

# Electricity Markets

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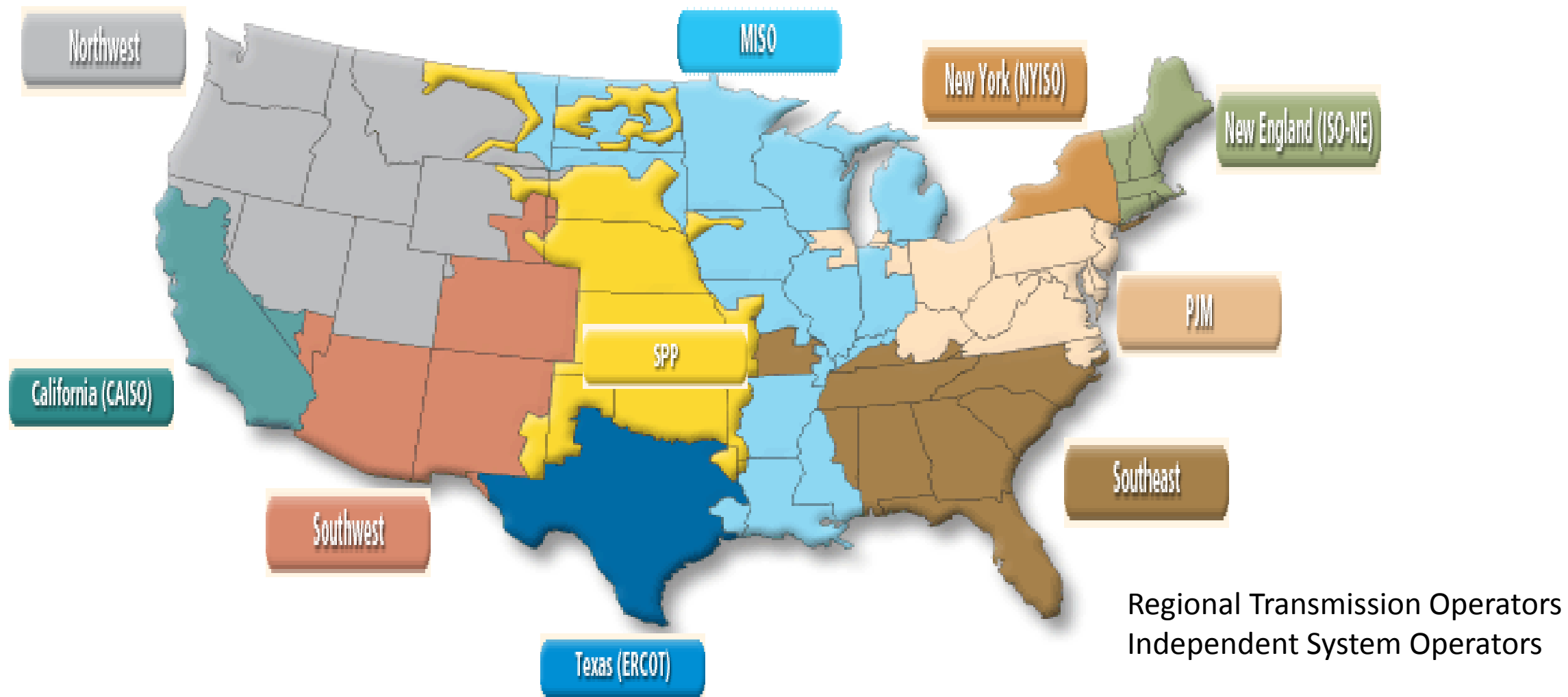
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# Topics

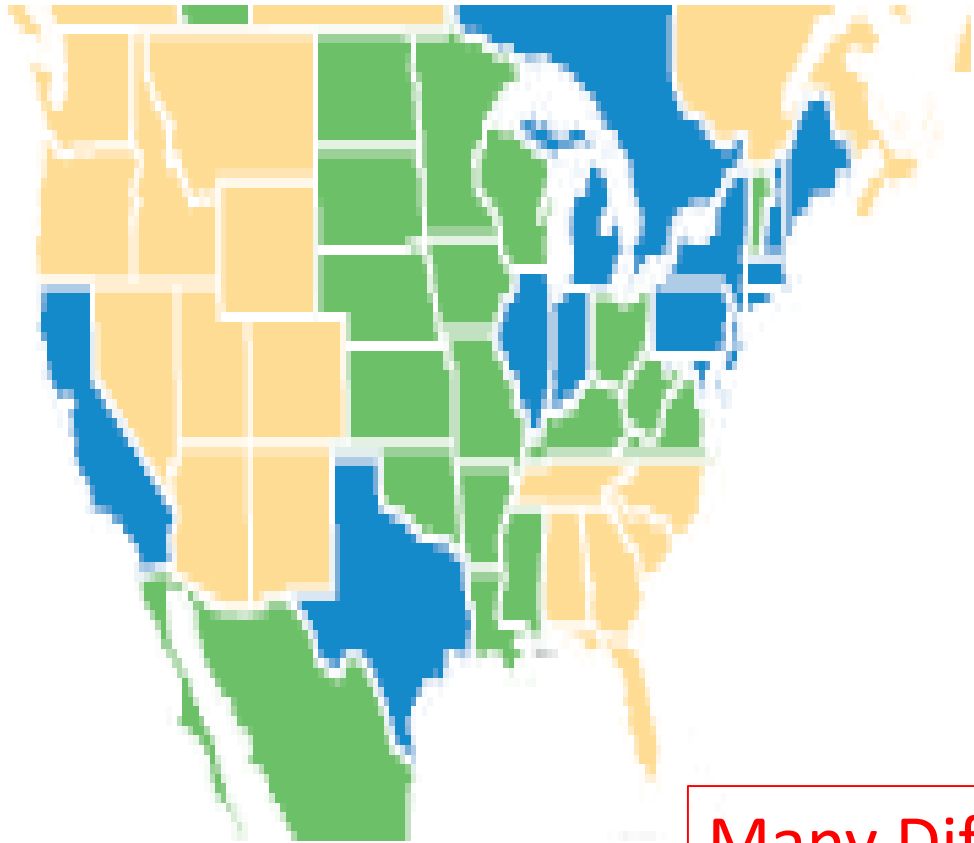
- Market Formation - Basics
- 2016 / 2017 Forecasts
- Natural Gas, Renewable Portfolio Standards, and Climate Change
- Shaping the Future - Transition to Low-Carbon
- Future Scenarios

# Market Formation – RTO / ISO



# Market Formation – States within the RTO /ISO

## Whole Sale to Full Market Competition



- Vertically integrated regulated monopoly
- Vertically integrated utility + IPPs
- Unbundling + IPPs
- Wholesale market
- Wholesale market + retail competition

