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A NEW DAY

# THE INTERSECTION OF TRANSPORTATION AND HEALTH

Sunil Joshi, MD City of Jacksonville Chief Health Officer JEPB Member

# TRANSPORTATION RELATED AIR POLLUTION (TRAP)

### Air pollution:

- An environmental health hazard
- It is a major threat to global health and prosperity
- Responsible for over 6.5 million deaths globally each year



The Lancet; 6, 6 E535-547 June 2022

## TRANSPORTATION RELATED AIR POLLUTION

What is Transportation Related Air Pollution (TRAP)?

- a mixture of gasses and particles,
- has most of the elements of humanmade air pollution:
  - ground-level ozone,
  - carbon monoxide
  - nitrogen oxides,
  - sulfur oxides,
  - volatile organic compounds, and
  - fine particulate matter (PM10 and PM2.5).

## TRANSPORTATION RELATED AIR POLLUTION

**Ozone**, an atmospheric gas; created when pollutants emitted by cars, power plants, industrial boilers, refineries, and other sources chemically react in the presence of sunlight.

**Noxious gases**, such as carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides (NOx), and sulfur oxides (SOx), are components of motor vehicle emissions

#### Volatile organic compounds (VOC) vaporize at or

near room temperature—hence, volatile. Organic because they contain carbon. Gasoline and natural gas are major sources of VOCs, which are released during combustion.

**Particulate matter** (PM) chemicals such as sulfates, nitrates, carbon, or mineral dusts. Vehicle emissions from fossil fuel combustion, cigarette smoke, and wildfires, all contain PM. A subset of PM, fine particulate matter (PM 2.5) is 30 times thinner than a human hair. It can be inhaled deeply into lung tissue and contribute to serious health problems. PM 2.5 accounts for most health effects due to air pollution in the U.S.

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# **HEALTH EFFECTS OF TRAP?**

#### **Cancer:**

- A large study of more than 57,000 women found living near major roadways may increase the risk of breast cancer (Int. Cardio 2020 Feb 1;146(3):699-711)
- Chemicals in gasoline increase risk for Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (Cancer Epidemiol Biomarkers 2007 Mar:16(3):385-91)

#### Heart Disease:

- Fine particulate matter can **impair blood vessel function** and **speed up calcification in arteries**
- Links between short-term daily exposure by post-menopausal women to nitrogen oxides and **increased risk of hemorrhagic stroke**.
- Exposure to TRAP can result in **lowered levels of HDL**, sometimes called good cholesterol, increasing their risk for cardiovascular disease.
- TRAP increases a pregnant woman's risk for dangerous changes in blood pressure, known as hypertensive disorders, which are a leading cause of pre-term birth, low birth weight, and maternal and fetal illness and death.

# **HEALTH EFFECTS OF TRAP?**

#### **Respiratory illnesses:**

- Research published in 2023 tied two air pollutants, ozone and PM2.5, to <u>asthma-related changes</u> in children's airways;
- Increases in asthma prevalence and severity are linked to urbanization and outdoor PM 2.5. Children living in low-income urban areas tend to have more asthma cases than others.
- PM and nitrogen oxide are linked to <u>chronic bronchitis</u>

#### **Pregnancy:**

- Prenatal exposure to particulate matter was associated with <u>low birth</u> <u>weight</u>.
- Women exposed to high levels of fine particulate matter during pregnancy, particularly in the third trimester, may have <u>up to twice the risk of having a</u> <u>child with autism</u>.
- Second and third trimester exposure to PM 2.5 might increase the chance of those children having <u>high blood pressure in early life</u> Environ Health Persp 2013 Mar;121(3):267-373

## AMBIENT AIR MONITORING NATIONAL LEVEL

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) tracks emissions data on the following transportation-related criteria pollutants:

- -Carbon monoxide (CO)
- -Nitrogen oxides (NOx)
- -PM 10 (10 micrometers or less in diameter)
- -PM 2.5 (2.5 micrometers or less in diameter)
- -Sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>)
- -Volatile organic compounds (VOC)
- -Ground level ozone (O<sub>3</sub>)

# AMBIENT AIR MONITORING JACKSONVILLE

The COJ Environmental Quality Division operates eight ambient air monitoring sites in Duval County, monitoring for ozone  $(O_3)$ , carbon monoxide (CO), nitrogen dioxide  $(NO_2)$ , particulate matter (PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>), and sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>). This data is uploaded daily to the EPA.

