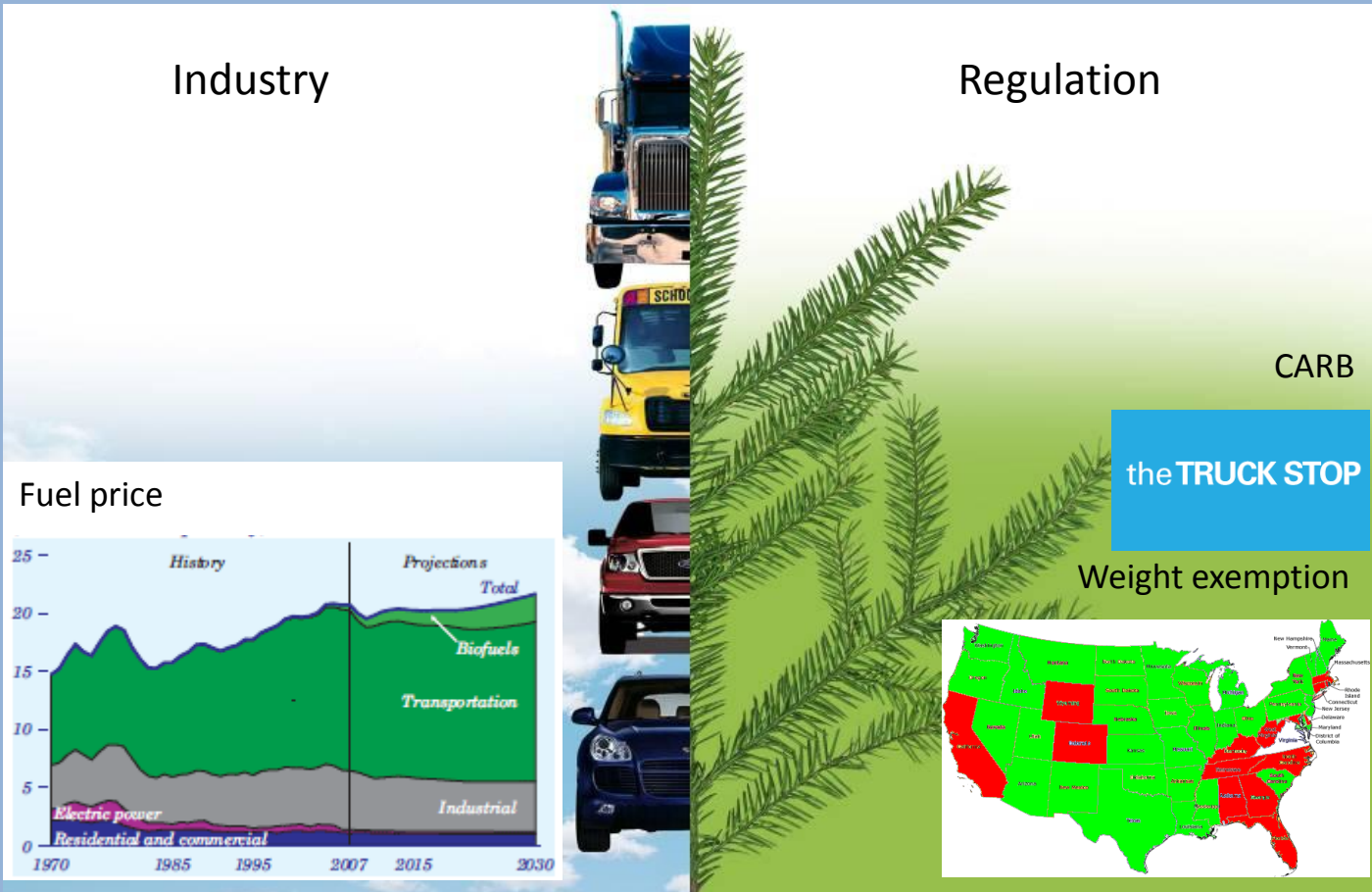
- ☐ Idle-Reduction laws
- ☐ CARB emission regulations
- ☐ Energy Policy Act of 2005: Weight exemption of 400 lbs

## Industry:

- ☐ Sustainability requirements
- ☐ Reduce operating cost
- ☐ Reduce waste
- ☐ Carbon Credits

Industry

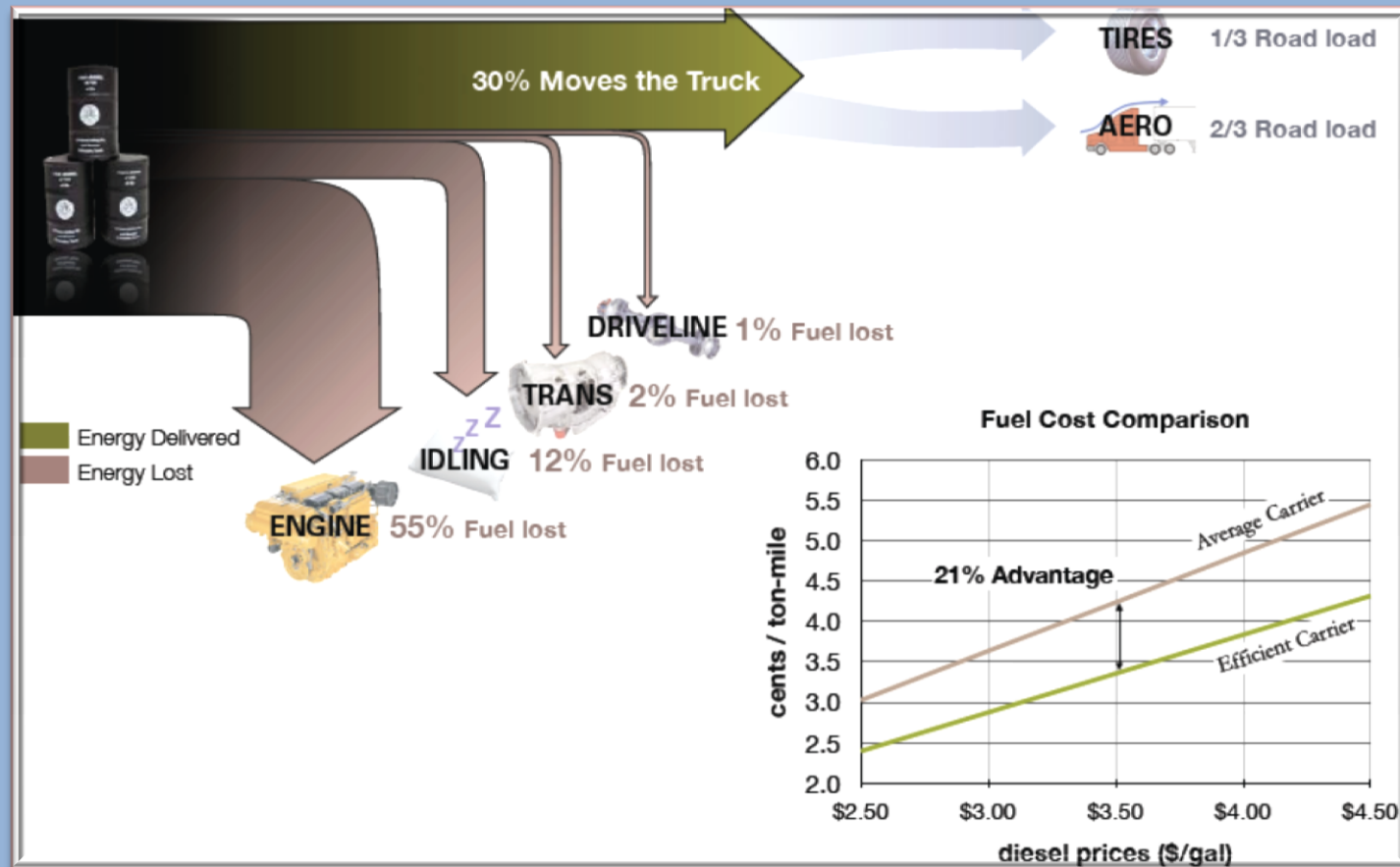
Regulation



# Idle-Reduction Strategies



Fleet wide Idle-Reduction Strategies can save up to 12% Fuel !



