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Electrification of Industry

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Energy Use in the U.S



Source: Cresko 2020

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U.S. Energy Economy by Sector 98.5 quadrillion Btu, 2014¹



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U.S. Industrial energy use



(EIA 2017)

Source: DOE Energy Information Administration's Manufacturing Energy Consumption Survey (MECS) data for 2014.

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Industrial heat demand profile



Figure: Share of industrial head demand by temperature in selected industries

Source: Caludia et al., 2008

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Industrial process heat temperature requirement

Industrial Sector	Unit Operations	Temperature Range					
industrial Sector		Celsius	Fahrenheit ⁶²				
	Drying	30-90	90-210				
	Washing	60-90	150-210			Temperat	
Food	Pasteurizing	60-80	150-190	Industrial Sector	Unit Operations	Celsius	Fahrenheit ⁶²
FUUU	Boiling	95-105	220-140		Drving, De-greasing	100-130	230-290
	Sterilizing	110-120	250-270		Washing	40-80	110-190
	Heat Treatment	40-60	110-150		Fixing	160-180	350-390
	Washing	60-80	150-190		Pressing	80-100	190-230
Beverages	Sterilizing	60-90	150-210		Soaps	200-260	430-550
	Pasteurizing	60-70	150-170	Chemical Industry	Synthetic Rubber	150-200	330-430
	Cooking and Drying	60-80	150-190		Processing Heat	120-180	270-390
Paper Industry	Boiler Feed Water	60-90	150-210		Preheating Water	60-80	150-190
	Bleaching	130-150	190-330		Preparation	120-140	270-310
Metal Surface Treatment	Treatment, Electroplating, etc.	30-80	90-190		Distillation	140-150	310-330
Bricks and Blocks	Curing	60-140	150-310	Plastic Industry	Separation	200-220	430-470
-	Bleaching	60-100	150-230		Extension	140-160	310-350
lextile Industry	Dveing	70-90	170-210		Drying	180-200	390-430
					Blending	120-140	270-310
				Flour By-Products	Sterilizing	60-90	150-210
					Pre-heating of Boiler Feed	60-90	150-210
Source: RTC 2018				All Industrial Sectors	Water	00-00	100-210
				All Industrial Sectors	Industrial Solar Cooking	55-180	140-390
				Heating of Factory Buildings	30-80	90-190	

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Industrial Electrotechnologies

Commercial	Emerging
Electric boilers	Electric infrared heating
Heat pumps	UV heating
Induction heating	Electric Induction melting
Radio frequency heating	Plasma melting
Electric arc furnaces	Electrolytic reduction
	Microwave heating

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Industrial Electrification Study

Partners: Renewable Thermal Collaborative and Global Efficiency Intelligence

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Project Goal: Accelerate electrification in the industrial sector.

How:

- We are conducting bottom up subsector, systems, and technology-level analysis and developing a Technology Action Plan (TAP) for scaling up electrification in industry.
- The RTC, GEI and RTC industrial partners will promote this Action Plan with key stakeholders, including:
 - Industrial companies
 - Electric utilities
 - Policy makers and regulators
 - Key opinion leaders







Bottom-up analysis method

Step1	 Detailed analysis of existing heating system
Step2	 Selection of suitable electrification technology
Step3	 Process integration assessment with new electrified heating technology
Step 4	 Calculation of changes in energy use and GHG emissions and cost implications

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No.	Industry
1	Aluminum casting
2	Ammonia
3	Methanol
4	Recycled plastic
5	Paper (from virgin pulp)
6	Recycled paper
7	Container Glass
8	Textile
9	Steel
10	Cement
11	Beer
12	Beet Sugar
13	Milk powder
14	Wet corn milling
1	
5	Soybean oil
	Electrification of all

industrial boilers



Electrification of Container Glass industry in the U.S.

Conventional System Process				А	Il Electric Process
Heating Equipment	Electrical Demand (kWh/tonne)	Thermal Demand (kWh/tonne)	Process steps	Electrical Demand (kWh/tonne)	Heating Equipment
Electrically-powered mixer/crusher	161.0	0.0	Mixing	161.0	Electrically-powered mixer/crusher
Gas-fired furnace	204.0	1150.0	Melting	860.0	Electric glass melter
Forehearth and forming equipment	26.0	105.0	Conditioning & Forming	104.0	Electric forehearths
Gas-fired Anealing lehr	25.0	210.0	Poat Forming(Annealing)	183.0	Electric Anealing lehr
	416.0	1465.0	Sub-total	1308.0	
	1881		Total Energy		1308

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Change in total final energy use after electrification

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-5,000

Emission factor for	grid	2019	2030	2040	2050
electricity in US (kgCO2/MWh)		414	207	103	0
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Electrification of Container Glass industry in the U.S.



