



# Beyond Oil - The Role of Wind Energy

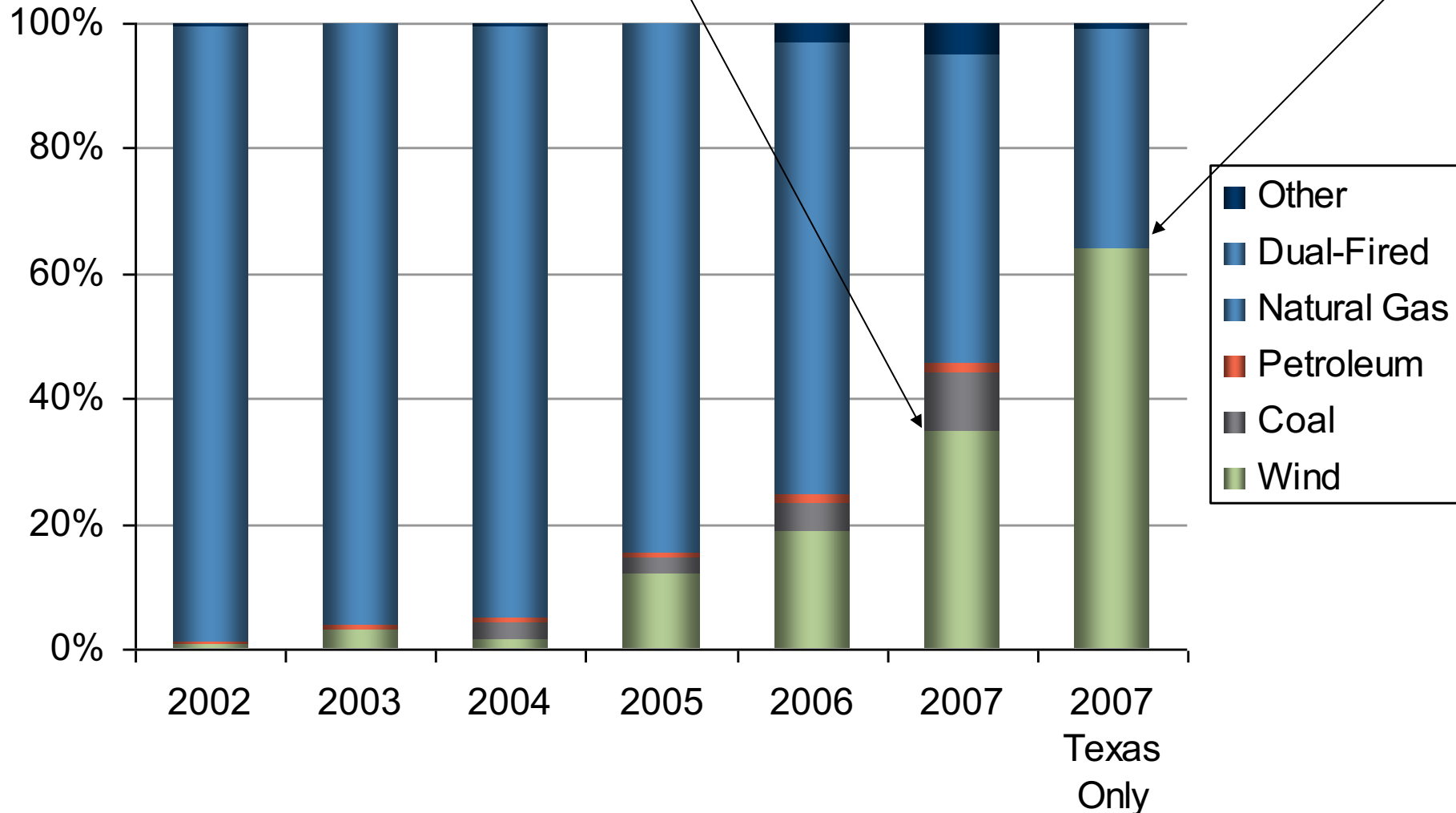
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# New Capacity Added 2002-2007 by Energy Source for the U.S. & (for 2007) Texas

In 2007, 35% of new MW in the US was wind

In 2007, 64% of new MW in Texas was wind





# The 20% Wind Report

- ✦ Released by US DOE in May 2008
- ✦ Available at: [www.20percentwind.org](http://www.20percentwind.org)
- ✦ Explores one scenario for reaching 20% wind energy by 2030 and contrasts it to a scenario in which no new U.S. wind power capacity is installed
- ✦ Is not a prediction, but an analysis based on one scenario
- ✦ Does not assume specific policy support for wind (but does assume some form of stable federal support for renewables)
- ✦ Is the work of more than 100 individuals involved from 2006 - 2008 (government, industry, utilities, NGOs)
- ✦ Analyzes wind's potential contributions to energy security, economic prosperity and environmental sustainability



# The 20% Wind Energy Scenario

## ★ Primary Assumptions:

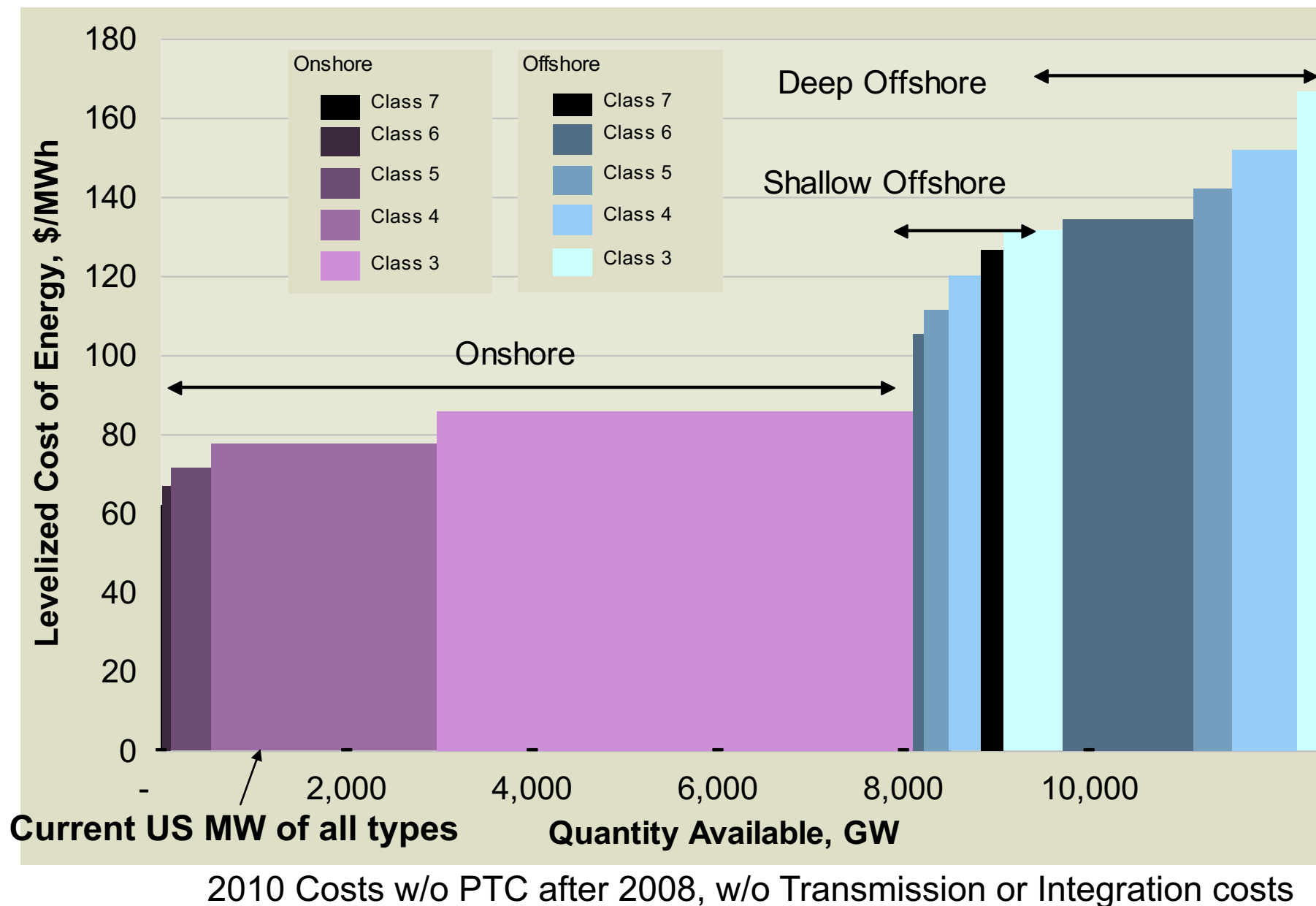
- U.S. electricity consumption grows 39% from 2005 to 2030 -- to 5.8 billion MWh (Source: EIA)
- Wind turbine energy production increases about 15% by 2030
- Wind turbine costs decrease about 10% by 2030
- No major breakthroughs in wind technology

## ★ Primary Findings:

- 20% wind electricity would require about 300 GW (300,000 MW) of wind generation
- Affordable, accessible wind resources are available across the nation
- Cost to integrate wind is modest if properly planned
- Raw materials are available
- Transmission a challenge

