

Decarbonizing Trucking

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- Mission to double freight efficiency
- All stakeholders
- Scale available technologies, guide emerging change and Run on Less demonstrations.

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Run on Less – Messy Middle



THE RUN IS DONE!

RUN ON LESS — MESSY MIDDLE



DIESEL



NATURAL GAS



BATTERY ELECTRIC



HYDROGEN FUEL CELL

Run on Less – Messy Middle: Will bring clarity to long-haul decarbonization by focusing on heavy-duty Class 8 sleepers and day cabs in long-haul return-to-base and over-the-road duty cycles.



Demonstration Scope

September 2025 • Production Vehicles • 10-Second Telemetry Intervals



Fleets



Trucks



Powertrains



Days



Miles



Data Points

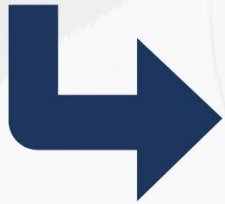


Fleet Distribution by Powertrain Technology

Analysis and Reports



**INITIAL
FINDINGS**



ANALYSIS

OPERATIONS

COSTS

EMISSIONS



**FINAL
FINDINGS**

Results: Frito-Lay Biodiesel

**RUN
ON LESS
MESSY MIDDLE**

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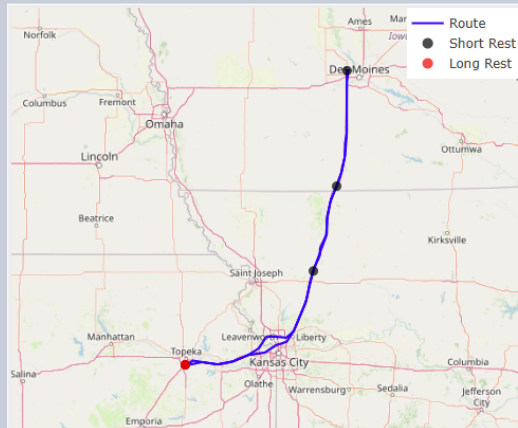
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FUEL TYPE: BIODIESEL (B100)
Frito Lay VNL

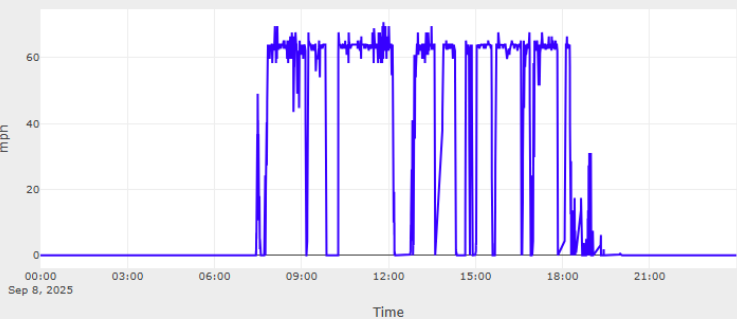


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TEMPERATURE	66 F	WIND	0 MPH N	CONDITIONS	CLEAR

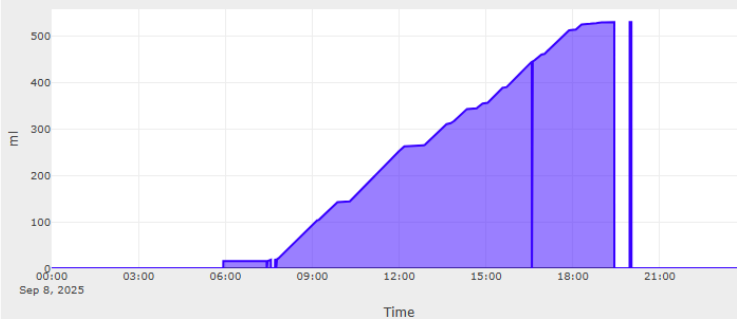


- Long out and back – 515 miles
- Nearly 100% cabon-free Biodiesel
- 9.5 MPG v. 7.0 Nat'l Avg

