



# DECARBONIZING OUR ENERGY ECOSYSTEM WITH GAS TURBINES

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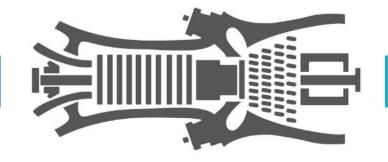
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# Decarbonizing gas power ... a range of options

# **Pre-combustion**



# **Post-combustion**

### Use a zero or carbon neutral fuel

- Hydrogen (blue, green, pink)
- Synthetic methane
- Renewable natural gas (RNG)
- Biofuels
- Ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>)

## Remove carbon from the plant exhaust

- Carbon capture (liquid solvents)
- Carbon capture (solid sorbents)
- Oxy-fuel cycles

Gas turbines offer multiple options to achieve lower or zero carbon emissions



# Decarbonization option details

### **Hydrogen**

 GE has 30+ years of experience with H<sub>2</sub> as a power generation fuel ... blends of 5% (by vol) up to 100%.

## Renewable natural gas (RNG)

- RNG like natural gas is mainly composed of methane
- Concerns with RNG are potential contaminants from sources

#### **Biofuels**

- Biodiesel has been used in demonstration tests
- Ethanol is being used in aeroderivative gas turbines in commercial operation

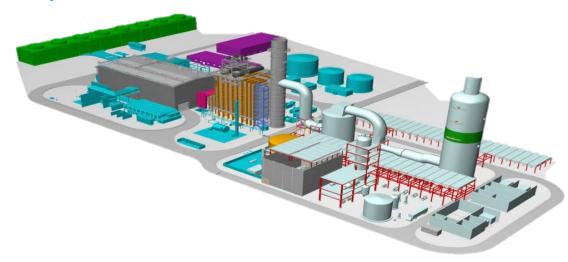
#### **Ammonia**

- In pure form can be corrosive and caustic
- Using as a fuel in a gas turbine without changes in technology, NOx emissions may increase by 100-fold

## **Carbon capture**

- Can be applied to existing power plants if there is sufficient space
- Technology exists today and has been applied to coal plants
- Requires offtake of CO<sub>2</sub>

#### **Combined Cycle Power Plant**



**Carbon Capture Plant** 



# Impact of H<sub>2</sub> on new & existing power plant systems

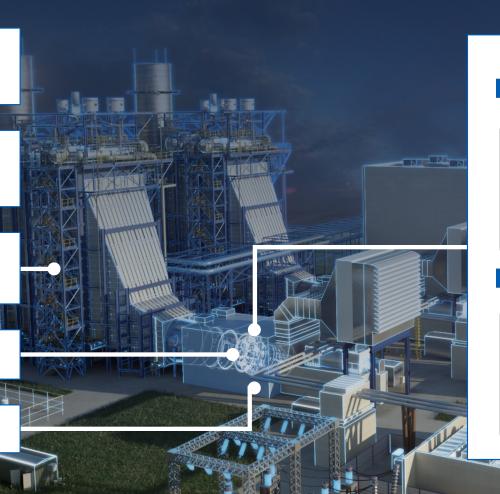
**Hydrogen transport** & storage

Gas turbine & plant controls

NOx emissions after treatment

Gas turbine enclosure

Fuel accessory system



### Gas turbine combustion system

#### Heavy-duty gas turbine combustion systems (F-class)

Today



Max H<sub>2</sub> ~70-100%



Max H<sub>2</sub> ~5-20%



Advanced premixer Targeting 100% H<sub>2</sub>

**Future** 

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#### Aeroderivative gas turbine combustion systems

Today



**Diffusion combustors**  $Max H_2 \sim 30-85\%$ 



**Premixed combustors**  $Max H_2 \sim 10\%$ 



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# Considerations to make hydrogen a competitive power gen fuel

Competitive cost
Inline with alternatives

ENABLING
THE
HYDROGEN
ECONOMY

Infrastructure

Transportation and storage

#### TODAY

70M tons of H<sub>2</sub> produced/year > 99% is **grey** hydrogen

#### **FUTURE**

2050 forecast for **green** and **blue** hydrogen for power generation is ~3X more than all hydrogen produced today\*

- **Grey:** Reforming natural gas
- **Blue:** Reforming natural gas + CCUS
- **Green:** Electrolysis of water with renewable power

Using hydrogen as a gas turbine fuel requires solving the trilemma of affordability, reliability, and sustainability

\*bp Energy Outlook, Hydrogen, https://www.bp.com/en/global/corporate/energy-economics/energy-outlook/demand-by-fuel/hydrogen.html

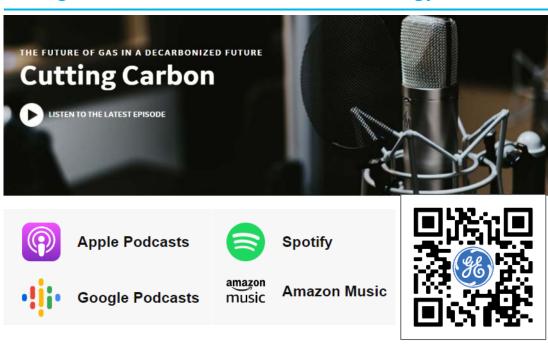


# GE is excited about the future and the role that gas turbines will play in decarbonizing our society

#### The Future of Energy ... building a world that works



#### **Cutting Carbon: a conversation about our energy future**



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