## GENERATION TASK FORCE

May 28th 2014



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The Austin Generation Resource Planning Task Force shall examine and make recommendations regarding the Generation Plan 2024, consistent with meeting or exceeding the goals established in the Generation Plan 2020.

The Task Force shall dissolve upon the Council's adoption of an updated generation plan or on December 21, 2014, whichever occurs first.

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### BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

The City Council establishes a goal of reaching net zero community-wide greenhouse gas emissions by 2050 and prefers to achieve this goal as soon as it is feasible. The City Council also recognizes that emissions reductions accomplished sooner are more important and valuable for our city's climate protection efforts.

# **ENERGY UNIFICATION**

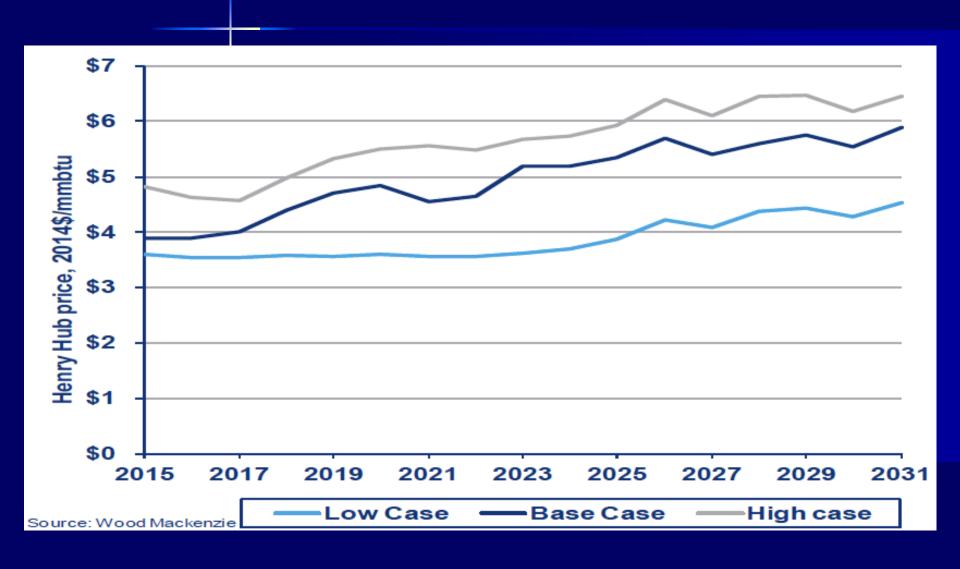




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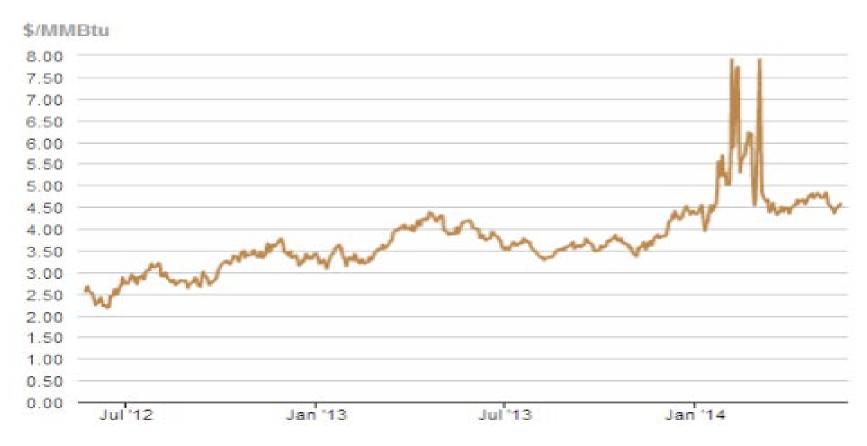
- What is the future for gas prices?
- Will the price of Large Scale Solar continue to decrease?
- When and how will carbon be priced in the market?
- When will Distributed Solar and Smart Grid demand reduction erode load growth?
- Water