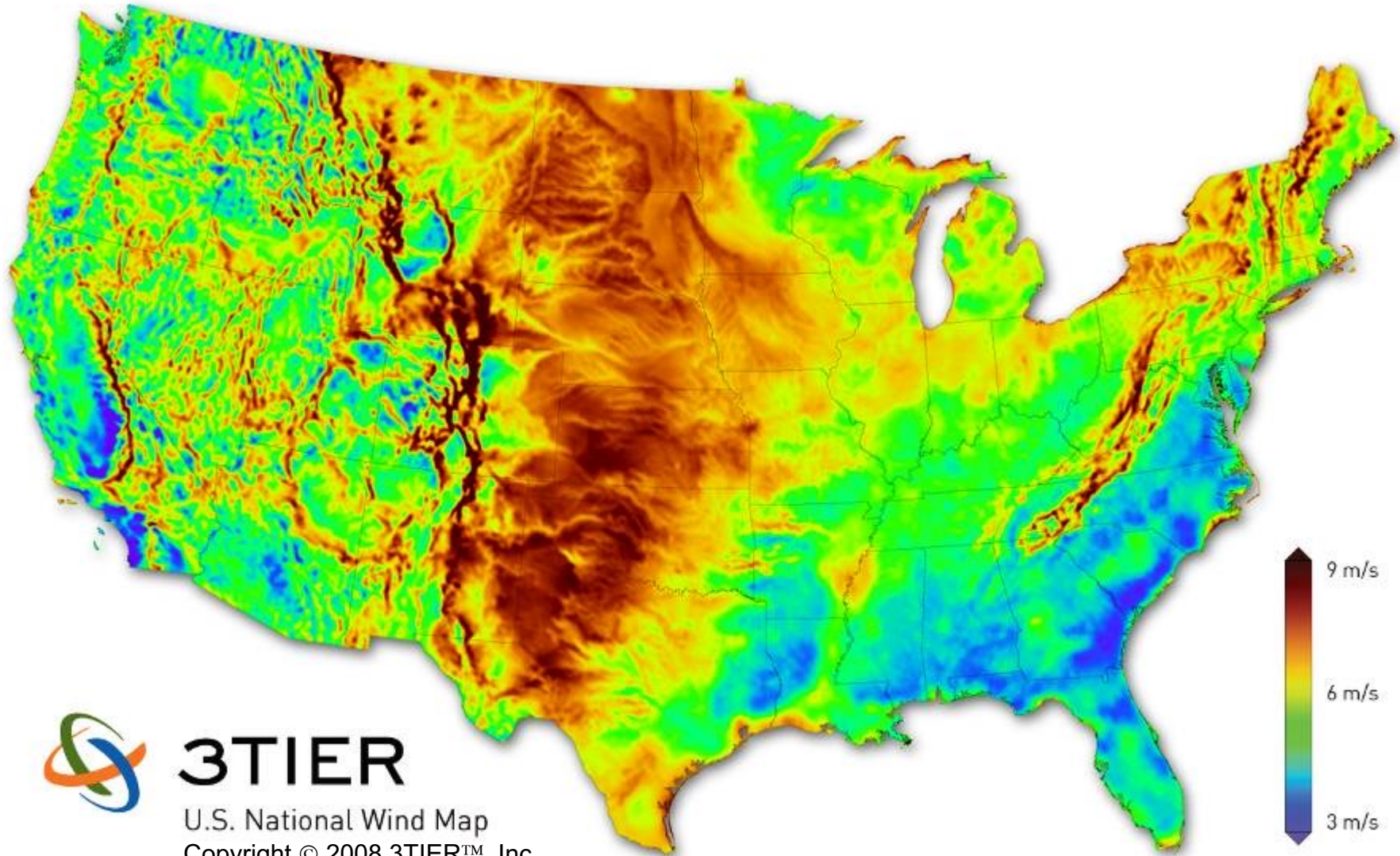


# Resource Potential Exceeds Total US Electricity Demand





# *Average Wind Speed at 80 m*

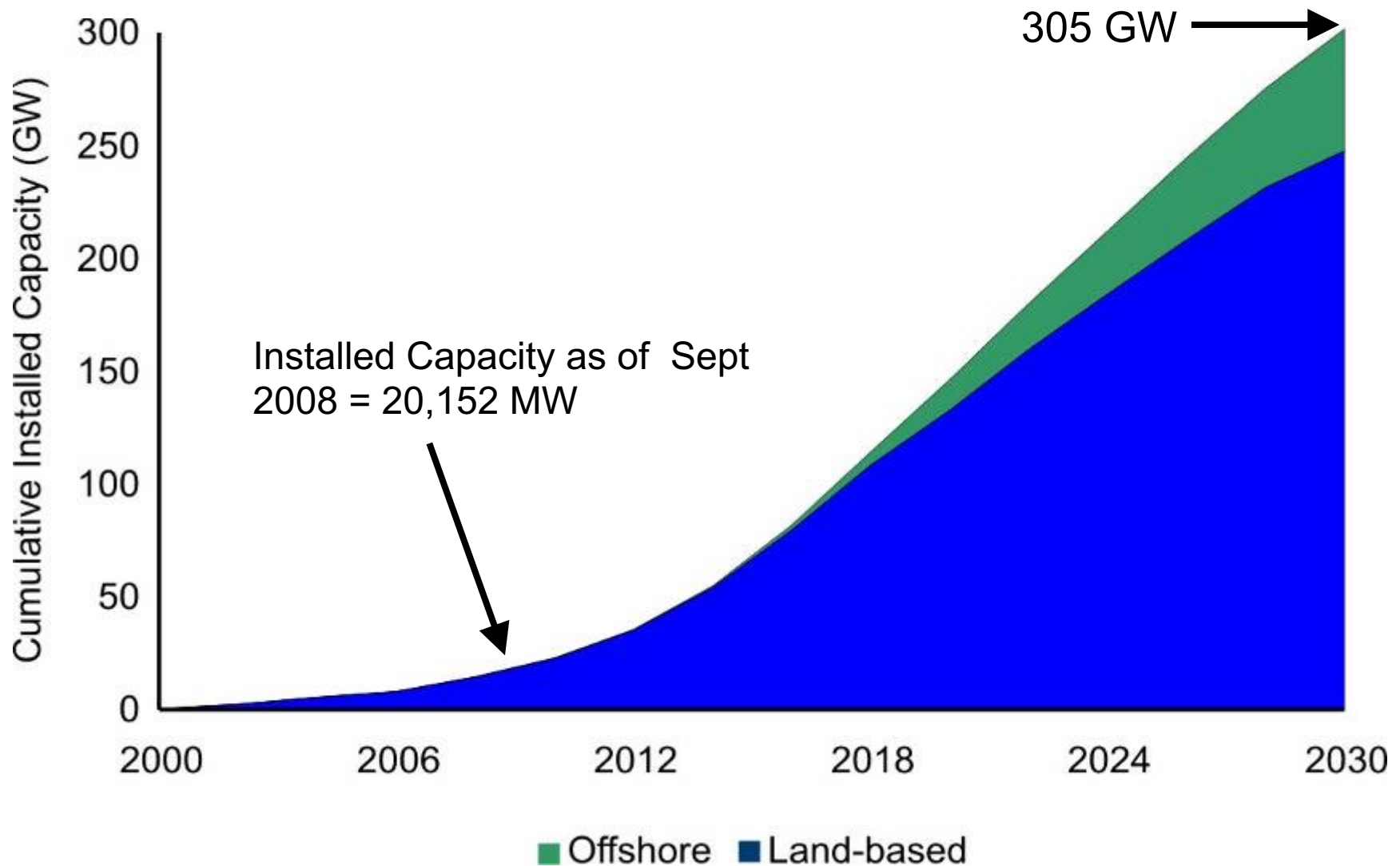


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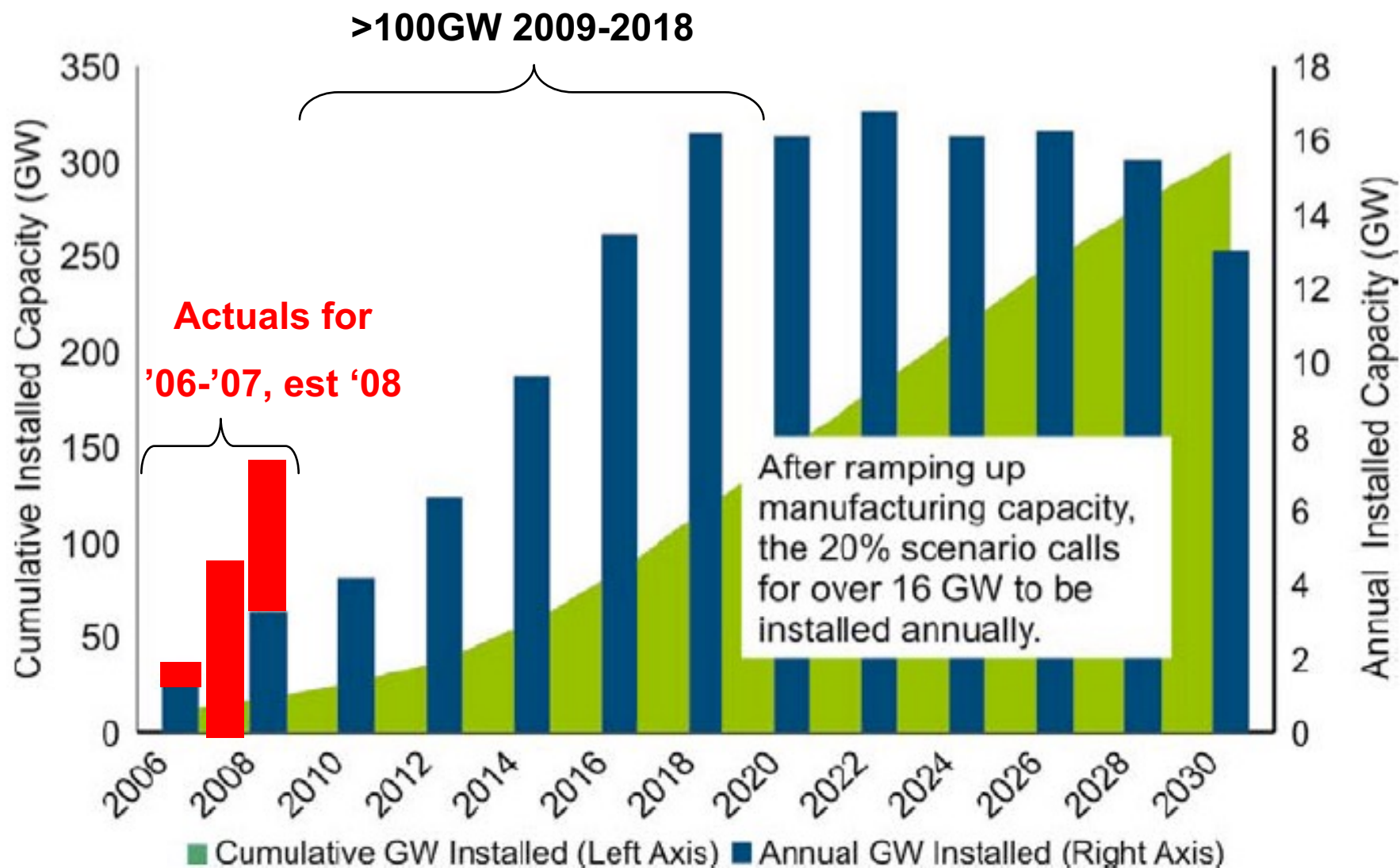


# 20% Wind Scenario





# 20% Wind Report: Growth Path For Wind



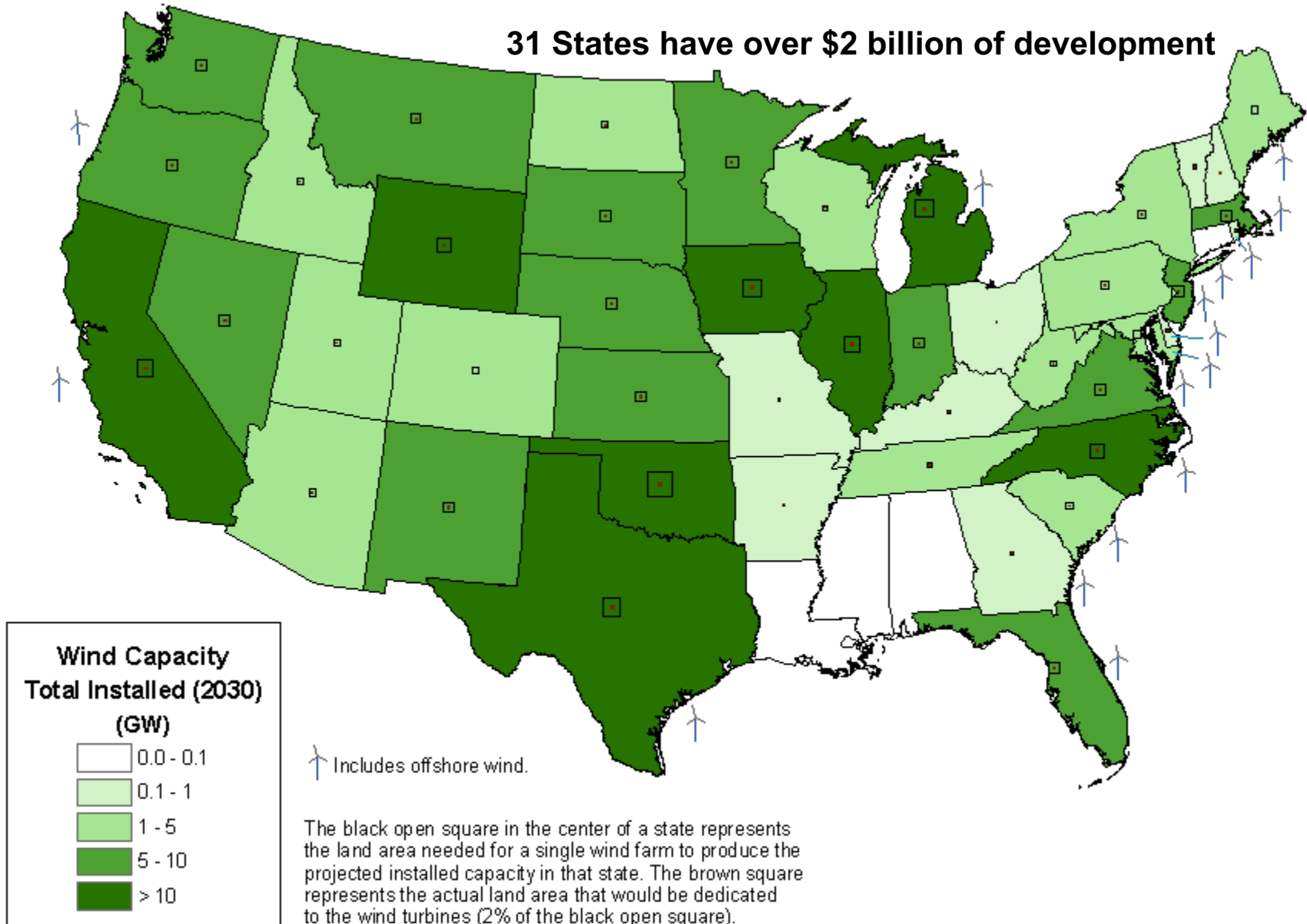
