

# Vermont Plug-In Hybrid Electric Vehicle Grid Impacts Study



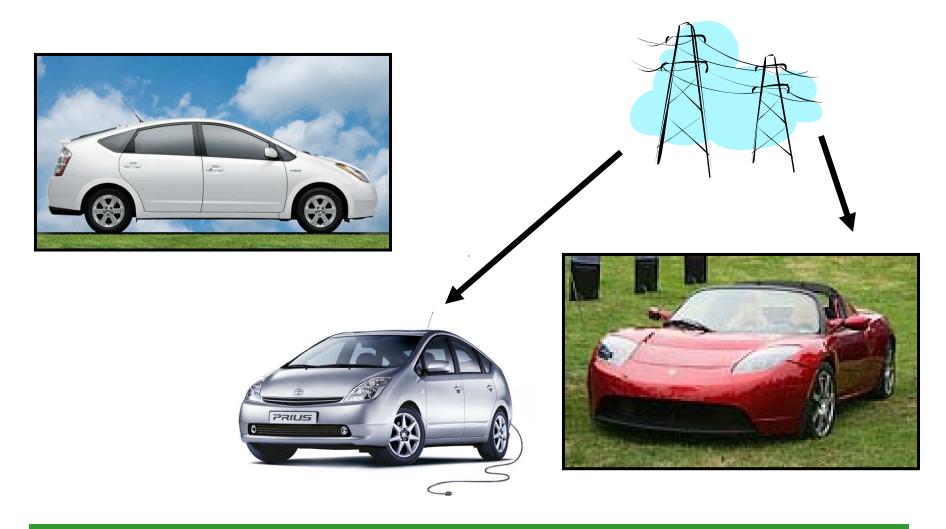
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## **Agenda**

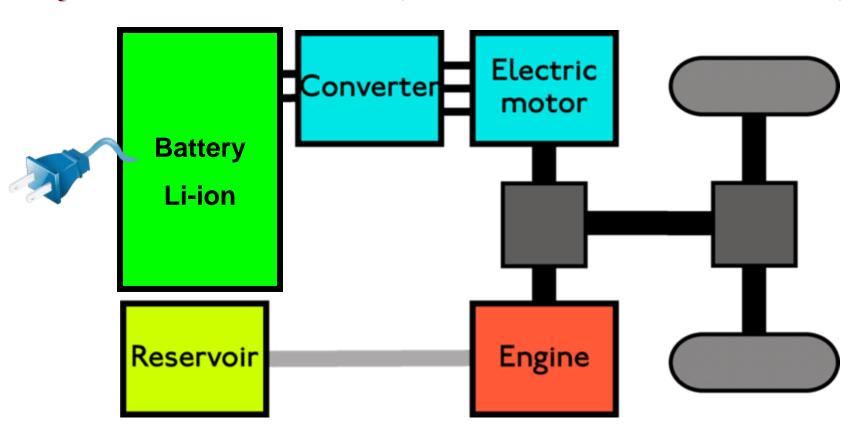
- Overview of PHEV Technology
- Draft PHEV Grid Impact Results
- End-Use Economic Consideration
- Next Steps

