### Idle Reduction Technologies

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#### **Outline of Presentation**

- Impact of idling reduction and importance to 21CTP
- Goals and objectives for Idle Reduction Program
- Roles of 21<sup>st</sup> Century Truck partners
- Activities and accomplishments by 21<sup>st</sup> Century Truck partners
- Major barriers to success
- Future needs





# Idling trucks have significant impact on fuel use and air quality

- Over 500,000 long-haul trucks crisscross the United States every day
  - These trucks compete for about 300,000 parking spaces
  - Federal Hours of Service rules require a 10-hour rest after 11 hours of driving
- Truck idling uses approximately 3 billion gallons of fuel per year
  - Approximately 1 billion gallons for overnight idling
  - Roughly 2 billion gallons for workday idling
  - No good data exist for either
- Every hour a truck idles unnecessarily
  - Is equivalent to about 8-10 miles of on-road driving
  - Costs about 15¢ for maintenance
- States need to reduce emissions to meet their EPA-required State Implementation Plans for air quality
  - EPA estimates of emissions from overnight idling alone total about 180,000 tons of NO<sub>x</sub>, 5,000 tons of PM, and 7.6 million tons of CO<sub>2</sub>
  - States use anti-idling regulations and electrified parking spaces to enable compliance





#### Why do trucks idle?

- To keep fuel and engine warm
- For resting driver's comfort
- To mask out noises and smells
- For safety
- Overnight (Class 8)
  - At truck stops and rest areas
  - In parking lots
  - On roadsides
  - Near first appointment
  - Home
- Waiting for hours in queues (all classes)
  - At ports, terminals, delivery sites
  - At border crossings









#### Several technologies can reduce idling

- All reduce fuel use, emissions, and noise to varying degrees
- The best choice depends on how and where the truck is used, cost of equipment, and many other factors
  - Analysis enables comparison
- Types of on-board equipment
  - Automatic engine stop-start controls
  - Auxiliary power units (APU) and similar devices
  - Cab and block heaters
  - Air conditioners
- Types of electrified parking spaces (EPS)
  - Single system electrification requires no on-board equipment
  - Shore power allows driver to plug in on-board equipment (dual system)









## 21CT partners' goal is to reduce fuel use and emissions from idling engines

- Actions to accomplish goal:
  - Establish an industry/government collaboration to promote R&D and deployment of cost-effective IR technologies
  - Establish an education program for truck and bus owners to promote IR
  - Develop a mix of incentives to encourage adoption
  - Facilitate development of consistent electrical codes and standards to enable both on-board and stationary electrification
  - Develop and demonstrate add-on IR equipment that meets driver cab comfort needs; payback period of ≤ 2 yrs.; & lower emissions than truck meeting 2010 standards by 2009
  - Develop a truck with a fully integrated IR system that eliminates component duplication, weight, and cost by 2012, achieved in 2007 MY
  - Develop and demonstrate a viable fuel cell APU system of 5-30 kW capable of operating on hydrogen directly or using a diesel fuel reformer





# 21CT partners collaborate on many approaches to reduce idling

- Data collection
  - Emissions and air quality measurements
  - Compilation of IR manufacturers
- Analysis
  - Full fuel cycle analysis on emissions and energy use
  - Differentiating conflicting claims of economics of IR devices
- Research, Development and Demonstrations
  - Fuel cell APU
  - More Electric Truck
  - Validation of various heating and cooling systems
  - OEM APU installation
  - CoolCab evaluation
- Education and communication
  - Conferences and workshops
  - Newsletters and websites
- Legislative measures and implementation
  - Financing options
  - Demonstrations of equipment in real-world situations





