

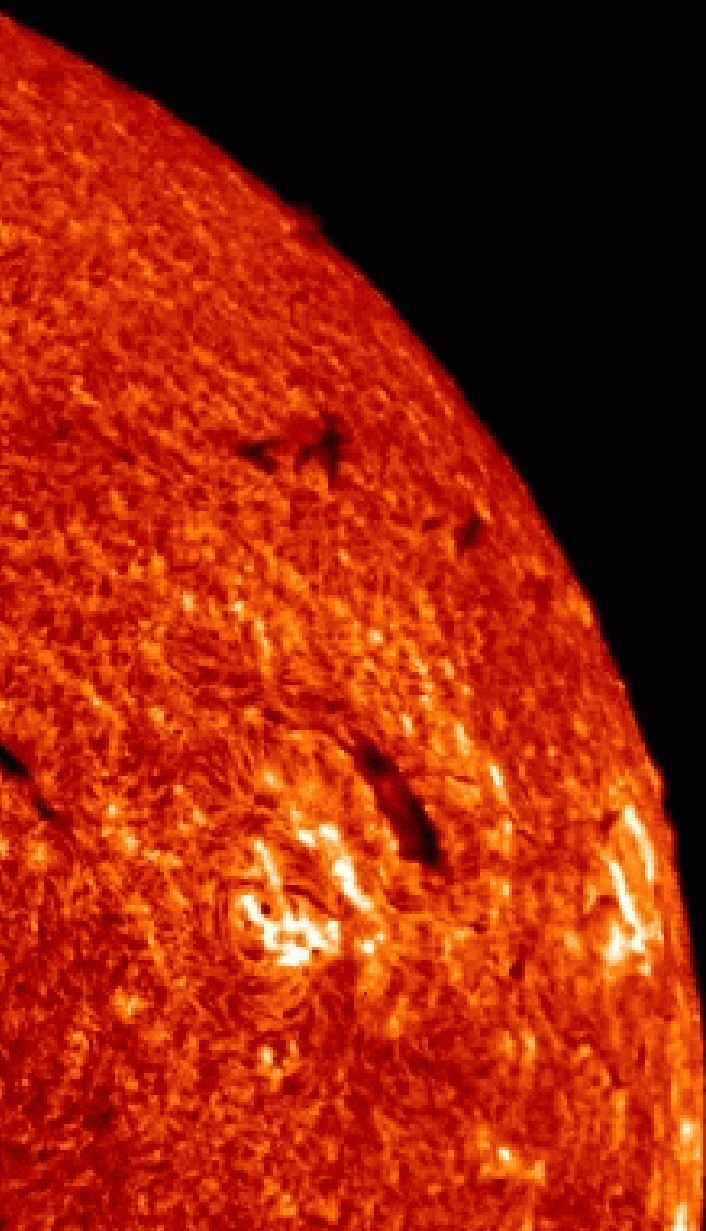


# The Emerging Role of Energy as the Key to Economic Prosperity for the United States.

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# The Irony of it All

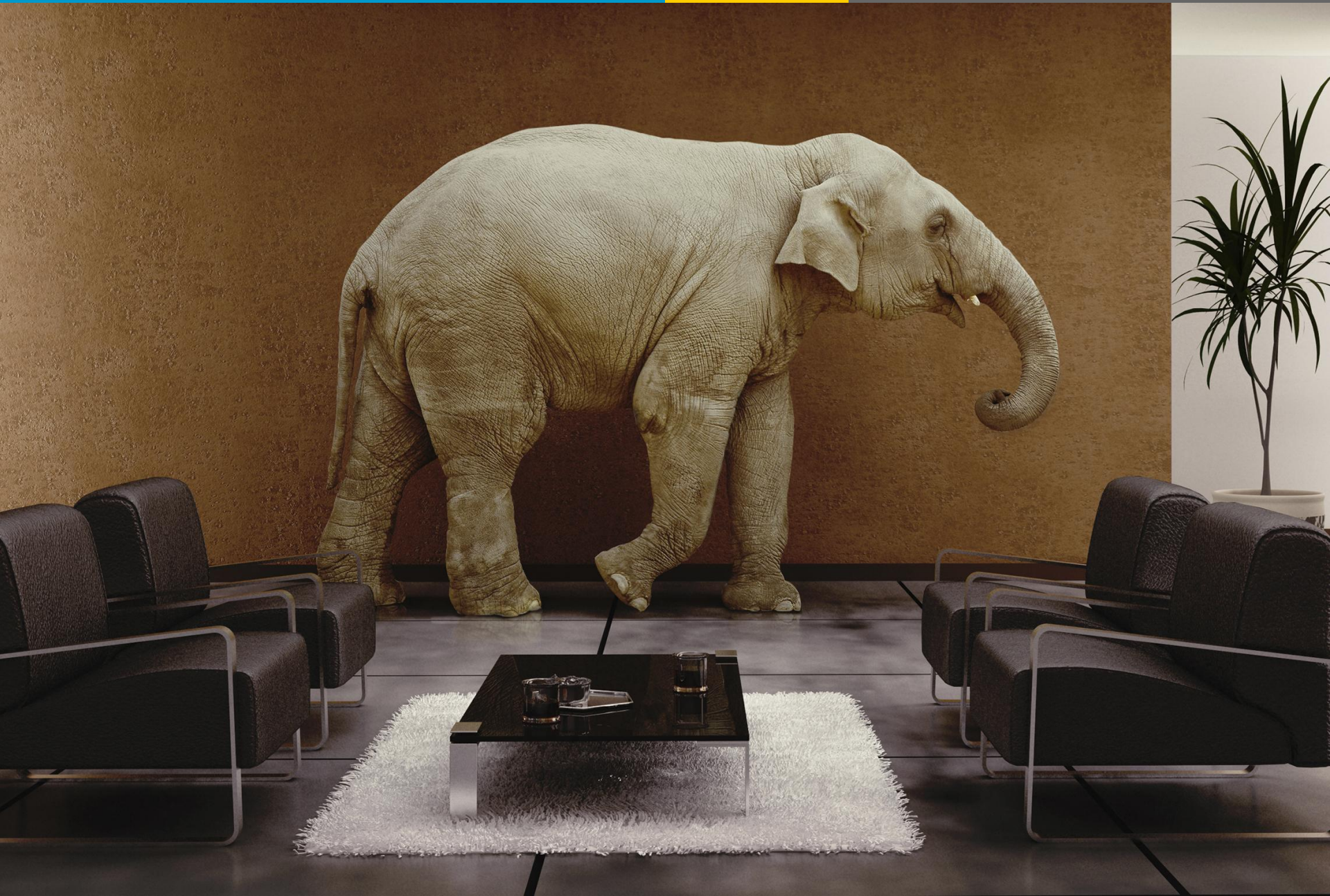








# Electricity is the Elephant in the Room



# The Smart Grid Steps into the Real World

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No matter how efficient or renewable the technologies may be, their potential will not be realized without a major overhaul of the electric grid.

This has heightened the interest of policymakers, consumers, and businesses alike and have focused them on enacting smart grid concepts as part of an effort to reinvigorate America's economy through energy and environmental sustainability.

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Energy and environmental sustainability means our economic systems must be fueled by energy systems that are

Reliable

Efficient

Secure

Clean





“To meet the energy challenge and create a 21st century energy economy, we need a 21st century electric grid”

DOE Secretary Chu  
September 2009



This is the digital age and our electric grid is using electro-mechanics from the 1960s and 70s rather than microprocessors. Approximately 70 percent of the transformers and transmission lines are 25 years old; and 60 percent of the circuit breakers are 30 or more years old. We are relying on a 19th century system from the days of Edison and Westinghouse that uses 20th century equipment in an effort to keep up with a 21st century economy. The power grid was not designed to support the extensive coordination of generation, transmission and distribution that is called for today and it faces stresses and challenges that are creating drivers for the modernization and restructuring of the grid to accommodate the needs and requirements of a 21st century economy.



# The Electric Grid - A Complex System

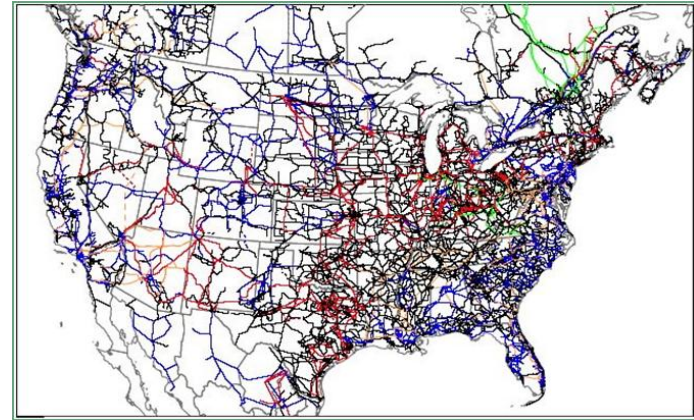
## Physically

Not holistically designed, evolved incrementally in response to local load growth. Today:

- 30,000 Transmission paths + 180,000 miles of transmission line
- 14,000 Transmission substations
- Distribution grid connects these substations with over 100 million loads—residential, industrial, and commercial customers

Diverse industry

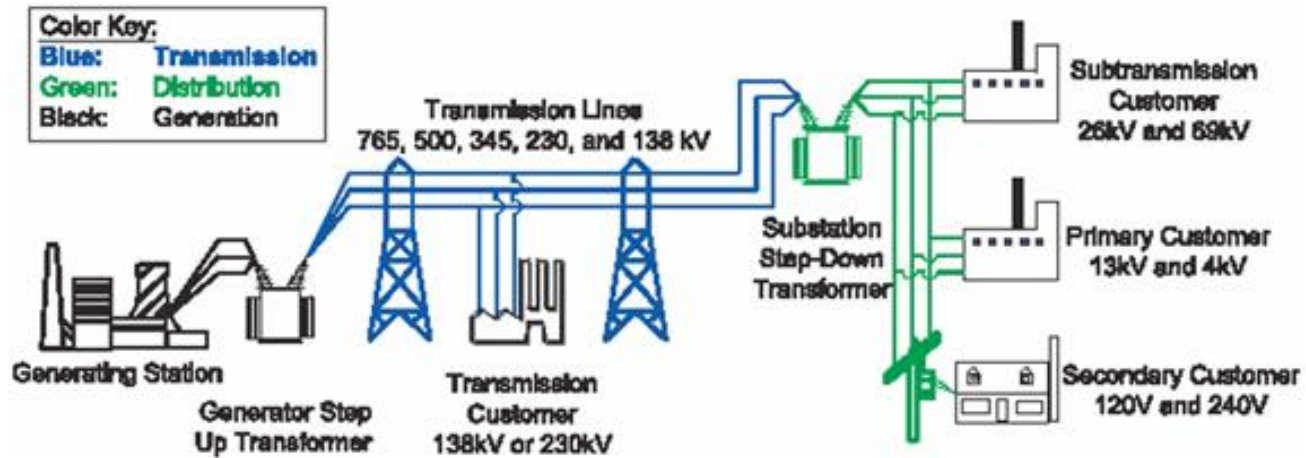
- 3,170 traditional electric utilities
- 239 investor-owned, 2,009 publicly owned, 912 consumer-owned rural cooperatives, and 10 federal electric utilities



## Technically

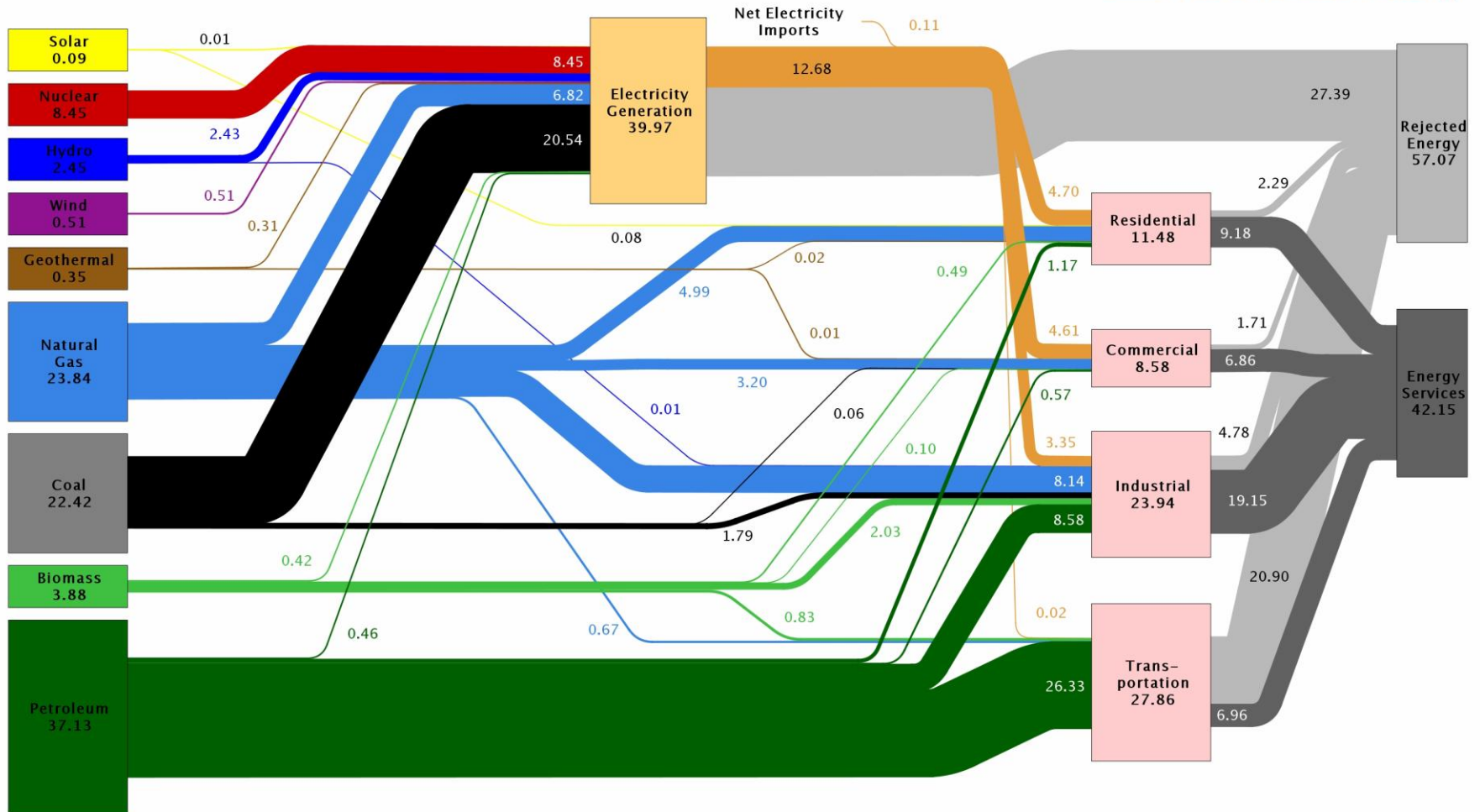
- Electricity flows within three major interconnections along paths of lowest impedance (at the speed of light); yet grid is operated in a decentralized manner by over 140 control areas
- Demand is semi-uncontrolled—smart grid technologies provide opportunity for dynamic, real-time balancing of demand and supply (demand response)
- Ultimate “just-in-time” production process

# Dumb Grid - One Way Street to a Dead End



# Energy Use and Waste 2008

Estimated U.S. Energy Use in 2008: ~99.2 Quads



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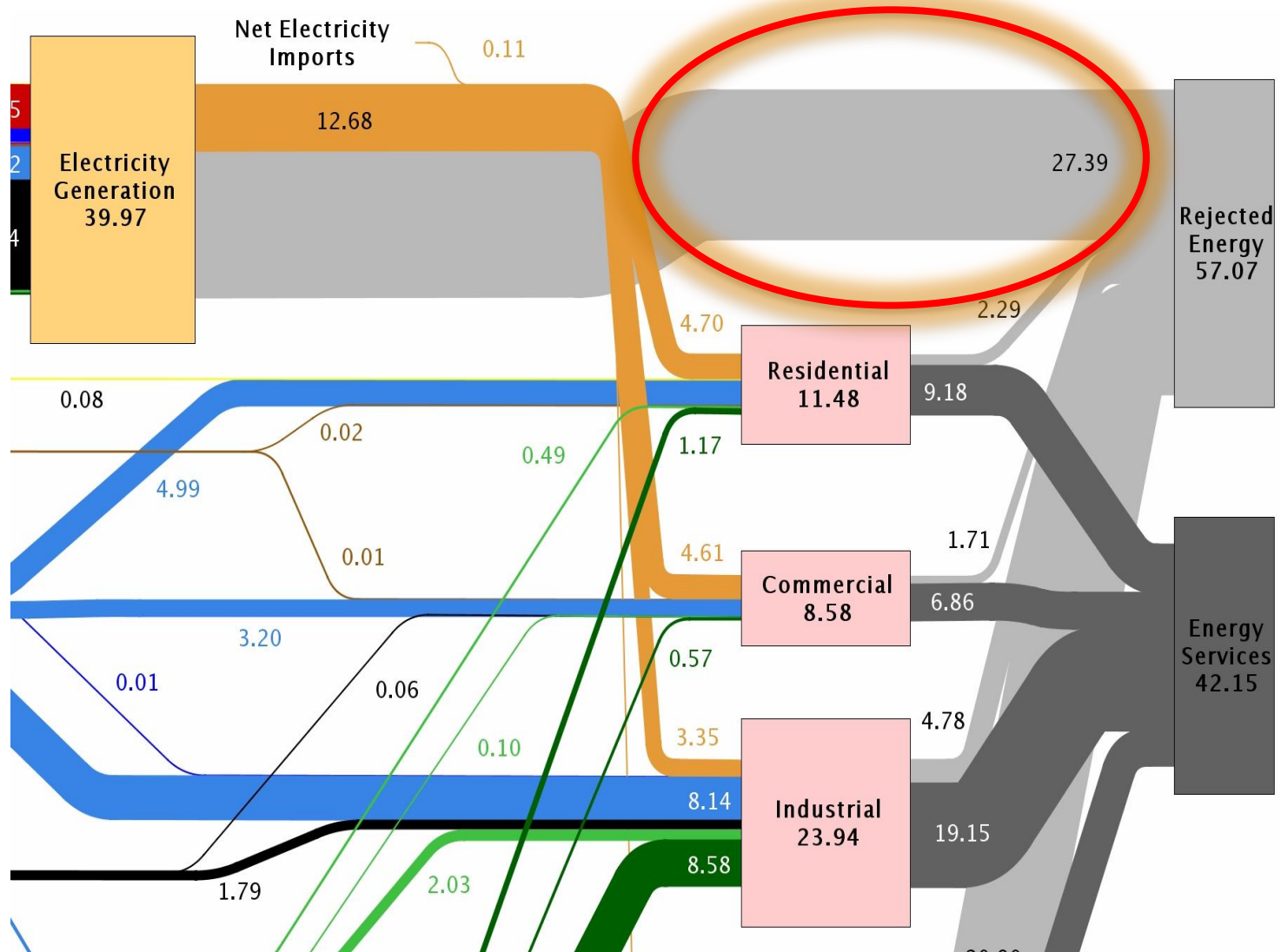


