

2022 Annual Merit Review Cummins/Peterbilt SuperTruck II

A white and red Peterbilt SuperTruck II is shown in the background. The truck has a large American flag graphic on the side of the trailer and the Cummins/Peterbilt logo. The text is overlaid on the truck image.

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Project ID:ACE102

Overview



Timeline

- Begin: 10/1/2016
- End: 9/30/2022
- 92% complete



Budget

- Total Project: \$40M
- \$20M DoE + \$20M Partners
- Total Spent: \$39M
 - \$19.5 = Partners
 - \$19.5 = DoE

Barriers

- Engine Efficiency \geq 55% BTE
- Freight Efficiency \geq 100% FTE
- Cost effective solutions

Partners

- Cummins – Powertrain 
- Eaton - Transmission 
AUTOMATED TRANSMISSION TECHNOLOGIES
- Peterbilt - Vehicle 
- Bridgestone – Tires 
- Walmart – Customer counsel



Relevance: Objectives



- Demonstrate a minimum of 55% BTE at a 65 mph cruise, on an engine dynamometer test stand
 - Same engine systems also demonstrated in vehicle, operating on real world drive cycles
- Achieve a minimum of 125% Freight Ton Efficiency (FTE).
 - $FTE = MPG * \text{Tons of Freight}$
- Track, promote and report on cost effective solutions
 - Prioritize solutions that have ~3-year payback period
 - Utilize customer counsel for understanding payback variables

Relevance: Energy Consumption







- Approximately 20% of U.S. transportation petroleum goes to the production of heavy truck fuel. Proposed improvements would save more than 400 million barrels of oil per year.*
 - Reduce imports and improve energy security
 - Reduce the cost of moving goods
- Heavy Truck GHG emissions account for a CO2 equivalent 420.7 MMT per year (35th edition of the Transportation Energy Data Book).
 - Improve air quality
 - Protect the public health and environment

* <https://energy.gov/eere/vehicles/vehicle-technologies-office-moving-america-forward-energy-efficient-vehicles>



Milestones by Quarter



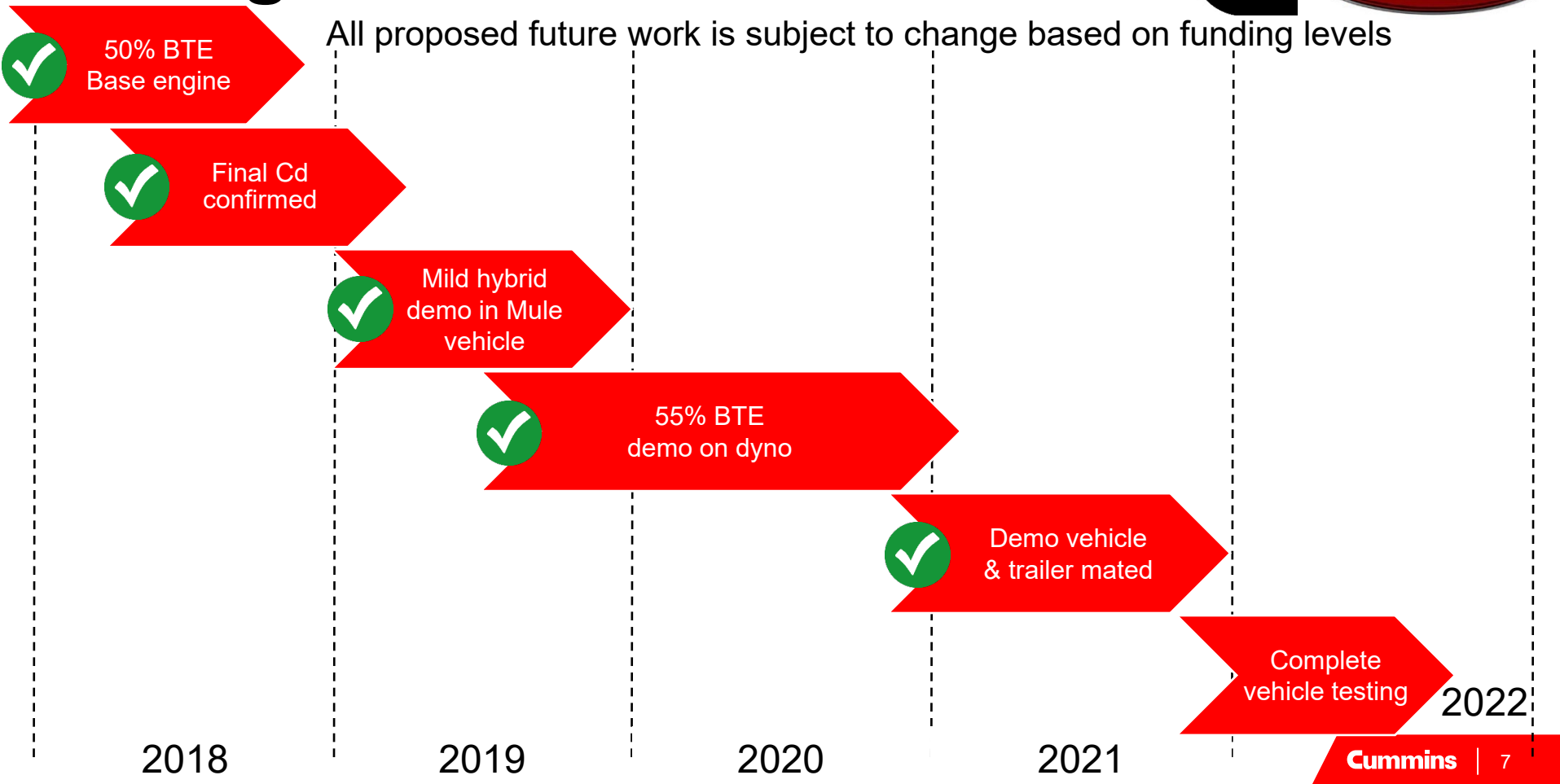
FY 2021		Description
Complete Freight Efficiency Demonstration Engine Build		Ready the engine for final calibration
Begin Freight Efficiency Demo Chassis Build		Begin assembly and population of the frame system
Complete Freight Efficiency Demo Engine Calibration		Prepare the engine, WHR system, and 48V mile hybrid system for the demonstration vehicle
Complete engine installation into FTE Demo chassis		Installation of the engine into the freight efficiency demonstration vehicle

