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Assessments: From Baseline to Future Fleets,  
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# End-to-End Use of ALPHA Vehicle Simulation in EPA's GHG Standards Assessments: From Baseline to Future Fleets

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## Overview

- Where are we?
  - Recent EPA initiatives
  - Stakeholder input
- EPA work on the assessment of technology effectiveness estimates
- End-to-End ALPHA Modeling
  - ALPHA, start – Simulation of Baseline Fleet
  - ALPHA, middle – Large scale simulation of possible future packages
  - ALPHA, end – Simulation of Future Fleet
- Conclusions

## Consideration of New Data/Analysis since 2016 Proposed Determination

**March 22, 2017 FR Notice from Administrator Pruitt** - Announces EPA's plans to reconsider the January 2017 Final Determination, and to issue a new Final Determination by end of March, 2018, in accordance with EPA's regulations  
EPA's regulations provide a specific list of technical information EPA will consider

**Following the Administrator's March 22, 2017 FR Notice** announcing that he would be reconsidering the Final Determination, the Administrator sent a letter (May 2, 2017) to California Governor Brown saying:

*"this reconsideration will be based on the **best available data** and part of a robust, timely and inclusive process"*

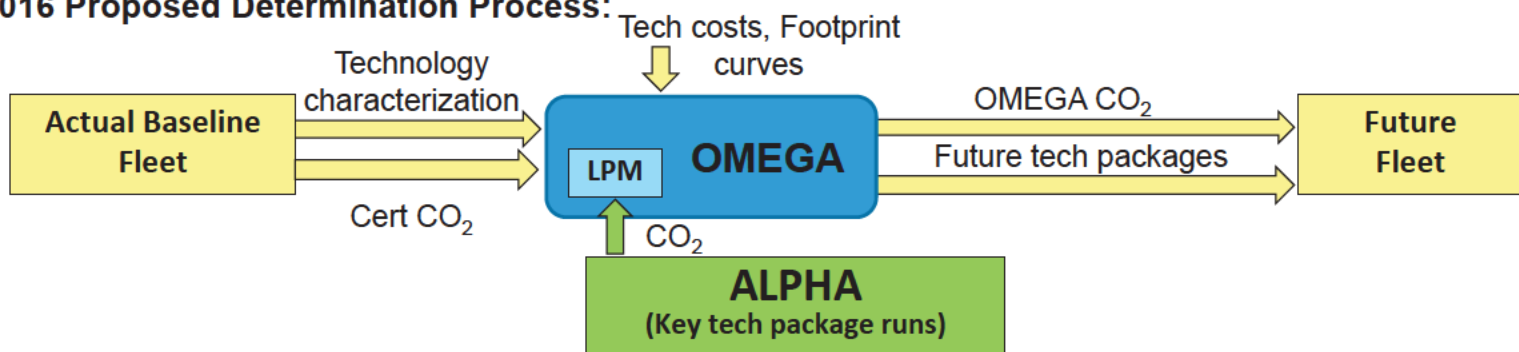
**Administrator's August 21, 2017 FR Notice:**

*"EPA is announcing that it is reconsidering whether the light-duty vehicle greenhouse gas standards previously established for model years 2022-2025 are appropriate under section 202(a) of the Clean Air Act and invites stakeholders to **submit any comments, data, and information they believe are relevant to the Administrator's reconsideration of the Final Determination and in particular, highlight any new information.**"*

*"This additional comment period provides an opportunity for commenters to submit to EPA **additional studies and other materials** as well as to complete the preparation of their comments, or **submit additional comments in light of newly available information.**"*

## Stakeholder input on EPA's effectiveness modeling approach

### 2016 Proposed Determination Process:



### Themes from Stakeholder Comments:

Comment: It is important to appropriately assess the level of technology in current vehicles

Comment: Methodologies for calibrating the Lumped Parameter Model (LPM) and generating tech package effectiveness values are not transparent

Comment: Uncertainty when applying tech effectiveness values for vehicle classes to individual vehicles

