

NATURAL GAS BI-FUEL VEHICLES

A COST-EFFECTIVE, LOWER EMISSION ALTERNATIVE TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE TECHNOLOGY

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THE EMISSIONS CHALLENGE



LOS ANGELES, CA BEFORE AND DURING COVID-19 SHUTDOWN

ELECTRIC VEHICLES TO THE RESCUE?

\$ 300 BILLION

AUTOMAKERS ARE INVESTING

Over \$300 billion has been committed by major automakers to producing over 100 different electric vehicles

100+ EV MODELS -

BUT WILL IT HELP?

EVs only reduce emissions if they are powered by low-carbon electricity.



GLOBAL NEW VEHICLE SALES

BCG forecasts over 50% of global new vehicle sales will be EVs by 2030

NATURAL GAS TO THE RESCUE!

NATURAL GAS VEHICLES

- ★ Lowest cost option
- Fuel is abundant, cheap, and 100% North American
- ★ Technology is available now!

ELECTRIC VEHICLES

- Excessively expensive
- Most battery components come from outside the USA
- Still being developed & matured currently not scalable/sustainable

ACTUAL CARBON FOOTPRINTS



66%

BUYING INTO A DREAM?

66% of EV buyers cite lower carbon footprint as a key factor in justifying paying more for their vehicle. **POUNDS OF CARBON** to deliver 1 MMBTU of energy to the vehicle (8.1 GGE or 7.2 DGE per MMBTU)



Most renewable sources require natural gas backup at night or during low wind conditions – and will until grid-scale storage matures.

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ABUNDANT AND AFFORDABLE

COST TO PRODUCE & COMPRESS

one gallon of gasoline equivalent (**GGE**) or gallon of diesel equivalent (**GDE**)





PRICE AT THE PUMP

CNG distributors are recovering their investment in new distribution infrastructure, which accounts for the ~\$2/GGE pump price. Nevertheless, this is competitive with todays historically low gasoline prices and will yield significant cost savings as oil and gasoline prices rise.



PROVEN TECHNOLOGY



HOLLAND 1920s



FRANCE 1940s

FAVORABLE FACTS

Most engines can be converted to run on both gasoline and compressed natural gas (CNG) – a convenient bi-fuel solution.

North America has a **100+ year supply** of natural gas.

Increasing CNG usage from 0.65% to 5% of the US vehicle fleet would generate **10 bcf/d** in new demand – supporting existing jobs and businesses.

This is not an unreasonable goal, given the forecast market share for more expensive EVs.

NATURAL GAS VEHICLES in operation



EXAMPLE: CITY BUSES

SOURCE: NGVAMERICA STUDY

TOTAL COST OF OWNERSHIP

On a total cost basis, which includes capital and operating costs, CNG buses are cheaper to operate than either diesel or battery electric alternatives.

	DIESEL	CNG	ELECTRIC
CAPITAL COST OF BUS	\$ 476,000	\$ 544,000	\$ 753,000
INFRASTRUCTURE	\$ 3,886	\$ 35,076	\$ 44,127
OPERATION & MAINTENANCE	\$ 506,459	\$ 370,305	\$ 244,815
TOTAL COST	\$ 986,345	\$ 949,381	\$ 1,041,942
COST PER MILE	\$ 2.42	\$ 2.33	\$ 2.55

EMISSIONS REDUCTION

Transit buses favorably impact emissions – regardless of fuel type – by reducing vehicles miles traveled and reducing urban congestion. However, when including electricity generation sources, CNG outperforms electric alternatives.

	DIESEL	CNG	ELECTRIC
CARBON INTENSITY	100.45	79.21	81.49
NO _X REDUCTION		94,800 lbs	62,738 lbs
GHG REDUCTION		26,045 tons	14,600 tons

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50,000 BUS FLEET REPLACEMENT

Converting diesel buses to CNG nationwide would **save over \$20 billion** compared to replacing them with battery electric buses.

CNG CONVERSION KIT





- CNG CYLINDER Stores CNG fuel. Typical capacity of 20.7 gallons of gasoline equivalent
- REDUCER Regulates CNG supply pressure from tank (3,600psi) to 35-40psi
- SCOOLANT Engine cooling fluid is used to prevent reducer from freezing – vehicle switches from gasoline to CNG once engine has warmed up

G FUEL FILTER

- S ENGINE CONTROL UNIT (ECU) Works with vehicle powertrain control module to optimize fuel flow and minimize emissions without tampering with existing emission controls, as per EPA guidelines.
- INJECTOR RAILS Dual rails distributing fuel between individual injectors



Educate vehicle and engine operators on fuel-related emissions, sources of electricity, and the availability and sustainability of CNG fuel and conversion kits as a cost-effective way to lower emissions.

Convert as many commercial vehicles as possible to run on CNG.



EDUCATE

CONVERT

Provide conversion options for as many different types of engines and vehicles as possible, either in-house or through a network of preferred suppliers and installers.



Make a significant positive environmental and financial impact by facilitating the conversion of personal, commercial, and industrial vehicles and equipment to CNG fuel.

BOB BARBA OWNER & CEO



39 years oil and gas industry experience

Developed new products for Schlumberger (FracHite, QLA)

Completion efficiency process for conventional reservoir performance analysis (SPE 90483)

Recovery factor process for organic shale re-frac optimization (SPE 174994, SPE 201777)

Extreme Limited Entry re-frac process integration with expandable liners (SPE 195962)

100+ reservoir studies yielding in-depth understanding of substantial US gas supply potential

Oil and gas operator who was paying people to take gas from his leases – a motivator for acquiring SkyCNG

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