

## DECARBONIZING LONG-HAUL TRUCKING IN EASTERN CANADA

A COMPARISON OF TECHNOLOGIES ON THE A20-H401 HIGHWAY CORRIDOR BETWEEN QUÉBEC AND WINDSOR

Chair in Energy Sector Management **HEC MONTRĒAL** 

PROJECT COLLABORATOR



PREPARED FOR



# MANDATE AND OBJECTIVE

**Mandate:** The Chair in Energy Sector Management at HEC Montréal and CPCS are carrying out, in collaboration with the Government of Québec, a technoeconomic study comparing class 8 technologies to decarbonize long-haul trucking, with a focus on the Highway corridor between Québec City and Windsor.

- 1. Battery electric trucks
- 2. Hydrogen fuel cell electric trucks
- 3. Renewable natural gas trucks (RNG)
- 4. Electric road system with overhead conductive transmission (ERS-OCT)

**Workshop objective:** Explore and validate transparently with experts from industry, government, academia and professional both the larger decarbonization context and key parameters to consider in the analysis.

# **RESEARCH TEAM AND COLLABORATORS**

## Chair in Energy Sector Management, HEC Montréal (Research Project Lead)

- Johanne Whitmore, Senior Researcher
- Pierre-Olivier Pineau, Professor and holder of the Chair

## **CPCS** (Modelling Lead)

- Mathieu Cyr, Associate Vice President
- Nick Roberts, Senior Consultant

## **Government of Québec** (Interministerial Committee)

• **Guillaume Paré,** Strategic Mobility Advisor, MELCCFP (Lead)

+ 8 representatives from ministries (MELCCFP, MTMD, MFQ, MEIE)

# THE WORKSHOP, 25-27 APR 2023

- 50 stakeholders from different levels of decision-making from the academic, government, professional and industry sectors from QC, ON, Federal, US and EU
- Scoping conference (25 April) + 4 Roundtables (26-27 April)
- Workshop synthesis report to support CPCS simulations

## **CPCS Simulations**

- Analysis of scenarios and 1<sup>st</sup> results (May August)
- Review process
- Final publication and presentation (Fall-Winter)

# WHY?

- Initiatives to decarbonize long-haul road freight are limited due to the complexity of the sector, **lack of transparency, collaboration** and **independent study**. Incoherence within and between governments. Often politicized and special interest lead.
- Few studies have assessed the feasibility associated with the potential of decarbonization technologies in long-haul trucking along prominent highway corridors through Canadian provinces and into the USA
- Help provide transparent data and assumptions on the technologies to allow others to use and update the data and the model for further studies and open collaborations
- Results can be used within a more systemic approach for decarbonizing long-haul freight to assess the impacts of different technological/intermodality choices on electricity grid, infrastructure, and energy demand, and on reaching GHG reduction targets based on different pathway scenarios (e.g., Energy Modelling Hub, University of Windsor)



April 25, 2023

# PROGRAMME

- 8:30 Introduction by Johanne Whitmore (HEC) and Nicholas Roberts (CPCS)
- 8:45 **Part 1 | State of long-haul freight transportation** + Q&A
- 9:50 Break
- 10:00 Part 2 | Technoeconomic Overview Trucks and Infrastructure + Q&A
- 11:15 Break

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11:30 Part 3 | International Perspectives and Lessons + Q&A

For biographies of the guest speakers, consult the PDF version of the programme <u>https://energie.hec.ca/events/25apr2023</u>

# PART 1 | General Overview



## **State of long-haul freight transportation**

Dr Pierre-Olivier Pineau, Professor, Chair in Energy Sector Management, HEC Montréal

**Michael Roeth**, Executive Director, North American Council for Freight Efficiency and Trucking Lead at the Rocky Mountain Institute



## **Government Perspectives — Federal, Québec and Ontario**

Jordan Wolfe, Deputy Director, Zero Emission Trucking Program, Transport Canada



Alain Lemieux, Economist, ministère des transports et de la mobilité durable, Gouvernement du Québec

