

Understanding Emerging Technologies...

Do Low Charge Ammonia Refrigeration Systems Save Energy?

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Global warming....



SCE Background



- One of the nation's largest electric utilities
- Nearly 14 million residents in service territory
- Approximately 5 million customer accounts
- 50,000 square-mile service area
- Over 103,000 miles of distribution and transmission lines
- Over 125 years of experience
- Exploring innovative Demand-Side Management offerings to address locational needs

Evolving Energy Efficiency Trends

Early Years

Energy Savings Tips



Energy Audits

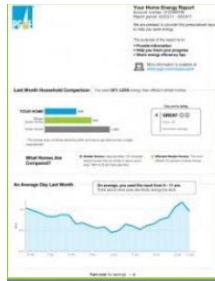


Standard Rebates



Today

Robust Data Tools and Home Energy Reports



Partnerships



Market Interventions: Retail, Distribution, Wholesale



Deeper Savings



Continuing Trends

Zero Net Energy



Whole Building



Water-Energy Nexus



AB 32

RMP

Locational Targeting





Refrigerant Management Program (RMP)



The RMP requires facilities with refrigeration systems with more than 50 pounds of high-GWP refrigerant to:

- conduct and report periodic leak inspections;
- promptly repair leaks; and
- keep service records on site.

These facilities *must* register using the [R3 tool](#); facilities with 200 lbs. or more must also submit annual reports by March 1 of each year.

[Click here to watch a video overview of the program](#)

The regulation also affects:

- any person who installs, services or disposes of any appliance using a high-GWP refrigerant; and
- refrigerant wholesalers, distributors and reclaimers.

These facilities are also subject to registration and reporting requirements. Facilities whose systems use only ammonia or carbon dioxide as refrigerants are not subject to the rule.

[Click the icon below to visit the R3 tool:](#)



Refrigerant Registration & Reporting Tool (R3)

What size is your facility?

The size of the largest system determines facility size



Large

≥ 2,000 lbs. of high-GWP refrigerant

Large facilities must register and report immediately



Medium

≥ 200 lbs. < 2,000 lbs. of high-GWP refrigerant

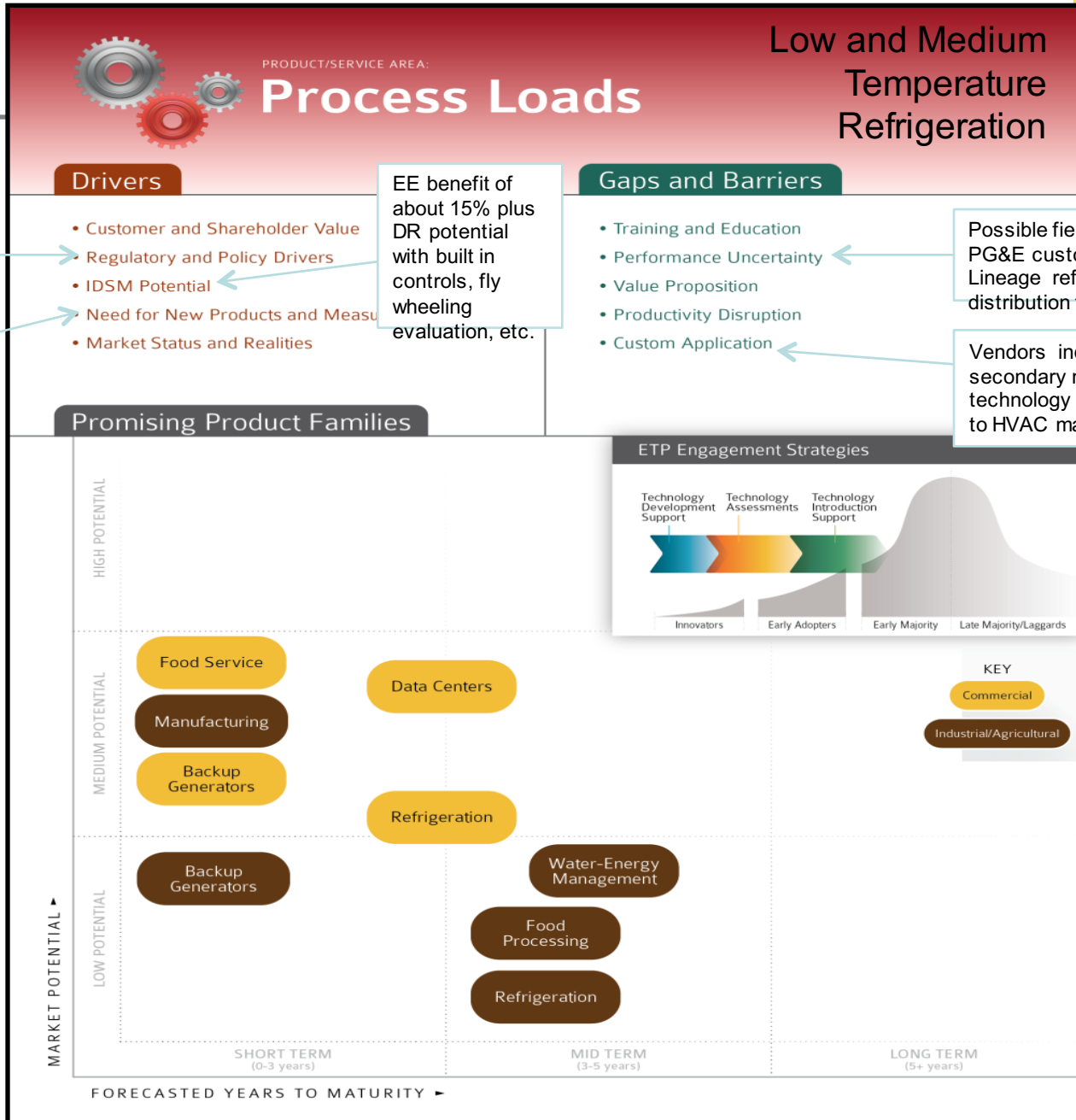
Medium facilities must register and report immediately