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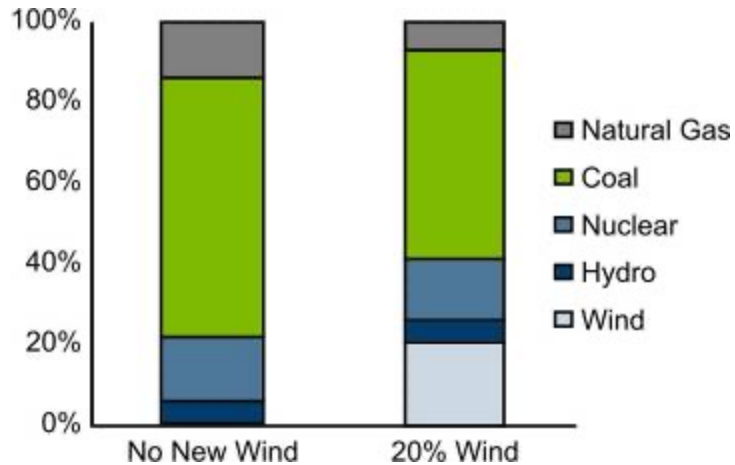
# 46 States Have Wind Development by 2030 Under the 20% Wind Scenario

31 States have over \$2 billion of development





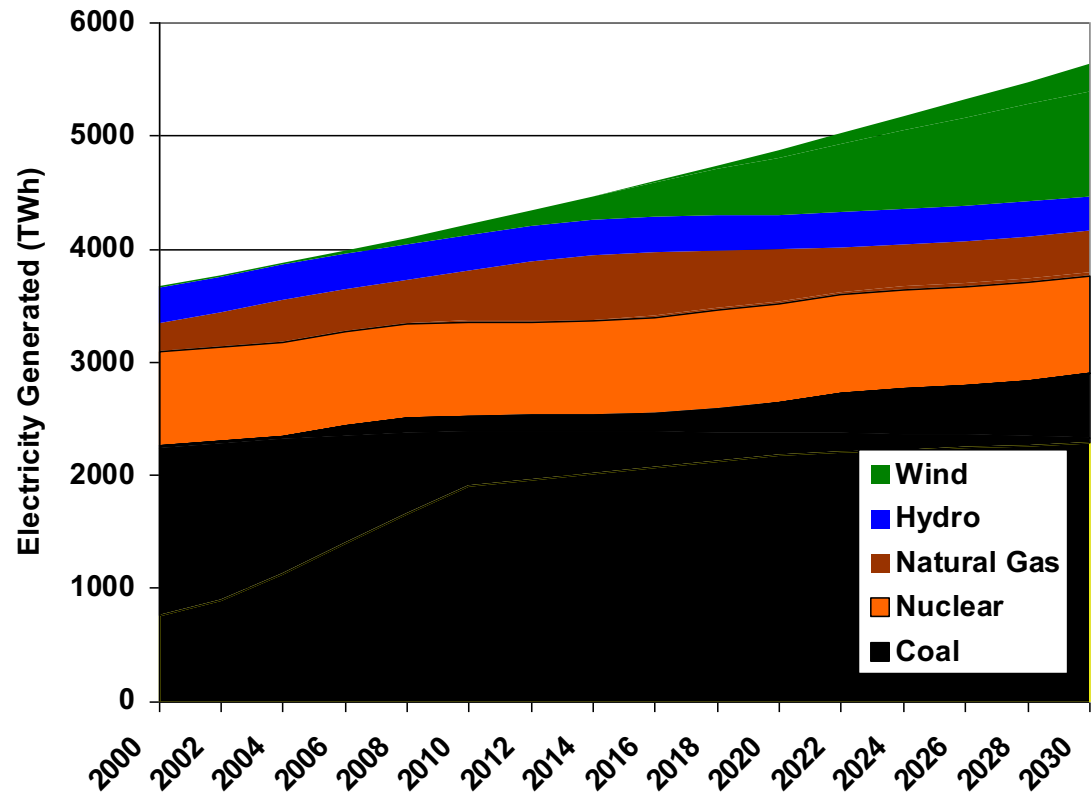
# Wind Is Part of a Generation Portfolio



If Wind is 20% of 2030 generation, 80% is something else

Other renewables assumed to stay at 2006 levels – clearly understated

The 20% Wind Scenario would decrease generation from natural gas by 50% and generation from coal by 18%.

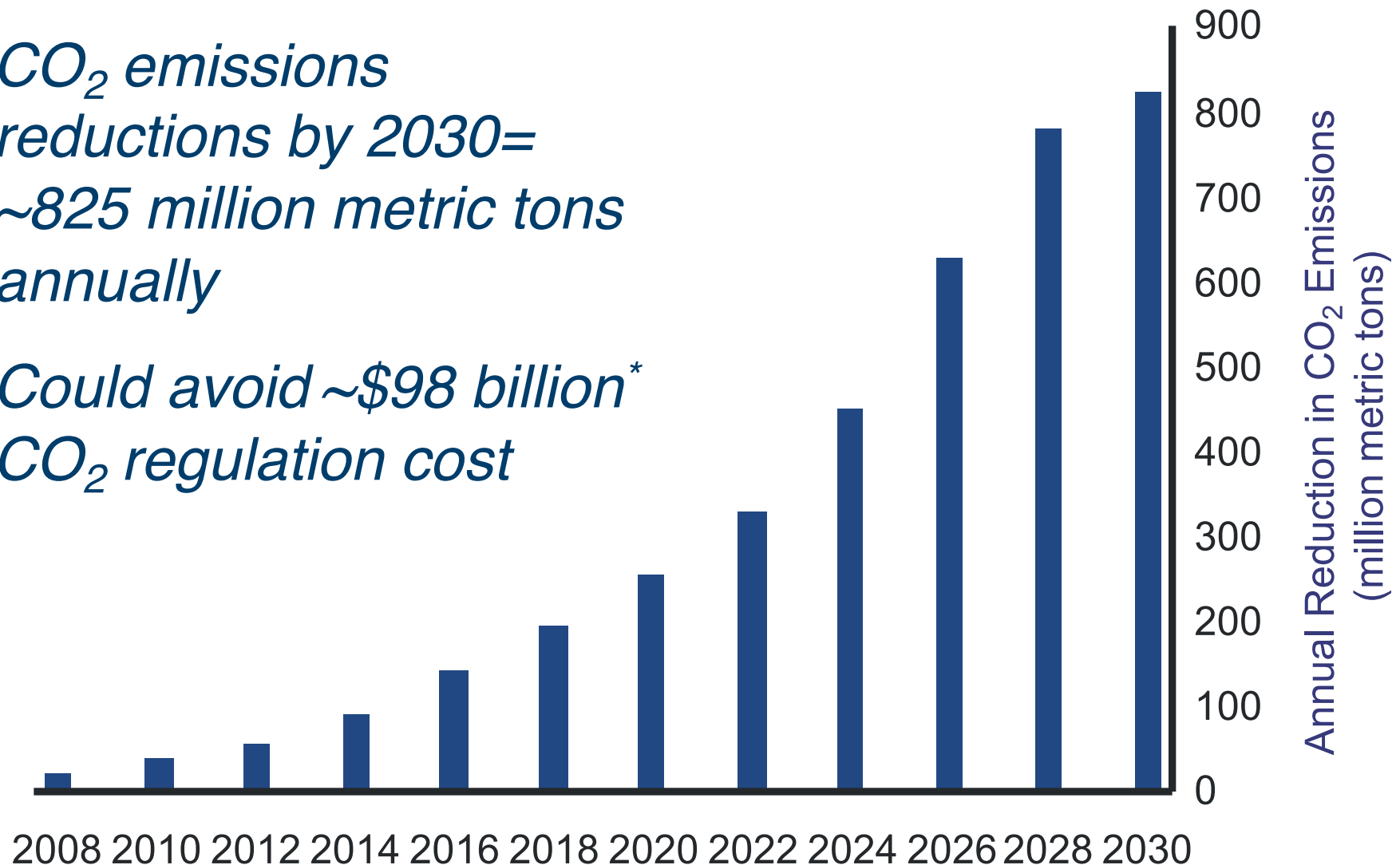




# Annual CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions Reductions

*CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reductions by 2030= ~825 million metric tons annually*

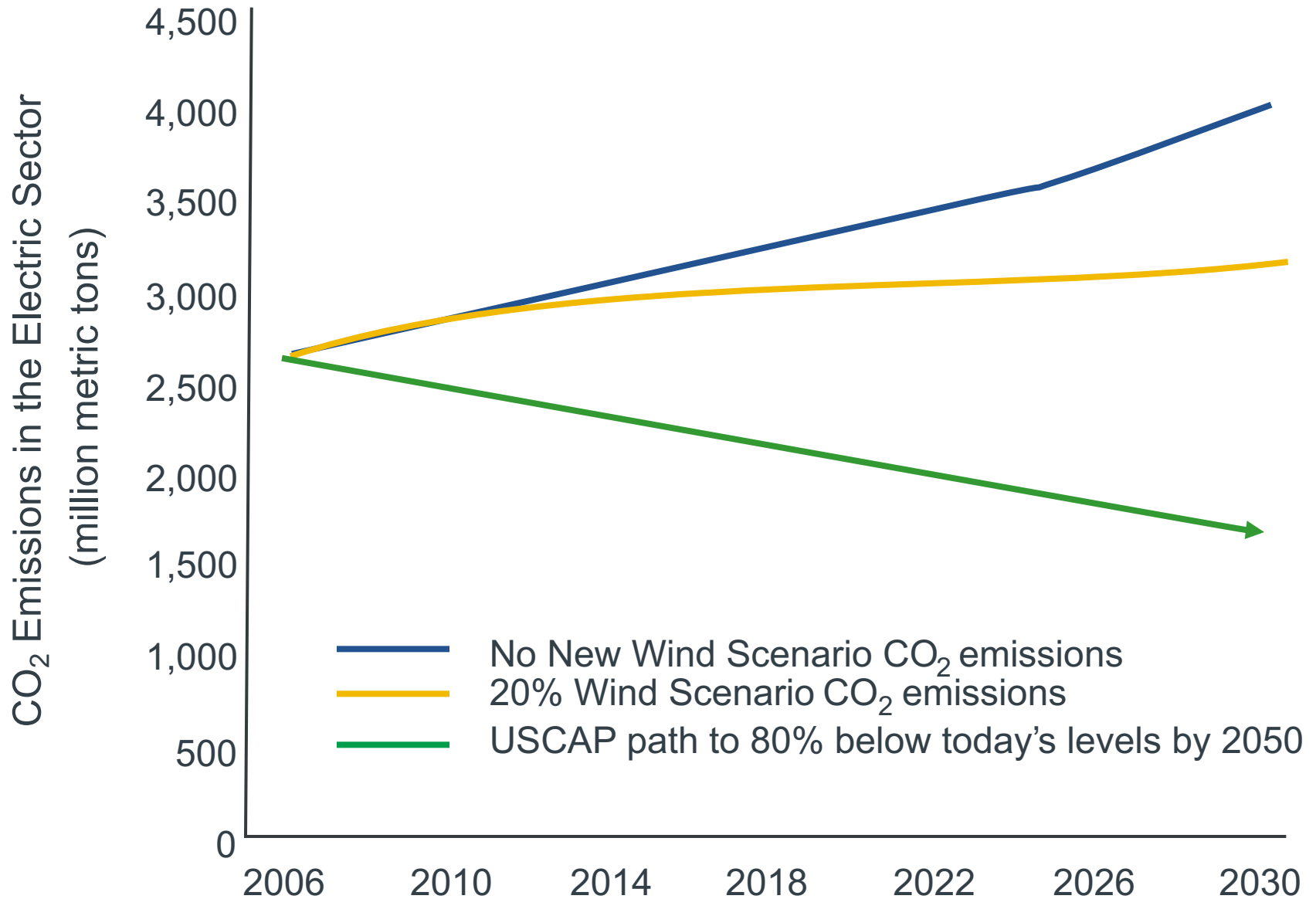
*Could avoid ~\$98 billion\* CO<sub>2</sub> regulation cost*



