

# Virtual Design Review 2

## Team 3: Self-Powered Wireless Sensor

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# Introduction

# Introduction: Project Scope



Design, build, and demonstrate a method to power a sensor that will transmit data of a specific variable wirelessly to the Engine Control Module (ECM) in a Cummins' diesel engine.

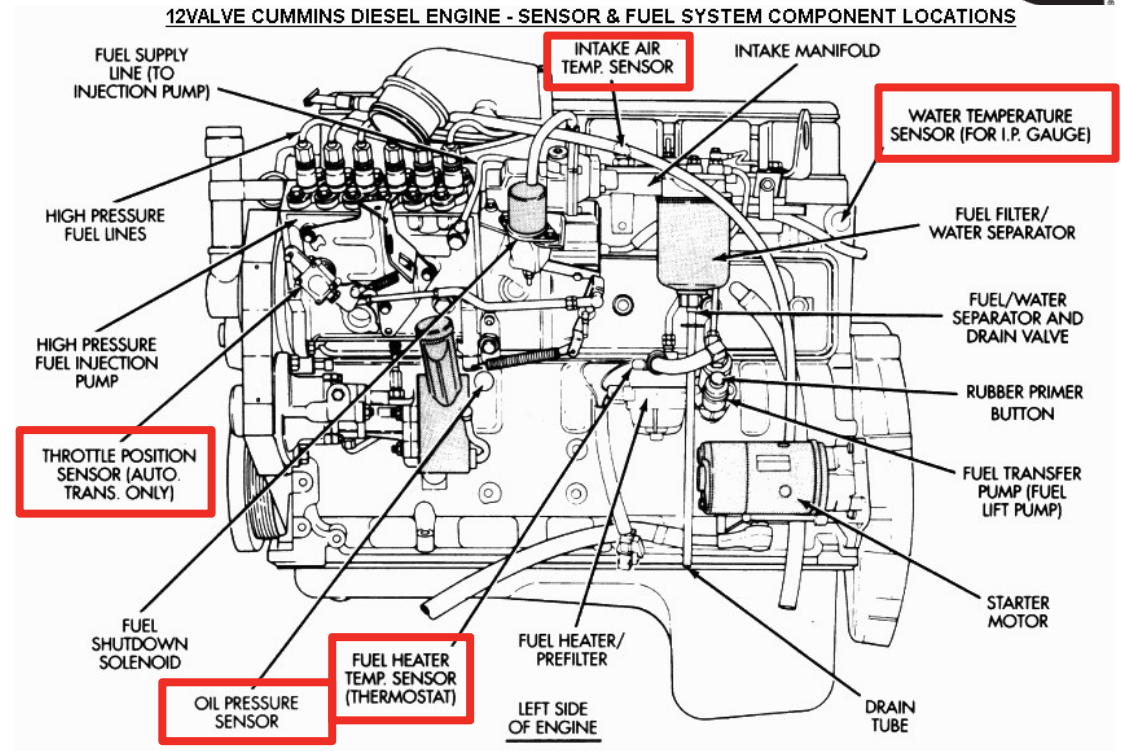


Figure 1. 12V Cummins Diesel Engine illustrating fuel sensor components (Cummins).

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# Introduction: Customer Needs

Sensor must be self-powered.

Communicate to ECM wirelessly.

Transmit data at a frequency no lower than 1 Hz.