- The LPM 0-D modeling introduces uncertainty
- The modeled benefits of mass reduction should be consistent with the benefits in certification
- The OMEGA model output proliferates the number of engine displacements

## Response to Stakeholder input on EPA's effectiveness modeling approach: Expanded application of ALPHA simulation

Expanded application of ALPHA simulation end-to-end throughout process, from baseline fleet to future fleet:

- Comment: It is important to appropriately assess the level of technology in current vehicles

**Start**

**New: Refine technology characterization through simulation of individual baseline vehicles**

- Comment: Methodologies for calibrating the Lumped Parameter Model (LPM) and generating tech package effectiveness values are not transparent

**Middle**

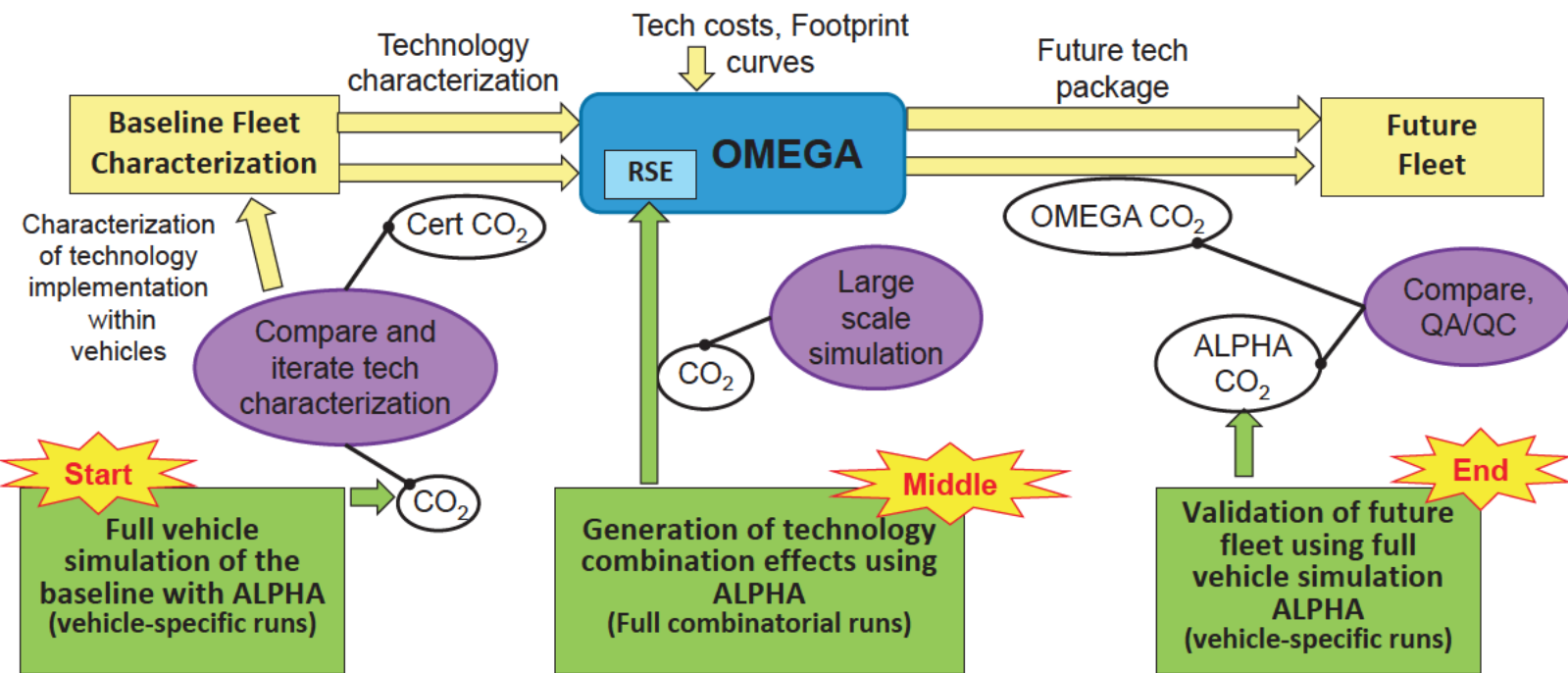
**New: Replace LPM with Response Surface Equations based on full combinatorial simulation**