# Efficiency and Ecology



The advantage of Efficiency and Ecology:

- ☐ Product return very high after ROI phase
- ☐ Reduced CO<sub>2</sub> footprint is a selling advantage and source for future carbon credits
- ☐ Usually technologies do not achieve both targets

## Life Cycle Cost

- Investment cost
- Operating cost
- Capital cost

## Ecological balance

- ISO 1440 ff.
- CO<sub>2</sub> footprint

Idle-Reduction Technology  
combines Ecology with Economy



# Influencing Parameters



Comfort is subjective and Performance depends on a large set of influencing parameters:

☐ Environment

☐ Vehicle

☐ Driver

<i>Influence on heating and/or cooling power demand</i>		
Driver	Parking the vehicle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- sun or shade, -if sun: orientation towards sun</li> <li>- choice of surface</li> </ul>
	Cabin	- using bunk curtains
		- using electrical consumers
		- keeping doors/windows/hatch open or closed
	Driver himself	- activity
		- number of persons in cab
		- preparation of cab (pre-cooling)
		- personal preferences of cab-temperature setting
Environment	Sunshine	- intensity (time of year, time of day, latitude, altitude, wheather)
		- radiation angle to cabin
	Wind	- increased heat transfer to cabin
	Temperature	- increased heat transfer to cabin
	Parking Surface	- temperature and radiation intensity of surface
		- surfaces beside and under the vehicle
	Heat sources	- neighbor vehicles
Vehicle	Cabin	- size / color
		- size and transparency of glass surfaces
		- insulation
		- bunk curtains
		- heat sources (electrical applications)
	Engine	- position of cab/transmission (esp. under-cab)



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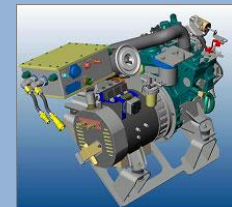
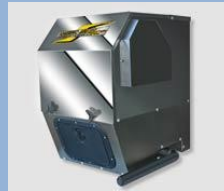
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# Current Product Portfolio



A variety of systems are available on the market:

- ☐ APU
- ☐ Cooling systems
- ☐ Heating systems

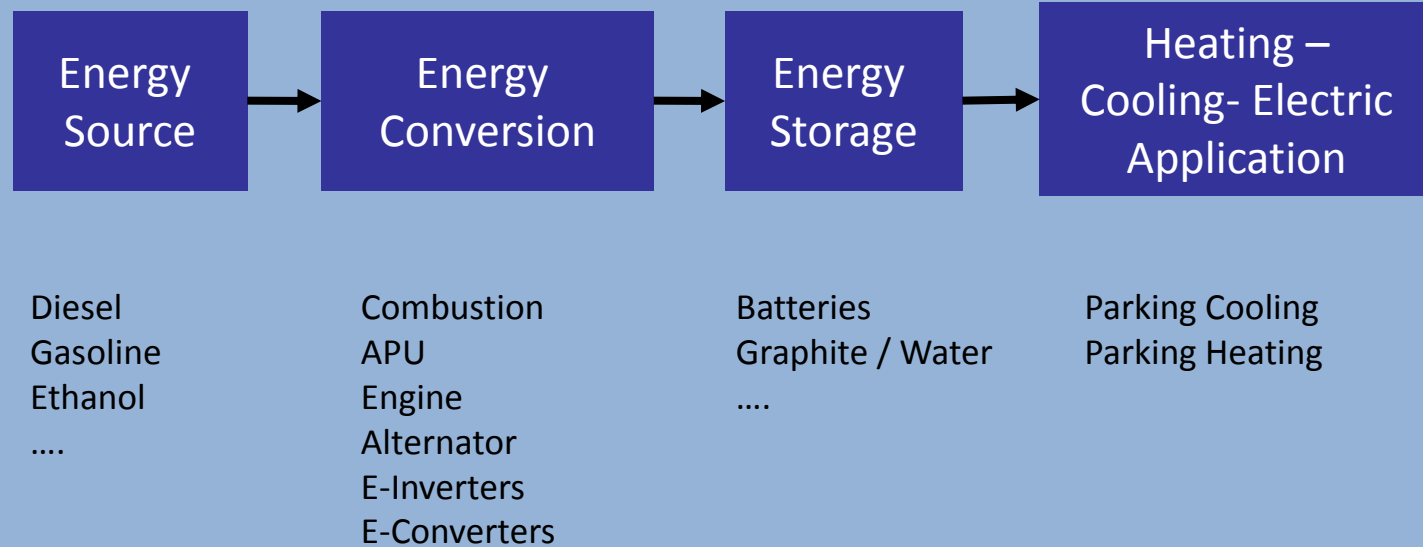


# System – Technology - Benchmark



To compare different technologies it is necessary to evaluate the complete system and lifecycle:

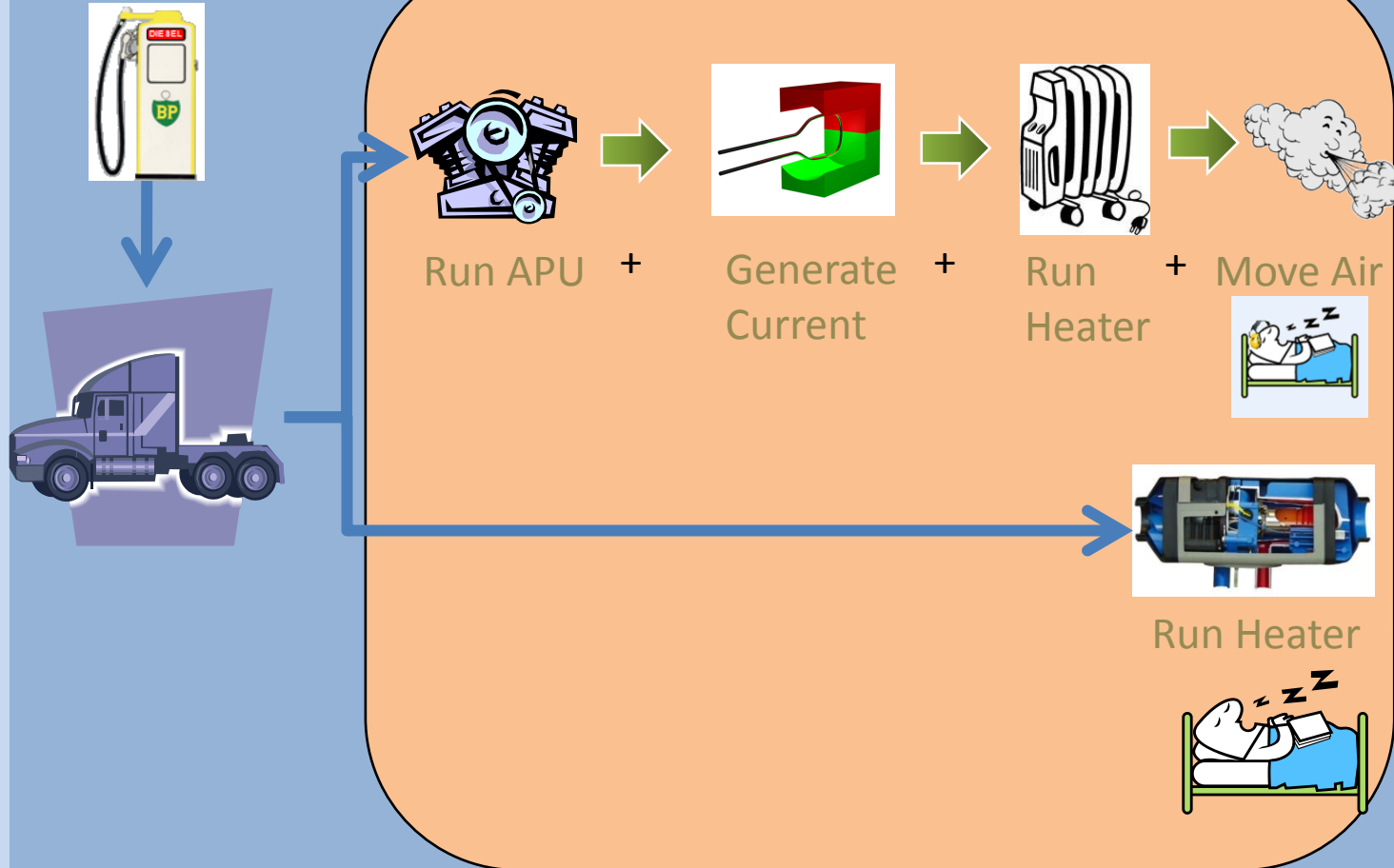
- ☐ Energy consumption
- ☐ Efficiency
- ☐ Performance
- ☐ Lifecycle cost