## The Electric Drive Revolution

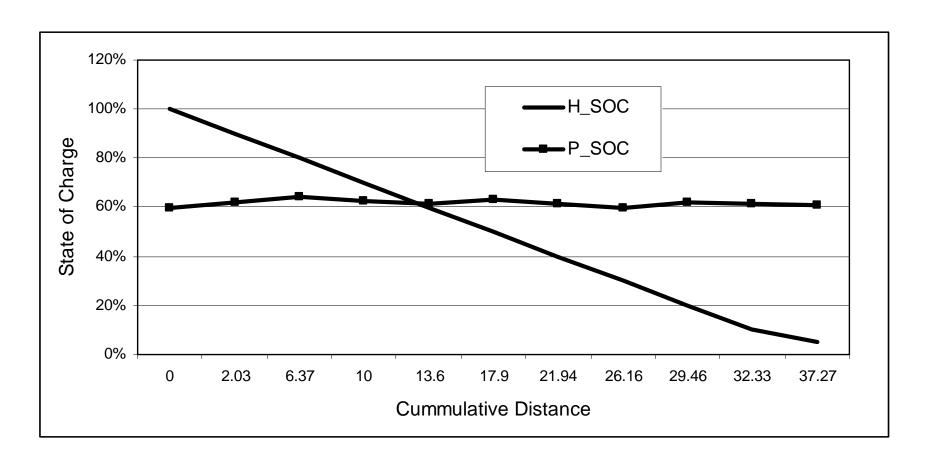


## Plug-In Hybrid Vehicle Technology

Hybrid Electric Vehicles, 1.5% of new car sales in US, 2006



# CVPS/GMC PHEV Test Program: Initial Results Charge Depleting vs. Charge Sustaining



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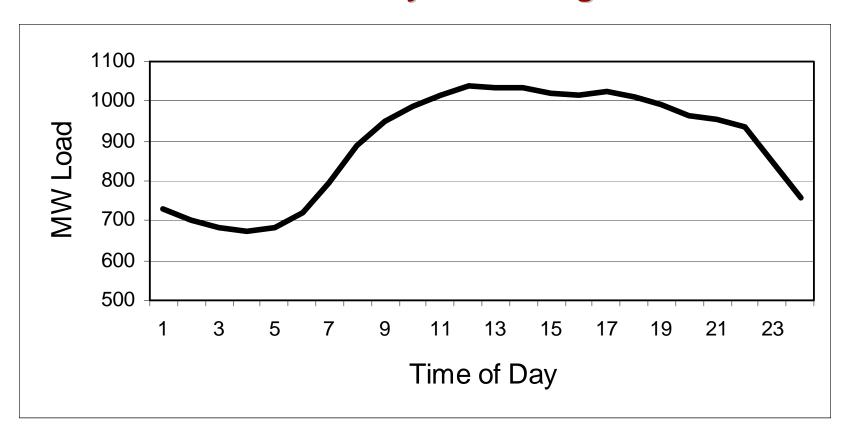
## **Grid Impacts: Vehicle Specifications**

#### **PHEV 20 Technical Specifications**

Nominal Battery Pack Size	7.5 kWh
Usable Energy in Battery Pack	6 kWh
Round Trip Battery Efficiency	85%
Charger Efficiency	82%
Charge Rate	1.4 kW / hour
Time for Full Charge	6 hours
Purchased Electricity per Charge	8.4 kWh
Electric Efficiency	3.49 miles / kWh
All Electric Range	20 miles

# Grid Impacts: Demand vs. Energy

#### Peak Summer Day 2005: August 19th



### **Grid Impacts: Penetration Scenarios**

#### **Capacity Requirements vs. PHEV Fleet**

	50,000 PHEVs	100,000 PHEVs	200,000 PHEVs
Demand	74 MW	148 MW	297 MW
% Summer Peak (1,038 MW)	7.15 %	14.30 %	28.59 %
% Winter Peak (1,054)	7.01%	14.03 %	28.05 %

Note: assumes 6% average line losses

## **Grid Impacts: Penetration Scenarios**

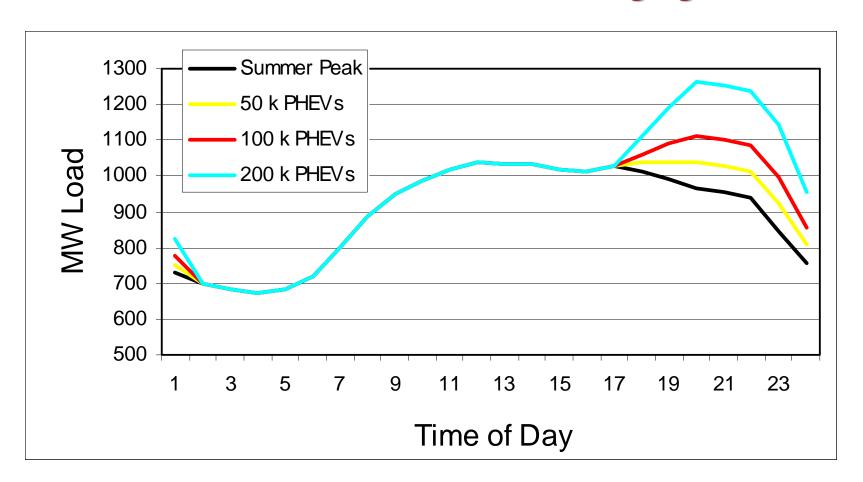
#### Capacity and Energy Requirements vs. PHEV Fleet

	50,000 PHEVs	100,000 PHEVs	200,000 PHEVs
Daily Energy (1 charge per day)	445 MWH	890 MWH	1,781 MWH
Annual Energy (1 charge 365 days)	162,498 MWH	324,996 MWH	649,992 MWH
% 2005 MWH (6,325,960)	5.14 %	10.27 %	20.55 %

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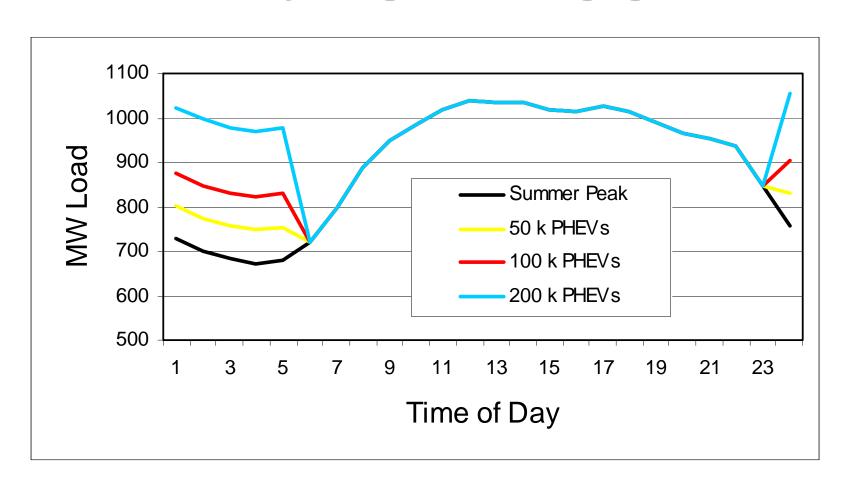
## **Grid Impacts: Load Impacts**