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**End**

**New: ALPHA simulation of OMEGA future tech packages for individual vehicles**

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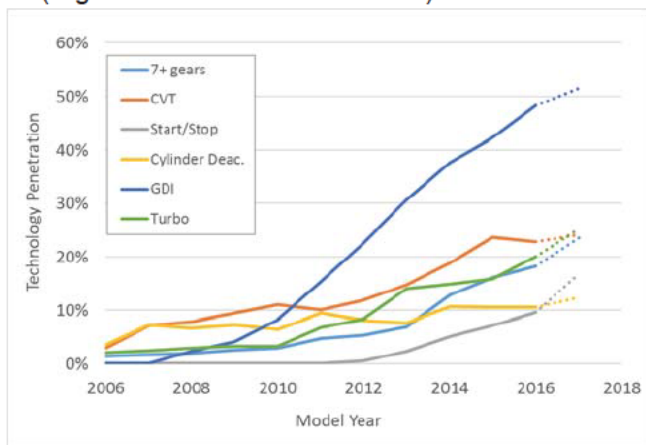
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ALPHA Middle: Full combinatorial modeling

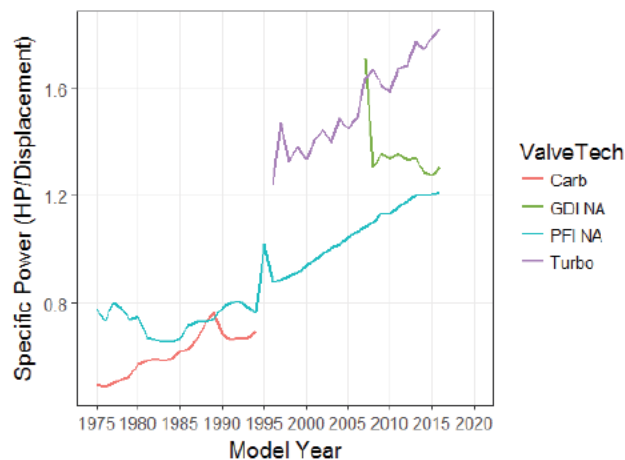
ALPHA End: Modeling of Future Fleet

## Characterizing the Baseline Fleet: Overview

- Every year, emissions-reducing technologies are introduced into the fleet
- Technology must be evaluated each time baseline is updated (E.g. MYs 2014 → 2015 → 2016)



- Difficult to classify technologies based only on descriptions since implementations may vary
  - Differences in application
  - Technology improvements over time (E.g. different generations of turbocharged engines)





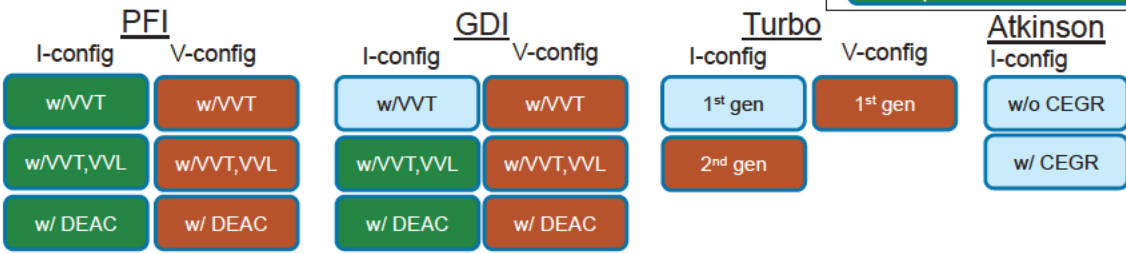
## Characterizing Powertrains in the Baseline Fleet