Carolyn Kim, Senior Director, Communities & Decarbonization Group, Pembina Institute



# PART 2 | Technoeconomic Overview



### Hydrogen Fuel Cell Trucks Rymal Smith, Owner/Partner, Change Energy Services



Renewable Natural Gas Trucks Francisco Doyon, Advisor development of natural gas for vehicle (NGV), Énergir



Overhead Conductive Transmission Trucks with dynamic charging Dr David Cebon, Professor of mechanical engineer and Director of Centre for Sustainable Road Freight, University of Cambridge



### **Battery Electric Trucks**

Charles Trudel, Technological Application Group Manager, Innovative Vehicle Institute

# PART 3 | International Perspectives and Lessons



### How to minimize cost uncertainty

Dr Matteo Craglia, Transport Analyst & Modeller, OECD - International Transport Forum



**Decarbonizing logistics, intramodality, efficiency Dr Maja Pieck**, Professor of logistics, University of Westminster



US – Canada cross border challenges and energy demand on grid Dr Georgiana Vani, Sessional instructor with the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering and Research associate with the Cross-Border Institute, University of Windsor



US – Natural Renewable Energy Laboratory Dr Arthur Yip, Researcher, National Renewable Energy Laboratory

# ROUNDTABLES

Please read **Backgrounder**.

Wednesday, April 26

Table 1, 9:00-11:15am Table 2, 1:00-3:15pm

Thursday, April 27

Table 3, 9:00-11:15am Table 4, 1:00-3:15pm

The six questions to be discussed are in the PDF programme: <a href="https://energie.hec.ca/events/25apr2023">https://energie.hec.ca/events/25apr2023</a>



# Modeling approach.





**CPCS** is a management consulting firm **specialized in transportation and energy sectors**. Our team advises in strategic, economic and policy mandates related to passenger and freight transportation.



### Nick Roberts, P. Eng. Senior Consultant at CPCS

- Dual master's degree in finance and management from leading business universities in Europe
- Mechanical engineering undergrad from the University of Waterloo
- Has led various technical studies and business cases across Canada on zero emission public transit and freight

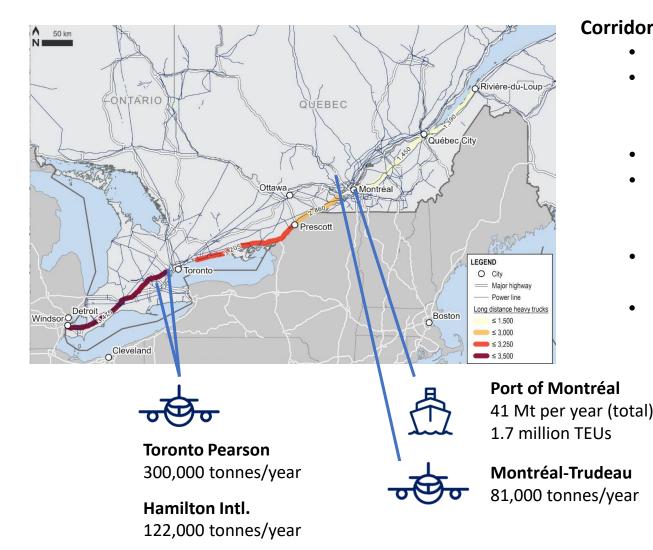


### Mathieu Cyr. Associate Vice President at CPCS

- MBA and master's degree in environment (M.Env)
- Project manager on 150+ studies in Canada, US and Africa
- Specialized in socio-economics, market analysis, risk analysis and impact assessment
- Comprehensive understanding of the implementation of public policies and project development



# Importance of the corridor.



### Corridor highway 401 – Autoroute A20

- Canada's busiest long-haul trucking corridor
- Largest population centres in Canada
  - Greater Toronto Area
  - Montréal
- Hubs for intermodal facilities, warehousing and distribution
- Links cross-border trade with US via Windsor-Detroit
  - Ambassador Bridge
  - Gordie Howe Bridge

Mirabel Intl.