### AE GAS PRICE FORECAST



# ACTUAL HENRY HUB PRICES

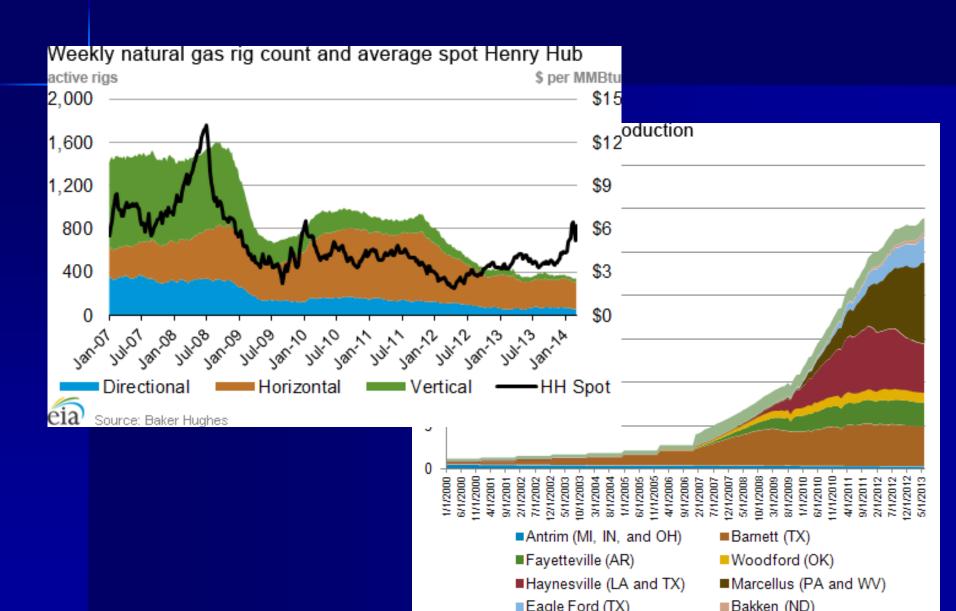
#### Natural gas spot prices (Henry Hub)



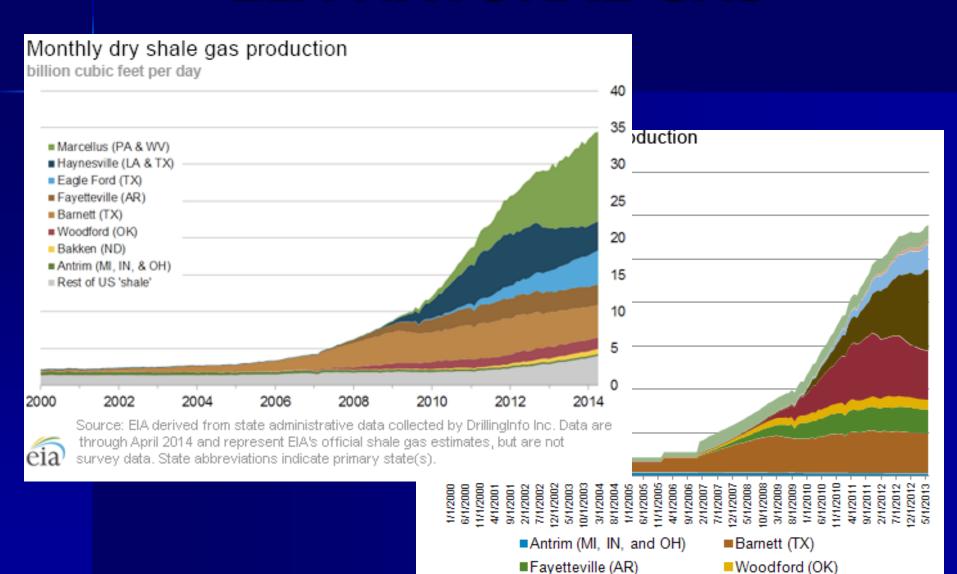


Source: Natural Gas Intelligence

### **EIA NATURAL GAS**



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■ Fagle Ford (TX)

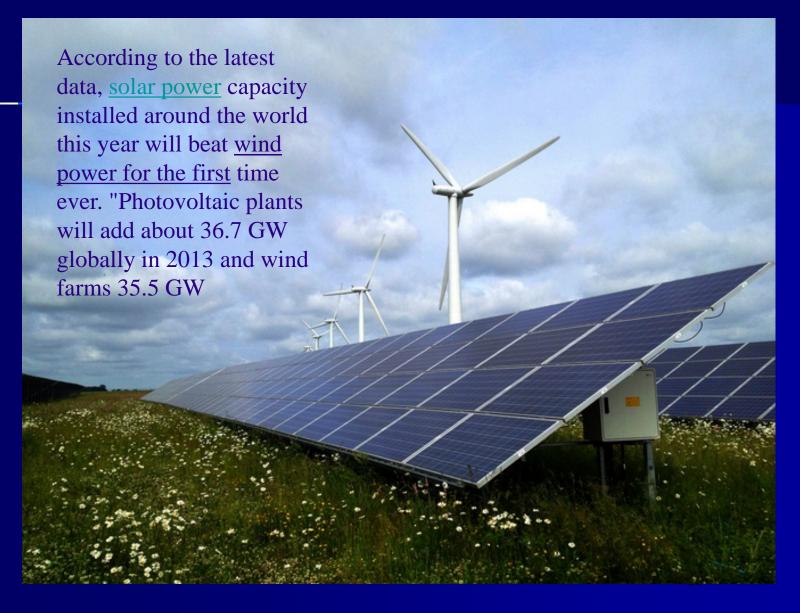
■Marcellus (PA and WV)