Many Differences between RTOs, States, and Regions

# Market Formation

Figure 1.7 • Regional, locational and local electricity markets



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Zones can be multiple LMPs

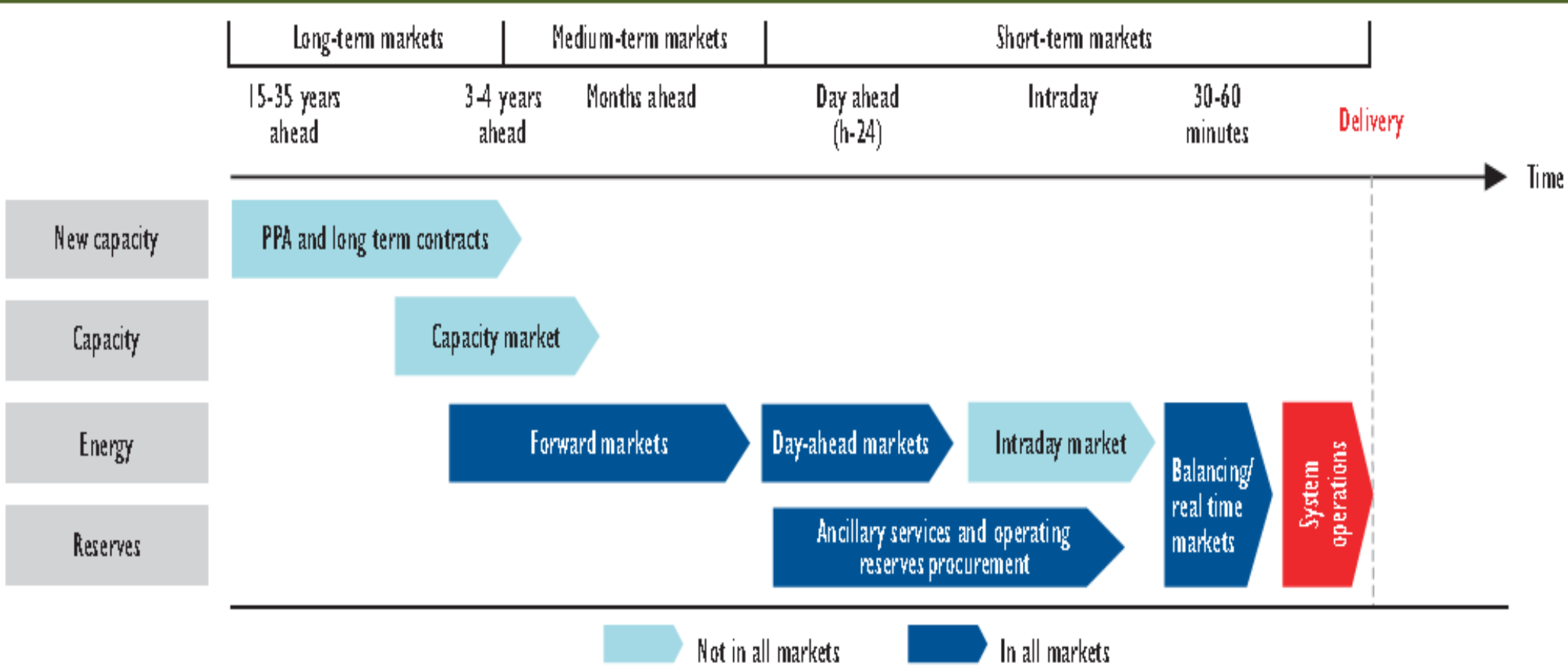


**Key point** • Efficient co-ordination is needed, from the local level to the continental scale.



# Market Formation

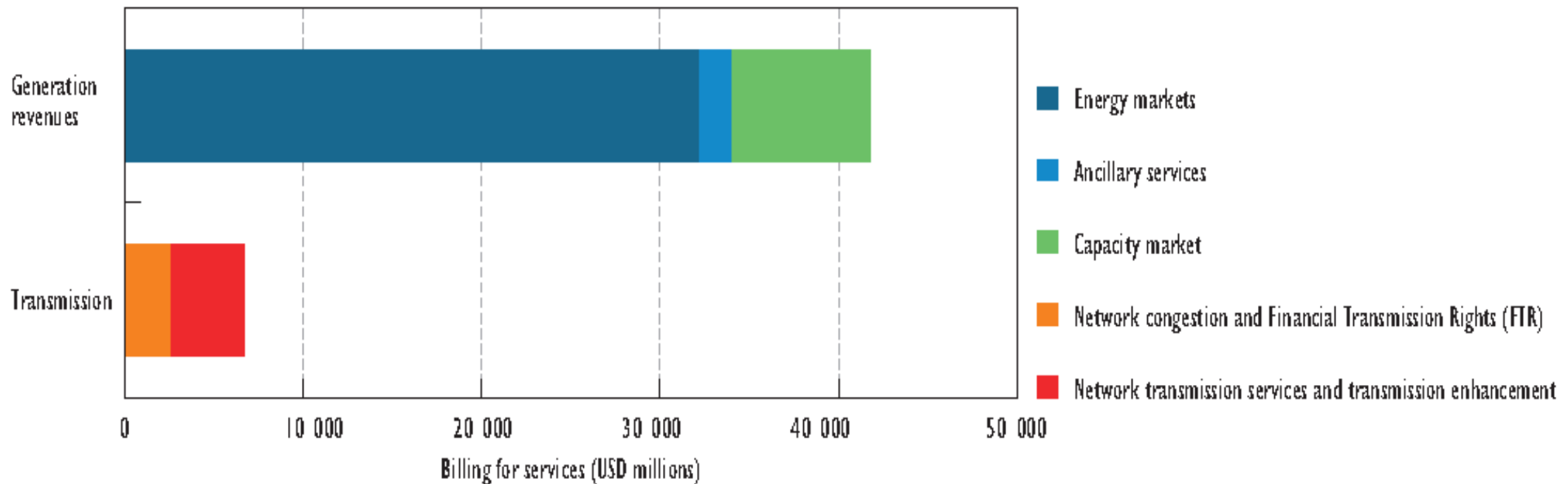
**Figure 1.8 • Overview of different building blocks of electricity markets**



# Market Formation - Generator's Revenues

## PJM RTO Example

Figure 1.9 • PJM billing for services (2014)



Source : PJM (2015)



**Key point:** Generators' revenues come mainly from the energy markets and, where they exist, capacity markets.



# Energy Pricing and Demand – PJM RTO Example

**Energy Auction – Revenue** for delivering energy into the market

EXAMPLE: Excerpt Sat Apr 16 17:05:00 EDT 2016

Name	Type	5 Minute Weighted Avg. LMP	Hourly Integrated LMP for Hour Ending 17
AECO	ZONE	14.6	14.7
AEP	ZONE	24.6	26.7
APS	ZONE	25.0	27.2
ATSI	ZONE	24.0	26.0
BGE	ZONE	35.0	39.1
COMED	ZONE	22.1	24.3

**Capacity Auction - Future Revenue** for resources to maintain grid reliability whether needed to generate power or not.

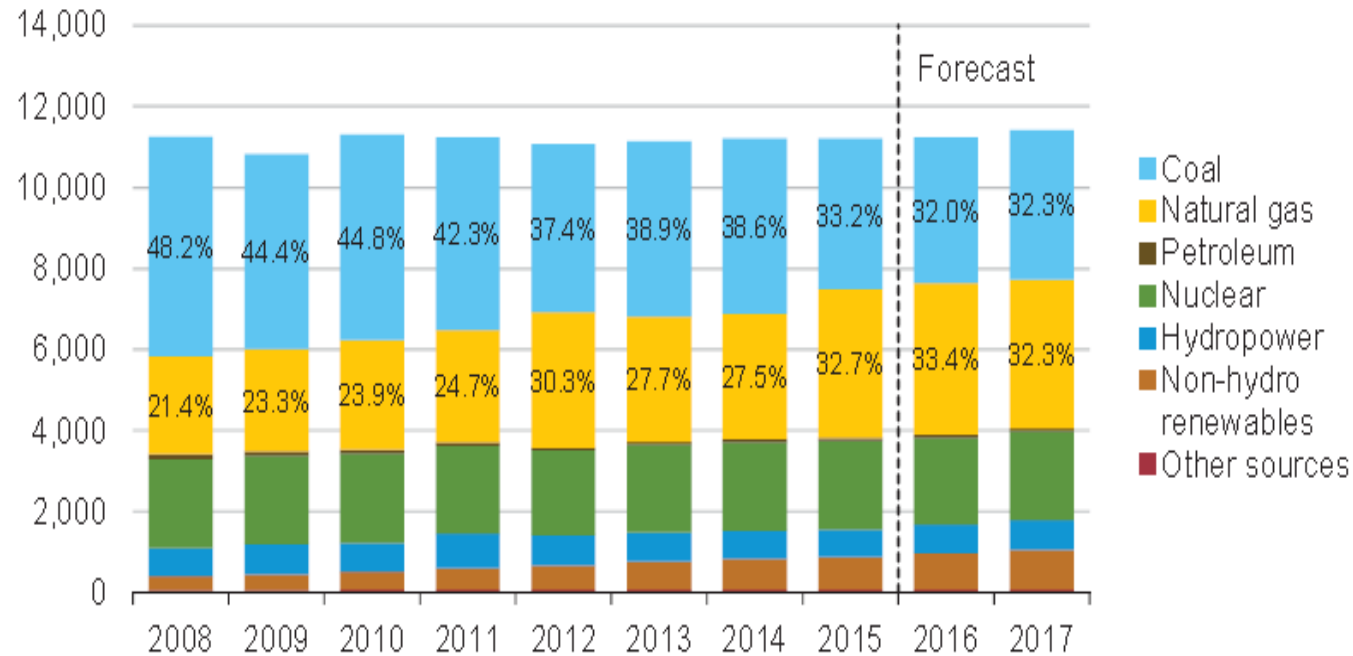
- 2016/2017 –
- Capacity =169,160 MW, base price \$59.37, down 56 percent from 2015/2016.
- All-time peak demand 163,848 MW



# 2016 / 2017 Forecast – Generation by Fuel

## U.S. Electricity Generation by Fuel, All Sectors

thousand megawatthours per day



Note: Labels show percentage share of total generation provided by coal and natural gas.

Source: Short-Term Energy Outlook, March 2016.