- Continued expansion of the ALPHA powertrain model library for greater resolution simulating the MY2016 fleet

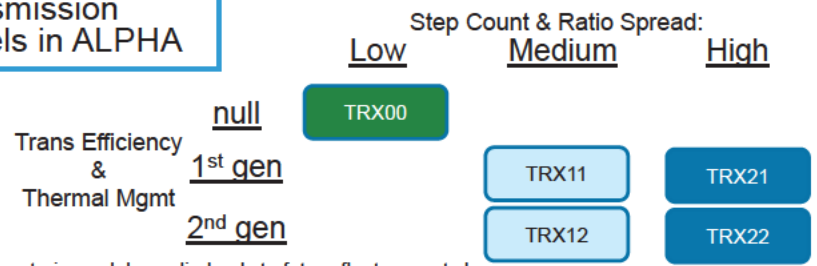
**Key**  
powertrain models now in ALPHA library\*

Previously available in ALPHA library	Not previously available in ALPHA library
Previously available in ALPHA library, but not previously considered for baseline fleet	
Not previously available in ALPHA library, but incorporated into LPM based on Ricardo work	

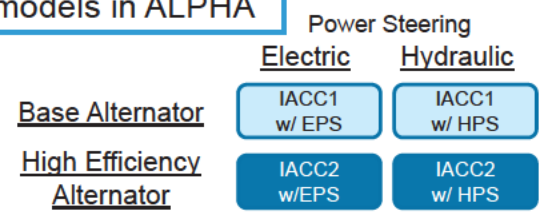
### Engine models in ALPHA



### Transmission models in ALPHA



### Accessory models in ALPHA

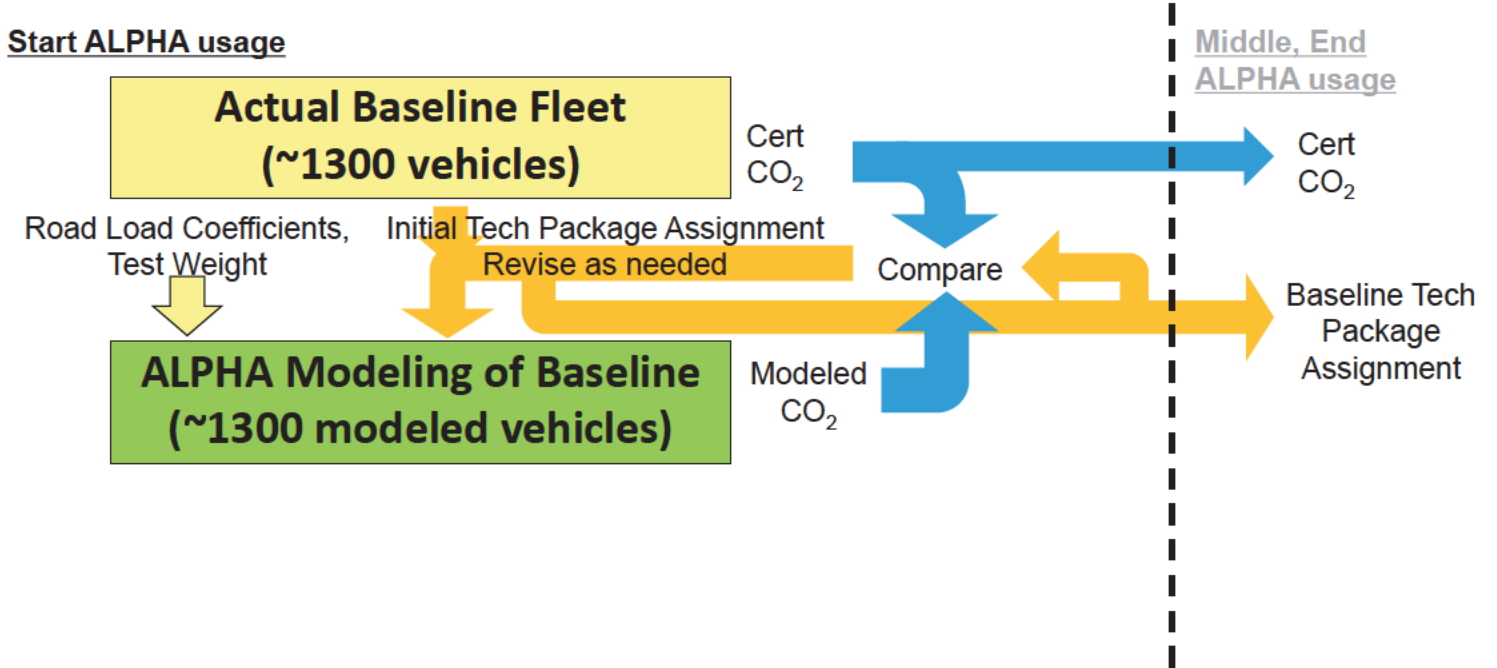


\*ALPHA powertrain models applied only to future fleet are not shown

