

# BENEFITS OF EQUIPMENT ELECTRIFICATION

## PHILADELPHIA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT



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# OUTLINE

## BENEFITS OF EQUIPMENT ELECTRIFICATION

- PHL Overview
- Ground Support Equipment (GSE) Overview
- Economic Benefits
- Environmental Benefits

# PHL OVERVIEW

2,400 acres

4 runways

3.2 million sf  
terminal space

30.1 million  
passengers  
(2016)

394,000  
operations  
(2016)

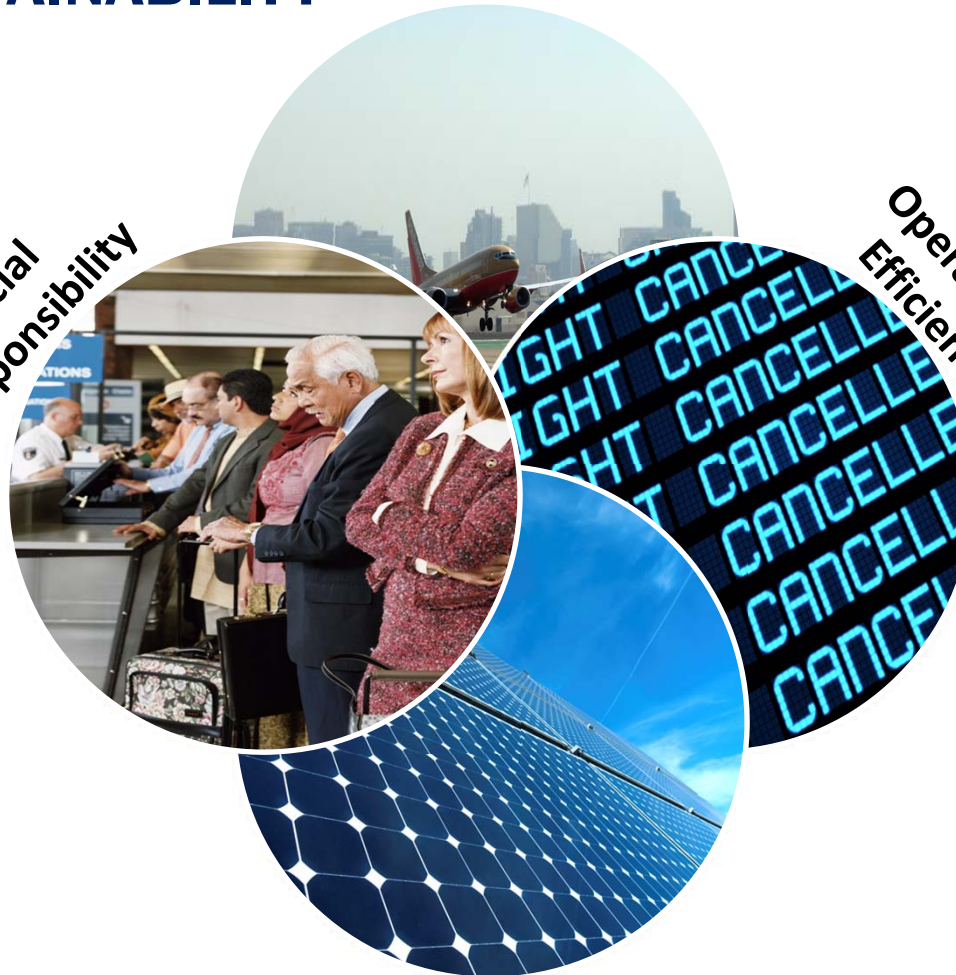


# AIRPORT SUSTAINABILITY

Economic  
Viability

Social  
Responsibility

Operational  
Efficiency



Natural Resource  
Conservation

# AIR QUALITY INITIATIVES AT PHL

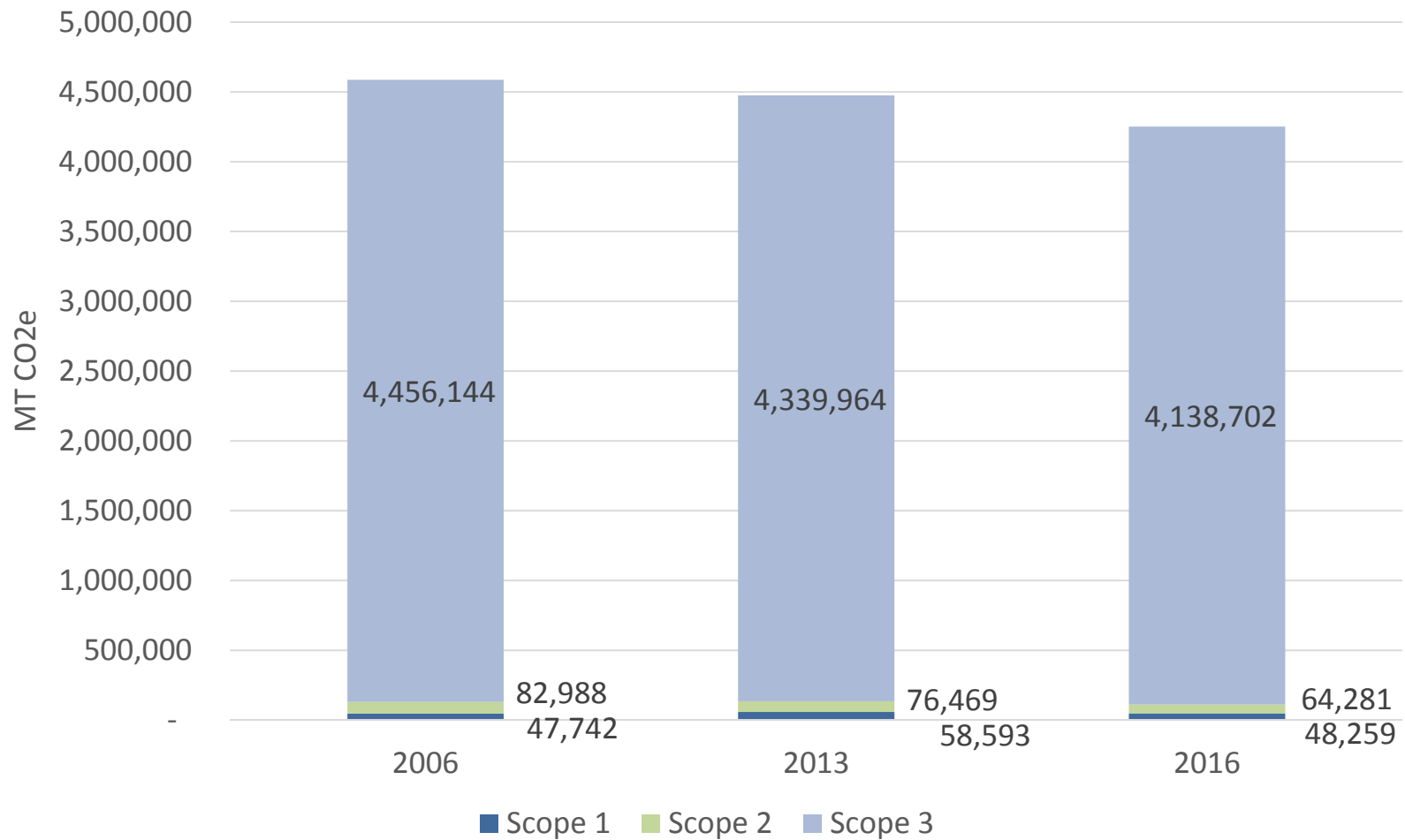
- Greenhouse gas emissions inventories
- Construction equipment tracking
- CNG Station (public use)
- EV Charging Stations
- Bicycle Facilities

## Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory

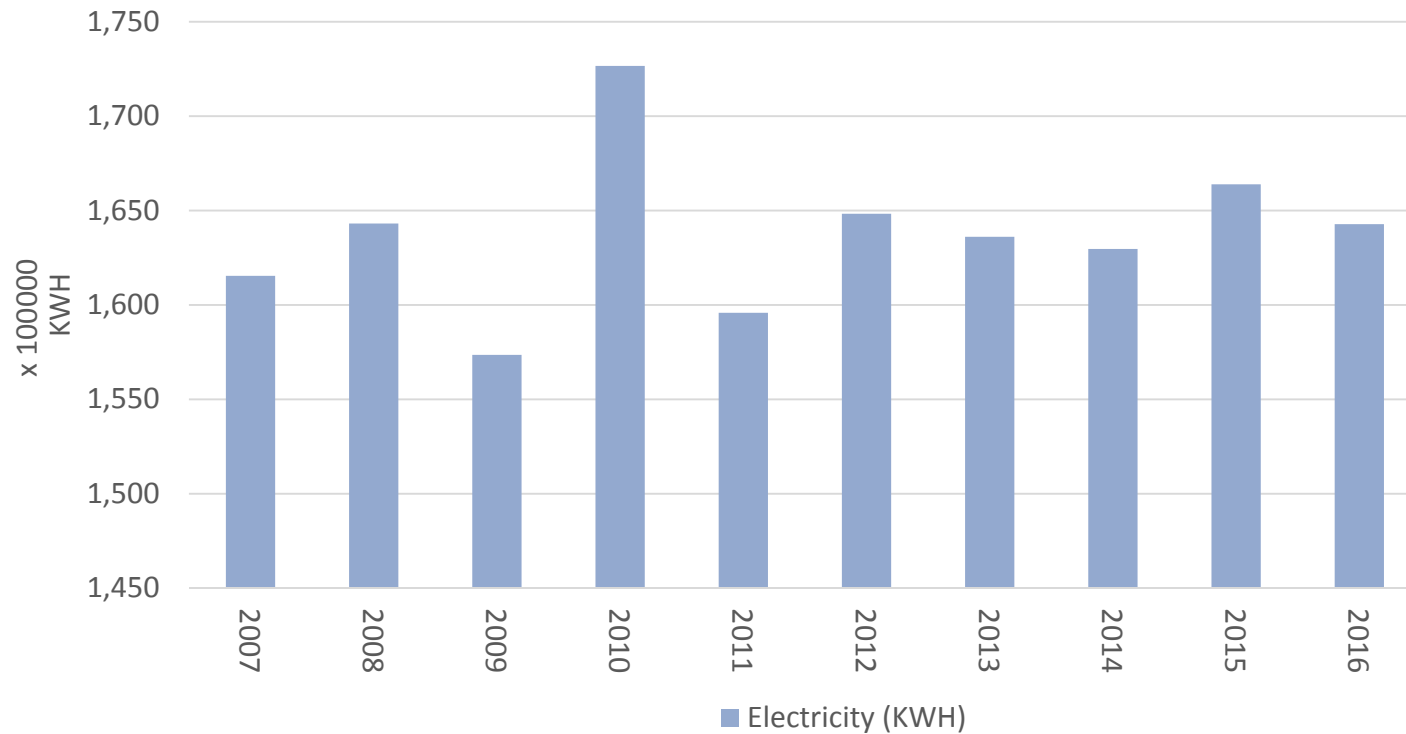
Philadelphia International Airport  
April 2015



# GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS



- Annual Electric Consumption



# WHAT IS GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT?

- Provide ground power and air conditioning to an aircraft
- Move an aircraft (e.g., out of a gate, to/from maintenance)
- Service an aircraft between flights (e.g., replenishing supplies, deicing, etc.)
- Load/unload passengers
- Load and unload baggage and cargo
- Service the airport's ramps, runways, and other areas (e.g., snow removal and lawn maintenance equipment).





