

# **Transformative Technology Impacting Traditional Energy Systems**



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# Designing An Optimal Energy System

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- Begin With Traditional Fuels At Scale
- Determine System Constraints & Establish Objectives
- Maximize Efficiency
- Synergistically Add Renewables
- Make The System Smart, Very Smart
- Simultaneously Continue To Work On Energy Transformations

Integration, Not A Silver Bullet, Is The Key Today



# Getting The Bigger Picture: Ball Bearings



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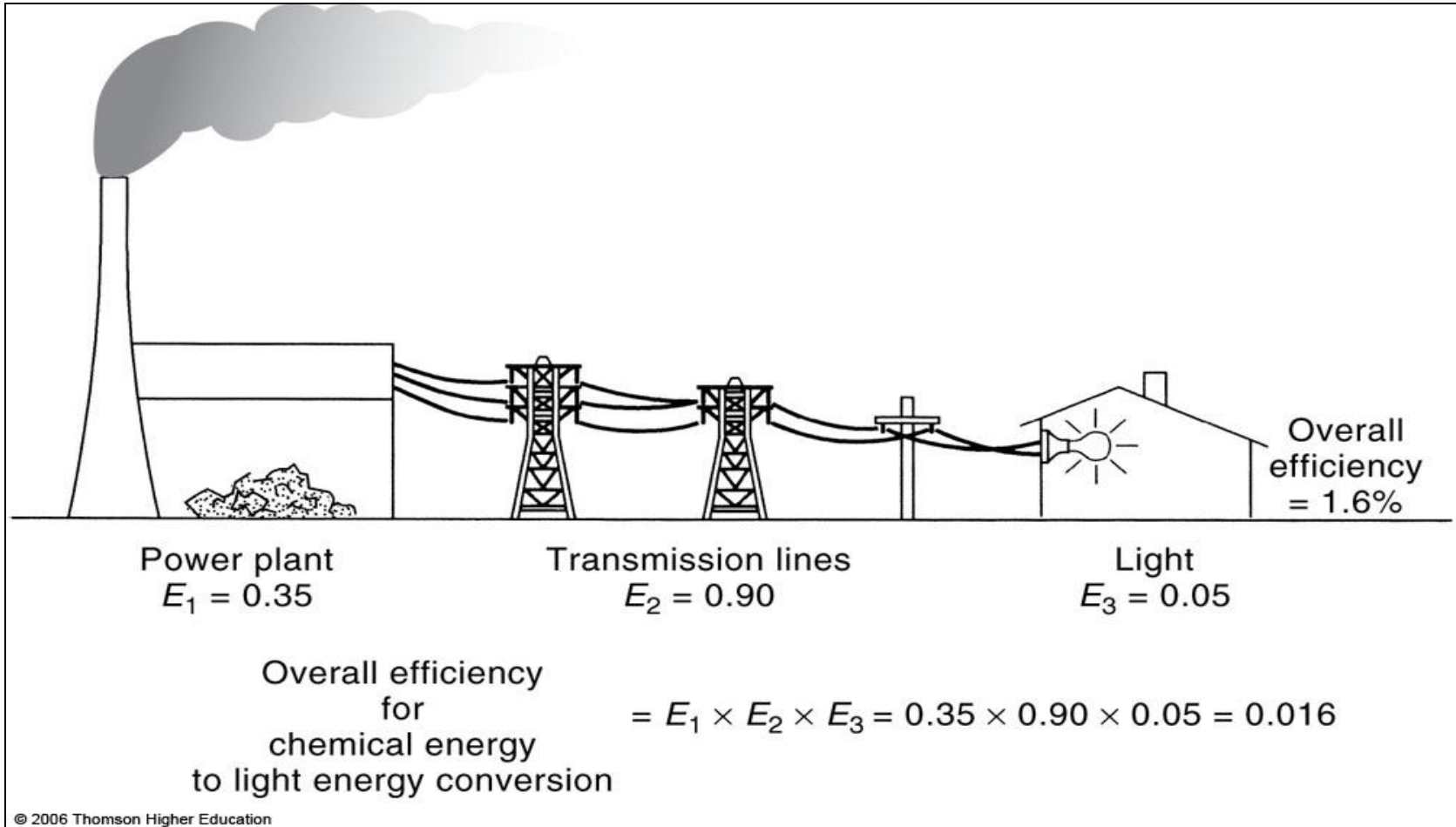
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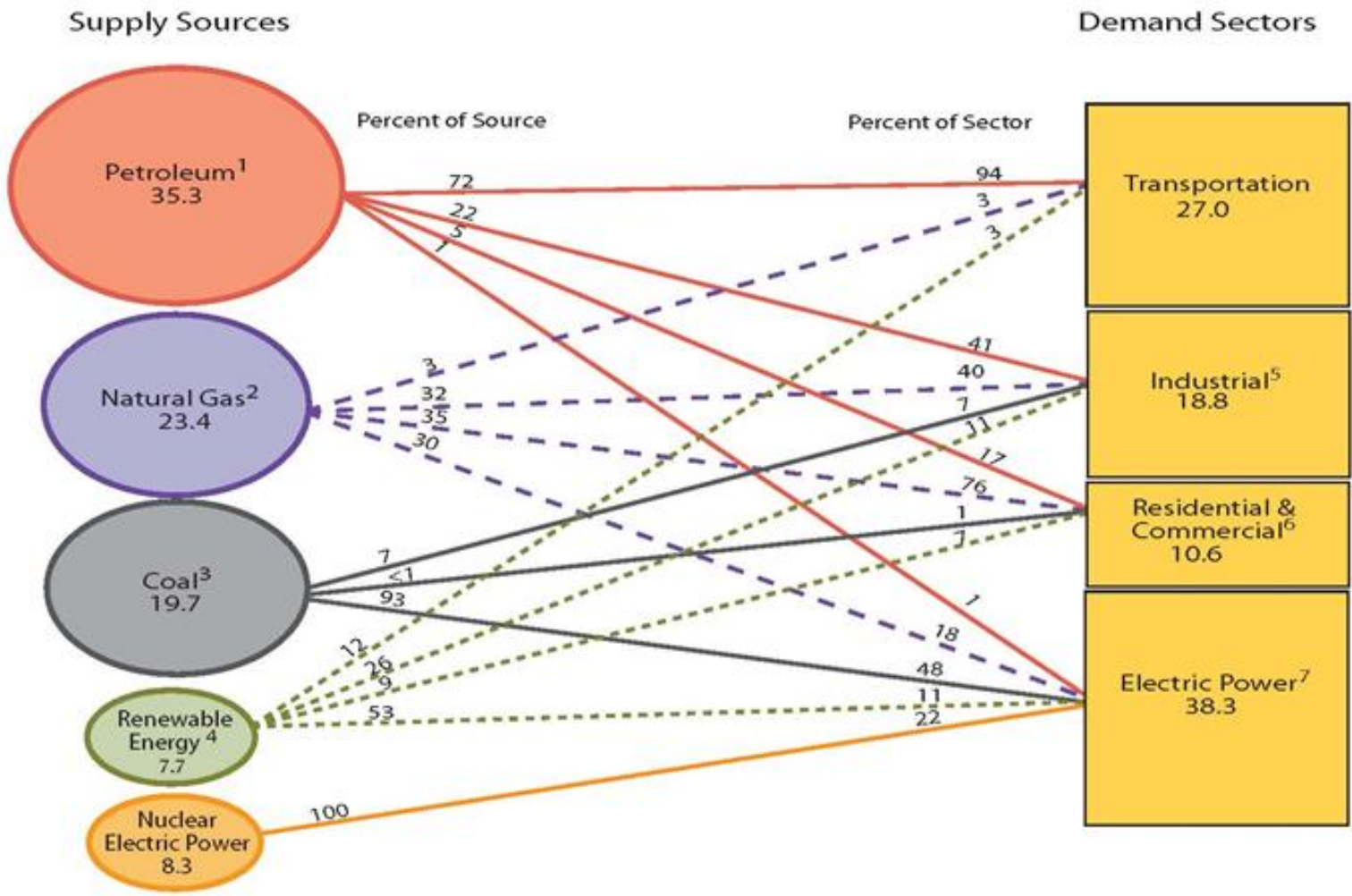
# Optimizing Any Component Can Improve The System



