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# **PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS OF HYDROGEN AS MARINE FUEL.**

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Hydrogen-Based Mobility and Power

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ABOUT US

# WHAT WE DO BEST.



- Naval architecture
- Marine engineering
- Ocean engineering/analysis

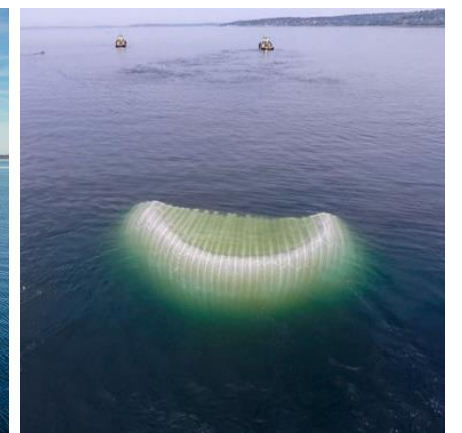
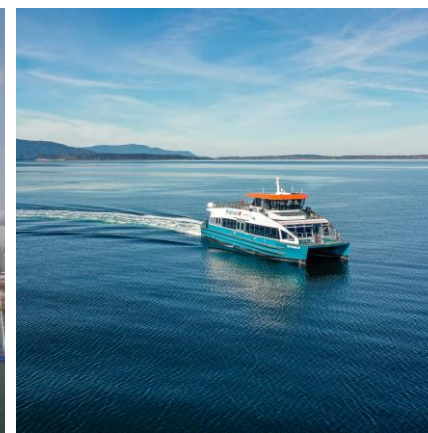
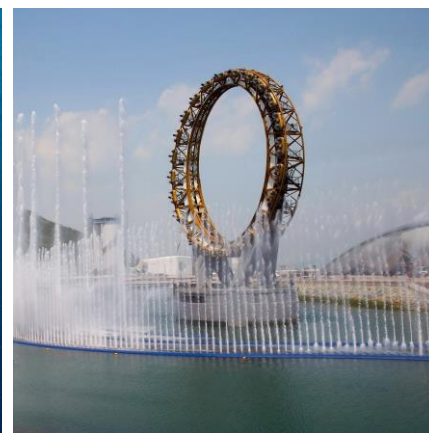
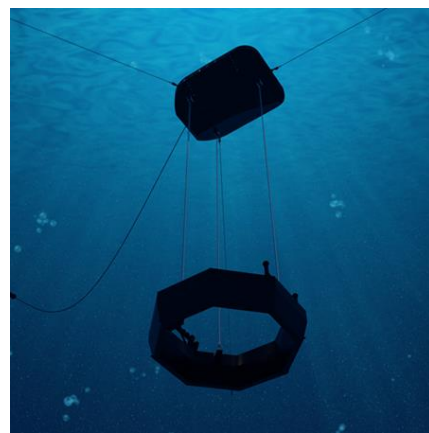
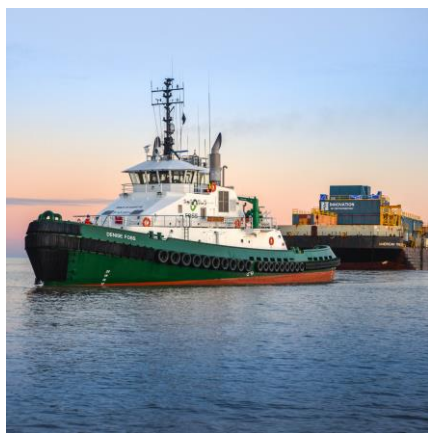
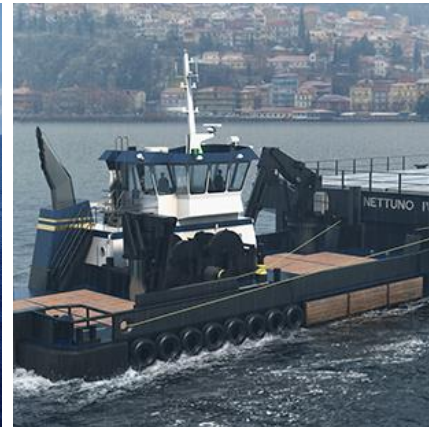
- Marine civil construction
- Noise control engineering

- Electrical engineering
- Production engineering



# DELIVERING UNIQUE SOLUTIONS.

The depth and breadth of our experience has resulted in a body of work we're proud to showcase. From standard builds to one-of-a-kind designs, our commitment to excellence shines through in everything we do.