■ Annual Reductions



# CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from the Electricity Sector





# Wind is Ready to Lead the Fight Against Climate Change

## ▲ 20% Wind in 2030 is equivalent to:

- Taking 140 million of today's cars off the road, or
- Increasing current vehicle fuel economy ~45% to 25 mpg, or
- Offsetting 96% of the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of the entire 2007 US Industrial Sector
- EPRI/NRDC estimates of GHG reductions from PHEVs in 2050

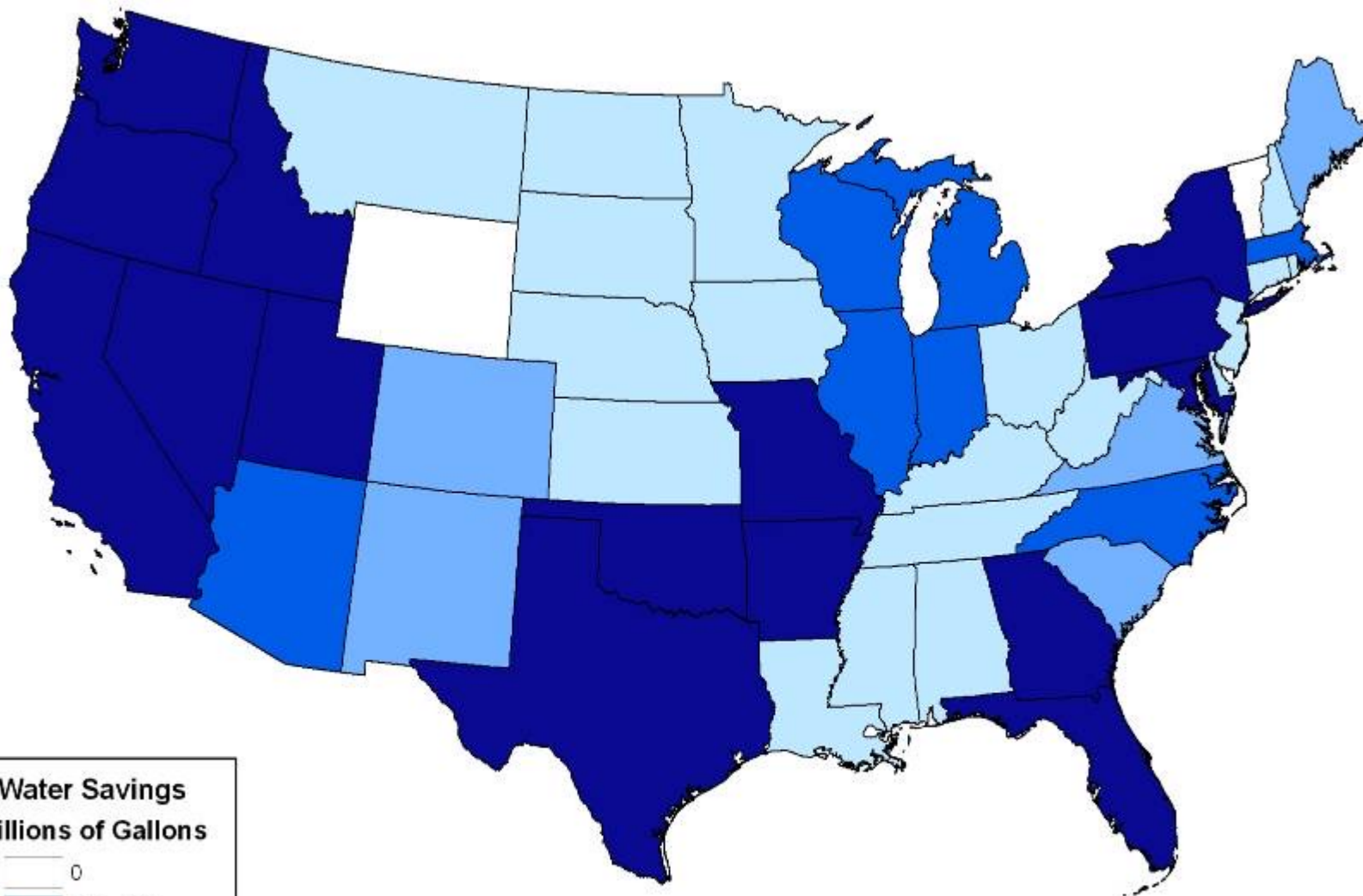
2006 CO <sub>2</sub> Sources	Million Metric Tons/Year	Share of Total
Power Generation	2,328	41.3%
Transportation	1,856	32.9%
Industry	862	15.3%
Residential	327	5.8%
Commercial	210	3.7%
Other	55	1.0%
Total	5,638	100.0%

Source: US EPA Inventory of US GHG Emissions & Sinks 1990-2006

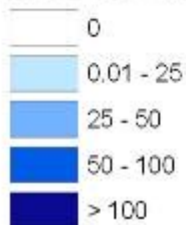




# Cumulative Water Savings from 20% Scenario



Water Savings  
Billions of Gallons



***Reduces water consumption of 4 trillion gallons through 2030 (represents a reduction in electric sector water consumption by 17% in 2030)***

# Transmission

- ✦ Enhancement of electrical transmission system required in all electricity-growth scenarios
- ✦ Transmission is needed to:
  - Relieve congestion in existing system
  - Improve system reliability for all customers
  - Increase access to lower-cost energy
  - Access new and remote generation resources
- ✦ Wind requires more transmission than some other options as best winds are often in remote locations



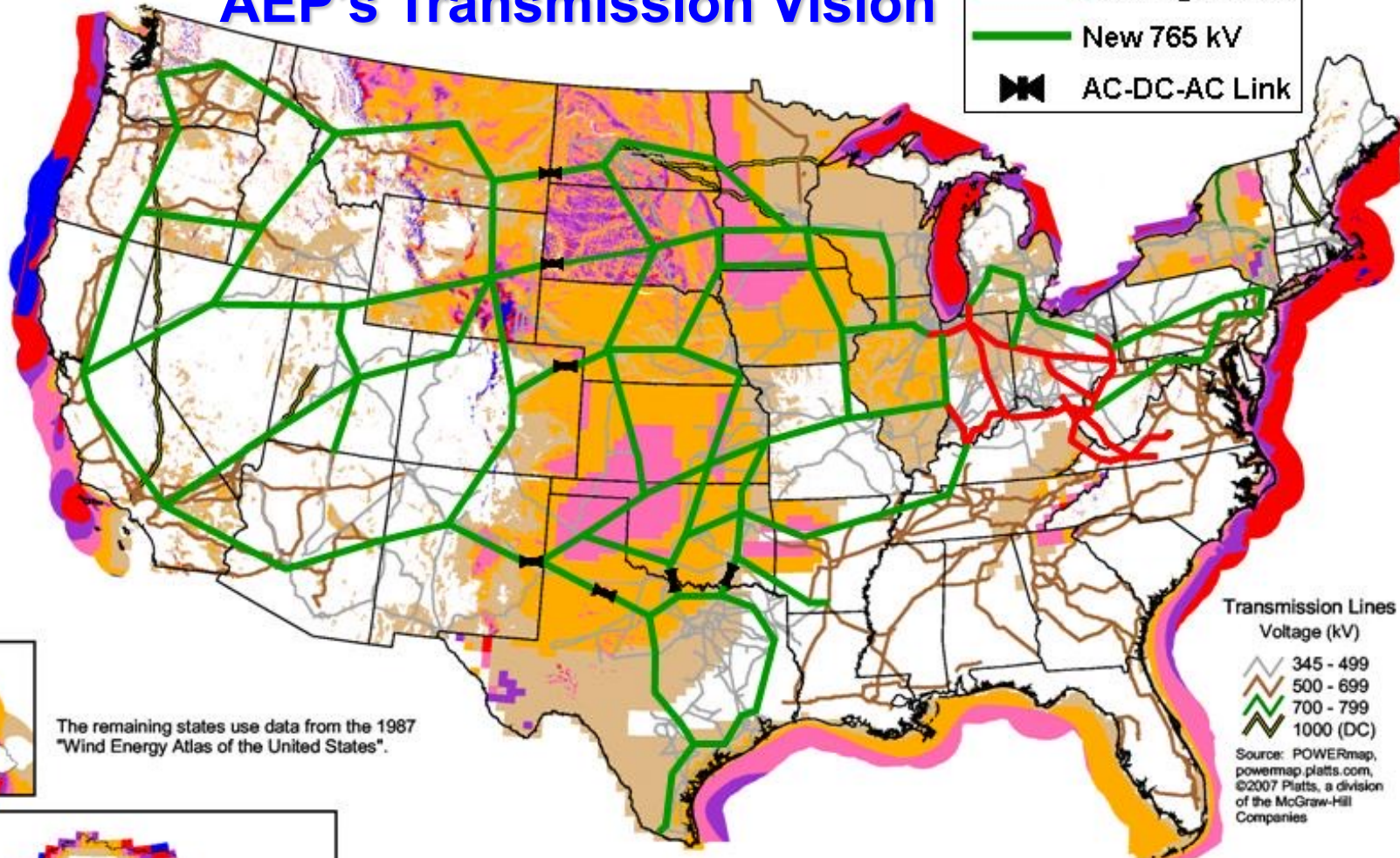
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NREL Updated Maps:  
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# AEP's Transmission Vision

Existing 765 kV  
 New 765 kV  
 AC-DC-AC Link



The remaining states use data from the 1987 "Wind Energy Atlas of the United States".

