



Technologies For MD/HD GHG & Fuel Efficiency

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Agenda



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Project Sponsor, Purpose and Scope



- **Sponsor: NHTSA**
- **Purpose: support development of Phase 2 fuel consumption and GHG regulations for medium and heavy trucks**
- **Scope: evaluate technologies that could be used to comply with Phase 2 requirements**

NHTSA Project Outline



- Engine and vehicle technology simulations
- Engines:
 - 15 liter long haul diesel (with 12.5 liter 5-cylinder variant)
 - 6.7 liter medium duty diesel
 - 6.7 liter pickup truck diesel (with 4.5 liter 4-cylinder variant)
 - 6.2 liter V-8 gasoline
 - 3.5 liter V-6 turbocharged DI gasoline





Project Outline

- **Vehicles:**
 - Class 8 tractor-trailer
 - Class 6 delivery truck (box truck)
 - Class 5 roll-on tow truck
 - Class 2b / 3 pickup



Heavy Duty Long-Haul



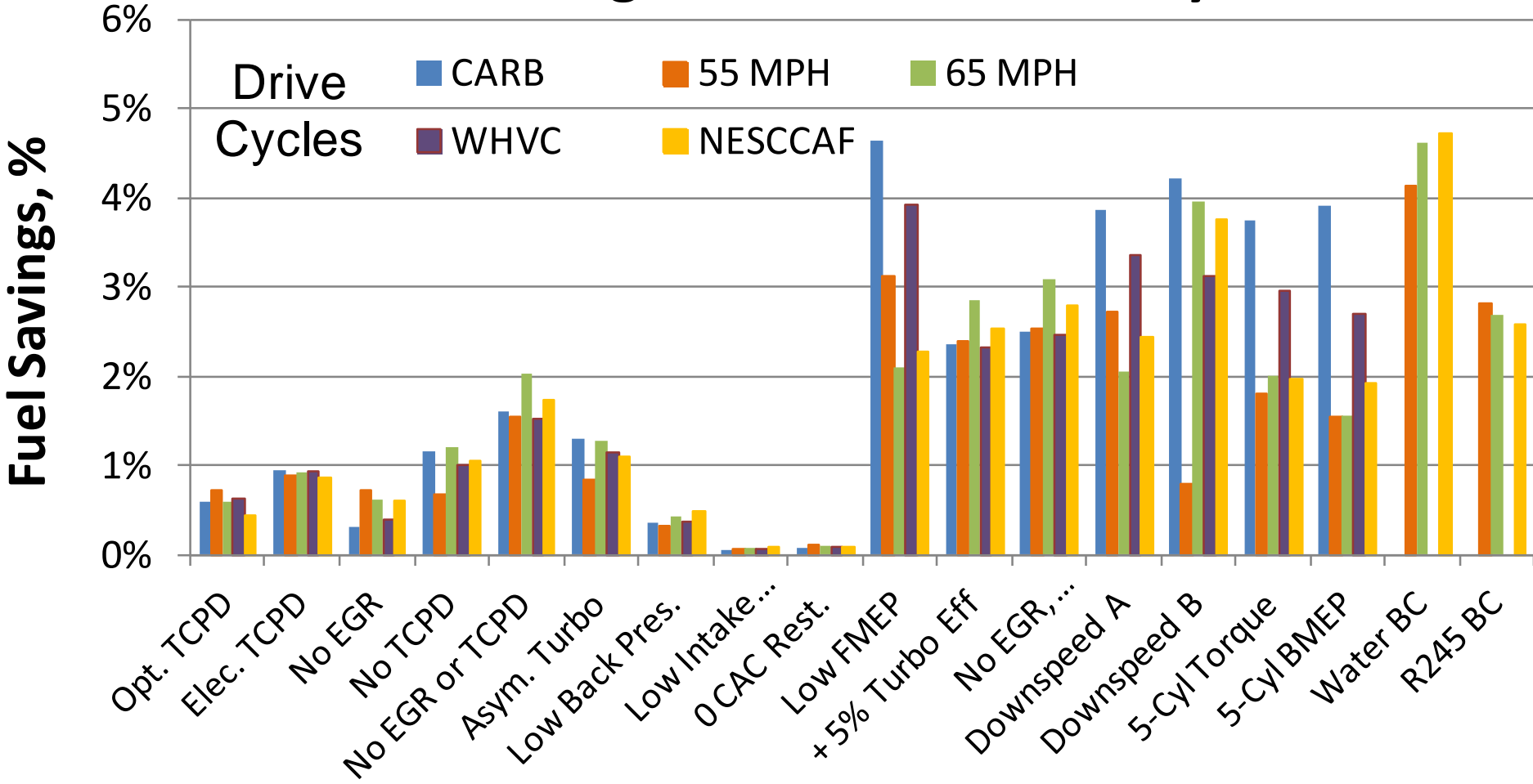
- This category uses one base engine, the DD15
- This category uses one base vehicle, the Kenworth T-700 aerodynamic tractor with a standard (non-aero) 53 foot box van trailer



