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Hydrogen Fuel Cell Electric Vehicle Performance Review

OVERVIEW

Australian Owned, Designed and Built Aluminium Extrusion Bolted Chassis and Body Hydrogen Fuel Cell Electric Vehicles

Battery Electric Vehicles



Hydrogen Fuel Cell – Proton Exchange Membrane (PEM)



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Fuel Cell Electric Vehicle (FCEV) Energy Flow







ARCC LAF

Length	12.5 m
Vehicle Height	3.35 m
GVM	16,000 kg
Tare Mass	11,920 kg
Passenger Capacity	46 Seated + 14 Standees 60 Total
Peak Motor Power	350 kW
Peak Motor Torque	3500 Nm
Peak HFC Power	60 kW
Hydrogen Capacity	38 kg
Hydrogen Pressure	35 MPa (350 bar)
Battery Chemistry	Microvast MpCO
Battery Capacity	111kWh (190 Ah)
Hydrogen Economy	16.0 km/kg



ARCC LONGREACH

Length	12.5 m
Vehicle Height	3.35 m
GVM	18,000 kg
Tare Mass	11,770 kg
Passenger Capacity	43 Seated + 35 Standees 78 Total
Peak Motor Power	250 kW
Peak Motor Torque	2645 Nm
Peak HFC Power	70 kW
Hydrogen Capacity	31 kg
Hydrogen Pressure	35 MPa (350 bar)
Battery Chemistry	Microvast MpCO
Battery Capacity	111kWh (190 Ah)
Hydrogen Economy	18.5 km/kg

Operational Benefits of Hydrogen Vehicles

- Similar advantages to BEV
- FCEV able to utilise higher speed routes
- Less downtime via refuelling
- Less infrastructure vs BEV
- Greater energy density = longer range
- Technology more applicable to heavy vehicles





Hydrogen Vehicles in Australia



- Higher speed routes
- Large rural centres inadequate infrastructure for BEV
- High HVAC usage
- Reliant on Heavy Vehicles Trucks
- Lifetime requirements for vehicle
- Majority of depots lack infrastructure capability to support BEV fleet.

Stage-1 Cascade Refuellers

- Equalises or "cascades" with the supply pressure from the tube trailer/packs
- All refuellers utilise stage 1 cascading

- Reliable, cost-effective and simple to operate.
- Not as economic
- Slow



Stage-2 Boost Refuellers

- Introduces compression towards the vehicle directly or onsite gas storage.
- Multiple compression phases

 Compression is slow (<10g/s), requiring constant use to fill onsite storage



Fleet Summary (Distance & Operating Hours)

1-Year of Hydrogen Trial Data

The ARCC Hydrogen fleet has collectively driven:

- 37,279 km across 2000 hours in service
- With an average fuel efficiency of **18.51 km/kg** (5.4kg/100km)

Delivered vehicles for 3 government trials across 2 states (NSW & VIC)



Fleet Summary (Distance & Operating Hours)



■ Redbus ■ Premier ■ TSA-1 ■ TSA-2

Data Distribution

- Distance driven in service evenly split between NSW & VIC (Following initial trial)
- Large variety of driving profiles (Suburban, Urban, Heavy-Urban, Highway)
- Data collected around HVAC usage across all seasons

	Bateau Bay (Cent	ral Coast)
	Operator	Vehicle(s)
	Redbus Services	1
Red Bus	Distance Driven	7554 km
Services	Operating Time	344 hrs
	H2 Consumed	393 kg
	Time Refueling	100 hrs
	Wollongoi	ng
	Operator	Vehicle(s)
	Premier Illawarra	1
Тилиронт вори	Distance Driven	14,352 km
	Operating Time	549 hrs
	H2 Consumed	897 kg
	Time Refueling	22 hrs
	West Footscray (N	Aelbourne)
	Operator	Vehicle(s)
	TSA	2
	Distance Driven	15,178 km
	Operating Time	1081 hrs
	H2 Consumed	713 kg
	Time Refueling	316 hrs
	Geelong	
	Operator	Vehicle(s)
	CDC Victoria	2
CDC VICTORIA	Commencin	g Q4 2024 Service Station Project

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refuelling.

• Low-Traffic/High Speed application

Hydrogen Projects to Date

Red Bus Services – Bateau Bay, NSW

March 2023 – June 2023

1st Stage of NSW FCEV Trial

A 4-month trial beginning in March 2023, with a focus on detailed data collection around:

- Vehicle capability
- Route optimisations
- Operational requirements around





Red Bus Services – Bateau Bay, NSW

March 2023 – June 2023

Hydrogen Supply - Coregas

Hydrogen 4.0 Tube Trailer

- Type 1 Tanks Grey Hydrogen
- ~300 kg @ 20 MPa (200 bar) on delivery

	Bateau Bay (Central Coast)		
	Operator	Vehicle(s)	
	Redbus Services	1	
Red Bus	Distance Driven	7554.38 km	
Services	Operating Time	344.88 hrs	
	H2 Consumed	393.10 kg	
	Time Refueling	100.47 hrs	

Refuelling Infrastructure – H2H *Gateway Refueller*

- Manually operated Stage-2 refueller
- Boost phase capable of 1-2 g/s



Red Bus Services – Bateau Bay, NSW

March 2023 – June 2023

Trial Results

Following initial issues with the on-site compressor preventing refuelling in March, the trial commenced in full force.