## Data collection lays the foundation for our efforts

- EPA and DOE funded measurements of emissions from idling truck and IR equipment at DOD Aberdeen Proving Grounds
  - Confirmed that IR equipment reduced emissions and fuel use
  - Preliminary measurements of 2007 truck idling emissions show 95%+ PM emission reductions, not NO.
  - http://www.epa.gov/otaq/smartway/documents/epaidlingtesting.pdf
- EPA funded measurement of air-quality inside truck cabs at truck stop
  - Showed that the truck itself plays a major role in contributing to the pollutants both outside and inside the cab
  - Emissions come from the tailpipe and other sources, such as leaks from the engine compartment that enter the cab through the floor
  - http://www.epa.gov/otaq/smartway/idle-testing.htm
- FHWA funded ORNL to measure air quality at truck stops and nearby
  - Showed significant increase in concentration of PM and NO, due to truck stops
- EPA SmartWay compiled a website list of IR manufacturers
  - Includes equipment for locomotives as well
  - http://www.epa.gov/otaq/smartway/idlingtechnologies.htm

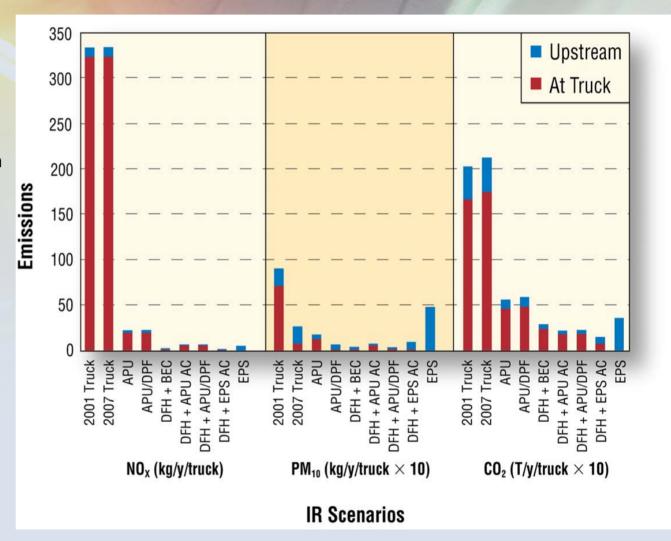






## Argonne analysis enables comparison of idling reduction technologies' impacts

- Emissions at the truck represent only part of the impacts
  - Calculated upstream emissions are significant
- We need to identify where high population exposures result
- Results apply to other technologies as well, e.g., plug-in hybrids

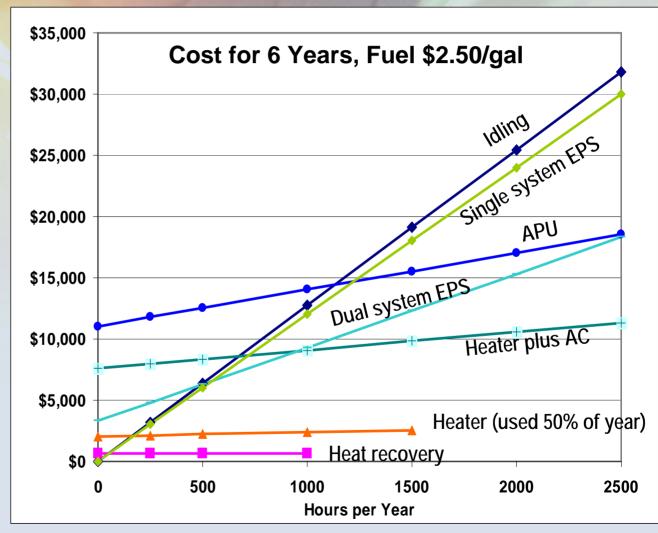






# Argonne analysis can help truck owners choose the most economical equipment

- Increased interest in idling reduction led to proliferation of suppliers and devices, with conflicting claims about their financial merits
- •Worksheet allows truck owner to calculate payback time
- •Benefits are sensitive to fuel price, device cost, climate, and hours idled
- Benefits to other stakeholders need to be determined