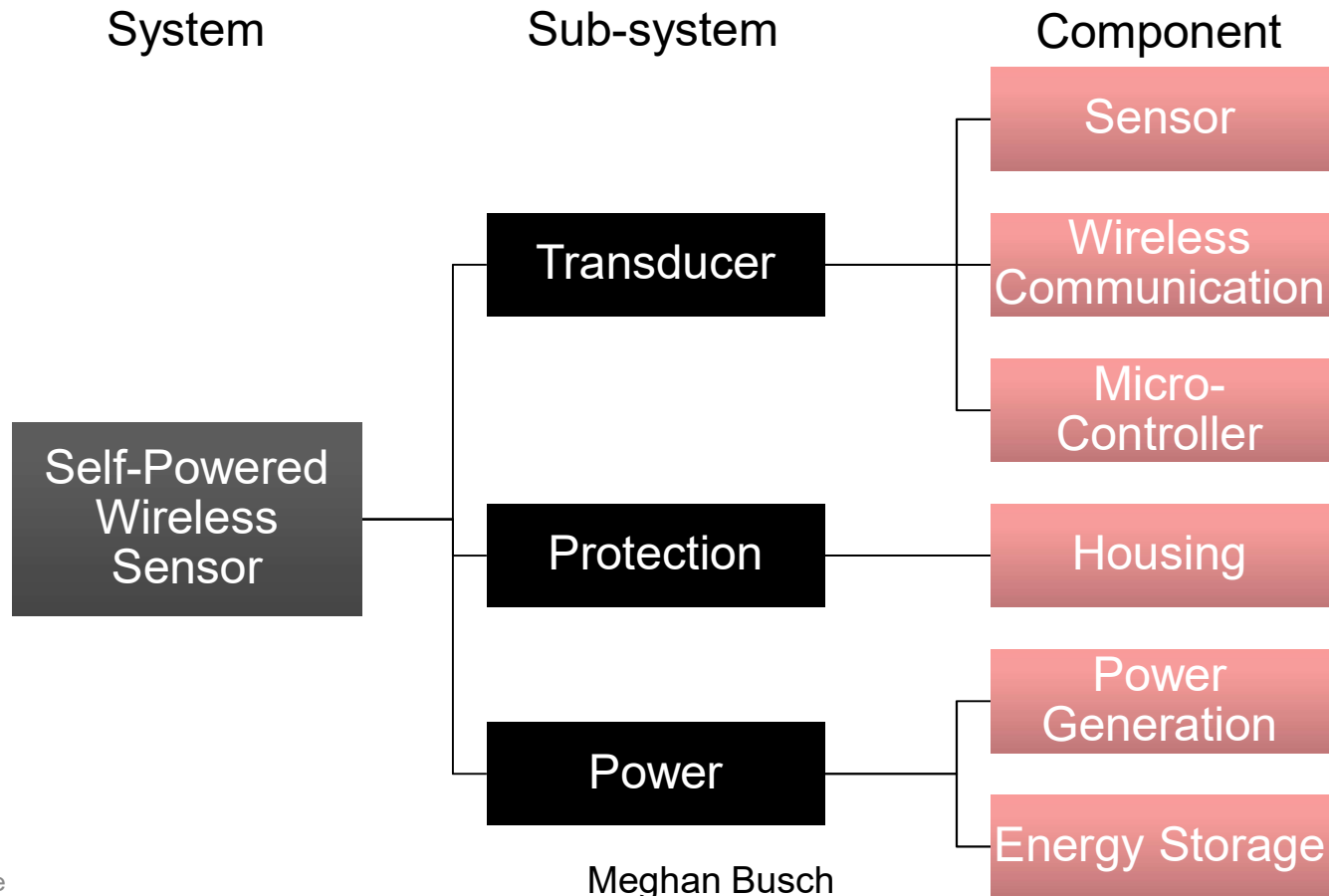
Power supply must last 36 hours after engine is shut off.

Transmits signal a distance of at least 5 meters.

Can utilize any variable in the engine to sense.

Must operate under harsh conditions.

# Introduction: Functional Decomposition



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# Concept Generation

# Transducer Subsystem: Sensor



## Important Metrics to Consider:

- Voltage Supply Requirement
- Output Voltage Range
- Operating Temperature Range
- Resistivity Range
- Types of Sensing Variable

## Concepts to Consider:

- Thermocouples
- Thermistor
- Pressure Sensor
- Mass-Flow Air (Hot-wire) Sensor
- Throttle Position Sensor
- Oxygen Sensor



# Transducer Subsystem: Sensor Concepts



## Concept 1: Thermocouple

- Seebeck effect produces voltage across a junction of two different materials at different temperatures.
- Voltage generated is proportional to the temperature difference.
- Has a fast response time but low accuracy.



## Concept 2: Thermistor

- A variable resistor with resistance being a function of temperature.
- The temperature is proportional to the voltage drop across the resistor.
- High sensing accuracy.



## Concept 3: Manifold Absolute Pressure Sensor

- Used to continuously monitor the manifold pressure.
- Generates an electrical signal as a function of pressure imposed.
- Has a good output to input voltage ratio.