Source: Hinrichs/Kleinbach, *Energy – Its Use and the Environment*



**Figure 2.0 Primary Energy Flow by Source and Sector, 2009**  
(Quadrillion Btu)



Source: EIA, 2009

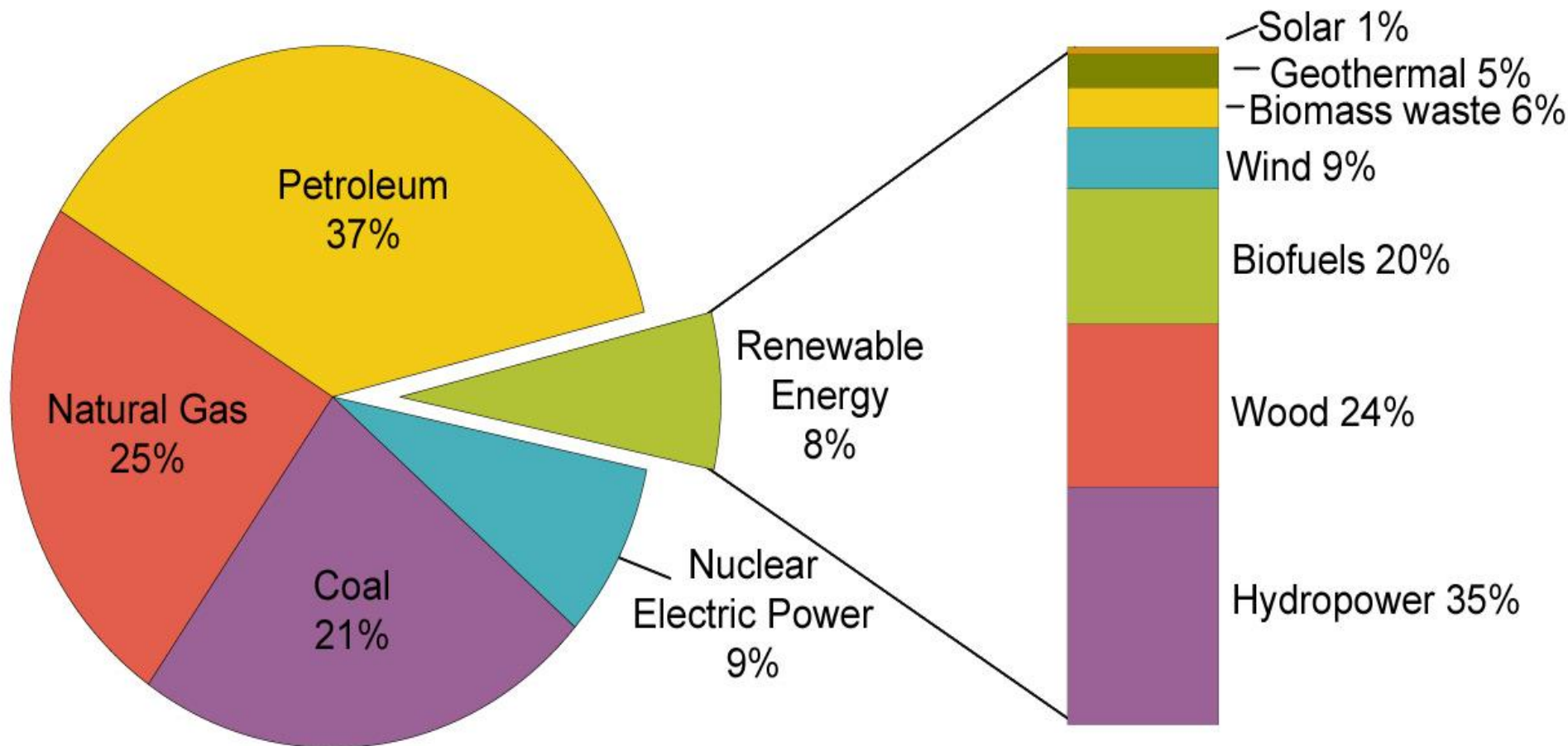




# U.S. Energy Consumption by Energy Source, 2009

Total = 94.578 Quadrillion Btu

Total = 7.744 Quadrillion Btu



Note: Sum of components may not equal 100% due to independent rounding.

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, *Annual Energy Review 2009*, Table 1.3, Primary Energy Consumption by Energy Source, 1949-2009 (August 2010).



# Exceeding Expectations

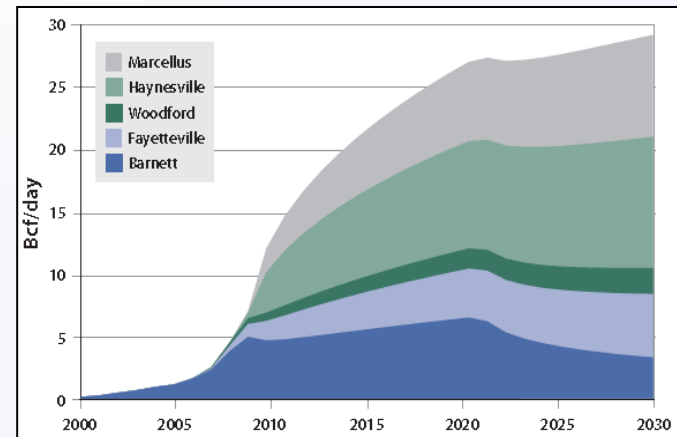
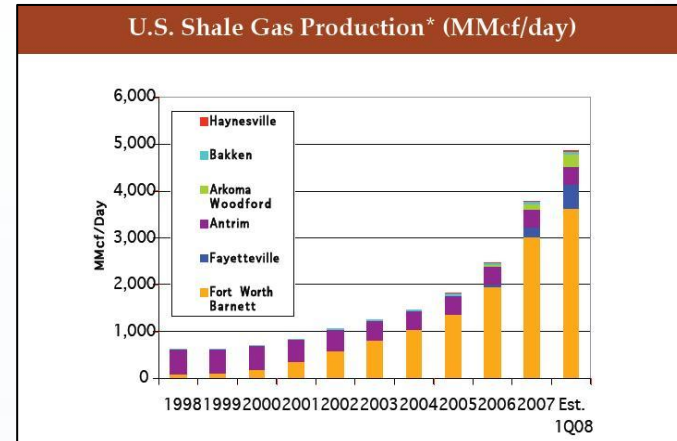


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# The U.S. Gas Shale Ramp

- The Barnett grew 3000% from 1998 to 2007
- The Eagle Ford, Fayetteville, Haynesville, Marcellus, and Woodford will dwarf this
- Technology improvements in horizontal drilling and fracturing have economically enabled vast new unconventional and conventional resources.