# REPLACING THE RV THUWAL.



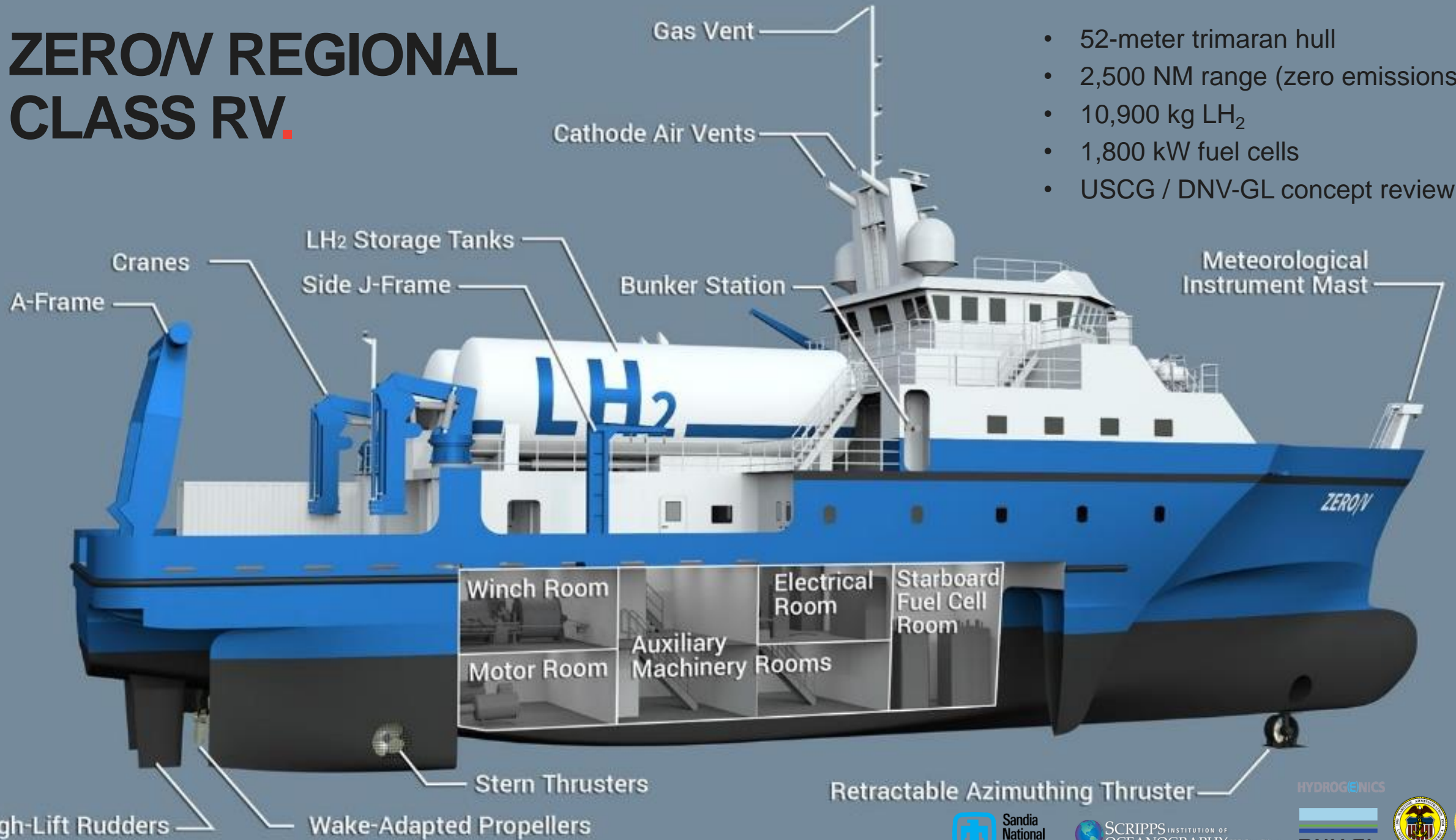
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# **OUR RECENT HYDROGEN / FUEL CELL PROJECTS.**



# ZERO/V REGIONAL CLASS RV

- 52-meter trimaran hull
- 2,500 NM range (zero emissions)
- 10,900 kg LH<sub>2</sub>
- 1,800 kW fuel cells
- USCG / DNV-GL concept review



HYDROGENICS





# H<sub>2</sub> HYBRID SRV.

- 38-meter
- 3,200 NM Range (with diesel + hydrogen)
- 330 NM zero emissions range (hydrogen only)
- 730 kg LH2
- 800 kW fuel cells



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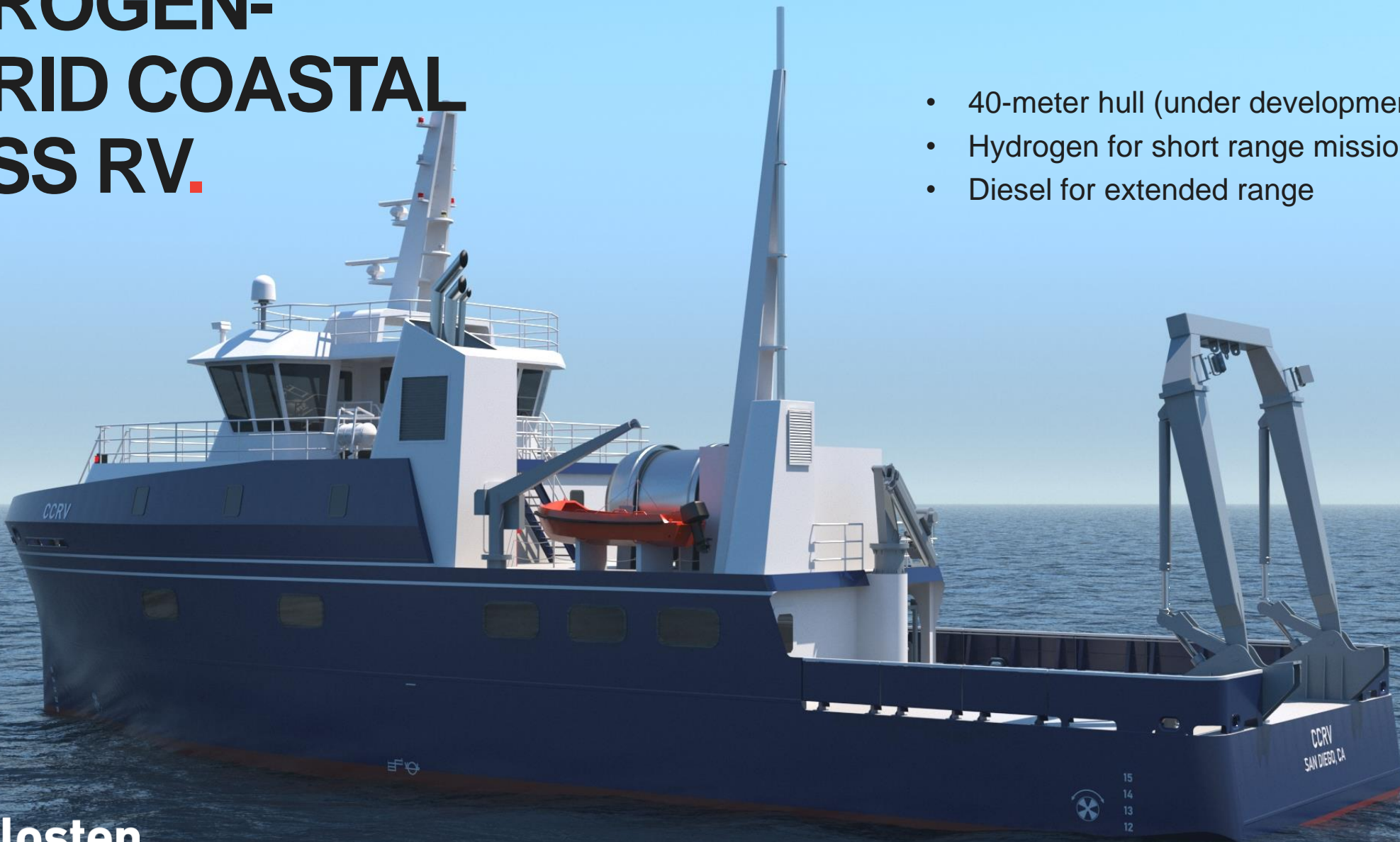


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# HYDROGEN- HYBRID COASTAL CLASS RV.