## Summary

	2016	2017
Natural Gas	33	32
Coal	32	32
Nuclear	20	20
Renewables		
Hydro	6	7
Other renewables	8	9 (Solar – 1.1%, Wind – 5.6%)
Other sources		

# 2016 / 2017 Forecast - Natural Gas and Coal

## Natural Gas (EIA)

Futures - March 2015 - June 2015

- **avg \$2.83/MMBtu**
- \$1.92/MMBtu - \$4.18/MMBtu
  - 95% confidence interval

Futures - March 2016 - June 2016

- **avg \$1.91/MMBtu**
- \$1.27/MMBtu - \$2.88/MMBtu
  - 95% confidence interval

## Coal Prices (EIA)

- 2015 Delivered
  - **avg \$2.23/MMBtu**
- 2016 / 2017 Forecast
  - **\$2.18/MMBtu**
  - **\$2.20/MMBtu**

Dispatch Bid into Energy Market

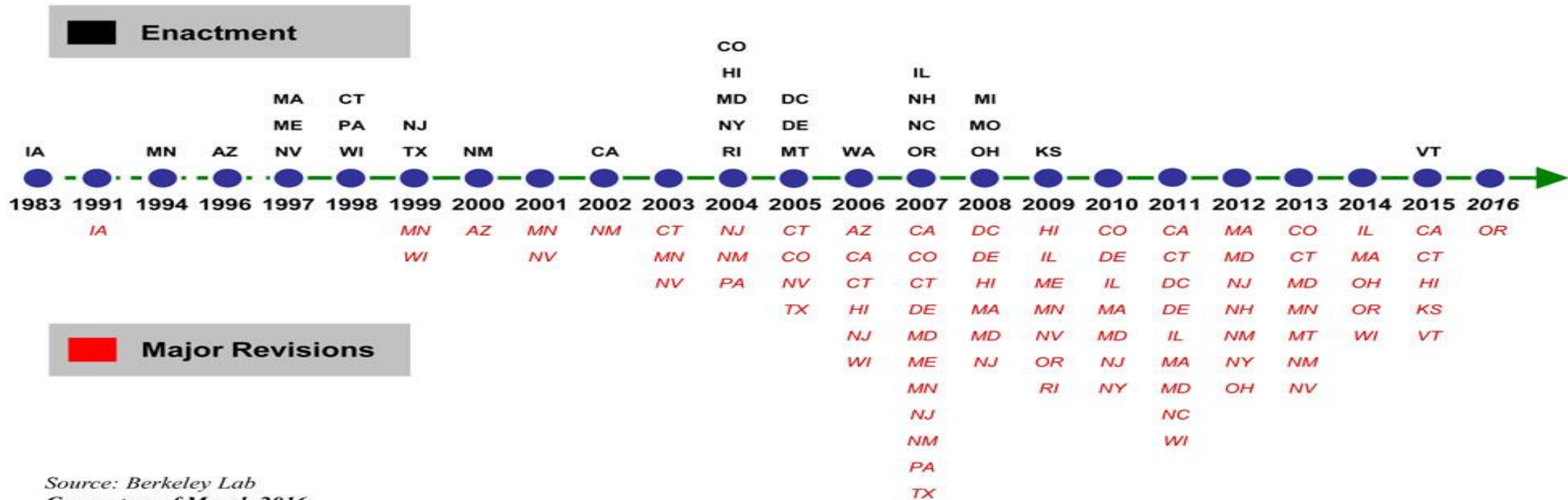
CCGT - 7000HR x \$1.91 = \$13.37/MWh

Coal Plt- 9500HR x \$2.18 = \$20.71/MWh

# 2016 / 2017 Forecast

## Policy – Renewable Portfolio Standards

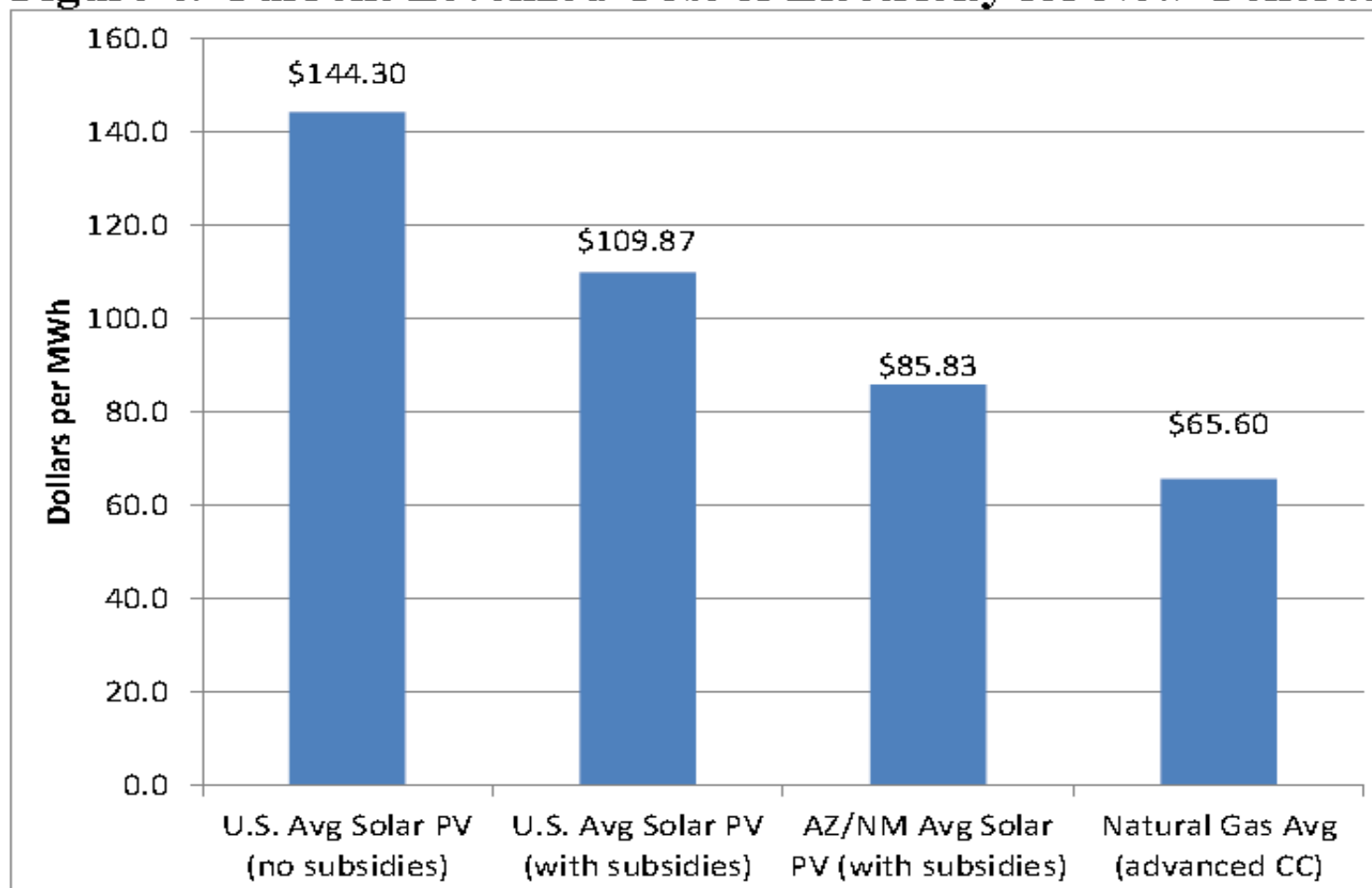
### Enactment of New RPS Policies Has Waned, but States Continue to Hone Existing Policies



Source: Berkeley Lab  
Current as of March 2016

# 2016 / 2017 – New Generation LCOE

**Figure 4: Current Levelized Cost of Electricity for New Generation Resources (\$/MWh)**



Note: Per EIA, current new generation costs are for facilities installed in 2018; “with subsidies” cases assume tax credits at current levels.  
Source: EIA (2013a)

