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PG&E Gas R&D Hydrogen Efforts

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R&D Hydrogen Roadmap



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Hydrogen:

Portfolio of production technologies and applications

Up to 5%

2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025

Develop production technologies



Develop hydrogen to methane technologies



▲ = Paper Study ● = Lab Test ■ = Field Demo ★ = Deployment
▲ = Completed Paper Study



Hydrogen:

Establish transportation using natural gas system

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Develop hydrogen engineering and blending standards

Evaluate impact on pipeline integrity

Develop separation techniques

NEW!

Evaluate interaction with reservoir caprock storage

Develop gas measurement devices

Develop the interconnection process, requirements and standardized skid

Evaluate safety related impacts of hydrogen injection

Evaluate pipeline capacity

NEW!

Develop maintenance processes for hot tapping and in service welding and maintenance frequency

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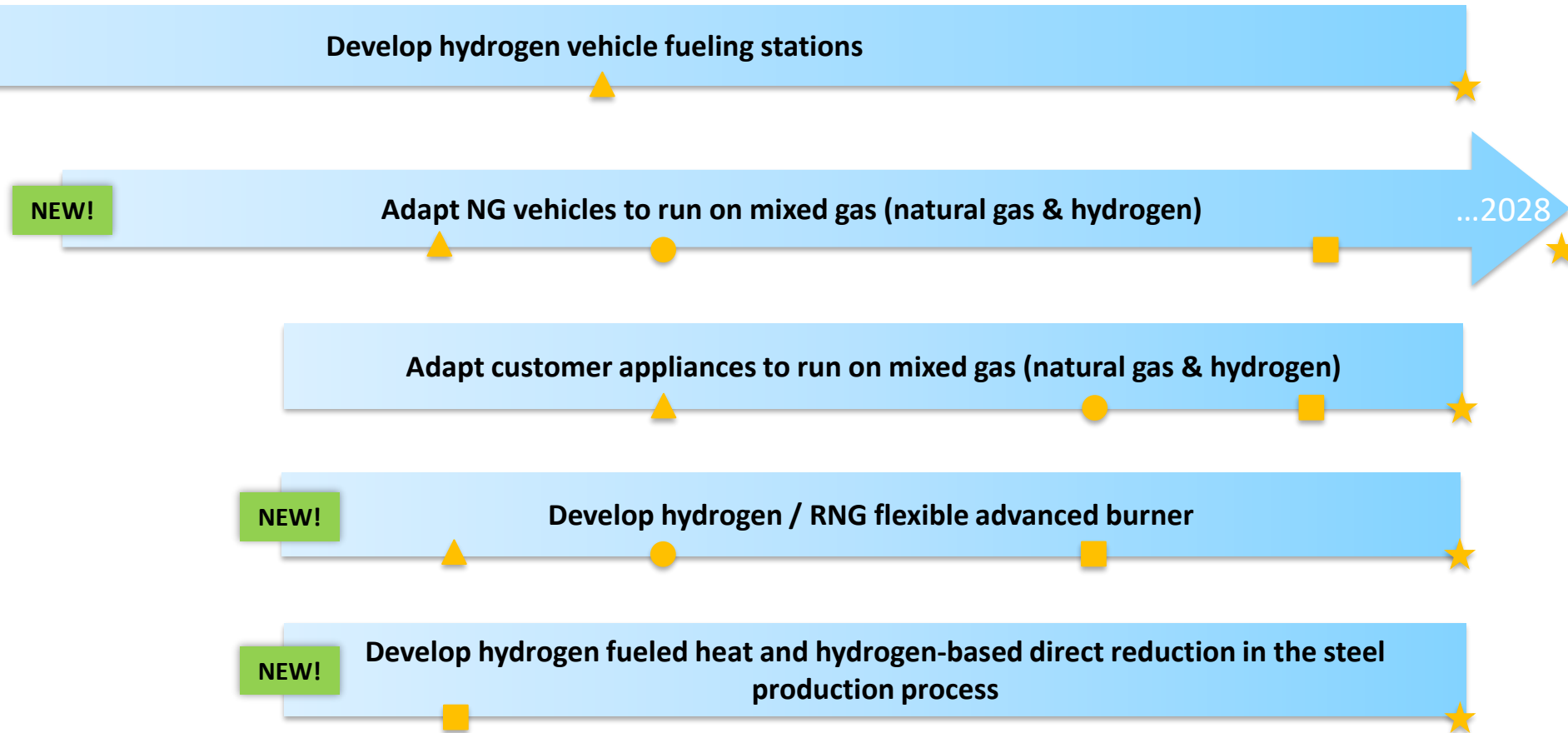
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Hydrogen: Establish customer utilization infrastructure

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**Emerging fuels – Hydrogen SOTA, Gap Analysis,
Future projects, Roadmap**

Project Final Results



Objective

Identify R&D needed for companies to safely & reliably inject hydrogen into their pipelines at certain blend levels.