Speed



Distance



Results: UPS RNG

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MESSY MIDDLE

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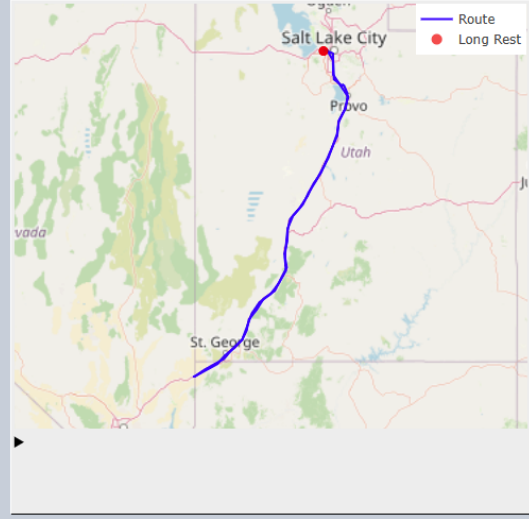
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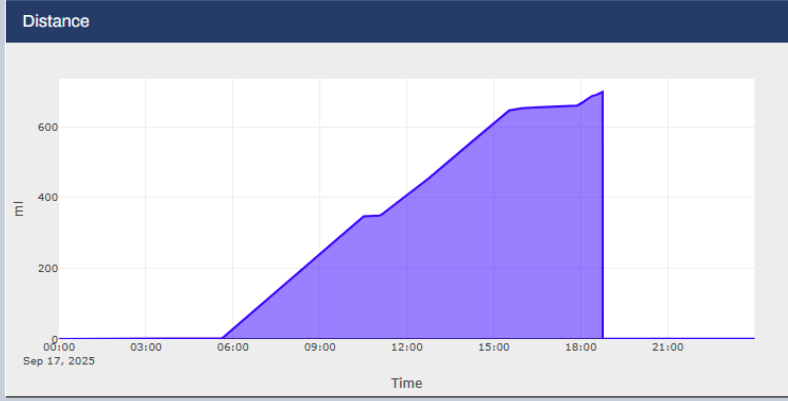
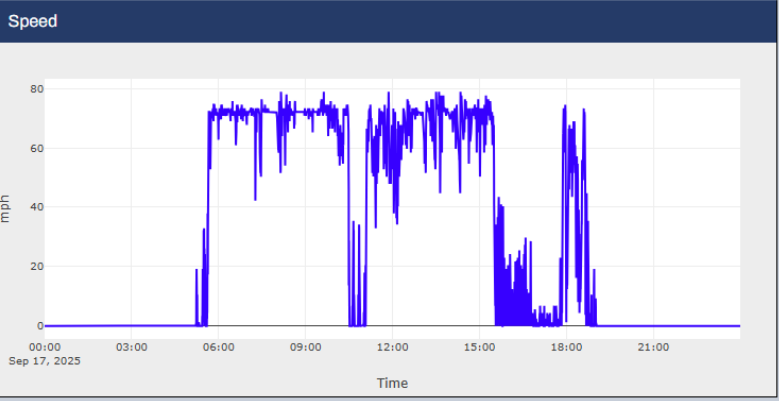
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UPS T680



DISTANCE	699 MI	ESTIMATED DELIVERIES	5	ESTIMATED GWV	N/A
TEMPERATURE	74 F	WIND	1 MPH W	CONDITIONS	CLEAR



- Very Long out and back – 699 miles
- RNG
- 6.7 mi/DGE v. 7.0 Nat'l Avg



Results: SAIA BEV

RUN ON LESS MESSY MIDDLE

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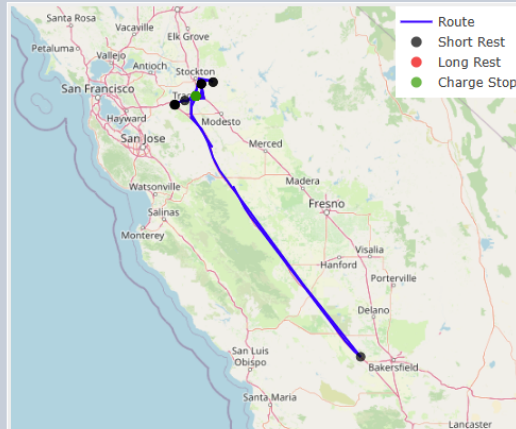
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SAIA Tesla 2