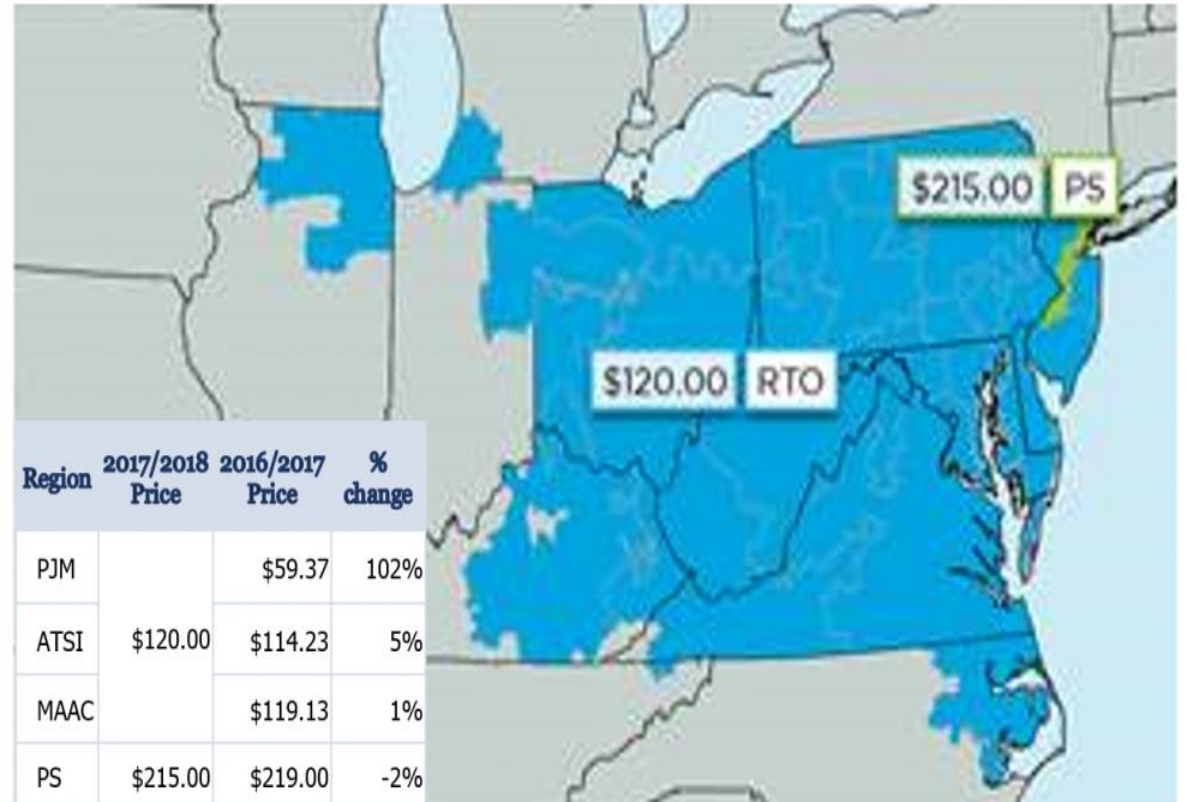
# 2016 /2017 Forecast Policy – FERC Regulation / RTO Rules

## 2017/2018 Capacity Auction

- \$120/MW-day in most of PJM
- RTO rule changes - limited demand response and generation imports
- Nearly doubled from \$59/MW-day 2016/2017 auction.

**Policy changes Influences pricing and financial viability of Base Load Capacity**

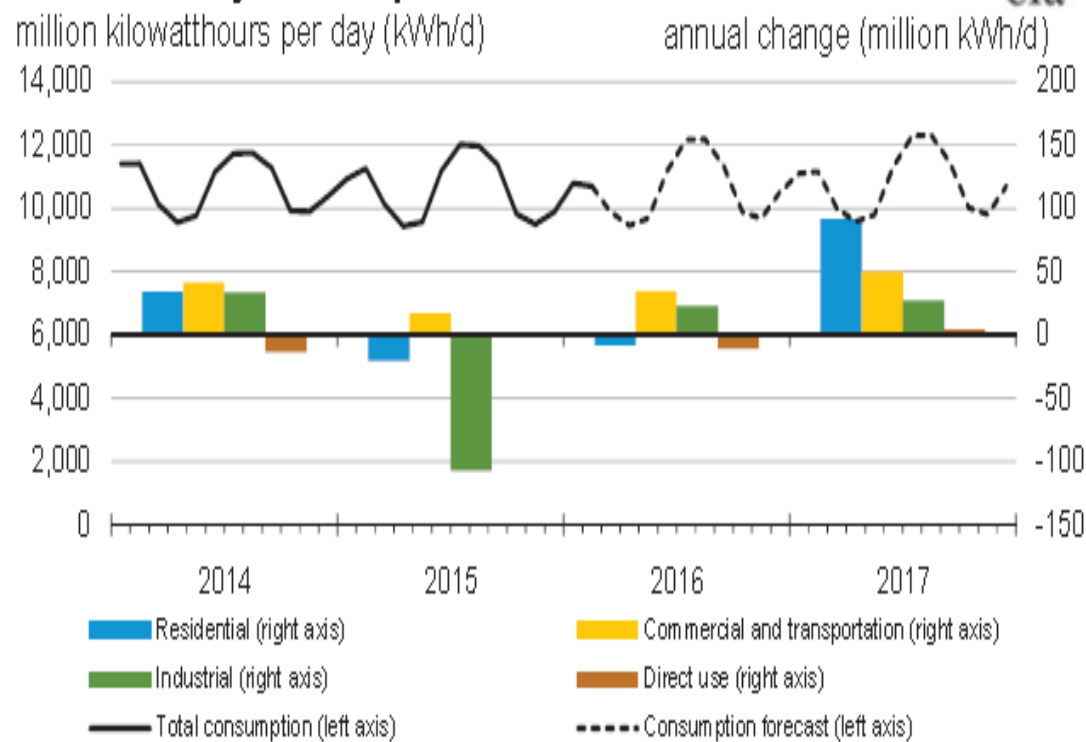
## Capacity Auction Clearing Prices 2017/2018



Prices in MW-day (Source: PJM Interconnection, LLC)

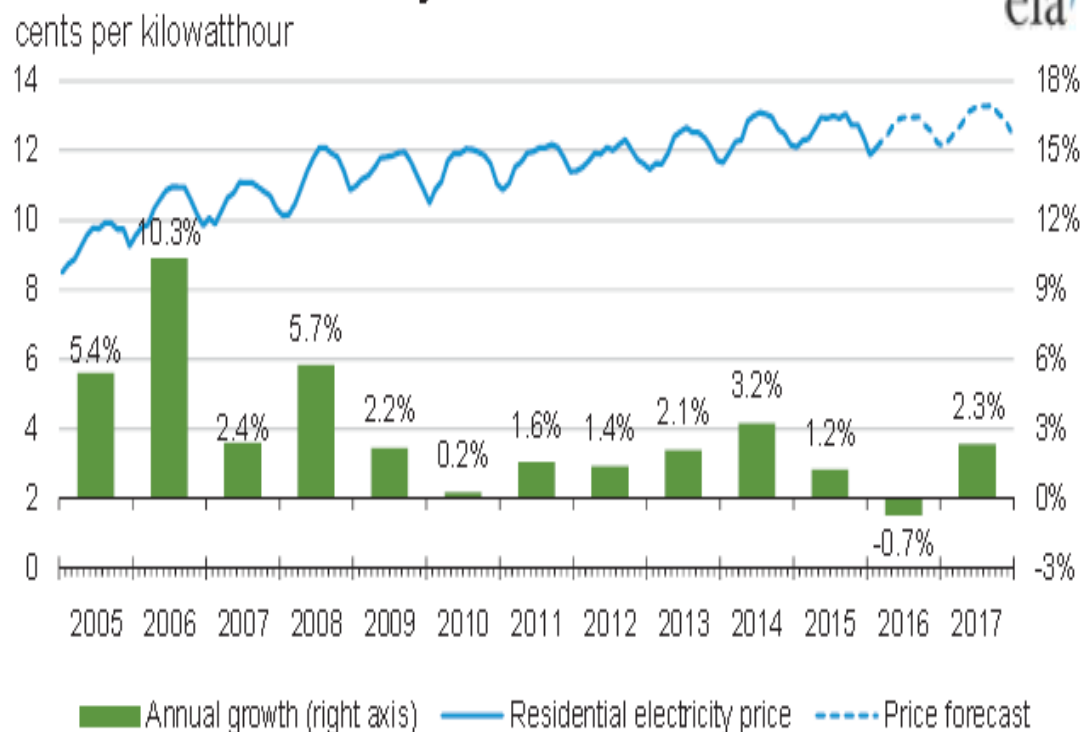
# 2016 / 2017 – Consumption and Price

## U.S. Electricity Consumption



Source: Short-Term Energy Outlook, March 2016.

## U.S. Residential Electricity Price



Source: Short-Term Energy Outlook, March 2016.

**Contrast: Industrial rates aligned to wholesale markets stable and declining**

# Shaping the Future – Transition to Low-Carbon

## U.N. Framework Convention on Climate Change Paris 2015

- Goal of limiting global temperature increase well below **2 degrees Celsius**, while urging efforts to **limit the increase to 1.5 degrees**;
- **Binding commitments** by all parties to make “nationally determined contributions” (NDCs), and to pursue domestic measures aimed at achieving them;
- Commit all countries to submit **new NDCs every five years**,
- Support the efforts of **developing countries**,
- Extend the current goal of mobilizing **\$100 billion a year in support by 2020 through 2025**,
- Call for a new mechanism, similar to the Clean Development Mechanism under the Kyoto Protocol, enabling emission reductions in one country to be counted toward another country’s NDC.