# Natural Gas Demand

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Resilience in gas use across sectors

Potential major growth areas:

## *Electricity*

- Natural gas substitution for coal
- Intermittent sources/variability & uncertainty

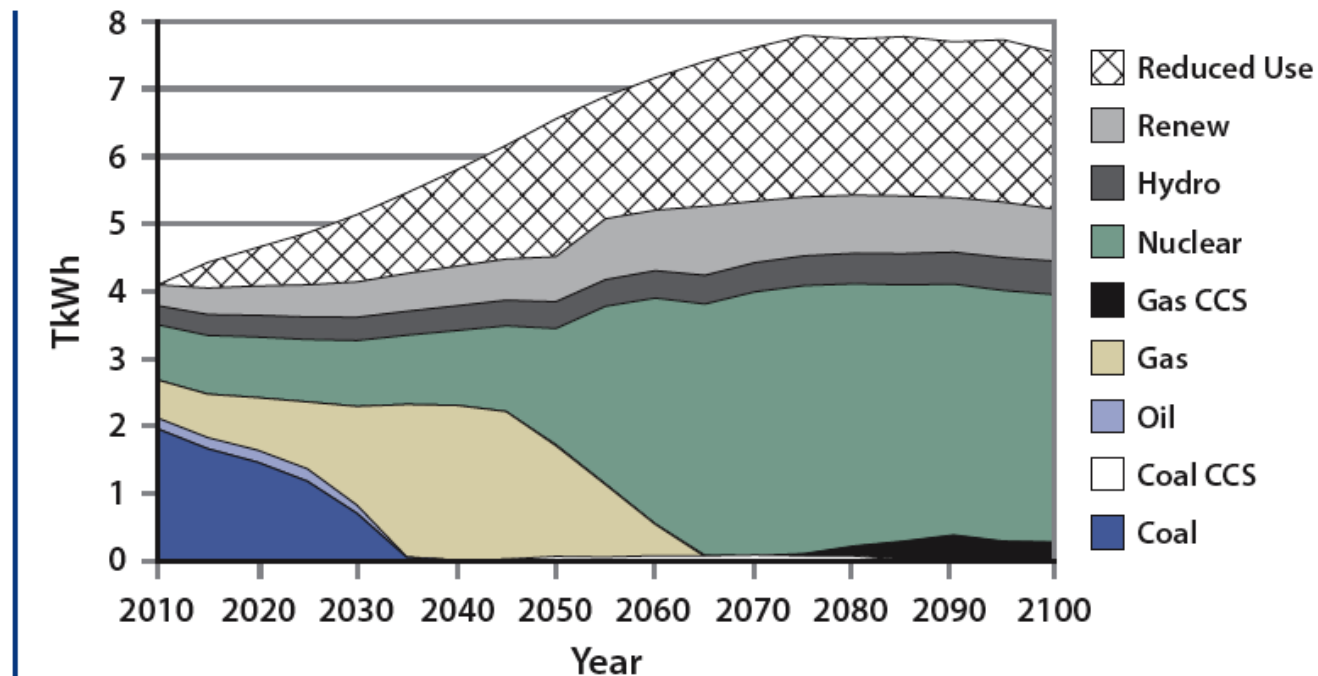
## *Transportation*

- Long term potential for CNG
- LNG not currently attractive

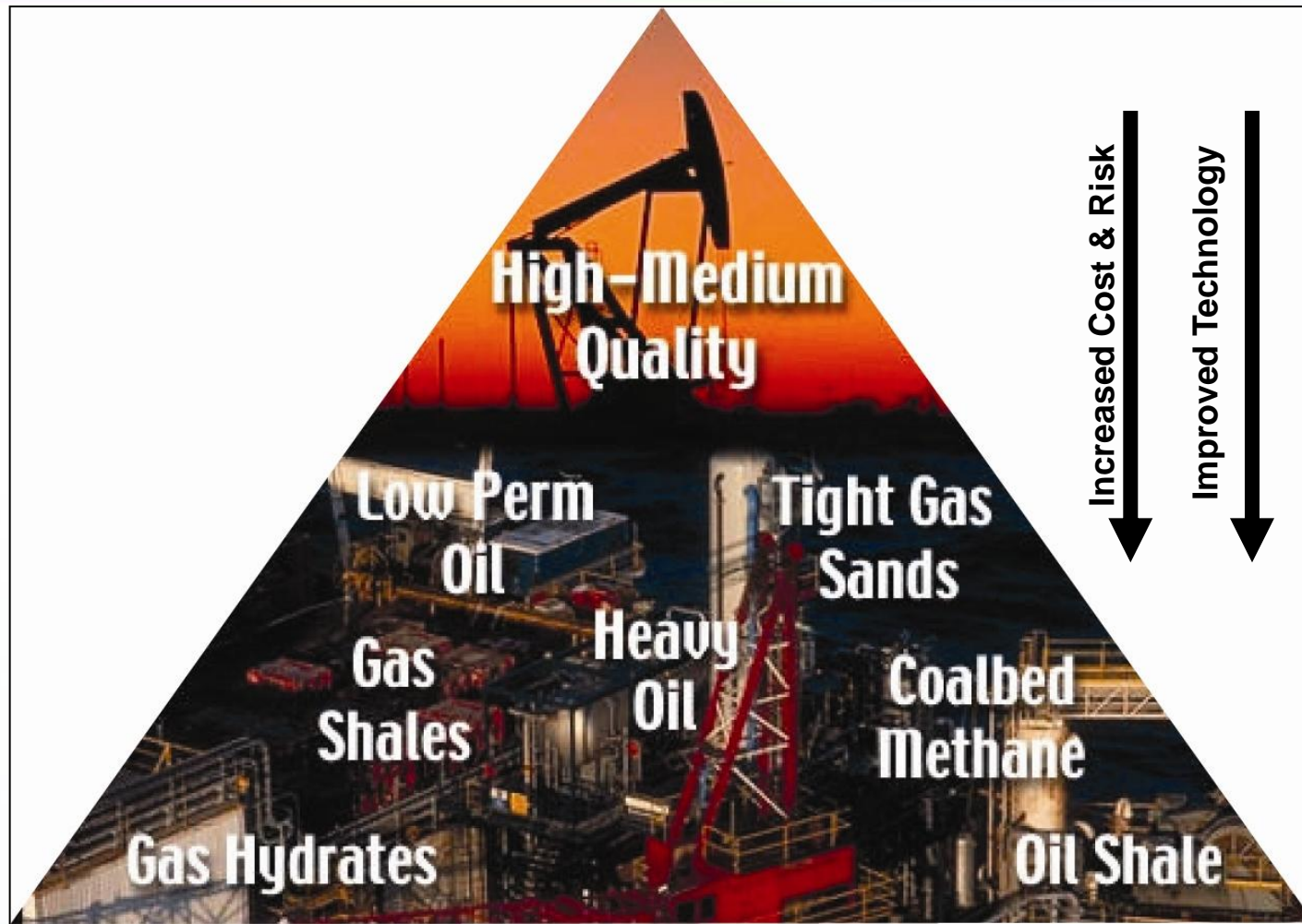


# Natural Gas, A 60-year Bridge (At Least)

**Figure 3.9 Energy Mix in Electric Generation under a Price-Based Climate Policy, Mean Natural Gas Resources and Regional Natural Gas Markets (TkwWh)**