# Benchmark – Parking Heating

Decision criteria for the benchmark APU vs. Fuel-Operated Heater:

- ☐ Investment
- ☐ Maintenance
- ☐ Efficiency
- ☐ Emissions
- ☐ Noise
- ☐ Environmental impact
- ☐ Regulatory requirements



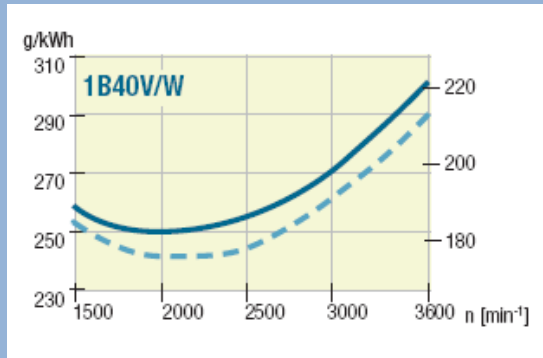
# Parking Heating – Most efficient combustion process



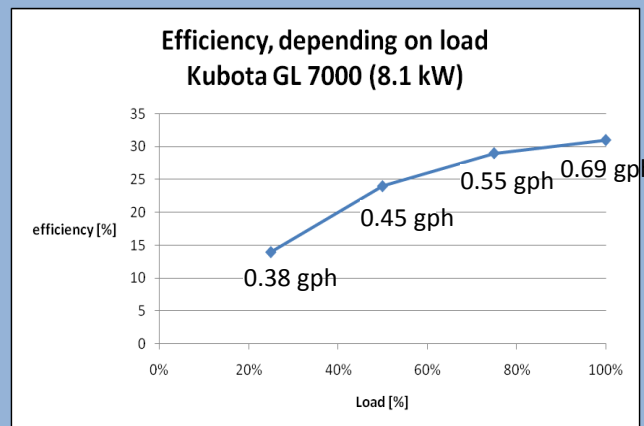
A Fuel-Operated Cabin Air Heater provides the highest efficiency:

- ☐ Direct conversion from fuel into heat
- ☐ Less maintenance parts
- ☐ Lowest fuel consumption
- ☐ Fuel-Operated Water Heater has additional efficiency losses with the conversion from coolant heat to cabin air heat

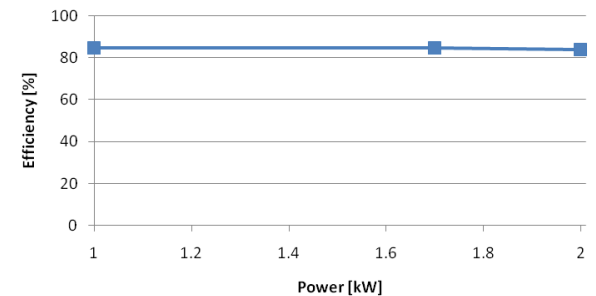
APU, 7.5 kW



$\eta_{\max} = 33.9\%$

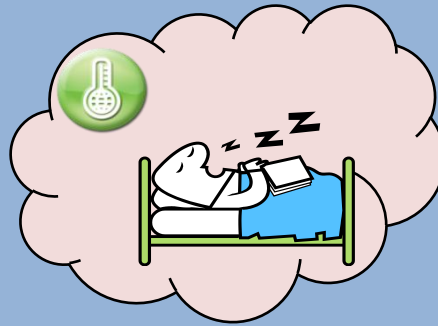


AT2000ST: Efficiency



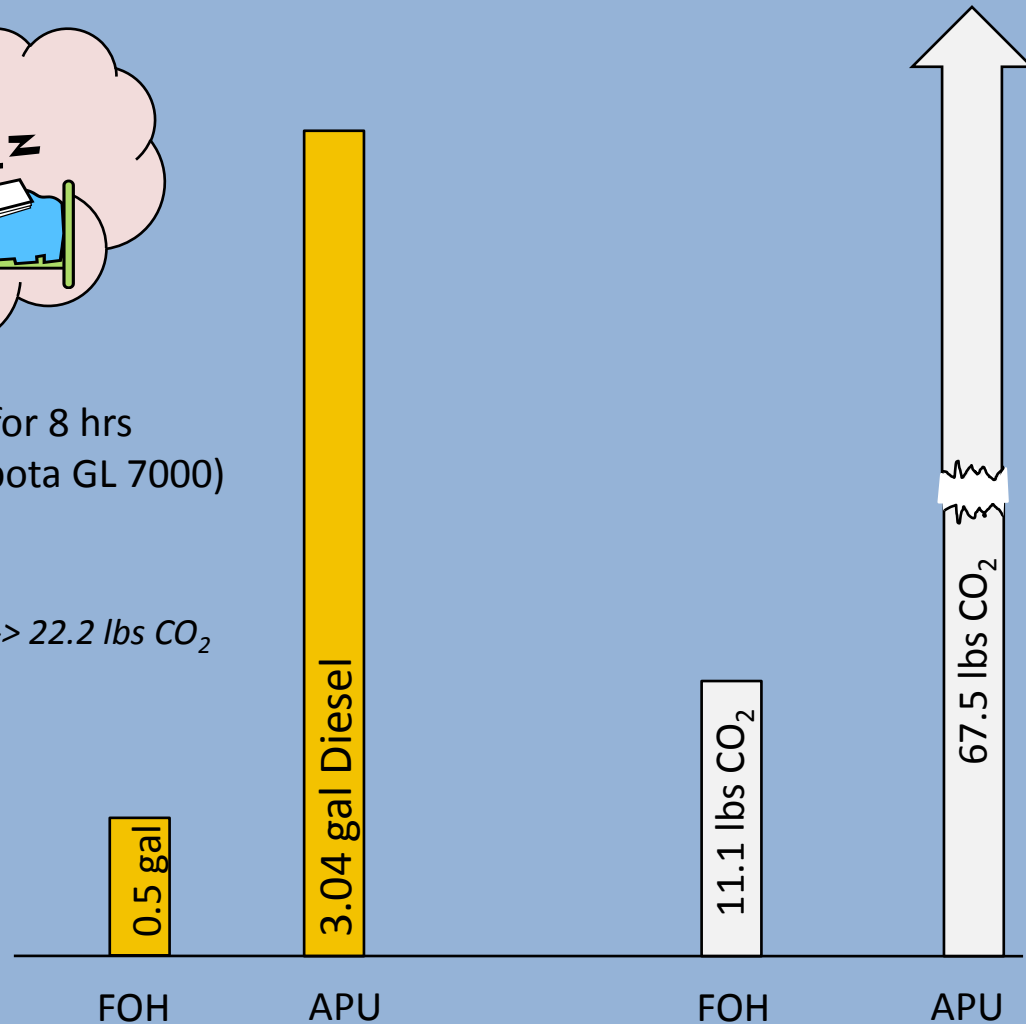
FOH:  $\eta = 84 \dots 85\%$

# Parking Heating - Emissions



Scenario:  
Heating w/ 2 kW for 8 hrs  
(w/ data from Kubota GL 7000)