# 2/3 of Electric Generation is Lost Through Inefficiencies

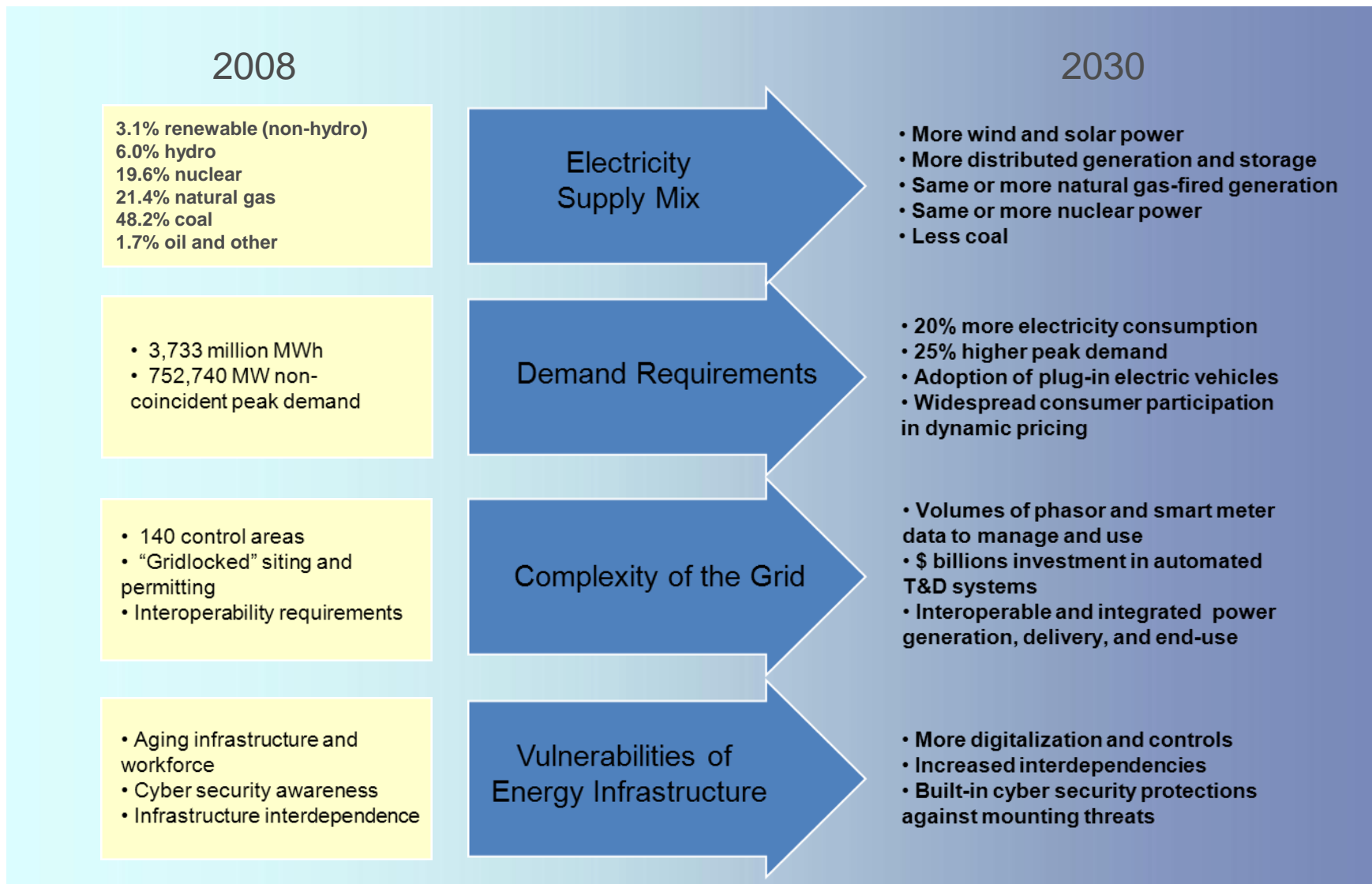
39.97% of all fuel sources to go electric generation.

27.39 % of the fuel sources that go to electric generation is wasted. Another way to look at it is nearly 75% of the power that goes to electric generation is wasted. This is power that is never used!

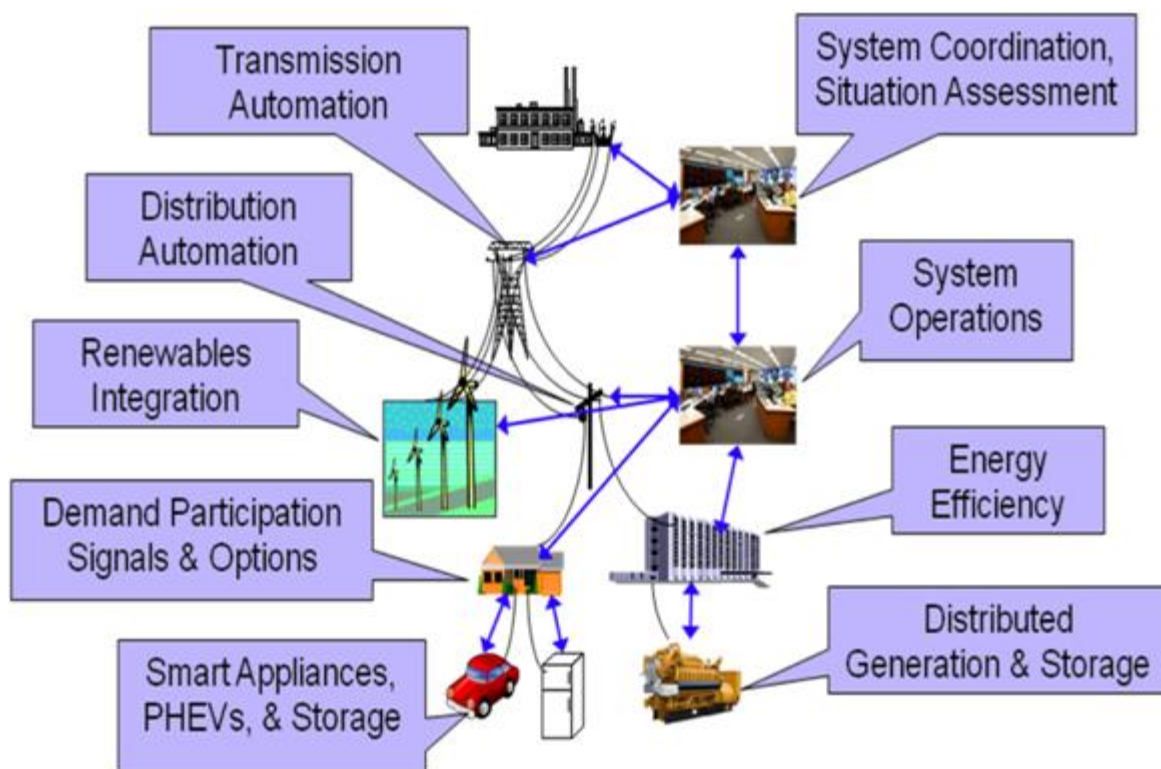
8.78 % of waste comes from buildings & industry combined – that is only a **THIRD** of what is wasted by unused electric power.



# Key Trends and Drivers for a 2030 US Electric Grid



# Smart Grid – Utilizing Digital Technologies to Enhance the Reliability, Security, and Efficiency of the Electric System



## Smart Grid Characteristics

- Enable active participation by consumers
- Accommodate all generation and storage options
- Enable new products, services, and markets
- Provide power quality for the digital economy
- Optimize asset utilization and operate efficiently
- Anticipate & respond to system disturbances
- Operate resiliently against attack and natural disaster

# What effect will the 21st century electronics have on our lives?

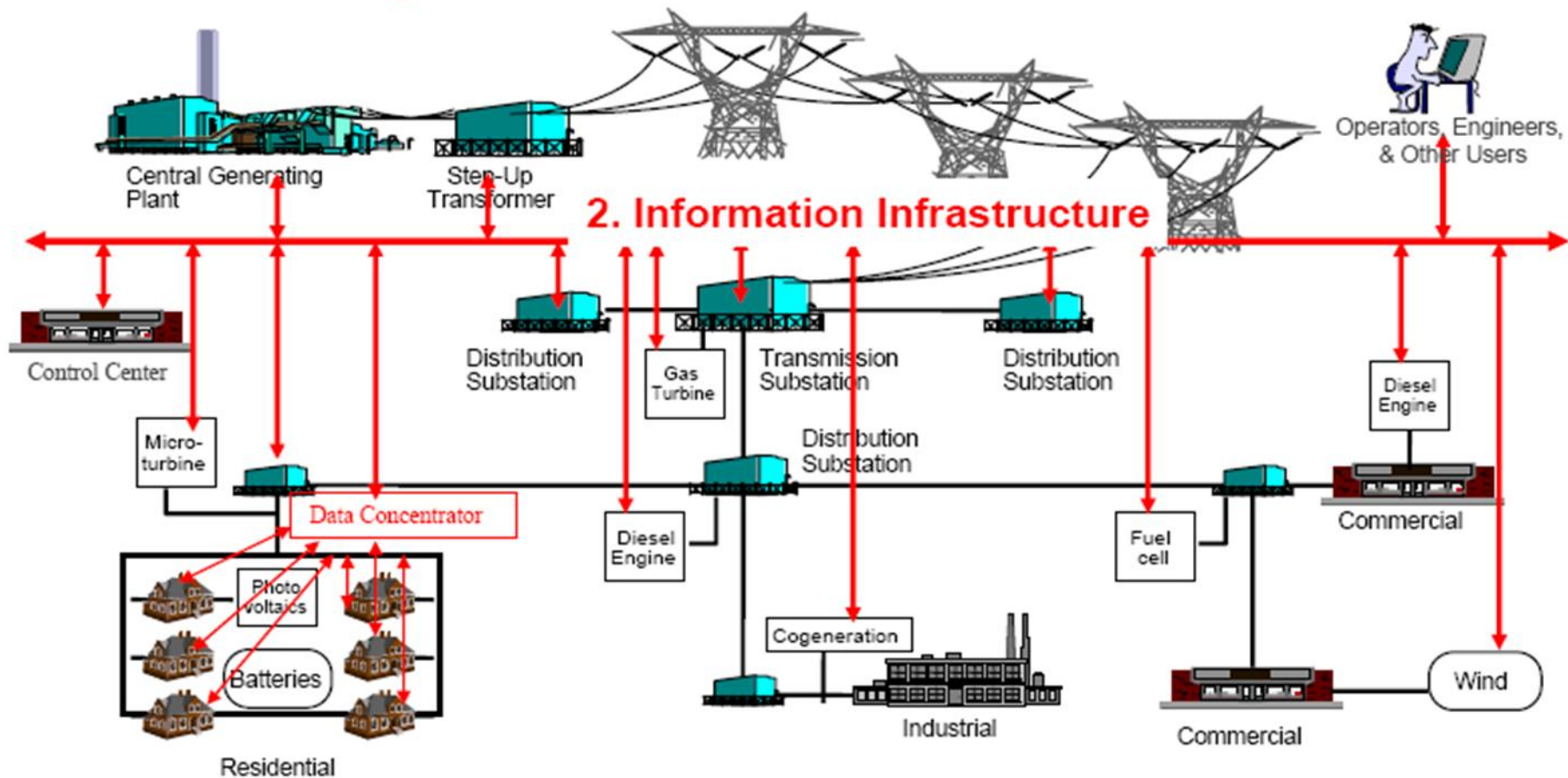
There are five sweeping trends that smart grid implementation will help usher in:

1. a brand new interstate and inter-country highway system for electricity
2. a transformed transportation sector based on electric power
3. community-scale micro-electricity grids versus the centralized command-and-control electricity distribution we've known for a century
4. customized choice for consumers when it comes to electric consumption
5. smart infrastructure based on the digital revolution

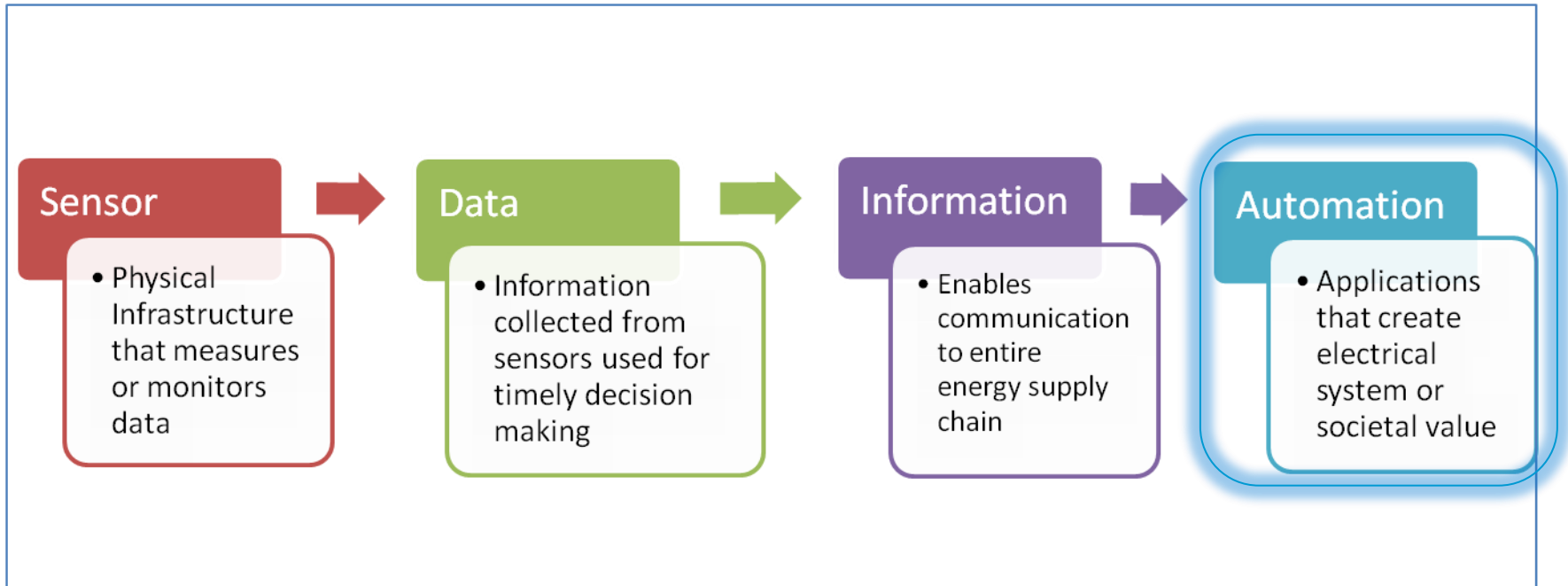


# Electric “Smart Grid” – Electricity + Information

## 1. Power System Infrastructure



# However Information is Not Enough – What Makes a Grid “Smart”, Anyway?



One of the best ways to understand the new electric smart grid of the 21st century is by analyzing the rapidly emerging electricity economy, or electronomics, as it is sometimes called. Electricity has the potential to, and must be structured to, add value to the economy. To do so, ***the smart grid infrastructure must enable new forms of commerce.*** Structured properly, it will help spawn new fortunes ***on a vast scale - a scale we haven't seen in the United States for many decades or more.*** They will be the new Microsofts, Apples, and Googles.

# Electric Transportation

Plug-in electric vehicles (PEVs) are now on the market throughout the United States. However, while PEV's do lessen the reliance on crude oil and do not create emissions when operated in full electric mode, they do rely on power plants to charge their batteries, and conventional fossil-fueled power plants emit pollution.

To maximize PEV value by making them as clean as possible, they need to be charged in the very early morning, when power demand is at its lowest, wind power is typically at its peak, and rates are more attractive.

The smart grid's infrastructure will enable the efficient use of PEVs ***by interacting with a vehicle to automatically charge it at the most optimal time, and turn off when the vehicle has been completely charged.***





# Enabling a Charging Infrastructure for PEVs



One of the key factors for acceptance of PEVs in the marketplace will be the availability of charging. For now, **many municipalities and private companies offer free charges to PEV owners as an incentive for purchasing these clean vehicles. However,** as PEVs gain market penetration, this benefit is likely to come to an end, and charging **station owners will be seeking a convenient way to charge PEV owners for their "fill-ups."**

**Smart Grid technologies** offer a potential solution to this problem by **identifying PEVs to the charging station when they are plugged in, and automatically billing the electricity used to the owner's account.** The technology will not only simplify transactions for the charging station owners, but also allow PEV owners to charge up without the need for cash or a credit card.

***Infrastructure has always been the key to prosperity in the United States*** - whether it's been the transcontinental railroad, the interstate highway system, the telephone, or the internet - ***and building a smart electricity grid for the 21st century is no different*** than these historic infrastructures.

**Our goal should be one vast, interconnected, intelligent system that is monitored and controlled end to end - all the way down to billions of individual devices.**

Building out ***a smart grid will allow us to remain competitive in a*** rapidly evolving ***electricity economy***. Right now, we're falling behind.

Many of the most exciting and aggressive ***smart grid initiatives are coming from overseas***.

- Much of the Middle East is using its oil money to create a state-of-the-art smart grid along with sustainable cities.
- Europe spends 10x than that of the U.S. on smart grid research.
- China is leading the world in high-voltage transmission and next-generation grid efforts.