Long Haul Engine Technologies



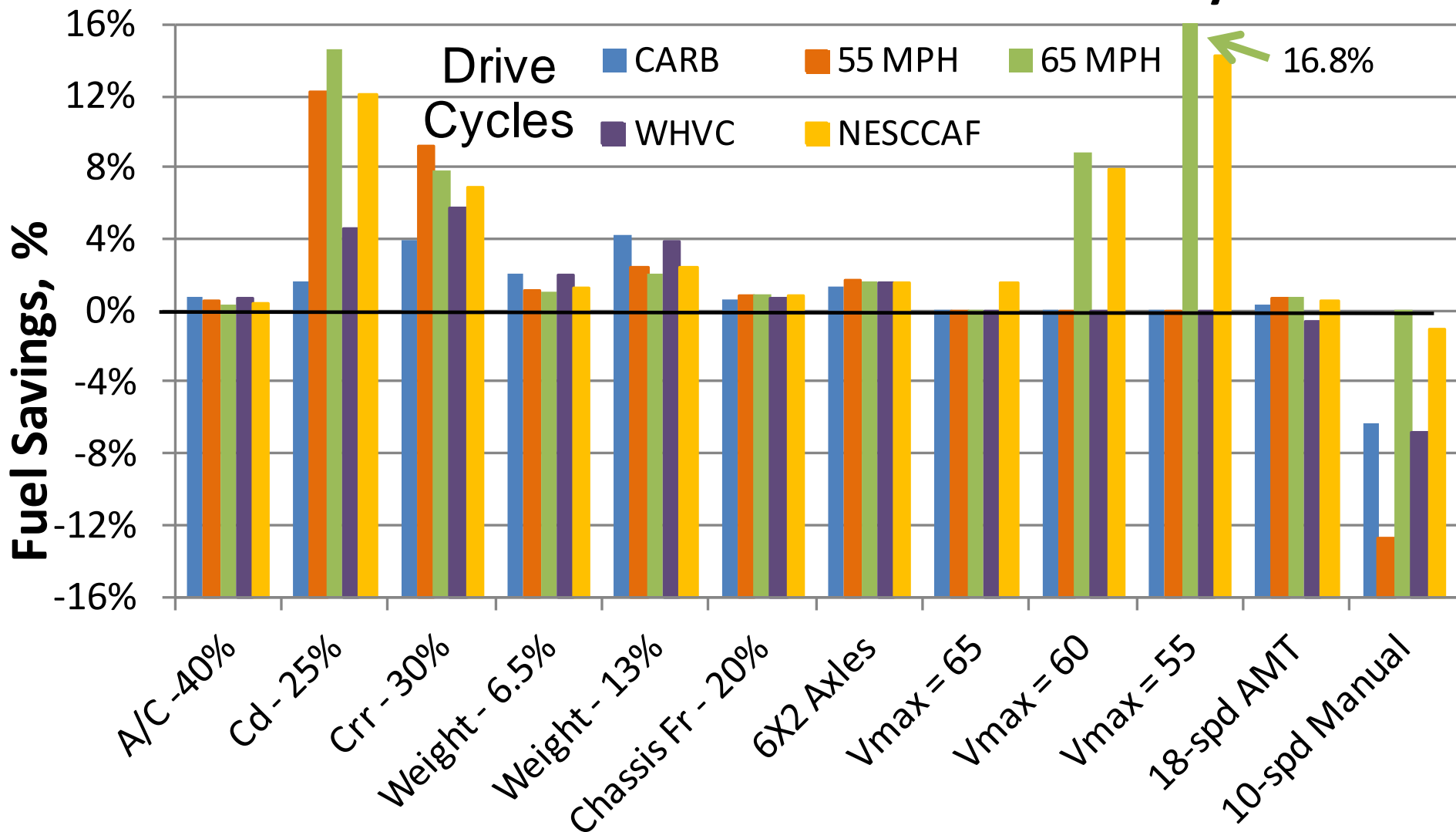
DD15 Technologies in T700 at 50% Payload



