

# FuelCell Energy

Advancing High-Temperature Steam Electrolysis:  
Optimizing LCOH at Multi-MW Scale

Industry Reports –Solid Oxide Electrolysis and High Temperature Steam  
Electrolyzer - Technology Vendor Status

Presentation for the Idaho National Lab  
Light Water Reactor Sustainability

Flexible Plant Operation and Generation Pathway  
Stakeholder Engagement Meeting

# FuelCell Energy Carbonate Technology



400-cell fuel cell stack package



Four-stack module  
**1.4MW**



**1.4 MW net power**  
47% electrical efficiency  
up to 90% total efficiency



**2.8 MW net power**  
47% electrical efficiency  
up to 90% total efficiency



Tri-generation  
**2.35 MW net power**  
1,270 kg/day hydrogen  
1,400 gal/day water



Carbon Recovery  
**1.3-1.8 MW power**  
20+ Mt/day CO<sub>2</sub>



**11 MW**



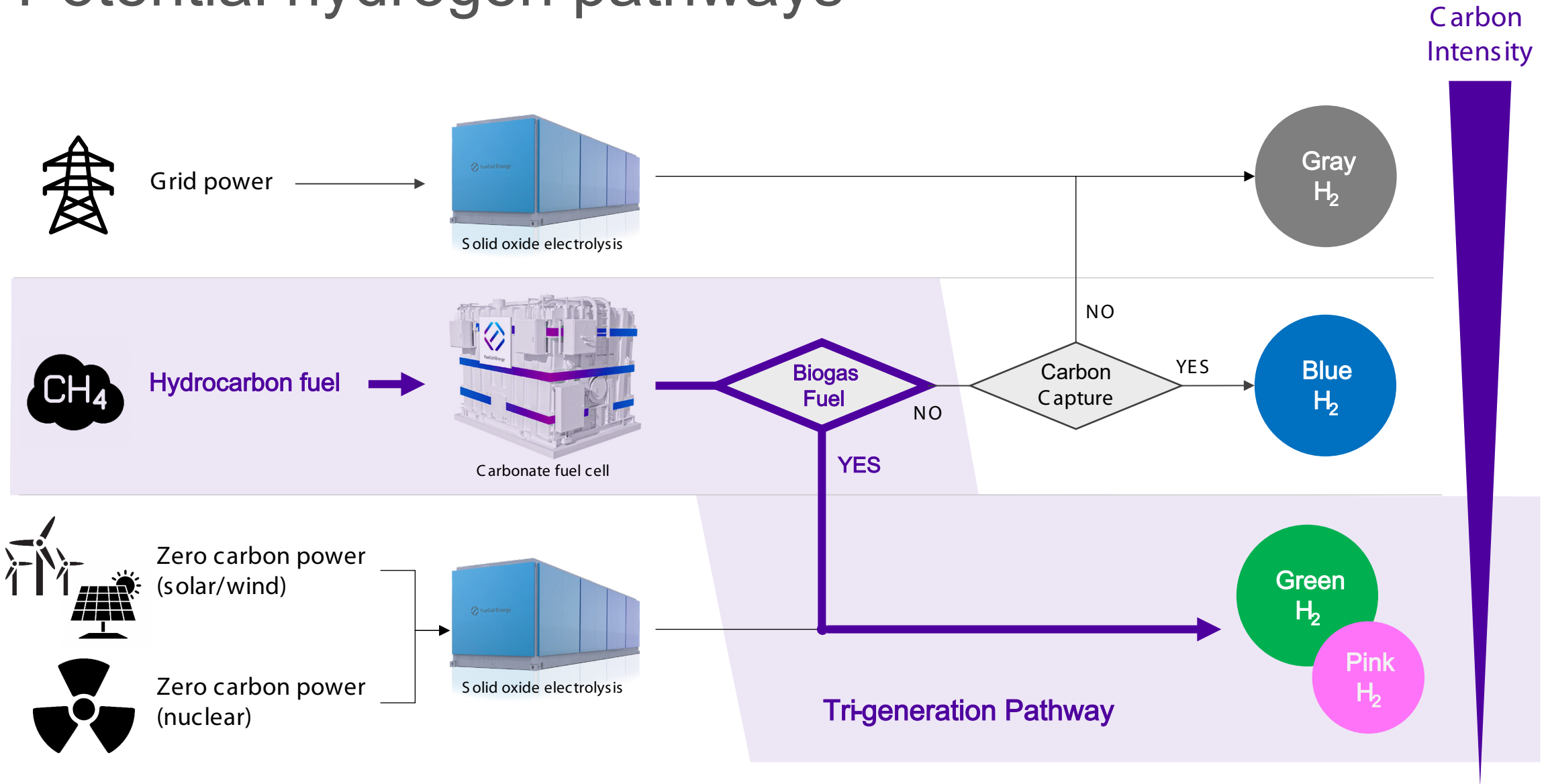
**15 MW**



**59 MW**

**Large-scale fuel cell parks**

# Potential hydrogen pathways





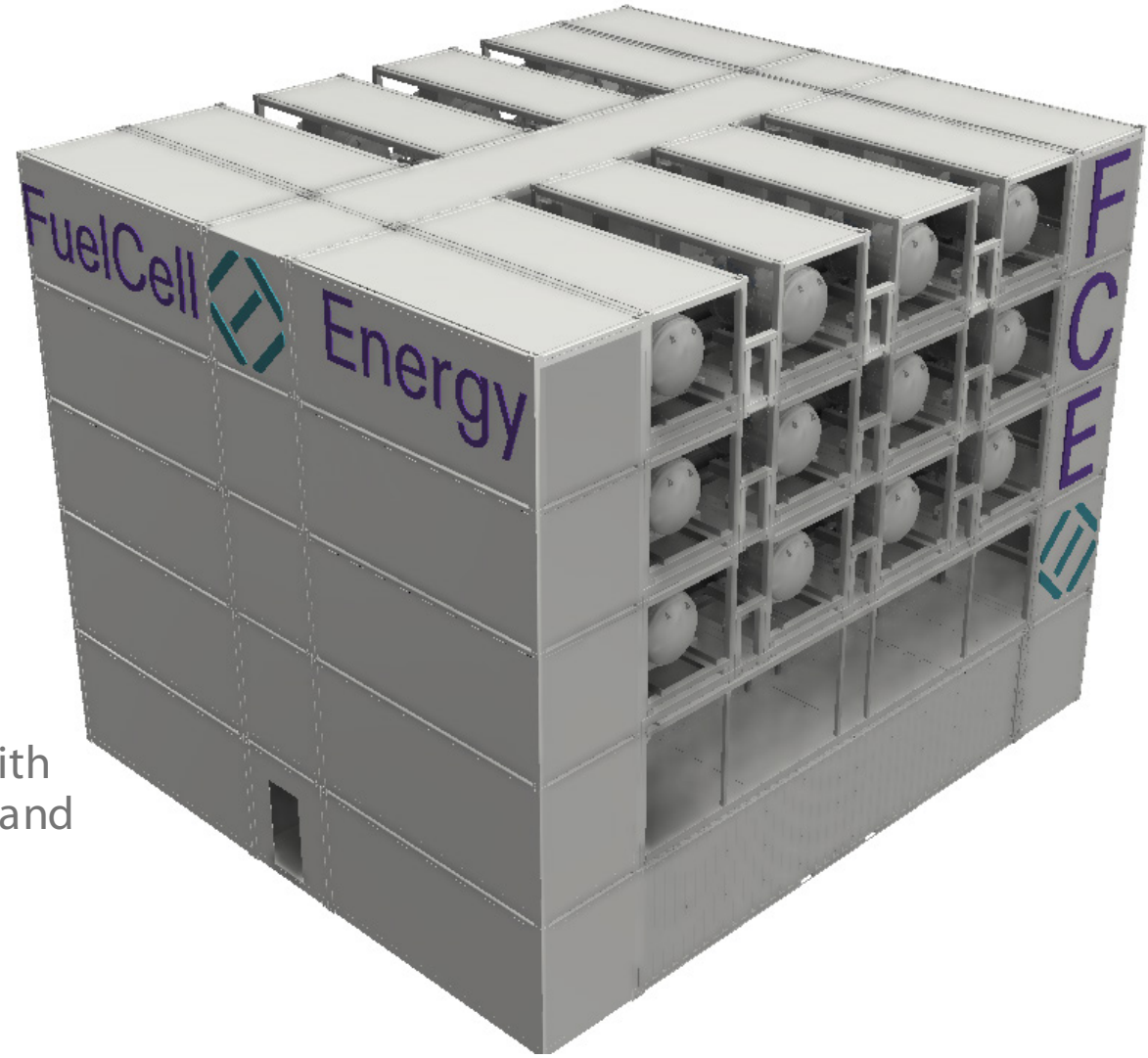
# INL Demonstration System

- 250 kW SOEC Demonstration Unit
  - Currently Installed at INL
  - 2000-hour demonstration test
    - Projected Industry Leading Efficiency
      - $<45$  kWh/kg
- Multi-MW Technology Scaleup
  - 20% reduction in LCOH from PEM
  - Stack Manufacturing Expansion
  - Common Compact Stack Architecture