# Transducer Subsystem: Sensor Concepts



## Concept 4: Mass Flow Air (Hot-Wire) Sensor

- Contains a small electrically heated wire (hot wire) and a small temperature sensor installed close to the hot wire.
- The heating current of the wire is proportional to the mass air flow.
- Low temperature surrounding sensor.



## Concept 5: Throttle Position Sensor

- Measures the air to fuel mixture that goes into the engine.
- Located in the butterfly spindle/shaft and monitors the position of the throttle.
- Low resistivity range and low surrounding temperature.



## Concept 6: Oxygen Sensor

- Measures the amount of exhaust emissions of the engine.
- Estimated by measuring the amount of oxygen left in the exhaust gases.
- High surrounding temperatures and output to input voltage.

# Transducer Subsystem: Wireless Communication



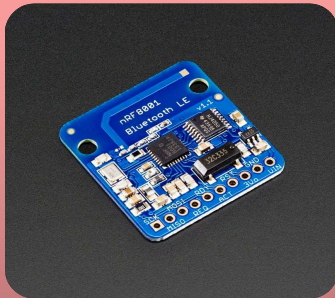
## Important Metrics to Consider:

- Size
- Power Consumption
- Communication Distance
- Frequency
- Operating Temperature Range

## Concepts to Consider:

- Active Sensing
  - Wi-fi
  - Bluetooth Low Energy
  - ZigBee
  - High Temperature CAN Bus Transceiver
- Passive Sensing
  - Surface Acoustic Wave
  - Radio Frequency Identification

# Transducer Subsystem: Wireless Communication Concepts for Active Sensors



## Concept 1: Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) - nRF8001

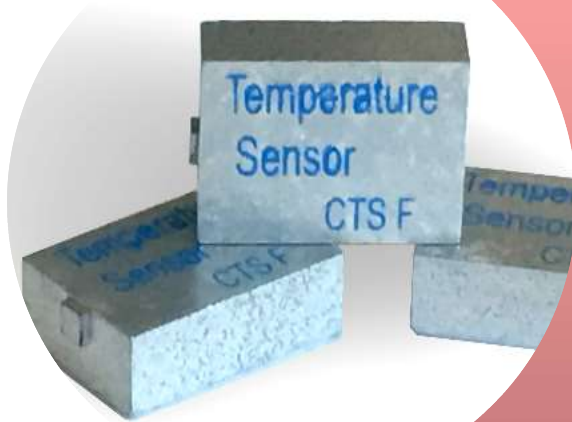
- Requires lowest transmitting power ( $\approx 0.03$  W).
- Is low cost.
- Can withstand temperatures up to  $85^{\circ}\text{C}$ .
- Operates at 2.4 GHz.



## Concept 2: Texas Instrument Automotive CAN Bus Transceivers - SN65HVD233-Q1

- Requires a low transmitting power ( $\approx 0.07$  W).
- Can withstand temperatures up to  $150^{\circ}\text{C}$ .
- Operates at 2.4 GHz.

# Transducer Subsystem: Wireless Communication Concepts for Passive Sensors



## Concept 3: Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) – RFMicron

- Is a hybrid of electrical circuit and RFID.
- Can have a read range up to 19 m.
- Has high temperature alarm at 125°C .
- Is very small and requires no power supply.
- Commercially available through RFMicron.
- Can operate attached to a metal plate with no electromagnetic interference.

# Transducer Subsystem: Microcontroller Concepts



## Important Metrics to Consider:

- Size
- Power Consumption
- Processing Speed and Memory
- Operating Temperature Range

## Concepts to Consider:

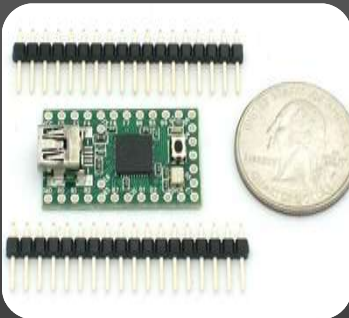
- Raspberry Pi
- Beagle Bone Black
- Arduino Uno Rev 3
- Teensy 2.0
- Microcontroller Chip PIC24FJ16MC101

# Transducer Subsystem: Microcontroller Concepts



## Concept 1: Arduino Uno Rev 3

- Is smaller than Beagle Bone and Raspberry Pi.
- Has a slower processor than Beagle Bone and Raspberry Pi.
- Has the smallest program memory.
- Has an average temperature range (up to 85°C).
- Requires 5 V.



