## Transportation Worksheet

## 1. Policies for reducing use of cars

| Policy | Examples |
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| Fuel Switching | - Using electric or hybrid automobiles, provided that the energy is generated from lower-carbon or non-fossil fuels. <br> - Using renewable fuels such as low-carbon biofuels. |
| Improving Fuel <br> Efficiency with <br> Advanced Design, <br> Materials, and <br> Technologies | - Developing advanced vehicle technologies like hybrid vehicles and electric vehicles <br> - Reducing the weight of materials used to build vehicles. <br> - Reducing the aerodynamic resistance of vehicles through better shape design. |
| Improving Operating <br> Practices | - Car pooling <br> - Avoiding rapid acceleration and braking, observing the speed limit. <br> - Reducing engine-idling. <br> - Improved voyage planning for ships, such as through improved weather routing, to increase fuel efficiency. |
| Reducing Travel Demand | - Building public transportation, sidewalks, and bike paths to increase loweremission transportation choices. <br> - Zoning for mixed use areas, so that residences, schools, stores, and businesses are close together, reducing the need for driving. |

(Source: www.epa.gov/climatechange/ghgemissions/sources/transportation.html)

## 2. Energy/Emission data

| Fuel | Emissions (kg <br> CO2/gallon) | Emissions (kg CO2/liter) | Energy density (kWh/liter LHV ) | Emissions (kg <br> CO2/kWh) |
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| gasoline | 8.887 | 2.348 | 8.7 | 0.27 |
| diesel | 10.18 | 2.690 | 10 | 0.27 |

## 3. US transportation statistics

- Average miles/year/person : 13,000 miles
- Average ownership of cars: 11.4 yrs (2012)
- Ave passengers/car: 1.55, average daily travel time: 22-25 min.


## 4. Measures of vehicle efficiency and use

- VMT - vehicle miles travelled
- MPG - tells us vehicle efficiency ( $1 \mathrm{MPG}=0.4 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{l}$ )
- BTU per passenger mile tells us efficiency in moving people (what we want!)
- $\quad 1 \mathrm{kWh}$ per $\mathrm{p}-\mathrm{km}=5459.68 \mathrm{BTU}$ per $\mathrm{p}-\mathrm{mi}$
- kWh per $100 \mathrm{p}-\mathrm{km}=54.59$ BTU per 100 p -mi

| Transport mode | Ave passengers <br> per vehicle | BTU per <br> passenger-mile | kWh per <br> passenger-km | kWh per 100 <br> passenger-km |
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| Rail (Intercity Amtrak) | 20.9 | 2,435 | 0.45 | 45 |
| Motorcycles | 1.16 | 2,460 | 0.45 | 45 |
| Rail (Transit Light \& Heavy) | 24.5 | 2,516 | 0.46 | 46 |
| Rail (Commuter) | 32.7 | 2,812 | 0.52 | 52 |
| Air | 99.3 | 2,826 | 0.52 | 52 |
| Cars | 1.55 | 3,538 | 0.65 | 65 |
| Personal Trucks | 1.84 | 3,663 | 0.67 | 67 |
| Buses (Transit) | 9.2 | 4,242 | 0.78 | 78 |
| Taxi | 1.55 | 15,645 | 2.87 | 287 |

Source: Transportation Energy Data Book, Edition 33, 2014 (stats from 2012)

## 5. Calculating cost and emissions -A new Nissan Leaf (all electric) to new Honda Civic

Assume you drive 11,400 miles/year, you drive each car for 12 years, your access to a loan is $7 \%$ interest, and the average price of gasoline over this time period is $3.50 \$ /$ gallon (anyone's guess!!).

- A 2014 Honda Civic has an MSRP of $\$ 19,000$ and gets a combined (cty/hwy) mileage of 33 mpg .
- A 2014 Nissan Leaf has an MSRP of $\$ 29,000$, a range of 73 mi per charge, and an efficiency of $29 \mathrm{kWh} / 100$ mi . Assume electricity costs $0.12 \$ / \mathrm{kWh}$. Assume you are getting your electricity from PNM, 0.66 kg CO2/kWh.

Honda Civic
Annualized capital cost:
Annual fuel cost:

Annual total cost:

Annual CO2 emissions:

Leaf
Annualized capital cost:
Annual "fuel" cost:
Annual total cost:
Annual CO2 emissions:

