

# Hydrogen and Canada's Energy Future: Opportunities, Challenges, Next Steps

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# Hydrogen “colours” and Value Chain

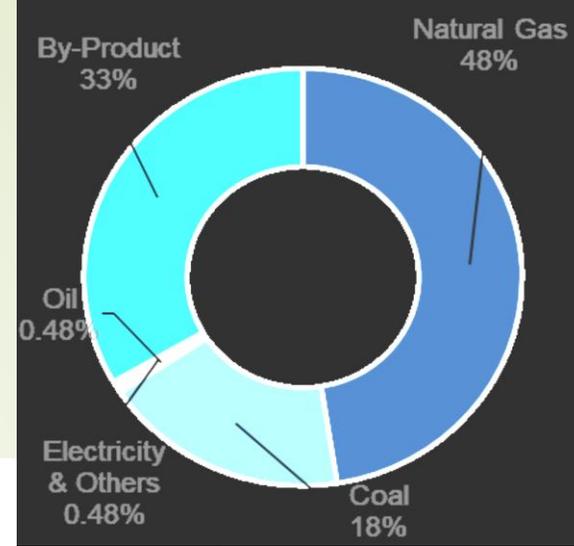
**Grey** H<sub>2</sub>: from fossil fuels (NG, coal, oil, by product)

**Blue** H<sub>2</sub>: from NG with CCS

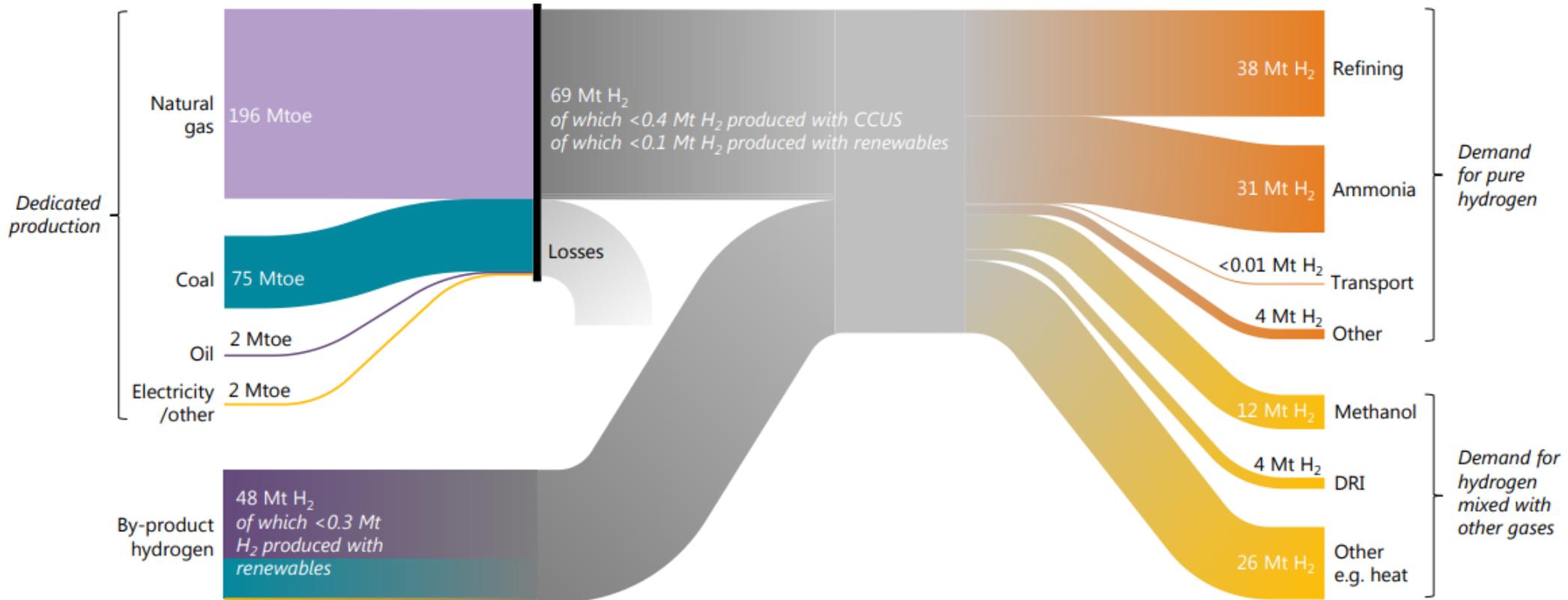
**Green** H<sub>2</sub>: from renewables