***If we want to keep pace we must invest*** our resources and ourselves into this effort!

# This New Economy Will Enable...

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interdependence not isolation

efficiency not waste

sustainability not vulnerability

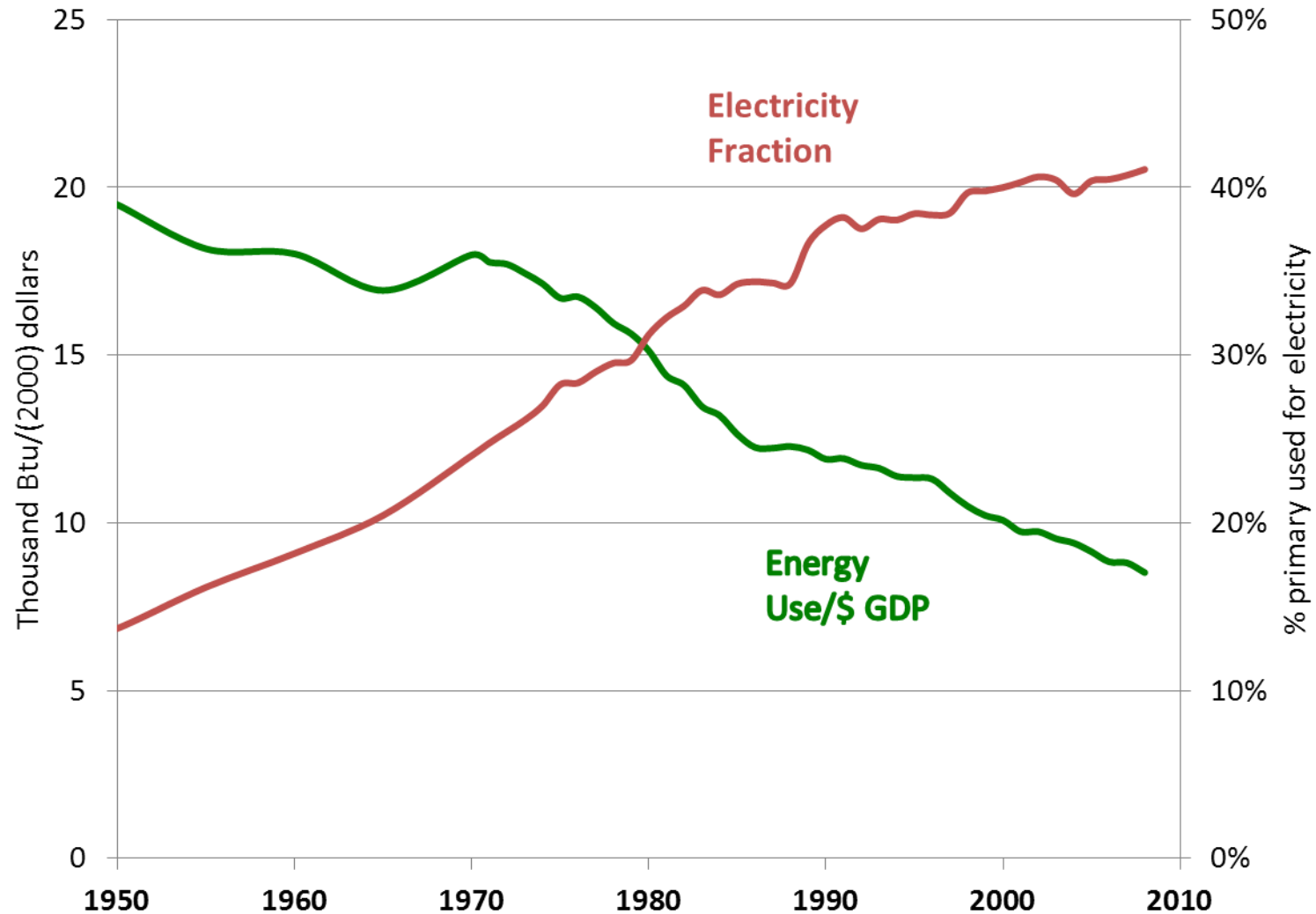
and a power system focused on  
the future, not mired in the past.



As individuals and businesses have become dependent on electronic devices for information exchange and commerce, ***the use of electricity as an energy source has grown relative to fuels, currently representing 40% of overall energy consumption in the US.***

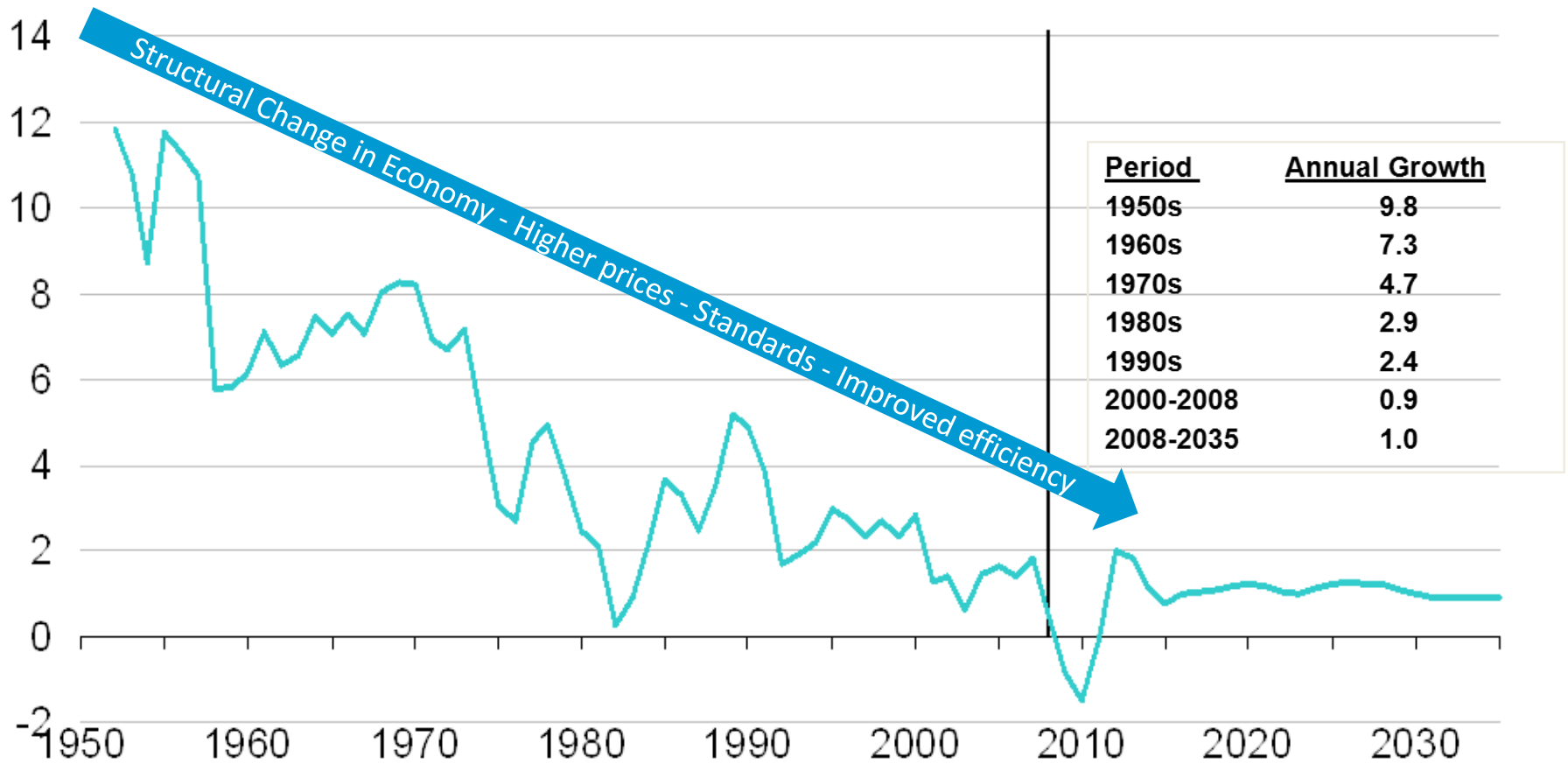
***The importance of electricity as a driver of economic growth*** can be gauged from the fact that ***electricity sales trend with the growth of the GDP more closely than other energy sources.***

# But the U.S. Has a High (and Growing) Dependence on Electricity



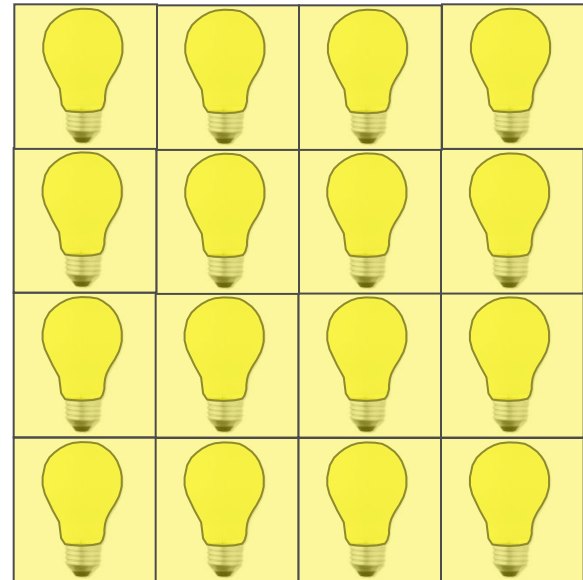
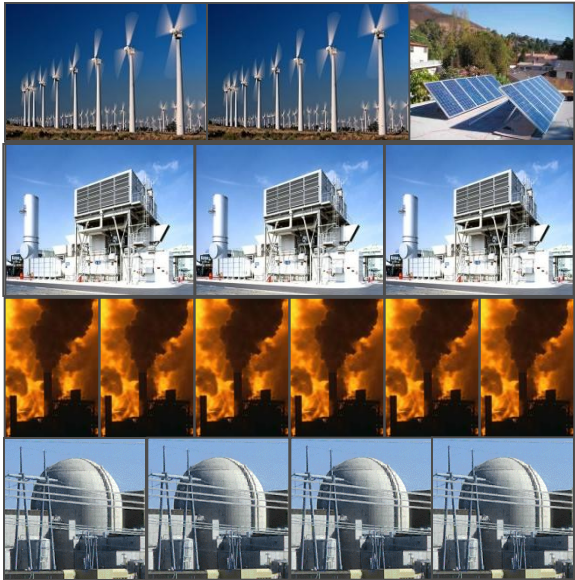
# Growth Rate in Electricity Flattens

## 3-year rolling average percent growth

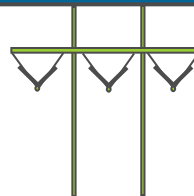


# Challenge - Balancing Generation and Load at the Same (Instantaneously)

**Objective**  
**Less Variability - More Predictability**



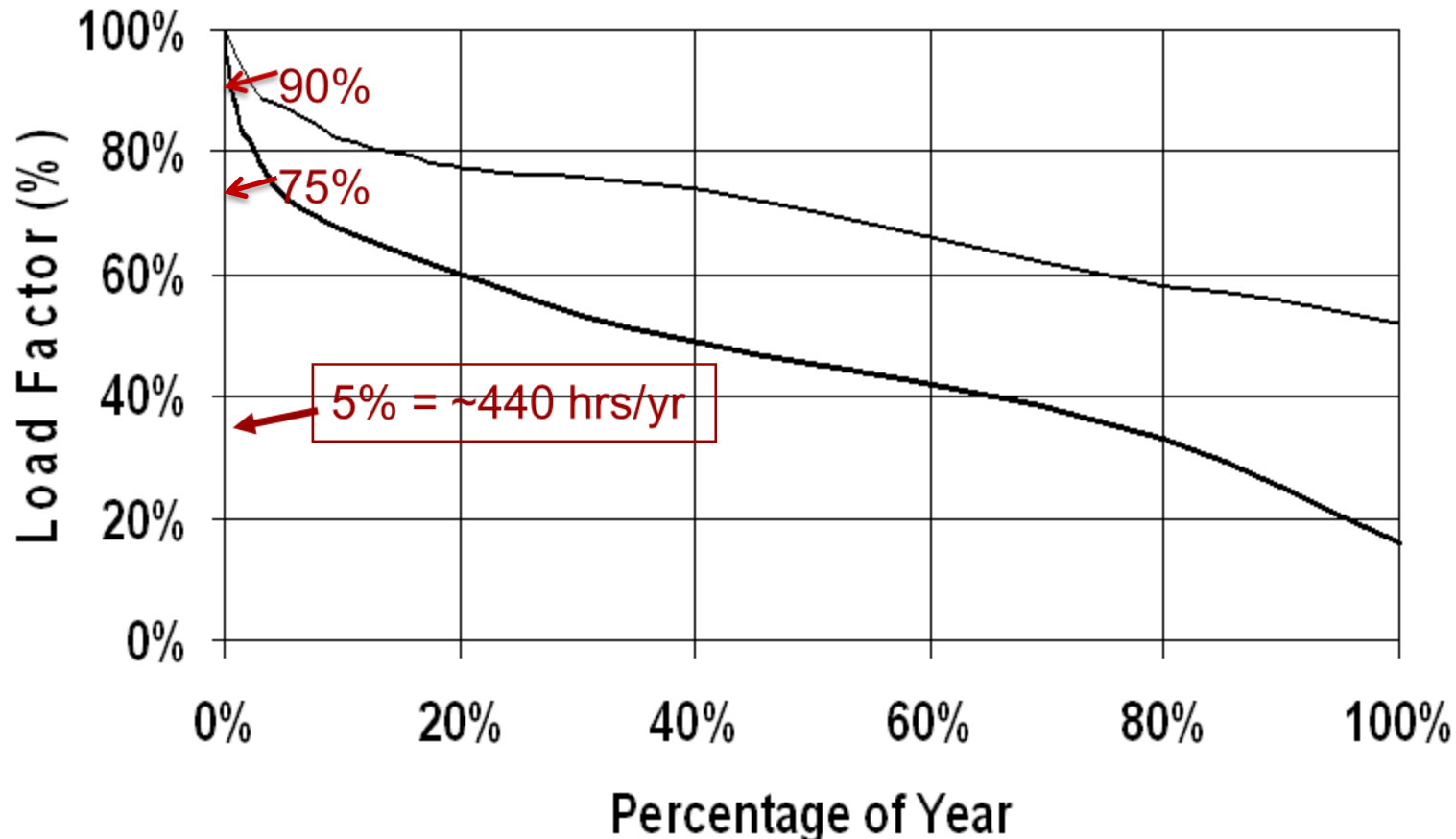
**Generation**



**Load**

# Smart Grid Technologies Can Reduce Peak Load and Defer T&D Investments

Hourly Loads as Fraction of Peak, Sorted from Highest to Lowest

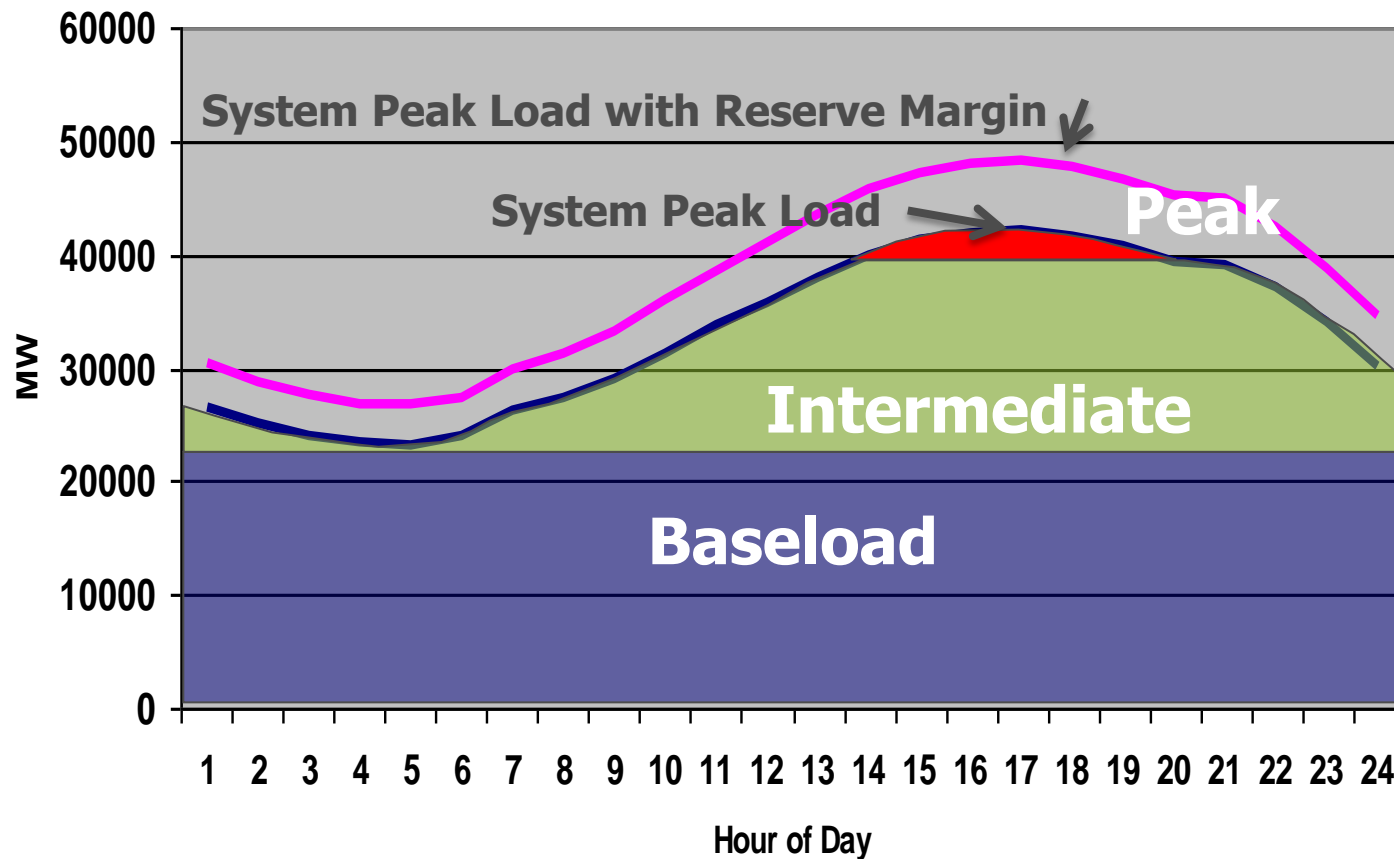


**>25% of distribution and >10% of generation assets are needed less than 5% of the time (\$100s of billions of investments)**



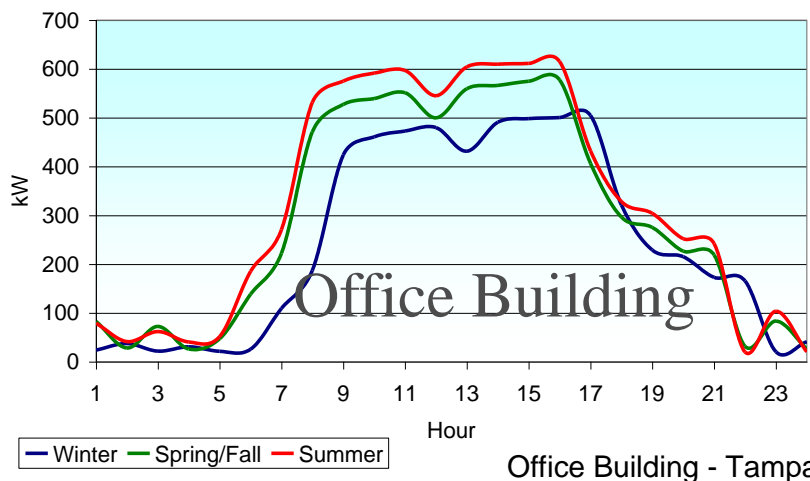
# Daily System Load Curve – Demand Response Will Assist in Flattening the Curves