Milestones by Quarter



FY 2022		Description
Complete Freight Efficiency Demo Truck Build		Truck built and ready for calibration
Complete on road calibration		Adjustments to powertrain and active aero for demo vehicle
Completion final freight efficiency demonstration		Demo route and performance tests
Complete final report		Full system final report

Program Level Milestones

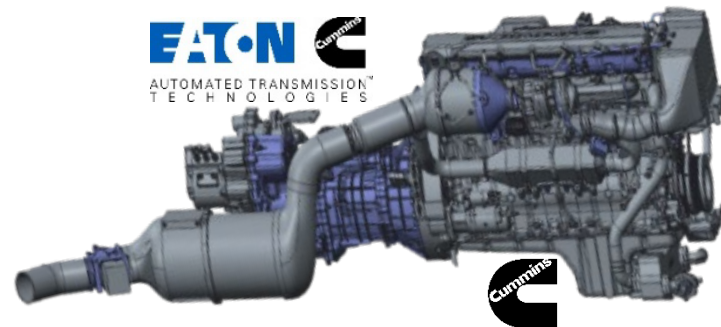


Technical Approach

- Reduce Work/Mile on test route
 - Vehicle aerodynamics & tire improvements
 - Reduce losses in engine and accessories
 - Enable engine-off-coasting (EOC) to reduce motoring losses
 - Electrify accessories for EOC
 - Enable 48V hybridization to minimize brake losses
- Enable high Engine + WHR efficiency
 - Maximize efficiency on test route
 - Advanced Cycle Efficiency Manager (ACEM) to favor high load engine operation
- Maximize freight capacity via weight reduced powertrain/truck/trailer



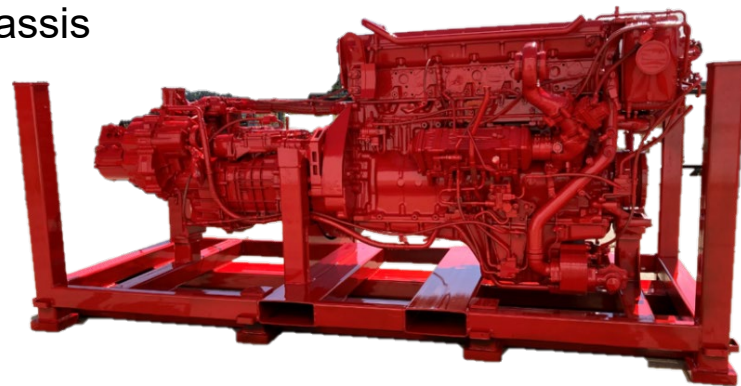
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Accomplishment- Demo Powertrain