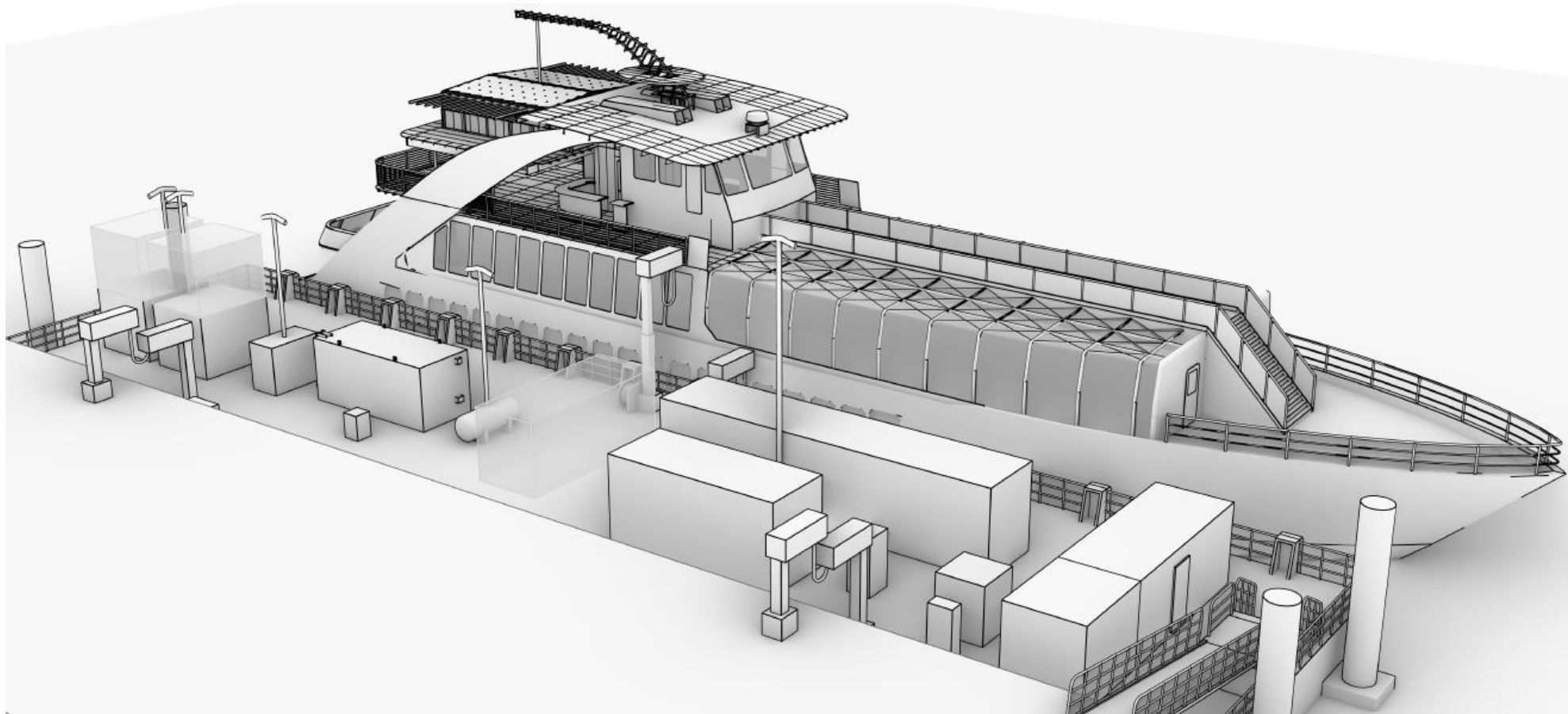
- 40-meter hull (under development)
- Hydrogen for short range missions
- Diesel for extended range