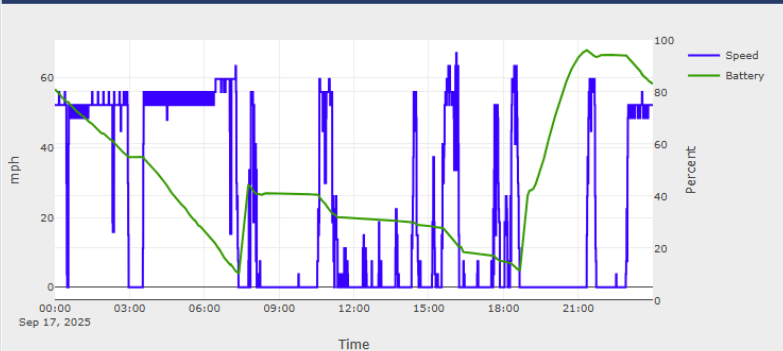
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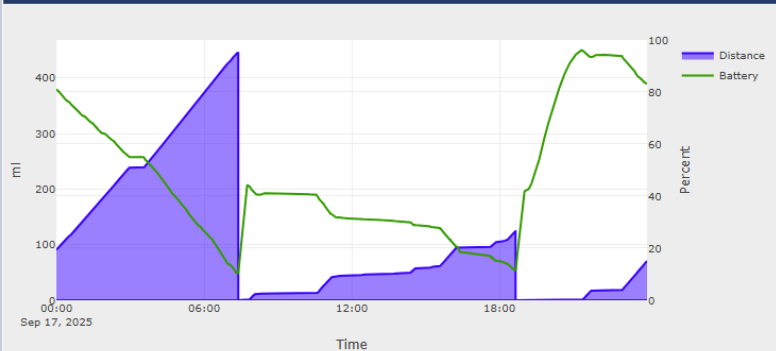


- Slip seat, two shifts, common LTL - Line haul and local delivery
- BEV
- 0.53 mi/kWh v. 7.0 Nat'l Avg

Battery Charge and Speed



Battery Charge and Distance



Emissions' Analysis

Tailpipe GHG Emissions (g CO2e / ton-mile)

■ Landfill NG
 ■ Fossil NG
 ■ Fossil Diesel
 ■ Biodiesel
 ■ 50% Renewable Diesel
 ■ Hydrogen
 ■ Electric

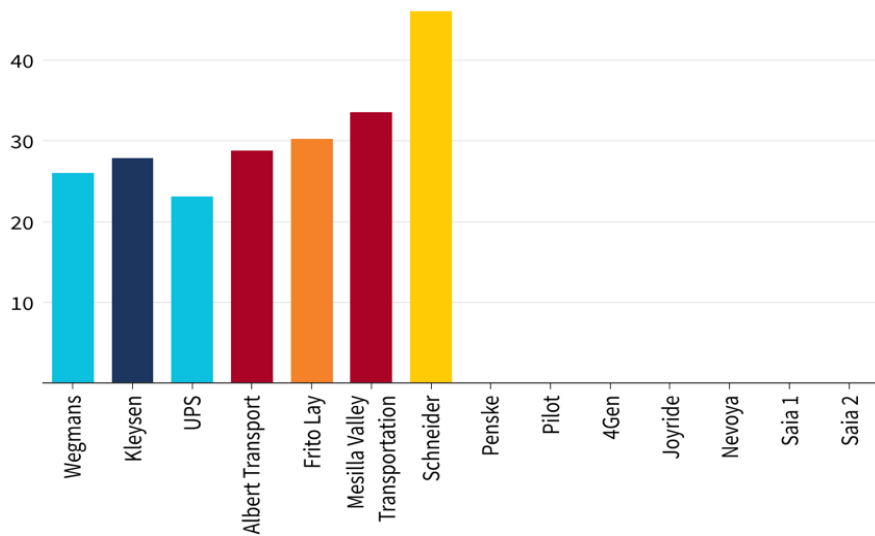


Figure 25: Downstream Tailpipe GHG Emissions

Upstream GHG Emissions (g CO2e / ton-mile)