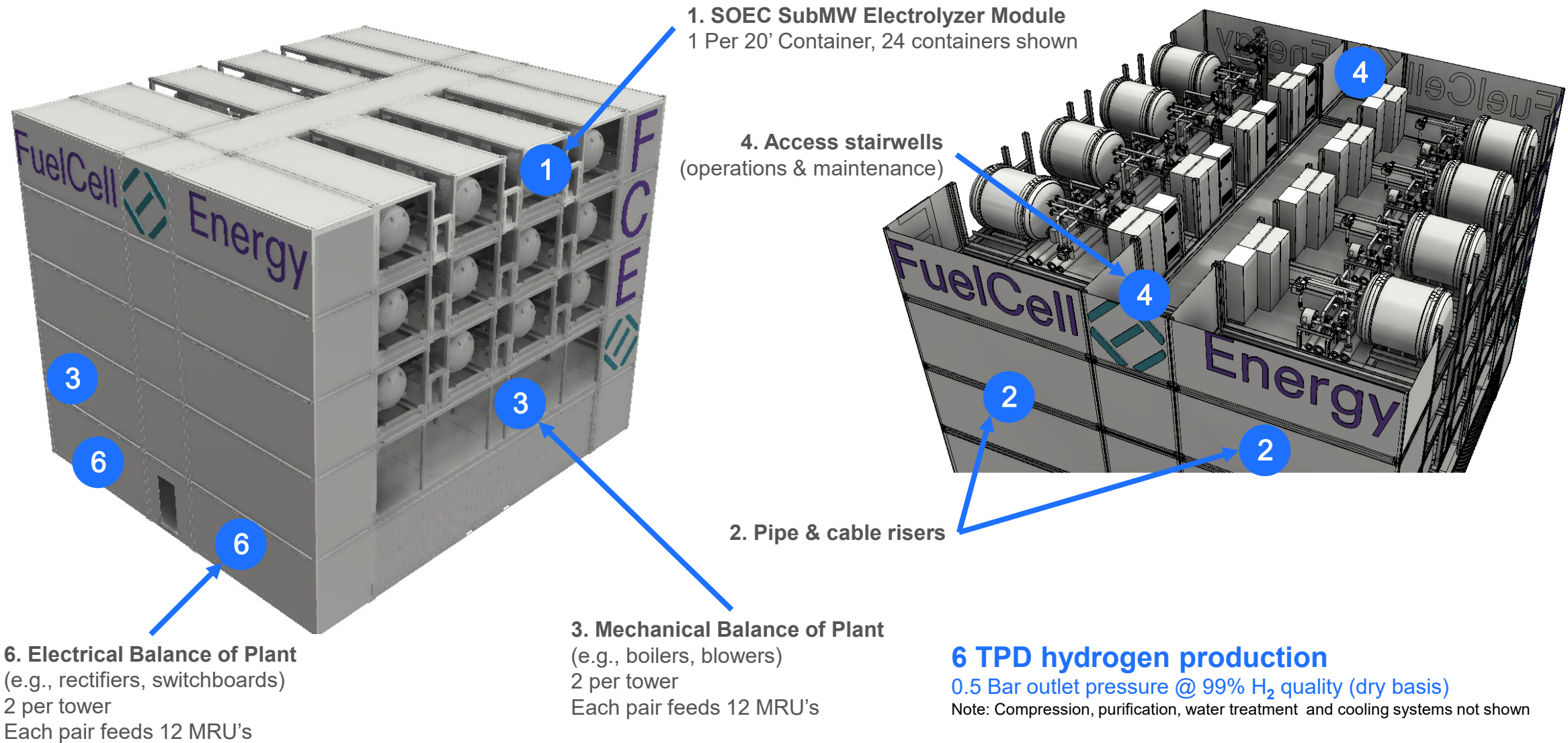
# Market Assessment

- Target Markets –Industry Integration
  - Ammonia Production
  - Direct Reduced Iron
  - Sustainable Aviation Fuel
  - Synthetic Diesel Fuel
- Multi-MW Scale Approach
  - Leverage Proven Stack Design
  - Expand to Repeatable Module Units
  - Balance of Plant Design for multi-MW system with hot swappable module design, focusing on LCOH and serviceability from ground up