## Concept 2: Teensy 2.0

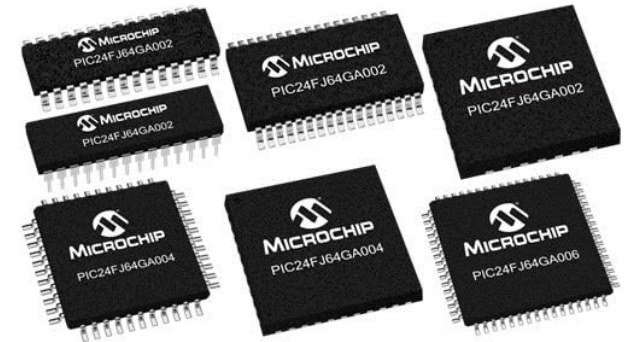
- Is the smallest option.
- Has the same processing chip as Arduino.
- Has the smallest power input range (2.7 - 5.5 V).

## Transducer Subsystem: Microcontroller Concepts



- **Concept 3: Microcontroller Chip  
PIC24FJ16MC101**

- A Printed Circuit Board would be fashioned with only the necessary components (transceiver, sensor, microcontroller, and power system).
- Is more difficult to program, but has the highest temperature range (up to 125°C).
- Processing power, memory, power consumption, and size are all customizable with this concept.





# Protection Subsystem: Housing



## Important Metrics to Consider:

- Size and Weight
- Max Allowable Temperature of System
- Electrical Interference

## Concepts to Consider:

- Vacuum Casing
- Thermally Isolated Casing



# Protection Subsystem: Housing

## Concept 1: Vacuumed Casing

- Inside temperature would stay constant since heat cannot travel through a vacuum.
- Vulnerable to a break in the seal.
- Metal vacuumed casing would cause EMI.

## Concept 2: Thermally Isolated Casing

- Could utilize a radiation shield or plastic spacers.
- A much cheaper and reliable alternative to a vacuum.
- Would need to be customized for each sensor.

# Power Subsystem: Power Generation



## Important Metrics to Consider:

- Power demand of system
- Power supplied to system
- Supply voltage
- Capacity factor

## Concepts to Consider:

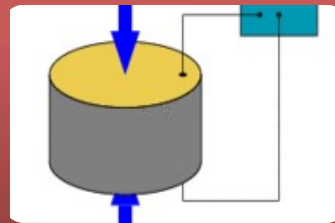
- Harvest energy from engine
  - Thermoelectric generator
  - Micro-turbine
  - Piezoelectric
  - Pyroelectric
  - Induction
- Zero-power system
  - Passive sensor

# Power Subsystem: Power Generation



## Thermoelectric Generator

- Generates power from a temperature difference using Seebeck effect.
- Harvest energy from high temperature mediums.



## Piezoelectric

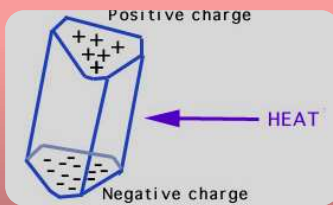
- Certain materials such as quartz convert mechanical strain into electrical energy.
- Harvest energy from vibration of the engine.



## Micro-Turbine Generator

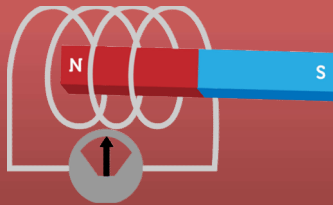
- Convert kinetic energy of fluid flow into electrical energy.
- Harvest energy from flow of exhaust gases, air intake etc.

# Power Subsystem: Power Generation



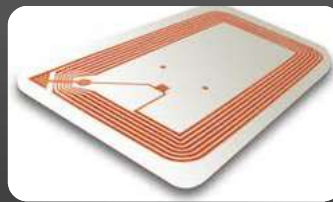
## Pyroelectric

- Certain crystals have inherent electric fields and produce a voltage when heated or cooled.
- Harvest energy from high temperatures.