# Shaping the Future – Transition to Low-Carbon Legislation and Regulation

## Omnibus Appropriations Tax Extenders Bill

### **Investment Tax Credit (ITC) - Solar commercial and residential projects**

- 2021, gradual phase down, based on start time
- commercial - Start construction by 12/31/ 2019 - 30 percent credit, 2020 -26 percent, 2021 - 22 percent. 10 percent in perpetuity.
- Residential - phase down for years 2020 and 2021 same as commercial, Expires

### **Production Tax Credits (PTC) – Wind projects through 2019 and retroactively 2015.**

- 80% 2017, 60% 2018, and 40% 2019.
- 2020 Expires permanently.

### **Energy Efficiency**

- Extended through 2016 and, retroactively, for 2015

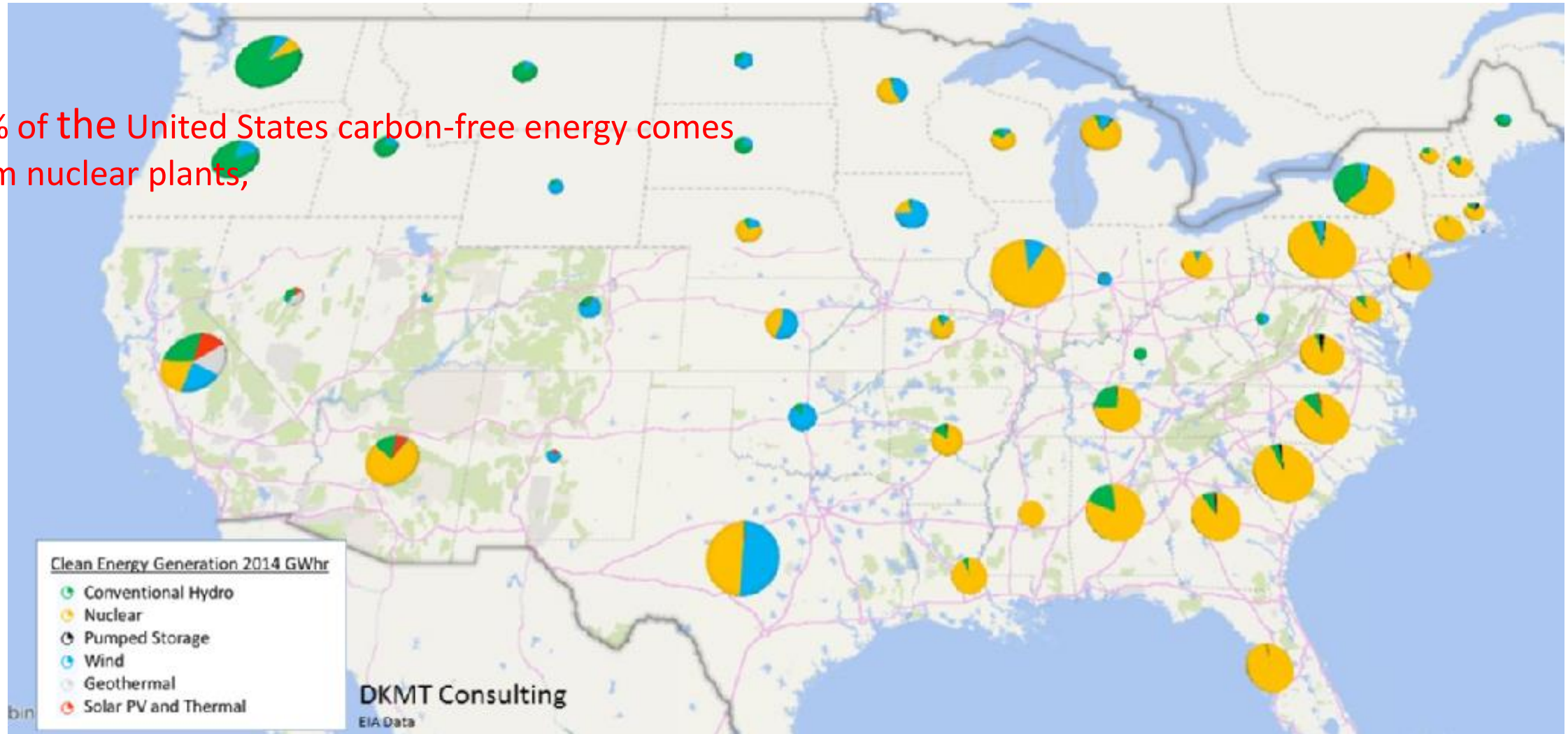
## EPA: Clean Power Plan

- rule's goals could be achieved by replacing 476 million MWh of carbon-based energy with carbon-free electricity – roughly the energy used by 37% of U.S. homes.
- Stayed by the Courts – Under Review



# Transition to Low-Carbon - Policy / Regulatory Framework

63% of the United States carbon-free energy comes from nuclear plants,



# Generation Technology

A technology is generally considered economically competitive when its LACE exceeds its LCOE.

Levelized cost projections by technology, 2020

2013 dollars per megawatthour

■ Levelized cost of electricity (LCOE)
  Levelized avoided cost of energy (LACE)
 *Ranges account for regional differences*

Projected capacity additions, 2015-20

gigawatts

## Dispatchable technologies

Advanced combined cycle

Advanced nuclear

Geothermal

IGCC w/CCS

Biomass

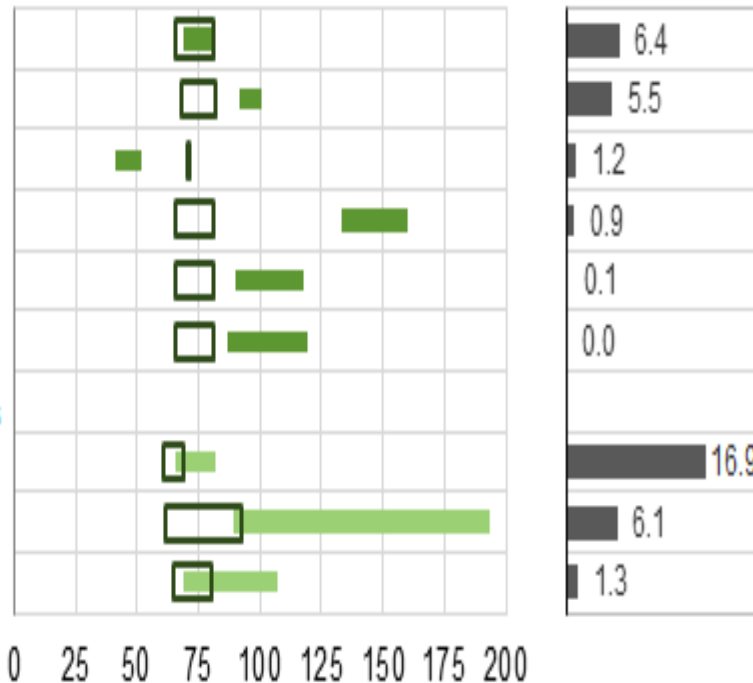
Pulverized coal

## Non-Dispatchable technologies

Wind

Solar photovoltaic

Hydroelectric



Levelized cost projections by technology, 2040

2013 dollars per megawatthour

■ Levelized cost of electricity (LCOE)
  Levelized avoided cost of energy (LACE)
 *Ranges account for regional differences*