**Purple** H<sub>2</sub>: From nuclear

Global Hydrogen production by energy source

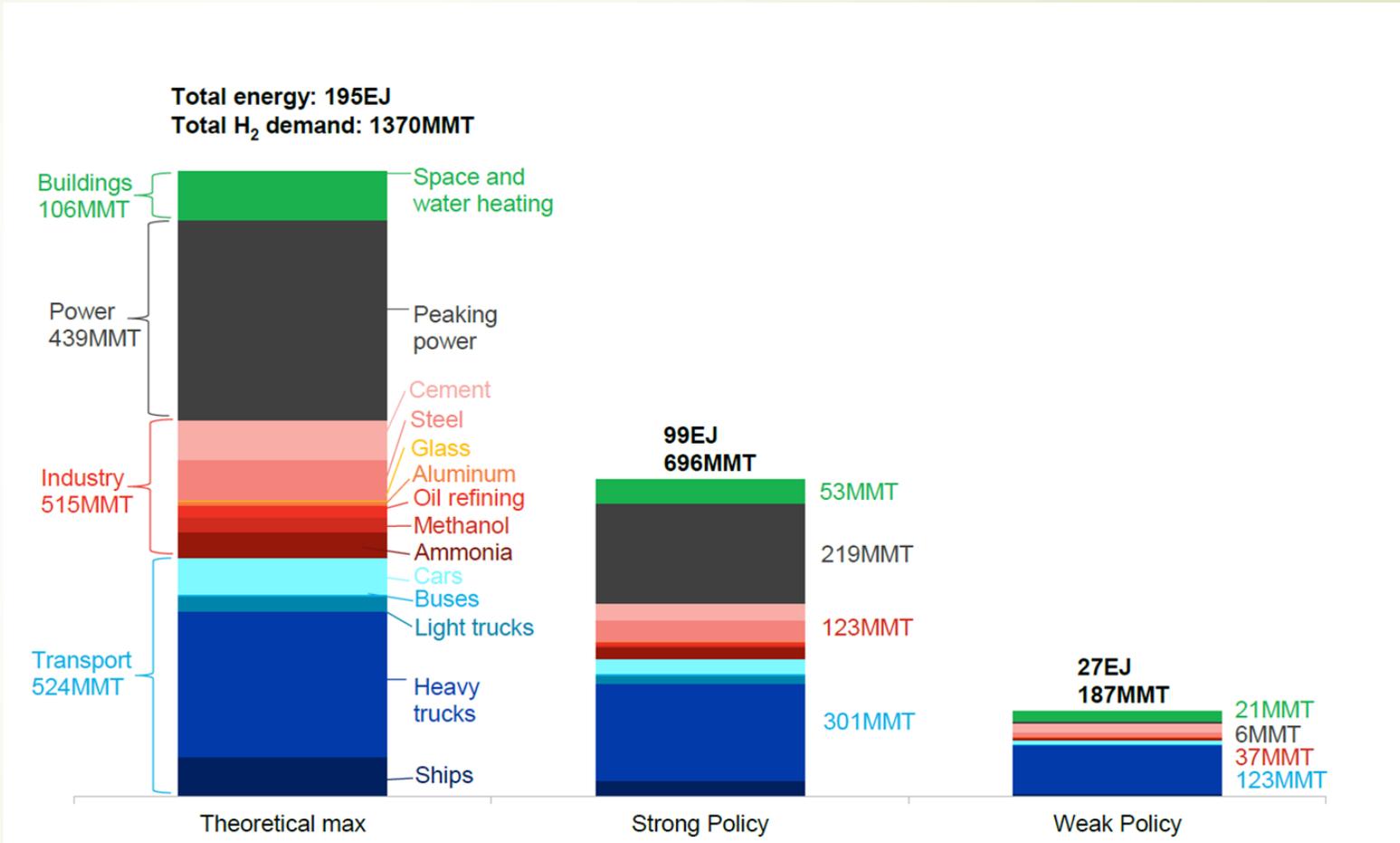


**Figure 6. Today's hydrogen value chains**



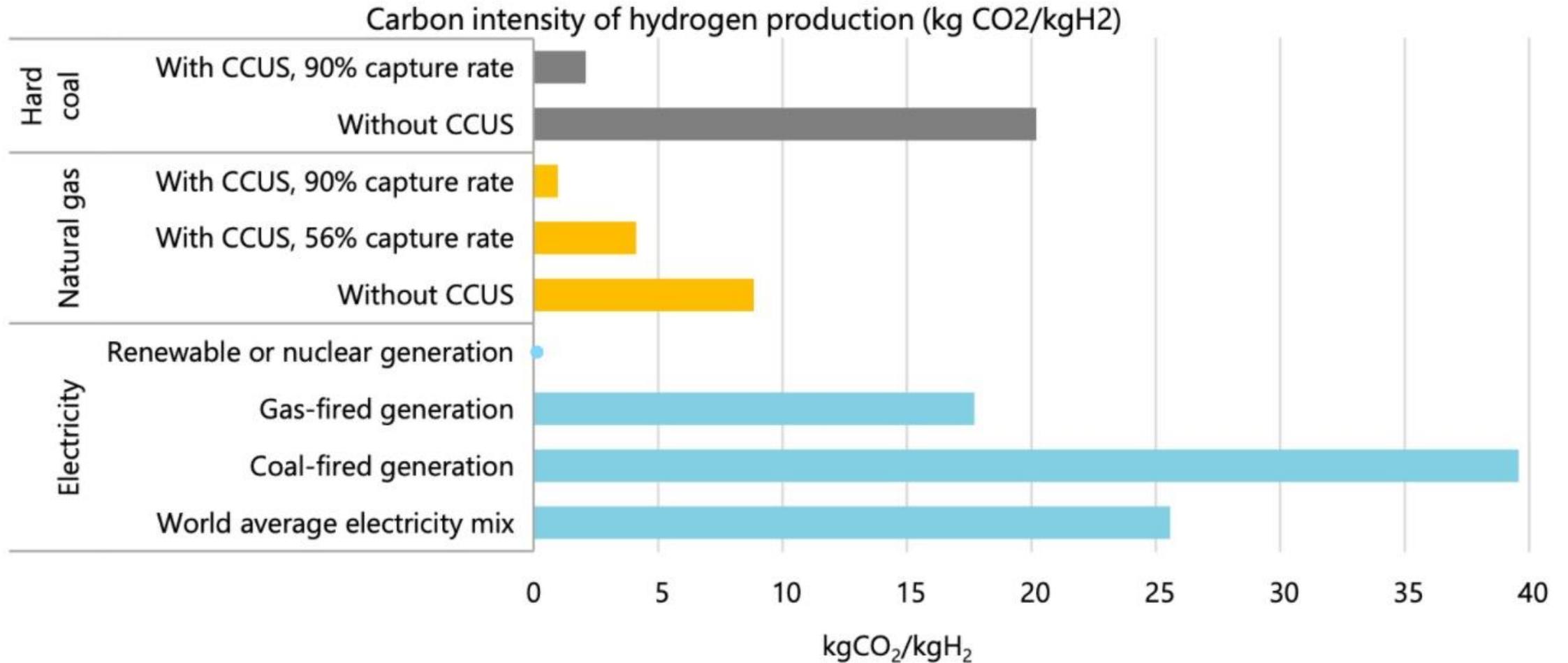
# How and how much Hydrogen is currently produced?

- Canada produces ~3 MMT/yr.
- USA produces ~10 MMT/yr.
- Global capacity is ~ 70 MMT/yr.
- Global capacity of electrolyzers is ~0.2 GW
- Achieving competitive hydrogen from electrolysis requires deployment of ~70 GW
- In the **decarbonisation scenario**, about 1/5<sup>th</sup> of the electricity generated in 2050 is converted to hydrogen for use in industry and transport sectors. Electricity generation would need an increase globally by 50%!