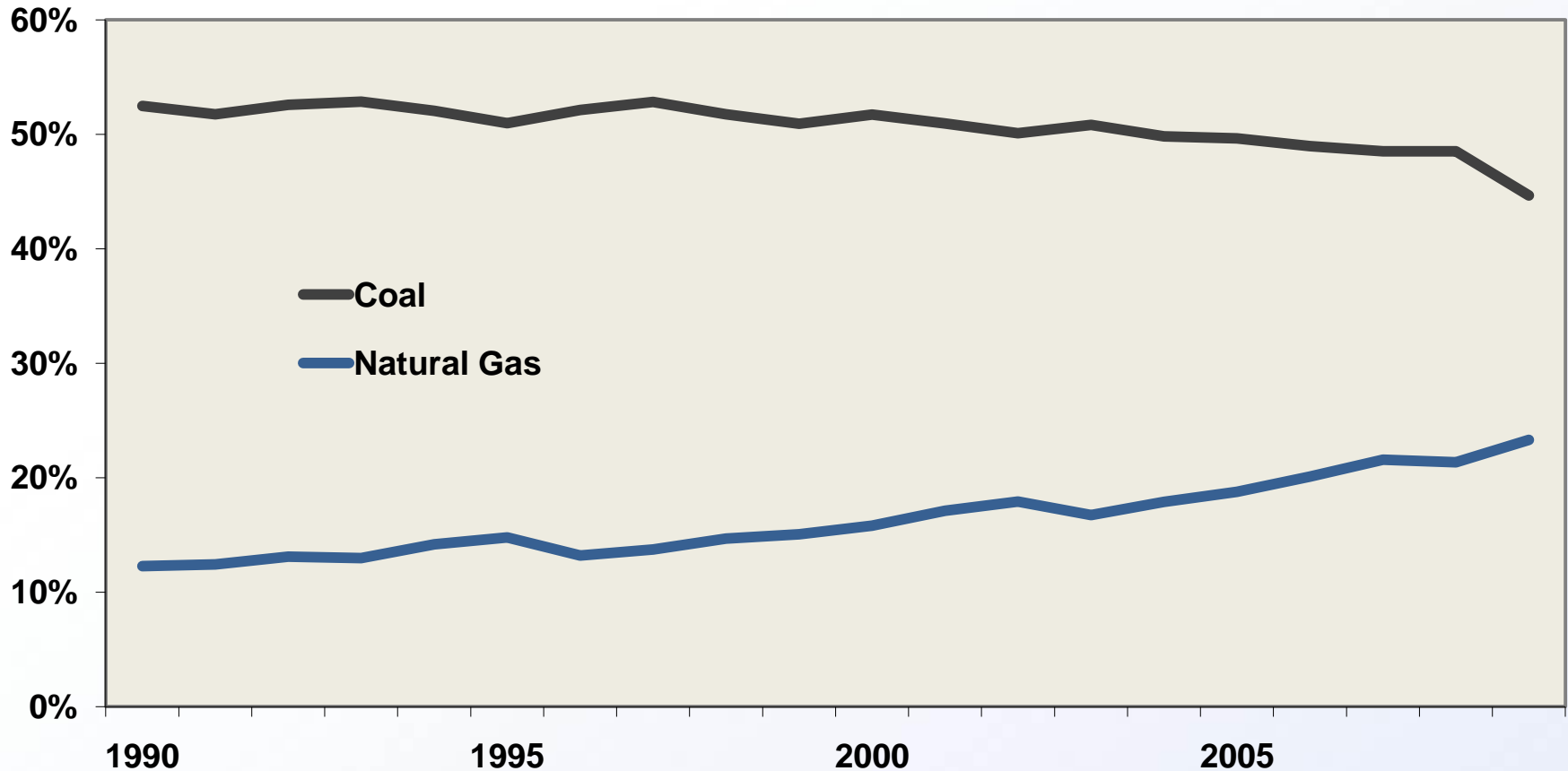
# Technology Has Driven The Growth



Source: Steve Holditch



# Share of U.S. Electric Generation from Coal and Gas, 1990-2009

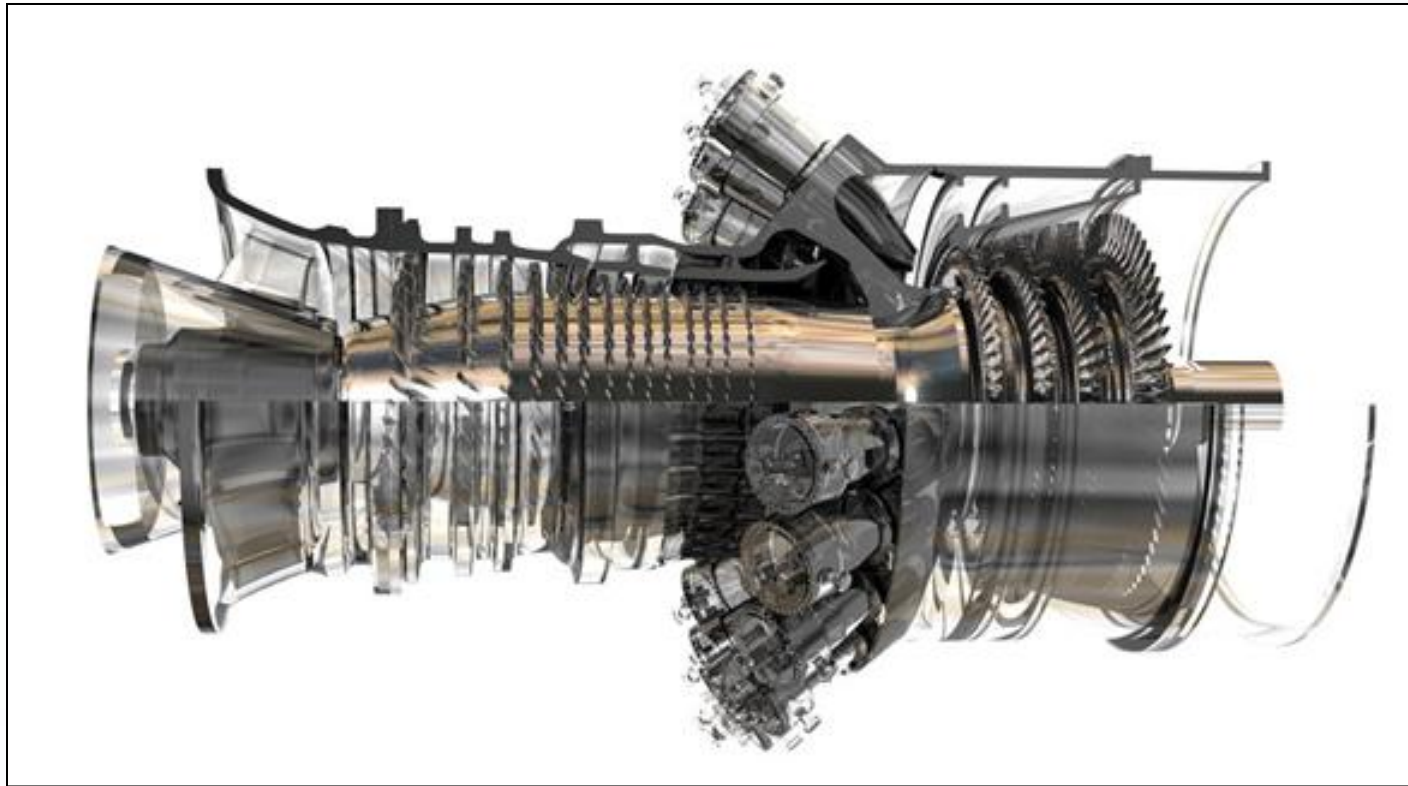


Source: Worldwatch Institute, EIA



# Designing Smarter, Flexible & Efficient Solutions

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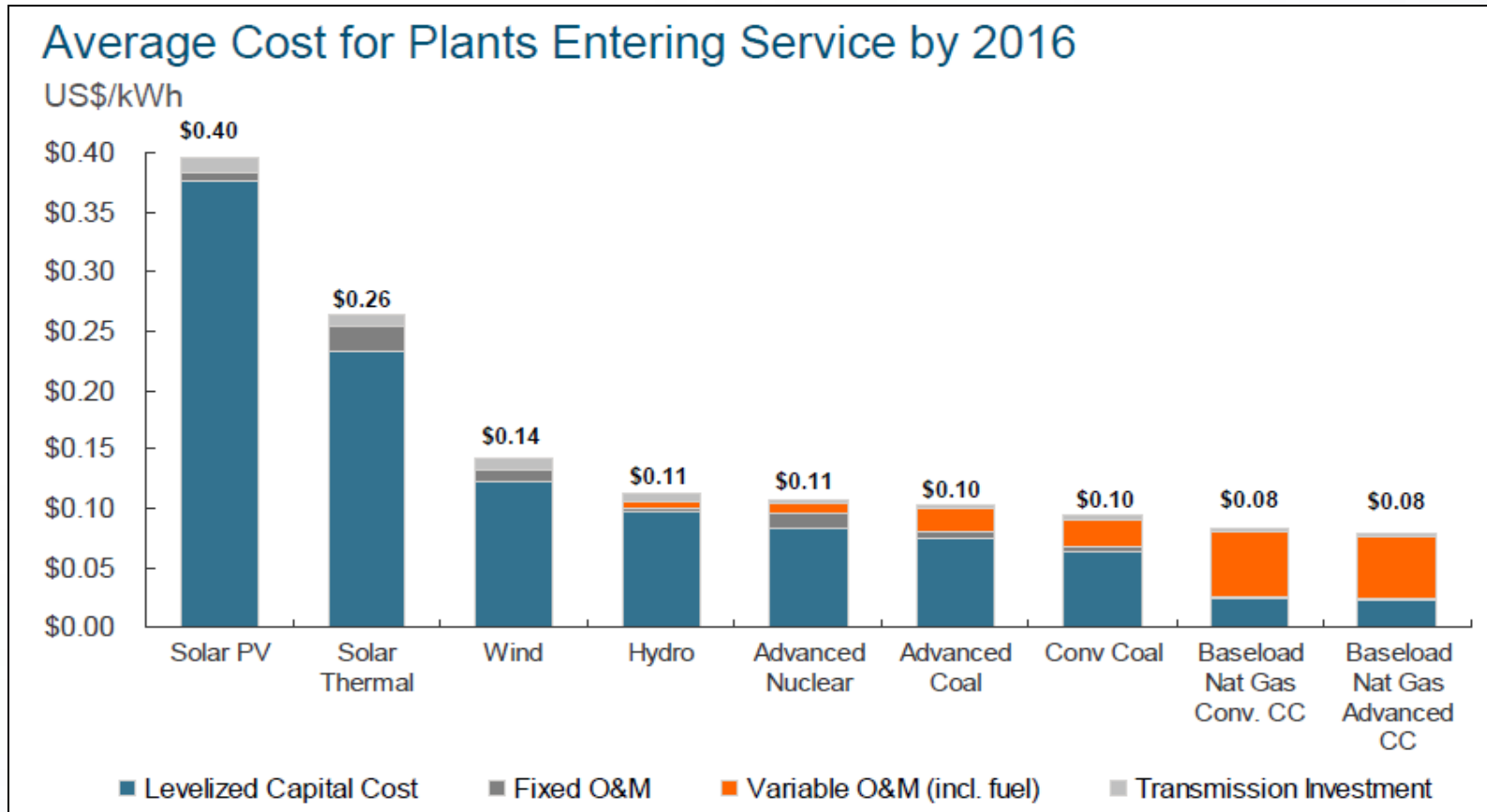