Projected capacity additions, 2035-40

gigawatts

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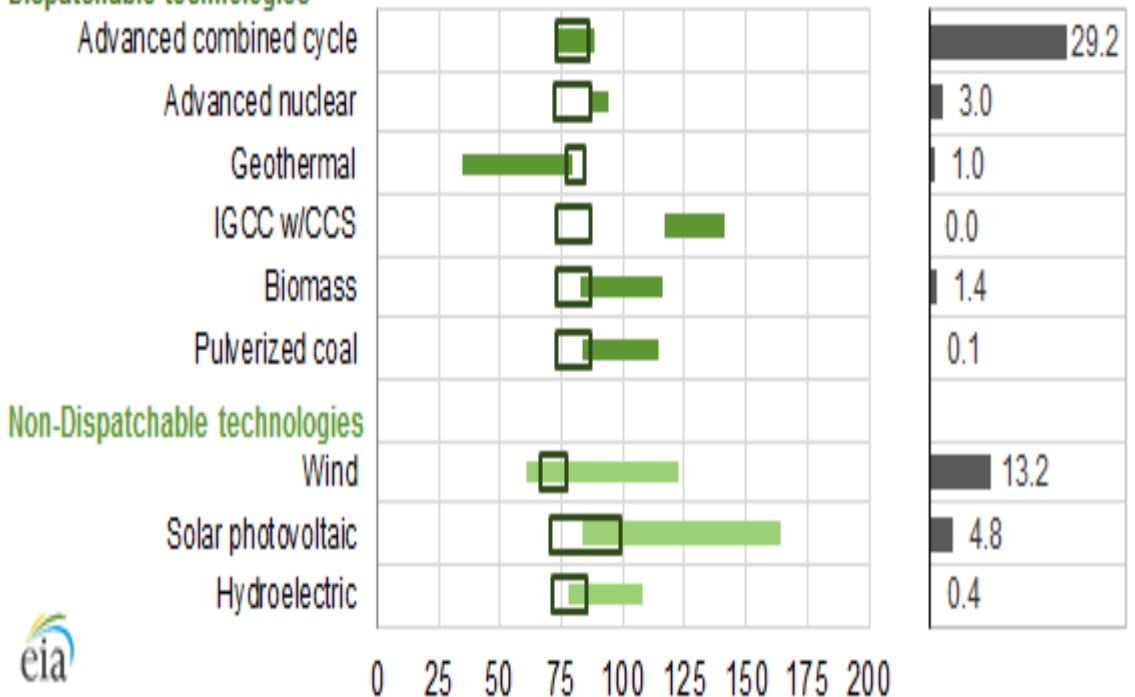
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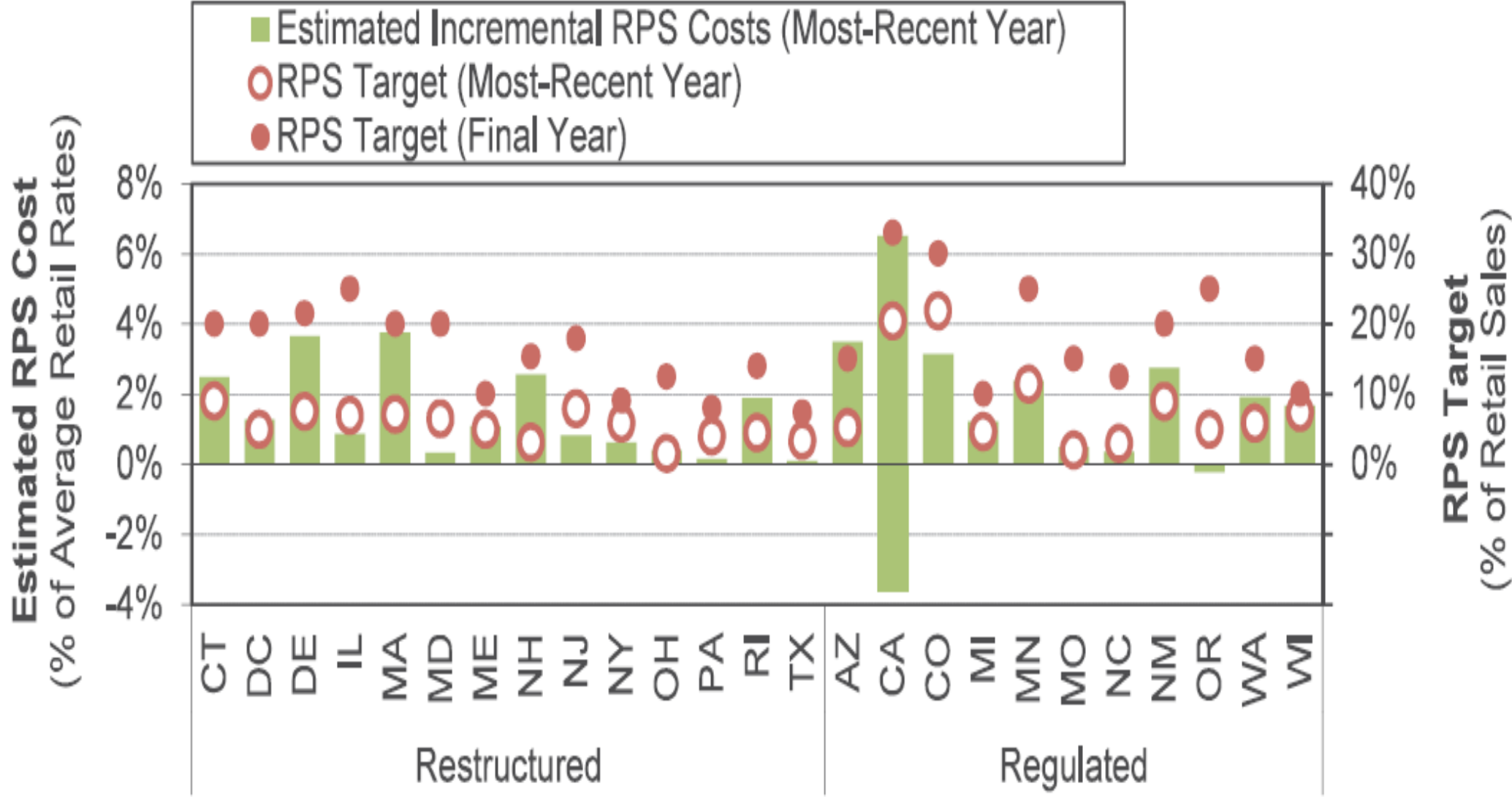
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Costs reflect utility-scale systems and include federal tax incentives for renewables as applicable in 2020 under current law.

# Renewable Portfolio Standards



# Future Scenarios – Regulation and Markets

**Table 1.0 • Overview of the key dimensions of market frameworks for decarbonisation**

Objective	Policy	Type of regulation	Competitive markets
Low-carbon investments	<i>Carbon pricing</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Carbon regulation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Carbon price (trading scheme)</li> <li>○ Long-term contracts</li> </ul>
	<i>Additional policy: Support schemes</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Low-C long-term support</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Auctions set support level</li> <li>○ Integration in markets</li> </ul>
Operational efficiency / Reliability and adequacy	<i>Short-term energy markets</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Market rules</li> <li>○ Scarcity pricing</li> <li>○ Reliability standards</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Energy prices with a high geographical resolution</li> <li>○ Energy prices with a high temporal resolution</li> <li>○ Dynamic pricing offers</li> </ul>
	<i>Additional policy: Capacity markets</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Capacity requirements</li> <li>○ Demand response product definition</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Capacity prices</li> <li>○ Demand response participation</li> </ul>
Network efficiency	<i>Regulation</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Regional planning</li> <li>○ Network cost allocation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Congestion revenues</li> <li>○ Transmission auctions</li> </ul>
Consumption	<i>Retail pricing</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Network tariff structure</li> <li>○ Taxation and levies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Retail competitive prices</li> <li>○ Distributed resources</li> </ul>

# Transition to Low-Carbon

## - Policy / Regulatory Framework, Markets

### Policy and Markets

- Policy proliferation - Unintended consequences - interaction
  - Renewables and Energy Efficiency **Policy** – causing reduced wholesale electricity prices
  - **Markets** unable to incentivize other low-carbon investment in nuclear or CCS, or even renewables
- Renewable support policies
  - Successful in deploying renewables, but
  - Significantly increased electricity bills
- Rapid deployment of wind and solar power
  - Limited contribution to meet peak demand, relying on conventional fossil-fired capacity.

Increases the complexity of an already complex set of markets

### Regulation and Markets

- Renewables deployment increases low-carbon generation to meet limits
  - dispatch natural gas power – cheap gas
  - Closure of baseload nuclear and older coal plants

Paradoxical situation where growth in renewables does not reduce CO2 emissions.

Regulation Shaping Markets – Emissions Limits

# Transition to Low-Carbon

## - Policy / Regulatory Framework, Markets

### Carbon Markets

Carbon price reflected in short-term, and futures prices

- promote energy efficiency, renewables and nuclear and CCS.

**Experience** Carbon and Emissions Trading System Exchanges

- **collapse after economic crisis, renewable subsidies, and inflows of international carbon credits.**

Carbon market design - address these risks:

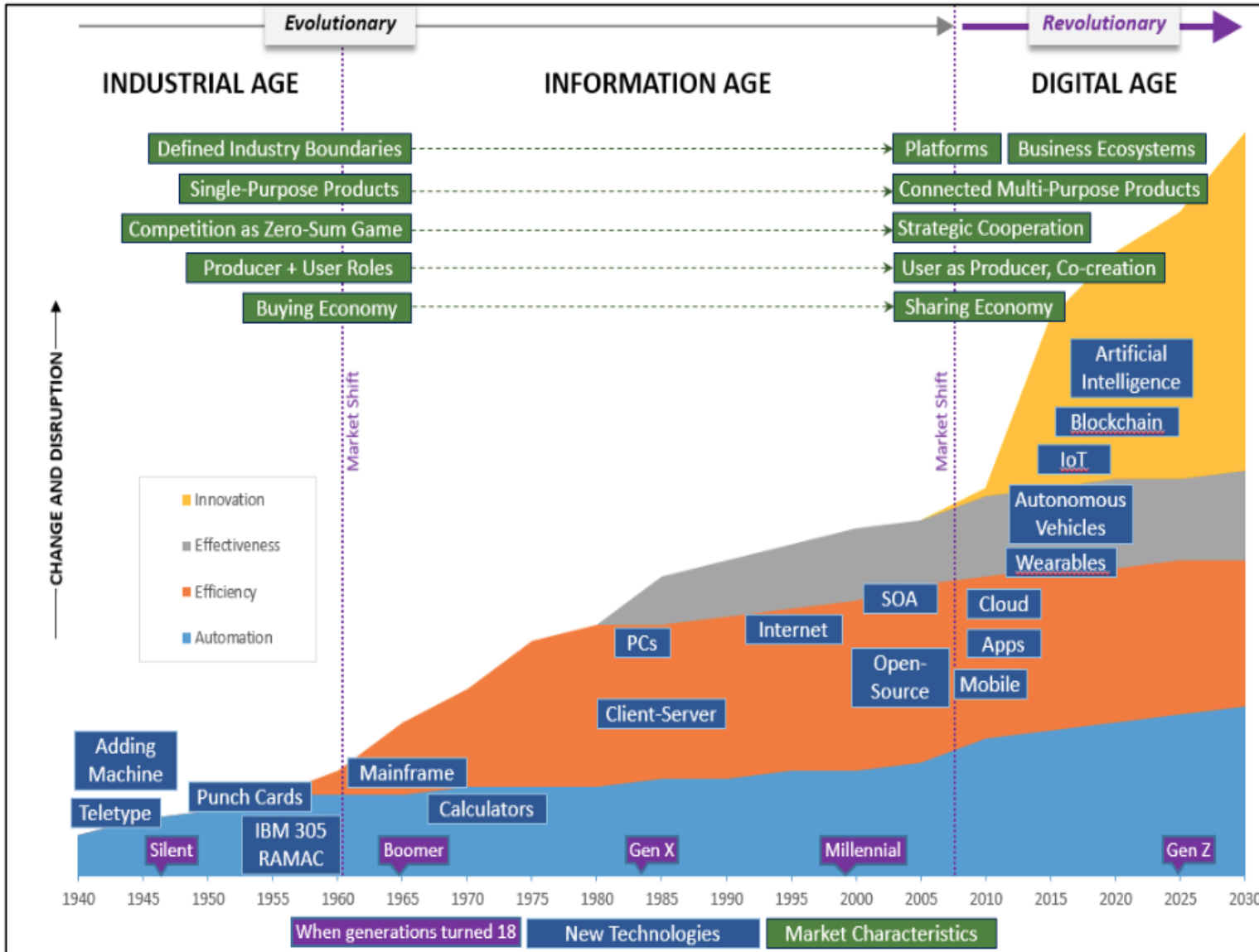
- Market Stability
- Exogenous events and of policy interactions

### Reliability

- Justification for Capacity Markets
- Need for Capacity markets due to potential **misalignment between different mechanisms.**
  - Signal and revenue for new generation
  - Incentivize other clean technologies such as CCS and nuclear
  - Cheap gas – most new additions are CCGT – CO<sub>2</sub> emissions



# Opportunity – Innovation, Technology, Investment



- Upgrading a 100 yr. old business model
- Leadership, Communications, Customers
- Error Free Performance by Design(PII)
- Artificial Intelligence
- Autonomous and Automation
- Cyber Security

# Conclusion

- Policies, Regulations, and Markets to de-carbonize “are interacting with one another, sometimes in unexpected ways that are not always aligned with the intended transformation of the power sector (OECD, 2015).”
- “While the CPP was not really incentivizing new nuclear development and leaned instead on existing plants, it came at a time when plants are being challenged by cheap natural gas and high operating costs, which has led some utilities to shutter some facilities prematurely or mull that possibility, and so sends a mixed message”
- "Keeping existing nuclear energy facilities online is critical to reducing greenhouse gas emissions. States like Illinois, Michigan, Pennsylvania and Georgia face a significant carbon-free electricity shortfalls if existing nuclear energy facilities were to close.
- Third Way, reports, nuclear generation is needed to meet new regulations and a move away from the clean generation could spike emissions levels.



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# U.S. Average Levelized Costs (2012 \$/MWh) for Plants Entering Service in 2019

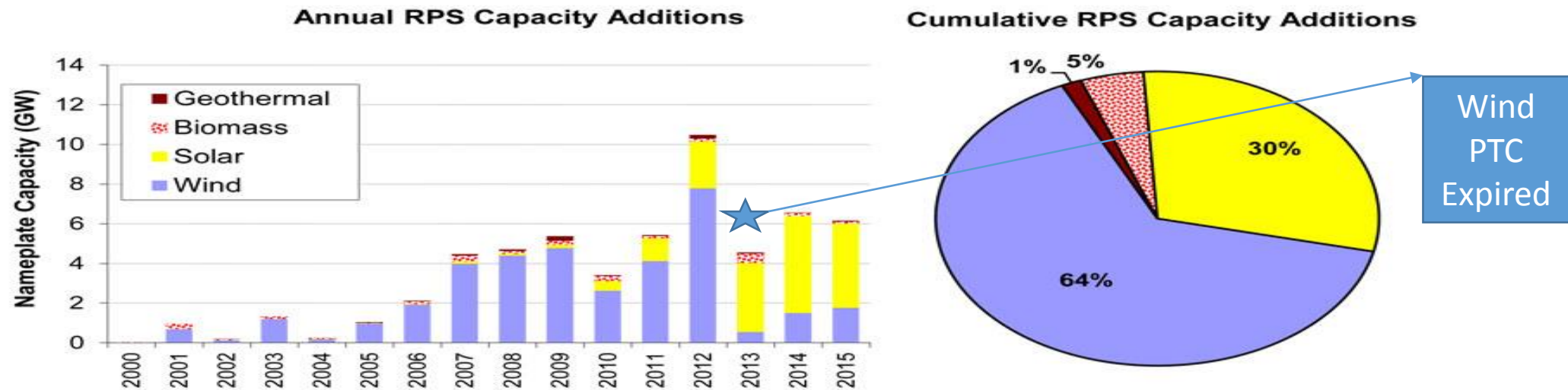
Plant Type	Capacity Factor (%)	Levelized Capital Cost	Fixed O&M	Variable O&M (Including fuel)	Transmission Investment	Total System Levelized Cost
<b><u>Dispatchable Technologies</u></b>						
Conventional Coal	85	60.0	4.2	30.3	1.2	95.6
Integrated Coal-Gasification Combined Cycle (IGCC)	85	76.1	6.9	31.7	1.2	115.9
IGCC with Carbon Capture & Storage (CCS)	85	97.8	9.8	38.6	1.2	147.4
Natural Gas-Fired						
Conventional Combined Cycle (CC)	87	14.3	1.7	49.1	1.2	66.3
Advanced CC	87	15.7	2.0	45.5	1.2	64.4
Advanced CC with CCS	87	30.3	4.2	55.6	1.2	91.3
Conventional Combustion Turbine (CT)	30	40.2	2.8	82.0	3.4	128.4
Advanced CT	30	27.3	2.7	70.3	3.4	103.8
Advanced Nuclear	90	71.4	11.8	11.8	1.1	96.1
Geothermal	92	34.2	12.2	0	1.4	47.9
Biomass	83	47.4	14.5	39.5	1.2	102.6
<b><u>Non-Dispatchable Technologies</u></b>						
Wind	35	64.1	13.0	0	3.2	80.3
Wind-Offshore	37	175.4	22.8	0	5.8	204.1
Solar PV	25	114.5	11.4	0	4.1	130.0
Solar Thermal	20	195.0	42.1	0	6.0	243.1
Hydro	53	72.0	4.1	6.4	2.0	84.5