## Magnetic Induction

- A magnet in motion will induce an electric current in a wire.
- Harvest energy from engine oscillations.
- Wireless energy transfer via inductive charging.



## Ambient Radiation Sources

- Radio and TV broadcasting along with natural radiation sources.
- Harvest energy from ambient or deliberately produced radiation.
- Used in passive RFID technology.

# Power Subsystem: Energy Storage



## Important Targets to Consider:

- Storage capacity
- Voltage
- Charge and Discharge Rate
- Cycle Life
- Operating Temperature

## Concepts to Consider:

- Capacitor
- Supercapacitor
- Battery
  - Lithium-Ion

# Power Subsystem: Energy Storage



|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Lithium Cobalt                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• High energy density, high voltage output, and most widely available</li></ul>            |
| Lithium Titanate                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Longest cycle life, safe, and low cost</li></ul>   |
| Lithium Manganese               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• High energy density, high voltage output, and high thermal runaway temperature</li></ul> |
| Lithium Nickel Manganese Cobalt | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• High thermal runaway temperature, long cycle life, and high voltage output</li></ul>     |
| Lithium Iron Phosphate          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Highest thermal runaway temperature and has a good cycle life</li></ul>                  |
| Lithium Nickel Cobalt Aluminum  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Highest energy density, high voltage output, and low cost</li></ul>                      |



# Target Summary





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- Complete target catalog changes depending on overall design
- Important Metrics and Targets:
  - Power demand of system:  $\sim 10$  mW
  - Power supplied to system:  $\sim 10$  mW
  - Voltage of system: 2 – 5 V
  - Energy storage: 100 – 500 mAh



# Conclusion



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- Design will depend on type of sensor chosen.
  - Ideal design can be applied to every sensor in engine.
- Design must harvest energy from convenient source.
  - Medium being sensed is often high-energy.
- Active versus passive sensor significantly changes the layout of the design.
- Future Steps: Concept Selection
  - Combining component concepts and measure against our design selection criteria to find the optimal design



Questions?



# Appendix A: Concept Parameters

# Appendix A: Sensor Concept Parameters



Table 1

*Different Type of Sensors and Parameters.*

| <u>Sensor Type</u>                                    | <u>Sensor Variable</u> | <u>Variable Range</u> | <u>Voltage Supply</u> | <u>Resistivity</u> | <u>Operational Temperature</u> |
|---|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Engine coolant temperature</b>                     | Temperature            | -40 - 130°C           | 1.0 - 5.0 V           | 89 - 46k Ohm       | -60 - 180°C                    |
| <b>Air temperature</b>                                | Temperature            | -40 - 150°C           | 5.0 V                 | 46 - 99k Ohm       | -60 - 180°C                    |
| <b>Barometric pressure/manifold absolute pressure</b> | Pressure               | 10 to 350 kPa         | 0.1 - 5.0 V           | 50 - 50k Ohm       | -25 - 110 °C                   |
| <b>Mass air flow</b>                                  | Air flow               | 0 to 450 kg/hr        | 0.1 - 5.0 V           | --                 | --                             |
| <b>Throttle position</b>                              | Angular Position       | 0° - 360°             | 5 V                   | <1k Ohm            | - 45 °C - 125 °C               |
| <b>Oxygen</b>   | Oxygen levels          | 0% - 100% O2          | 5 V                   | 10 Ohm             | --                             |

# Appendix A: Microcontroller Concept Parameters



Table 2  
*Different Type of Microcontrollers and Parameters.*

| <u>Microcontroller</u>   | <u>Voltage Requirement (Volts)</u> | <u>Operating Temperatures</u> | <u>Size</u>       | <u>Memory Storage</u>                   | <u>Processing Performance</u> |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| <b>Raspberry Pi</b>      | 5.1 V (Micro USB Supply)           | 0 to 70 C                     | 85 by 56 mm       | 1 GB, Can add up to 128 GB with SD card | 1.2 GHz                       |
| <b>Teensy 2.0</b>        | 2.7-5.5                            | -40 to 85 C                   | 35.56 by 17.78 mm | 1 KB EEPROM                             | 16 MHz                        |
| <b>BeagleBone Black</b>  | 5v                                 | -40 to 85 C                   | 86.36 by 53.34 mm | 4 GB                                    | 1 GHz                         |
| <b>Arduino Uno Rev 3</b> | 5 V                                | -40 to 85 C                   | 68.6 by 53.4 mm   | 1 kb EEPROM                             | 16MHz                         |
| <b>PIC 24FJ</b>          | 3-3.6V                             | -40 to 125 C                  | 12.7 by 12.7 mm   | 32 kb Flash                             | 7.37 MHz                      |

