OPERATING ECONOMICS OF AUTONOMOUS LONG-HAUL TRUCKS

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LONG-HAUL TRUCK AUTOMATION QUESTIONS

- What private dollars are in play? What are the public impacts? What is the cost impact on delivered retail goods?
- How would it work? Is there a range of reasonable operating assumptions under which autonomous trucks are economically feasible?
 - Assumption 1: Levels 1 & 2 (Driver Assist) happens soon
 - Assumption 2: Level 4 (Autonomous Linehaul) several years later
- Where would you start? Private fleet? For hire?
- Is there enough lane-specific freight available to make the economic case for several thousand automated trucks?
- Are the private economics so strong that we should work through the public safety, emissions, infrastructure and regulatory issues?

AUTONOMOUS TRUCKS COULD OPERATE IN A "TERMINAL TO TERMINAL" MODEL



THERE ARE BOTH BIG POSITIVES AND BIG CHALLENGES



Private Gains

- Avoided Linehaul Driver Pay
- More Operating Hours per Day
- More Operating Days per Year
- Improved Fuel Efficiency
- Increased Ratio of Loaded Miles
- Lower Costs of Insurance / Risk

Public Impacts

- Reduced Transportation Compensation
- Reduced Highway Maintenance Funds
- Potential Mode-Shift Emissions Increases
- Additional Safety Infrastructure Needs
- Small Consumer Cost Reductions
- New Regulatory Framework Needed

AVOIDING OPERATING PAYROLLS WOULD HAVE A MAJOR IMPACT ON COSTS



Mid-Range Assumptions

Truck & Route: \$150,000 Truck (Level 0) \$3.00/Gal Diesel 7.2 MPG 70% Loaded Miles 119,000 Miles/Year 800,000 Mile Limit 6.8 Year Truck Life \$0.06 / Mile Insurance

Driver Pay: \$50,000 per year 270 Days in service 2,100 On Duty Hrs/Yr 14 Hour Days 11 Hours Driving 1 Hour Rest 10 Hours Sleep

HOS AND ROUTING CHANGES CAN DRIVE UP PRODUCTION PER TRUCK



Mid-Range Assumptions

Truck & Route: \$150,000 Truck \$3.00/Gal Diesel 8.2 MPG 75% Loaded Miles 426,000 Miles/Year 800,000 Mile Limit 1.9 Year Truck Life \$0.04 / Mile Insurance

Driver Pay: \$50,000 per year 350 Days in service 20 Hour Days 20 Hours Driving 0 Hour Rest 0 Hours Sleep

INITIALLY, THE TECHNOLOGY WOULD SUPPORT TODAY'S DRIVERS



Mid-Range Assumptions

Truck & Route: \$190,000 Truck (L4) \$3.00/Gal Diesel 7.2 MPG 70% Loaded Miles 119,000 Miles/Year 800,000 Mile Limit 6.8 Year Truck Life \$0.06 / Mile Insurance

Driver Pay:

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PLATOONING IS ONE TECHNOLOGY STEP

PELOTON NOC - online

DBL Note: Peloton's system (Level 1) identifies potential platoon partners, who then talk by radio and agree to work together. TRUCK ONE DATA STREAM ECU ONLINE... Brake analysis.. 84% Engine brake.. 22.4% Fluid levels.. 94% Tire pressure.. 98% Transmission Temp.. OK Oil Temp.. OK Dynamic Shocks.. NO BHP Horse Power.. 425 Torque.. 1297 VSS .. 62MPH TPS.. 2 (2.25V) CKPS.. 1900 BLS.. OFF CPPS.. 0 Engine Load.. 43%

TRUCK TWO DATA STREAM

ECU ONLINE... Brake analysis.. 79% Engine brake.. 24% Fluid levels.. 81% Tire pressure.. 96% Transmission Temp.. 0K Oil Temp.. 0K Dynamic Shocks.. NO BHP Horse Power.. 370 Torque.. 950 VSS.. 65MPH TPS.. 2 (2.05V) CKPS.. 1740 BLS.. 0FF CPPS.. 0 Engine Load.. 39%