Source: [U.S. Energy Information Agency Annual Energy Outlook](#), April 2014

# 2016 / 2017 Forecast Renewable Portfolio Standards

## Wind Was Historically the Dominant New-Build for RPS, But Solar Has Come to the Fore

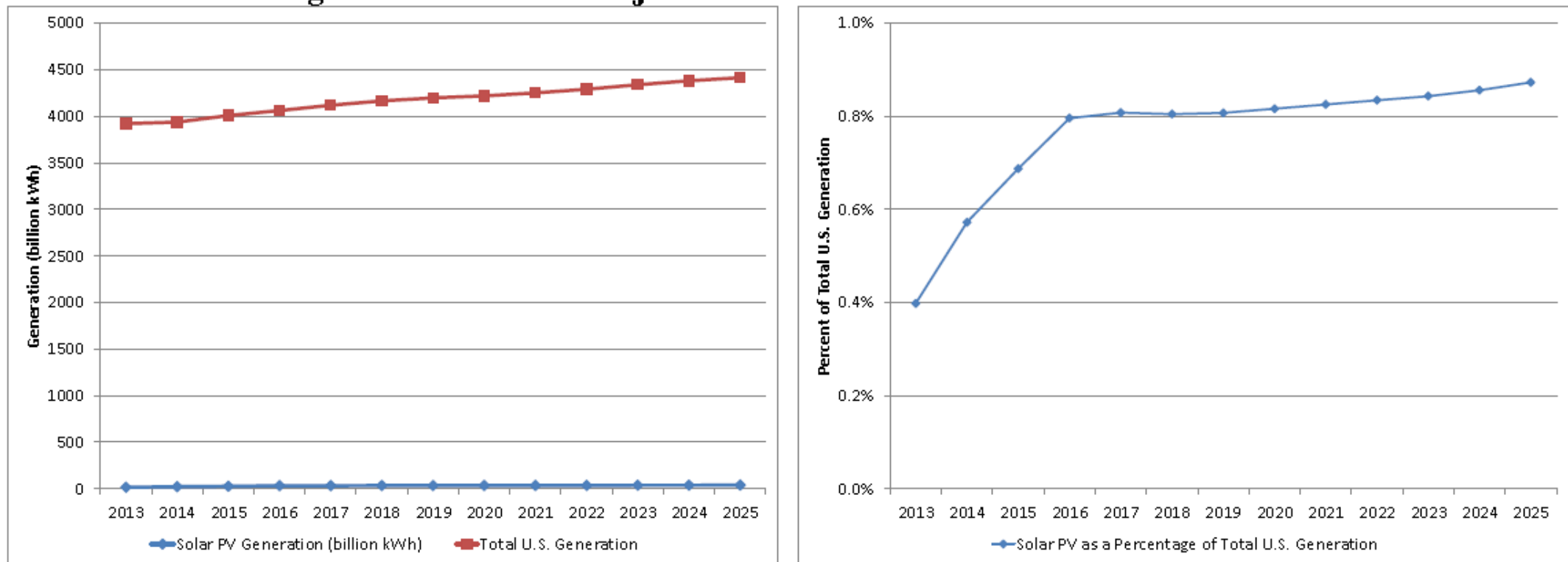
### RPS Capacity Additions by Technology Type



Notes: On an energy (as opposed to capacity) basis, wind represents approximately 68%, solar 16%, biomass 12%, and geothermal 4% of RPS-related renewable energy growth. See Supplementary Notes for data sources and methodological details.

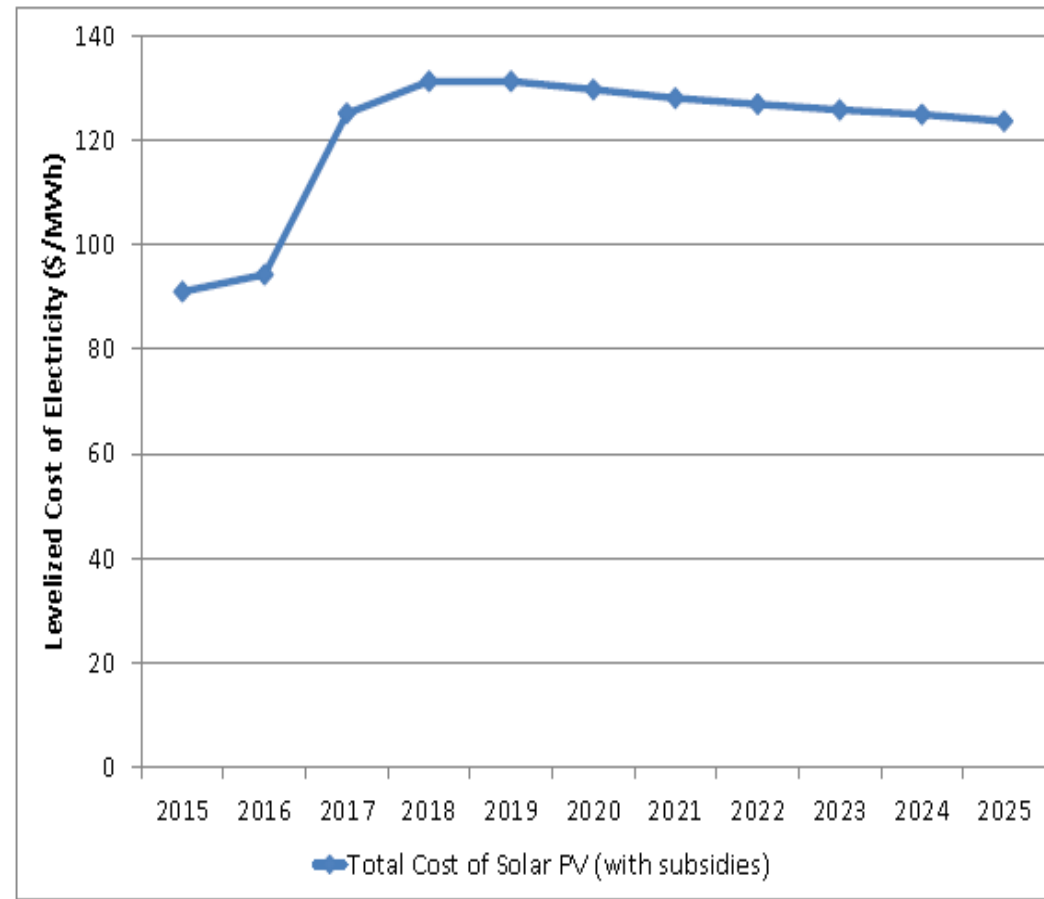
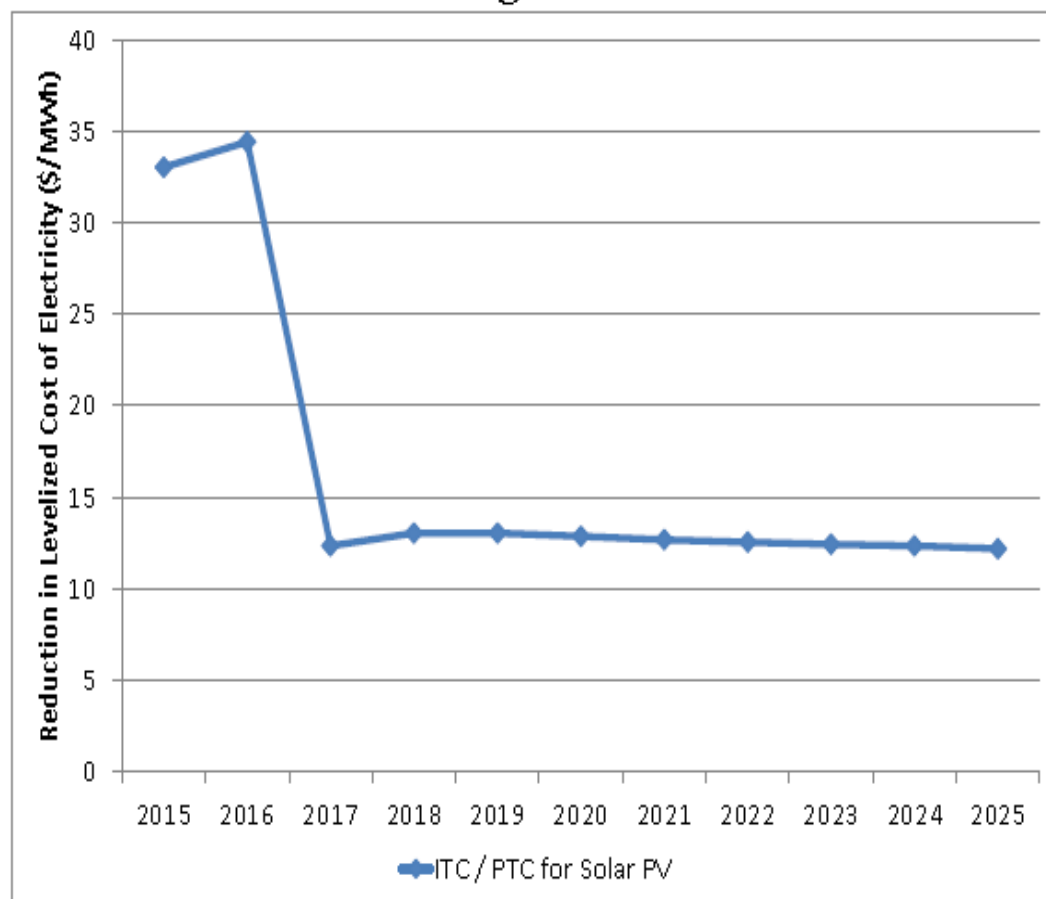
Trends partly reflect that recent wind additions have been built primarily outside of RPS requirements, while solar is relatively more-concentrated in RPS states

**Figure 5: AEO 2014 Projections of Solar PV and Total U.S. Generation**



Source: EIA (2013b)

**Figure 7: Subsidies and Total Cost of Solar PV from AEO 2013**



Source: EIA (2013a)