Source: Hydrogen Economy Outlook, Bloomberg NEF, March 2020; used with permission

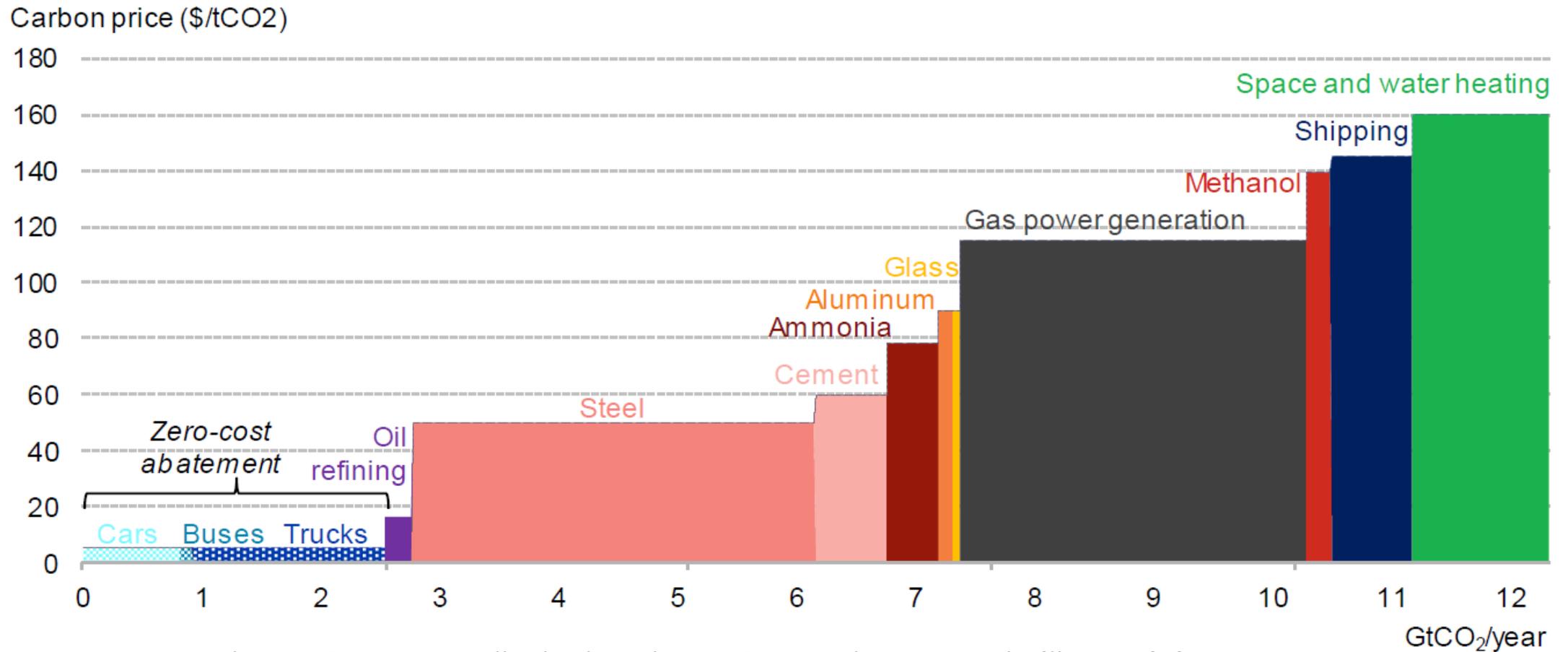
# Carbon Intensity of Hydrogen Production (kg CO<sub>2</sub>/kg H<sub>2</sub>)