# Appendix A: Transceiver Concept Parameters



Table 3  
*Different Type of Transceivers and Parameters.*

|                                   | <u>Wi-fi (ESP8266)</u> | <u>BLE (nRF8001)</u> | <u>Zigbee (Digi XBee® SX 868)</u> | <u>Automotive CAN Bus Transceivers (SN65HVD233-Q1)</u> |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| <b>Power Consumption (W)</b>      | 0.24 - 0.288           | 0.033                | 0.096 - 0.198                     | 0.005 - 0.07   |
| <b>Voltage Requirement (V)</b>    | 3 - 3.6                | 3                    | 2.4 - 3.6                         | -0.5 - 7   |
| <b>Current Requirement (mA)</b>   | 80                     | 11                   | 40-55                             | 10   |
| <b>Communication Distance (m)</b> | 30-100                 | 10                   | 10-30                             | --   |
| <b>Frequency (GHz)</b>            | 2.4                    | 2.4                  | 2.4                               | 2.4  |
| <b>Bandwidth (MHz)</b>            | 2                      | --                   | 1                                 | 3 - 3000   |
| <b>Temperature Range (°C)</b>     | -40 - 125              | -40 - 85             | -40 - 85                          | -40 - 150  |
| <b>Size (mm)</b>                  | 25 X 15 X 1            | 29 X 28 X 0.8        | 22 X 33.8 X 3                     | 4.9 X 3.91 X 1.58                                      |



# Appendix A: Power Generation Concept Parameters



Table 4

*Different Type of Thermal Electric Generators and Parameters.*

|                                  | <u>TG12-2.5-01LS</u><br><u>POWER</u><br><u>GENERATORS</u><br><u>(Figure 7a)</u> | <u>EHA-L37AN1-</u><br><u>R02-L1</u><br><u>EVERGEN</u><br><u>ENERGY</u><br><u>HARVESTERS</u><br><u>(Figure 7b)</u> | <u>EHA-PA1AN1-</u><br><u>R02-L1</u><br><u>EVERGEN</u><br><u>ENERGY</u><br><u>HARVESTERS</u><br><u>(Figure 7c)</u> | <u>EHA-L37L37-</u><br><u>R01-L1</u><br><u>EVERGEN</u><br><u>ENERGY</u><br><u>HARVESTER</u><br><u>(Figure 7d)</u> |
|----------------------------------|---|---|---|--|
| <b>Description</b>               | Generic   | Heat Source:<br>Liquid<br>Heat Sink: Air  | Heat Source:<br>Surface<br>Heat Sink: Air   | Heat Source:<br>Liquid<br>Heat Sink: Liquid  |
| <b>Typical Temp<br/>Diff (C)</b> | 180   | 60  | 10  | 5  |
| <b>Voltage (V)</b>               | 5.33  | 3.3   | 5   | 5  |
| <b>Power (W)</b>                 | 2.71  | 0.0017  | 0.0003  | 0.001  |