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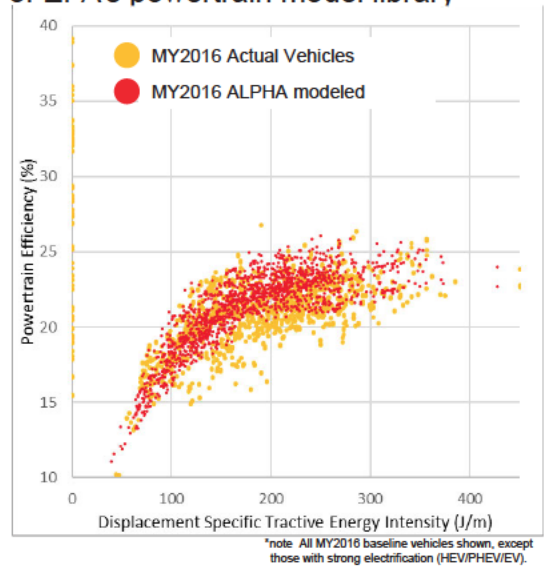
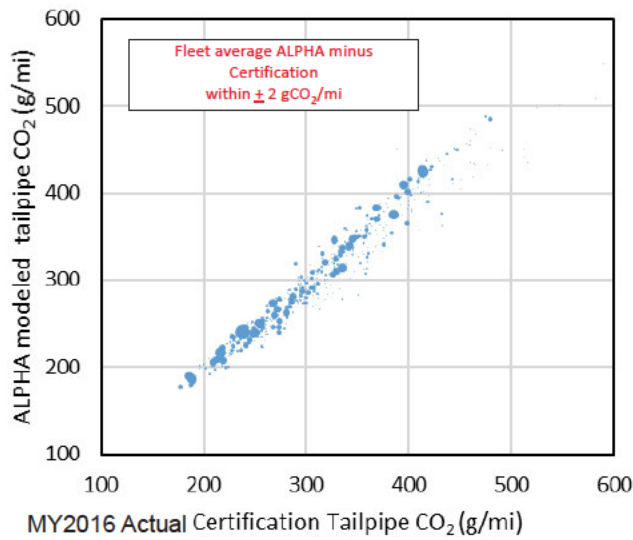
# ALPHA Simulation of Individual Vehicles in the Baseline Fleet



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## Results: ALPHA Simulation of Individual Vehicles in the Baseline Fleet

- ALPHA simulation results for MY2016 fleet within  $\pm 2g$  CO<sub>2</sub>/mi (sales-weighted) of actual certification CO<sub>2</sub> values
- Some outliers exist, potentially due to either 1) uncertainty in road load, test weight, or CO<sub>2</sub> values in certification data or 2) powertrains that fall outside the scope of EPA's powertrain model library