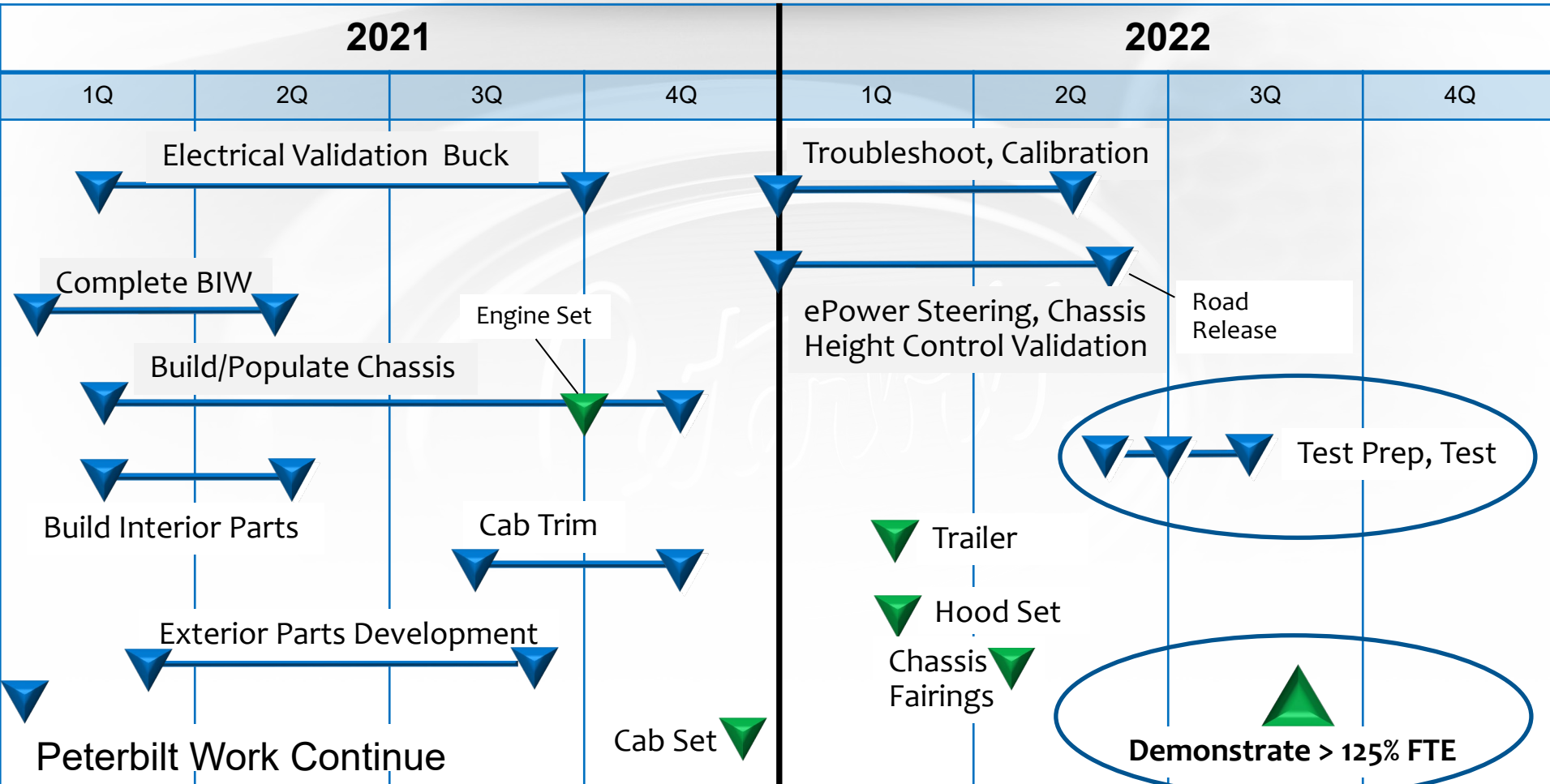
- Demo Powertrain delivered and installed in Demo chassis
- Successful Integration of the following sub-systems:
 - 48V mild hybrid with Electrification Thermal Management, M/G, Power Electronics, and DC/DC
 - Transmission integral WHR turbine expander and gearbox
 - Cooling module integration of WHR Condenser with 48V fans and topping radiator
 - Advanced Cycle Efficiency Manager
 - 6x4 Disconnect axle system
- Key activities for success:
 - Mule development
 - Electrical buck used for controls integration
 - Powertrain installation and startup prior to cab set
 - Final integration with cab and startup