■Bakken (ND)

### SOLAR IS THE NEW WIND



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### **SOLAR POWER PLANT COSTS**

|             | Insolation            |                       |                       |                       |                       |                   |                   |                   |                  |
|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Cost        | 2400<br>kWh/<br>kWp·y | 2200<br>kWh/<br>kWp·y | 2000<br>kWh/<br>kWp·y | 1800<br>kWh/<br>kWp·y | 1600<br>kWh/<br>kWp·y | 1400<br>kWh/kWp•y | 1200<br>kWh/kWp·y | 1000<br>kWh/kWp·y | 800<br>kWh/kWp·y |
| 200 \$/kWp  | 0.8                   | 0.9                   | 1.0                   | 1.1                   | 1.3                   | 1.4               | 1.7               | 2.0               | 2.5              |
| 600 \$/kWp  | 2.5                   | 2.7                   | 3.0                   | 3.3                   | 3.8                   | 4.3               | 5.0               | 6.0               | 7.5              |
| 1000 \$/kWp | 4.2                   | 4.5                   | 5.0                   | 5.6                   | 6.3                   | 7.1               | 8.3               | 10.0              | 12.5             |
| 1400 \$/kWp | 5.8                   | 6.4                   | 7.0                   | 7.8                   | 8.8                   | 10.0              | 11.7              | 14.0              | 17.5             |
| 1800 \$/kWp | 7.5                   | 8.2                   | 9.0                   | 10.0                  | 11.3                  | 12.9              | 15.0              | 18.0              | 22.5             |
| 2200 \$/kWp | 9.2                   | 10.0                  | 11.0                  | 12.2                  | 13.8                  | 15.7              | 18.3              | 22.0              | 27.5             |
| 2600 \$/kWp | 10.8                  | 11.8                  | 13.0                  | 14.4                  | 16.3                  | 18.6              | 21.7              | 26.0              | 32.5             |
| 3000 \$/kWp | 12.5                  | 13.6                  | 15.0                  | 16.7                  | 18.8                  | 21.4              | 25.0              | 30.0              | 37.5             |
| 3400 \$/kWp | 14.2                  | 15.5                  | 17.0                  | 18.9                  | 21.3                  | 24.3              | 28.3              | 34.0              | 42.5             |
| 3800 \$/kWp | 15.8                  | 17.3                  | 19.0                  | 21.1                  | 23.8                  | 27.1              | 31.7              | 38.0              | 47.5             |
| 4200 \$/kWp | 17.5                  | 19.1                  | 21.0                  | 23.3                  | 26.3                  | 30.0              | 35.0              | 42.0              | 52.5             |
| 4600 \$/kWp | 19.2                  | 20.9                  | 23.0                  | 25.6                  | 28.8                  | 32.9              | 38.3              | 46.0              | 57.5             |
| 5000 \$/kWp | 20.8                  | 22.7                  | 25.0                  | 27.8                  | 31.3                  | 35.7              | 41.7              | 50.0              | 62.5             |