Small

> 50 lbs. < 200 lbs. of high-GWP refrigerant

Small facilities must register by March 1, 2016



Global warming potential and hazardous materials issues.

CFC and HCFC replacements for medium and low temperature cold storage.

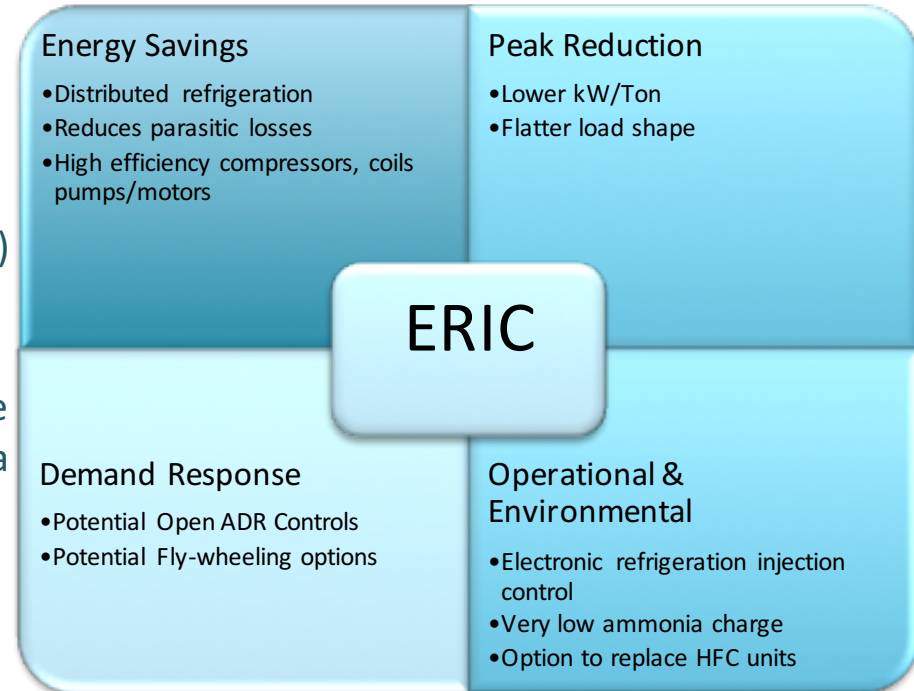
EE benefit of about 15% plus DR potential with built in controls, fly wheeling evaluation, etc.