## A note on Characterizing Road Load Reductions in the Baseline Fleet

- Simulation of individual vehicles in the baseline fleet can be conducted without specific data for load-reducing technologies by direct use of road load coefficient and test weight values
- However, technology characterization is still needed for cost estimation and for identifying the opportunity for additional improvement
- EPA's goal for characterizing road load technologies is to use publicly available data and methodologies that are replicable by stakeholders, specifically:
  - Aerodynamic and non-aerodynamic technology characterization
    - Utilize road load coefficients and dimensional data from various public sources
    - Generate distributions of aero- and non-aero drag by within market classes
    - Bin vehicles into aero- and non-aero technology groups to indicate potential for improvement
  - Mass reduction characterization (multiple approaches);
    - Longitudinal: Curb weight changes between redesigns, adjusting for key factors (E.g. vehicle size, AWD)
    - Cross-sectional: Curb weight comparison amongst MY2016 vehicles, accounting for differences in various vehicle attributes

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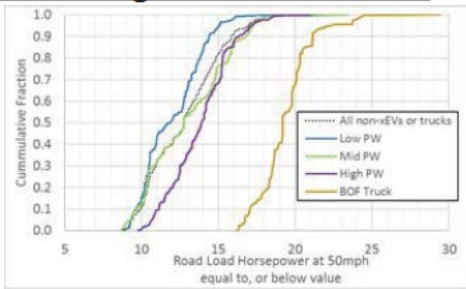
## Large Scale ALPHA Simulation of Future Technologies : Overview

- Use effectiveness values only for technology combinations modeled in ALPHA
- Adjust class-specific effectiveness values appropriately for application to individual vehicles
- Leverage parallel computing to perform large number of runs in reasonable time
- Conduct runs at a level of resolution that provides accurate effectiveness values while minimizing use of computational resources

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# Determination of Vehicle Classes

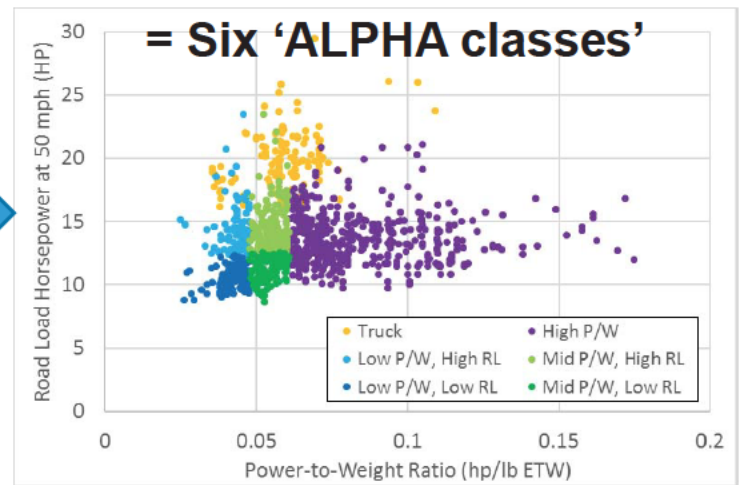
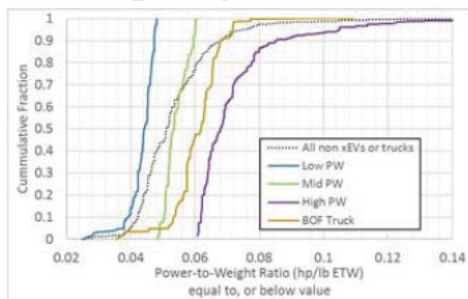
## Power-to-weight ratio distribution



- Assign vehicles to classes according to where engines operates over certification test cycles
- Inertial (power-to-weight) and road load dimensions considered independently

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## Road load HP @ 50mph distribution



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## All considered combinations of Future Technologies now simulated in ALPHA