*GE FlexEfficiency\* 50 Combined Cycle Turbine*





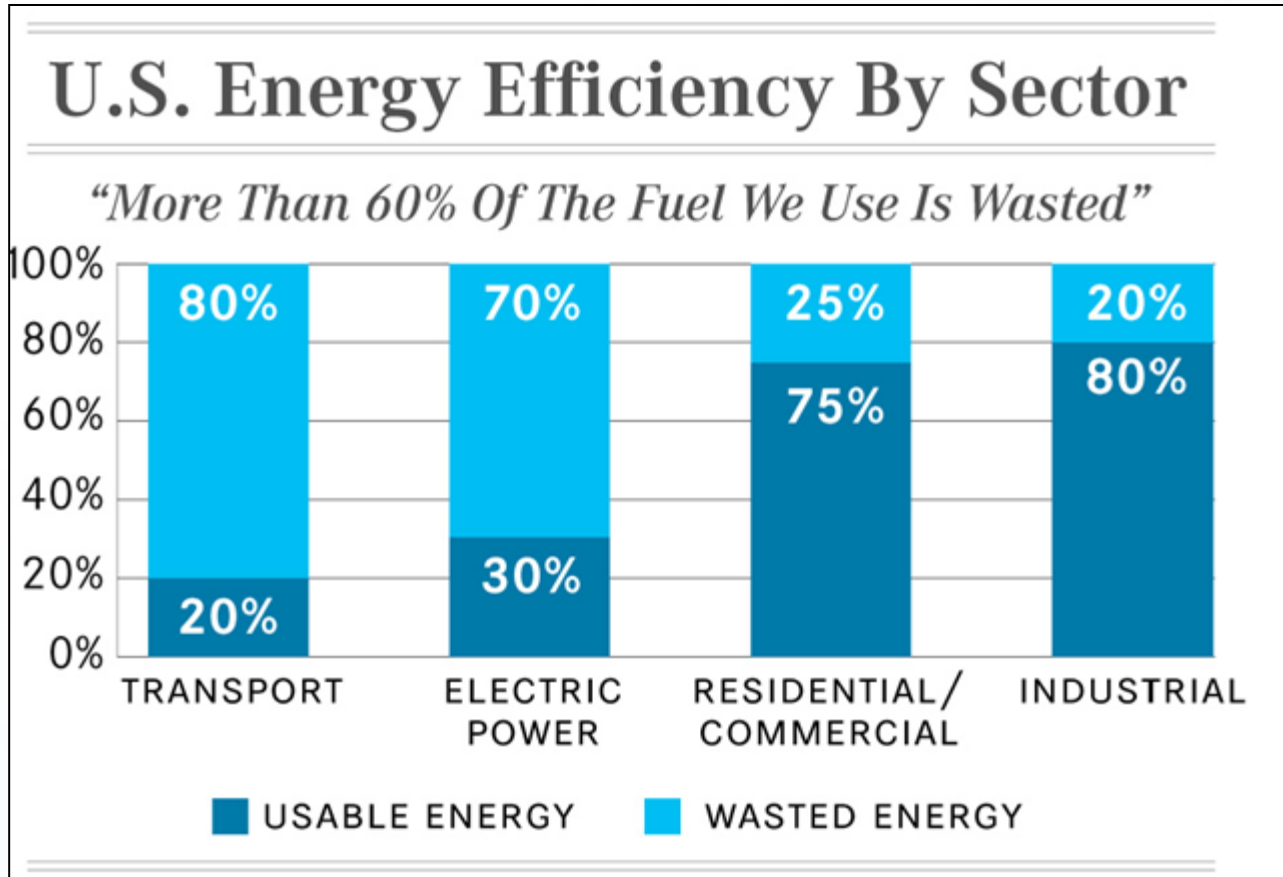
# Natural Gas is the Least Cost Option for New Power Generation



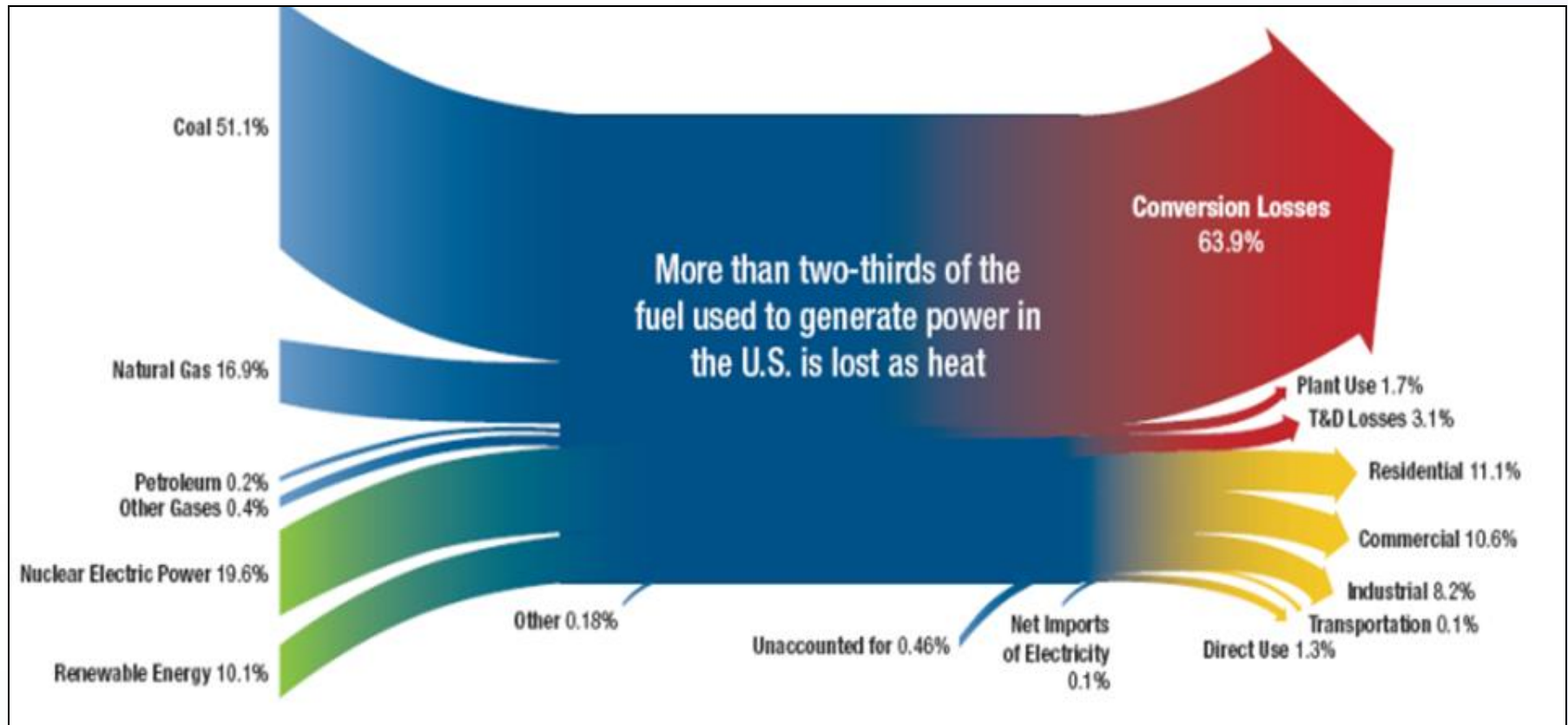
Source: EIA Annual Energy Outlook 2009, EnCana