Possible field tests with PG&E customer and existing Lineage refrigerated distribution facility

Vendors indicate secondary market that technology will expand to HVAC markets

Ultra Low Charge Ammonia Benefits Examined

- Improved Energy Efficiency
 - Estimated 15-25% in CA regulated HFC based refrigeration
 - Estimated 5-10% in CA industrial and large refrigerated warehouse (ammonia)
 - Reduced Peak Demand
- Environmental Improvements
 - Significant reduction in ammonia charge
 - Reduced HFC emissions where ammonia system replaces HFC system
- Customer Behavior and Operational Cost Savings
 - Lower Installed Cost
 - Lower Operating and Maintenance Cost
 - Higher Productivity



Preliminary results – annual savings about %14
Baseline average – 3.92 kW/ton
Ultra low charge technology - ~ 1.7 kW/ton

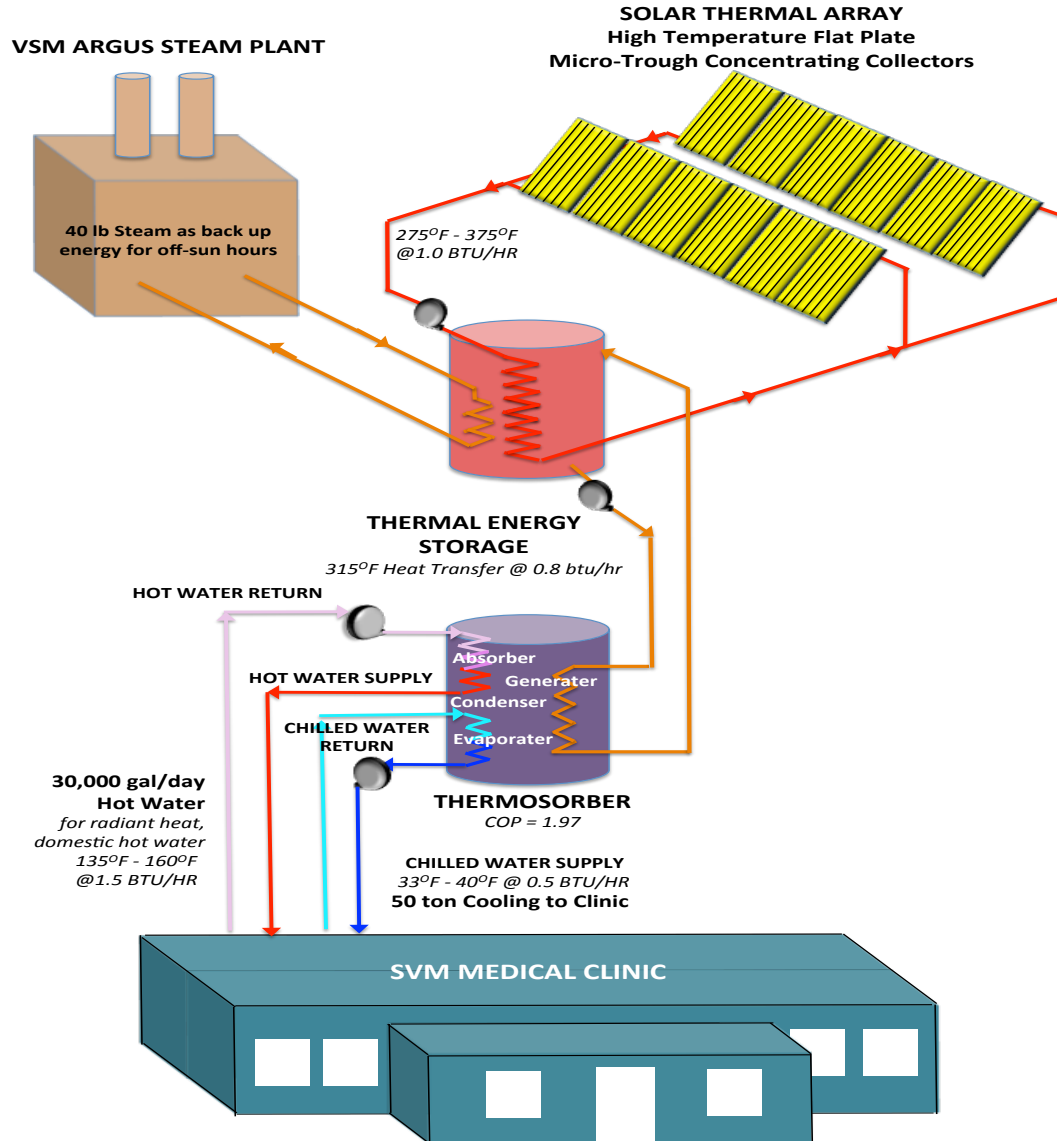
Taking a look at refrigerant alternatives....