## Daily System Load Curve- Goal is to Flatten

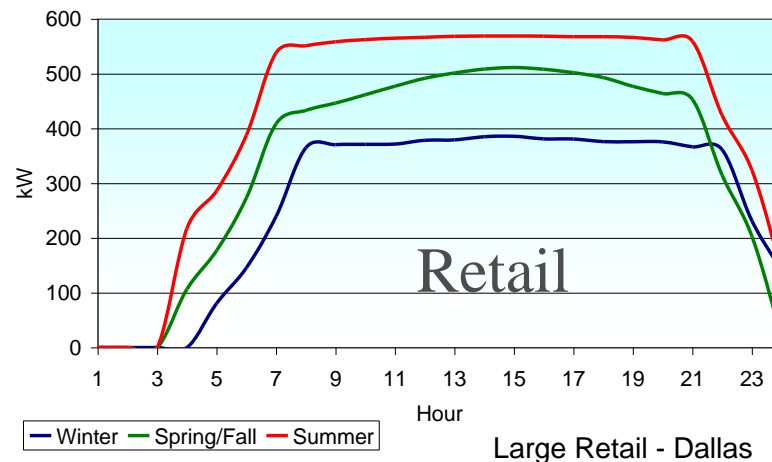


# Other Load Profiles Showing High Variables Requiring a Very Flexible, Scalable, and Elastic Grid

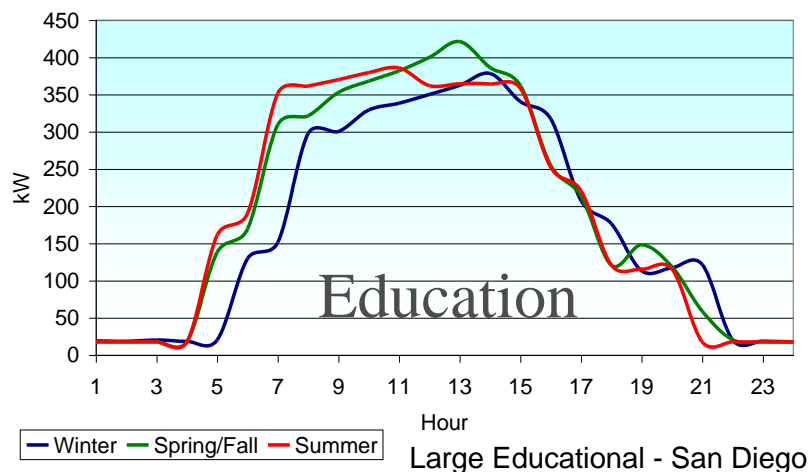
Daily Load Profile



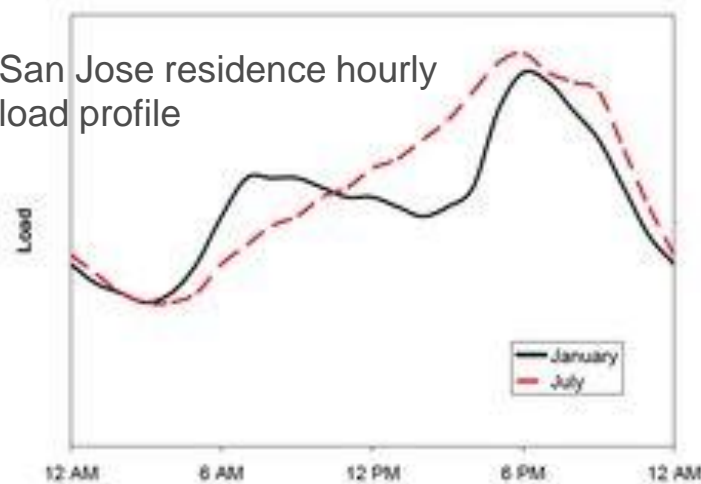
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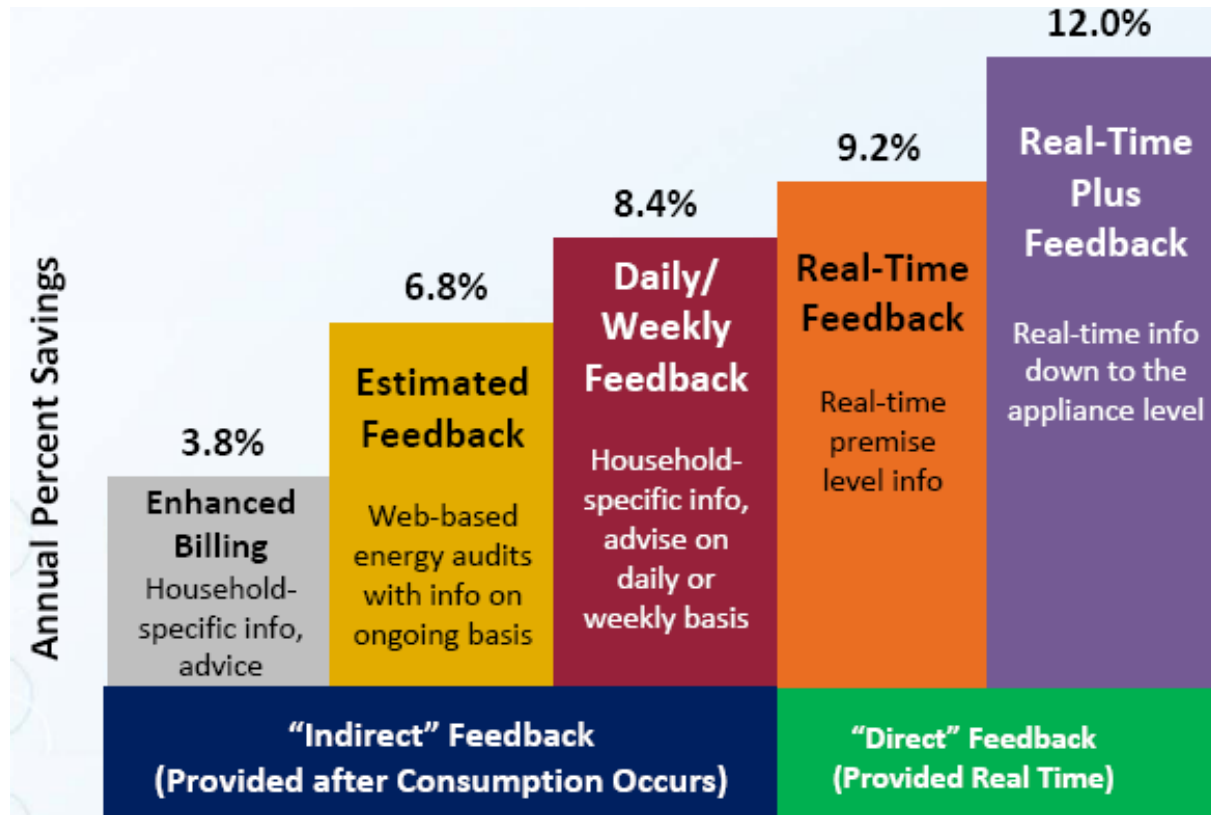


San Jose residence hourly load profile



# Advanced Metering Will Impact Demand Cycles

## Average Household Electricity Savings (4-12%) by Feedback Type



*With persistent feedback there is persistent savings.*

***Advanced metering*** will not reduce cash flow and reduce profits. Quite the opposite. It is conservation, and ***it will work in tandem with grid efficiencies to reduce demand,*** thereby deferring investments or redirecting them to better technologies ***that will enhance the bottom line for energy providers and consumers alike.***

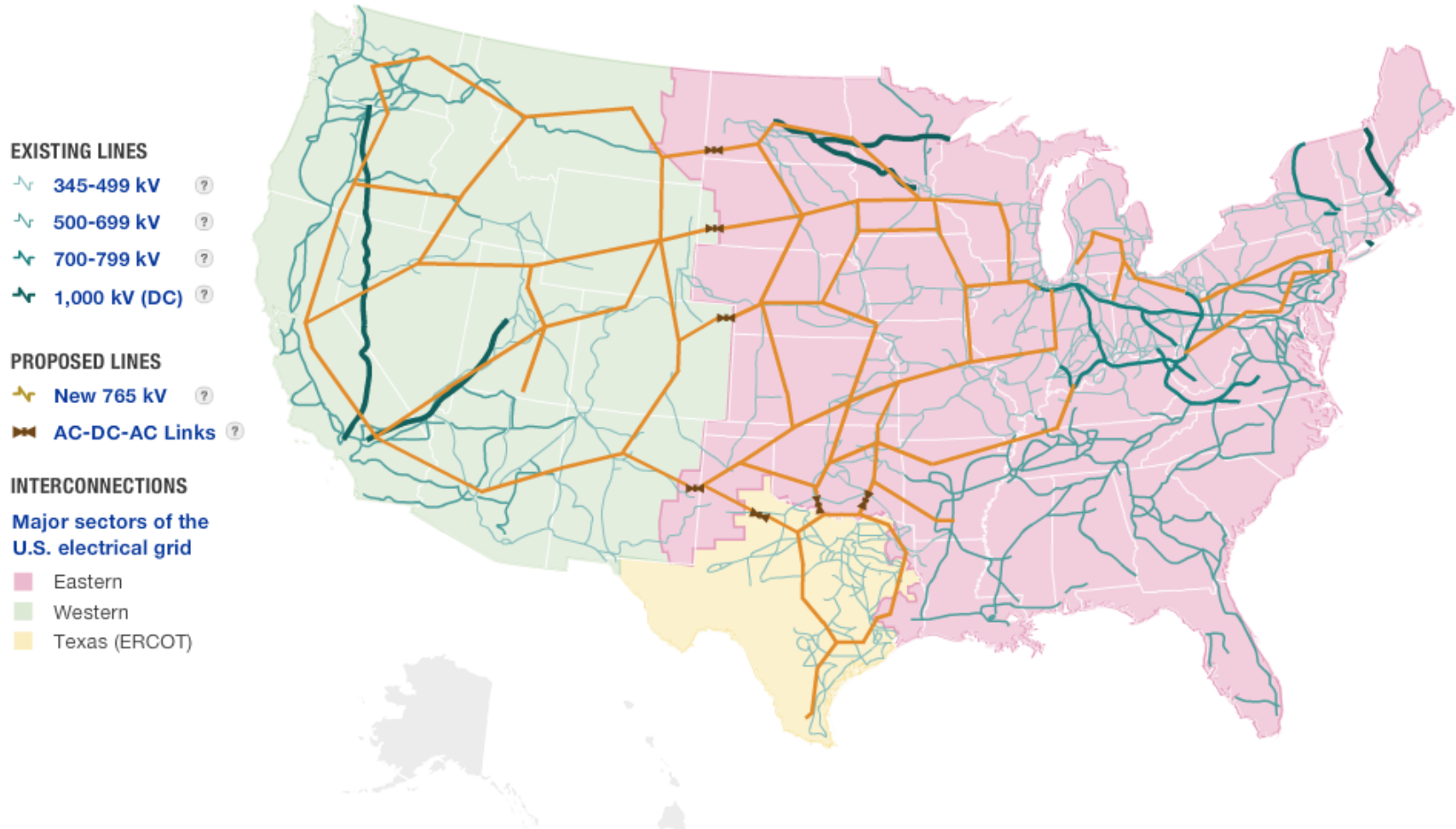
This does not mean demand will decrease, it will just lessen the severity of increased demand.

***Demand WILL increase.*** As such, ***fossil fuels are not going away*** - at least not within our lifetime, or even our children's lifetime. However, it does mean that we must find avenues to provide for ***additional power beyond what fossil fuels are able to provide.***

Our current grid was really developed for fossil fuels and flat generation. We must ***adjust the grid*** to be more flexible in order ***to seamlessly integrate variable power sources.***

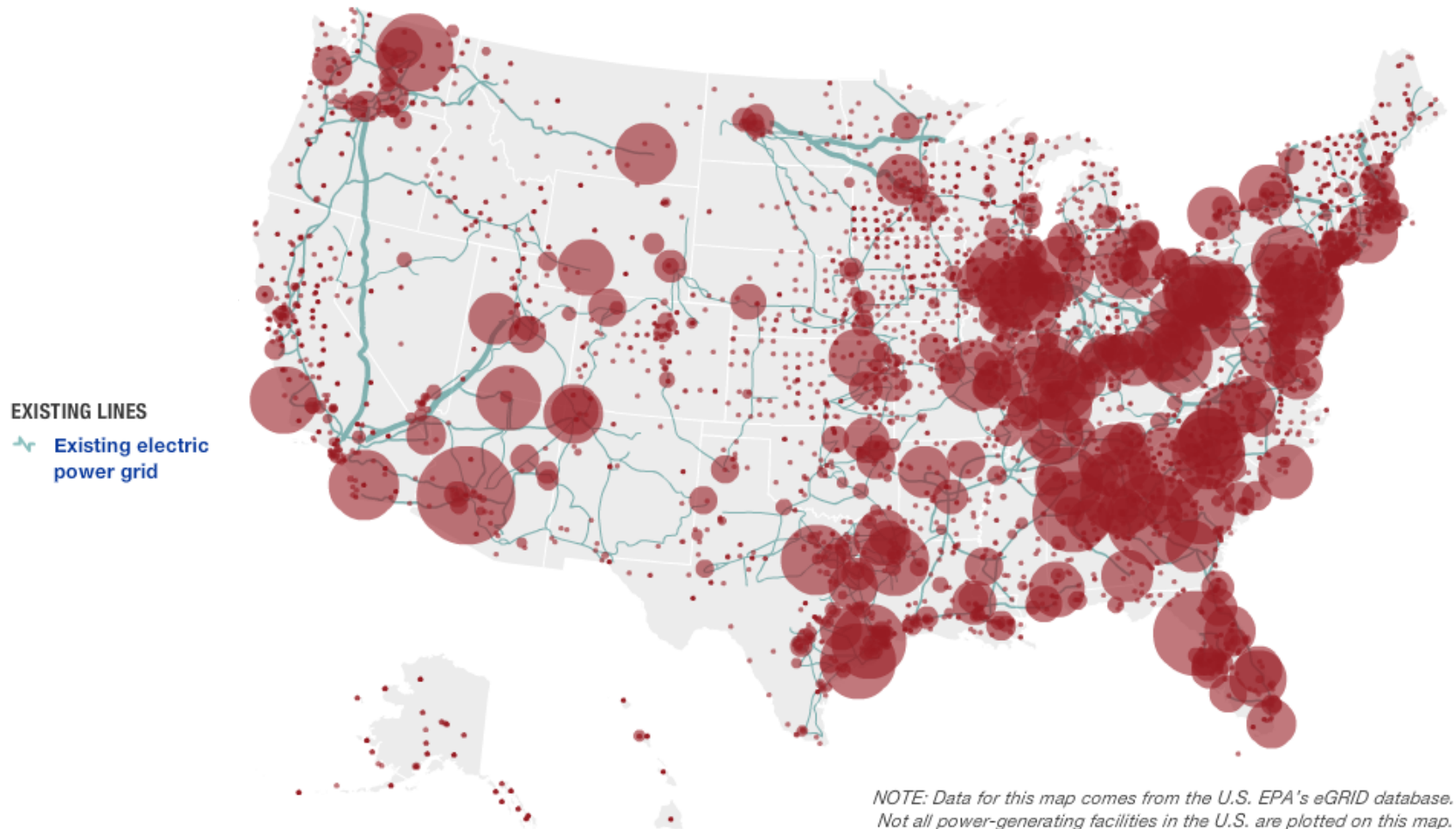


# The Power Grid System Does Not Tell the Whole Story



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# Current Power Plants and Main Power Arteries

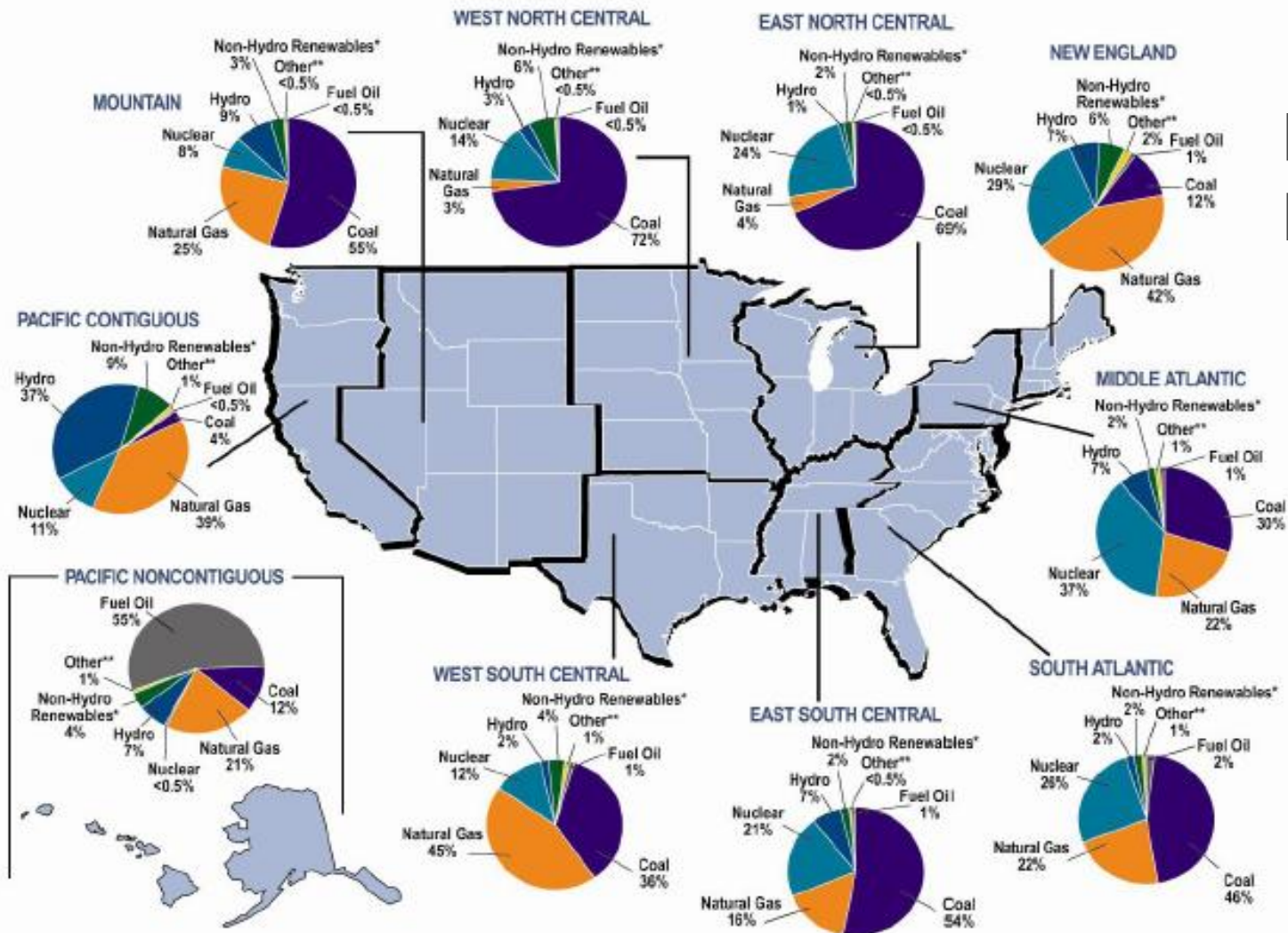


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# Different Regions of the Country Use Different Fuel Mixes to Generate Electricity

## Regional Diversity



\*Includes generation by agricultural waste, landfill gas recovery, municipal solid waste, wood, geothermal, non-wood waste, wind, and solar.