# Appendix A: Power Generation Concept Parameters



Table 5  
*Battery Options.*

| <u>Name of Battery</u>     | <u>Type</u> | <u>Energy</u>  |              | <u>Discharge</u>   |             |                   | <u>Thermal</u>  | <u>Relative</u> |
|----------------------------|-------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|                            |             | <u>Density</u> | <u>Volts</u> | <u>Charge Rate</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Cycle Life</u> | <u>Runaway</u>  | <u>Cost</u>     |
| <b>Li-Cobalt Battery</b>   | Li-Ion      | 110-190 Wh/kg  | 3 - 4.2V     | .7-1C, 4.2V        | 1C, 2.5V    | 500-1000          | 150 C (302 F)   | Higher          |
|                            |             |                | 1.8-         |                    |             |                   |                 |                 |
| <b>Li-Titanate</b>         | Li-Ion      | 50-80 Wh/kg    | 2.85V        | 1C, 2.85V          | 10C, 1.8V   | 3000-7000         | 177 C (350.6 F) | Lower           |
| <b>Li-Manganese</b>        | Li-Ion      | 100-150 Wh/kg  | 3-4.2V       | .7-1C, 4.2V        | 1C, 2.5V    | 300-700           | 250 C (482 F)   | Higher          |
| <b>Li-Nickel Manganese</b> |             |                |              |                    |             |                   |                 |                 |
| <b>Cobalt</b>              | Li-Ion      | 150-220 Wh/kg  | 3-4.2V       | .7-1C, 4.2V        | 1C, 2.5V    | 1000-2000         | 210 C (410 F)   | Higher          |
|                            |             |                | 2.5-         |                    |             |                   |                 |                 |
| <b>Li-Iron Phosphate</b>   | Li-Ion      | 90-120 Wh/kg   | 3.65V        | 1C, 3.65V          | 1C, 2.5V    | 1000-2000         | 270 C (518 F)   | Higher          |
| <b>Li-Nickel Cobalt Al</b> | Li-Ion      | 200-260 Wh/kg  | 3-4.2V       | .7C, 4.2V          | 1C, 3V      | 500               | 150 C (302 F)   | Low             |



# Appendix B: Target Catalog

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Table 6  
*Target Catalog Before Conception Selection*

| <u>Subsystem</u>   | <u>Target</u>              | <u>Value</u>   | <u>Units</u> |
|--|----------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| <b><u>Power System</u></b><br><b>(energy generation and storage)</b> | Power Generation Capacity  | 1-5            | Milli-Watts  |
|  | Generation Voltage         | 4              | Voltage      |
|  | Generation Current         | 0.0001 - 0.001 | Amperes      |
|  | Generation Capacity Factor | 50 - 100       | %            |
|  | Battery Storage Capacity   | 0.1 - 0.5      | Amp-hours    |
|  | Battery Voltage            | 3 - 5          | Voltage      |
|  | Battery Current            | TBD            | Amperes      |
|  | Battery Life               | 300            | Cycles       |
|  | Standby Time               | 36             | Hours        |

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| <u>Transducer System</u>                      | Sensing Parameter                         | TBD          | Unit of Parameter |
|---|---|--------------|-------------------|
| <b>(sensor, microcontroller, transceiver)</b> | Sensor Power Requirement                  | 0.001 - 0.01 | Milli-Watts       |
|   | Sensor Current Requirement                | TBD          | Amperes           |
|   | Sensor Voltage Requirement                | 3 - 5        | Volts             |
|   | Sensor Sampling Frequency                 | 1 - 10       | Hertz             |
|   | Sensor Accuracy (error)                   | 0.1 - 1      | %                 |
|   | Microcontroller Active Power Consumption  | 0.01-1       | Milli-Watts       |
|   | Microcontroller Standby Power Consumption | 0.001 – 0.01 | Milli-Watts       |
|   | Microcontroller Voltage Requirement       | 3 - 5        | Volts             |
|   | Microcontroller ATD Resolution            | 16           | # of bits         |
|   | Microcontroller Amplification             | TBD          | Decibel           |
|   | Microcontroller Filter Range              | TBD          | Hertz             |

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|  |          |              |
|--|----------|--------------|
| Microcontroller Memory Storage           | 100      | Kilo Bytes   |
| Microcontroller Processing Performance   | 0.01 - 1 | Giga Hertz   |
| Wireless Transceiver Power Consumption   | 0.02 - 1 | Milli-Watts  |
| Wireless Transceiver Voltage Requirement | 3-5      | Volts        |
| Wireless Transceiver Current Requirement | 11-80    | Milliamperes |
| Wireless Communication Distance          | 5        | Meters       |
| Wireless Transceiver Frequency           | 2.4      | Gigahertz    |
| Wireless Transceiver Bandwidth           | 1 - 2    | Megahertz    |

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| <u>Protection System</u>                      | Volume              | 6   | Cubic Inches |
|---|---------------------|-----|--------------|
| <b>(housing and environmental parameters)</b> | Weight              | 100 | Grams        |
|   | Maximum Temperature | 120 | Celsius      |
|   | Electrical Noise    | 0   | Hertz        |