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Natural Gas Vehicles: The Road Ahead?

CNG-Distribution in Germany

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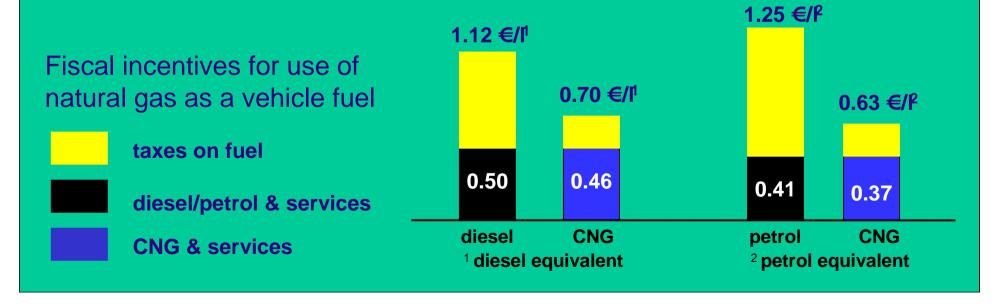
Success Factors for Natural Gas as an Automotive Fuel



Range of vehicles offered by automotive industry
Cars and commercial vehicles



Establishment of a Germany-wide infrastructure Strategic gas industry investment



German Gas Industry Approach



- Fuel <u>economy</u> is key element
- Additional aspects are <u>environmental protection</u> (including biogas option) and <u>diversification of fuel</u> for transport sector

• Target customers: commuters, fleet operators, taxi cabs, ...

⇒ CNG refuelling station network covering Germany



Network for Natural Gas as Fuel

Shareholders from gas industry



Partners from oil industry

















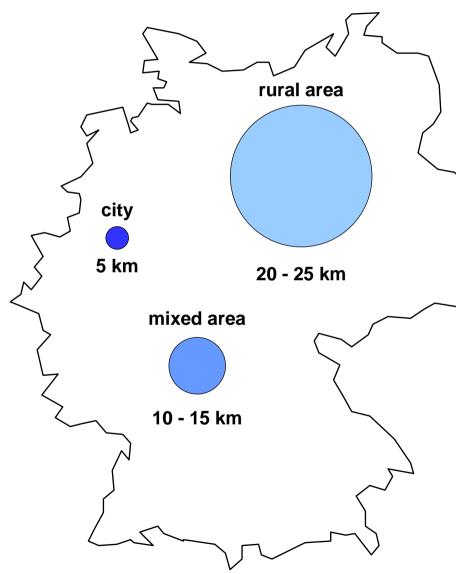


Non-brand stations

Established on 15 April 2002







Germany-wide infrastructure for CNG

Distance between refuelling stations in

• towns and cities approx. 5 km

mixed areas approx. 10-15 km

rural areas approx. 20-25 km

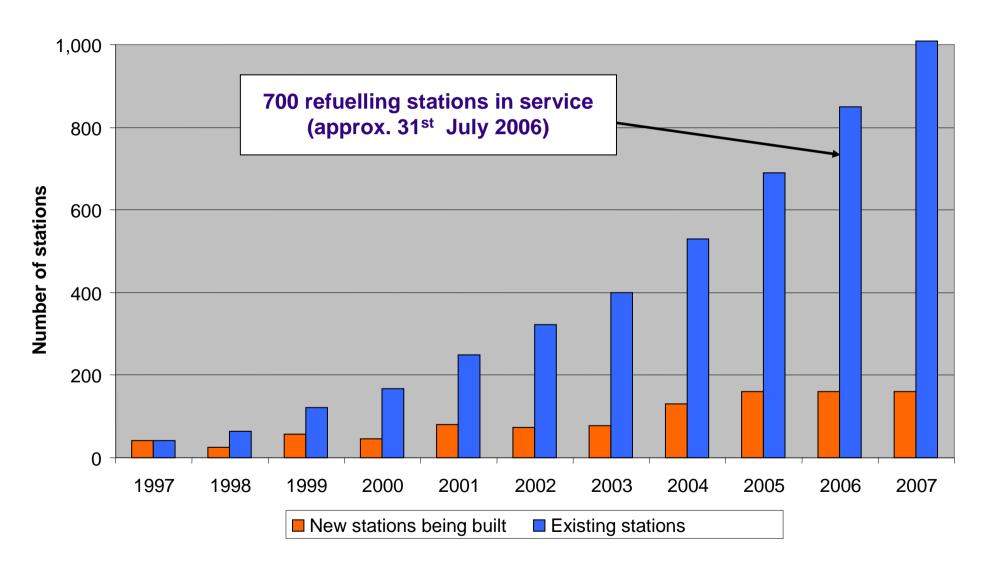
Construction of some 1,000 new CNG refuelling systems at public petrol stations until 2007/2008