Note: The error bars show the energy cost per unit of production when unit price of electricity is reduced by 50%.

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	2019	2050
Average unit price of electricity for		
industry in U.S. (2017 US\$/kWh)	0.072	0.073
Average unit price of NG for industry		
in U.S. (2017 US\$/kWh)	0.015	0.020

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The Technical and Economic Potential of H2@Scale within the United States and Discussion of Thermal Opportunity

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H2@Scale

DOE initiative focusing on hydrogen as an energy intermediate.

Report on technical and economic potential released October 7:



https://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy21osti/77610.pdf

We Identified 106 MMT/yr Hydrogen Serviceable Consumption Potential without Direct Use of Hydrogen for Heating

Exhibit

Hydrogen demand potential across sectors – 2030 and 2050 vision Million metric tons per year



¹ Assuming that 20% of jet fuel demand would be met by synthetic fuel and 20% of marine bunker fuel by ammonia ² Demand excluding feedstock, based on IEA final energy demand for the US Note: Some numbers may not add up due to rounding

Source: Road Map to a US Hydrogen Economy Reducing emissions and driving growth across the nation. <u>www.ushydrogenstudy.org</u>



2015 Market for On- Purpose H2 (MMT/yr)	Roadmap 2050 Ambitious Scenario (MMT/yr)
6	8
0	3
3	5*
0	1*
1	2
0	13
0	4
10	36
0	- 27
0	21
0	27
10	63
	2015 Market for On- Purpose H2 (MMT/yr) 6 0 3 3 0 1 0 1 0 0 10 0 0 0 0 0 0 10

Opportunity for Low-Temperature Electrolysis using Low-Cost Electricity

Potential Levelized Costs of H₂ Production



Source: Bryan Pivovar & Josh Eichman

Other Costs Feedstock Costs Capital Costs

Availability of lowcost electricity can help enable low-cost H₂ production, even at low capacity factors.

Economic Potential: Limitations and Caveats

- Market equilibrium methodology and market size estimates in 2050
 - Transition issues such as stock turnover are not considered
- New policy drivers, such as emission policies, are not included either for hydrogen or the grid
- Technology and market performance involve many assumptions about adjacent technologies
 - In all but the non-reference scenario, the assumption is that R&D targets are met
- Demand analysis is limited to sectors that could be forecast for the foreseeable future
 - Hydrogen use to convert biomass based market size equal to 50% of aviation demand
 - Hydrogen for industrial heat is not included
 - Single hydrogen threshold price for fuel cell vehicle market estimates
- Estimates of delivery costs were standardized and without location specificity
- Potential long-term production technologies (e.g., photo-electrochemical) not included
- Economic feedback impacts are not considered
- Competing technologies (both for markets that use hydrogen and for resources to generate \bullet hydrogen) are addressed in a simplified manner only

Economic Potential Results



SMR: Steam methane reforming of natural gas HTE: High temperature electrolysis LTE: Low temperature electrolysis LDE: Low-cost, dispatch-constrained electricity

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Summary of Key Conclusions

- Hydrogen's serviceable consumption potential in the U.S. is >10X current annual consumption.
- The economic potential of hydrogen demand in the U.S. is 2.2-4.1X current annual consumption.
 - Range across 5 scenarios developed using a variety of economic and R&D success assumptions
- Hydrogen for thermal energy will likely need emission or other drivers to penetrate U.S. markets

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Details are available at: https://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy210sti/77610.pdf

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Renewable Natural Gas – The Next Frontier in Sustainability

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- pathways
- Leading marketer of Emissions Reduction Credits in the U.S.

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• Generating Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS) credits since 2014 with over 30 Tier II



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- Recognized leader in ultra-low carbon intensity ("CI") fuels
- Upstream assets include offtake from over 20 production facilities and over 35 active pathways under either the RFS or LCFS programs
- End markets include RNG-to-transportation, RNG-to-electricity and voluntary buyers of RNG
- Experienced, solutions-oriented team with a relentless appetite for innovation and client service

Our Renewable Natural Gas team partners with farmers, landfill operators and wastewater treatment plants to generate renewable fuel and bring it to market for utilities, fleet operators and voluntary buyers seeking to capture the benefits of cleaner energy.