79,000 tonnes/year

- Serves Port of Montréal (2<sup>nd</sup> largest container port in Canada)
- Connections to major air cargo hubs:
  - Montréal-Trudeau and Mirabel Intl.
  - Toronto Pearson and Hamilton Intl.

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Statistics Canada. Table 23-10-0254-01 Air cargo traffic at Canadian airports, annual (2020) and latest available data from Canadian Port Authorities (2021)



# CPCS's project scope.

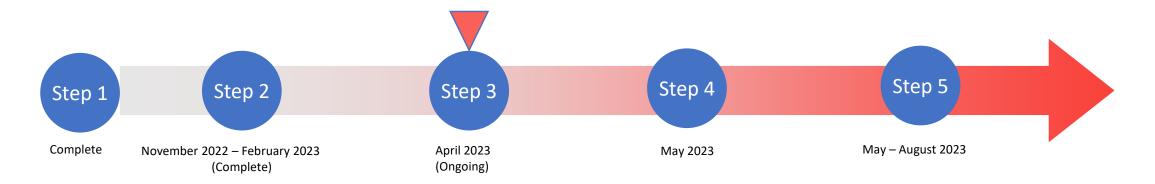
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**Step 2**: Literature review of technical and economic parameters

Step 3: Validation of data through expert consultations

Step 4: Define operating parameters for simulation

**Step 5:** Cost-benefit and sensitivity analysis scenarios





# **CPCS modeling methodology.**

### Step 2: Literature review of technical and economic parameters

### > Vehicle costs and performance specs

- Battery / fuel tank size (kWh, L, kg, MJ)
- Operating range (km)
- Payload / cargo capacity (kg)
- Purchase price (\$)
- Major component cost (\$) (e.g. battery pack, traction motor, fuel cell, etc.)
- Energy / fuel consumption (e.g. kWh/km, L/km)
- Charging / refueling time (minutes, hours)
- Maintenance (\$/km)
- Operating lifecycle (km, years)

### > Infrastructure costs and performance specs

- Unit costs (e.g. \$ per station)
- Charging / refueling capacity and output (kW, L or kg per minute)
- Cost equivalent per kilometer (\$/km) inclusive of capital and operating / maintenance

#### > Socio-economic parameters

- Fuel prices (\$/L, \$/kg, \$/MJ)
  - Electricity price (\$/kWh)
  - Cost of GHG emissions (\$/tonne) carbon prices (ON and QC)
  - Energy / fuel emissions (CO2e per L or kWh)



> Review input parameters / assumptions on vehicle and infrastructure lifecycle costs with:

Industry, manufacturers, government, academics

### Step 4: Define operating parameters for simulation (GIS data)

Step 3: Validation of data through expert consultations



### > Long-haul trucking, A-40 / 401 statistics

- Traffic volumes (number of trucks on highway)
- Distribution, average of trucking distances (km)
  - Truck stop locations (e.g. potential refueling / recharging) and distance between stops

### **Step 5:** Cost-benefit and sensitivity analysis scenarios



### > Key output metrics for CBA:

- Total lifecycle cost (vehicle + infrastructure)
  - Breakdown by cost component (e.g. purchase, fuel / electricity, maintenance, infrastructure, etc.)
- Cost equivalent per kilometer (\$/km)
- Cost \$ per tonne CO2e mitigated (technologies compared against diesel as BAU case)

### > Sensitivity analysis:

 +/- 25% on key parameters (e.g. purchase price, fuel and electricity prices, infrastructure CAPEX)

### Out of scope parameters / analysis for CPCS:

- Forecasting of fuel prices, component prices and performance improvements (e.g. battery price trends)
- Forecasting timeline and improvements of upstream electricity / power generation (e.g. grid emissions reduction)
- End of life costs environmental impacts for disposal / recycling of components





Step 1: Identify in scope vehicle technologies to assess

#### Baseline (BAU):

Diesel

#### Net zero technologies:

- RNG
- Battery electric
- Battery w/ catenary
- Hydrogen fuel cell



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