## JACKSONVILLE AMBIENT AIR MONITORING NETWORK







## AMBIENT AIR MONITORING NATIONAL LEVEL

The on-road emissions data covers

- 2008 to 2020
- -Based on National Emissions Inventory

(NEI) data

-updated every three years.



# ON ROAD TRANSPORTATION RELATED EMISSIONS IN JACKSONVILLE

AS A GROUP, ON-ROAD TRANSPORTATION-RELATED CRITERIA POLLUTANTS PLUS VOC EMISSIONS HAVE TRENDED DOWNWARD FROM 2008 TO 2020





AS A GROUP, GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS HAVE TRENDED DOWNWARD FROM 2008 TO 2020, BUT NOT TO THE EXTENT THAT CRITERIA POLLUTANTS HAVE





# **CRITERIA POLLUTANTS**

# **CARBON MONOXIDE**

Carbon monoxide is produced by the incomplete combustion of fuel, primarily in vehicles (on and offroad).

Carbon monoxide makes up the bulk of the on-road criteria pollutant emissions.



# NITROGEN DIOXIDE (NO2)

Nitrogen dioxide is a surrogate for nitrogen oxides, which are primarily produced by the burning of fuel (on-road vehicles, off-road equipment, and power plants). Nitrogen oxides irritate the airways of humans, react with water, oxygen, and other chemicals to produce acid rain and haze, and react with volatile organic compounds (VOC) and ultraviolet sunlight to produce ozone.



# FINE PARTICULATE MATTER (PM2.5)





# **VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (VOC)**



Duval Annual On-Road Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) Emissions



# **THANK YOU**

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### Agenda

- Purpose
- 2014 Alternative Fuels Master Plan Review
- Baseline Conditions
- 2024 Clean Fuels Master Plan
- Pathway Approach
- Next Steps & Questions





### **Purpose: Why Update the Plan?**

#### Federal Incentives & Support

- Unprecedented Federal funding-BIL, IRA
- J40 requires 40% of fed program funding for disadvantaged communities with investments focused on clean energy and transit

Changes to TPO & North Florida

- Updated Plan will reflect mission and vision of new Coalition leadership, board members, and major stakeholder additions
- North Florida AF infrastructure has developed, expanding feasibility of alternative fuel fleets

#### Tech Advancements & Market Dynamics

- Evolution in alternative fuel technologies, enhancing their cost competitiveness and overall efficiency since 2014
- Consumer preferences, industry trends and global energy demands are shifting increasingly towards alternative fuel adoption



#### **Increase documented AFVs to >1,500**

- St. Johns County bi-fuel fleet
- JEA Drive Clean

## Add at least 60 more AFV stations

- Regional EV charging network
- First Coast Biofuels B20 and E85 fueling network

# **Continue providing targeted funding for projects that change the market**

- \$2.75 million for publicly-accessible JTA CNG station
- Drive Electric Florida coalition



**Baseline Conditions** 







Collect asset data from fleets located in Northeast Florida

- Quantify the environmental and economic costs and benefits of different alternative fuels
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Recommend the best solution for fleets based on results of the analysis





# Fleet data on more 8,000 assets were submitted from 15 organizations!

- City of Jacksonville
- City of St. Augustine
- Feeding Northeast Florida
- Fernandina Beach
- Green Cove Springs
- JEA
- JTA
- Nassau County

- NassauTRANSIT
- Neptune Beach
- Orange Park
- Ride Solution (Putnam County)
- Sunshine Bus Co. (St. Johns County)
- St. Augustine Beach
- St. Johns County



#### **2024 Clean Fuels Master Plan**

## **Use Cases**

#### Light-Duty & Light Commercial

Passenger Car Police Car Passenger Pickup Truck SUV Police SUV Ambulance Medium-Duty Pickup Truck Utility Cargo Van Shuttle/Transit Vans

#### **Medium-Duty**

Delivery Step Vans Straight Truck School Bus Transit Bus Heavy-Duty Bucket/Aerial Truck Dump Truck Fire Engine Freight Truck Refuse Truck Street Sweeper



#### **2024 Clean Fuels Master Plan**

# Fuels

#### Biodiesel (B20)



#### Electricity



#### Hydrogen



#### Ethanol (E85)



#### Natural Gas (LNG & CNG)



#### Propane (LPG)





### 2024 Clean Fuels Master Plan – Fleet Strategies





### **Pathway 1: Diesel to Biodiesel**





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Infrastructure: \$5.8M







### Pathway 2: Diversify - HEV, Diesel HEV, LPG & CNG



### **Opportunities**: 47

Fleets: 14 (3,997 vehicles)