Tractor-Trailer Technologies



Vehicle Tech. in T-700 vs. Baseline at 50% Payload



Some Preliminary HD Observations



- **Engine friction reduction provides significant benefits, particularly on lightly loaded cycles**
- **Both downspeeding and downsizing show 1.5% to 4% benefit**
 - Hard to combine both, because of BMEP limits
- **R245 BC provides about 3% (for reference, water based BC provides about 5%)**
 - Note transient performance issues – long haul only technology
- **Large Cd and Crr reductions provide large benefits**
- **Turbocompound didn't work out well here. Other, smaller engines have shown better results**

Some Preliminary HD Observations



- **Increasing the number of gear ratios doesn't help much**
 - Engine has good BSFC over a wide enough range to work well with the 10-speed
- **It takes big weight reductions to provide a significant fuel savings / GHG benefit (See notes)**
- **Road speed governors provide a big benefit, if the drive cycle has a large portion of high speed operation**
 - Note productivity issue
- **Simulating a manual transmissions is tricky, and needs to be supported by field tests**
 - Fuel penalty for manual indicated by 55 MPH cycle and WHVC involve running a gear down, which causes a large penalty

2019 Baseline DD15

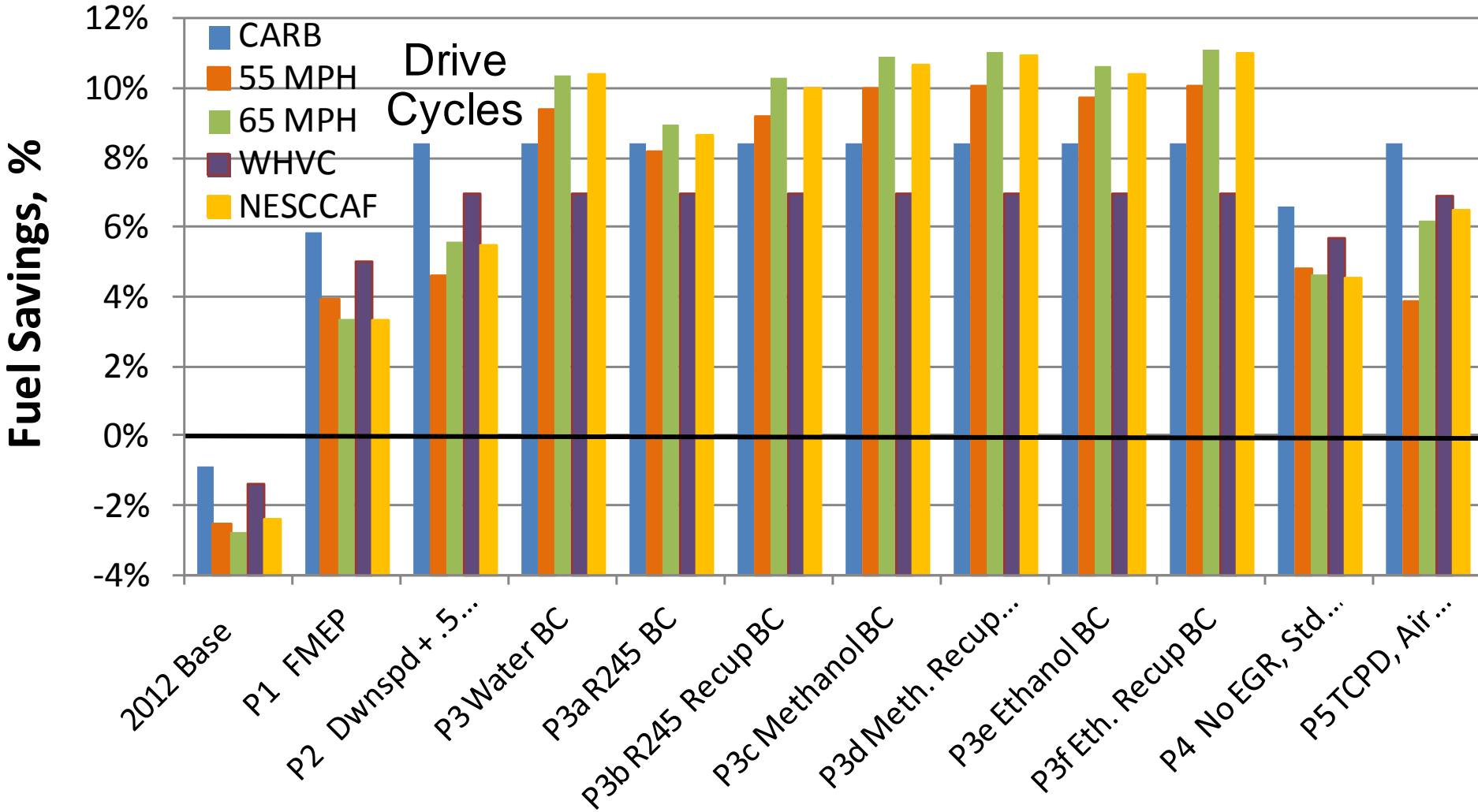


- **Uses asymmetric turbo – similar to 2014 production**
- **Assume a 1% improvement from shorter combustion duration**
 - This can represent any incremental improvement
- **Complies with 2017 GHG requirement**
 - With zero margin