Technical Subjects

1. Integrity
2. Safety
3. End Uses
4. Metering
5. Network Management
6. Maintenance and Inspection
7. H₂/NG Separation
8. Underground Gas Storage

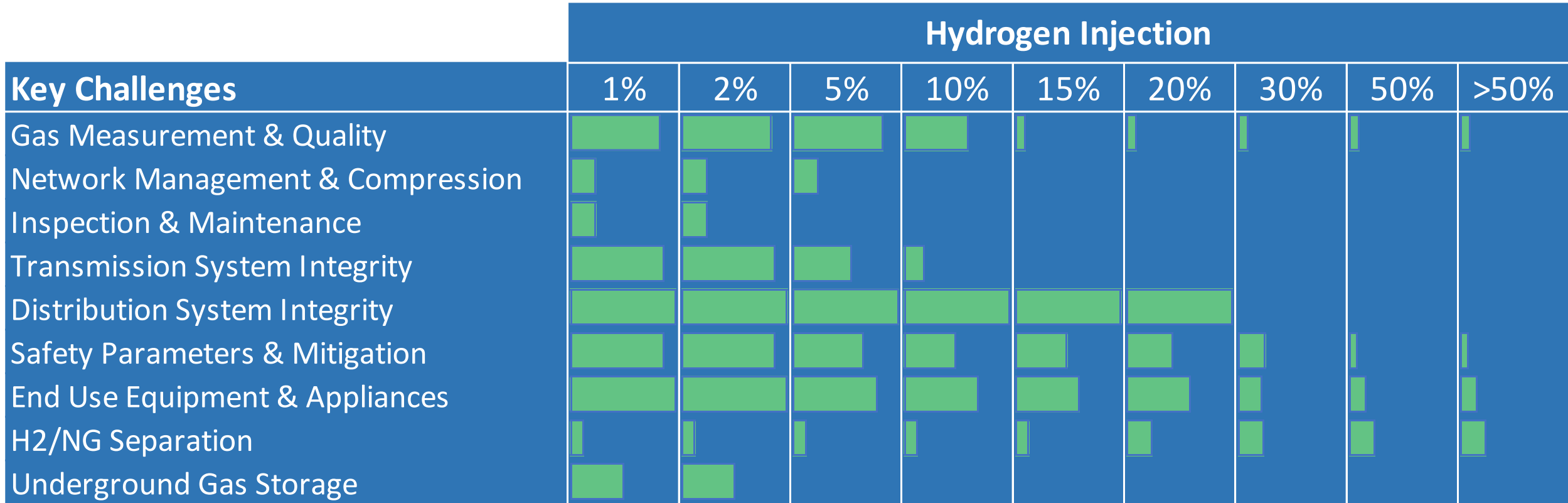
Methodology

1. Mapping
2. State-of-the-art Analysis
3. Gap Analysis
4. Roadmap



Key Results & Gap Analysis

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The green bars display current knowledge coverage for each key challenge and different levels of injection

Top 3 Challenges

**Gas Measurement
& Quality**

Compression

**Inspection &
Maintenance**

2021 PRCI Project Ideas

- Impact on flow meter accuracy in transmission operating conditions
 - Develop gas composition analysis tools
 - Verify compatibility with USM sensor material and performance/accuracy
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- Field and lab tests of compressor performance
 - Evaluate material compatibility and integrity for compressors
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- Assess and define acceptability criteria for defects and third-party damage
 - Develop more sensitive NDT/ILI tools to detect newly defined critical defects
 - Assess integrity of repair techniques in transmission operating conditions

CEC Hydrogen Blending Scoping Workshop Questions



CEC Questions

Scale and priorities for demonstration

- Refer to [Chapter 4 Testimony H2 Application](#)
- Transmission – complex, lot of knowledge gaps
- Distribution – less complex, portions polyethylene sys may already be compatible

Key challenges for identified priorities and approach to technical tasks

- Refer to [Chapter 4 Testimony H2 Application](#)
- Testing and verification of all downstream components (including customer appliances) beforehand
- New development

Outcomes of demonstration and performance metrics

- Energy & efficiency
- Air quality – from utilization (e.g., customer appliances)
- Safety & reliability – risk, degradation, system capacity
- Economics – rates
- Scalability – existing gas system

Considerations for future GFOs

- Collaboration with industry, including within sectors of CEC
- Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

Thank you

