



## STAGE 3

### DESIGN a FUEL CELL "GREEN MACHINE" GAME & HYDROGEN SAFE GAME FLOOR

### FUEL CELL "GREEN MACHINE" PILOT PROGRAM<sup>®</sup> COMPETITION JANUARY 1, 2007

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## PAPER PENCIL CHALLENGE

**ASSIGNMENT:** Using your creativity and scientific knowledge design a Fuel Cell “Green Machine” Game & Hydrogen-Safe Game Floor

### A. DESIGN PARAMETERS

- 1. COMPETITION GAME FLOOR:** Length = 54 feet, Width = 26 feet
- 2. ROBOTS:** 4 robotic teams use the game floor during one round
- 3. ROBOT:** Maximum weight 120 pounds, Minimum weight 1 pound
- 4. ROBOTIC MOVEMENTS:** see list below; your game must include at least 3 movements
- 5. AUTONOMOUS MODE PLAY TIME:** 10 seconds per round
- 6. PLAYER CONTROLLED TIME:** 2 minutes per round
- 7. NO CONTACT:** No robot to robot contact, include a SAFETY FEATURE with 10 m.p.h. safety impact margin in case there is contact - no parts ejected or broken, robots retain motor function after collision, include rules for penalty points
- 8. SAFE FUEL CELL SYSTEM CONTAINMENT BODY:** protect the fuel cell/hydrogen source
- 9. DECIDE ON HOW THE FUEL CELLS WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO THE GAME:** Are the fuel cells in the robots during competition, are they built into the carts for continuous recharging, where are they fueled, how are they fueled.
- 10. RULES:** It's your game you make the rules and point system (SAFETY FIRST)  
**GAME OBJECTIVE:** Your game must have a clear purpose and scoring rules

### B. MOVEMENTS (include at least 3 or more movements into your game design)

scooping	carrying	inserting	peeling	fanning	throwing
sweeping	tracking	counting	pushing	pulling	filling up
passing	placing	stacking	rolling	switching	scattering
opening	closing	rotating	spinning	hiding	tucking
covering	lifting	netting	fishing	extending	corking
sitting	climbing	following	signaling	blowing	tunneling
grabbing	stringing	roping	carrying	delivering	sliding
dipping	spraying	stuffing	assisting	drawing	propping
taking	tossing	hopping	crawling	turning	bending
use of touch sensors		line tracing	pouring	curve tracking	
use of light tracking		use of voice recognition		contact alarm signaling	
use of obstacle course		use of optical eye		color changing	
spreading		dropping		your idea	

**FINAL TASK REPORT:** must include,

- Robot Sketch (label)
- Game Floor Layout (label)
- Game Description, Rules and Point System

**DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 1, 2007**

**TURN IN: TASK REPORT**

**Mail in Photos, Video and Journal, Release Form:** they may be done in “Power Point”, “Quicktime”, “Word” or “PDF” formats. (Mail in CD, DVD, MiniDV Tape SP Format on Sony tape Stock recommended by video director). **Deliver to us** by registered mail to: FirstFuelCells.com, 11163 Blossom Ave., Parma Hts., Oh 44130, postmarked by midnight deadline of **February 1, 2007**. We have 20 states in this competition, please label your work by state, high school, team name & number. Include a **photograph(s) of your team** with small sign showing your school name, team name and number, and date. (team photo can consist of mentors, teachers, sponsors, students and all those who are helping out - **have fun!**)





## STAGE 4

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## MECHANICAL CHALLENGE

### ASSIGNMENT: SHOW US WHAT YOU CAN DO

#### I. TEST your fuel cell hybrid system in:

- A. LAST YEARS ROBOT or
- B. THIS YEARS ROBOT or
- C. A LAB ROBOT

#### II. ACTIONS

A. **Insert** new fuel cell hybrid system into your Robot

B. **Journal** results:

1. How does the fuel cell compare with the battery?
2. What kind of energy output are you getting from the fuel cell system?
2. What challenges are you facing?
3. How much hydrogen is needed to run your system for 2 min. and 10 sec.?
4. Diagram and show your calculations
5. How are the fuel cell parts performing in your experiment?
6. How many times will you need to recharge the hydrogen canister?
  - a. during experimentation and testing
  - b. during competition
7. What fuel cell system parts do you expect to be replaced and why?
  - a. during experimentation and testing
  - b. during competition