# Comparative Efficiency By Sector



# Efficiency Must Start At The Point Of Conversion

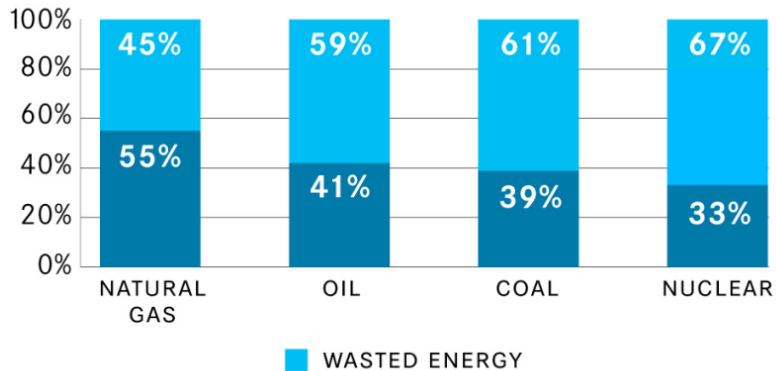


Source: EIA, 2007; GE Energy, 2009



# An Optimal Energy System Lowers Emissions

Power Generation Efficiency By Fuel



Emission Levels: Natural Gas vs. Oil & Coal

*Pounds per Billion Btu of Energy Input*

POLLUTANT	NATURAL GAS	OIL	COAL
CARBON DIOXIDE	117,000	164,000	208,000
CARBON MONOXIDE	40	33	208
NITROGEN OXIDES	92	448	457
SULFUR DIOXIDE	1	1,122	2,591
PARTICULATES	7	84	2,744
MERCURY	0.000	0.007	0.016

**At minimum a 60% reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> intensity, not even accounting for other potential efficiencies!**



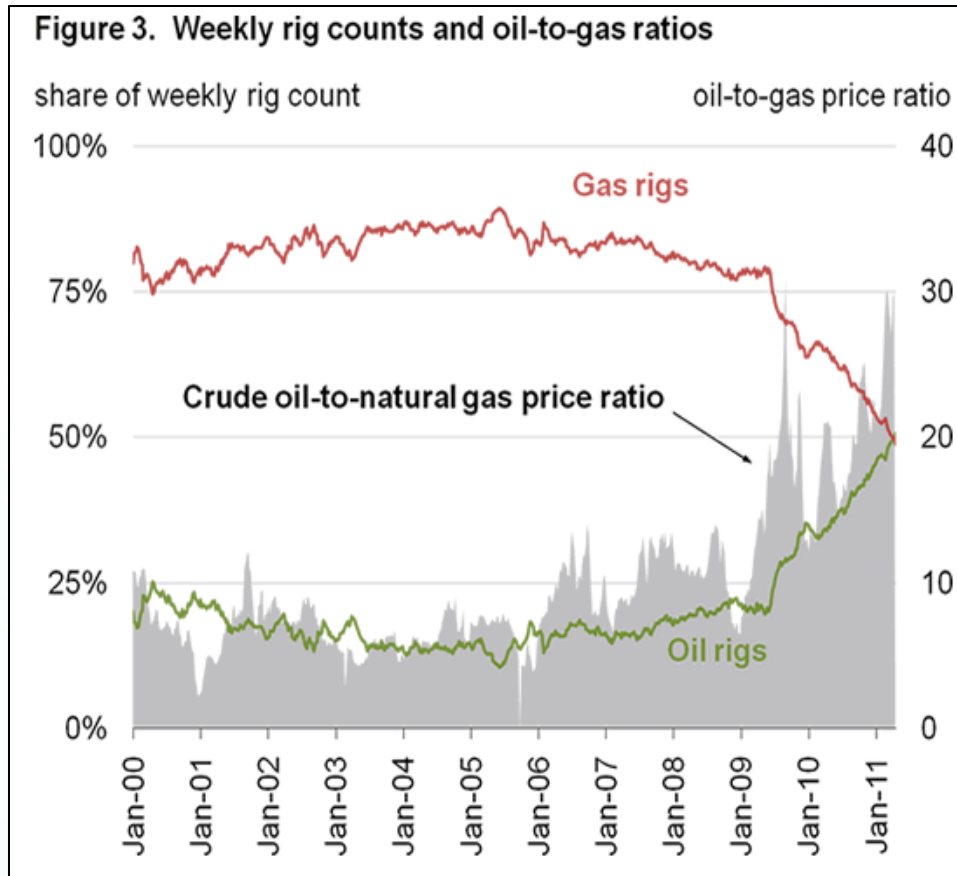
# New Supplies Are Fueling New Demands

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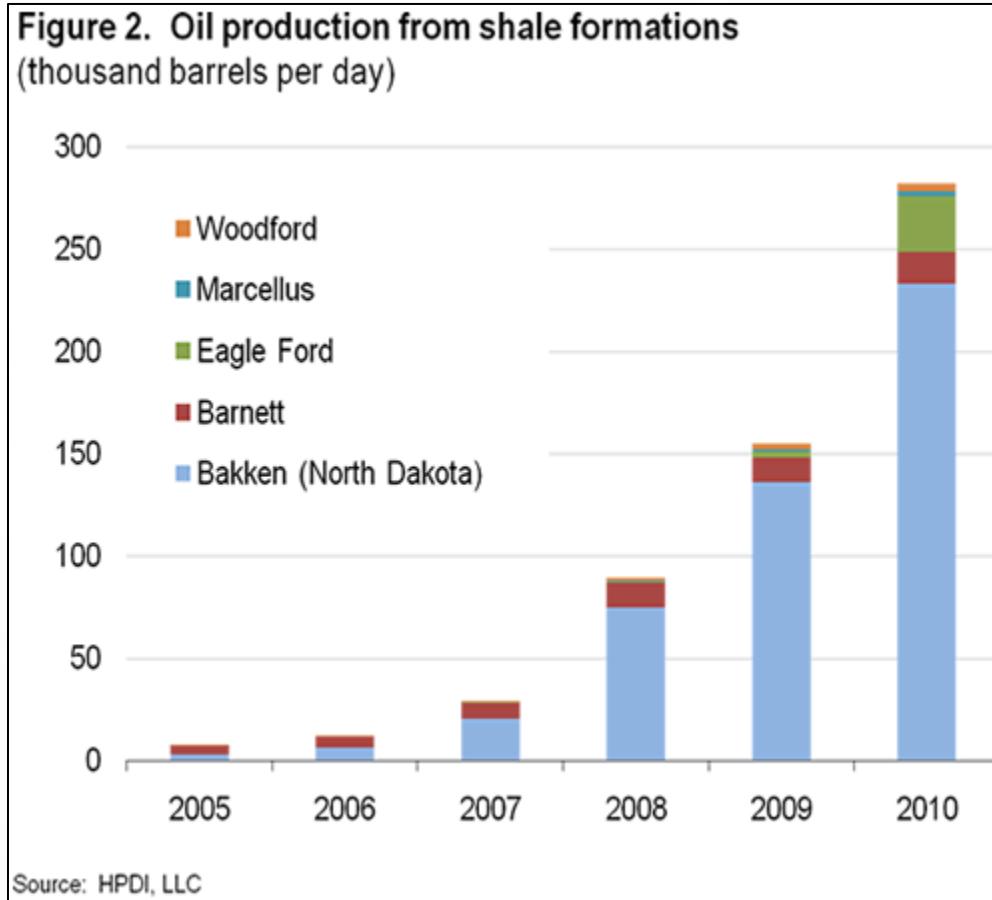
# The Resurgence Of US Oil?