Infrastructure: \$7.2M






**Pathway 3:Electrify** 



### **Opportunities**: 60

Fleets: 14 (3,964 vehicles)



Vehicles: \$168.9M

Infrastructure: \$28.2M



Fuel Displaced: 55.5M GGE **GHG Reduced:** 447.9 mt CO<sub>2</sub>





### **1.Fleet Procurement**

 Conduct full life cycle assessment of replacement vehicles

### 2.Infrastructure

- Fill infrastructure gaps along major corridors
- Require all new construction or renovations include EV infrastructure
- Develop EV charger specifications with minimum performance requirements

### 3.Training

 Develop operational policies for all clean fuel fleet vehicle types





### **Next Steps**

1. More than a Plan! A Tool.

2. Continue Collecting Fleet Data

3. Develop Fundable Projects



### **Questions?**



# **Dave McKee** Transportation Electrification Program Manager JEA





### North Florida Clean Fuels Coalition Expo

### **March 2024**





### Why Electrification?

- Battery electric vehicles emit zero site emissions.
- Electric power generation is getting cleaner over time as high carbon fuel usage is reduced.
- Transportation electrification is on the critical path to atmospheric decarbonization.
- Lower total cost of ownership than gasoline and diesel equivalents.



### JEA Drive Electric Residential

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### JEA Drive Electric Residential

- Education and awareness
- Pays customers to charge vehicles during off-peak hours
- Uses existing grid assets to monitor charging
- Places downward pressure on electric rates





### **Fleet Electrification**

- Engaging fleet owners early
- Education & Awareness
- Managing timeline expectations
- Answering questions
- Providing fleet advisory services
- Helping fleets cut costs





### **JEA FEP Fleet Pipeline**

### Lead

- NAS Jax
- First Coast Terminals
- Jax Black Car
- JAA
- Global Outreach Charter Academy
- Jacksonville University

### Lead Qualification

- Student Transportation of America
- Town of Orange Park
- Vystar Credit Union
- Quick Tie Products, Inc

### **Fleet Projects**

- Pepsi
- Durham School Services
- Amazon
- Champion Brands
- JEA
- COJ





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Free TCO Calculator https://evfleets.jea.zappy-ride.com JEA Fleet Electrification Program https://www.jea.com/fleetelectrification JEA Drive Electric Program https://www.jeadriveelectric.com/ Dave McKee



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# **Brandon Cox** Regional Director of Autogas Alliance Autogas/Blossman Gas



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### BRANDON COX, REGIONAL DIRECTOR

March 26, 2024

# Vehicle Platforms















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# Why AutoGas?

### **ECONOMICS:**



### **ENERGY SECURITY:**



of propane autogas used in the U.S. is

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#### **POWERED BY PROPANE**

### **AUTOGAS vs GASOLINE**



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# Federal Incentive – Tax Credit

#### **Alternative Fuel Excise Tax Credit**

NOTE: This incentive was originally set to expire on December 31, 2021, but has been extended through December 31, 2024, by Public Law 117-169.

A tax incentive is available for alternative fuel that is sold for use or used as a fuel to operate a motor vehicle. A tax credit in the amount of \$0.50 per gallon is available for the following alternative fuels: natural gas, liquefied hydrogen, propane, P-Series fuel, liquid fuel derived from coal through the Fischer-Tropsch process, and compressed or liquefied gas derived from biomass. For propane and natural gas sold after December 31, 2015, the tax credit is based on the gasoline gallon equivalent (GGE) or diesel gallon equivalent (DGE). For taxation purposes, one GGE is equal to 5.75 pounds (lbs.) of propane and 5.66 lbs. of compressed natural gas.

For an entity to be eligible to claim the credit they must be liable for reporting and paying the federal excise tax on the sale or use of the fuel in a motor vehicle. Tax exempt entities such as state and local governments that dispense qualified fuel from an on-site fueling station for use in vehicles qualify for the incentive. Eligible entities must be registered with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The incentive must first be taken as a credit against the entity's alternative fuel tax liability; any excess over this fuel tax liability may be claimed as a direct payment from the IRS. The tax credit is not allowed if an incentive for the same alternative fuel is also determined under the rules for the ethanol or biodiesel tax credits.

For more information about claiming the credit, see IRS Form 4136, which is available on the IRS Forms and Publications website.

(Reference 26 U.S. Code 6426 and Public Law 117-169)

Point of Contact Excise Tax Branch U.S. Internal Revenue Service Office of Chief Counsel Phone: (202) 317-6855 http://www.irs.gov/

#### Jurisdiction: Federal

Type: Incentives

Agency: U.S. Internal Revenue Service

Enacted: Aug 10, 2005

Amended: Aug 16, 2022

Technologies: Hydrogen Fuel Cells, Natural Gas, Other, Propane (LPG)

See all Federal Laws and Incentives.

