Bridging the gap

Pathways for Transport in the Post 2012 Process

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Flywheel energy storage for transport applications

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Kinetic Energy Recovery System (KERS)

- System introduction due to FIA regulation change announced 2006
 - Allowed from 2009
 - 400 kJ per lap
 - 60 kW max. power
- Technology choice for teams
 - Chemical batteries
 - Ultra-capacitors
 - Flywheels (mechanical or electrically coupled)





Technology Comparison



(continuous)	, 5	, ,	
Specific Energy	390 kJ/kg	11 kJ/kg	33 kJ/kg
Weight to achieve 120 kW (continuous cycling) power	233 kg	375 kg	40 kg
Cycle life (charge/discharge cycles)	<10,000	~1,000,000	~10,000,000

Technology Background – Urenco

- Uranium enrichment using gas centrifuges
- Design and manufacture since 1960's
- Ultra high speed composite centrifuges
- >500,000 centrifuge systems operational
- Design life greater than 15 years with zero-maintenance bearing systems.
- First generation machines still running after more than 20 years



Magnetic Loaded Composite (MLC)

- Technology
 - Magnetic powder in composite
 - Impulse magnetised
 - Patent protected
- Advantages
 - Very high continuous symmetric power density
 - Sufficient energy capacity
 - Long charge/discharge cycle life
 - Insensitive to ambient temperature
 - Manufactured using mature massproduction processes
 - Non-toxic construction resulting in low-cost recycling at EoL





Regenerative Braking – How does it work?



Williams' Flywheel Energy Storage Products

Mobile System

Stationary System

1.8 MJ / 120 kW



5.5 MJ / 200 kW



Williams' Flywheel Construction

Mobile System

- MLC rotor
- Ceramic bearings





Stationary System

- MLC rotor
- Magnetic and pin bearings



Bus Application (Mobile)

- Working with Go-Ahead to develop and produce six prototype London buses with a retrofitted mobile hybrid flywheel system
- 30% improvement in fuel economy
- The average bus produces 77-100 tonnes of CO2 per annum. The hybrid system reduces CO2 by 15-20 tonnes of CO2 per annum

Gyrodrive one gallon



Standard bus one gallon





Mass Transit Application (Stationary)

- Williams stationary flywheel systems installed at the Bombardier test track in Canada
- Energy savings, emergency reserve, and voltage support testing and evaluation



- The flywheels were able to capture, store, and regenerate 100% of the available braking energy
- Up to 16% energy savings



Mass Transit Application (Mobile)

- Automated people mover (APM) hybridisation study using mobile flywheel
- One mobile flywheel system required per car
- Up to 19% energy saving calculated from actual energy measurements
- Equivalent to 120.9 tonnes
 CO2e reduction per year











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