\*\* Includes generation by fires, batteries, chemicals, hydrogen, pitch, purchased steam, sulfur, and miscellaneous technologies.

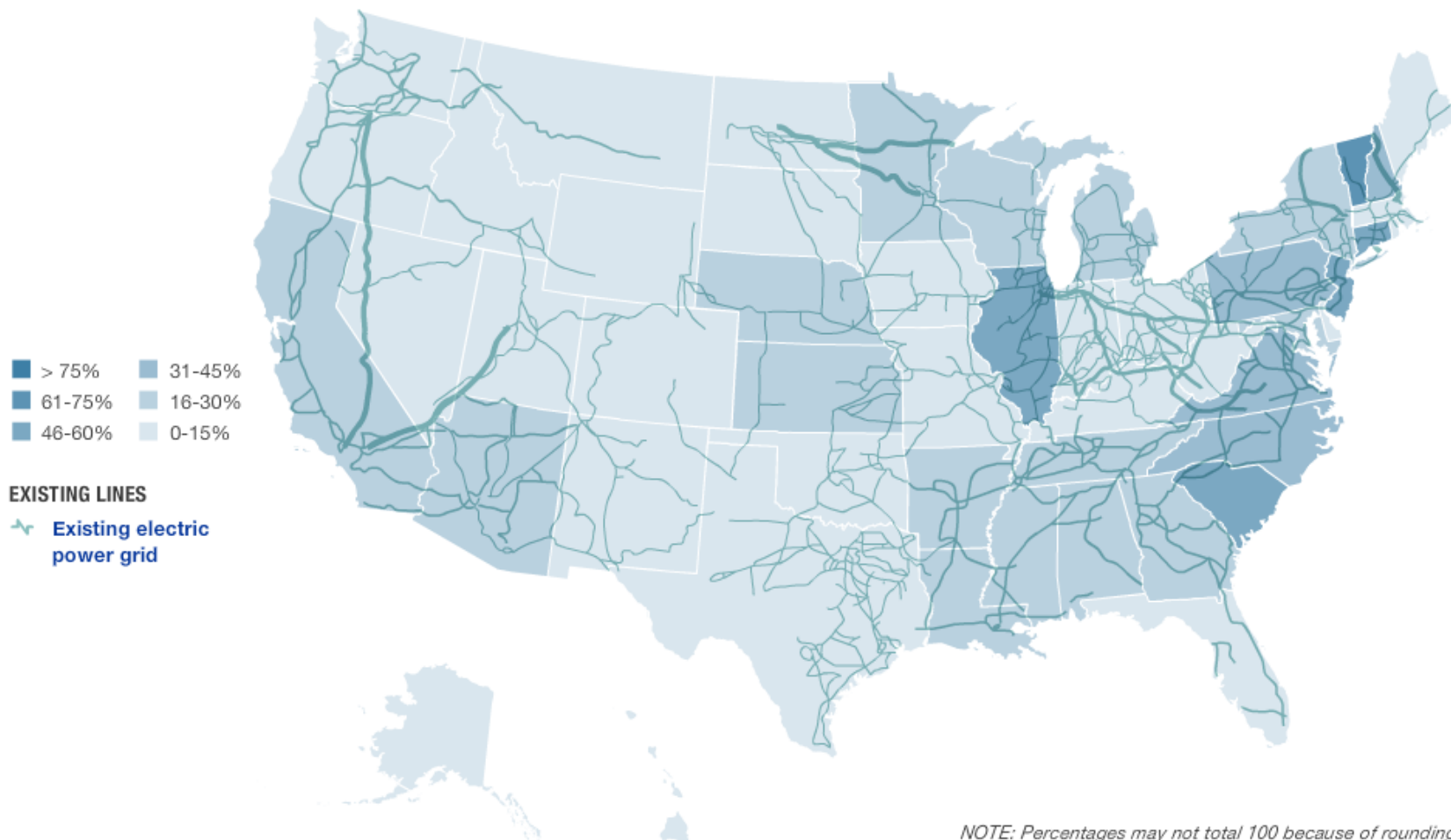
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# Current Nuclear Power Distribution

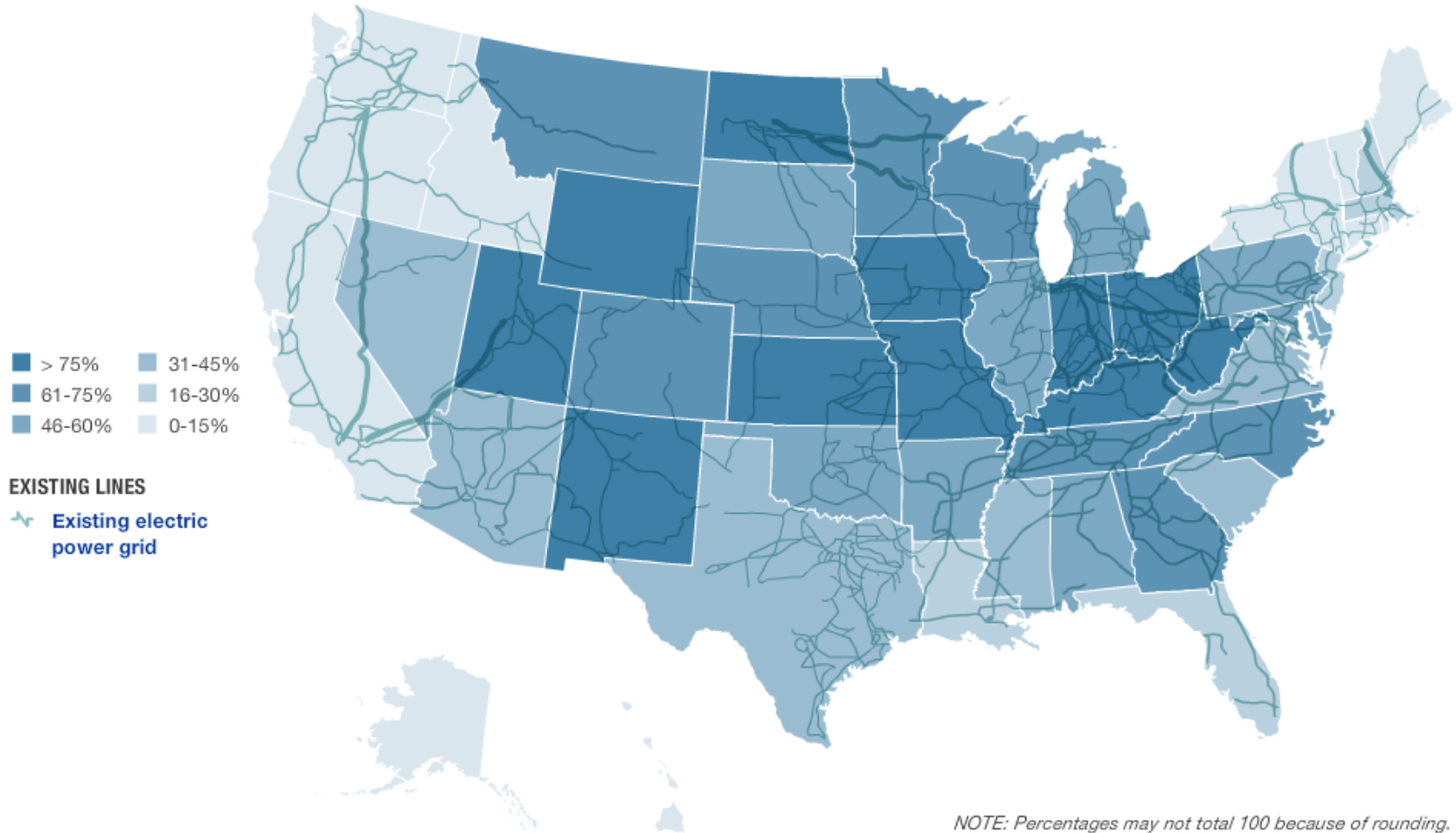


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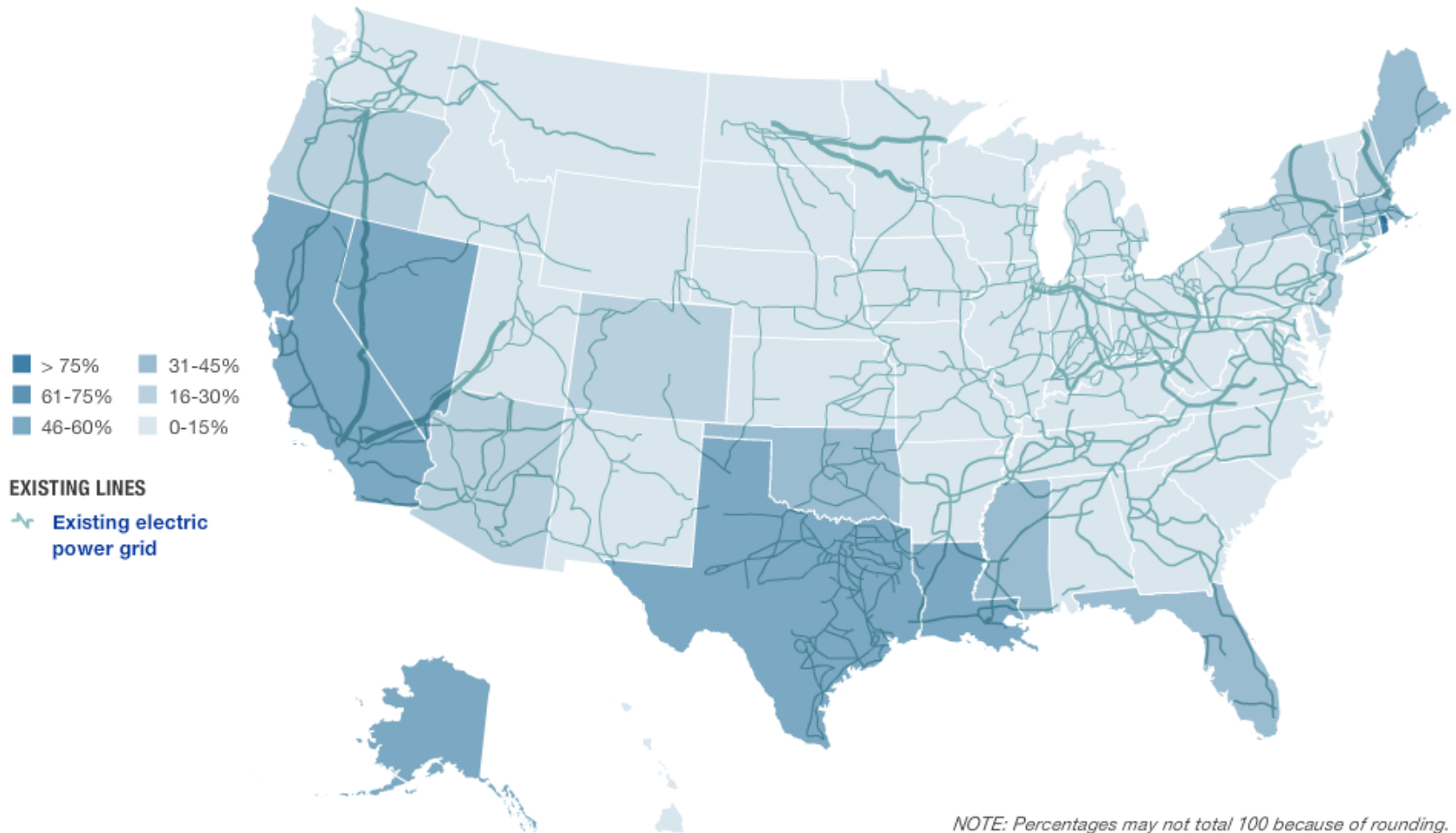
# Current Coal Power Sources and Grid Delivery



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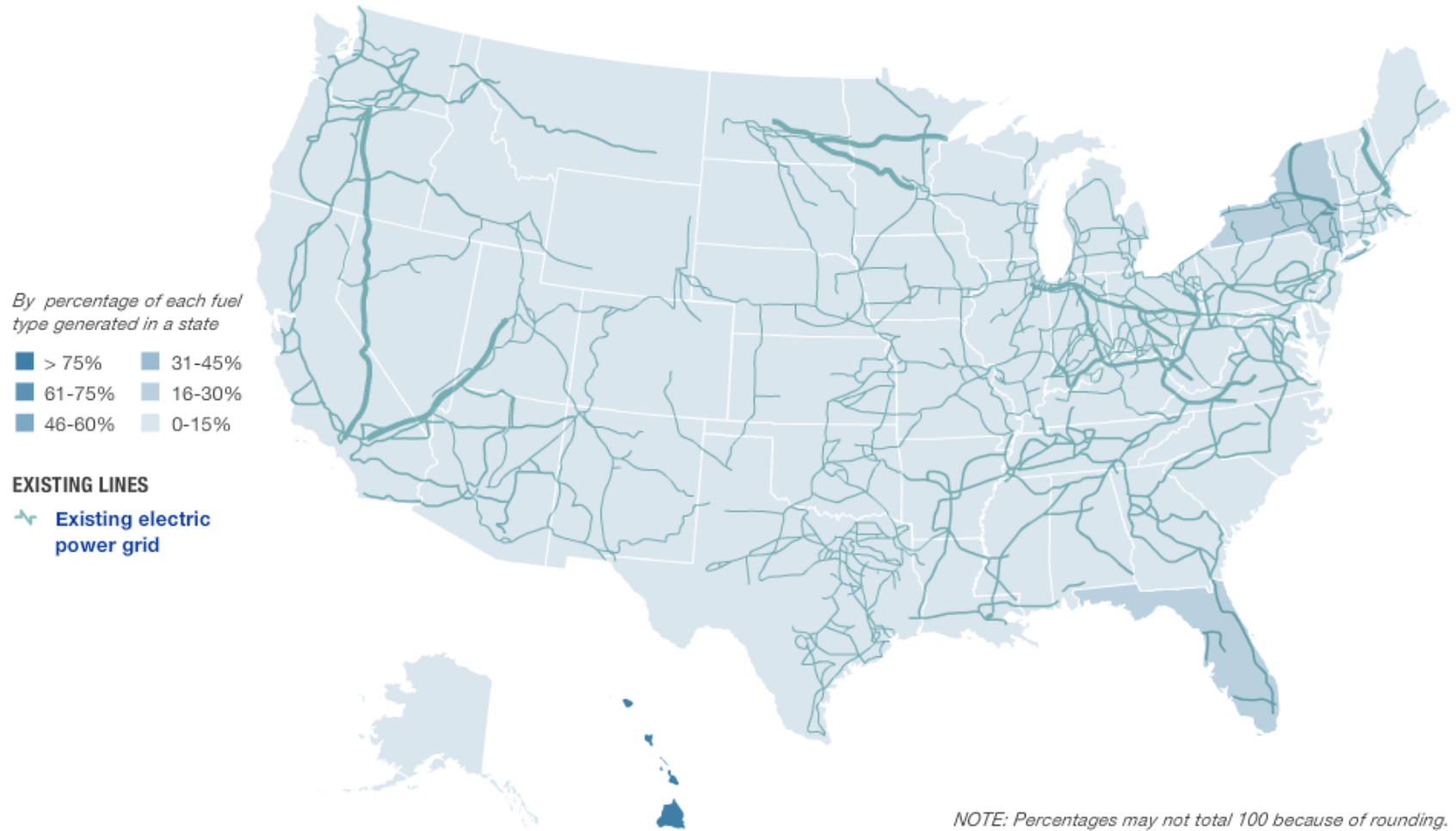


# Current Natural Gas (Erd Gas) Power Sources and Grid Delivery



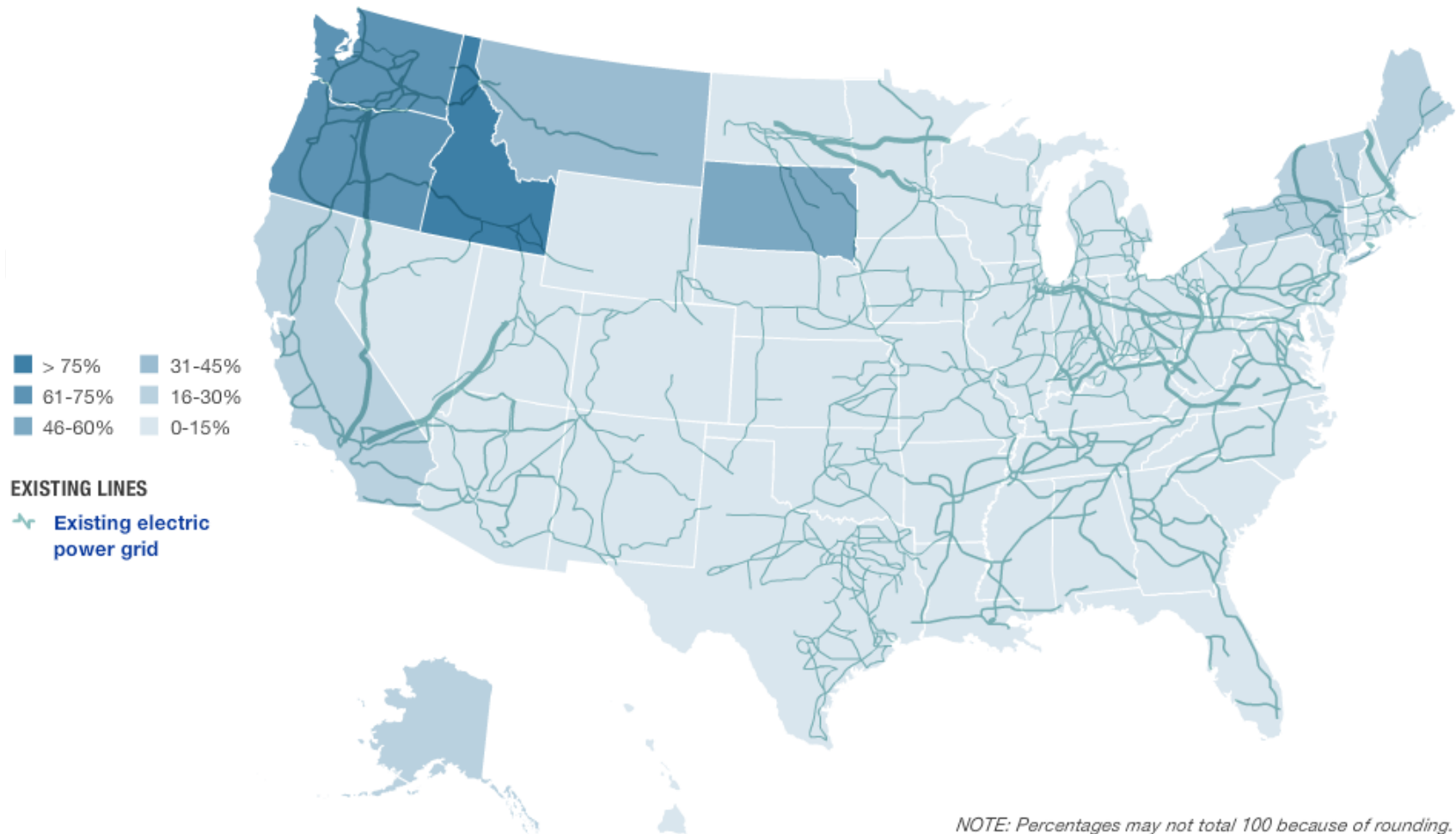
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# Current Oil (Bunker Fuel) Power Sources and Grid Delivery