■ Landfill NG
 ■ Fossil NG
 ■ Biodiesel
 ■ Fossil Diesel
 ■ 50% Renewable Diesel
 ■ Hydrogen
 ■ Electric

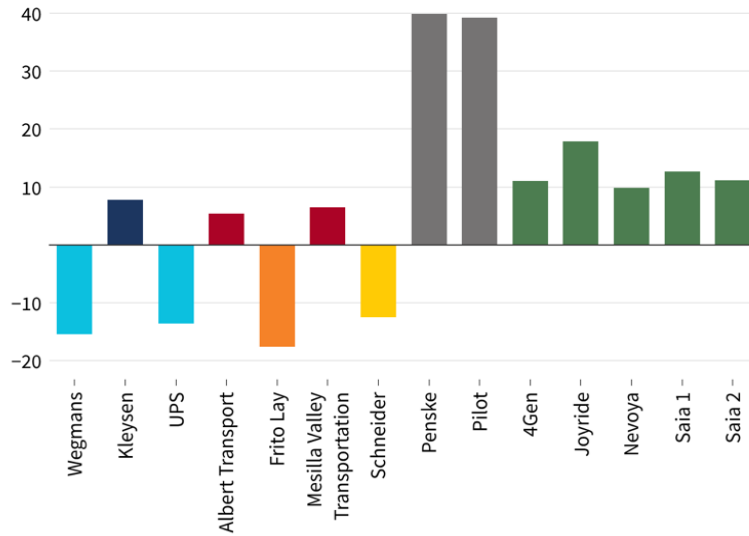


Figure 24: Upstream GHG Emissions

Emissions' Analysis

NOx Emissions (g / ton-mile)