Understanding **Renewable Natural Gas**

Renewable natural gas (RNG) is classified as methane gas captured from eligible sources that is cleaned and upgraded to pipeline specification and injected into the common carrier pipeline. Eligible sources include:



Standard (LCFS)

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Treatment Facilities



Anaerobic Digesters (Swine or Dairy Projects)

RNG is represented in units of MMBtu or Dekatherms and the majority of RNG is consumed for compliance purposes under the Renewable Fuels Standard (RFS) and Low Carbon Fuel

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Deriving Value from RNG in the Voluntary Space



Scope 1 Emission Reductions represent the next frontier for sustainability initiatives



Menu of Environmental Products: RNG for Scope 1 Emissions Mitigation

Scope	Example Sources	Mitigation Measures	Reporting/Registry Options
1 Direct emissions from owned & controlled sources	 Gas boilers Natural gas use at the facility 	Carbon offsets (local/global)	 Climate Action Reserve (CAR) American Carbon Registry (ACR) Verra
		Renewable natural gas	 Renewable Thermal Certificate (RTC) solution Physical delivery of RNG
2 Indirect emissions from owned and controlled sources	 Purchased electricity Purchased heating/cooling 	Renewable Electricity Certificates (RECs) applied electricity purchases (available in North America / Europe)	 Green-e Energy Program
3 Indirect emissions from other sources	 Business travel Employee commute Third party manufacturing 	Carbon offsets (local/global)	• CAR, ACR, or Verra

RNG Compliance Markets: RFS and LCFS Markets

Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS)

- Federal program administered by the EPA
- Established in 2005 and requires renewable fuel to replace petroleum-based transportation fuels
- Renewable Identification Numbers (RINs) are primary driver
- Renewable natural gas (cellulosic biofuel) generates 11.727 RINs per 1 MMBtu of gas

Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS)

- Transportation fuels program originating in states
- Board (CARB)
- Carbon Intensity (CI) scores drive credit generation process
- LCFS credits based on CI scores

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California and spreading to Oregon and other

• Administered by the California Air Resources

• Different sources of RNG yield varying amounts of



Combined Value of RNG in Transportation Markets

RNG supply is constrained by demand from RFS and LCFS markets with current RNG prices yielding **\$26 (landfill gas) to over \$100 (swine gas) per MMBtu**. RNG benefits from the stacking of environmental commodities (RINs and LCFS credits).

Total Value (\$ per dth)

Long term deals trade lower than current annual market creating opportunity for sustainable buyers.



RNG Value, per dth



Green-e Thermal RECs: Scope 1 Mitigation Solution

RTCs represent the following*:

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May include verified carbon intensity data and track full or partial carbon lifecycles

Include serial number, account, project, feedstock, vintage, location, quantity

Tracking system prevents double-counting and provides assurance to buyers of voluntary RNG

*Source: M-RETS





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Framework for Hybrid Renewable Thermal Systems (RTES)



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3 Modelled Scenarios and Hybrid RTES

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1. Introduction

- IEA estimated that 32% of total global energy is consumed by industry
 - In the U.S., ~2/3 of process heat is used for applications below 300°C
- Hybrid renewable energy systems (RTES) solutions and thermal energy storage (TES) are important for the dispatch of heat, at optimal times needed by the demands of buildings and industrial applications
 - In Denmark, hybrid RTES solutions are being deployed and are cost competitive with the current regional NG costs
- The National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) System Advisor Model (SAM) is a well-established tool for modeling solar heat systems:
 - Flat plate collectors (FPCs) with glazed and evacuated tube
 - Linear Fresnel collectors (LFCs)
 - Parabolic trough collectors (PTCs).
- SAM (2020.2.29) can do single system modelling very well but it is not yet capable of hybrid RTES modelling at different temperatures or combining technologies such as FPCs and CSP.



Cumulative process heat demand by temperature in 2014. *Illustration by Colin McMillan, NREL* - <u>https://www.nrel.gov/analysis/solar-industrial-process-heat.html</u>

2. Framework

RENEWABLE THERMAL ENERGY SYSTEMS HYBRIDIZATION FRAMEWORK HYBRID RTES ADDITIONS TO CURRENT STANDALONE TECHNOLOGIES Stage-1 Low Temperature Hybrid Stage-3 Waste Heat Stage-4 Distributed Stage-7 Grid Flat Plate Collector (FPC) Recovery (WHR) Systems Selective Surfaces **Resistive Heatin** PV, Bio, Geo, Water, Wind Fossil, Nuclear, Renewables Insulants (Aerogel) Inductive Heatin **Electric Heating** Exhaust Gases Channels/Heat Exchangers Microwave Heat Resistive Heated Water/ Liquids Evacuated Tube Solar Radiant Heating Hot Products /Surfaces Inductive Trough Solar Heat Pump Heat Pump **Radiant Heat** Compound/Fresnel Others: Heat Pumps Microwave Geothermal Arc Arc Beam Dielectric Direct Steam/Brine Beam Hybrids with Heat Pumps Dielectric Heat Transfer Fluids (HTF) Water Heat Stream Air Synthetic Oils Nano or Thermic Fluids Stage-8 Fossil Fuels/CCS Stage-4 New Fuels Stage-2 Medium Temperature Hybrid Stage-3 Thermal Storage (TES) Hydrogen Line Focus Solar Natural Gas Packed Bed Biomass Parabolic Trough Collector (PTC) Propane PCM Biomethane Linear Fresnel Fuel-Oil Molten salt Ammonia CSP Tower Coal Mass (Concrete, Rock) Others Dish Solar Sunthetic Oils Stage-9 Nuclear Hybrids with Heat Pumps Heat/Power Pressurized Steam Others Water Others