Annual Tax Credit for Propane Fuel Gas = \$0.37/gallon Additional money back to you!

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# **Complete Solution**



# **Conversion Systems**

- Alliance AutoGas offers a hybrid system, giving fleet vehicles the flexibility to run on either autogas or gasoline, eliminating range anxiety.
- Our innovative Plug-and-Play system requires no permanent vehicle modifications and comes with an industry leading 5-year, 100,000-mile warranty.



- •All of our systems have undergone rigorous testing and are EPA certified. CARB approvals in process for select systems
- Alliance offers tank configurations to fit the customer's needs.





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# **Fueling Infrastructure**

- Alliance will handle all project management, permitting, and training for your new infrastructure
- Data management capabilities, or the option to integrate with your current data management system
- Remote tank fuel level monitoring
- Alliance AutoGas refueling infrastructure comes with the Staubli Ultra-low Emissions Quick Connect Nozzle. The nozzle:
  - Has a similar refueling process to a gasoline nozzle
  - Is safer to use than a gasoline nozzle
  - Has a comparable filling time to a gasoline nozzle







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# Triton Dispensing Unit & Data Management System





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# **Jose Alberto De Antonio** CEO BDLA - Biodiesel Las Americas







# A little bit of history

- Former GGS Miami registered in Florida in 2011 → The name changed in 2017 by the current owners
- Plant upgraded and fully automated by the end of 2023
- Dedicated to produce and sell 7.5 MMGY of biodiesel as well as 1 MMGY of glycerin
- Recently, DBA registered in Florida, as BDLA



### **BDLA Process Steps**





# **Biodiesel Blends**

- THE NORM B5 and lower blends (up to 5% of biodiesel)
- THE USUAL B6 to B20 blends (6% to 20% of biodiesel) → B20 is a common blend, a good balance of cost, emissions, and image
- THE VISIONARY B100 (pure biodiesel) → Provides additional benefits as increased lubricity, higher ASTM cetane specification, and a cleaner burn



# **BDLA - Environment**

Biodiesel is an environmentally friendly and sustainable alternative for energy consumers.

### Focus areas:

- Contributing Net Zero by 2050
- Efficient energy consumption
- From waste to energy (Used Cooking Oil)
- Promotes Circular Economy
- Responsible process water disposal
- Safety and health standards equal our productivity and quality



# FAQ

# 1.Does it affect the vehicles performance?2.What about the Engine Warranty?



## **Vehicle Performance**

### **Increased Lubricity**



### **Higher Cetane Number**



### Generate less fumes





# **Engine Warranty**

Engine companies do not produce or sell fuel, so they do not provide a warranty for fuel.

If a customer brings in a vehicle that has used biodiesel and the customer is told that the warranty is voided solely because the customer is using biodiesel, this **violates the Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act**.



# **Making Florida better**

The environmental contributions of BDLA's upcoming 7.5 million gallons per year production capacity could be illustrated with the following equivalents:



Reference: https://www.regi.com/services/emissions-calculator



# **BDLA Strengths**

- Fully Automated plant
- BQ-9000 certification (in progress)
- Zero waste facility (as defined by the EPA)
- Environment-friendly plant
- Biodiesel made from UCO
- Feedstock flexibility

- Refined glycerin
- Only Biodiesel producer in Florida
- Premium freight location (near port & rail)
- Biodiesel is a premium fuel with clear benefits



### From Waste to Energy, fueling the future!

- Linked In & FB: Biodiesel Las Americas BDLA
- Instagram: @BDLAUS
- Phone (305)851-6974
- info@bdlaus.com

# **Monte Patrick** Director TECO Peoples Gas



# Alternative Fuel Q & A


## **Paul Soar** Professor, Automotive Technology FSCJ





### EV Technician Development

Professor Paul Soar Automotive Technologies Florida State College at Jacksonville

### FSCJ Automotive Programs



#### Automotive Service Management Technology

A.A.S. degree program

Technical Certificates: Automotive Technician ADAS Technician

**Coming Soon – EV technician** 





**Education Foundation** 

#### **Grants Funded through**



### **EV Training -** Broad Based Approach



- OEM training is too specific to fit the masses:
  - OEM's have specific training for warranty purposes
  - Low OEM dealer density in most Florida cities
- EV training is needed outside of the major OEM's. Ex. JTA, Beep (shuttles), Centro, Fleets & Independent Service Centers, etc.
- Trend is toward the repair of batteries rather than replacement —— Techs needed with battery training



### **EV Repairs**

#### Types of EV Repair

- ✓ Battery Checks✓ Cell/Module Replacement
- ✓ Battery Reconditioning
- ✓ Full Battery Replacement
- ✓ Cooling System Maintenance





### **EV Sustainability**

• Prevention of Battery Waste



• Battery Reuse

Repurposing batteries for less-demanding applications like stationary energy storage

• Recycling

Extracting cobalt, lithium, and nickel for the manufacture of new batteries.