#### III. ROBOTIC MOVEMENTS

A. **Video/Photograph** movements your robot is able to perform

1. **Example: forward, backward, rotation, throwing, picking up, stacking etc.**
  - a. **Record how far and how long** you are able to perform the movements
  - b. **What is needed for optimal performance**

#### IV. RECHARGING CART

1. **Challenge:** could you use your **FUEL CELL SYSTEM as a recharging unit in your robot's cart?** Show us how you would do this in your journal report.

#### V. TEAM STATEMENTS

1. **Give us your opinion:** What would you like to see happen for next years competition. What would you like to see added or changed, what sponsors from your local area could be included

**Reminder** we can not use hydrogen on this year's game floor. After photo, video and journal documentation of your teams robotic fuel cell accomplishments, the team will need to take out the fuel cell unit to compete in this year's FIRST 2007 Competition. Developments for a hydrogen safe game floor is currently in development.

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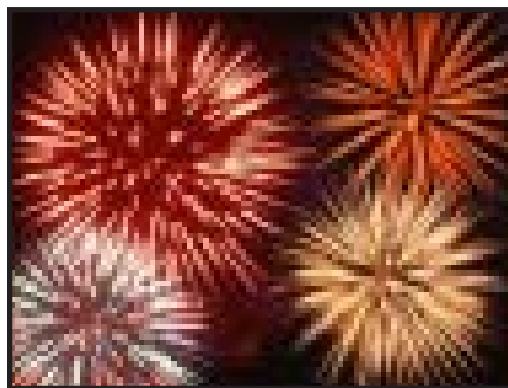
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**NEWS SHEET:  
HAPPY NEW YEARS TEAMS!!**



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**DEADLINES:**

- STAGE 2 due by **January 15, 2007**
- STAGE 3 due by **February 1, 2007**
- STAGE 4 due by **February 1, 2007**

**UPDATES:**

- **February 1 -28, 2007**  
**Compiling of Presentation, Duplication, Judging, and Awards for the FUEL CELL Green Machine” Pilot Program**
- **March 1, 2007 (FIRST Regional Competition Starts)**
- **April 12-14, 2007 ( FIRST National Competition Starts)**

**RELEASE FORMS:** To be included into the final presentation, the **RELEASE FORM** must be e-mailed or received in our office no later than **FEBRUARY 1, 2007 - DEADLINE**

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

**PARKER ENGINEERING NOTES:** Graphite gaskets are not required to build the stack. They were eliminated from the kit shortly after the video was shot because we found that the stack was easier to assemble without them (with no effect on stack power output).

**CURRENTLY IN DEVELOPMENT:**

Currently accepting ideas for the **HYDROGEN SAFE GAME FLOOR**

**TIPS:**

**I. Journal Writing** (the following are some ideas of what you can find in a working journal)

- |                 |                            |   |
|-----------------|----------------------------|---|
| research notes  | budgeting                  | accomplishments                               |
| action list     | suppliers                  | greatest achievements                         |
| deadlines       | sponsors                   | actions completed and dated                   |
| time lines      | resources                  | contact information of team members           |
| progress report | comments                   | part order dates and contact information      |
| delegation      | opinions                   | suggestions for a better way of doing things  |
| calculations    | complaints                 | student - mentor - teachers - sponsors roles  |
| sketches        | presentation outline       | teachers and mentors contact information      |
| photos          | parts to be replaced       | team member names and assigned duties         |
| diagrams        | problems and solutions     | on going history of what you are doing        |
| discoveries     | progress reporting to team | where to recharge hydrogen canister and costs |
| conclusions     | what your having fun with  | student - mentor - teachers - sponsors roles  |
| parts lists     | greatest challenge         | suggestions for next year's teams             |



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