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FUEL & INSURANCE COST REDUCTIONS COULD OFFSET LARGE TECHNOLOGY COSTS



Mid-Range Assumptions

Truck & Route: \$190,000 Truck (L4) \$3.00/Gal Diesel 8.2 MPG(1 MPG Better) 70% Loaded Miles 119,000 Miles/Year 800,000 Mile Limit 6.8 Year Truck Life \$0.02/Mile Ins Savings

Driver Pay:

\$50,000 per year
270 Days in service
2,100 On Duty Hrs/Yr
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10 Hours Sleep

AUTONOMOUS OPERATIONS COULD BE SUPPORTED BY CITY DRIVERS



This view includes:

All benefits from HOS changes, fuel use, improved empty ratio and lower insurance costs.

This view adds:

- \$200 "City Drivers" for each load
- \$50,000 per year Linehaul Monitors, who provide remote oversight of the move on the line of road (each monitor observes 3 loads)

CAPITAL CHARGES AND VEHICLE TAXES COULD HELP OFFSET PUBLIC IMPACTS



This view adds:

- A \$0.24 per gallon fuel tax
- A one-time \$25,000 capital charge per truck

Note: A "\$ per Ton Mile" tax could be used instead of a fuel tax.

These funds could be used to:

- Create spatial or temporal separation between cars and trucks
- Create incentives intended to lower carbon footprint
- Reduce the funding gap on failing infrastructure

Transportation Payroll Impact: Total operating dollars decline.

TOTAL "OPERATING PAY" PER LOAD WOULD GO DOWN WITH L4 AUTOMATION



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POTENTIAL LOADS: INTERMODAL CONVERSION?

EXISTING INTERMODAL FREIGHT IS ONE POTENTIAL SOURCE OF VOLUME



POPULATION IS SPARSE IN THE WESTERN U.S.



RAILROADS OFFER LONG-HAUL INTERMODAL SERVICE IN THESE AREAS



LOS ANGELES to MEMPHIS RAIL 2,100 Miles, 90 to 106 Hours TRUCK 1,850 Miles, 55 to 65 Hours LOS ANGELES to CHICAGO RAIL 2,210 Miles, 100 to 105 Hours TRUCK 2,030 Miles, 60 to 70 Hours © Dale B. Lewis

AUTOMATION COULD LOWER DIRECT COSTS TO NEAR-INTERMODAL LEVELS

CHICAGO Over 5 Million TEUs of import intermodal freight 9/10 CREWS flow Eastward from LA/LB (on BNSF + UPRR) 2210 Miles A 30% reduction in long-haul truck costs makes 102 HRS IMDL trucking more competitive. **Intermodal Cost KANSAS CIT** 30% Below Automated truck transit times and variability **Standard Truck** SPRINGFIELD would be much lower than intermodal. FLAGSTAFF **MEMPHIS** AMARILLO **7/8 CREWS** LA/LB **Truck Route** 2100 Miles **ALBUQUERQUE** 106 HRS IMDL DALLAS **Intermodal Cost** High freight density would create hub to hub 6/7 CREWS **27% Below** truck platoon opportunities **1570 Miles Standard Truck** Millions of ton-miles could be shifted from rail 100 HRS IMDL **Intermodal Cost** onto the highway system 18% Below Fuel use and carbon output per load would **Standard Truck** more than double in a shift to trucks

MODE CHOICES ARE MADE BY 3PLS AND MAJOR TRUCKING COMPANIES



J. B. Hunt Operations

<u>2017</u>	<u>IMDL</u>	<u>PVT</u>	<u>TRUCK</u>			
Loads (Millions)	2.00	2.58	0.37			
Ld Miles (Millions)	3,362	458	161			
Avg Haul (Miles)	1,681	178	435			
Share of Loads	40%	52%	8%			
Share of Miles	84%	12%	4%			
Note: 2010 was J. B. Hunt's first year to move 1 Million intermodal loads.						

- Both modes are well understood, and choices can change week to week
- Shipper relationships are THE key

CONSUMER IMPACT: ENOUGH TO SPUR RETAIL SALES?