#### EV Technician Program - Draft

#### Intro to Automotive

Electrical Systems (low voltage)

Courses Electrical Systems II (networking)

Brake Systems

**Currently being** 

developed

Existing

Steering and Suspension



Newly Proposed Courses	EV Fundamentals and Safety
	HV Interlock Systems
	HV Battery Management
	EV Drive Systems and Controls
	Power Inverter Systems and Controls
	EV HVAC and Thermal Management

Total

#### **General Education Courses**

General Education Coursework	Course #	Credit hours
College Algebra	MAC 1105	3
English Composition	ENC 1101	3
Physics	PHY 1020	3
Humanities	HUM 2020	3
Social Science	AMH 2020	3
	Total	15 credits

Total Program Credit Hours for A.S Degree		60 credits
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#### Electric Vehicle Technician – Associate of Science Degree



# Curriculum adapted from the National Electric Vehicle Technology Exchange (NEVTEX)

- Aligned with SAE
- Mirrors SAE EV courses



https://www.saeitc.com/programs/probitas/ev-technician







Florida State College at Jacksonville

#### **Timeline for program development**

- Must be approved through the FL Dept of Education
- Currently coordinating with other FL state colleges
- Courses will need to be developed and approved at the local college level
- Possibly Spring of 2025 before courses are ready







#### Automotive Technologies Florida State College at Jacksonville

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## **Ashantae Green** Sustainability Manager City of Jacksonville





North Florida Alternative Fuels & Vehicles Expo Tuesday, March 26, 2024 Ashantae Green, Sustainability Manager City of Jacksonville

### What is Sustainability?



### Measuring Sustainability: Greenhouse Gases



### NE FL Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Overview

EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant
<u>CPRG ph 1 planning grant (</u>\$1M)
<u>CPRG ph 2 implementation grant (</u>\$2M-\$550M)



What is the Northeast Florida MSA?



Jacksonville Metropolitan Statistical Area Duval, Clay, St. Johns, Nassau, & the City of Palm Coast.

#### Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP) Project Timeline



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Clean Air Northeast Florida

#### Global CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions by Sector



Source: IPCC 2014 - Based on global emissions from 2010. Details about the sources included in these estimates can be found in the *Contribution of Working Group III to the Fifth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change*.

#### Northeast Florida CO2 Emissions by Sector



Source: Clean Air NEFL Priority Climate Action Plan 2024

### How does my county compare?



3/27/2024

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### **NEFL Priority Measures**

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#### **Transportation**

- North Florida TPO's Clean Fuels Initiative
- Mass Transit Expansion
- Mode Shift
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Programs
- Transition Fleet to EV

Transportation GHG	Reduction Strategies	2030	2050
North Florida TPO's Clean Fuels Initiative		72,345	482,297
Mass Transit and Multimodal Transportation	10% Conversion annually	61,000	919,000
	15% Conversion annually	102,000	3.2M
	20% Conversion annually	150,000	9.5M
Bicycle and P	edestrian Paths	7,695	38,475
EV Fleet Transition	(per 1000 vehicles)	187,000 annually	

#### **NEFL Priority Measures**

Electrical Grid and Residential/Commercial Buildings

- Increase Renewable Energy to the grid
- Residential Energy Efficiency and Solar
  - Expansion
- Community Facilities Energy Efficiency and Solar Upgrades

Air Northeast Florida

• Municipal Building Decarbonization

**RIFAD AIR DORTHFAS** 



## REGIONAL CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

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### Ways to Engage

- Website <u>cleanairnortheastflorida.com</u>
- Email: <u>cprg@coj.net</u> (goes to three people)
- Sign-up for updates/newsletter via website
- Engagement 5 Question Survey: <u>www.surveymonkey.com/r/5R5C6FZ</u>
- Community Survey
- Attend future meetings





Please visit and sign up for updates on <u>cleanairnortheastflorida.com</u>

Thank You!

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## **Questions?**

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