*1 gal. Diesel (7 lbs) -> 22.2 lbs CO<sub>2</sub>*



A Fuel-Operated Cabin Air Heater consumes less fuel:

❑ Operational cost for a FOH are six-times lower than APU operation

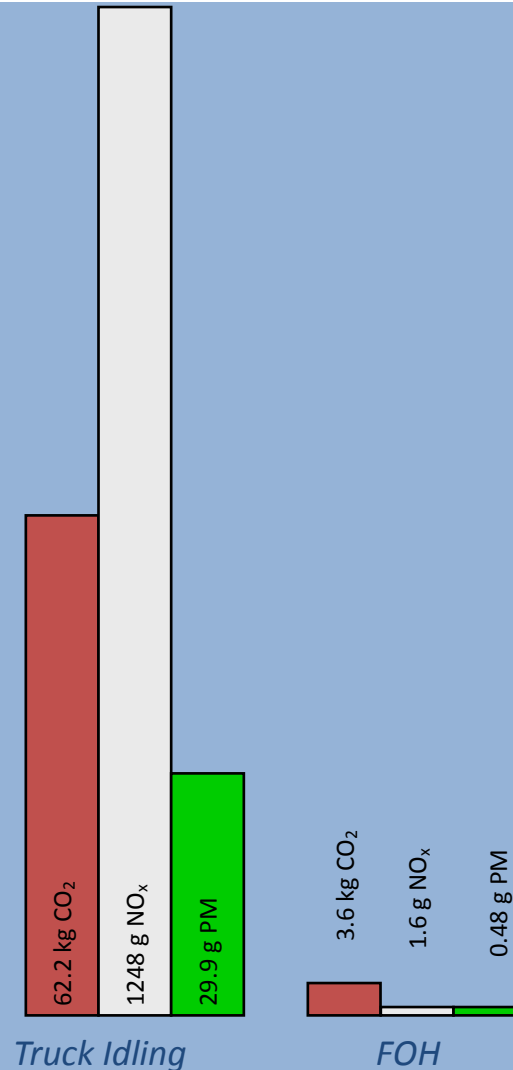
# Parking Heating – Emissions vs. Idling



A Fuel-Operated Heater has the best emission rating:

☐ Emissions per 8 hrs of heating

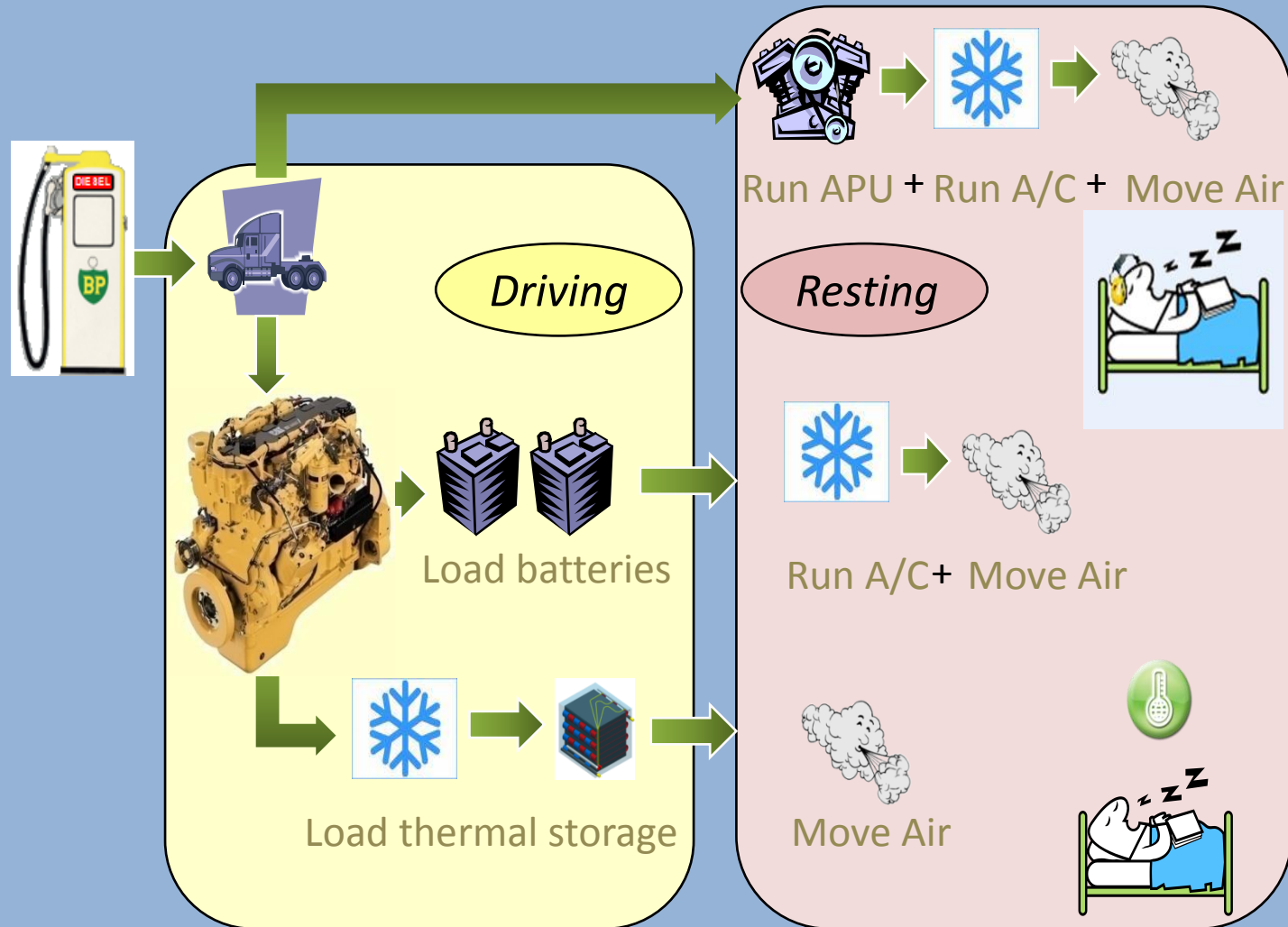
☐ CARB applies ULEVII levels for the approval of Idle-Reduction technology



# Benchmark – Parking Cooling

Decision criteria for the benchmark APU vs. Electric vs. Thermal Storage Core:

- ☐ Investment
- ☐ Reliability
- ☐ Maintenance
- ☐ Efficiency
- ☐ Emissions
- ☐ Noise
- ☐ Volume / Weight