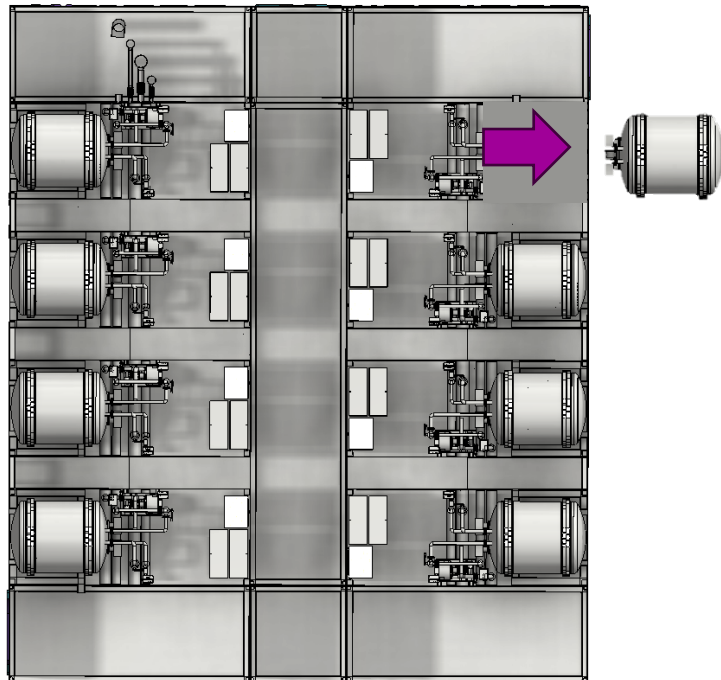


# 6 Ton/Day SOEC H2 Arrangement (½ “Cluster”)



# Module Replacement

- All process and electrical connections accessible from the front of the module (inside the MRU)
- All process connections are bolted
- All LV connections to be connector-style (cannon or similar)
- DC cables to be easily disconnected (connector or otherwise)
- Module pulled out of MRU structure
- Aerial bundle extractor to be utilized above 3<sup>d</sup> level



# Target Price

## Objective: 10-20% lower LCOH vs PEM

*Base Project (Plant)2030, 25 MW, 30 bar H2, 99.9% H2*

29 MW Site	Units	PEM	FCE SOE	FCE SOE (heat integrated)
Plant Efficiency, BOL	kWh/kg	56.7	50.0	44.5
Net H2 Output, BOL	kg/day	12,254	13,680	13,680
Total Plant CAPEX	\$/kW	\$2,000	\$2,400	\$2,530
Total Plant CAPEX	\$/ kg/day	\$4,724	\$4,403	\$4,639
LCOH	\$/kg	\$6.52	\$5.91	\$5.56