David Mielke
Project Engineer

Program Schedule



Technical Approach: Path to Target

Aerodynamics

Engine

Transmission/Axle

Downspeeding

Lightweighting

Route Management

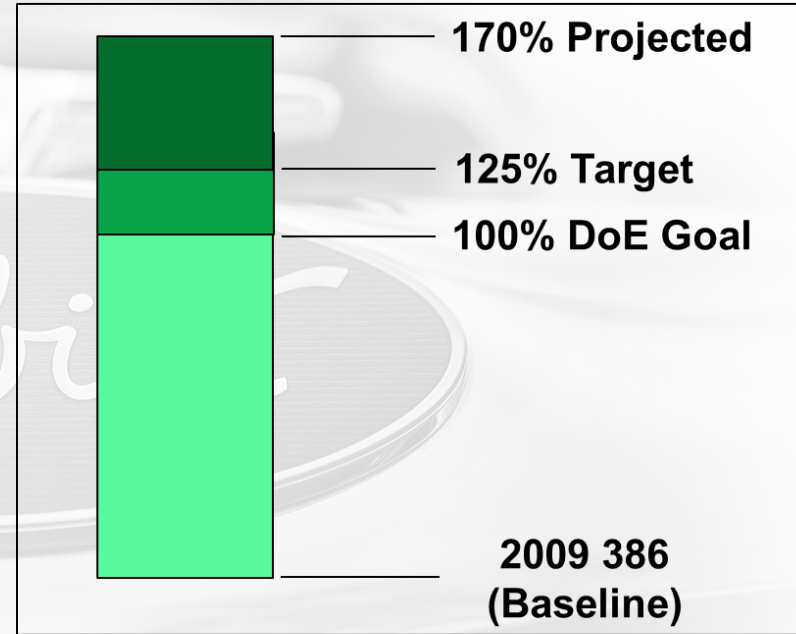
Rolling Resistance

Mild Hybrid/Solar



Technical Approach: Path to Target

- 55% Engine Efficiency
 - Dyno Demonstration Complete ✓ !
- Goals vs. 2009 Baseline
 - Goal: 56% Aerodynamic Drag Reduction
 - 63% Achieved ✓ +
 - Goal: 3800lb Weight Reduction
 - 4700lb Achieved ✓ +
 - Goal: 30% Reduced Rolling Resistance
 - 33% Achieved ✓ +



Freight-Ton Improvement



Technical Approach: Applied Technologies



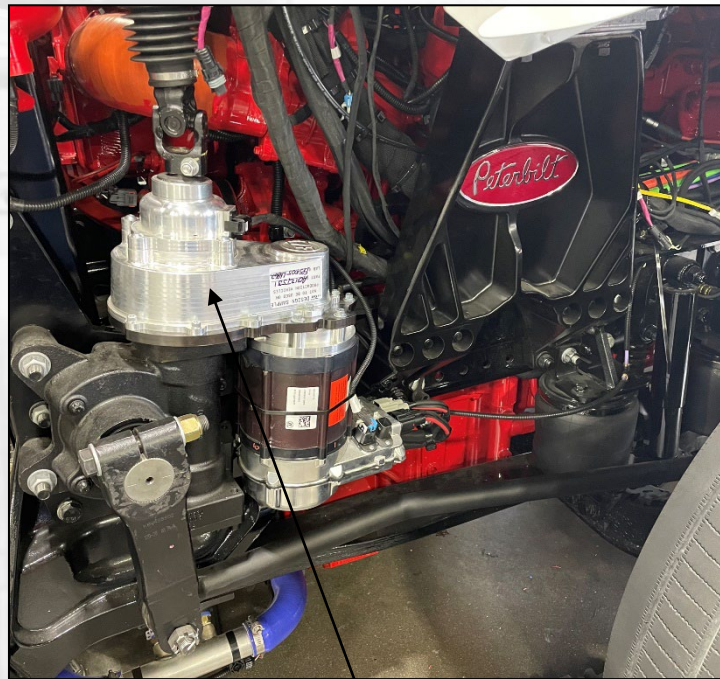
Technical Progress: Chassis and Powertrain Systems

