STATIONARY

Biomass to Energy Conversion



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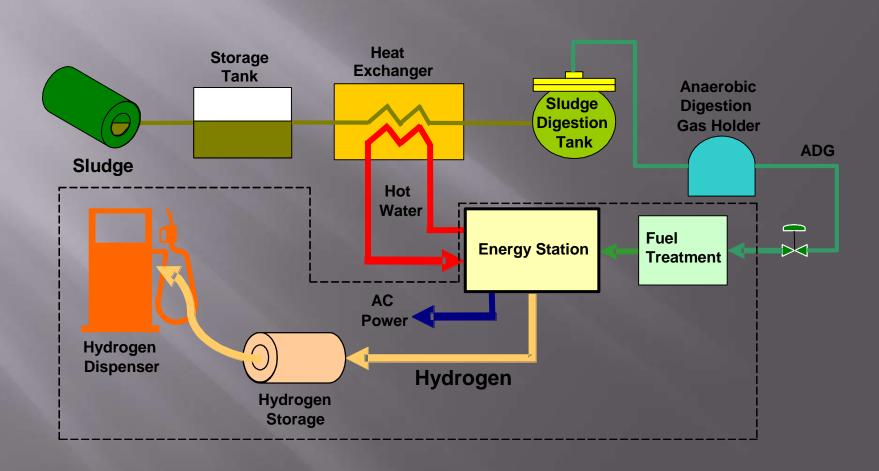
Biomass to Energy Conversion Projects

- Hydrogen Energy and Fueling Station at Orange County Sanitation District – Air Products and Chemicals
- Steam Hydro-Gasification to Produce Synthetic Natural Gas - Center for Environmental Research and Technology University of California, Riverside - CE-CERT

Hydrogen Energy and Fueling Station at Orange County Sanitation District - Air Products and Chemicals

- 100% renewable hydrogen & 100% renewable electricity produced from a molten carbonate fuel cell (MCFC)
- MCFC produces electricity, hydrogen and heat from anaerobic digester gas renewably generated from waste water
- Electric power and heat to operate the station
- Hydrogen will be dispensed from a refueling station for fuel cell powered vehicles

Overview of Production of Hydrogen from Anaerobic Digester Gas via Hydrogen Energy Station



Hydrogen Energy Station Shop Validation Test - H₂ Purification Skid



Hydrogen Energy Station Shop Validation Test - DFC® System

FUEL CELL MODULE

MECHANICAL BALANCE OF PLANT





Project Status

- Completed testing of energy station equipment at the FuelCell Energy site in Connecticut
- Operated energy station on simulated digester gas by addition of carbon dioxide to the methane supply
- System performance matched predictions for power and hydrogen production.
- Completed a 7-day continuous operating test of hydrogen energy station

Project Status

- To date, operated DFC-300 and equipment for over 6,000 hours with stable performance
- Produced over 200 kw of power
- Generated 200+ lbs/day of hydrogen
- Developed operating procedures for flexible output of power plus hydrogen
- Hydrogen quality met automotive fuel cell quality requirements

OCSD Fountain Valley Site

HYDROGEN STATION SITE ENERGY STATION
SITE





Cost Share

Hydrogen Energy and Fueling Station Project			
	Amount	Percent	
AQMD	\$750 K	9%	
Partners	\$7.9 M	91%	
Total	\$8.7 M	100%	

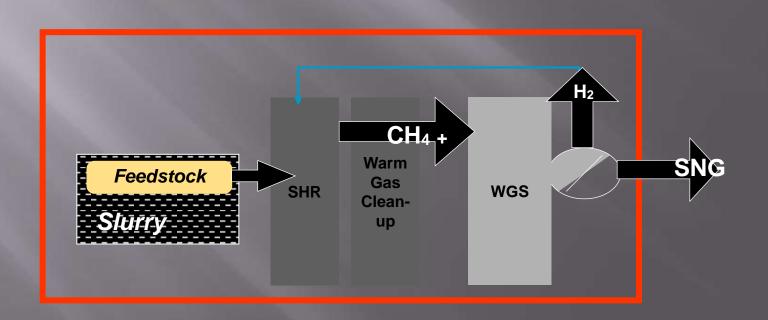
Steam Hydro-gasification to Produce Synthetic Natural Gas

- Transportation fuel from renewable feedstock's must be made clean to address criteria pollutants and greenhouse gas
- CE-CERT developed a steam hydrogasification reaction (SHR) process that produces a product gas that contains a high methane concentration using a biomass waste and biosolids feedstock
- A bench scale demonstration using the SHR process will be conducted at CE-CERT

Project Background

- CE-CERT will modify a pressurized rotating kiln type SHR to handle the co-mingled biomass with biosolids
- A water gas shift reactor will be integrated to the SHR process to demonstrate the syngas production
- CE-CERT will further refine the process engineering and economic parameters for the development of a pilot plant and also for an eventual commercial facility

Block Diagram of Process for the Syngas Production



Bench Scale Operation of SHR Process



Cost Share

Steam Hydro-Gasification Process to Produce
Synthetic Natural Gas

	Amount	Percent
AQMD	\$101 K	48%
Partners	\$111 K	52%
Total	\$212 K	100%