Total capital expenditure:

approx. € 250 million



Construction of CNG Refuelling Stations





Commercially Available OEM NGVs

- Citroën Berlingo
- Fiat Multipla/Punto
- Ford Focus
- Opel Zafira/Astra/Combo
- Peugeot Partner
- Mercedes Benz E-Klasse
- Volvo S60/V70/S80
- VW Touran & Caddy







New Models by Volkswagen AG

Caddy 2.0 Bi FUEL

- City van or minibus based on
 Golf 2.0 Bi FUEL technology
- Virtually mono-fuel NGV

Touran 2.0 Bi FUEL

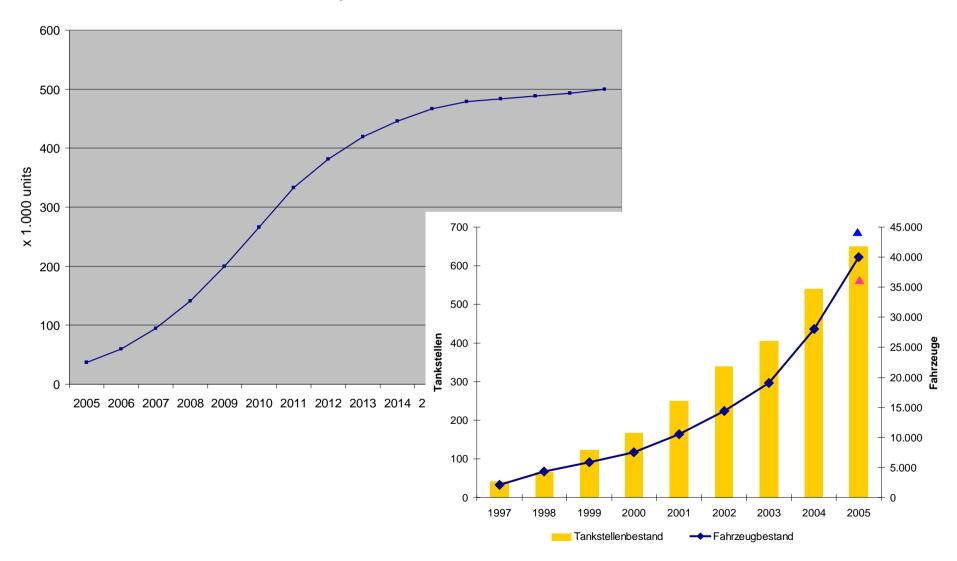
- Minivan based on Golf 2.0 Bi FUEL technology with underfloor tanks
- Virtually mono-fuel NGV





NGVs in Germany: Forecast and "in operation"

NGVs in Germany - Forecast



Conclusions



- Expansion of CNG refuelling station infrastructure in Germany requires close cooperation between gas and oil industries.
- Basic concept calls for natural gas to be sold as a fuel in the same way as petrol and diesel has proved successful.
- Growing range of NGVs on offer and increasing prices for petrol and diesel provide additional incentives.





Successful field tests

Weh TK 17 (new design)







Weh TK 16 (current standard nozzle)





Evolution of CNG Storage Tanks

Conformable storage tank installed underfloor

Multiple cylinders installed underfloor

Single cylinder in luggage boot



CNG Refuelling System at Aral Station







CNG Refuelling System at Total Station





Capex of Integrated CNG Refuelling System

Package

€ 150,000

- Compressor (100 kg CNG per hour)
- Storage (200 kg CNG)
- Dispenser (2 independent hoses for self service)

Engineering

€ 10,000

• Civil construction, pipework

€ 25,000

Miscellaneous

€ 15,000

Total

€ 200,000 (2,000 €/kg per h)