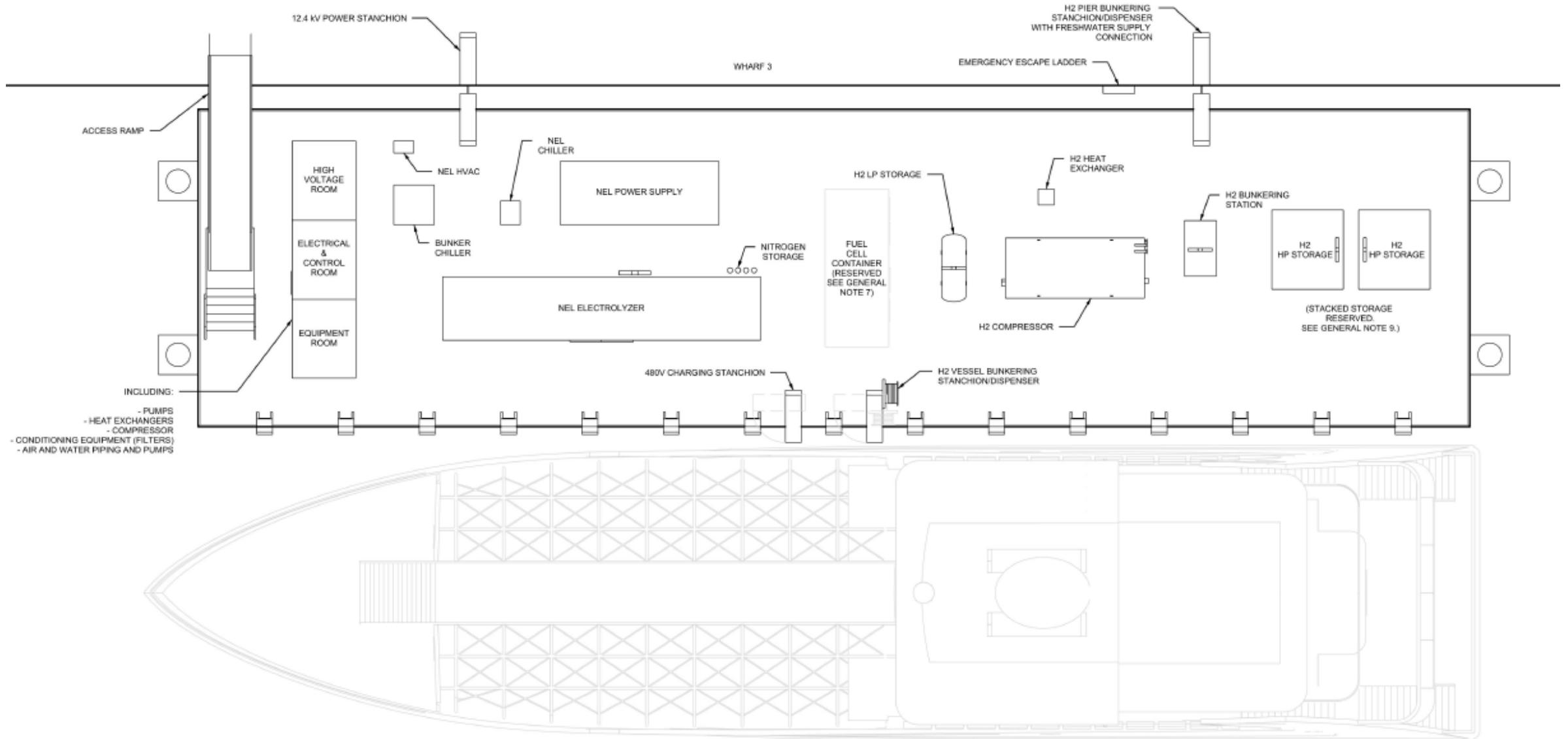


# HYDROGEN FUELING STATION.

- Producing H<sub>2</sub> with power from hydroelectric
- ~500 kg/H<sub>2</sub> per day production with 1.2MW Electrolyzer
- H<sub>2</sub> vessel bunkering from onboard storage tanks
- H<sub>2</sub> supply to on shore tube trailers for supply to landside consumers
- Electric vessel charging



# HYDROGEN FUELING STATION.





# HYDROGEN IN USE.

H<sub>2</sub> IN USE

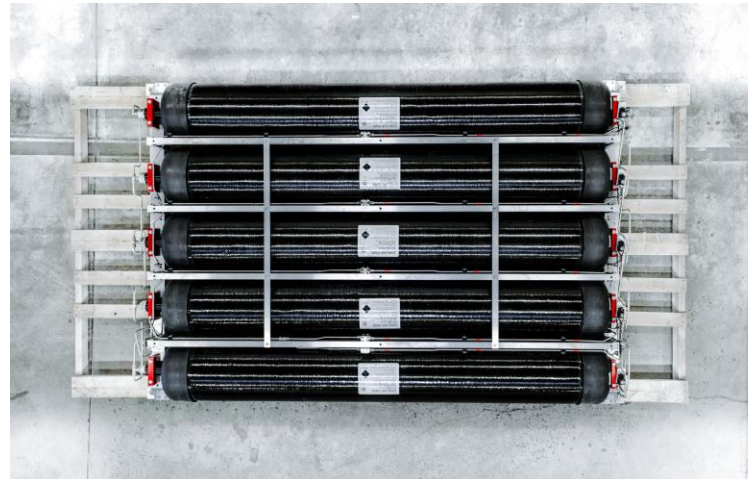


Source: MAN Energy Solution ([www.man-es.com](http://www.man-es.com))

## LIQUID HYDROGEN

- Cryogenic (-253°C)
- Requires pressure management of boil-off
- Limited holding time
- Higher volumetric density
- Typically located on open deck
- More appropriate for large quantities

# H<sub>2</sub> FUEL STORAGE.



Source: Hexagon Purus ([www.hexagonpurus.com](http://www.hexagonpurus.com))

## COMPRESSED HYDROGEN

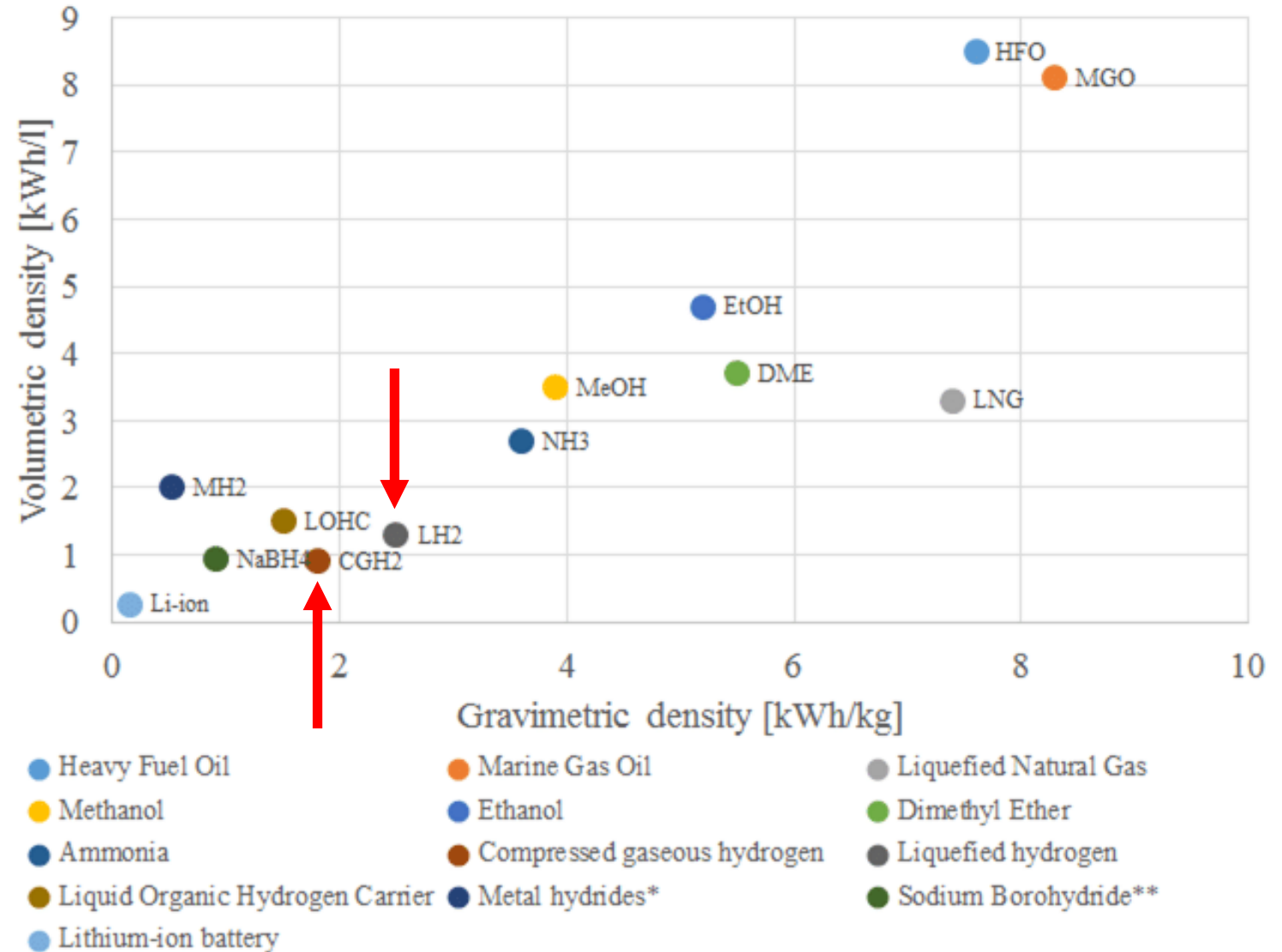
- High pressure (250+ Bar)
- Indefinite holding time
- Many connections, large hazardous zones
- Low volumetric density
- Higher pressure (500+ Bar) is still developmental for ships.
- Typically located on open deck
- More appropriate for smaller quantities