- Average efficiency of 19.38 km/kg (5.15 kg/100 km) with an average route speed of 34.1 km/h
- Average refuelling time of 4.37 hours

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	Operator	Vehicle(s)	
	Redbus Services	1	
Red Bus	Distance Driven	7554.38 km	
Services	Operating Time	344.88 hrs	
	H2 Consumed	393.10 kg	
	Time Refueling	100.47 hrs	

Red Bus Trial - Fleet Distance and H2 Usage





	West Footscray (N	Melbourne)
	Operator	Vehicle(s)
	TSA	2
	Distance Driven	15,178.06 km
	Operating Time	1081.85 hrs
	H2 Consumed	713.49 kg
	Time Refueling	316.37 hrs

Added complexity of multiple

- vehicles
- Operating largely in Melbourne CBD (Heavy-Urban)

Hydrogen Projects to Date

Transit Systems Victoria – West Footscray, VIC

November 2023 – Present

Victorian FCEV Trial

A long-term trial beginning in November 2023

 Part of a larger 52 Zero-Emission Bus Trial by the Victorian Government



West Footscray (Melbourne)

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Transit Systems Victoria – West Footscray, VIC

November 2023 – Present

Hydrogen Supply - BOC

Hydrogen 4.0 Tube Trailer

- Type 1 Tanks Grey Hydrogen
- ~200 kg @ 20 MPa (200 bar) on delivery

	West Footscray (Melbourne)		
Illenthent	Operator	Vehicle(s)	
	TSA	2	
	Distance Driven	15,178.06 km	
	Operating Time	1081.85 hrs	
	H2 Consumed	713.49 kg	
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Refuelling Infrastructure – H2H *Gateway Refueller*

- Manually operated Stage-2 refueler
- Boost phase capable of 1-2 g/s



km/h

 Average per vehicle refuelling time of 3.56 hours

- **5.59** hours
- Average total refuelling time of

Trial Results Average efficiency of 21.3 km/kg (4.69 kg/100 km) with

an average route speed of 21.3

Hydrogen Projects to Date **Transit Systems Victoria** – West Footscray, VIC

November 2023 – Present

West Footscray (Melbourne) Vehicle(s) Operator TSA 2 **Distance Driven** 15,178.06 km **Operating Time** 1081.85 hrs H2 Consumed 713.49 kg **Time Refueling** 316.37 hrs

TSA VIC Trial - Fleet Distance and Operating Hours





Transit Systems Victoria – West Footscray, VIC

November 2023 – Present

Trial Learnings

Operating behaviour largely dictated by refuelling infrastructure

Nominal tank pressure heavily dictates refuelling speed

Tank pressure decreases as refuelling occurs

Tank capacity determines the rate with which pressure drops (and refuelling time increases)

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		Wollongo	ng
22		Operator	Vehicle(s)
		Premier Illawarra	1
	TRANSPORT GROUP	Distance Driven	14,352.88 km
		Operating Time	549.95 hrs
		H2 Consumed	897.17 kg
		Time Refueling	22.03 hrs

Premier Illawarra- Wollongong, NSW

December 2023 – Present

2nd Stage of NSW FCEV trial

Commissioned as a 6-month trial beginning in December 2023.

- Partnered with Coregas, making use of the high speed refueler at the Port Kembla Hydrogen Hub
- Extended to 1 year, continuing from the success of the initial trial.

	Wollongong		
	Operator	Vehicle(s)	
PRIEMIER	Premier Illawarra	1	
TRANSPORT GROUP	Distance Driven	14,352.88 km	
	Operating Time	549.95 hrs	
	H2 Consumed	728.77 kg	
	Time Refueling	22.03 hrs	





Premier Illawarra- Wollongong, NSW

December 2023 – Present

Hydrogen Supply - Coregas

On-Site Storage/Production

- **Grey Hydrogen** Offset using biomethane
- 400kg @ 50 MPa (500 bar)

	Wollongong		
	Operator	Vehicle(s)	
PRIEIUIIER	Premier Illawarra	1	
TRANSPORT GROUP	Distance Driven	14,352.88 km	
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Refuelling Infrastructure – Haskel *H2 Station*

- Automatic Stage-2 refueler external on-site storage
- Refuelling speeds of 15-20 g/s





Premier Illawarra- Wollongong, NSW

December 2023 – Present

Trial Results

- Average efficiency of 15.99 km/kg (6.25 kg/100 km) with an average route speed of 36 km/h
- Average total refuelling time of 24 minutes
- Drop in efficiency due to high speed/high patronage usage and blocked hydrogen filter unit on fuel cell (rectified in service)

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PREMIER	Premier Illawarra	1
TRANSPORT GROUP	Distance Driven	14,352.88 km
	Operating Time	549.95 hrs
	H2 Consumed	728.77 kg
	Time Refueling	22.03 hrs

Premier Trial - Fleet Distance and Operating Hours





Hydrogen Projects in Development

CDC Victoria – Geelong, NSW

November 2024

Hydrogen Supply

- Green hydrogen produced on-site
- 2.5 MW Electrolyser
- 1000 kg per day production

Refuelling Infrastructure

- Refuelling capable of 10 consecutive heavy vehicles
- Expected refuelling speeds of **32-42 g/s**



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ARCC enableRFS

- Stage 1 Refueller
- Designed to upscale into stage 2 booster system
- Fuels 35 MPa (350 bar) systems
- Max input pressure 52 MPa (520 bar)
- Designed for use with high pressure, high-capacity hydrogen trailers
- Refuels ARCC Longreach from empty to full in under 15 minutes (stage 1)
- Australian Owned and Made



ARCC Future proofing



- ARCC's design futureproofs depots wanting to invest in zero-emission vehicles.
- ARCC BEV is designed to convert into the ARCC FCEV.
- Enables hydrogen adoption without creating redundant assets