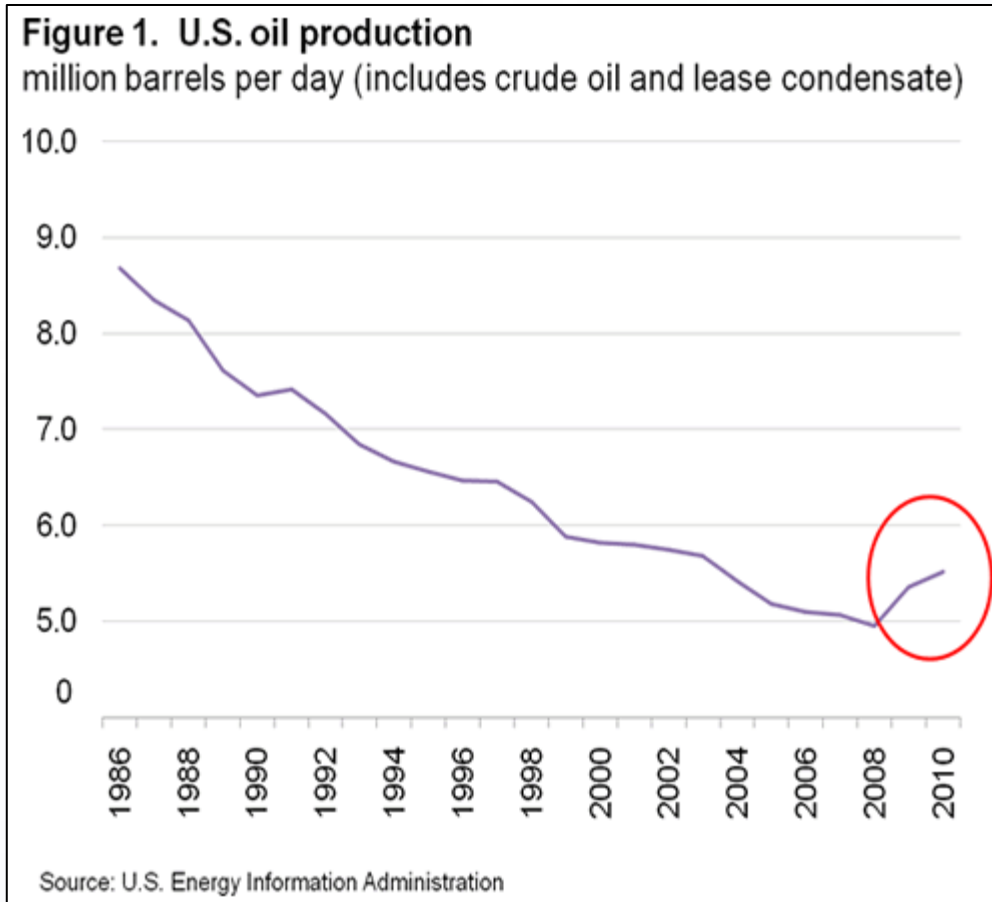
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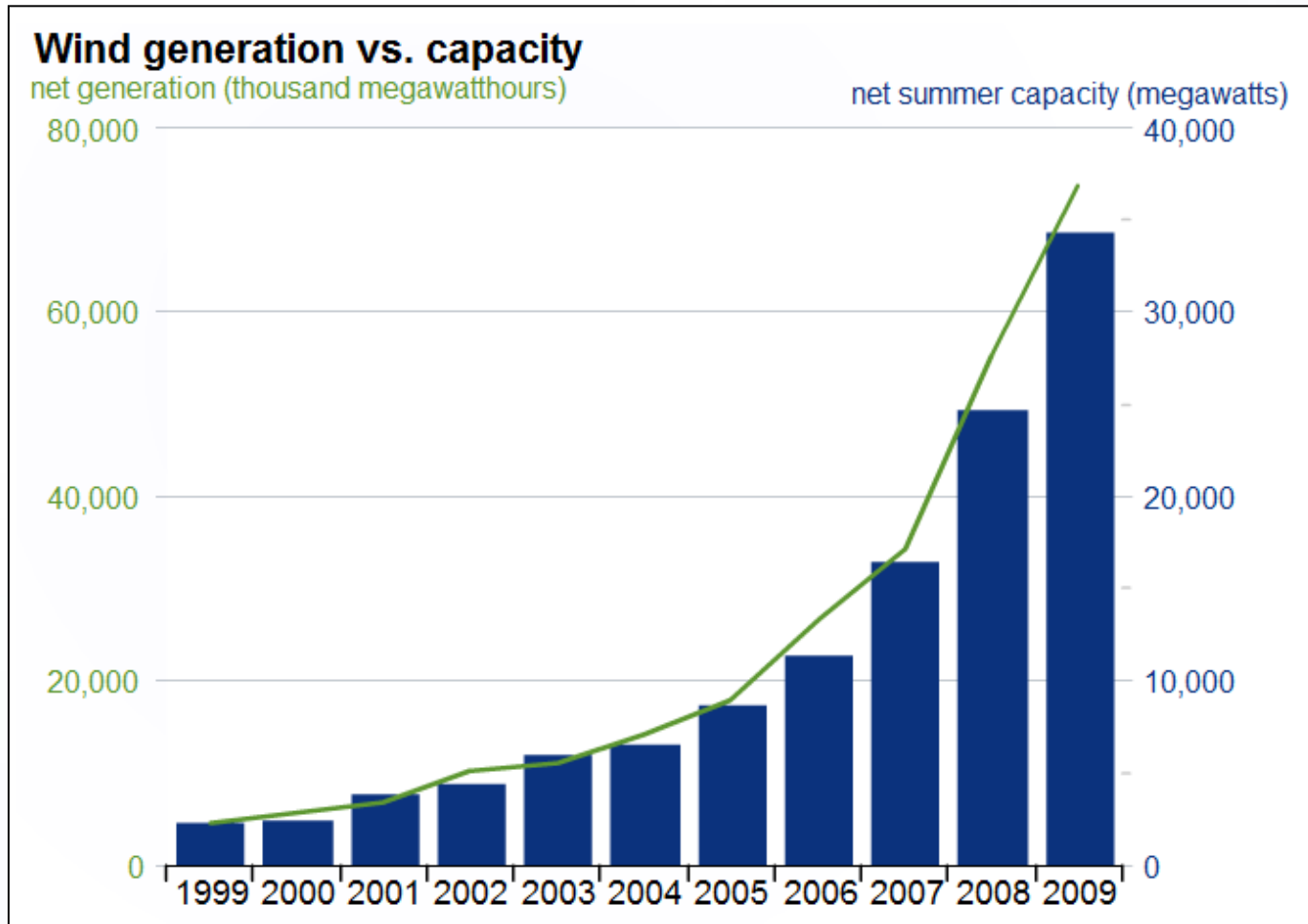
# The Catalyst: Unconventional Gas Technology