HD Engine Technology Combos



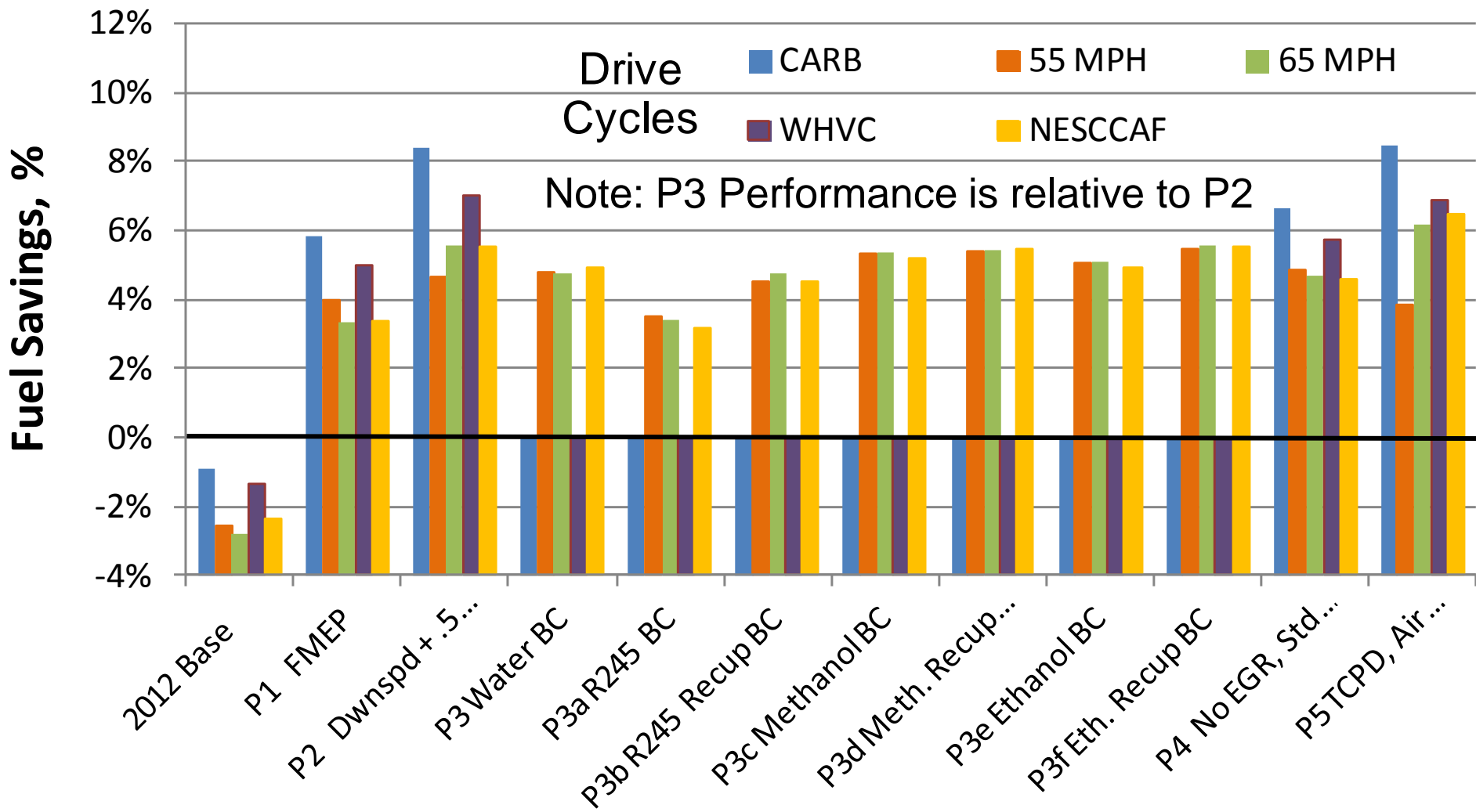
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