Transmission Lines  
 Voltage (kV)

345 - 499  
 500 - 699  
 700 - 799  
 1000 (DC)

Source: POWERmap, powermap.platts.com, ©2007 Platts, a division of the McGraw-Hill Companies

## Wind Power Classification

Wind Power Class	Resource Potential	Wind Power Density at 50 m W/m <sup>2</sup>	Wind Speed <sup>a</sup> at 50 m m/s	Wind Speed <sup>a</sup> at 50 m mph
2	Marginal	200 - 300	5.6 - 6.4	12.5 - 14.3
3	Fair	300 - 400	6.4 - 7.0	14.3 - 15.7
4	Good	400 - 500	7.0 - 7.5	15.7 - 16.8
5	Excellent	500 - 600	7.5 - 8.0	16.8 - 17.9
6	Outstanding	600 - 800	8.0 - 8.8	17.9 - 19.7
7	Superb	800 - 1600	8.8 - 11.1	19.7 - 24.8

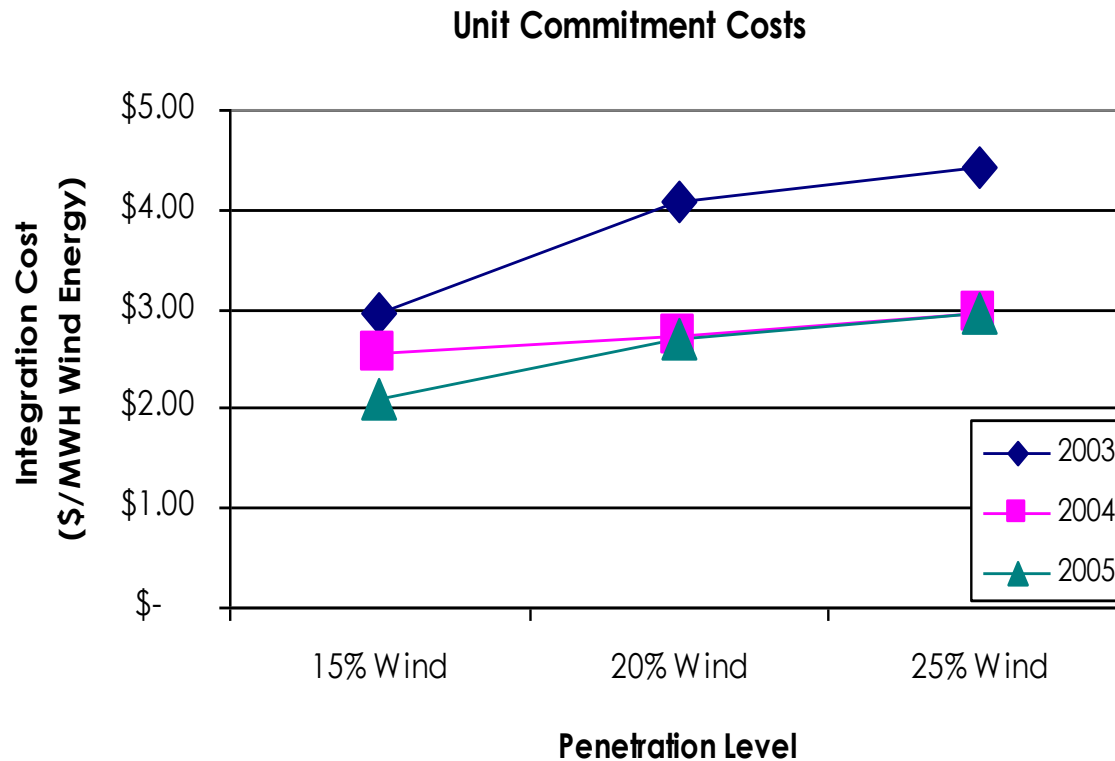
<sup>a</sup> Wind speeds are based on a Weibull k value of 2.0

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# 20% Wind Energy Can Be Managed

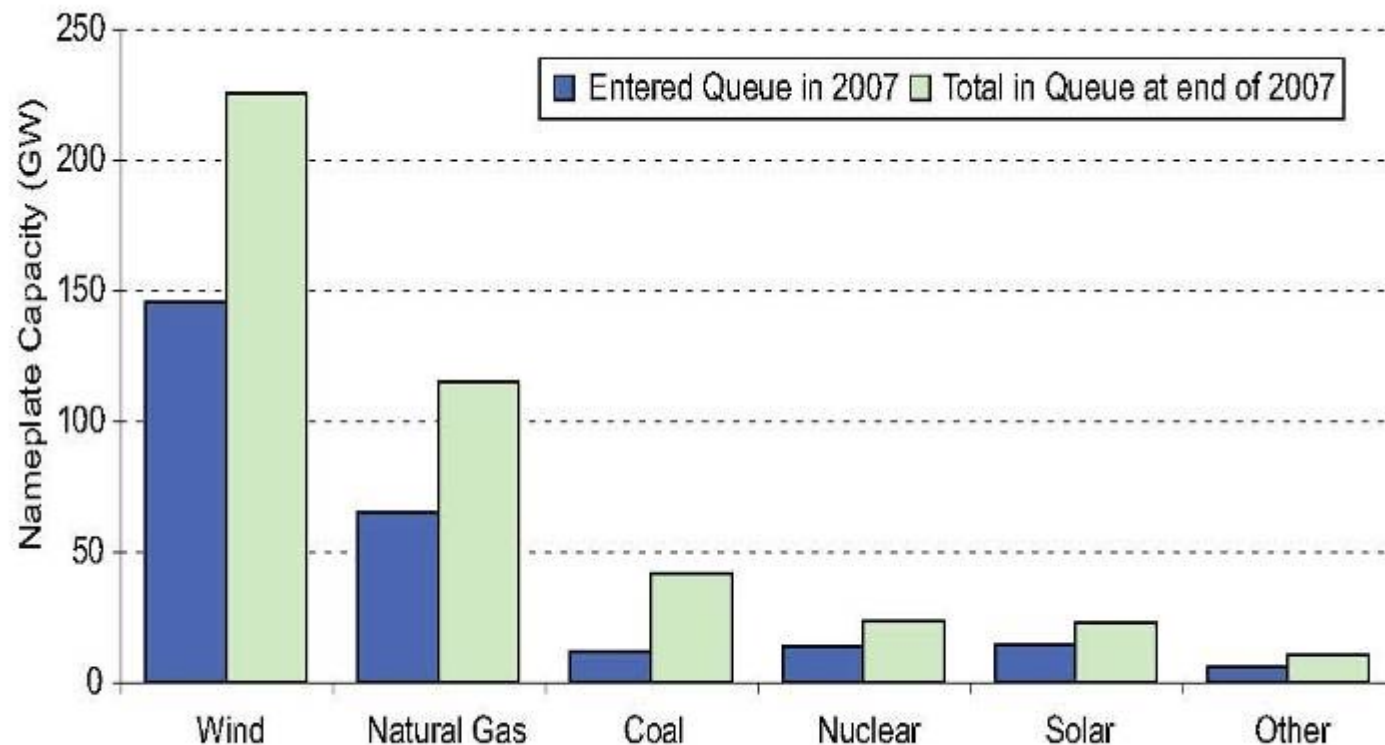


Wind integration costs for three penetration levels and pattern years.  
Cost of incremental operating reserves is embedded.