#### **Worst Case: Uncontrolled Charging**



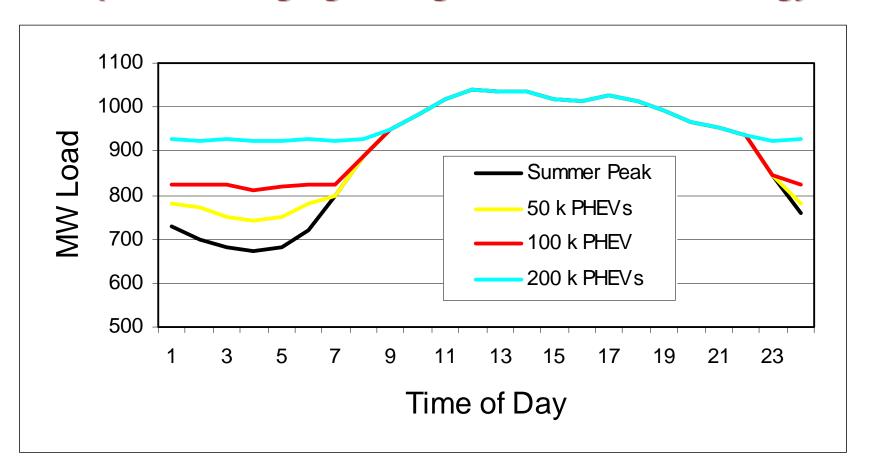
## **Grid Impacts: Load Impacts**

#### **Delayed Nighttime Charging**



## **Grid Impacts: Load Impacts**

#### **Optimal Charging: Using Smart Grid Technology**



## Plug In Hybrids: Charging from the Grid

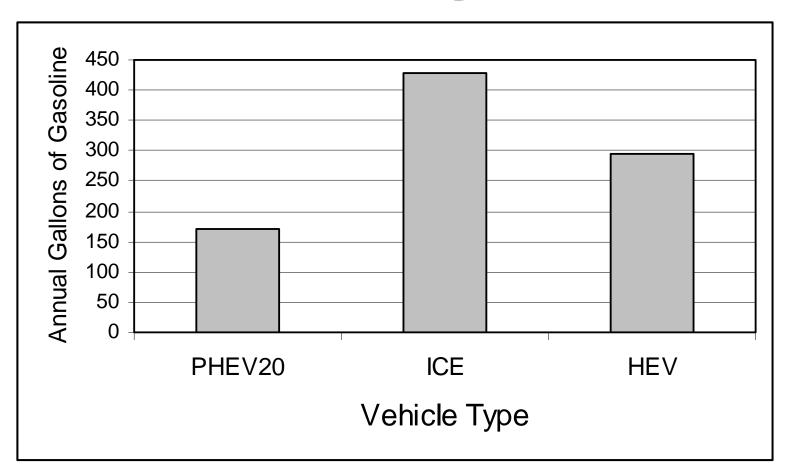


Domestic energy source…less expensive.



## PHEVs: Gasoline Savings Potential

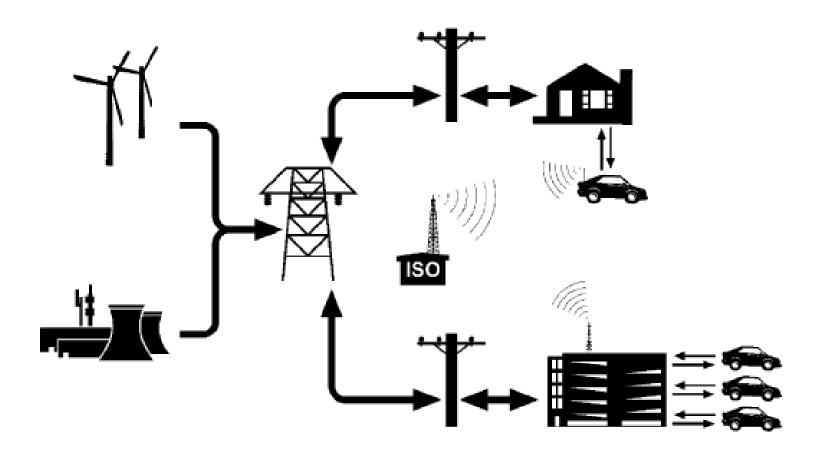
#### **Annual Fuel Savings Potential**



## Plug In Hybrids: End-Use Cost Considerations

- With off-peak rates, it costs less than \$1 to buy the electricity that would deliver the same miles of travel as one gallon of gasoline
- Easily ½ the per mile cost of travel using electricity (\$0.05/mile vs. \$0.12/mile)
- PHEV will costs more (\$2,500 \$5,000)

## **Next Steps: Vehicle to Grid (V2G)**



## **Vehicle to Grid (V2G) Demonstration**



## **PHEV Load Impacts: Initial Conclusions**

- PHEV technology is coming!
- The Vermont grid can accommodate a large PHEV fleet
- PHEVs have lower fuel costs, but a higher initial purchase price
- More work needed to understand smart charging technology, rate structures, realistic PHEV penetration scenarios, and V2G benefits in Vermont

## Plug In Hybrids: Charging from the Grid



National Resources Defense Council and the Electric Power Research Institute PHEV Emissions Study:

- significant GHG reductions could be achieved
- small but significant improvements in ambient air quality