# Fuel cells could reduce APU local emissions and noise

- DOE sponsored two projects on diesel-fueled solid oxide fuel cells (SOFC) for APUs
  - Cummins International technical accomplishments
    - Completed comprehensive APU system specifications study for Class 7/8 trucks
    - Began subsystem design
    - Completed SOFC APU design review
  - Delphi Volvo Truck North America PACCAR Electricore technical accomplishments
    - Defined APU system requirements for heavy-duty trucks
    - Developed vehicle and APU system concepts to meet requirements
- Both projects have been on hold since early FY 2006 due to lack of DOE funding

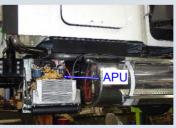




## Caterpillar More Electric system eliminates engine-driven A/C compressor

- DOE Caterpillar Kenworth Emerson SRDrives EMP developed
  More Electric Truck
- DOE Caterpillar International Cox Transfer ran fleet tests
- Effect of More Electric system on IR:
  - Fuel savings were up to 2% on road plus 6% from IR
  - HVAC unit can be driven by APU (0.2 gal/hr of fuel) during rest periods
  - The truck can plug into shore-power electrical service, eliminating fuel consumption
- More Electric Trucks idle 12.8% of time vs. 26.5% for control vehicles
- Caterpillar will demonstrate creep capability of More Electric Truck















## Fleet validations supported by DOE lead to installation of cab comfort devices

- Schneider National fleet-tested heaters and two cooling systems
  - Diesel-fired cab heaters provided 2.4% fuel savings and payback <2y at \$2.40/gal (100 trucks)</li>
  - Phase-change system cooled for 10 h at 85°F ambient, but only 7 h at 90°F (19 trucks) and reduced idling 3%
  - Battery-powered cab system cooled for 6.5 h after 6-8 h recharge (70 trucks) and also reduced idling 3%
  - Cab insulation, A/C performance, installation, airflow need work

As a result of these tests, Schneider installed 6,000+ heaters and expects to have ~80% of its fleet equipped this winter

- Wal-Mart International Espar tested combined diesel heating and electric cooling systems (20 trucks)
  - Also tested TriPac APU for heating, cooling, and accessory power (5 trucks)

Wal-Mart is outfitting entire fleet with TriPacs (7000 units)







## Demonstration of factory IR system installation leads to offering as option on 2007 trucks

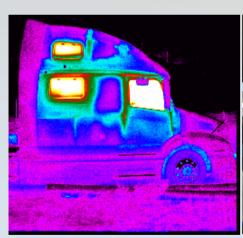
- DOE supported International and partners to test OEM integration of on-board IR technology in factory-installed systems
- Four main components:
  - Auxiliary power unit
  - Electric A/C
  - Cab and engine heater
  - Improved cab insulation
- Participants designed, fabricated, installed, and tested 5 custom vehicles
  - Project is now in fleet monitoring phase
- Two OEM factory-installed options now available: cold climate (fuel-fired heater) and hot/cold climate (APU, shore power)
- International has orders for 60 factory-installed APU systems
  - Goal of 2,000 units for 2007





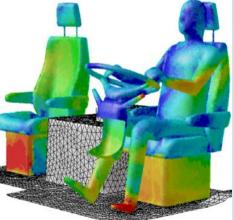
# CoolCab project designs effective thermal management systems

- DOE/ NREL Schneider National-Volvo-International project evaluated truck cab insulation
- Objective:
  - Keep the cab comfortable through extremes of ambient exposures
  - Improve performance of efficient IR technologies
- Technologies and analysis tools evaluated included:









Cab Insulation

Solar Reflective Glazings

Thermal Comfort Manikin

Integrated Numerical Modeling





### Other demonstrations also enhance chances of commercial success

- DOE, DOT, and EPA supported demonstrations of EPS that helped technology provider get follow-on funding for expansion
- EPA's SmartWay Transport Partnership granted \$1 million in 2004 for 9 EPS locations and \$5 million additional grants in October 2005
  - Truck Engine IR Technology Demonstration Program (Texas A&M Research Foundation)
  - Ohio and Midwest TSE Corridors Demonstration, Evaluation, and Development Project (Ohio Department of Development)
  - Everybody Wins Phase II (loans for APU purchases) (Lane Regional Air Pollution Authority (Oregon))
  - Demonstration of Integrated Mobile Idle Reduction Solutions (American Transportation Research Institute)
  - Truck OEM APU Prep Kit Design and Installation (North Carolina State University with Volvo)
- DOE Clean Cities Program funded 2 programs totaling \$150,000 to educate bus school bus drivers
  - Utah/Nevada program includes developing idle-reduction curriculum, training in six school districts, and dissemination of the school bus idling reduction model to schools nationwide
  - Oklahoma project includes development and demonstration of techniques to reduce idling and the benefits of idling policies, training, and dissemination of results