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# Current Hydroelectric Power Sources and Grid Delivery



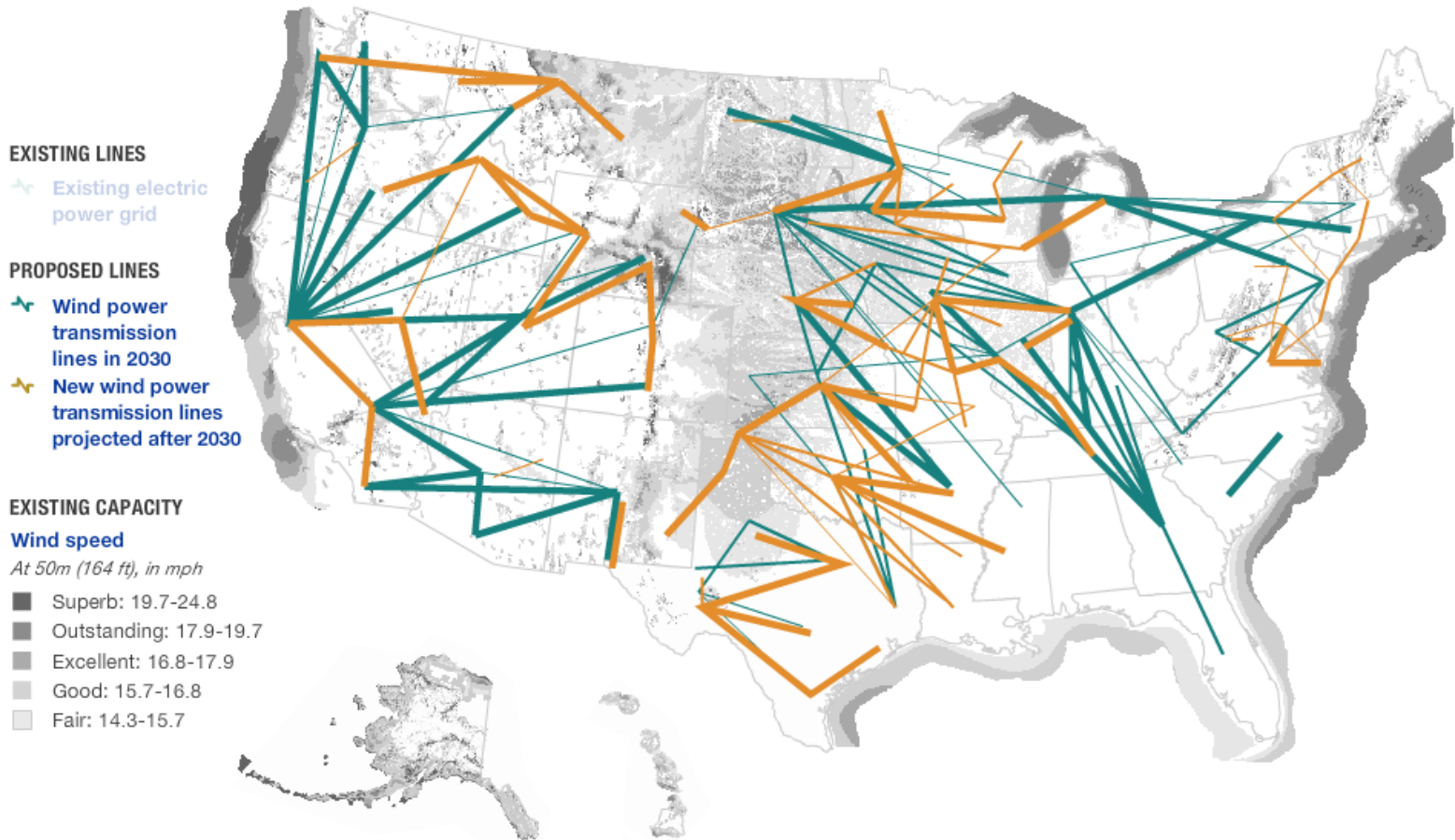
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## Regarding Renewables...

The physical reality is that the wind, solar, hydrodams, and geothermal resources are usually located in remote places in the middle of the country, while much of the power demand is in urban areas on the coasts.

We cannot change where renewables are best captured or where they are naturally appearing, but we can impact this paradigm and meet the President Obama's goals of securing 25% of our electricity from clean, renewable resources by 2025 by investing in an advanced and larger power infrastructure for electricity to get from the interior to the coasts easily and efficiently.

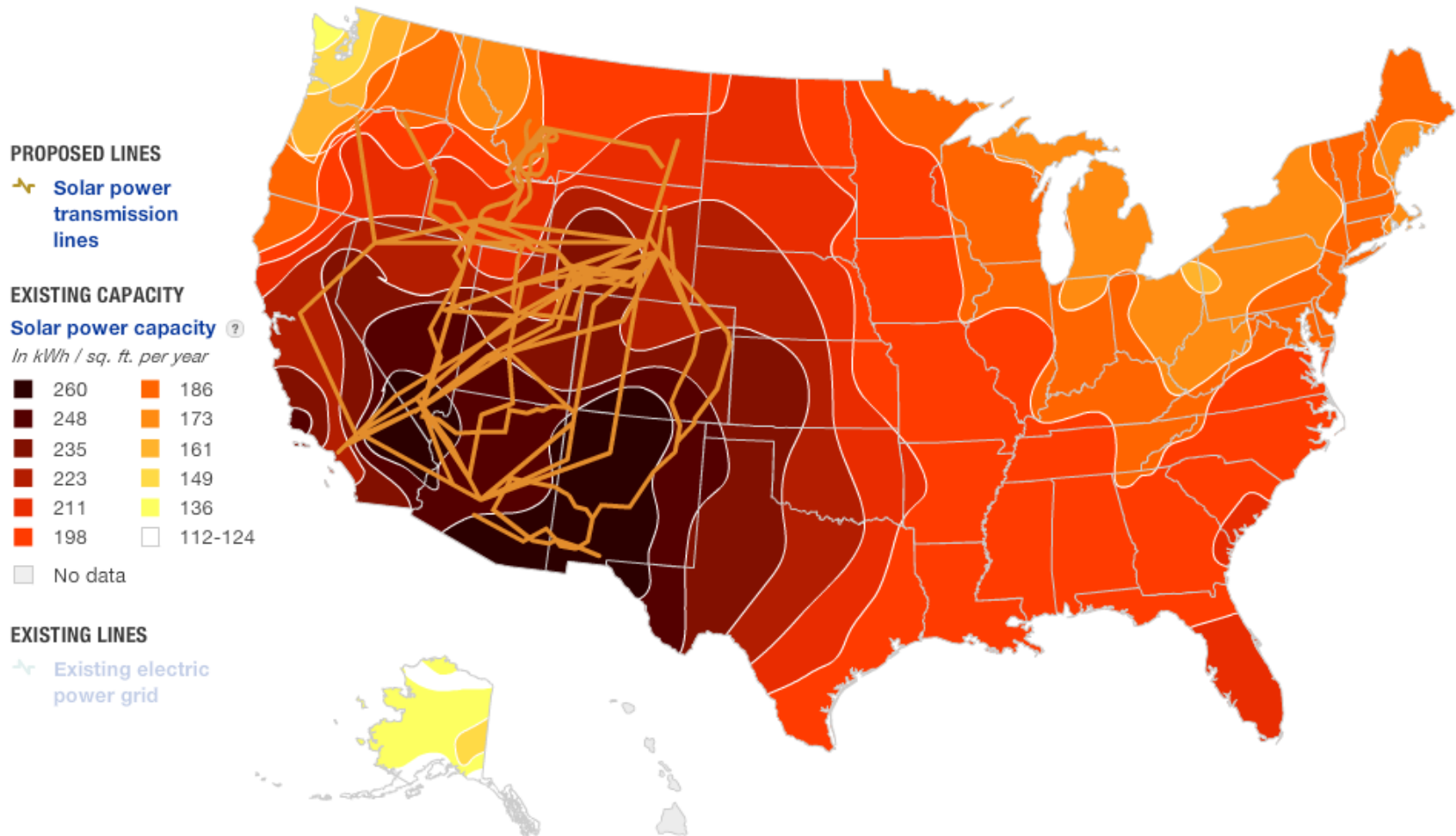
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# Future Solar Power Distribution and Current Capacity



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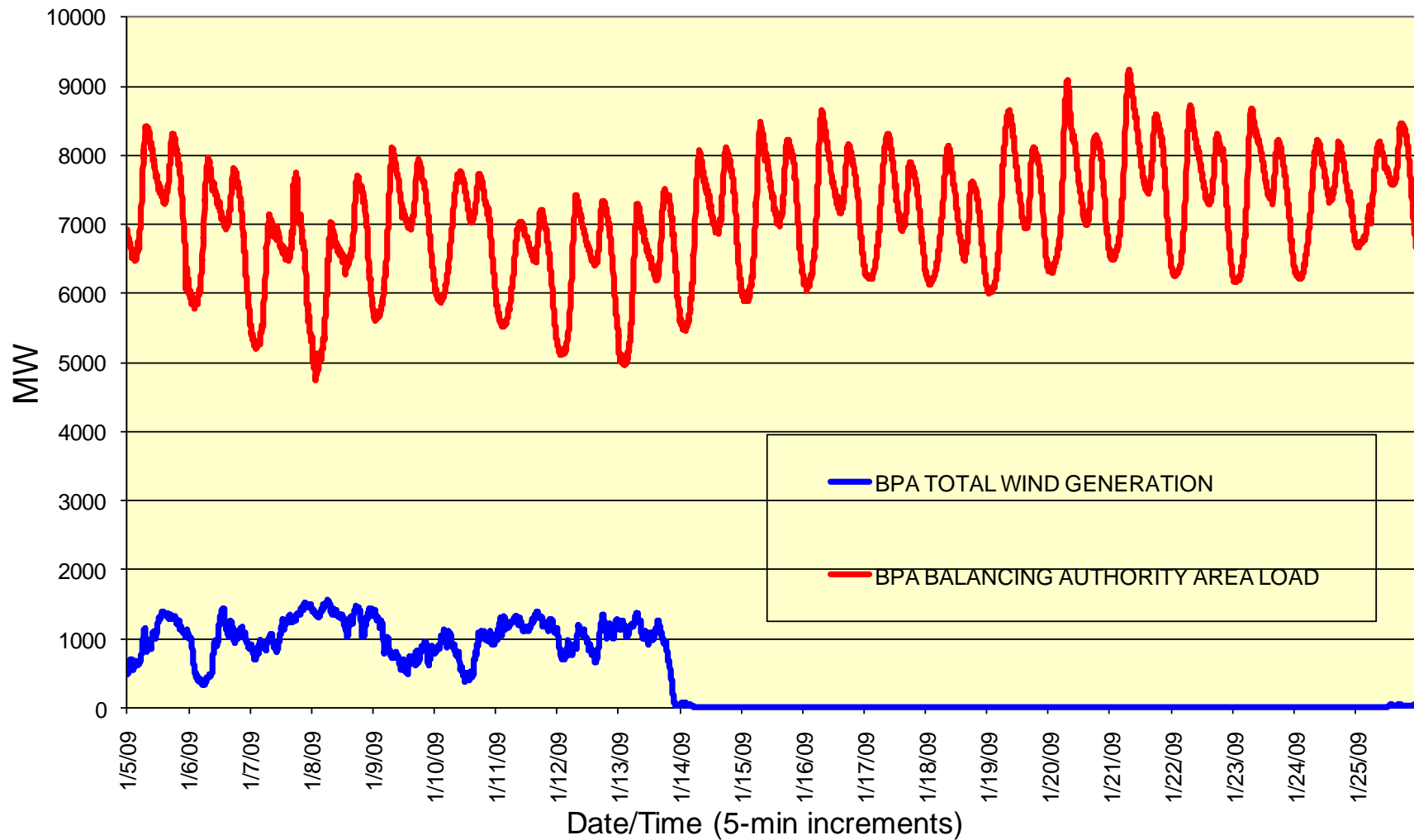
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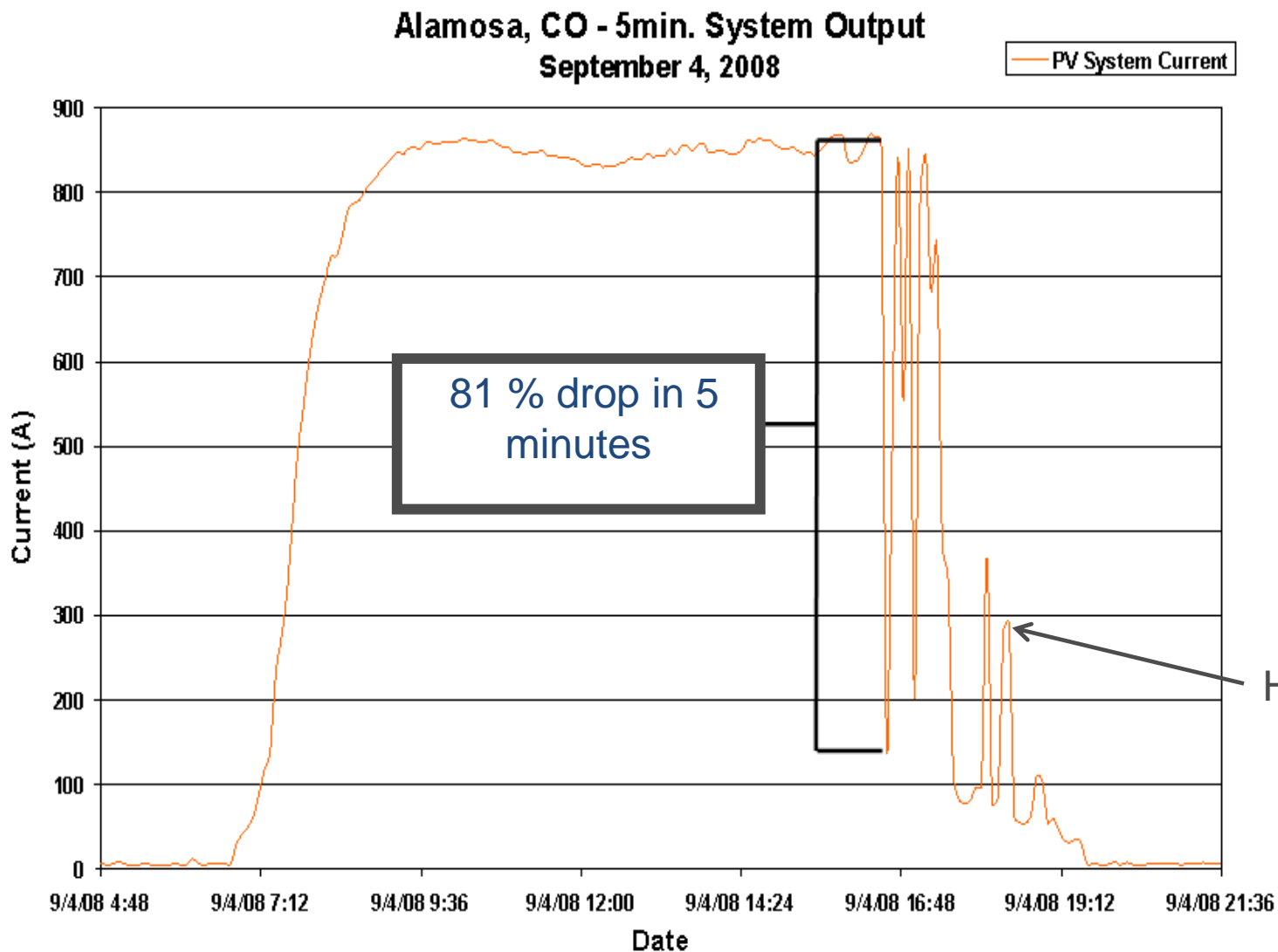
...the current grid has difficulty accommodating variable sources of power like wind and solar energy, the fastest-growing sources of renewable power on the grid. As these resources begin to supply increasing percentages of power to the grid, integrating them into grid operations will become increasingly difficult.

