# Strengthening your Project for Financing

Or Training for the Winter Olympics

#### BOBSLEIGH SKILLS REQUIRED



□EXPLOSIVE POWER AND STRENGTH

□SPEED

□SELF-MOTIVATED AND HARD-WORKING

□TEAM PLAYER







#### Your Checklist For Financing Bioenergy

- □ Dream
- □ Team
- □ Credit Strength
- □ Feedstock
- □ Market
- □ Equipment
- □ Timelines
- □ Coach / Mentor / Advisors
- □ Government Support
- □ Business Plan

## A Dream

- **□Vision**
- **□**Research
- □Shared Dream
- ☐Motivated team
- **□**Perseverance
- **□** Determination



It just takes one courageous person to start

## A Team

- □ **DRIVER**
- □ PUSHER
- **□ BRAKEMAN**
- □ COACH
- □ FUNDRAISER
- □ TECHNICIAN



**DRIVER** 



**PUSHER** 

# Credit Strength

- □Skin in the Game (Cash)
- **□Business Experience**
- **□Parent Company**
- ☐Financial Advisor
- ☐Financial Plan



It can be a scary experience

### <u>Feedstock</u>

- □Control of Biomass
- **□Suitable Material**
- **□Volume**
- □ Calculated Costs
- **□Sustainability**
- □Length of Contract



Are you serious or just pretending?

### **Markets**

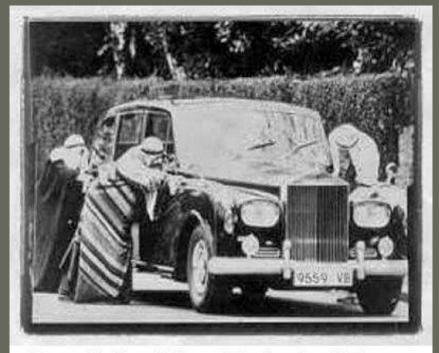
- **□Size**
- **□**Price
- □Local □
- **□Export**
- **□Quality Demands**
- **□**Transportation



It doesn't matter how good you look, have you done your research?

# **Equipment**

- □Feedstock type
- □Volume / year
- ☐Market Retail / Industrial
- □Proven vs. new technology
- **□Supplier**
- **□Scalability**
- □ Costs
- **□Ease of Operation**



Saudi Arabian Bobsled Team

Even with lots of cash, you still need the right equipment

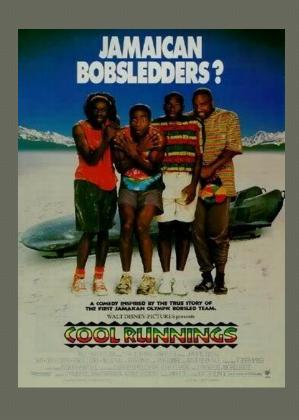
# **Timelines**

- **□Plan**
- **□**Benchmarks
- **□**Financing
- **□**Permits
- □Design/Engineering
- □Equipment ordering
- **□Installation**
- □Delivery to Market

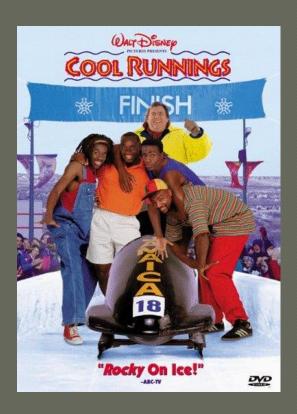


Are you on track?

# Coach / Mentor / Advisors



- □ Coach
- **□**Mentor
- □Advisor



**Before** 

**After** 

# Government Support

- **□Grants**
- **□Permits**
- ☐Fibre Tenure
- □Carbon pricing / offset credits
- ☐Green Energy Act



Remember us saying we would give anything to win a medal...

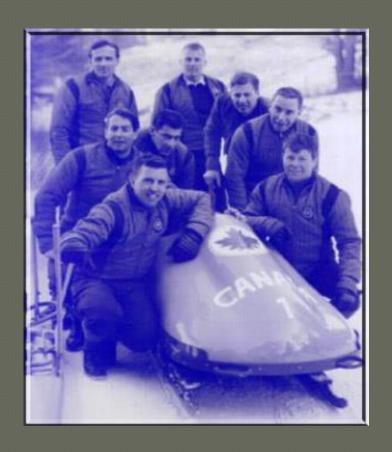
# Business Plan

- □Executive summary
- ☐ Team and experience
- □Equipment costs
- □ Feedstock
- **□**Markets
- □Financing plan
- □2 year detailed budget
- □Cash Flow projections



To compete, you need to practice and prepare

# A Success Story



Vic Emery's dream

A team of Vic and John Emery, Peter Kirby and Doug Anakin

Had a plan and defined roles

Passion and courage

Thinking outside the box

Dry land training, no track in Canada

Successful business men

Won gold at the Winter Olympics in 1964 Innsbruck, Austria

Repeatable success – St. Moritz 1965

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