### Education and outreach accelerate market penetration of IR equipment

- Multi-stakeholder meetings
  - DOT EPA workshops on Idle-Free Corridors
  - DOT EPA workshops on electrical connections led to new industry standard (in progress)
  - DOT DOE EPA DOD NYSERDA National Idling Reduction
    Planning Conference in May 2004 laid the groundwork for
    - 400-pound APU weight exemption in EPAct 2005
    - EPA Model Idling Reduction law
    - Recognition of need for loans for IR equipment, not grants
  - DOE Clean Cities "Advancing the Choice" workshops series educated local stakeholders





### Information educates stakeholders about benefits of IR

- Real-time electronic information exchange
  - Newsletters
    - DOE monthly National Idling Reduction Network News and Clean Cities Now
    - EPA SmartWay quarterly newsletter to partners
  - Websites
    - EPA SmartWay list of EPS locations and non-attainment areas
    - DOE Clean Cities truck stop locator
    - Workshop presentations
    - Cost calculators
- Publications
  - A Municipal Official's Guide to Diesel Idling Reduction in New York
    State
  - Cummins Idle Talk: How the Regulations Affect You
  - Numerous papers at professional conferences





### Financing accelerates implementation of IR

- DOT's Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ)
  Improvement Program has funded approximately \$25 million in EPS projects across the country
- Changes in 2005 transportation reauthorization (SAFETEA-LU) are beneficial to IR. The law:
  - Defines the term "advanced truck stop electrification system" to include on-board equipment as well as EPS
  - Calls out specific eligibility for projects under the CMAQ and Surface Transportation Programs
  - Allows facilities to be constructed on interstate rights-of-way (previously prohibited)
- EPA SmartWay Ioan program for Upgrade Kits includes APUs
- Many state and local agencies offer funding





#### Technical challenges still remain

- Several approaches could allow APUs on 2007+ trucks to meet California requirements:
  - Route APU exhaust through main engine exhaust
  - Reduce emissions from small APU engines
  - Develop a PM filter for APU exhaust
- Additional efforts should be devoted to design of completely integrated APU/HVAC systems
  - Avoid duplication of equipment
  - Reduce weight
  - Install as true OEM equipment
- Creep devices could enable reduced emissions in queues





#### Institutional barriers need to be addressed

- States have not conformed regulations to EPA's draft Model Idling Reduction law
  - Patchwork of State and local anti-idling regulations remains level
- States have not all adopted the 400-pound APU weight waiver
  - Federal law allows waiver but does not require it
- Funding for IR equipment is often oversubscribed
- The number of long-haul trucks far exceeds the number of parking spots for them at both public and private facilities
- Benefits of IR equipment have not been verified by a third-party organization
- No trade association for IR equipment is currently active





#### **Future Needs**

- Continue analysis of workday idling
  - Obtain data
  - Evaluate need for "creep mode" device
  - Formulate operational idling reduction strategies
- Complete impact analysis to determine most cost-effective IR technologies
  - Determine new engine and IR device emissions with ULSD
  - Determine direct and indirect costs to truck owners and other stakeholders
  - Estimate impacts and geographical distribution of full fuel-cycle emissions
  - Support development and deployment as appropriate
- Integrate APU function with vehicle HVAC to eliminate redundancy of components
- Reduce emissions from IR equipment
- Investigate application of high-performance insulation and glazing materials
- Conduct further R&D into phase-change materials for application to stand-alone cab-cooling devices



# Questions