## WILL SOLAR PRICES DECLINE?

Solar tax credit expires in 2016



### SOLAR PRICES VS GAS



### New Generation/DSM Technology Costs

| Estimated 30 Year Levelized Cost of New Dispatchable Resources, 2015 (\$/MWh) |            |             |                |           |              |           |           |           |        |        |
|---|------------|-------------|----------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------|--------|
|   | Average    |             | Overnight      |           | Base         |           |           |           |        |        |
| Plant type  | Capacity   | Fuel        | Capital Cost   | Heat Rate | Levelized    | Levelized | Levelized | Levelized | Low    | High   |
| Dispatachable Technologies  | Factor (%) | Туре        | 2014\$ (\$/KW) | Btu/kWh   | Capital Cost | 0&M       | Fuel      | Total     |        |        |
| Advanced Coal   | 85%        | Coal        | 3,059          | 8,800     | 55.23        | 10.83     | 27.39     | 102.79    | 92.83  | 114.00 |
| Advanced Nuclear  | 85%        | Uranium     | 5,765          | 10,000    | 104.09       | 18.35     | 7.47      | 129.91    | 116.92 | 155.89 |
| Biomass   | 85%        | Wood Waste  | 3,002          | 13,500    | 54.21        | 24.32     | 49.81     | 128.33    | 102.67 | 154.00 |
| Geothermal  | 50%        | Heat        | 3,183          | N/A       | 97.70        | 28.56     | 0.00      | 126.26    | 101.01 | 151.51 |
|   |            |             |                | -         |              |           |           |           |        |        |
| Natural Gas-Fired   |            |             |                |           |              |           |           |           |        |        |
| Advanced Combined Cycle   | 55%        | Natural Gas | 1,066          | 6,430     | 29.76        | 8.08      | 32.15     | 69.99     | 61.53  | 91.38  |
| Advanced Combustion Turbine   | 10%        | Natural Gas | 705            | 9,750     | 108.16       | 23.02     | 48.75     | 179.93    | 167.10 | 212.36 |
| Combined Heat/Power (CHP)   | 85%        | Natural Gas | 2,133          | 6,430     | 44.64        | 12.12     | 32.15     | 88.91     | 74.39  | 97.44  |
| Compressed Air Energy Storage (CAES)  | 40%        | Gas/Air     | 1,000          | 4,300     | 38.37        | 32.72     | 21.50     | 92.59     | 76.27  | 111.11 |
| Fuel Cell   | 85%        | Natural Gas | 7,410          | 9,500     | 133.79       | 53.78     | 47.50     | 235.08    | 207.07 | 268.09 |

Estimated 30 Year Levelized Cost of New Non-Dispatchable Resources. 2015 (\$/MWh)

|                                  | Average Overnight |      |                |           | Base         |           |           |              |        |        |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|------|----------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|--------|--------|
| Plant type                       | Capacity          | Fuel | Capital Cost   | Heat Rate | Levelized    | Levelized | Levelized | Levelized    | Low    | High   |
| Non-Dispatachable Technologies   | Factor (%)        | Туре | 2014\$ (\$/KW) | Btu/kWh   | Capital Cost | 0&M       | Fuel      | Total (Base) |        |        |
| Onshore Wind (West Texas)        | 40%               | Wind | See Note 1     | N/A       | 27.94        | 7.06      | 0.00      | 36.75        | 26.25  | 61.55  |
| Onshore Wind (South Texas)       | 30%               | Sun  | See Note 1     | N/A       | 30.59        | 9.41      | 0.00      | 44.00        | 36.00  | 75.41  |
| Photovoltaic (>50 MW West Texas) | 30%               | Sun  | See Note 1     | N/A       | 46.38        | 5.88      | 0.00      | 52.26        | 45.00  | 114.23 |
| Photovoltaic (<20 MW Local)      | 20%               | Sun  | See Note 1     | N/A       | 93.10        | 19.81     | 0.00      | 112.91       | 90.33  | 213.30 |
| Solar Thermal                    | 50%               | Sun  | 3,697          | N/A       | 141.87       | 24.01     | 0.00      | 165.88       | 132.70 | 199.06 |
| Demand-Side                      | 30%               | N/A  | See Note 1     | N/A       | 70.00        | 0.00      | 0.00      | 70.00        | 56.00  | 84.00  |
| Notes:                           |                   |      |                |           |              |           |           |              |        |        |

- (1) Source of Technology Cost per Energy Information Administration (EIA) April 2013 Update, except:
- Demand-Side Management per AE estimates
- Wind and Photovoltaic per AE estimates (Range includes & excludes Tax Credit)
- CAES per AE estimates within ERCOT
- (2) Levelized capital cost estimates assumes 50% Debt / 50% Equity, 35% tax rate, Nominal After-Tax Weighted Cost of Capital (WACC) of 10.00%, 30-yr book life
- (3) Low and High estimates includes emission cost of \$12 to \$25 per metric ton for annual CO2 emissions, if applicable to technology
- (4) Natural Gas Price \$5.00 per Mbtu, low \$3.00 high \$7.00 per Mbtu, Coal Price \$2.50 per Mbtu escalating 2.5% per year, Uranium price \$0.6 escalating 2.5% per year, Biomass \$40 per MWh escalating 2.5%, All others +/- 20%
- (5) Non-indicative hid Renewable Technologies (i.e. Solar Thermal, Riomass, Geothermal) assumes tax credit

### SOLAR VS GAS VS WIND

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Advanced Combined Cycle Advanced Combustion Turbine

Combined Heat/Power (CHP)

Compressed Air Energy Storage (CAES)

Fuel Cell

| 61.53  |
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#### Plant type

Non-Dispatachable Technologies

Onshore Wind (West Texas)