Source: IEA 2019 Report

# Marginal Abatement Cost by Sector

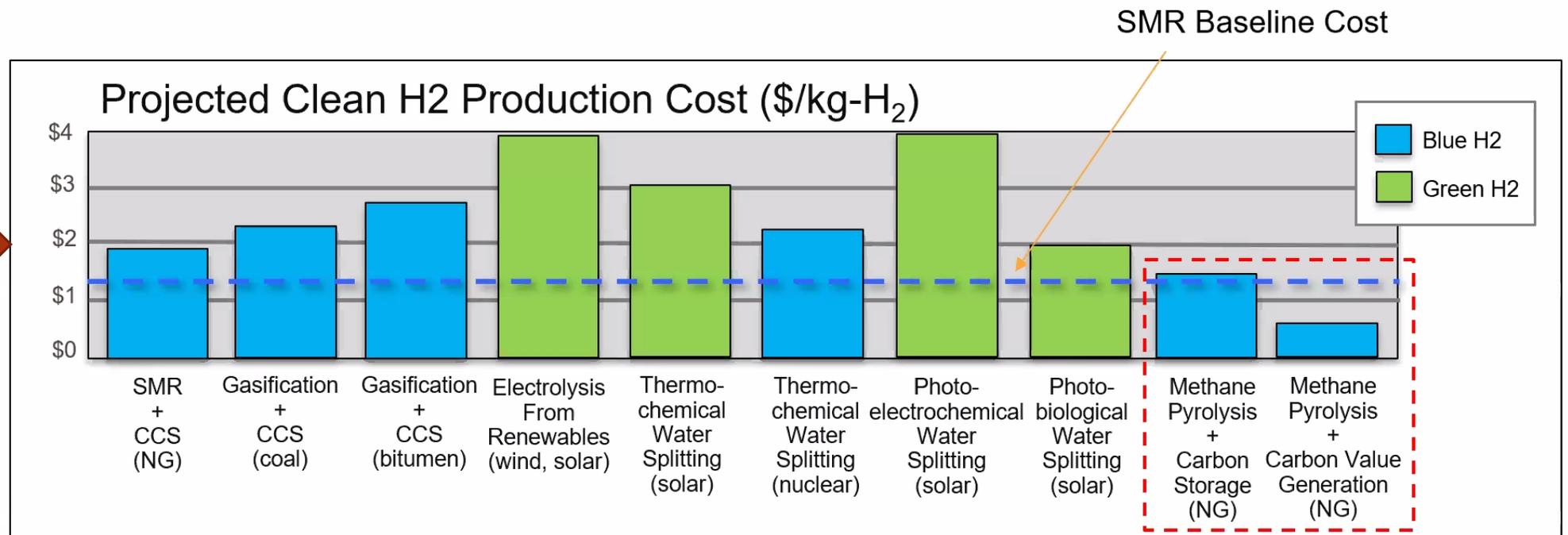
Figure 7: Marginal abatement cost curve from using \$1/kg hydrogen for emission reductions, by sector in 2050



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# Cost comparison by Method of Production