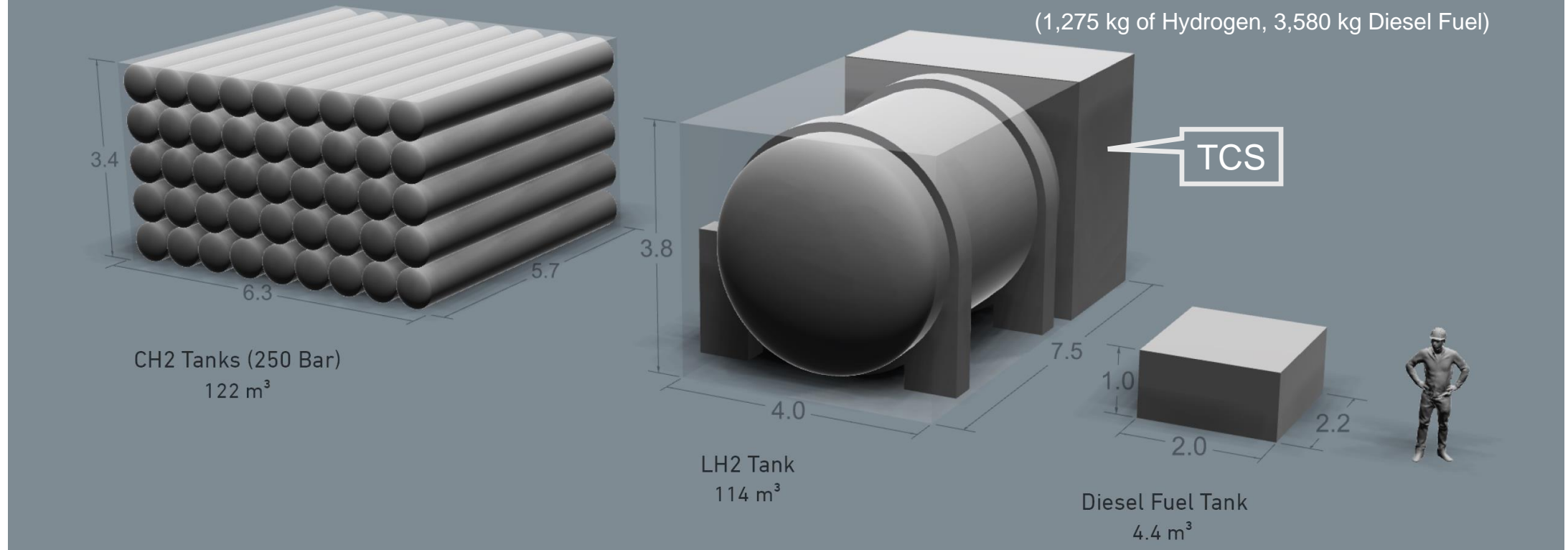
# H<sub>2</sub> FUEL STORAGE.

- Must consider more than just the energy density of the fuel itself.
- Tank systems are an order of magnitude more weight than the hydrogen they contain.
- Hydrogen alone (without tank) is 33kWh/kg

Volumetric and gravimetric energy density of logistic fuels including the tank system



Comparison of space used for 153,000 MJ of fuel storage  
(1,275 kg of Hydrogen, 3,580 kg Diesel Fuel)



# H<sub>2</sub> FUEL STORAGE.

- Hydrogen tanks are cylindrical pressure vessels.
- Space and volume claim of tanks is increased because of unused space around the tanks.
- Liquid hydrogen tanks typically require a tank connection space (TCS).
- For relatively small tanks, such as shown, the TCS is a large portion of the tank system.



H<sub>2</sub> IN USE

# FUELING.

## LIQUID HYDROGEN

- High rates of fuel transfer are possible.
- Requires special procedures for cryogenic liquid.
- Purging with nitrogen is not possible, it will freeze. Helium can be used.
- Shore based fueling infrastructure is required.

