

### IH<sup>2</sup> – For Direct Conversion of Biomass to Fuels- 200t/day Plant Economics and Plans



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### What is IH<sup>2®</sup> technology?



#### **An Innovative Process**

- Directly converts solid biomass into liquid hydrocarbon fuels
- Removes all oxygen from the feed and generates high quality gasoline +jet+ diesel boiling range fuels
- Economic at scales relevant to biomass availability (>100 tpd)
- Gives the highest GPT yield of oxygen free transportation fuels of any biomass conversion process
- Can be used to sequester carbon by sequestering char
- Invented by GTI Energy, tested and currently licensed to Shell



#### Hydropyrolysis Reactor and Chemistry





Biomass travels through a bed of catalyst and is converted to char and hydrocarbons which are continuously produced

IH<sup>2</sup> adds hydrogen directly to biomass fragments



#### Liquid Yields Comparison



- Gasification + Synthesis yield from "U-GAS+Cool GTL", Tcbiomasss 2022, Zach El Zahab
- Catalytic Pyrolysis yield from "Critical Review of Fast Pyrolysis of Biomass", Vanderbosch



#### Liquid Product Quality Comparison



Pyrolysis Oil 50% Oxygen 100-200 TAN 20% water Non distillable Poor stability Heating value 6560 btu/lb. Hardest to upgrade



**Catalytic Pyrolysis oil** 

10-20% oxygen 40 TAN Less water Better Stability Heating value=8500btu/lb. Hard to upgrade



IH<sup>2</sup> Fuels <1% Oxygen <.1TAN No water Excellent stability Heating value=18000BTU/lb. No upgrading needed



### Comparison of IH<sup>2</sup> and Catalytic Pyrolysis

	IH <sup>2®</sup>	<b>Catalytic Pyrolysis</b>	
Analogous process	Hydrotreating	FCC	
Temperatures, C	380-450	500-600	
Pressure, barg	20-35	1.5-2	
Hydrogen	Yes	No	
Regeneration	No	Yes	
Catalyst type	hydrotreating	cracking	
% oxygen in the product liquid	<0.4%	10-20%	
Requires product upgrading	No	Yes	
Liquid Yield GPT	86	40	



#### Comparison of IH<sup>2</sup> and Gasification

	IH <sup>2</sup> with Char sequestration	lH <sup>2</sup> with burn char	Gasification + synthesis
GPT Liquid Yield	86	86	57
Ton CO <sub>2</sub> product per ton of feed	.47	.99	1.3
Power usage MW/1000tpd feed	27	7	13.9
% of feed carbon to CO <sub>2</sub>	25	54	71
% of feed carbon to liquid	46	46	29
% of feed carbon to char	29	0	0
% feed carbon to liquid+char	75	46	29

- Gasification sacrifices a high amount of carbon to CO<sub>2</sub>
- IH<sup>2</sup> with Char sequestration produce least CO<sub>2</sub>



### IH<sup>2</sup> 50kg/day Pilot Plant

**Over 13,000 Hours of IH<sup>2</sup> pilot plant testing** 



# Bangalore India Demonstration Scale IH<sup>2</sup> Plant (Shell)



- GTI Energy supported the design and commissioning of a pre-commercial 5 ton/day demonstration unit located at <u>Shell Technology Center in Bangalore,</u> India (STCB), pictured on right
- Demo: Accumulated 3,000 hrs in 2022-23 (5 ton/day)
- Yields consistent with pilot results
- Signed off on engineering design package for commercial scale





>200,000L/day IH<sup>2</sup>-1000tpd

2026+

#### **Development Scale-up**



**Time and Scale** 

#### Latest Innovation—Integrated Electric Reformer for Hydrogen Production





- Simple robust compact low-cost modular design approach for hydrogen production
- Catalyst designed to accept and convert bio-derived gases
- Integrated with IH<sup>2</sup> pilot demonstrated hydrogen self sufficiency

#### Novel Cool Electric-Reformer Makes Hydrogen or Synthesis gas





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#### Small Commercial Plants Mitigate Investment Risk



#### \$Million IH<sup>2</sup> Capital Cost



- AACE Class 5 cost estimates
- Optimized case sequesters char and uses sawdust feed



### Small Commercial Plants can be Competitive



#### LCOF \$/gallon for IH<sup>2</sup> Fuel

**Plant Scale** 



### Sensitivity Analysis



All factors varied from 50 to 150% of there standard values

1000t/day- improved



#### IH<sup>2</sup> Conclusions/Path Forward

- IH<sup>2</sup> is a unique, innovative biomass conversion technology which produces high quality liquid product at high yields
- IH<sup>2</sup> Technology has been successfully demonstrated for over 13,000 hours at GTI Energy at 50kg/day and for months at 5t/day scale
- IH<sup>2</sup> is H<sub>2</sub> self sufficient
- 200 t/day size good first of a kind approach to lower risk, minimize investment—still modular
- A good way to improve economics—keep reducing capital costs and simplifying system
- Need more detailed 100-200t/d cost estimates
- Available for licensing through GTI Energy



## Questions?

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