# Challenge: Wind Requires Substantial Balancing Reserves

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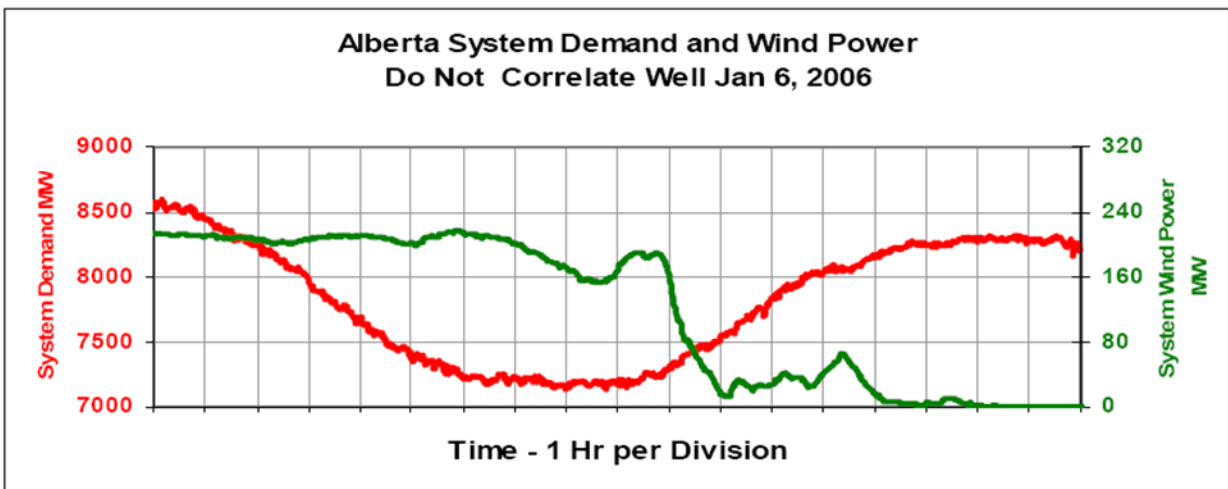
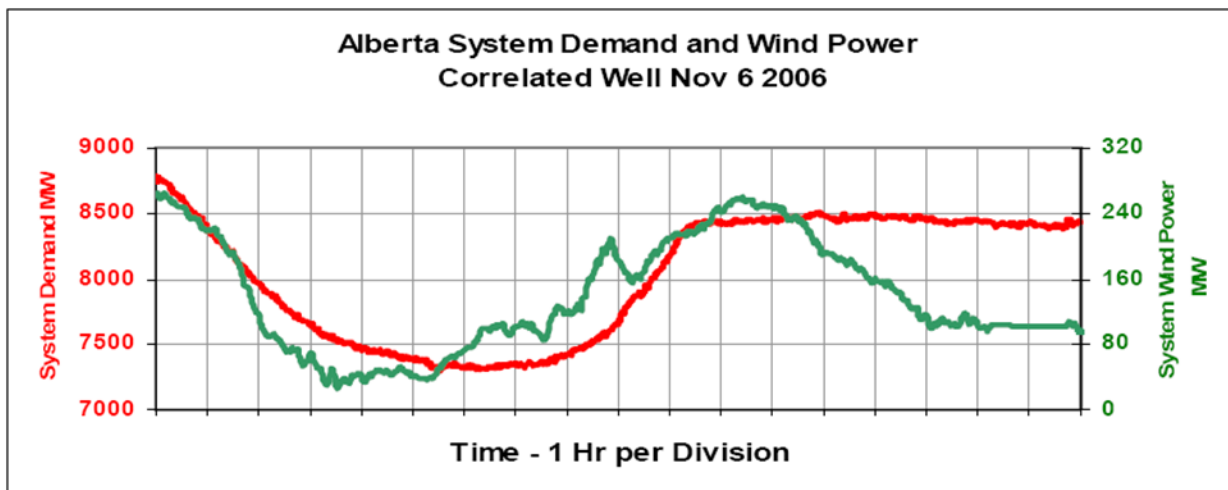
# Challenge: Solar Energy Sources Are Highly Variable



Output from an 8MW solar PV panel in Colorado on 9/4/08

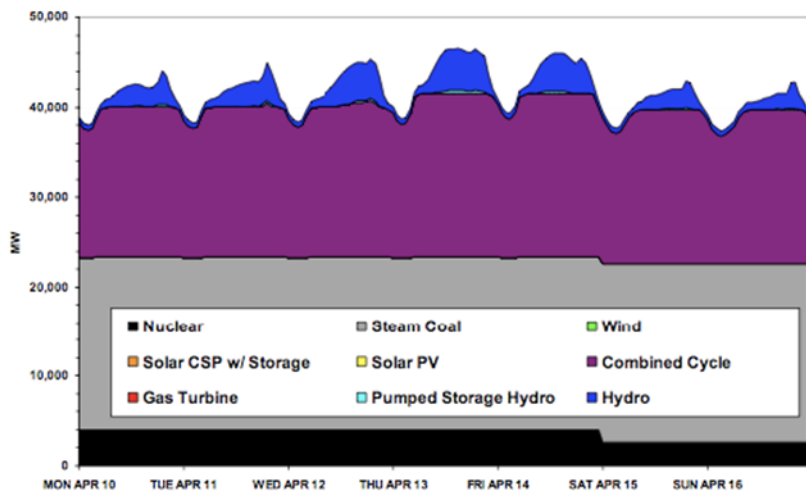
High variability due to clouds

# Variable Generation Resources Can Create Challenges for Reliability

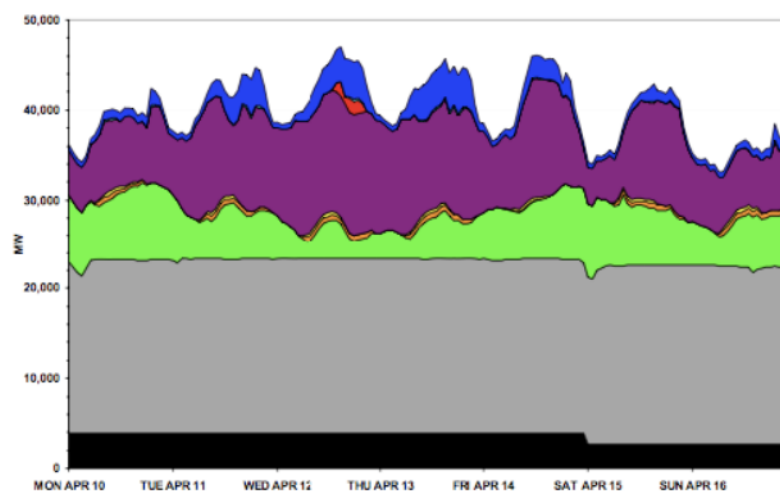


# High Penetration of Variable Generation Can Create Operational Challenges

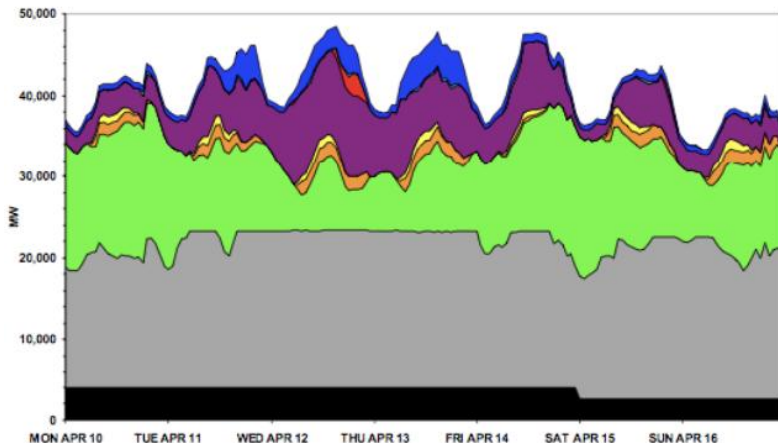
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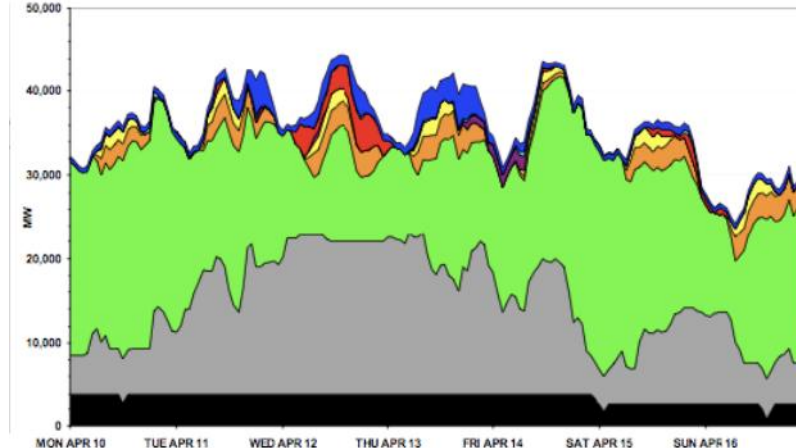
## 11% renewables



## 23% renewables



## 35% renewables





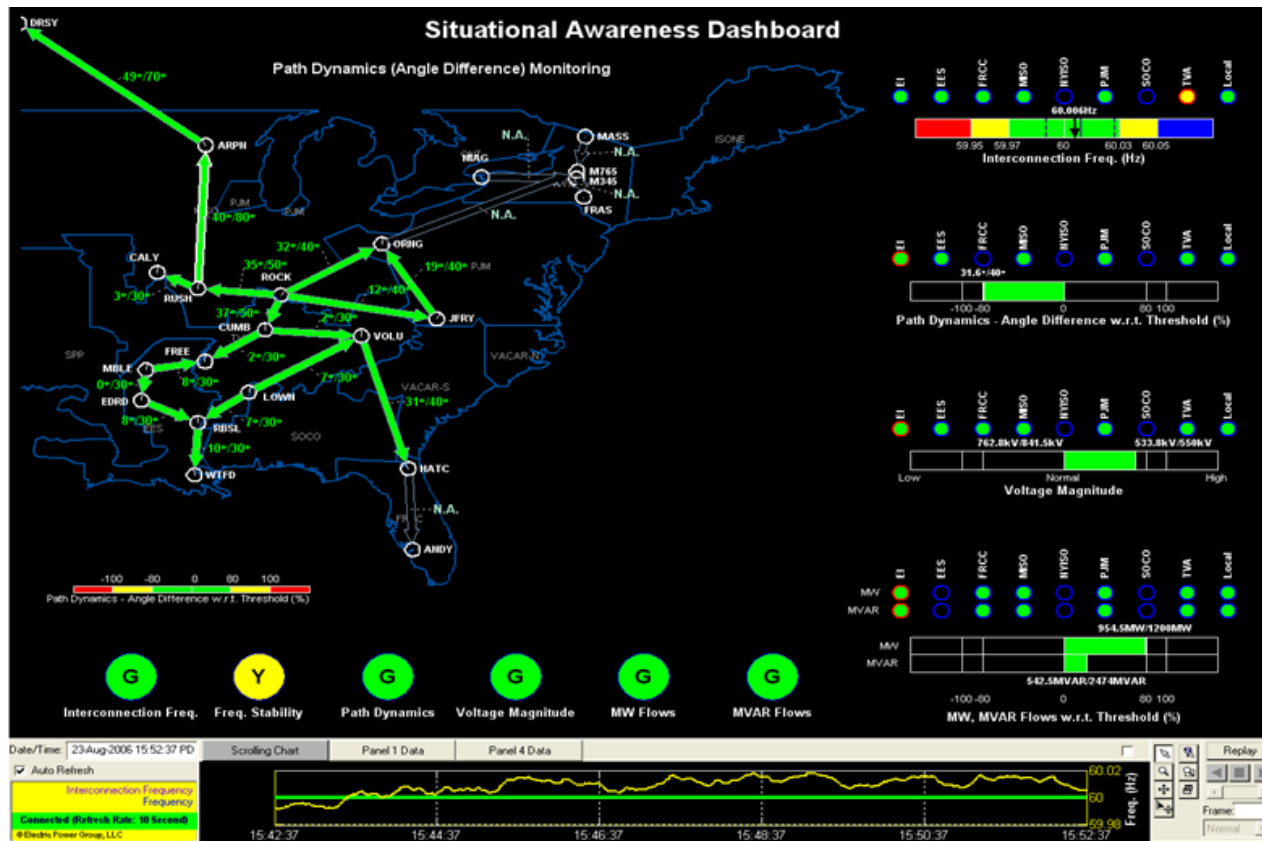
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# WIDE AREA SITUATIONAL AWARENESS



# Wide Area Measurement Systems (WAMS) to Enhance Reliability

*DOE and NERC are working together closely with industry to enable wide area time-synchronized measurements that will enhance the reliability of the electric power grid through improved situational awareness and other applications*

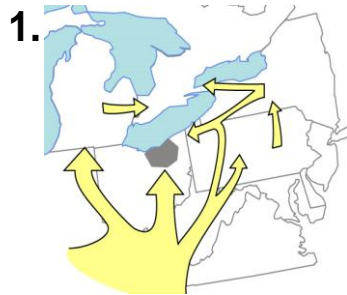


**“Better information supports better - and faster - decisions.”**

# Lack of Wide Area Situational Awareness Contributed to 2003 Blackout



# Timeline 2003 Blackout - 6 Minutes to Black



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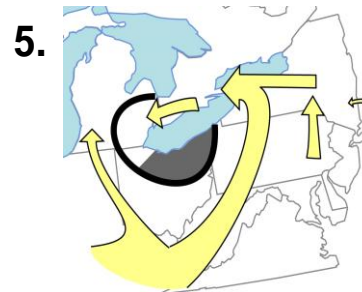
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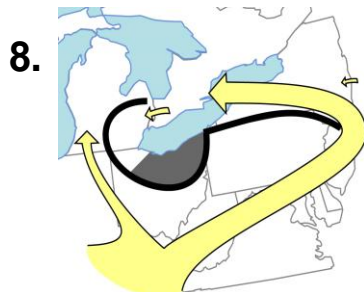
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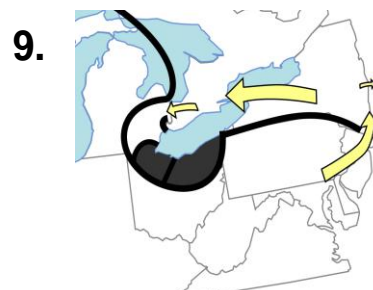
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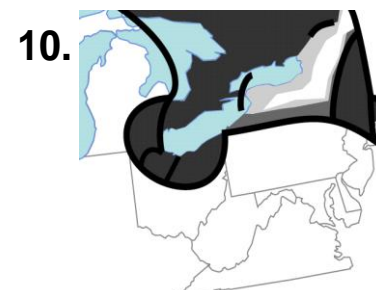
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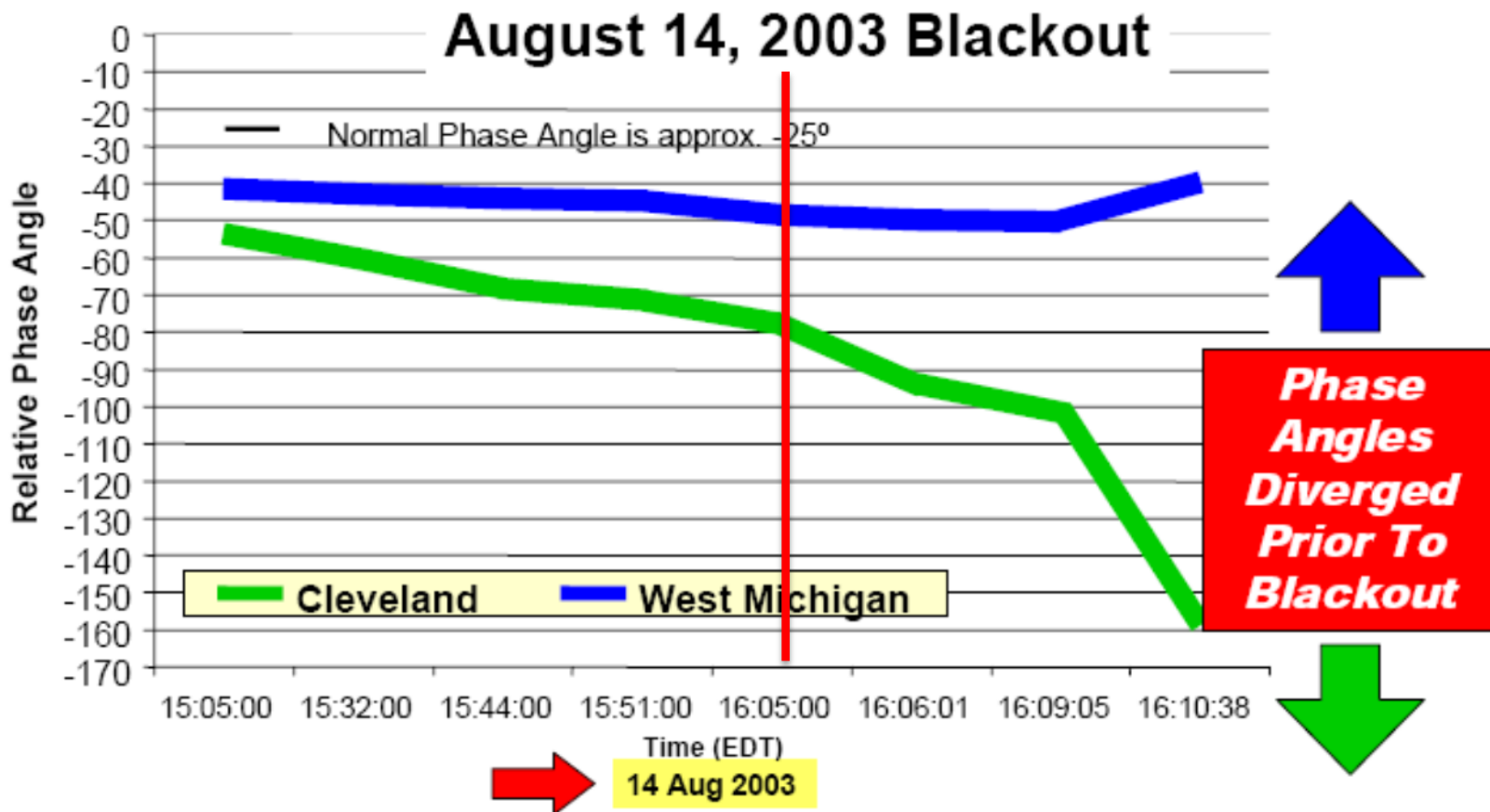
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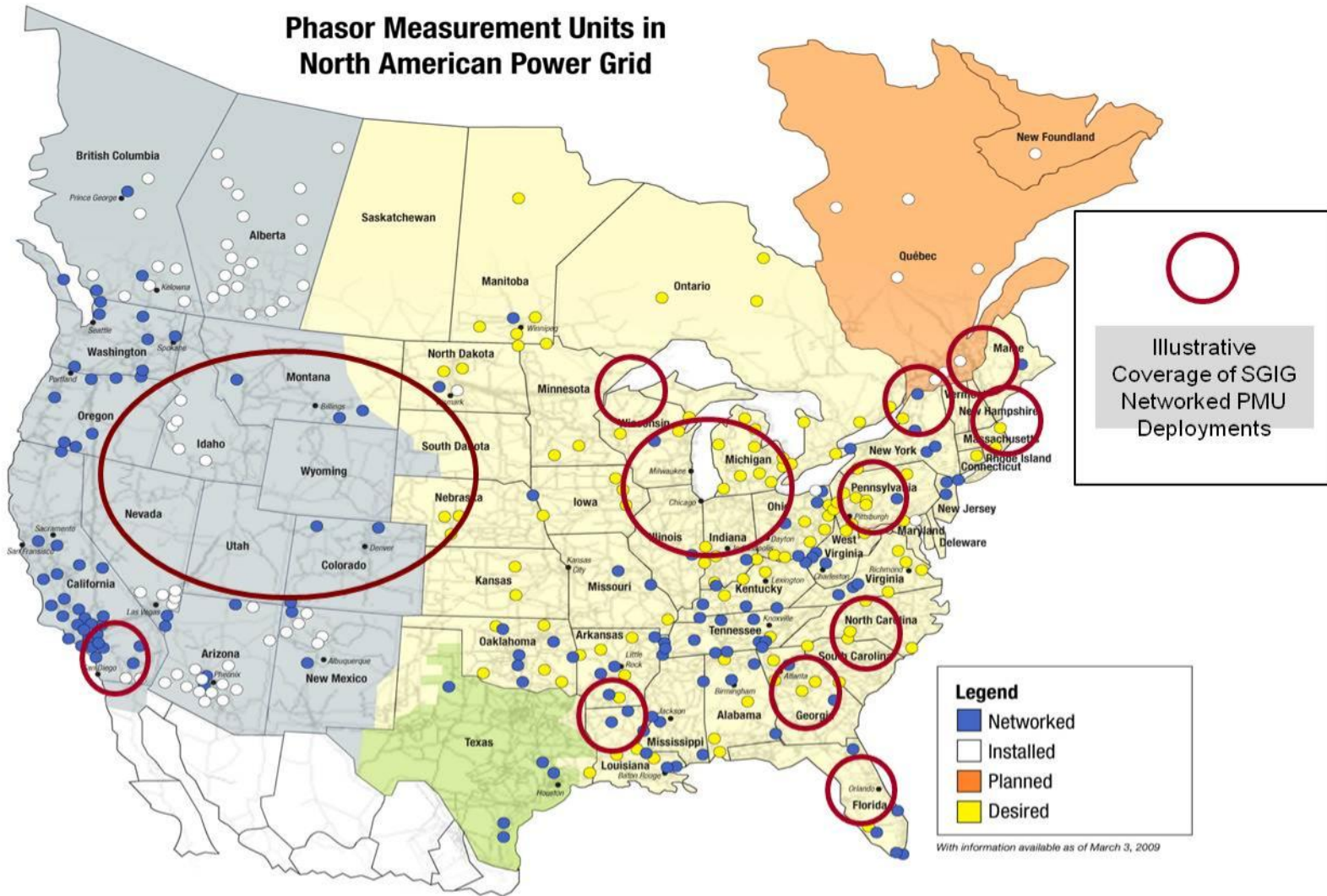