Onshore Wind (South Texas)

Photovoltaic (>50 MW West Texas)

Photovoltaic (<20 MW Local)

Solar Thermal

Demand-Side

#### Low

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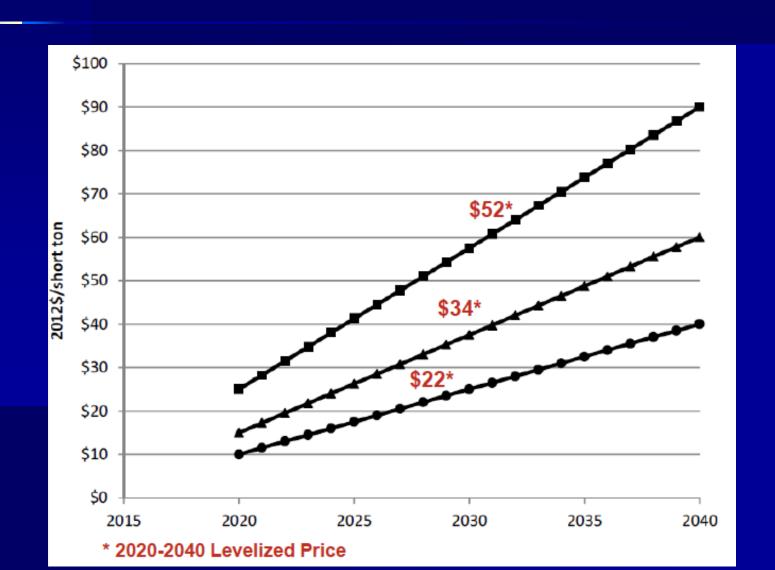
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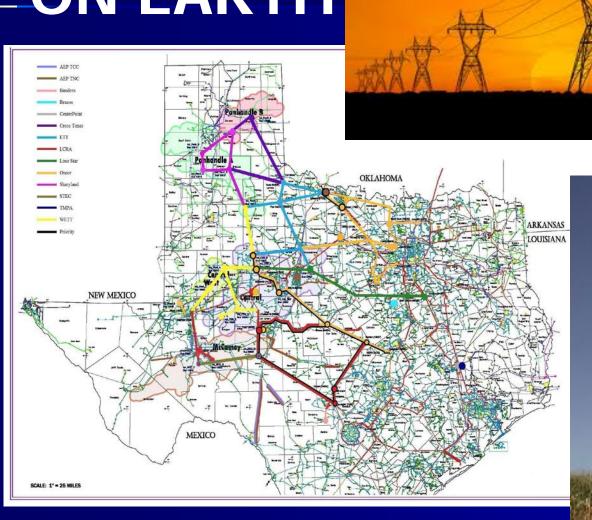
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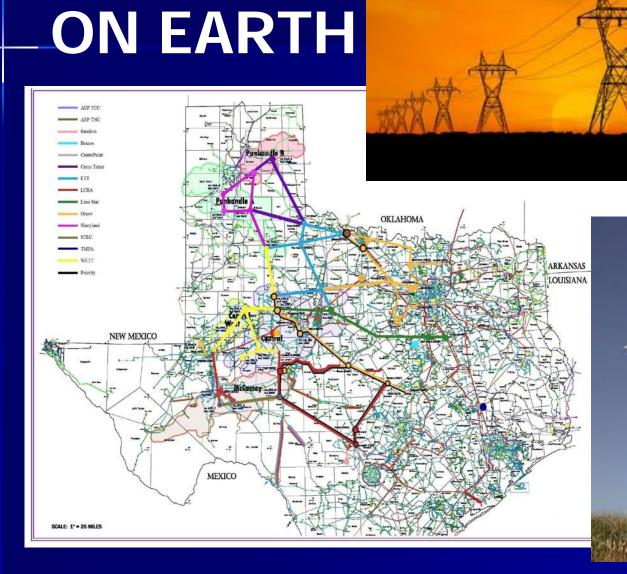
### PRICING CARBON



# LARGEST MACHINE ON EARTH



# LARGEST RE MACHINE



### TO POWER AUSTIN

- Solar provides .3 TWhs/section
- Austin Energy makes 14 TWhs/year
- Total area to power Austin..45 sections
- Total area of Austin...300 sections
- Usable rooftop area ...10 sections
- Existing Power Plants...35 sections

### REPURPOSING FAYETTE

- 10 square miles
- 2400 acre lake
- One gigawatt of solar
- 500 MWs at reduced density
- Replace sequestered coal fuel with renewable fuel
- Build New advanced plant
- Establish non AE task force

# **TOMORROW** WILL **CHANGE**