- Working with EPRI on refrigerant alternatives
 - ✓ CO2 transcritical ambient temperature evaluation at labs in Knoxville
 - ✓ Packaged ammonia/CO2 chiller@ food processing plant in Irvine, CA
- Drop-in R-22 replacements
 - ✓ HFO – so far issues with seals and possibly txv in SCE TTC lab
 - ✓ Field test of blend for medium temp walk-in – Rancho Cucamonga, CA
- Self Contained Propane Display Cases
 - ✓ Lab evaluation of propane cases versus conventional
 - ✓ Potential to create tiered incentives based on increased efficiency levels
 - ✓ Testing to be completed Q3 2015
- Evaluation of Evapco low charge – low water consumption
- Evaluation of low charge Azane product – air cooled

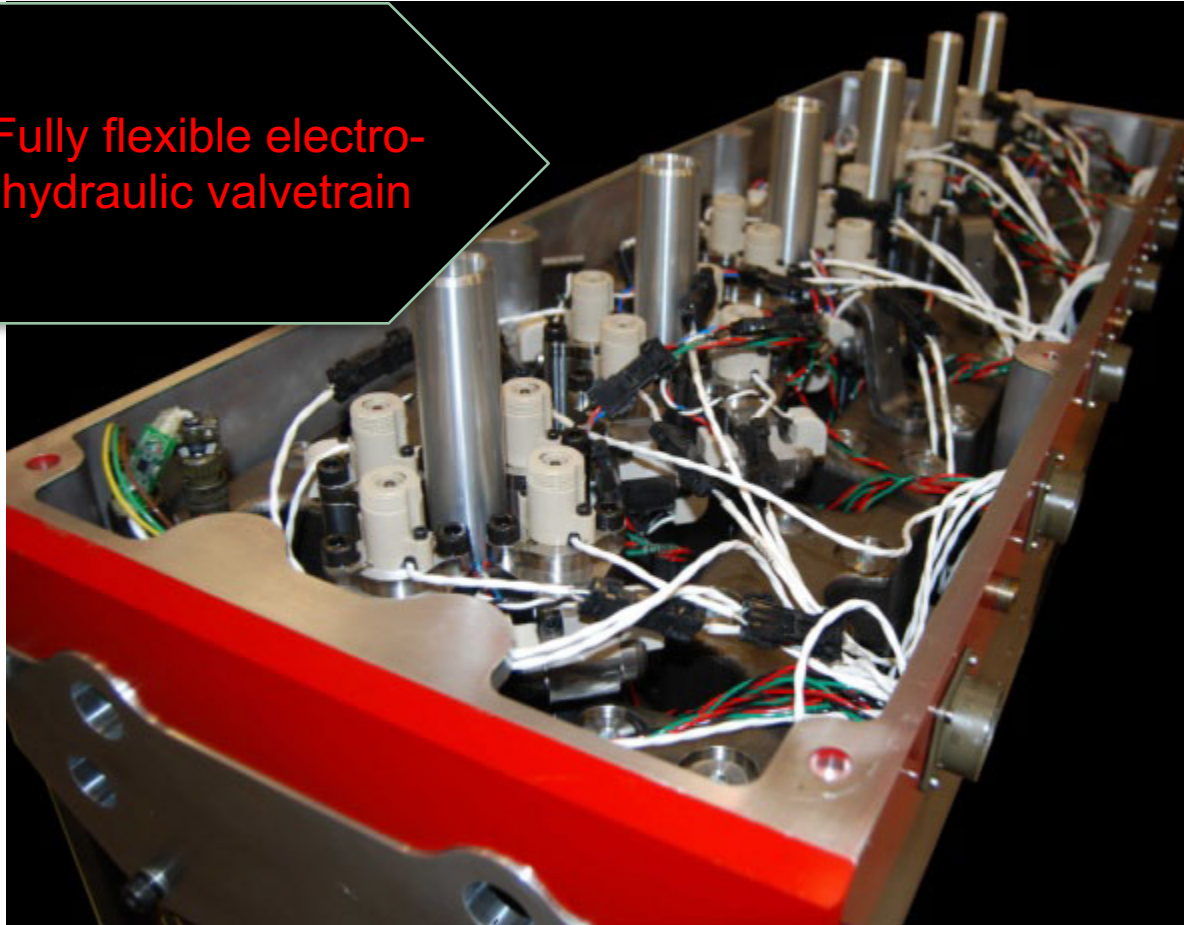
Adjacent technologies...solar thermal absorption cooling & heating

SOLAR THERMOSORBER SYSTEM for Searles Valley Minerals Medical Clinic



Adjacent technologies...Ammonia as a fuel

Fully flexible electro-hydraulic valvetrain



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