# TYPES OF GSE

- AC/Heaters
- Air Start Units
- Aircraft Tractors/Tugs
- Belt Loaders
- Baggage Tugs
- Buses
- Cars/Pickups/Vans/SUVs
- Carts
- Cargo Loaders
- Catering Trucks
- Deicing Trucks
- Forklifts
- Fuel Trucks
- Ground Power Units
- Hydrant Carts
- Lavatory Carts
- Light Carts
- Lifts
- Maintenance Trucks
- Passenger Stairs



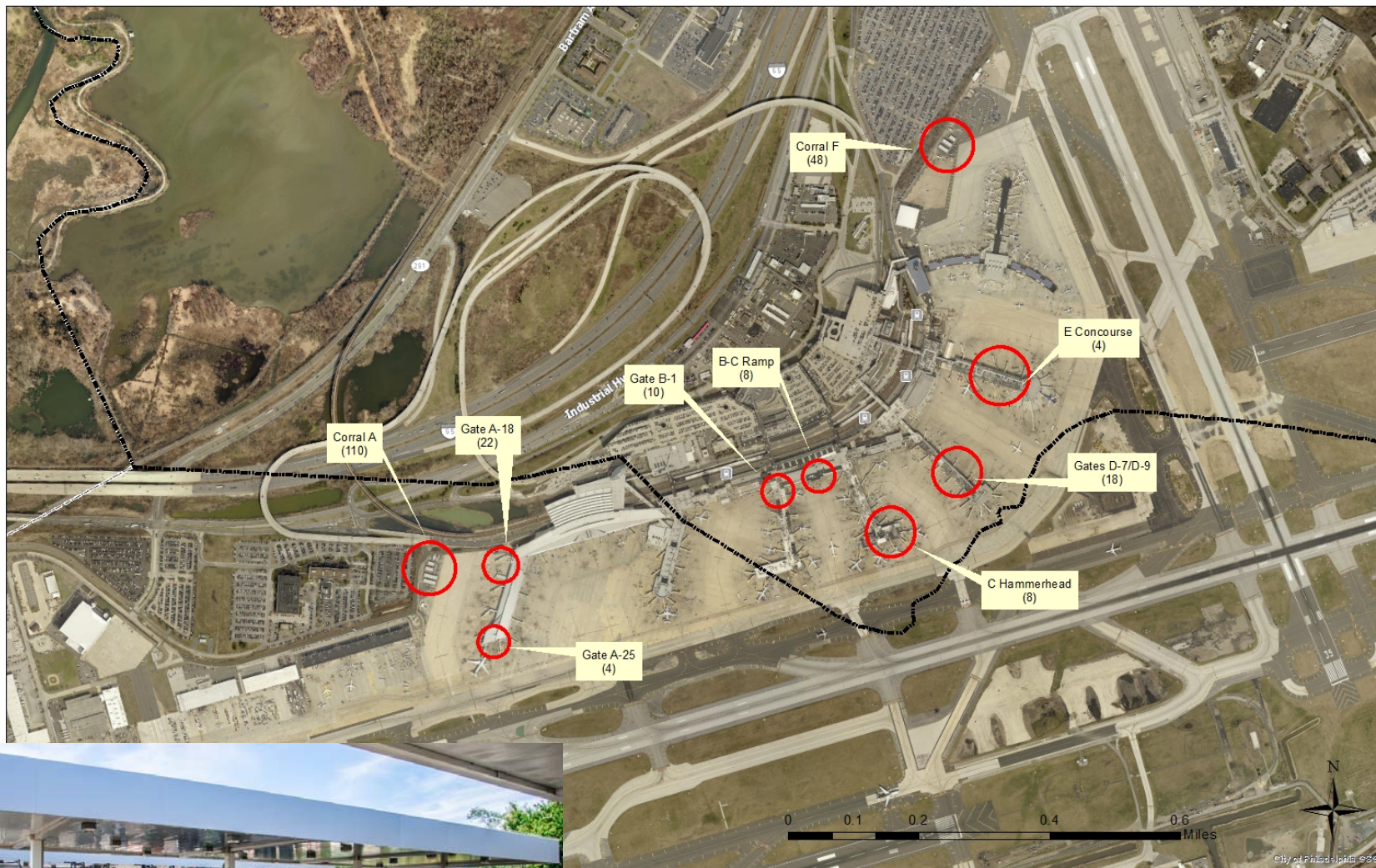
# ELECTRIC GSE AT PHL

- 232 charging ports
- Electric belt loaders
- Electric Baggage tractors
- Fork Lifts
- Police golf carts
- Hybrid Vehicles
- 400 Hz power & Preconditioned Air units at each gate
- Portable Ground Power Units
- Passenger buses (high efficiency diesel)

\*Note: There are 14 types of equipment at PHL that is tracked as part of grant reporting process. Airlines may add eGSE to their fleet that are not part of DOA's reporting parameters.