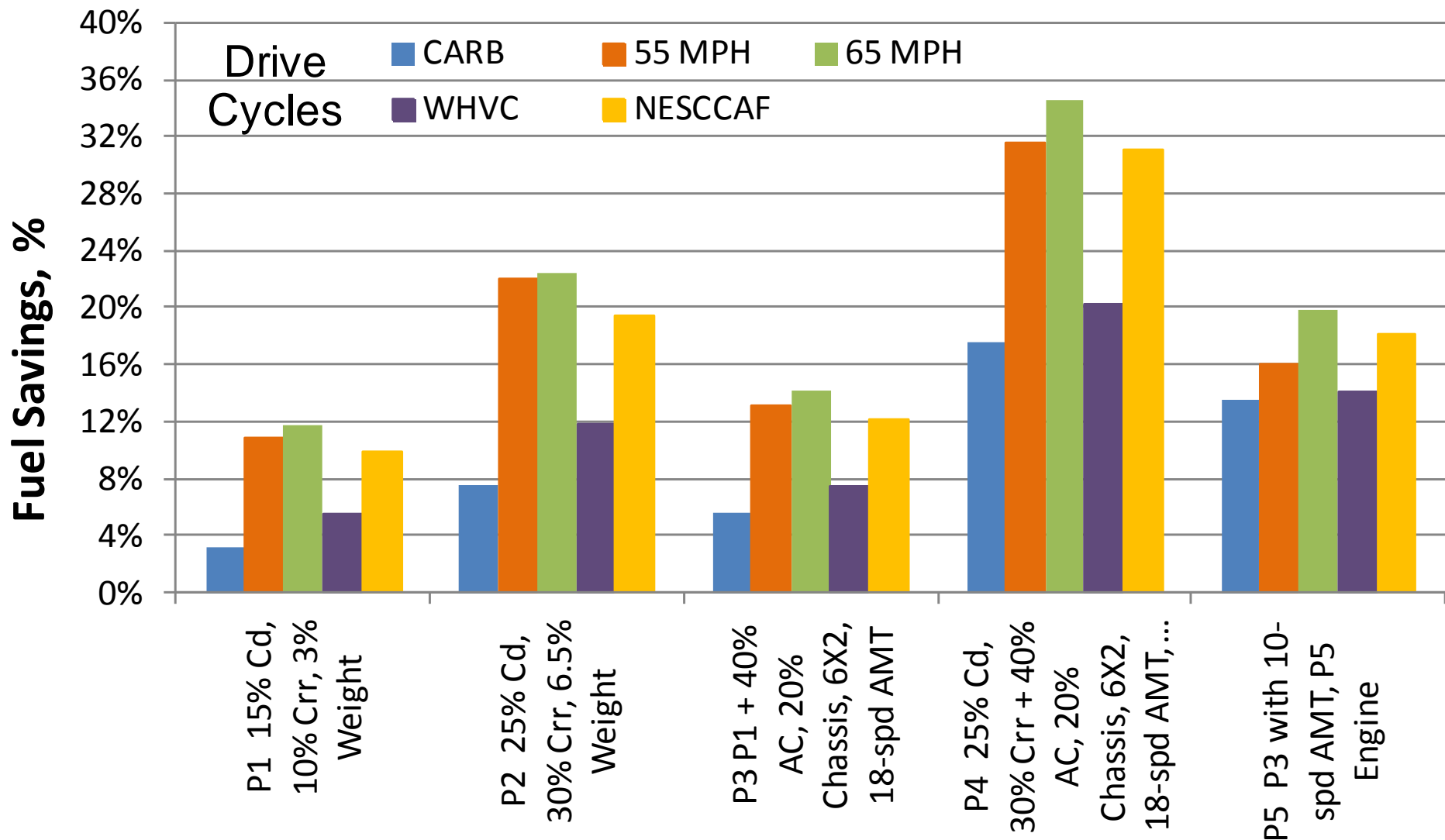
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HD Vehicle Technology Combos