■ Upstream ■ Tailpipe ■ Net

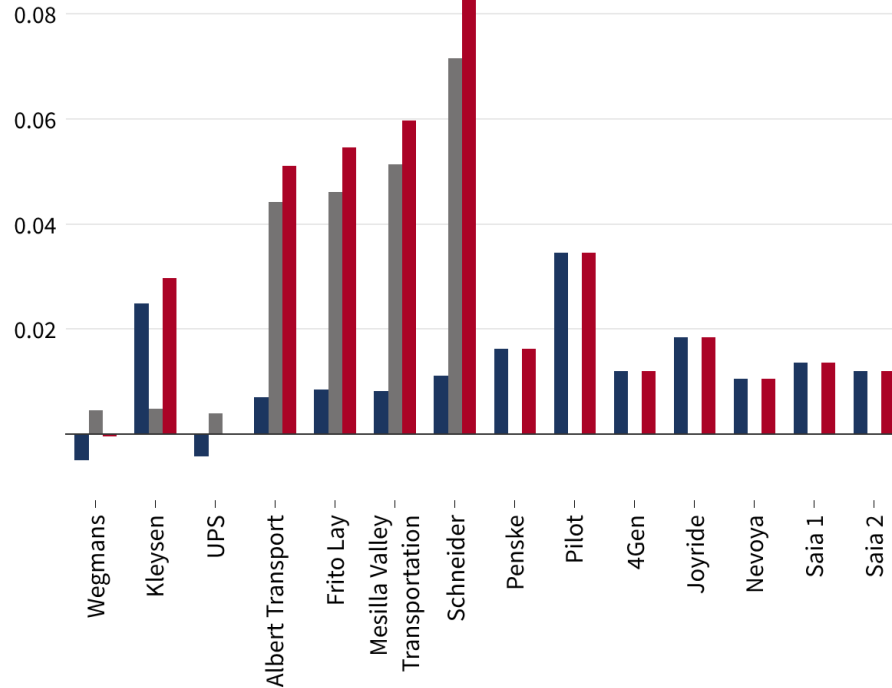


Figure 26: NOx Emissions by Fleet

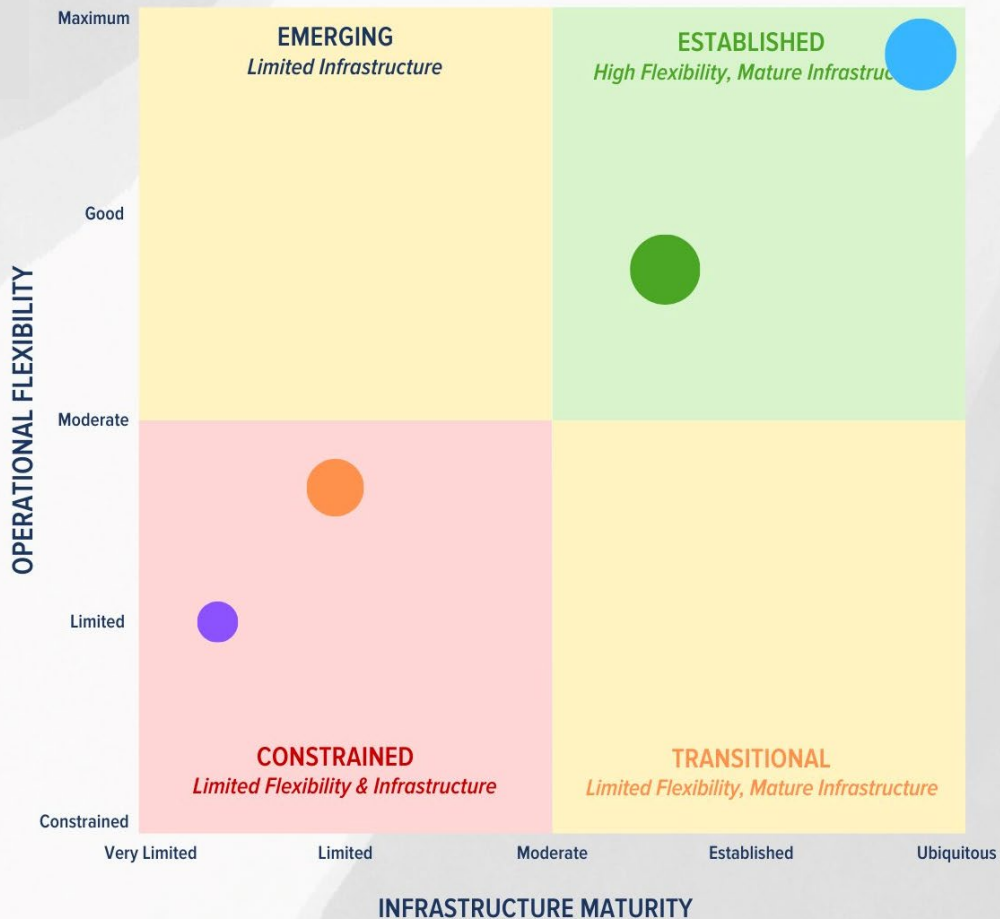
Technology Positioning Matrix

DIESEL
 ~14,000 truck stops
 Range Utilization: 63%
 Baseline standard

CNG
 ~7,000 public stations
 Range Utilization: 78%
 Mature corridors

BEV
 ~100 HD-capable
 Range Utilization: 50%
 Infrastructure-limited

HYDROGEN
 ~15 HD-capable
 Range Utilization: 63%
 Demonstration scale



Infrastructure Maturity vs. Operational Flexibility



Note: Bubble size reflects relative fleet deployment in Run on Less – Messy Middle

INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT

Concurrent commitments for depot charging, CNG stations and hydrogen agreements

KEY ACQUISITION CONSIDERATIONS

DUTY CYCLE MATCH

Align powertrain with daily mileage, terrain, route predictability, payload and infrastructure

REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT

Federal and state emissions standards, vehicle mandates, and incentives seem volatile

TCO UNCERTAINTY

Real-world TCO models for newer technologies remain limited, despite operational insights

RESIDUAL VALUE UNCERTAINTY

Used markets for alternative powertrain Class 8 trucks are not yet established, impacting resale

TECHNOLOGY MATURATION

Anticipate rapid evolution, software updates, and evolving operational practices for BEV and H2

MAINTENANCE & SERVICE NETWORKS

Alternative powertrains may require specialized service arrangements beyond established diesel networks





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