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- We have investigated a variety of approaches to hybrid system modeling for RTES at different temperatures or combinations of technologies and developed an initial framework.
- The hybridization framework starts by creating a heat stream and raising the temperature of that heat stream by various combinations of RE technologies and other sources such as fossil fuels, renewably derived fuels, or electric heating in multiple stages, with options for TES and/or waste heat recovery (WHR).
- Vision: to create or further modify a Decision Support tool that helps the end-user ascertain potential yield, technology options and costs

Full Papers: Kurup et al. 2020, "Hybrid Solar Heat Generation Modelling and Cases", and Akar et al. 2020 "Renewable Thermal Hybridization Framework for Industrial Process Heat Applications" to be published NREL | - 5

3. Modelled Scenarios

The first scenario is designed to pre-heat the HTF (Therminol VP-1) through a Flat Plate Collector (FPC) system to reach 150°C, and then send it to a Parabolic trough Collector (PTC) system to reach an exit temperature of 300°C for an IPH application.

The second scenario is designed to use a PTC solar field to heat an air and/or fuel stream of a natural gas (NG) burner system. This is expected to be suitable for hybridization of existing industrial systems that use NG burners today.

The third scenario uses direct steam generation (DSG) linear Fresnel collectors (LFCs) coupled with TES which uses phase change materials (PCMs) to improve the system's flexibility and capacity factor. PCMs store energy in the latent heat of the phase change and can thus achieve relatively high energy densities.



Scenario 2:Parabolic Trough Collectors (PTCs) with an HTF and NG burner

PTCs with an HTF and NG burner



200 °C	250 °C	300 °C
0.256	0.242	0.223
-15%	-19%	-26%

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Industrial Steam Use in the U.S.



⇒ 120-220 °C steam is target for Solar IPH

Full report: Kurup and Turchi 2015, "Initial Investigation into the Potential of CSP Industrial Process Heat for the Southwest United States", found here - <u>https://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy16osti/64709.pdf</u>

Data from Fox, Sutter, and Tester, "The Thermal Spectrum of Low-Temperature Energy Use in the United States." 2011

Sample Technologies for IPH

Temp.		HTF of	
Range	Technology	Choice	Applic
< 80°C	Flat plate (e.g. Evacuated) Non-tracking compound	Air	Hot wat
	parabolic (CPC) Solar pond	Water/glycol	Space he
80 to 200°C	PV Heat Pump Waste heat pumps Parabolic Trough	Mator/stoom	Hotwat
200 to 300°C	Linear Fresnel	vvaler/steam	
300 to 400°C	Parabolic Trough Linear Fresnel	Mineral oil	Vacuum become
400 to 550°C	Parabolic trough Linear Fresnel	Synthetic oil	Direct h
> 550°C	Parabolic trough Linear Fresnel	Steam or Molten salt	Electric
	Heliostat/central receiver Parabolic dish	Steam or	
	Resistive heating e.g. PV Microwave/Induction heating e.g. PV	Molten salt	Electric

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Future Work

FPCs and PTCs with TES

- Use of different HTFs like mineral oil or unpressurized water (i.e. Tårs plant)
- Connecting the FPC Field to PTC field by a HX for a better pressure and temperature control
- Adding more capital cost estimates for both FPC and PTC system and improving the SAM financial models to reflect a real hybrid case project economics
- Potentially releasing the hybrid add-on to the SAM public version

PTCs with an HTF and NG burner

- Adding economic analysis to optimize the RTES in a cost-effective hybrid scenario.
- Investigating other alternative scenarios to compare effectiveness of use of hybridization and systems costs.
 - TES addition to the PTC system,
 - Co-operation of PTC and NG burner in two separate heat streams
 - Waste heat recovery with a recuperator after NG burner
- Adding optimized dispatch model by using hourly DNI data as an input.

DSG LFCs and phase change material (PCM) storage

- Detailed dispatch model and system size optimization
- Investigating other PCMs such as Lithium nitrate, sodium nitrate-potassium nitrate
- Adding cost analysis