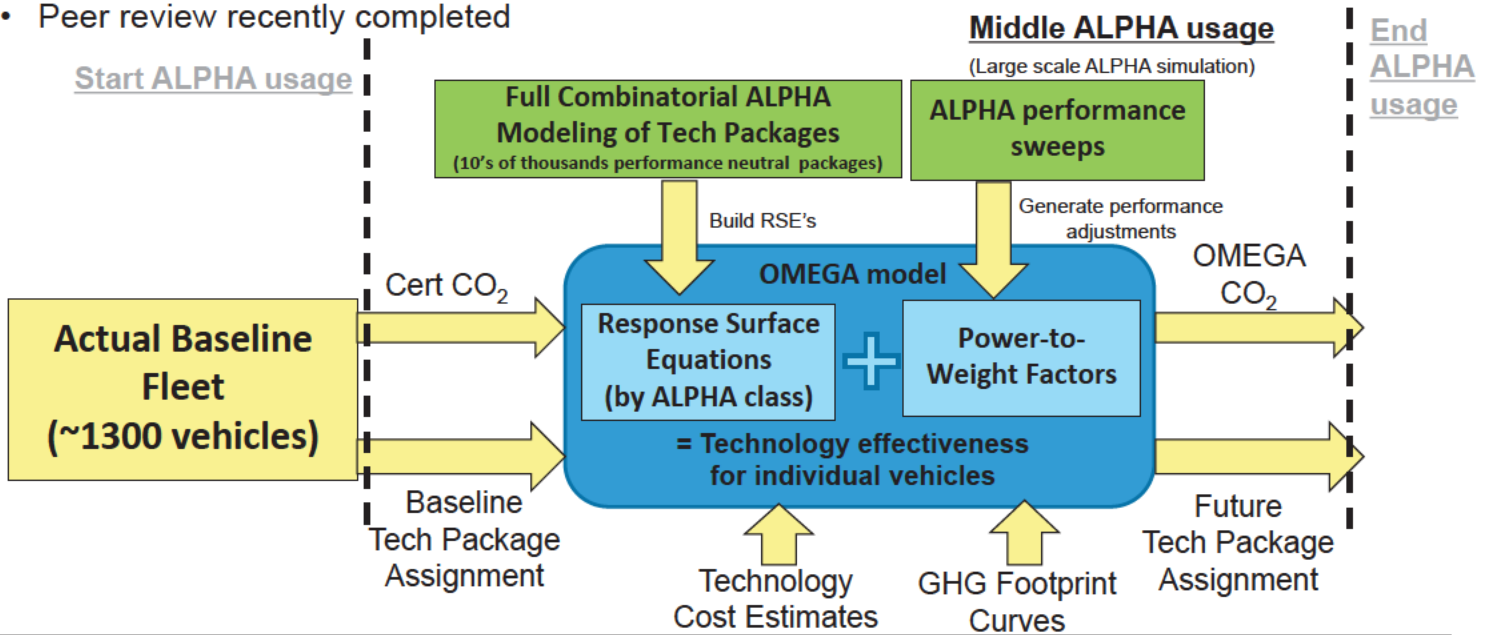
- >500 powertrain combinations (engines, transmissions, accessories)
- Road load sweeps (mass reduction, aero and non-aero drag reduction)
- Six vehicle classes
- Tens of thousands of tech combinations

		Engine															
		OMEGA tech	PFI		PFI + VVL		GDI		GDI + VVL		ATK2	ATK2+CE GR	ATK2+CE GR+DeacP D	TDS11		TDS12	TDS21
			I-config	V-config	I-config	V-config	I-config	V-config	I-config	V-config				I-config	V-config		
Transmission	OMEGA tech																
	Null																
	TRX11	B + DeacP/FC	B + DeacP/FC			B + DeacP/FC	B + DeacP/FC					C + DeacP*	B + DeacP/FC	B + DeacP/FC			
	TRX12	B + DeacP/FC	B + DeacP/FC			B + DeacP/FC	B + DeacP/FC					C + DeacP*	B + DeacP/FC	B + DeacP/FC			
	TRX21	B + DeacP/FC	B + DeacP/FC			B + DeacP/FC	B + DeacP/FC					C + DeacP*	B + DeacP/FC	B + DeacP/FC			
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## Response Surface Equations (RSEs)