# Reversing The Trend



# Exponential Growth Of The U.S. Wind Industry

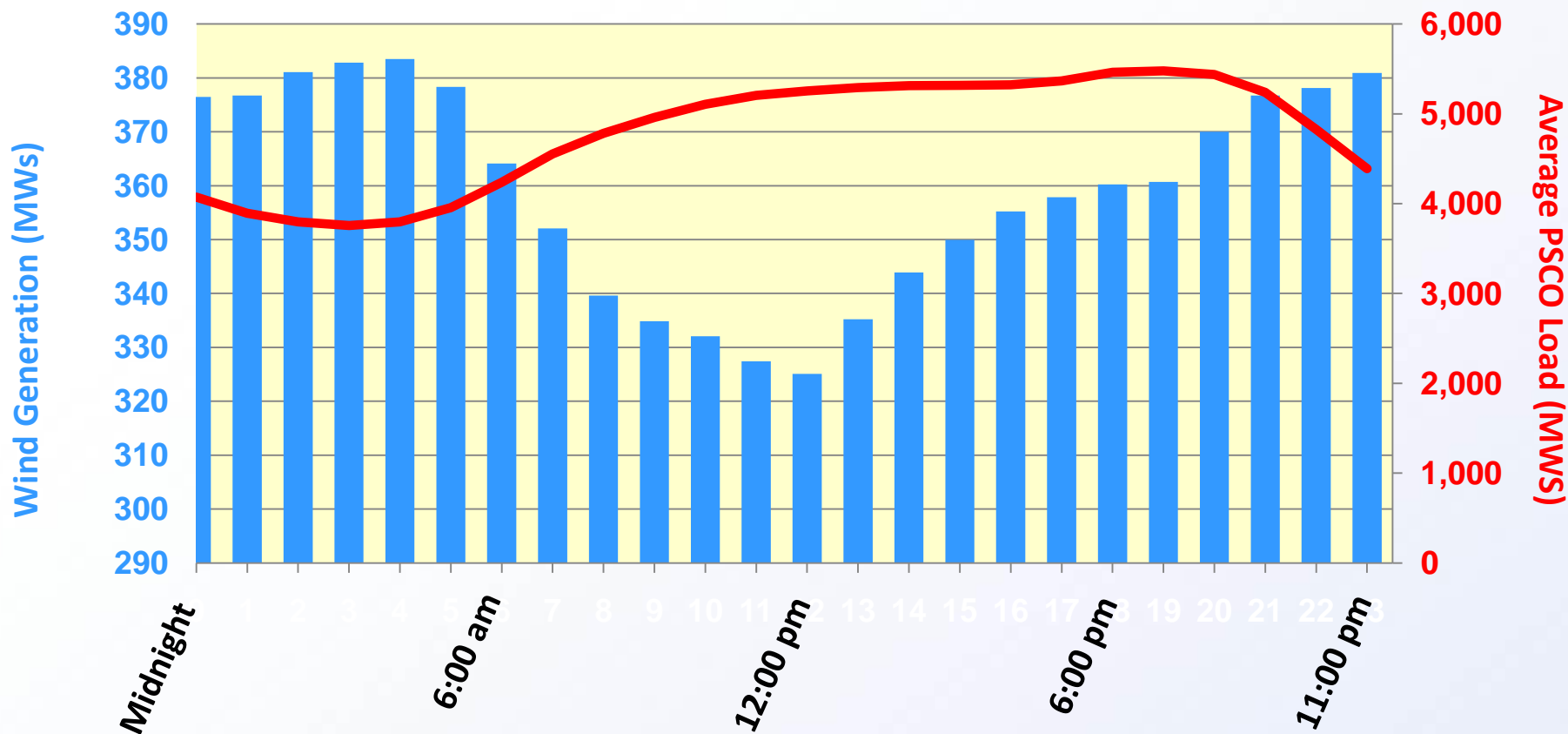


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# In CO & Elsewhere The Wind Blows Most Intensely At Night

Wind Blows Strongest Between 9:00 pm & 5:00 am, When Demand Is Weakest

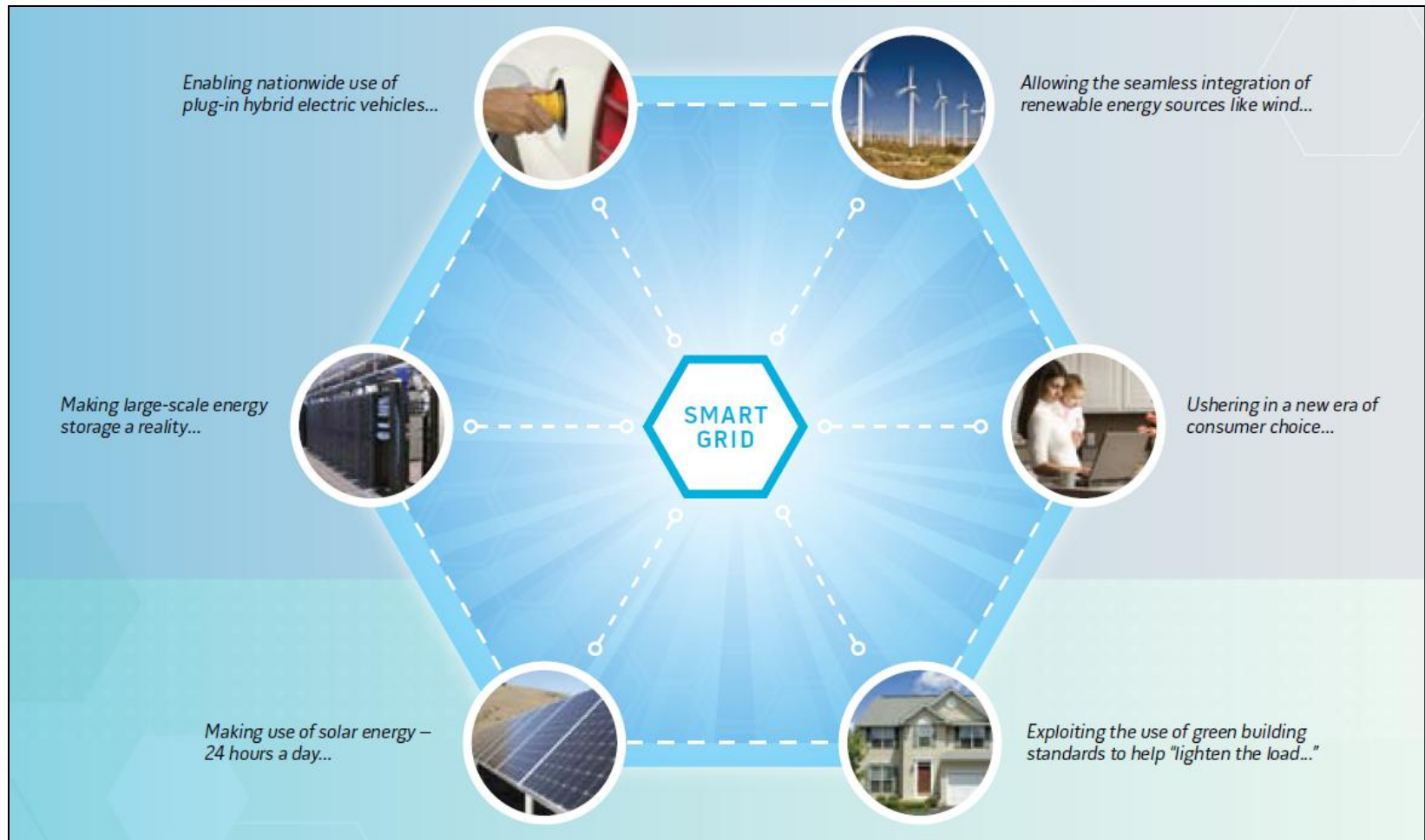


Source: Bentek; Wind data - NREL WWIS 2006, PSCO load 2008 FERC 714





# Making The System Smarter: Smart Everything



Source: *The Smart Grid: An Introduction*, DOE 2008



# Transformative Technologies



Hydrogen Economy (Emission Free)



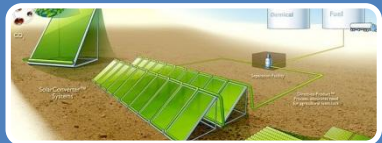
Nuclear Fusion (No Waste)



Mobile Fuel Cells (Reusable)



Advanced Generation Biofuels (Renewable)



Utilizing CO2 For Fuels (CO2 Capture)



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“You miss 100% of the shots  
you don’t take.”

Wayne Gretzky

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