# CHARGING STATION LOCATIONS



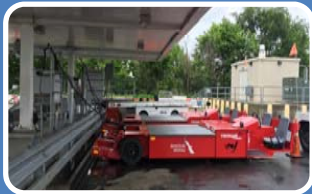
# PHL GSE FLEETS



United – 27%



American - 21%



Piedmont – 20%



SW – under consideration

# ECONOMIC CONSIDERATIONS

## Pros

- O&M Savings offset upfront cost of electric GSE
  - Maintenance costs reduced by 30%
  - No parts/labor needed for Oil Changes, Antifreeze, Filters, Exhaust components, Starter motors, etc.
- Fuel \$ Savings from eGSE
- Funding Assistance available

## Cons

- Higher upfront costs (10-25%)
- Increased Electricity Costs (but more stable prices)
- Battery replacement costs
- May require expensive infrastructure upgrades

# FUNDING ASSISTANCE

Alternate Fuel Incentive Grants (AFIG)



Diesel Emissions Reductions Act (DERA)



Voluntary Airport Low Emissions (VALE) Program



## FUNDING ASSISTANCE

- \$15.3 M Federal grants (VALE)
  - \$7.2M → eGSE Charging Infrastructure (232 Charging ports)
  - \$7.0M → PCAir
  - \$1.0M → GPU & supporting infrastructure
  - \$16,000 → Hybrid vehicles
- \$2.8 M State matching grants (AFIG, DERA through PADEP)

# ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

## Pros

- Improved air quality
  - Reduced harmful emissions in enclosed spaces/tunnels
  - Reduced emissions during idling
- Reduced jet fuel or diesel/gas use
- Reduced noise pollution
- Reduced fuel spills

## Cons

- Emissions from electricity source
- Range anxiety
- Recharge time
- Training employees



# ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS

## Total Emissions Reduced To Date (tons)

Project	CO	VOC	NOx	SOx	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>
11 PCAir at Terminal A-East	-89.5	-6.6	-63.8	-9.4	-8.2	-8.2
24 PCAir at Terminal F	-78.6	-5.8	-57.3	-8.6	-8.1	-8.1
15 Charging Stations (AA)	-40.2	-2.3	-35.8	-1.5	-2.4	-2.3
25 Charging Stations (AA)	-118.5	-6.8	-105.7	-4.4	-7.0	-7.2
5 Chargers for 10 eGSE (United Airlines)	-9.8	-0.6	-7.4	-0.4	-0.6	-0.6
5 GPUs at Maintenance Hangar (AA)	-25.8	-1.4	-11.8	-1.1	-0.8	-0.8
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>-362</b>	<b>-23</b>	<b>-282</b>	<b>-25</b>	<b>-27</b>	<b>-27</b>

# ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS – CY 2016

**NOx  
30 TPY**

Project	CO	VOC	NOx	SOx	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	Avoided Fuel Consumption (gal)	
11 PCAir at Terminal A-East	17.7	1.3	12.6	1.9	2.0	2.0	750,153	<i>jet fuel</i>
24 PCAir at Terminal F	17.4	1.3	12.7	2.4	1.8	1.8	1,179,018	<i>jet fuel</i>
15 Chargers for 34 GSE (AA)	8.4	0.5	7.6	0.3	0.5	0.5	120,592	<i>diesel</i>
25 Charging Stations for 97 GSE (AA)	23.4	1.3	20.9	0.9	1.4	1.4	341,591	<i>diesel</i>
5 Chargers for 10 eGSE (United Airlines)	2.1	0.1	1.6	0.1	0.1	0.1	49,180	<i>diesel</i>
5 GPUs at Maintenance Hangar (AA)	9.5	0.5	4.2	0.4	0.3	---	299,273	<i>jet fuel and diesel</i>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>78.5</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>59.5</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>5.8</b>		



**THANK YOU!**

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