### FCE SOE Advantage

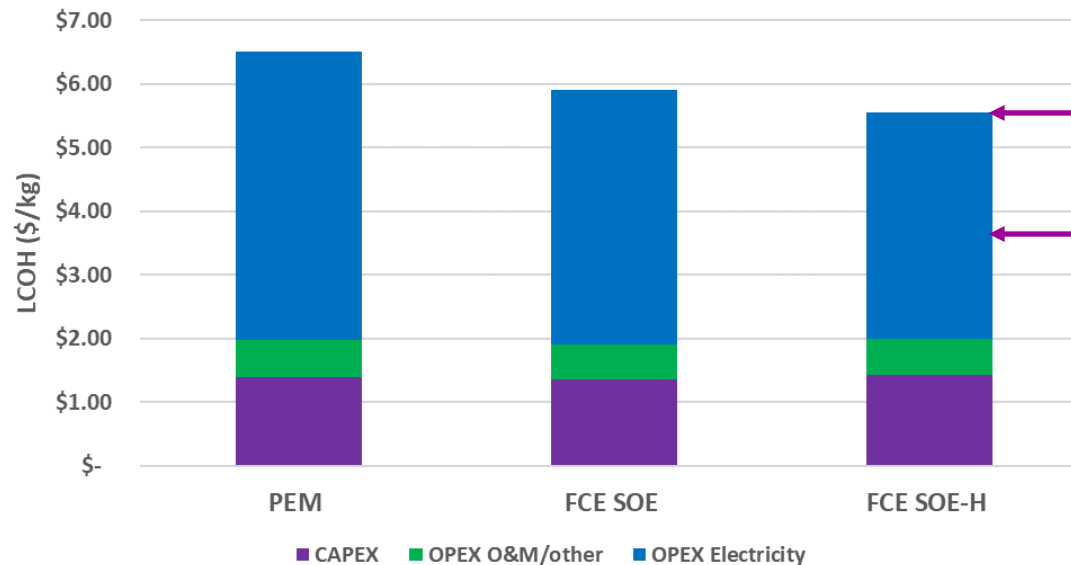
← 12-21% better efficiency

← 12% more H2 production

← 2-7% lower total CAPEX/kg

### LCOH - FCE SOE vs PEM

(2030 COD, 29 MW site, \$80/MWH electric, 95% CF, 20 years)



← 12-21% lower total LCOH

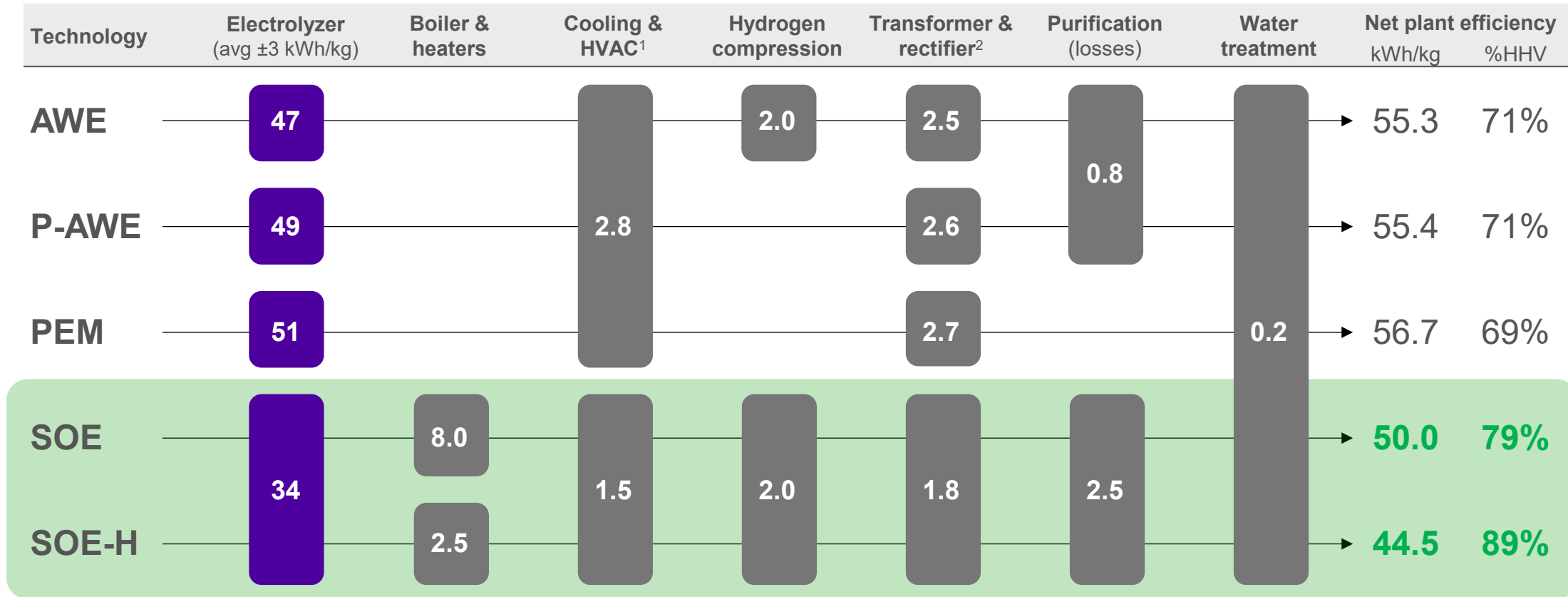
← 9-15% lower cost of electricity



# Plant-level performance comparison

## Electrical load by process component, in kWh/kg-H<sub>2</sub>

Assumes 99.9% pure hydrogen product at 30 bar pressure and ~25 MW scale



Solid oxide operates at high temperature and requires a steam boiler, but its high efficiency and thermal recycling reduce cooling loads and rectification losses per kilogram of hydrogen production

Solid oxide systems generally require higher hydrogen purification demands

Net of plant loads, solid oxide maintains **highest overall efficiency**



# Questions?