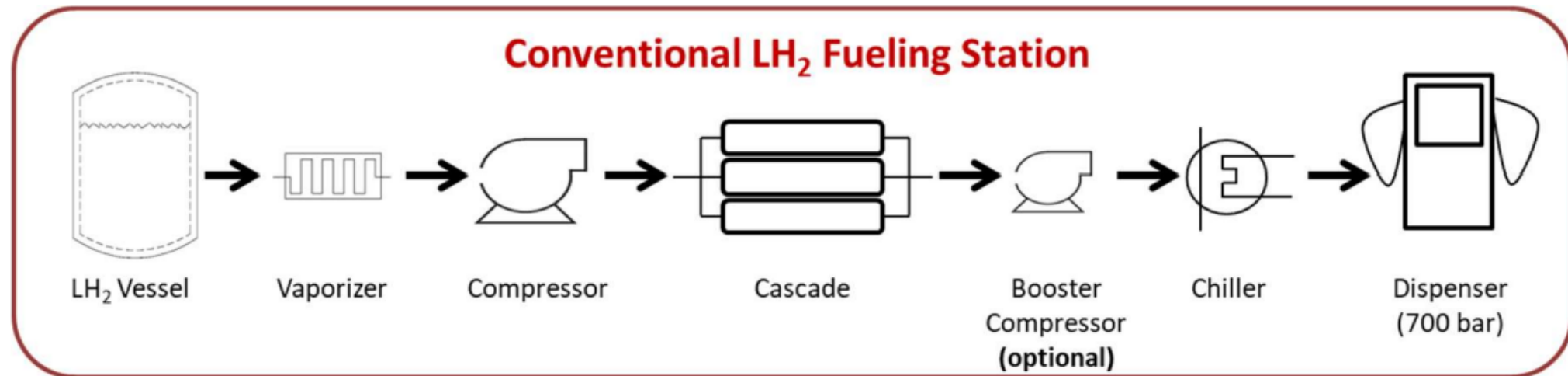


Liquid Hydrogen Loading Arm  
(Tokyo Boeki Engineering, Ltd.)

# FUELING.

## COMPRESSED

- High rates of fueling is challenging
- Bunker cooling likely required
- Large compressors required for high pressure storage
- Large quantities likely require a fueling station using stored liquid hydrogen

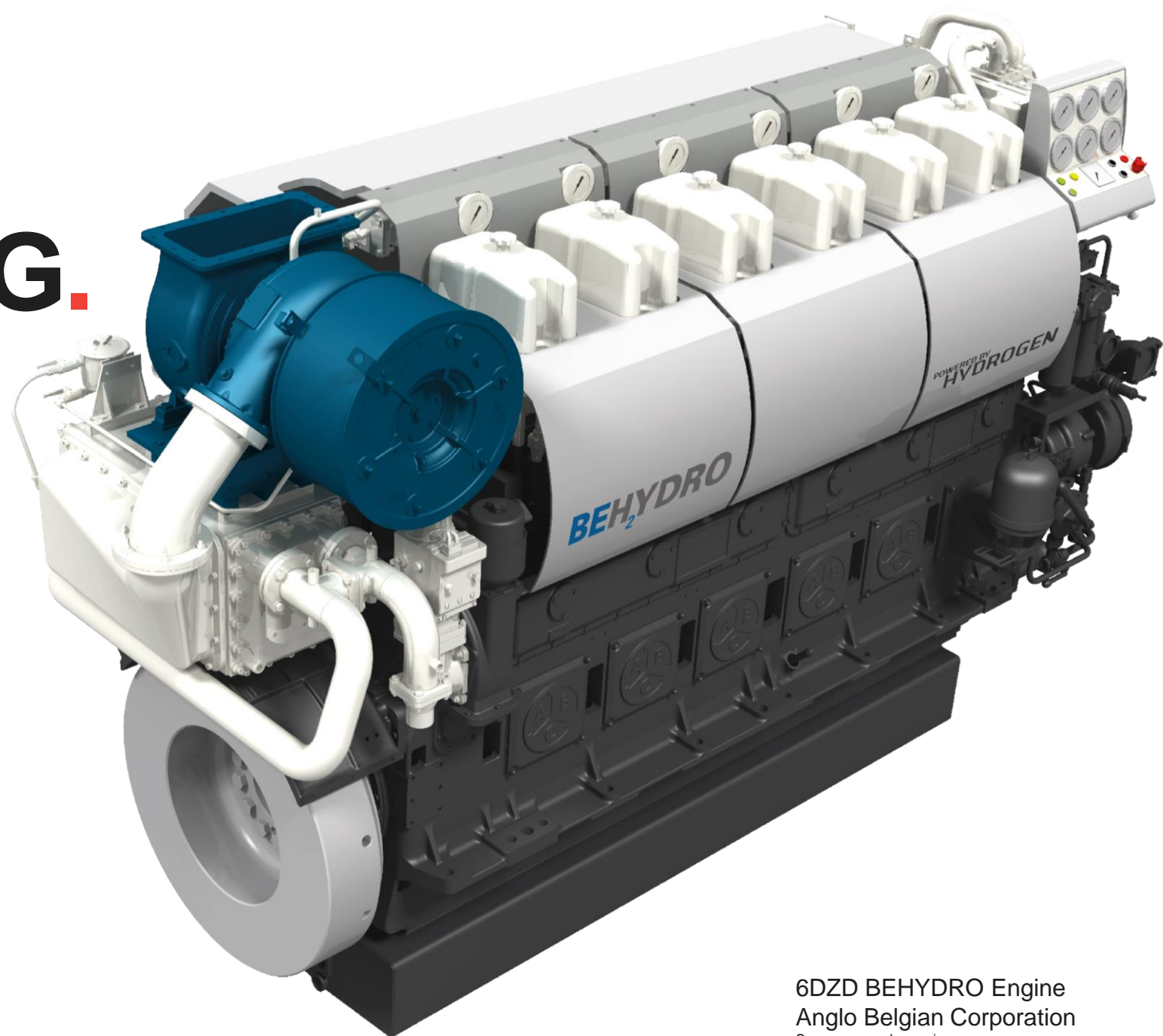




# POWERING.

## COMBUSTION ENGINES

- Similar to diesel engines
- Dual fuel (H<sub>2</sub> and diesel) or spark ignited (H<sub>2</sub> only)
- Can use lower purity H<sub>2</sub>
- Low onboard emissions, but not zero
- Can be use for direct mechanical (propulsion) or for generators



6DZD BEHYDRO Engine  
Anglo Belgian Corporation  
Source: [www.abc-engines.com](http://www.abc-engines.com)