Source:  
MN DOC



# 225,000 MW of wind now dominates 11 major interconnection queues

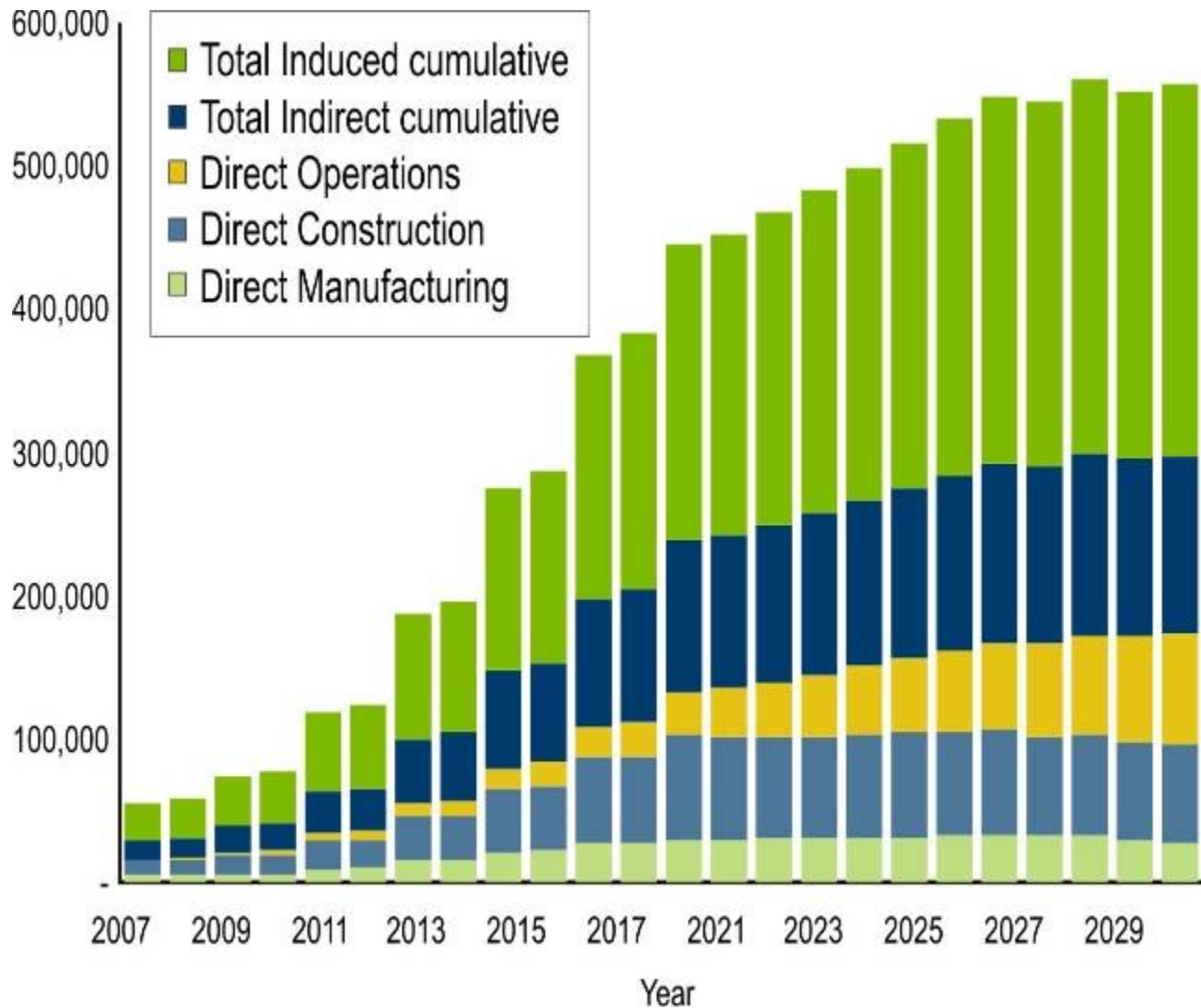


Source: Exeter Associates review of interconnection queues.





# Jobs Supported by 20% Wind Scenario

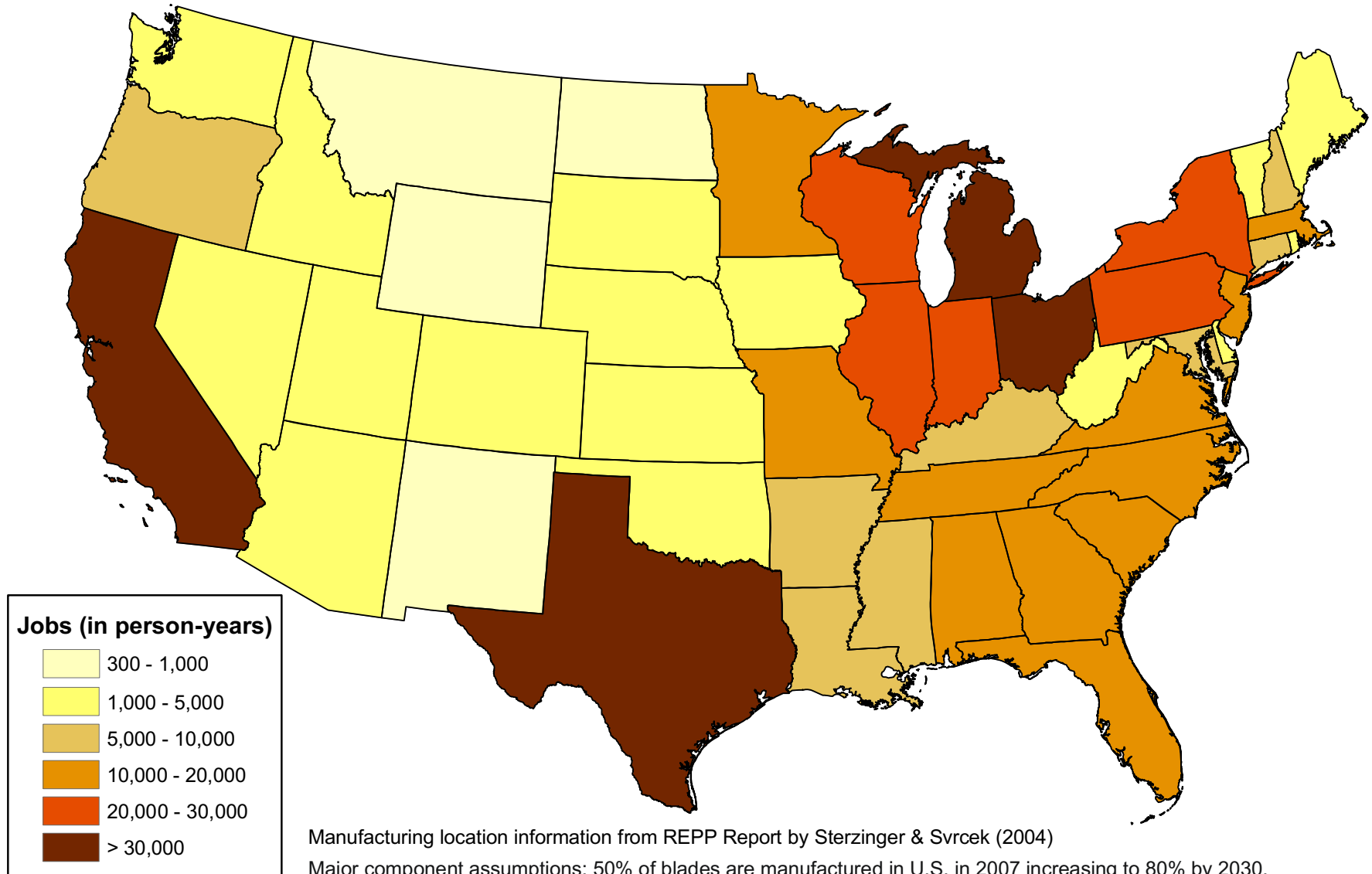


Over 500,000 total jobs would be supported by the wind industry

Approx. 180,000 jobs supported directly by the wind industry in operations, construction, and manufacturing