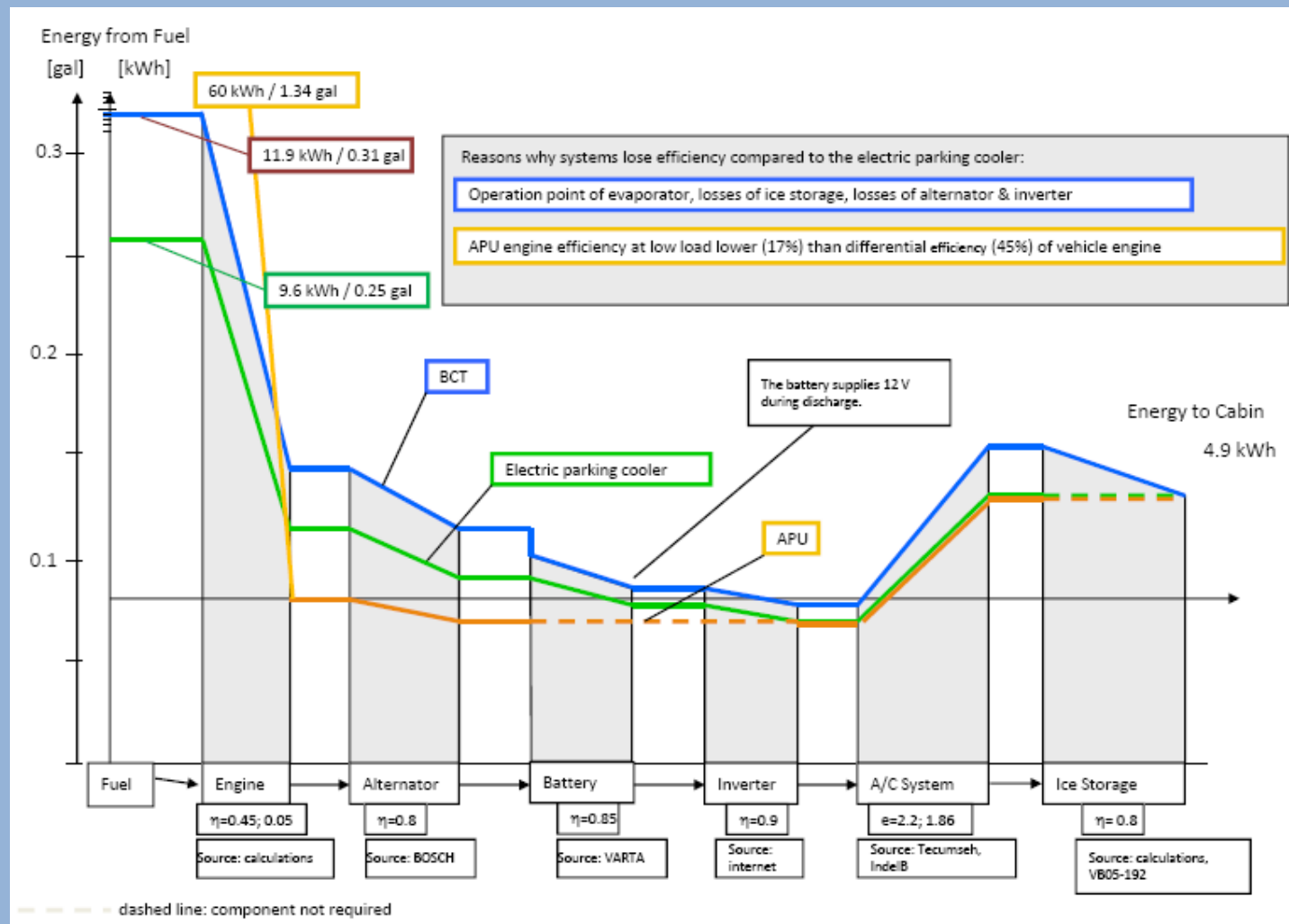


# Parking Cooling Benchmark – System efficiency



The system efficiency compares the energy input to accomplish a specific cooling energy output:

- ❑ Cooling energy to the cabin: 4.9 kWh
- ❑ Disadvantage of APU due to differential efficiency advantage of truck engine
- ❑ Electric and Thermal Storage Core are close together (0.6 gal)



# Differential Efficiency



To charge the batteries or the Thermal Storage Core you only need a drop more of fuel:

❑ Running the APU consumes approx. 1 gal of fuel more energy to achieve the same cooling.



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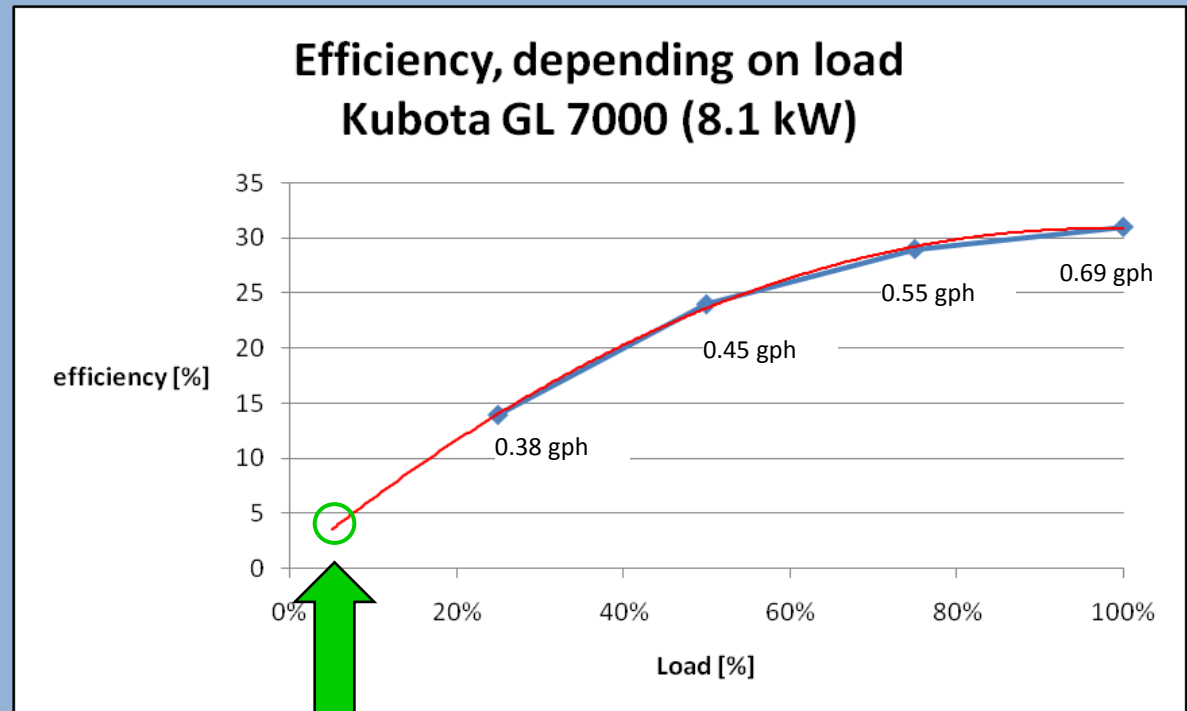
60 A / 1 HP

# Benchmark Parking Cooling – APU Efficiency



To cool the cabin with 600W the APU operates at a very low efficiency point.