H<sub>2</sub> IN USE

# POWERING.

## FUEL CELLS

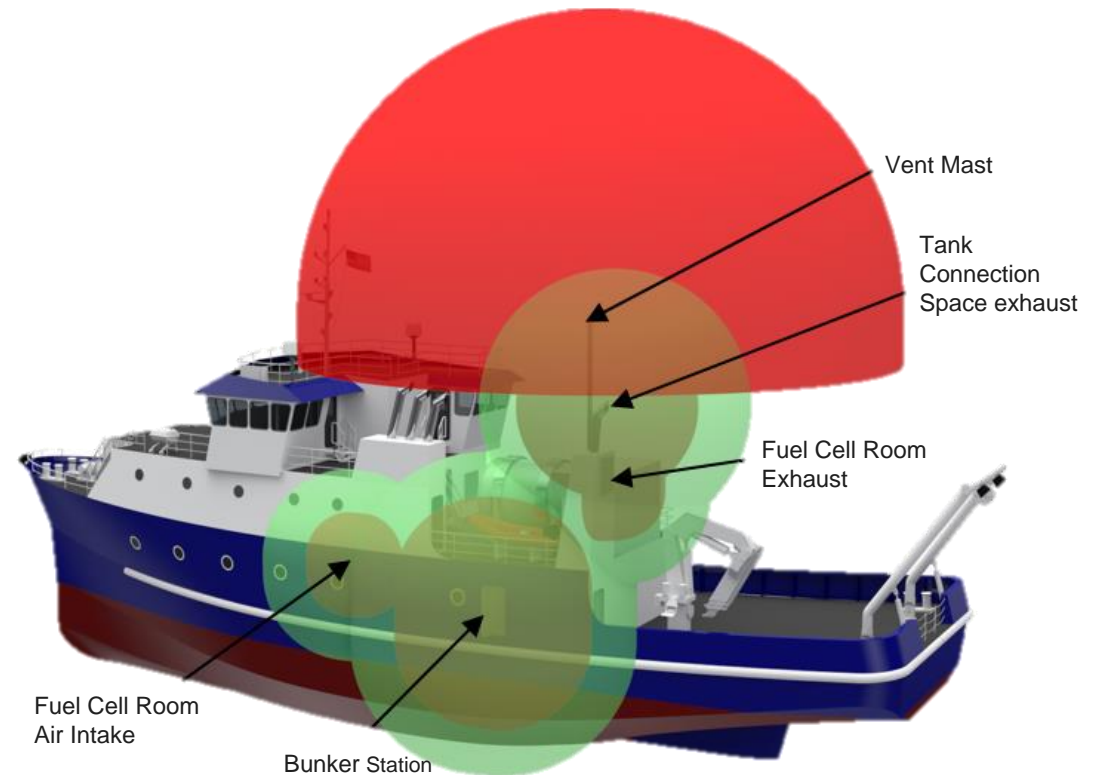
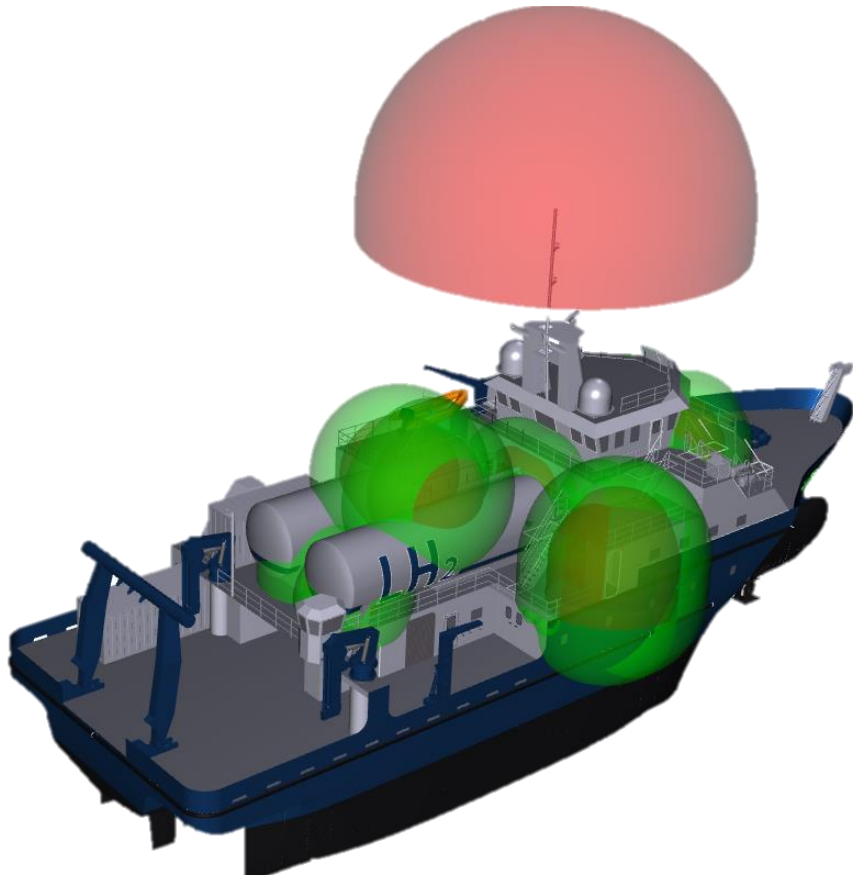
- Very efficient electrochemical process
- Zero onboard emissions
- Near silent operation, few moving parts
- DC power (requires conversion to AC for practical use onboard)
- Requires high purity H<sub>2</sub>



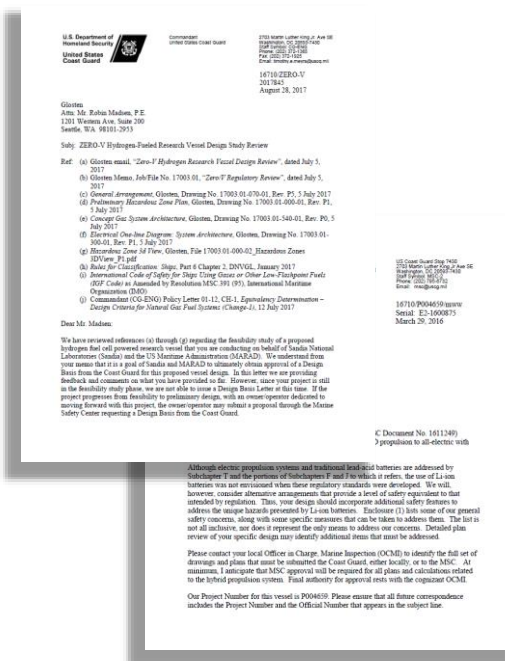
FCwave™ Fuel Cell Power Module  
Ballard Power Systems  
Source: [www.ballard.com](http://www.ballard.com)