## Technology Analysis



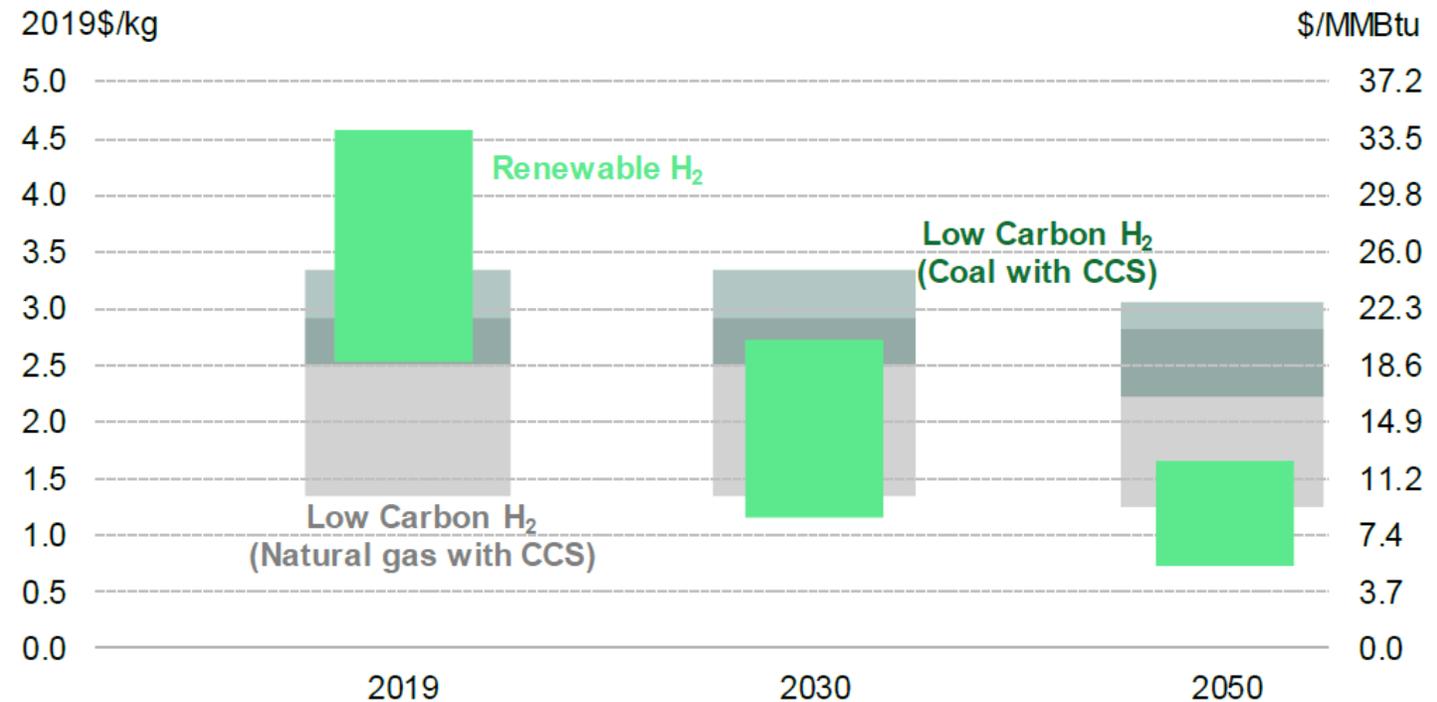
Source: Chris Reid, CEO, Ekona Power Inc. (used with permission)

# Cost Forecast into 2050 (Blue vs Green)

Bloomberg NEF (March 30, 2020 Report)

- Hydrogen is projected to meet **24% of the global energy demand** by 2050.
- Hydrogen is likely to be most competitive in **large-scale local supply chains**.
- In the **decarbonisation scenario**, about 1/5<sup>th</sup> of the electricity generated in 2050 is converted to hydrogen for use in industry and transport sectors.

Figure 3: Forecast global range of levelized cost of hydrogen production from large projects



Source: BloombergNEF. Note renewable hydrogen costs based on large projects with optimistic projections for capex. Natural gas prices range from \$1.1-10.3/MMBtu, coal from \$30-116/t.

Price of electricity dominates electrolyzers economics

# Summary

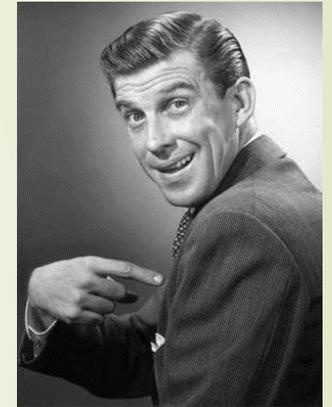
- ▶ Low-cost, scalable **Green Hydrogen** production is the single most important factor in accelerating the hydrogen economy.
- ▶ Focus on scaling applications and technologies that create the biggest 'improvement for-investment'
- ▶ Water splitting via thermo-chemical cycles using waste/process heat is one of the most economical methods of producing **Green Hydrogen** at scale.
- ▶ **The clean energy technologies we will need tomorrow hinge on innovation today**  
**Technological innovations are essential in combating the impact of climate change.**
- ▶ Hydrogen alone is not enough to reach zero-carbon by 2050. A more holistic approach to emissions reduction in all sectors is necessary

## Concluding Thought

Our response to climate change should be:

- Innovation
- Adaptation
- Mitigation

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