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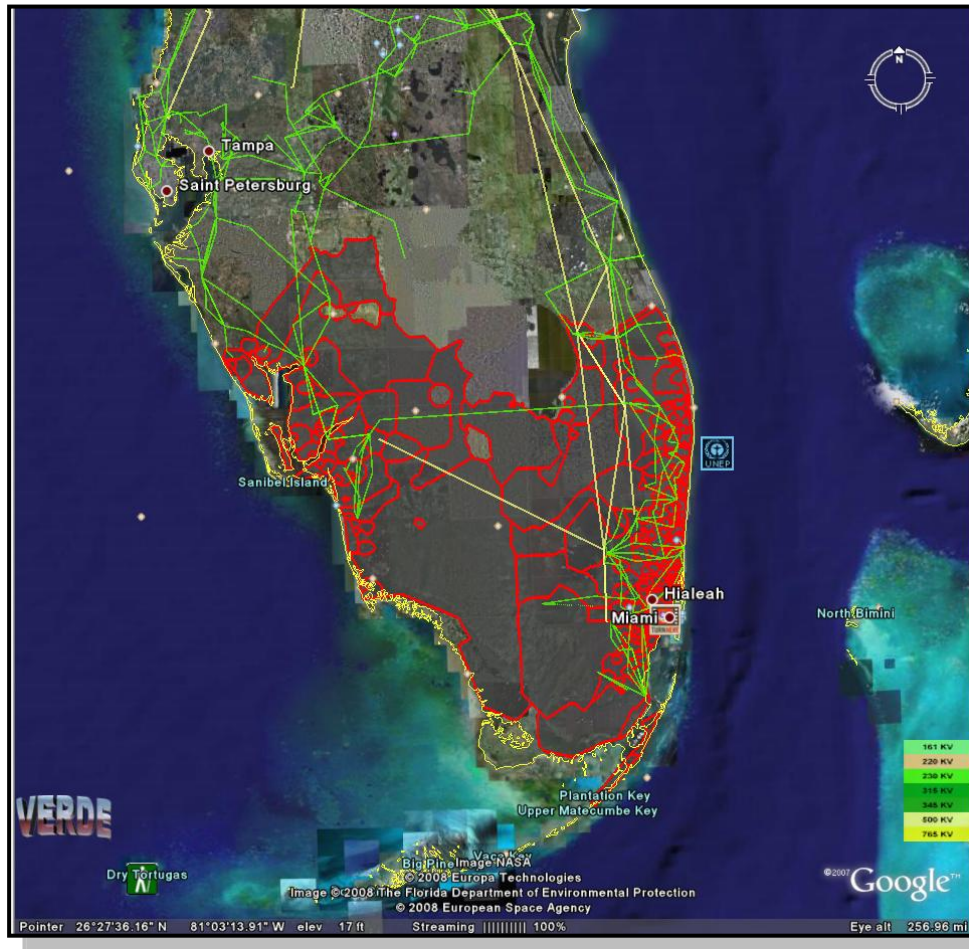


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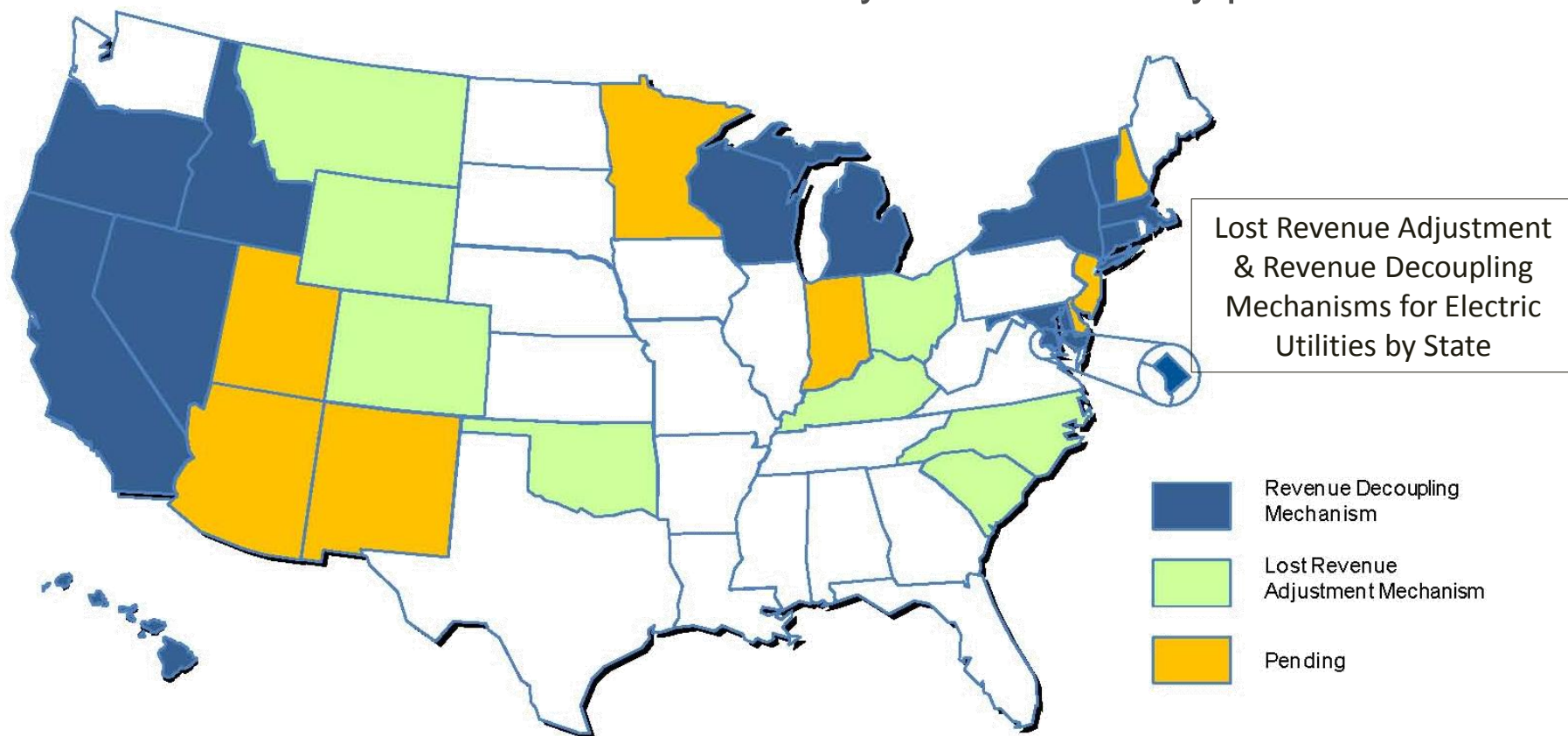
# POLICY AND REGULATION

# The Challenge of Power Regulation

Some PUCs and utilities aggressively pursuing efficiency,

**but it's not enough.**

Need to break the link between utility sales and utility profits.

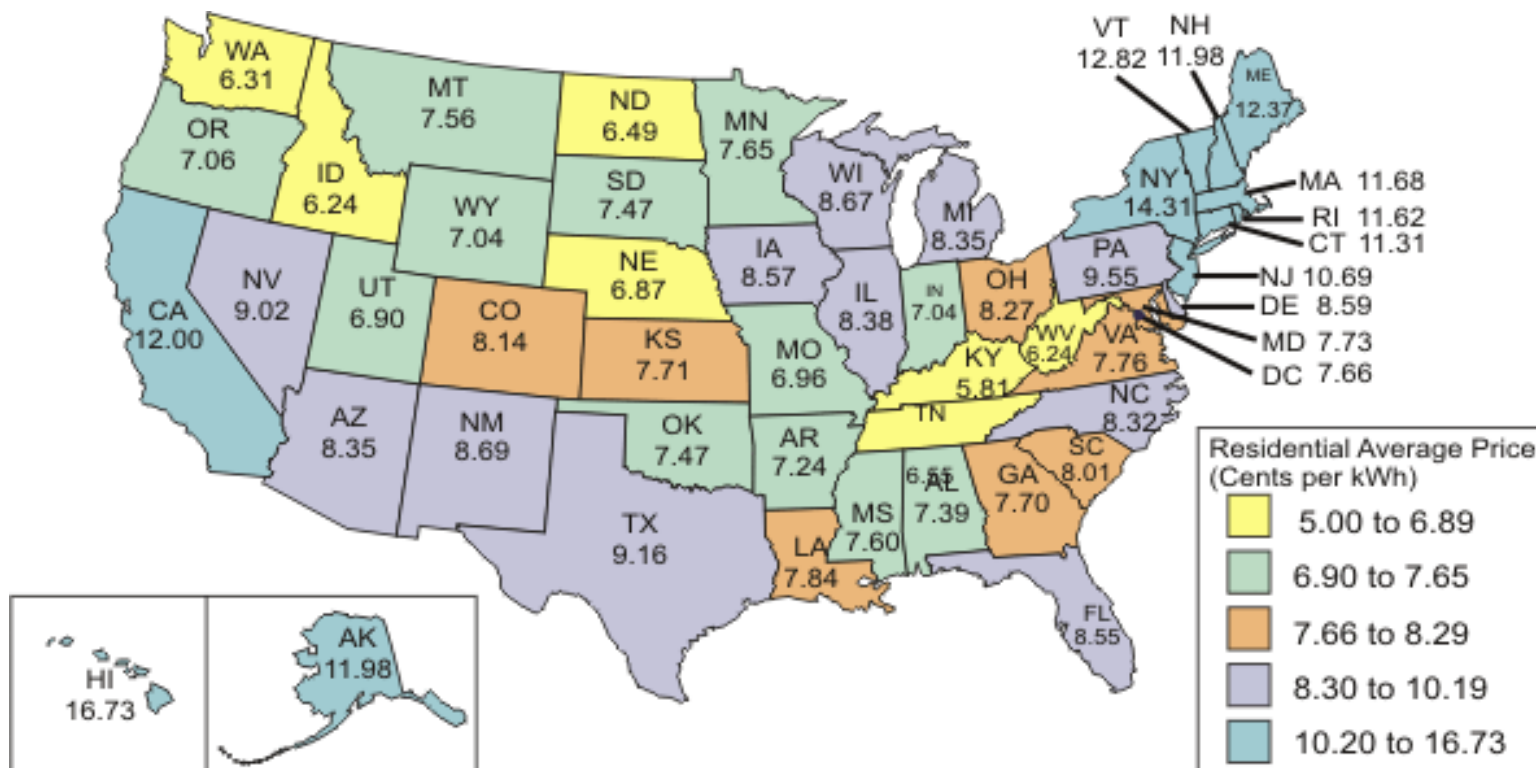


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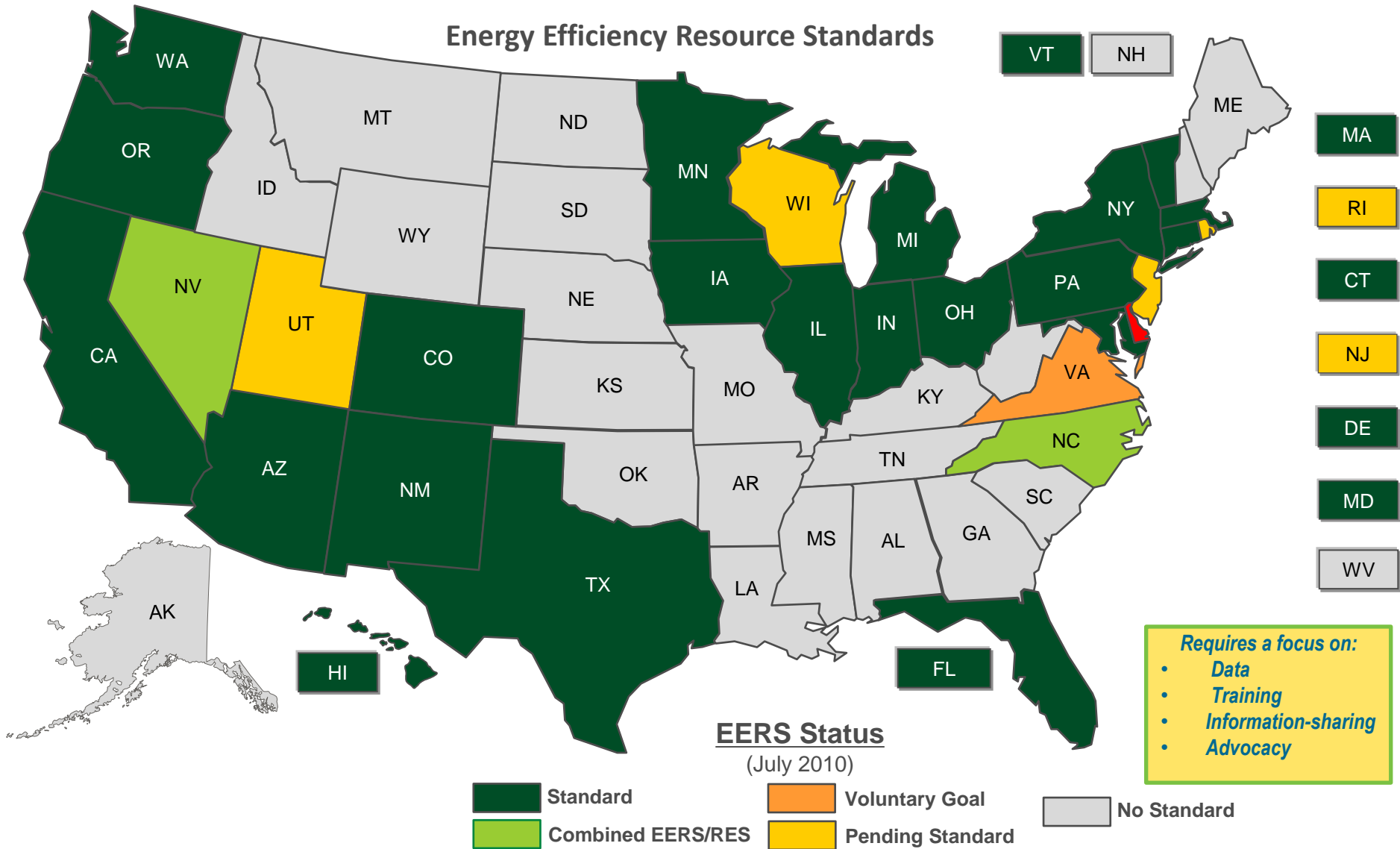


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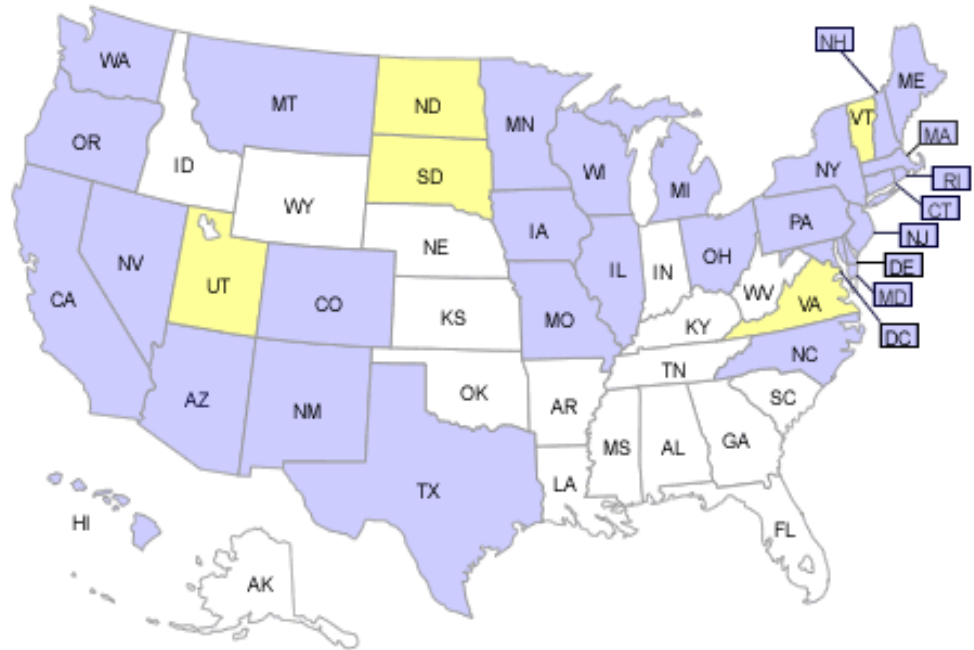
# “Smart Grid”

There is no one definition

- Varies from state depending upon policy, market, or electricity prices
- There is not a “one size fits all”

Examples of variables that influence the development of the Smart Grid:

- Renewable Portfolio Standards
- Electric Vehicle goals
- Generation Mix
- High Peak (Peak Demand)-reliability issues
- Weather Events-reliability issues
- Customer/mile



States with RPS  
States with RPS Goals

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