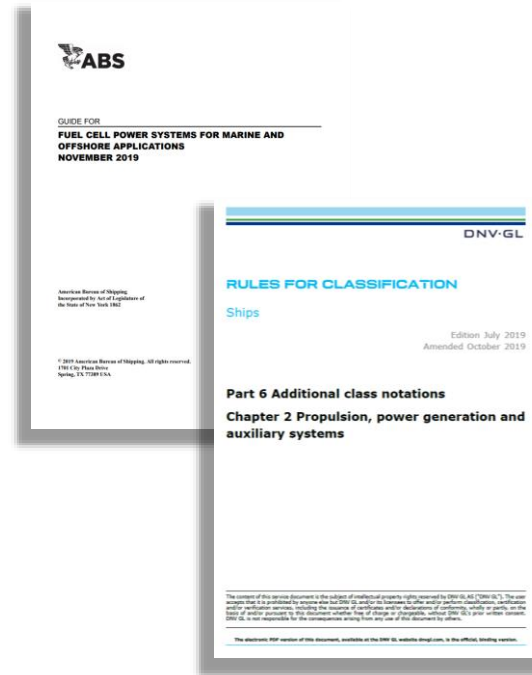
# ARRANGEMENTS: HAZARDOUS ZONES.



# RULES AND REGULATIONS.



Flag Administration



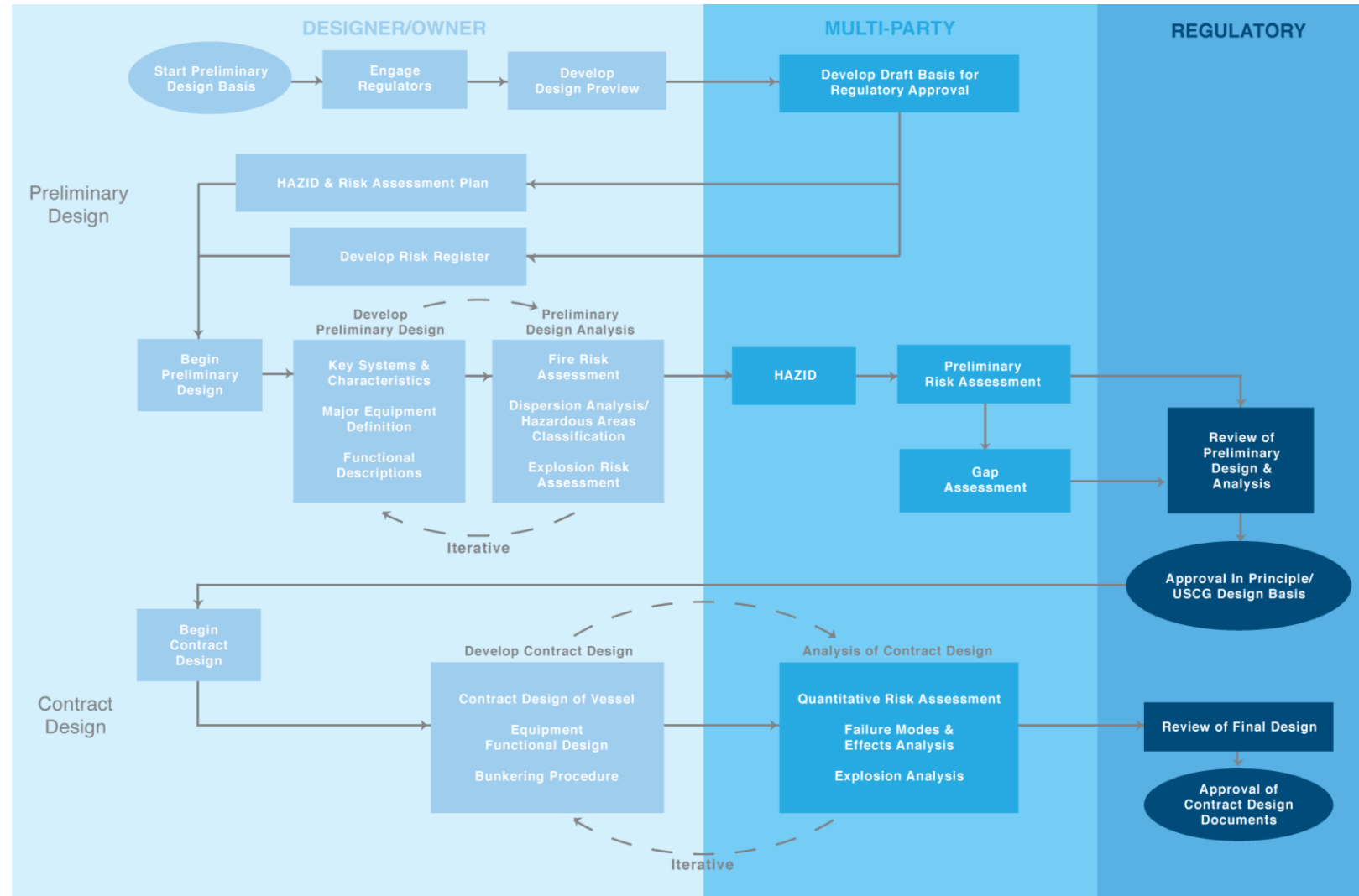
Class Rules



International

# RULES AND REGULATIONS.

- Regulatory definition is increasing, yet limited rules presently exist.
- Acceptance of design must follow Alternative Design approach:
  - Must have equivalent safety and reliability as conventional oil fuel.
  - Risk based design and analysis must be used to demonstrate equivalency to Class and Flag Administration.
- Requires close coordination with regulators.





**THANK YOU.**

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