

# SFO's Incentive-Based Approach to Reducing Ground Vehicle Emissions

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### SFO Clean Vehicle Policy

- A voluntary program, not mitigation
- 50% of applicable landside vehicles to be clean-powered by 2005, 100% by 2012
- Trip fee differentials and franchise point scoring encourage compliance
- Airport manages available grant funding
- 250 vehicles funded to date through SFO

### 2004 Clean Vehicle Count

- 239 BART, Airtrain Electric Rail Cars\*
- 4 Full Size Buses
- 90 Minibuses over 10,000 lbs.
- 100 Vans
- 55 Staff Pickup Trucks and Autos
- 108 Taxicabs
- 50 Rental Cars
- 400 Airfield Vehicles
- SFO Weekday Peak Period Requirement

















### **Emissions Reductions**

- Estimated Lifetime Emissions Reductions of Clean Air Vehicles in Service by 2005: \*
  - Nitrous Oxides: 1,850 tons
  - Hydrocarbons: 200 tons +
  - Carbon Monoxide: 2,900 tons +

<sup>\*</sup> Compared to appropriate baseline fuel (gasoline or diesel). Does not include BART.

### **CNG Fueling Facilities**

- Two large public access CNG stations developed and managed by two fueling station providers at no cost to the Airport
- Total of 16 fast-fill hoses providing 3,000 and 3,600 psi
- 2005 CNG demand estimated to exceed 100,000 gge per month









### **Taxicabs**

- Serve 10% of ground trips
- CNG cabs get short line privilege twice per day
- Trip fee waived twice per day
- Continued availability of CNG cabs is issue







# On-Demand Door-to-Door Van Operators

- Serve 10% of ground trips
- In 2004, RFQ process will award extra points to firms pledging to acquire only clean air vehicles
- Operators qualify for \$4,000 per vehicle Air District incentive
- About 27% of vans now clean air vehicles

# Hotel and Parking Courtesy Shuttle Operators

- Air District incentive of approximately \$12,000 for CNG cutaway
- Avoid paying triple trip fees to the Airport
- For hotels, opportunity to consolidate
- Two-thirds of courtesy shuttle passengers now ride in clean air vehicles











### **Scheduled Airporter Buses**

- Significant category in North Bay market
- Full-size highway coaches operated
- CNG and LNG impractical
- Biofuel could substitute for diesel if competitively priced

## Limousines and Charter Vehicles

- Are 60% of permitted ground vehicles at SFO, but serve only 4% of access trips
- No readily available limousine product
- Limousines and charters have widely dispersed destinations making CNG refueling difficult

### **Airfield Highlights**

- Airline GSE electrification started two decades ago, with United in forefront
- About 20% of GSE is now clean powered, including most of American's fleet

### SFO's ILEAV Grant

- \$2 M for partial funding of 200 electric GSE units, 16 fast electric chargers, 4 full-size CNG buses and 92 staff and utility vehicles
- CNG station funding support unnecessary
- 3 airlines are expected to participate, plus a possible ground handler
- Regional carrier deployment ahead of mainline carriers











### **Outlook Going Forward**

- Continue to press for CNG/ SULEV vehicle product and simplified grant processes
- Encourage biofuel in bridge applications
- Support permanent ILEAV program
- Expand operator incentives and penalties
- Then let the market work!



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