Vehicle Tech. in T-700 vs. Baseline at 50% Payload



Some Preliminary HD Combo Observations



- Friction reduction and downspeeding perform on the 2019 baseline similar to the original baseline
- The refrigerant-based WHR system benefits significantly from a recuperator, but the other working fluids show a smaller benefit
- Methanol, ethanol, and water working fluids give similar WHR performance
- Throwing the kitchen sink at the turbocompound engine still does not result in performance better than asymmetric turbo packages on this particular engine
 - Note that turbocompound has shown a benefit on other engines

Some Preliminary HD Combo Observations



- **Vehicle Combo Package 4 pushes into SuperTruck territory**
 - Combines vehicle and engine technology packages, similar to SuperTruck
 - ~33% fuel savings on long haul cycles = ~50% MPG improvement
 - Note that SuperTrucks have ~50% Cd reduction, vs. 25% in this study, so SuperTrucks perform even better
- **Larger fuel savings are available from vehicle power demand reductions than from engine efficiency improvements**
 - Maximum engine potential fuel savings in this study is ~10%

Overall Observations



- **Long haul trucks have the largest potential % fuel savings**
 - **Given their high VMT, they can also support more investment in fuel saving technology**
 - **Still, not all technologies will prove cost effective**
 - **Savings of up to 33% appear feasible, although not necessarily all cost-effective**
- **Medium trucks and pickups have a potential for up to 20% fuel savings**
 - **It will be a struggle to make some of these savings cost-effective**

The Full Reports



- **Are available at:**
 - <http://www.nhtsa.gov/Laws+&+Regulations/CAFE+-+Fuel+Economy/supporting-phase-2-proposal>
- **Report 1 covers all individual technologies**
- **Report 2 (still in draft form) covers technology combinations**
- **Cost study covers costs of the technologies evaluated in Reports 1 & 2, plus a few more**

The Proposed Phase 2 Regulations



- **Came out Friday, June 19**
- **Can be found at:**
 - <http://www.nhtsa.gov/fuel-economy>
 - **Just 1,329 pages...**



Considerations for Mexico



- **Remember the local truck market**
 - Trucks are not like cars – they are tools used to earn money
 - Truck operators have a strong incentive to reduce fuel consumption
 - Profit margins are thin, and fuel is a large portion of total expenses
 - OEMs have a strong incentive to reduce fuel consumption
 - These conditions limit the possible benefits from regulation
 - However,

Considerations for Mexico



- **Sometimes, the market can fail**
 - **Example: tractors and trailers may be owned by different companies**
 - The trailer owner has no incentive to help the tractor owner save fuel
 - **Example: companies may have incomplete information**
 - How best to specify a truck
 - Which fuel saving features will work with the company's duty cycle?
 - How to operate the truck to get the highest efficiency

Considerations for Mexico



- **Pay attention to market differences**
 - **What portion of the market is high speed, long haul?**
 - **What portion of the market is heavy haul or specialty haul? On/off highway?**
 - **How do length and weight regulations in Mexico affect regulatory targets?**
 - **Bigger, heavier trucks are more efficient, so efficiency goals should be an input to length & weight regulations**
 - **Higher axle load damages roads ~ axle load⁴**
 - **Adapting US regulatory language without adapting it to Mexican conditions would cause problems**