48v ePower Steer

- Reduced Engine Parasitics
- Control During Engine-Off Coast
 - Functional Prototype In Operation
 - Final Software Available End of May '22

Chassis Fairings

- Improved Aerodynamic Closeouts
- Lightweight Construction
 - Completed March '22
 - Final Installation Expected April '22



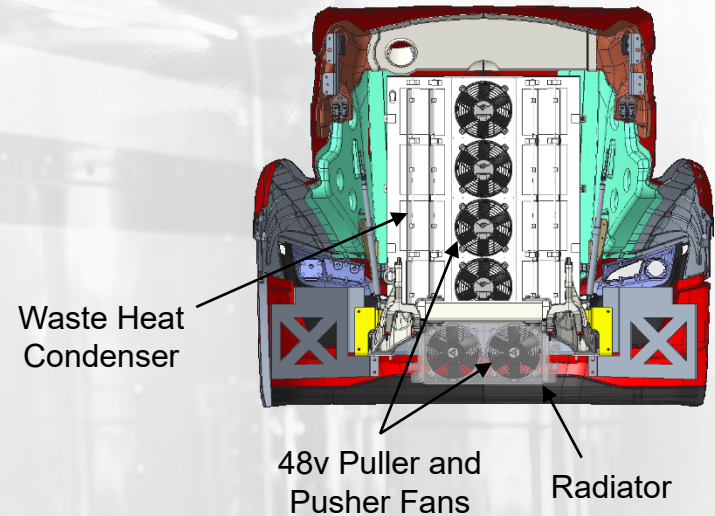
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Technical Accomplishments: Chassis Systems

Cooling Module and 48v Fans **MAHLE**

- Waste Heat Condenser
- Radiator and HVAC Condenser
 - Installed and Operational March '22



Technical Accomplishment: Lightweight/Aerodynamic Trailer

Trailer

- Solar Panels Integrated
- Light Weight Construction
 - 1500lb Weight Reduction
 - 500lb Overweight
- Aerodynamics
 - Modified Commercial Tail
 - Previous: Trailer Sail Plates
 - Maturity Not Yet Ready
- Delivered Feb '22




Trailer Solar Panels



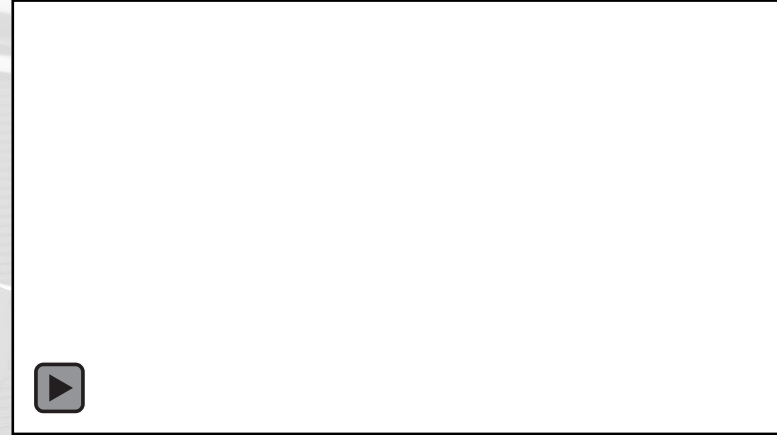
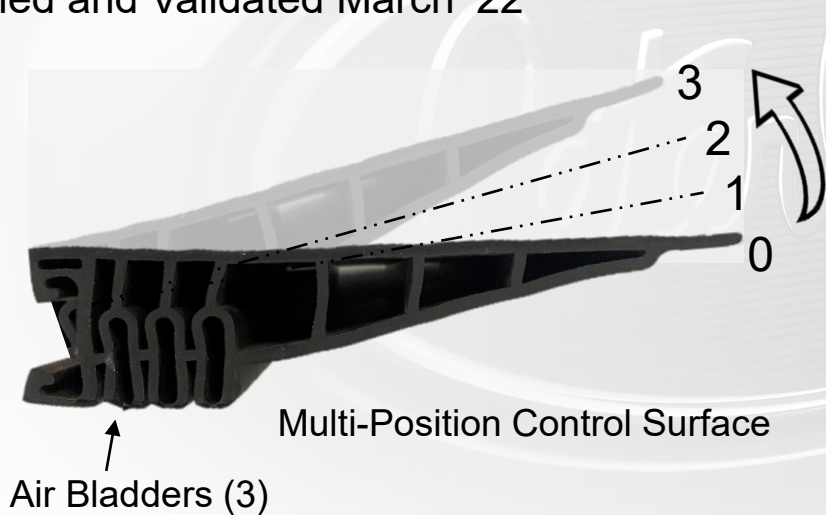
Technical Progress: Active Aerodynamics