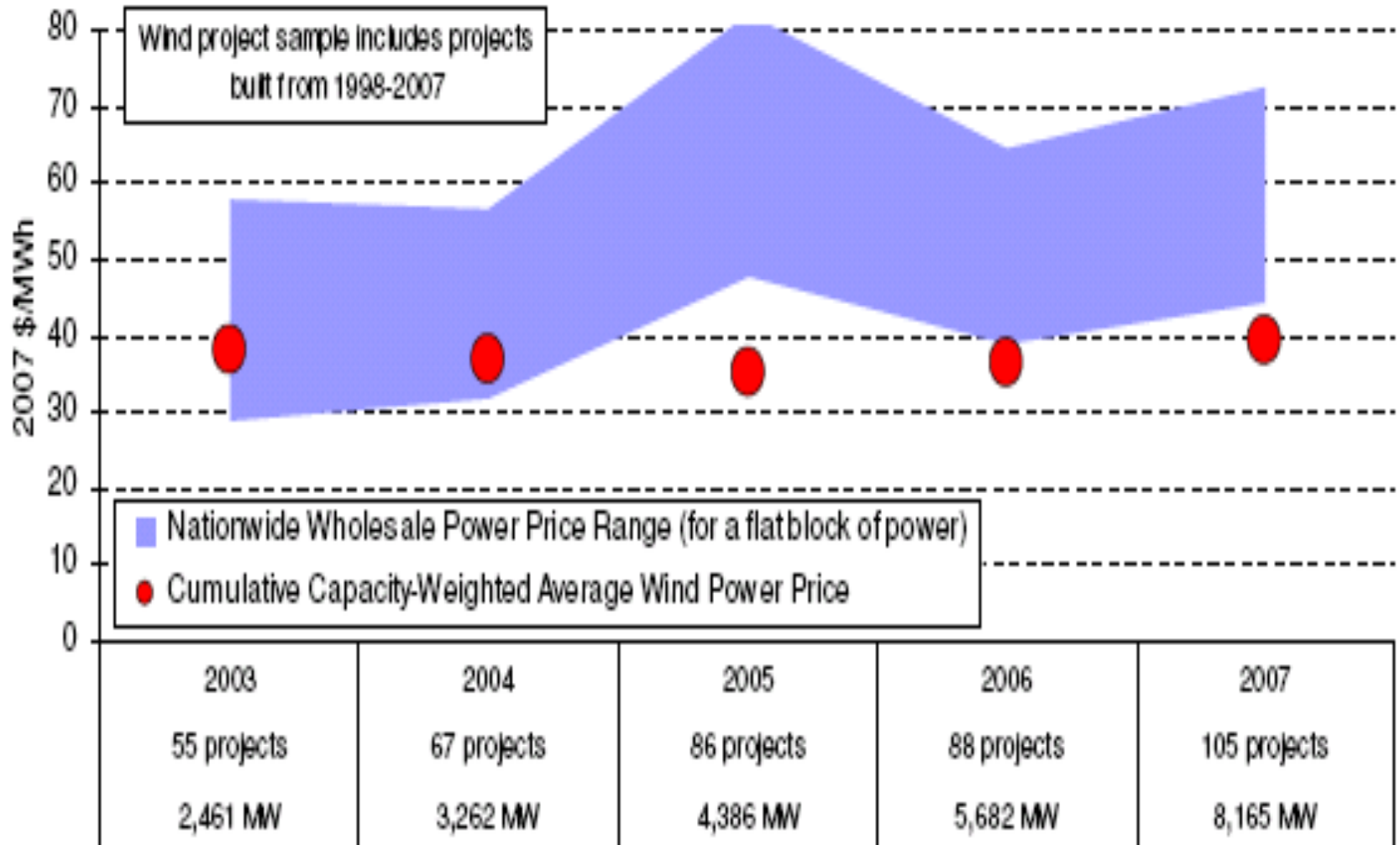
# Manufacturing Jobs Supported by State



Manufacturing location information from REPP Report by Sterzinger & Svrcek (2004)

Major component assumptions: 50% of blades are manufactured in U.S. in 2007 increasing to 80% by 2030, 26% of towers are from the U.S. in 2007 increasing to 50% by 2030 and 20% of turbines are made in the U.S. increasing to 42% by 2030.

# Wind is Competitively Priced



Source: FERC 2006 and 2004 "State of the Market" reports, Berkeley Lab database, Ventyx

## AVERAGE WIND AND WHOLESAL ELEC TRIC PRICES



# Summary: Costs & Benefits

Incremental direct cost to society	<b>\$43 billion</b> <b>50 cents/month/ household</b>
Reduction in emissions of greenhouse gasses and avoided carbon regulation costs	825 million tons of CO <sub>2</sub> \$50 to \$145 billion
Reduction in water consumption	8% through 2030 17% in 2030
Jobs supported and other economic benefits	500,000 total with 150,000 direct jobs \$2 billion in local annual revenues
Reduction in nationwide natural gas use and likely savings for all gas consumers	11% \$86-214 billion



# Beyond The 20% Wind Scenario

- ✦ The 20% Scenario in no way represents a “cap” – other scenarios could exceed 20%
- ✦ Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicles (PHEVs) present one scenario “beyond 20%”
  - US DOT reports that 78% of cars are driven < 40 miles per day on average; corresponds to expected battery range for PHEVs
  - Wind Power could charge PHEVs at night, off-peak, making better use of existing electric utility infrastructure
  - Smart Grid / advanced metering paves the way for PHEVs to truly be “wind powered cars”





# Beyond The 20% Wind Scenario

## ★ EPRI / NRDC Study:

- If 60% of light vehicles replaced by PHEVs by 2050, electricity consumption would rise only about 8%.
- Net carbon dioxide reductions of 450 million metric tons annually—equivalent to taking 82 million cars off the road.

## ★ PNWNL Study:

- Found the existing US electric system has the “technical potential” to support 73% penetration of LDV fleet by PHEVs
- Would reduce US GHG emissions 27%, oil imports 52%

## ★ Expanding wind power will help ensure that PHEV growth results in emissions and electricity price reductions

# Area to Power 100% of U.S. Onroad Vehicles

**Beyond 20% Wind**  
Help the electric industry recapture the transportation market they lost in early 1900s

Solar-battery

Wind turbines ground footprint  
Wind-battery turbine spacing  
Cellulosic ethanol  
Corn ethanol

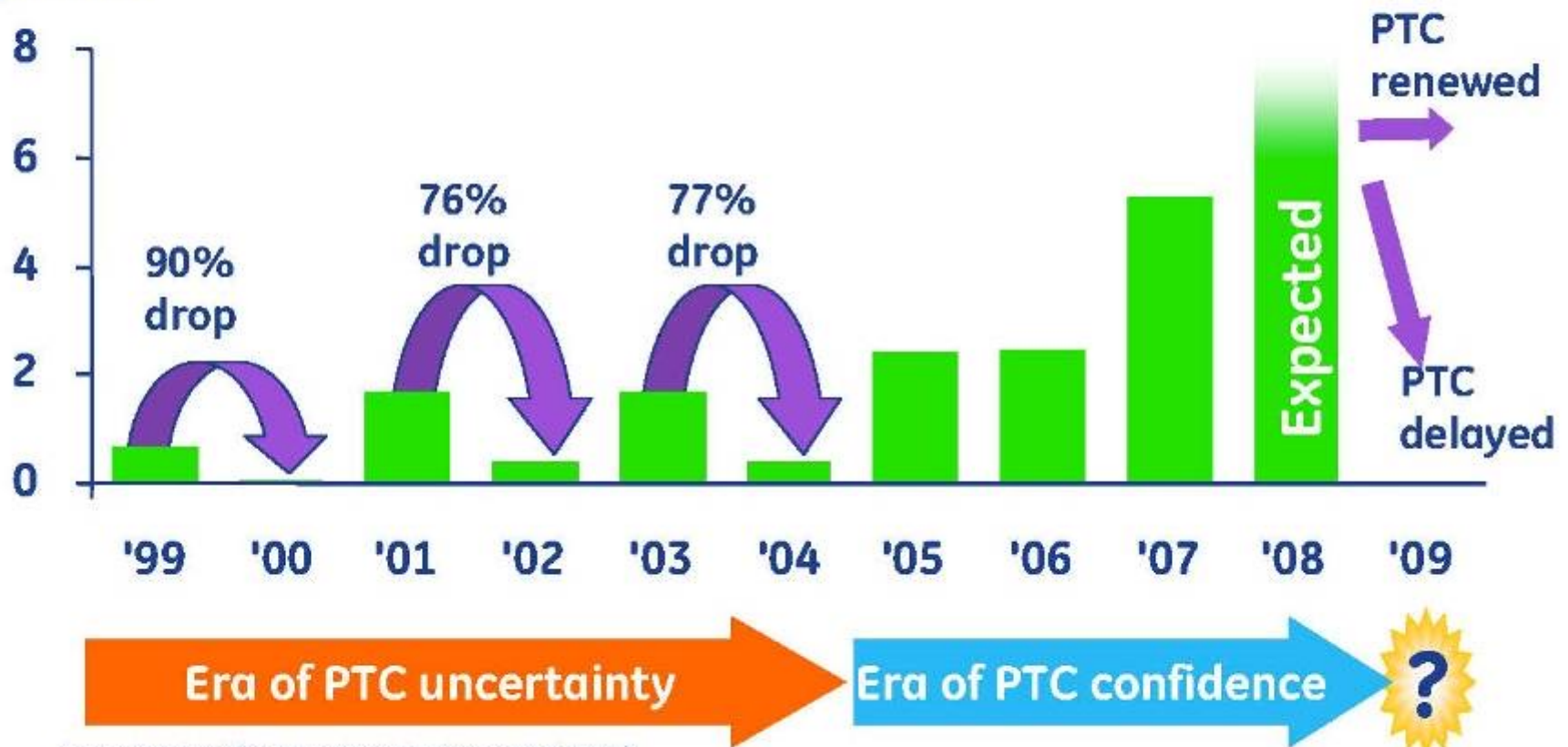


Solar-battery and Wind-battery refer to battery storage of these intermittent renewable resources in plug-in electric driven vehicles

**WEB CALCULATOR- VISUALIZER – COMPARISON OF LAND NEEDED TO POWER VEHICLES**

# Stable Policy Critical for Sustained Growth

US wind annual capacity additions  
(Gigawatts)



Sources: American Wind Energy Association, Lawrence Berkeley Lab



# Can We Do It?

- During WWII, US was arsenal to the world
  - FDR promised 60,000 airplanes, delivered 229,600
  - EVERYBODY pitched in.
- Then it took 37% of GDP, 87% of Federal budget
- Today we have the resources to do 300 GW using only 2.5% of US steel production (Black & Veatch)
- US Auto Industry in 2007 produced the horsepower equivalent of 1,700 GW – 100 times the annual rate of prime mover production needed for 20% wind





# Conclusions

- 20% Wind Report provides authoritative confirmation that wind has great growth potential
- There are no fundamental technical barriers to the integration of 20% wind energy into the nation's electrical system, but...
- Requires a continuing evolution of transmission planning, system operations and market development for this to be achieved
- Scenario is feasible and brings significant net benefits
- Scenario is not a cap – potential exists for accelerating schedule (e.g. Pickens Plan) going beyond 305GW to help transform transportation
- Climate change and import dependence add great urgency – Nobelist Pachauri, IPCC Head, says we have only 7 years (to 2015) to have world GHG emissions start to decline to avoid temperature rises  $> 2^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Wind can provide a bridge to other clean generation technologies
- **Wind is one of a very few zero carbon, zero water use, affordably priced generation sources that can and is being deployed at scale using current technology**