- ☐ Typically no additional load is required during sleeping
- ☐ APUs usually designed for peak load



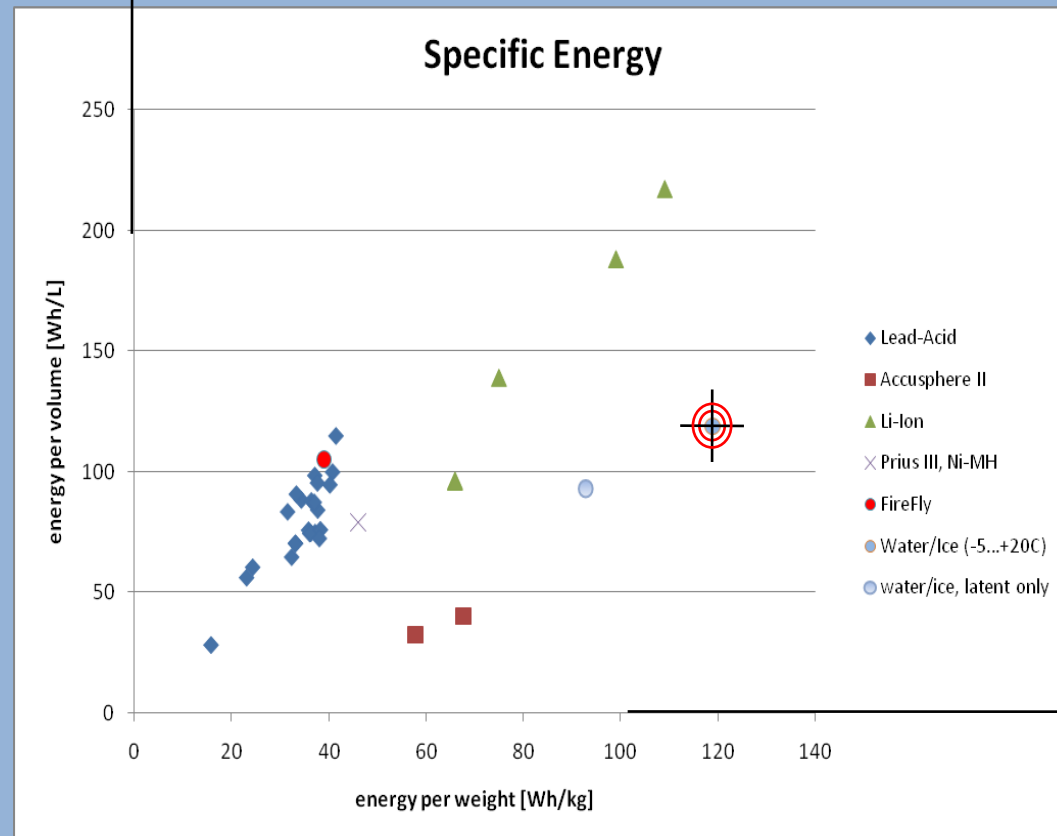
<http://www.kubota-engine.com/products/gl/gl7000.html>

Point of operation for 600 W A/C power

# Benchmark Parking Cooling – Energy Storage Efficiency



Diesel: 10000 Wh/L



Diesel: 11800 Wh/kg

Thermal Storage  
Core has similar  
potential like Li-Ion  
batteries for energy  
storage, providing  
more advantages:

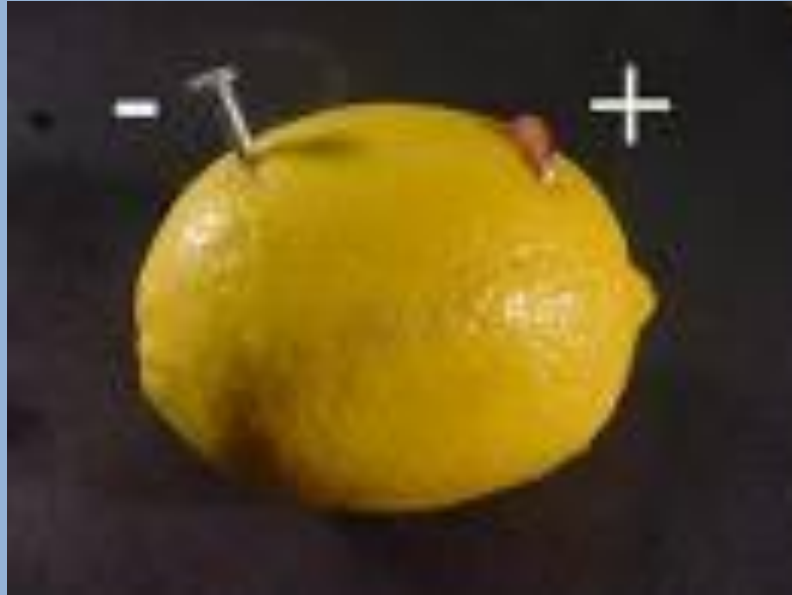
- ❑ Li-Ion very difficult to maintain (temperature, charging)
- ❑ Lead-Acid batteries have weight disadvantage
- ❑ Thermal Storage Core can achieve volume target of lead-acid batteries

# Benchmark Parking Cooling – Battery Lifetime and Size



Battery State-Of-Charge (SOC) and State-Of-Health (SOH) are very complex characteristics to measure and maintain:

- ☐ Temperature
- ☐ Voltage
- ☐ Current
- ☐ Charge and discharge history





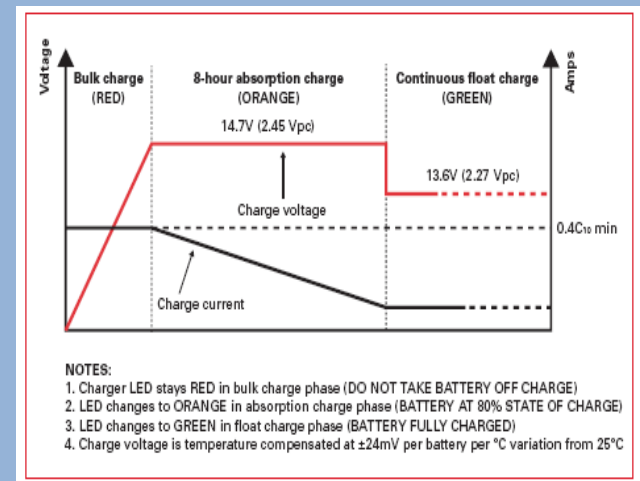
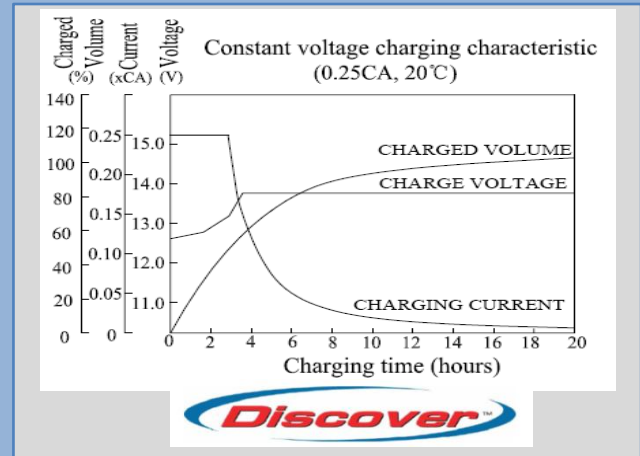
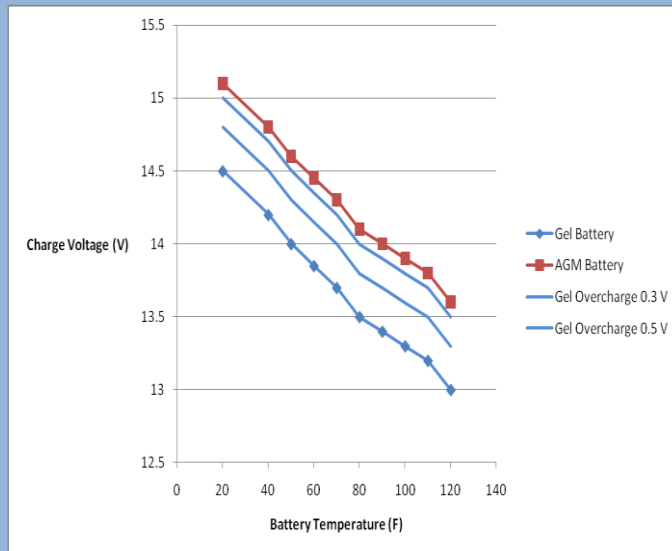
# Benchmark Parking Cooling – Battery Charging



Critical parameters for battery lifetime:

- ☐ Temperature
- ☐ Voltage monitoring
- ☐ Constant charging current and voltage
- ☐ Size and condition of alternator
- ☐ Charge management systems needed