- Response Surface Equations are created to represent the entire set of ALPHA simulations for real-time access in the OMEGA process
- Peer review recently completed

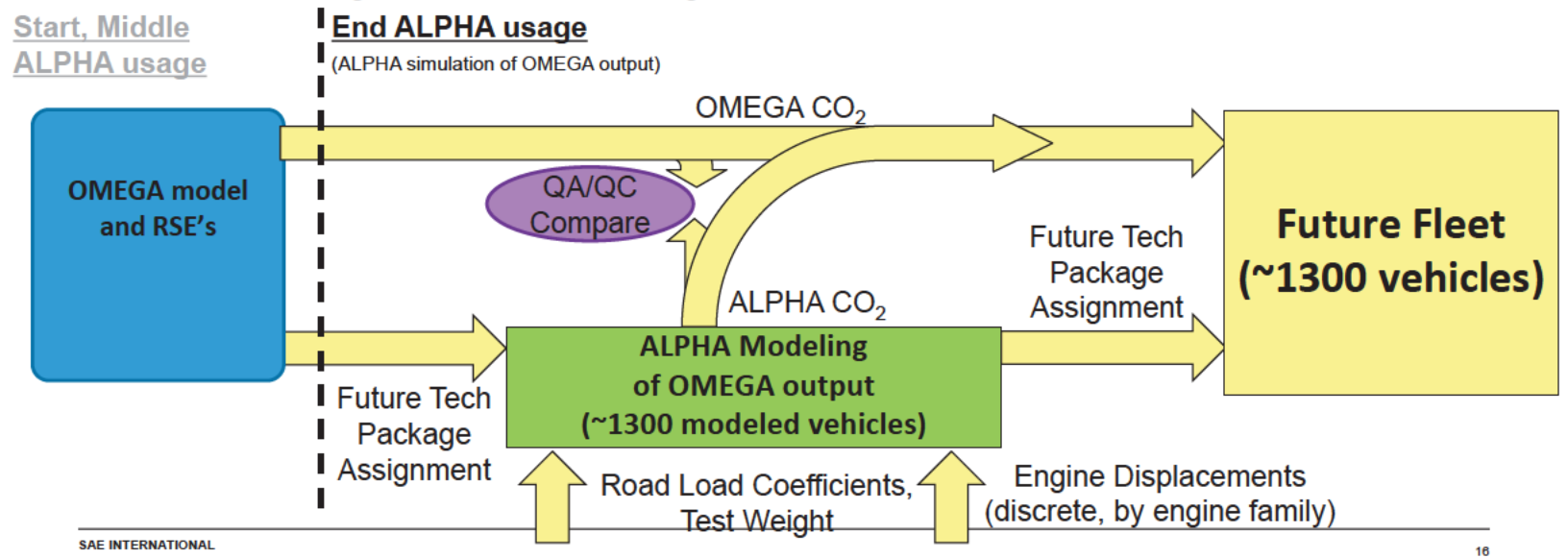




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## Final CO<sub>2</sub> values of future fleets using ALPHA simulation

- Use ALPHA simulation of individual vehicles to validate OMEGA CO<sub>2</sub> values
  - Responsive to stakeholder recommendations for greater use of 1-D vehicle simulation
- Consolidate engine displacements test weight bins
  - Responsive to stakeholder comments about the proliferation of unique engine displacements and the effectiveness benefits of curb weight reductions within test weight bins



## Conclusion

- EPA has continued the development of tools and processes for modeling technology effectiveness
- Responsive to stakeholder recommendations
- Use of vehicle simulation for characterizing technology in the baseline
- Use of large scale simulation for building Response Surface Equations, enabling greater transparency in the development of effectiveness values
- Use of vehicle simulation for validating CO<sub>2</sub> values of technology packages applied to future vehicles



# Thank you!

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