

Integration of MicroCHP in the United States

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What Is MicroCHP?

- < 10 kWe
- Residential and commercial applications
- Fueled by natural gas, LPG, fuel oil or biomass
- Provides space heating (hydronic and warm air) and/or water heating
- Uses a variety of technologies (IC engines, Stirling engines, Fuel Cells, Rankine cycles)



MicroCHP Technologies



Source: Delta Energy and Environment



MicroCHP Support Mechanisms



Source: Delta Energy and Environment



Commercial MicroCHP Products

Japan

- IC Engines
 Honda ECOWILL (1 kW)
- Fuel Cells
 Toshiba (0.7 kW)
 JX Nippon Oil (0.75 kW)
 Panasonic (1 kW)

Europe

- IC Engines
 Vaillant Ecopower (4.7 kW)
 Baxi Senertec (5 kW)
- Stirling Engines
 WhisperGen (1 kW)
 Disenco (3 kW)
- Fuel Cells
 Baxi Innotech, Hexis, Vaillant

80,000 units to-date

6 to 8,000 units in 2010

>20,000 units to-date

3,000+ demo units

800 demo units by 2010



Commercial MicroCHP Products

United States

- IC Engines

ECR International *freewatt* (1.2 kW) Marathon Engine *Ecopower* (4.7 kW)

- Fuel Cells
 ClearEdge Power CE5 (5 kW)
- Applications
 - Residential and light commercial
 - Space heating and hot water
 - Thermally driven
 - Annual operating hours 2,500 to 4,500
 - Stand alone capability

275 units 25 units

25 to 40 units

Source: EIA Residential Energy Consumption Survey





The Market Environment

Europe, Japan, S. Korea

- High energy prices
- Primarily hydronic heating
- Government support
- Utility support
- Developed in partnership with gas utilities and/or boiler manufacturers
- Variety of incentives (FITs, subsidies, tax exemptions)
- Priority on carbon reductions

United States

- Lower energy prices
- Primarily forced air heating
- Little government support
- Limited utility support
- Limited heating equipment suppliers support
- Pending 30% investment tax credit
- Carbon legislation stalled



ECR International freewatt

- IC Engine CHP
 - 1.2 kWe, 3.26 kW thermal
 - 85 to 90% total efficiency
 - Honda CHP package
 - Climate Energy integrated boiler/furnace
- Residential applications
 - Hydronic space heating
 - Forced air space heating
 - Stand alone capability





Marathon Engine Ecopower

- IC Engine CHP
 - 4.7 kWe, 12.9 kW thermal
 - Over 3,500 installed in Europe
- Applications
 - High end residential
 - Multi-family
 - Laundries
 - Hotel/Motel
 - Car washes
 - Assisted living facilities





ClearEdge Power CE5

- PEM Fuel Cell CHP
 - 5.0 kWe
 - 5.6 kW thermal
 - Stand alone capability
- Applications
 - High end residential
 - Multi-family
 - Restaurants
 - Hotel/Motel
 - Health & athletics
 - Schools





WhisperTech Whisper Gen

- Stirling Engine Boiler
 - 1.0 kWe
 - 7.5 to 14 kW thermal
 - Combined experience
 > 500,000 hours
- Status
 - Field trials in Canada
 - Market research underway
 - Business model and distribution channels being evaluated



Total Resource Energy Consumption in the United States - 2008



100.09 Quadrillion Btu (106 Exajoules)

Source: EIA 2010 Annual Energy Outlook

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End-Use Applications of Residential and Commercial Energy – 2008

End Use	Residential	Commercial
Space Heating (fuel)	4.03 Quads	1.69 Quads
Water Heating (fuel)	1.53 Quads	0.46 Quads
Other (fuel)	0.52 Quads	1.42 Quads
Electricity	4.71 Quads	4.61 Quads

Source: EIA 2010 Annual Energy Outlook



U.S. Housing Units - 2005

- Total Housing Units:
- Detached, Single Family:
- Owner Occupied (DSF):
- Natural Gas Available (DSF):
- Heating Degree Days (DSF):
 > 7000 HDD
 5500 7000 HDD
 4000 5499 HDD
 < 3990 HDD

111.1 million

72.2 million

64.1 million

55.2 million

8.6 million 18.5 million 18.4 million 16.4 million

Source: EIA Residential Energy Consumption Survey



Owner-Occupied, Single-Family Detached Housing Units (millions) - 2005



Source: EIA Residential Energy Consumption Survey



Barriers to MicroCHP in the United States

- High price compared to other heating equipment
- Lack of awareness of the products and potential benefits
- Limited information on lifetime and reliability
- Lack of developed sales and service infrastructure
- No incentives to support market entry
 - Only 17 states allow CHP to qualify for net metering
 - Total Resource Costs tests do not capture all of the benefits



Potential Game Changers

- Policymakers beginning to recognize benefits of CHP
- Improved outlook for domestic natural gas supplies
- Potential for integration with Smart Grid and development of microgrids
- Future direction of carbon policy





MicroCHP Value Proposition

Category	5 kW mCHP	5 kW Solar PV
Annual Electricity Production	25 MWh	8 MWh
Annual Heat Production	28 MWh _t	None
Footprint Required	6 sq ft	500 sq ft
Annual Energy Savings	139 MMBtu	85 MMBtu
Annual CO ₂ Savings	15 metric tons	6.7 metric tons

Based on: 5 kW fuel cell CHP 36 % electric efficiency 76 % total efficiency U.S. average fossil generation



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