0.5 V overcharge: Lifetime reduction > 20%  
0.3 V overcharge: Lifetime reduction > 7%



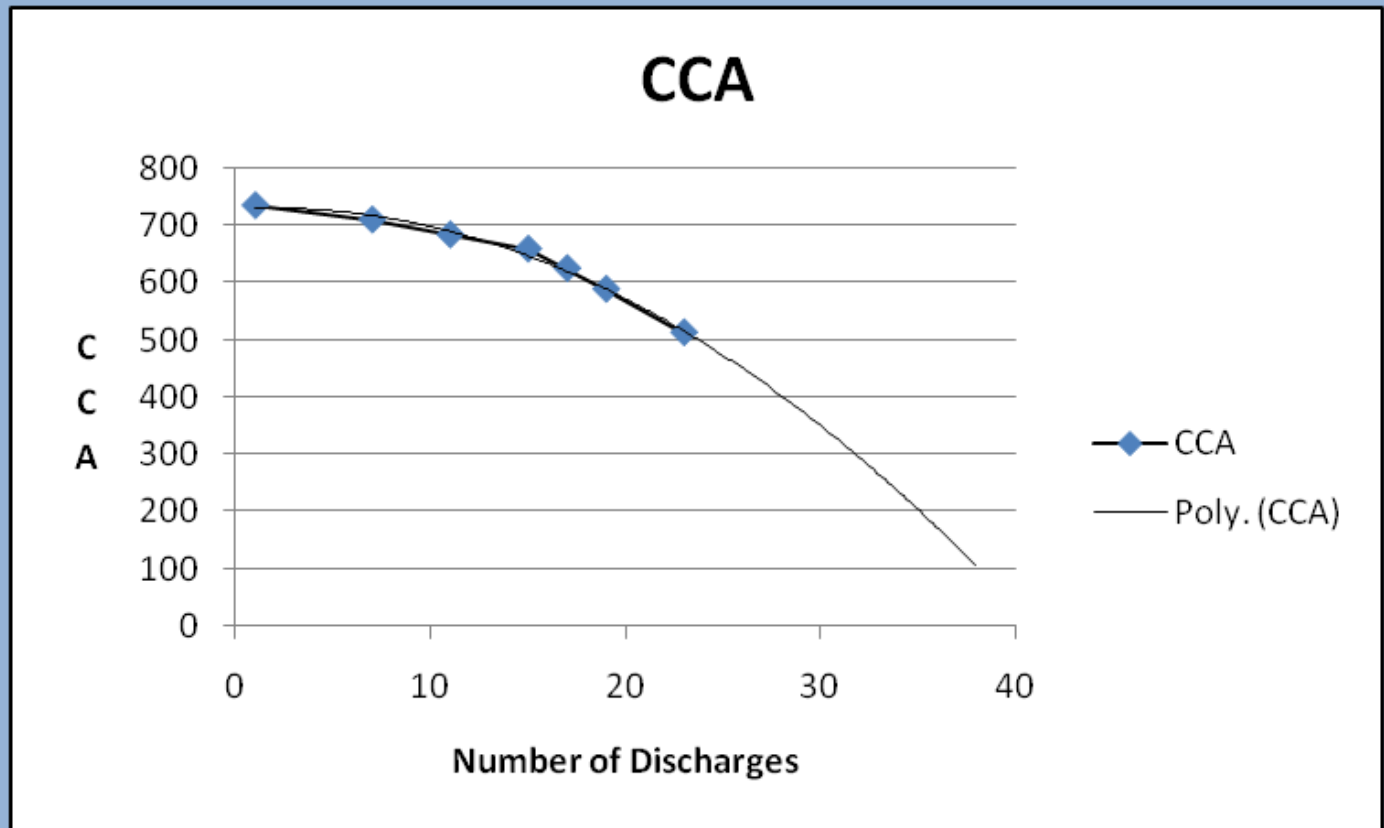
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THE EXTREME BATTERY

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Critical parameters for battery lifetime:

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Running an electric parking cooler from a starter battery.



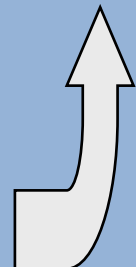
# Benchmark Parking Cooling – Battery Calculator



Results of the battery calculator:

- ☐ How many batteries do you need to achieve a certain cooling performance ?
- ☐ What is the additional weight of the batteries ?
- ☐ What alternator size is required to charge the required batteries ?

	Electric Parking Cooler	BCT																
1: Input: cooling power requirement [W]	950																	
2: Input: assumed COP of AC system	1.88																	
3: Input efficiency of DC/DC converter [%]	90																	
4: Result: necessary electric power	567.5 W	BCT: 75 W																
5: Input: required cooling time [hrs]	10																	
6: Result: necessary electric energy (BCT: for discharge)	472.9 Ah (12V)	BCT: 62.5 Ah (12V)																
7: Input: requ. number of cycles (450, 600, 1000)	600																	
	600: must be >=450																	
8: Result: admissable DoD; necessary battery capacity depending on type; estimated weight	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Battery choice</th> <th>number</th> <th colspan="2">weight [kg]</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>OPTIMA D31T, AGM, 75 Ah (C20), 27.2 kg</td> <td>8.4</td> <td>BCT: 1.1</td> <td>229 BCT: 30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Discover EV12A-A, AGM, 133 Ah (C10), 40.6 kg</td> <td>4.7</td> <td>BCT: 0.6</td> <td>192 BCT: 25</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Eastpenn 8G8DM, Gel, 198 Ah (C6), 71.1 kg</td> <td>3.2</td> <td>BCT: 0.4</td> <td>226 BCT: 30</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Battery choice	number	weight [kg]		OPTIMA D31T, AGM, 75 Ah (C20), 27.2 kg	8.4	BCT: 1.1	229 BCT: 30	Discover EV12A-A, AGM, 133 Ah (C10), 40.6 kg	4.7	BCT: 0.6	192 BCT: 25	Eastpenn 8G8DM, Gel, 198 Ah (C6), 71.1 kg	3.2	BCT: 0.4	226 BCT: 30
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9: Input: battery efficiency [%]	80																	
10: Result: necessary charge energy	591.1 Ah	BCT: 78.1																
11: Input: estimated vehicle driving time [hrs]	10																	
12: Result: necessary alternator current	252 A (40% CN)	BCT: 33 A (40% CN)																
13: BCT: add 65 A during charging (4.5 hrs)		BCT: 98.3 A																