A LESS THAN 1% IMPACT ON RETAIL PRICES IS LIKELY FOR MANY GOODS

• A 53 ft container can carry a wide range of consumer goods

	Price	Cu Ft	Container	
<u>ltem</u>	<u>Each</u>	<u>Each</u>	Value *	In Addition to Transport Costs:
Dewalt Deluxe Comp Miter Saw	\$474	8.4	\$193,000	A consistent 1 day reduction of
Hunter Economy Fan	\$99	2.3	\$152,000	transit time is worth about \$50 in
GE 2.0 Cu Ft Microwave	\$169	5.1	\$115,000	reduced inventory costs for a
GE Washing Machine	\$561	19.4	\$97,000	container with \$115.000 of cargo.
1 Patio Table Metal Frame	\$248	10.8	\$79,000	
GE 27" Electric Dryer	\$389	17.1	\$77,000	This would be less than \$0.10 saved
225 FT Capacity Hose Reel	\$40	1.9	\$65,000	on an individual microwave at a
2 Patio Chairs Metal Frame	\$200	23.5	\$30,000	15% interest rate.

A \$400 to \$800 reduction in truck costs on a \$115,000 load yields 0.3% to 0.7% in potential savings on consumer goods (\$800 / \$115,000 = 0.7%)

* Example only. Containers normally move a mix of items.

SUMMARY

- Early adoption, using Levels 1 and 2, starts with fuel economy and safety improvements, with human drivers in control.
- At Level 4, decline in linehaul driver income would be larger than the "safety monitor" and "city driver" payroll dollars gained.
- Retail value impact is potentially less than 1% per load.
- Carbon emissions would increase by more than 100% on loads converted from intermodal to automated trucks. Loads converted from intermodal would add stress to the highway system.
- At the individual carrier level, autonomous Level 4 long-haul appears to be economically feasible, even after:
 - Paying linehaul monitors to track vehicles on the line of road
 - Using city drivers for the first and last miles
 - Replacing trucks after 3 years or less in service
 - Funding some level of infrastructure and emissions costs

APPENDIX

NHTSA AUTOMATION LEVEL DESCRIPTIONS

HTTPS://WWW.NHTSA.GOV/TECHNOLOGY-INNOVATION/AUTOMATED-VEHICLES-SAFETY#ISSUE-ROAD-SELF-DRIVING

- Level 0 The human driver does all the driving.
- Level 1 An advanced driver assistance system (ADAS) on the vehicle can sometimes assist the human driver with either steering or braking/accelerating, but not both simultaneously.
- Level 2 An advanced driver assistance system (ADAS) on the vehicle can itself actually control both steering and braking/accelerating simultaneously under some circumstances. The human driver must continue to pay full attention ("monitor the driving environment") at all times and perform the rest of the driving task.
- Level 3 An Automated Driving System (ADS) on the vehicle can itself perform all aspects of the driving task under some circumstances. In those circumstances, the human driver must be ready to take back control at any time when the ADS requests the human driver to do so. In all other circumstances, the human driver performs the driving task.
- Level 4 An Automated Driving System (ADS) on the vehicle can itself perform all driving tasks and monitor the driving environment – essentially, do all the driving – in certain circumstances. The human need not pay attention in those circumstances.
- Level 5 An Automated Driving System (ADS) on the vehicle can do all the driving in all circumstances. The human occupants are just passengers and need never be involved in driving.

OVER 8 MILLION TEUS MOVE EAST BY RAIL FROM WEST COAST PORTS

Millions of TEUs Eastbound by Intermodal Rail (3.51 Million TEUS Transloaded in 2017 = 1.3M 53 Ft Cont) 9.0 8.0 Canada 7.0 **Pacific NW** 6.0 5.0 **⊟** CAN Intact 4.0 CAN TLoad 3.0 LA/LB PNW Intact PNw TLoad 2.0 **PSW** Intact LA Import Transloads 1.0 PSW TLoad 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2007 2008 2009 2010 **TTX Data: Transload to Rail Reports**

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