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### Hydrogen On Demand Technology Adapted to and Integrated into Commercial Marine Operation

### Hydrogen On Demand Generating System Demonstration – Phase I

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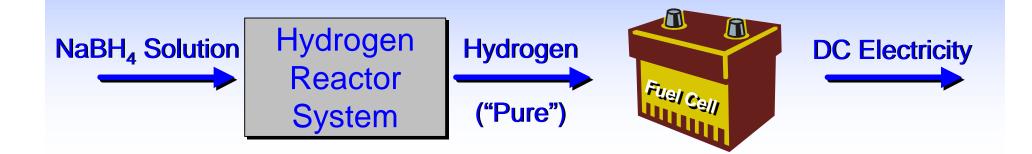
Phase I Tasks:

- Literature review
- Evaluate existing commercially viable mobile hydrogen-based technologies
- Conduct safety analyses for shipboard support systems
- Review existing/emerging regulatory codes and requirements for shipboard applications of gaseous fuels
- Develop concept design for shipboard hydrogen-on-demand fuel system and support systems





## Millennium Cell Hydrogen On Demand<sup>TM</sup> Fuel System



#### System Types:

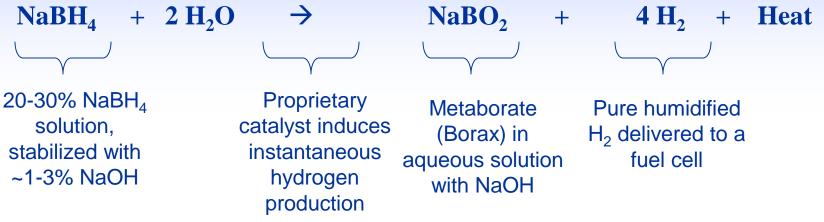
- Compressed hydrogen gas
- Cryogenic liquid hydrogen
- Metal hydride solids
- Water
- Chemical hydride in water (Hydrogen On Demand<sup>™</sup>)





### How Millennium Cell's Hydrogen On Demand<sup>TM</sup> System Works

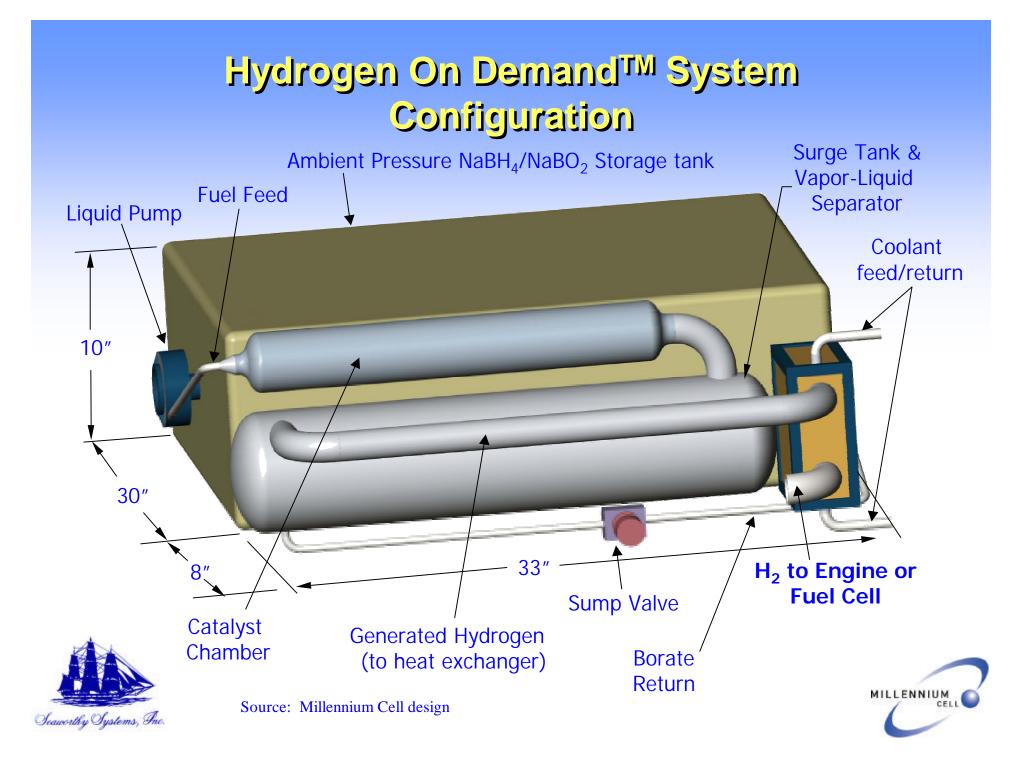
#### **On-Board Energy-Releasing System:**



- Fuel is a room temperature, ambient pressure liquid
- Generated H2 is pure and at 100% relative humidity
- Borax solution is a warm "ecologically-friendly" water-based solution







#### Hydrogen On Demand<sup>TM</sup> Summary

- Safe
  - Non-flammable
  - Ambient pressure
- Lowest weight and volume
  - A sodium borohydride-based hydrogen generator offers a solution that is significantly more compact than any other hydrogen fuel alternative.
- Flexible arrangement options
  - This pressure-less liquid enables a wide choice of tank locations and configurations.
- Low complexity
  - Minimal system integration is required to couple a sodium borohydride-based storage solution to a fuel cell or engines.
- Cost competitive
  - Sodium borohydride offers the lowest capital costs relative to other hydrogen fuel options.





Millennium Cell is Addressing Borohydride Fuel Cost Reduction Through New Process Technology

- Today, NaBH<sub>4</sub> is available, but expensive
  - Produced for specialty chemical, not energy, market
  - Available for about \$7/dry pound, or \$63/kg H<sub>2</sub> at cost
  - Pricing and supply is adequate for next 3 years for Millennium Cell's Distributed Power and Longer-Lasting Battery applications
- New process technology could be cost-competitive with gasoline (preliminary estimates):
  - Large 2,500 tons NaBh<sub>4</sub>/day plant
  - Services 900,000 fuel cell vehicles
  - Produces fuel equivalent to \$2.34/kg H<sub>2</sub>
  - Total installed capital cost of under \$200 million

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