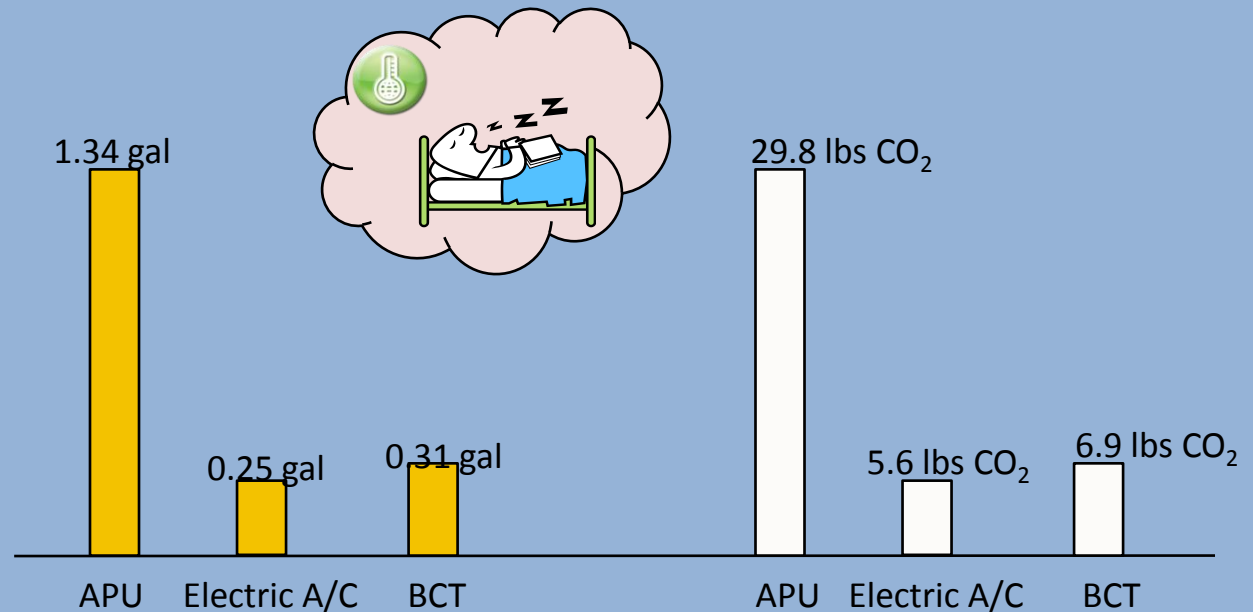


# Benchmark Parking Cooling – CO<sub>2</sub>-Emissions



An electric parking cooling system has the best CO<sub>2</sub> performance:

Scenario: Cooling w/ 0.61 kW for 8 hrs (=4.9 kWh)



# Benchmark Parking Cooling – Overview



Depending on the requirements all systems have their advantages:

- ☐ If most comfort is needed, APU is best decision
- ☐ If fastest ROI is required Thermal Storage Core is best solution
- ☐ If lifecycle cost is not important, Electric parking cooling is the best option

Criteria	Electric driven R134a cycle + lead acid battery	Power Generators (APU)	Thermal storage system
Weight	- - (30+180)	- (170 kg)	+ (136 kg)
Volume	+(40 gal)	- (57 gal)	- (60 gal)
Capacity and discharging time	-	++	-
Electric Power consumption	--	++	+
Performance	+	++	+
Charging time / complexity	--	n/a	+
Noise during discharging	+	--	+
Degree of efficiency and environmental impact	+ (-)	--	+
Maintenance	- (-)	--	+

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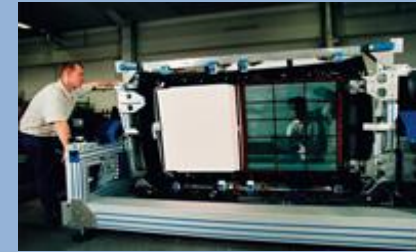
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# The Future

What will the future bring:

- ☐ Solar cells can support energy demand, but not completely fulfill it.
- ☐ Li-Ion batteries are not available in the next 3-5 years at reasonable cost
- ☐ Focus on energy efficient cabin design (see energy efficient house construction)
- ☐ New technologies (fuel cells, high energy storage systems) will be long-term targets

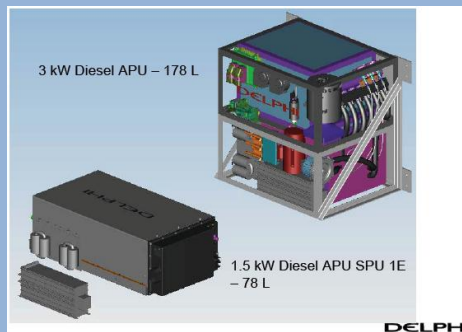
Solar roofs



Li-Ion /  
Energy  
efficient  
cabin design









Fuel cells /  
Gas Hydrates



# Overview



The decision for the Idle-Reduction Technology is in the hands of the customer, but not deciding is losing money !

	Cost for low-idlers	Cost for high-idlers	Reduces global emissions	Reduces local emissions
<b>APU</b>				
<b>Heater</b>				
<b>Thermal Storage Core / Electric Cooling</b>				
<b>EPS (single)</b>				
<b>EPS (dual)</b>				

Key:   Excellent   Good  Fair

# The Idle-Reduction Fleet Checklist



With **emission  
reduction** to  
improved **fuel  
efficiency**

- ☑ Cost effective way to contribute to corporate sustainability and manage emissions from mobile sources (Carbon Credits)
- ☑ Fast ROI
- ☑ Low acquisition and lifecycle / operating cost
- ☑ Truck Blue Book residual values after 4 years: e.g. \$100 on FOH
- ☑ Global OE approved technology and OE experienced engineering and technical support (tailored solutions for specific fleet requirements)
- ☑ SmartWay (EPA) and CARB approved technology

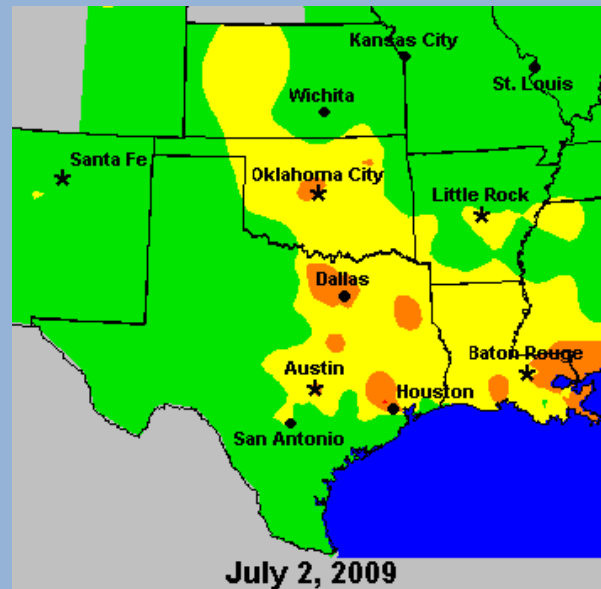




# Our Social Responsibility



Whatever the regulation is today, we will be judged by future generations, if we implemented the necessary activities to save the world for generations to come !





# Thank You !



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**LEaP** make a LEaP (Lowering Emissions and Particulates)  
via reduced vehicle idling

## We're all in this together

The environment is everyone's responsibility. We are all consumers. We are all drivers. One person can truly make a difference where their vehicle is concerned. By practicing better idling etiquette, that is consideration for others when your vehicle is running but not moving, we can all make a significant impact on things around us. You can reduce harmful airborne particles, reduce global warming, avert a fuel crisis, heal our economy, and save the environment. Imagine if people were able to start today. The world would be a greener place tomorrow. Make a LEaP today to find out what you can do in your community.

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# Reduce Dependency On Foreign Oil



❑ **8.0%** of the national daily consumption is attributed to idling

❑ US dependency on foreign oil can be cut significantly by addressing idling

US NATIONAL IDLING ANALYSIS							
	<i>Average Hours One Vehicle Spends Idling Per Year</i>	<i>Number of Vehicles Idling Entire Fleet</i>	<i>Hours Idling Entire Fleet</i>	<i>Annual Fuel Consumption for Idling (Gallons) Entire Fleet</i>	<i>Annual Barrels of Oil Consumed for Idling Entire Fleet</i>	<i>Daily Barrels of Oil Consumed for Idling Entire Fleet</i>	<i>Percentage of the 20 Million Barrel a Day National Use that is Being Used to Idle</i>
<b>HEAVY DUTY TRUCK</b>	2142	2,,984,008	5,292,437,180	5,292,437,180	529,243,718	1,449,983	7.25%
<b>SCHOOL BUS</b>	181	412,539	74,669,583	74,669,583	7,466,958	20,457	0.102%
<b>LIGHT DUTY</b>	30	60,309,709	1,809,291,259	1,157,946,406	59,078,898	161,860	0.809%
<b>TOTAL ALL</b>	2353	63,706,356	7,176,398,022	6,525,053,169	595,789,574	1,632,300	8.161%