- Dynamic Sleeper Extender









- Pneumatically Controlled Surface  IMI NORGREN®
- Input from Roof-Mounted Yaw Sensor
- High Yaw Drag Mitigation (Trailer Gap)
 - Installed and Validated March '22

Control
Surface



Technical Accomplishments: Cab

- Cab Body in White 
 - Facilitates Aerodynamic Layout
 - Lightweight Design
 - Cab set Dec '21
- Vehicle Completed Technologies
 - Interior Trim 
 - Driver Seat
 - Wiper System 
 - Roof and Outer Body Panels 
 - Windshield and Side Glass  PILKINGTON
 - 48V HVAC 



Camera System

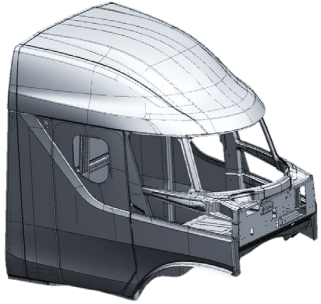


Cab Interior

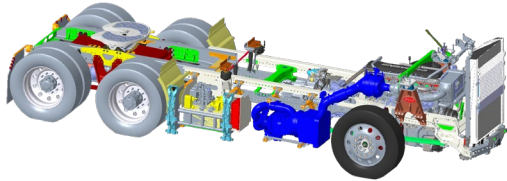


2022 Vehicle Schedule Summary

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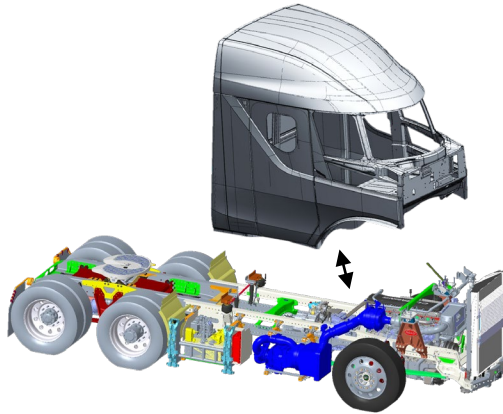


Cab Trim



Chassis Trim

4Q21-1Q22



Cab Set/Troubleshoot

1Q-2Q22



Complete Outer Body
Demonstration Testing



Collaboration: Walmart Application

Data Collection

- Road Grade
- Max Elevation
- Major vs. Local Roads
- Duty Cycle
 - Long & Short Term
 - % Time at Speed, Load
- Aftertreatment
 - Regeneration
 - Maximum Soot
 - DPF Out Temp/Parameters



NREL Data Collection and Analysis (2017)

Location	Trucks	OEM	Engine	Total Mileage
Loveland, CO	8	Peterbilt 579	Cummins ISX15	40,895
Sanger, TX	24	Peterbilt 579	Cummins ISX15	131,605
Grove City, CO	17	Brand X	Brand Y	101,238
	7	Brand X	Cummins ISX15	
Total	56			273,738

Program Summary



- Powertrain
 - Powertrain development in mule vehicle completed and system installed in Demo
 - Cummins has achieved the engine 55% BTE objective
- Vehicle
 - Aerodynamic System, Weight Reduction, Tire CRR Ahead of Target
 - Demonstration Tractor and Trailer Initial Build Completed
 - Final Troubleshooting and Calibration to be Completed in Q2 2022
 - Final Demonstration Testing will begin in July 2022
- Cummins and Peterbilt will exceed the 125% Freight Efficiency objective

Proposed Future Research



- Demonstrate >125% FTE improvement
 - Freight Efficiency Demonstrator is built
 - Complete on-road testing and confirm Freight Efficiency objective in Q3
- Testing planned beyond
 - Use local Texas Route developed by NREL from Walmart duty cycle data to demonstrate technology applicability
 - Test SuperTruck II Demo performance vs. current production baseline vehicle
- Complete Final Report
- The project will complete this fiscal year, with no follow-on funding/work expected

All proposed future work is subject to change based on funding levels



THANK YOU!

QUESTIONS