

# Renewable Energy Opportunities and Challenges for Entrepreneurs

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# Who We Are

Our Principals (with over 50 years nanotech experience)

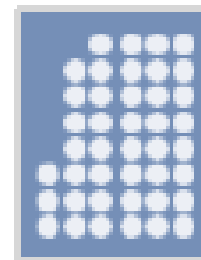
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## Focus

- Commercialization of advanced materials
- Interdisciplinary technology

## Industry sectors:

- Materials / Chemistry
- Coatings
- Electronics / Photonics
- Energy
- Cleantech / Sustainable
- Water



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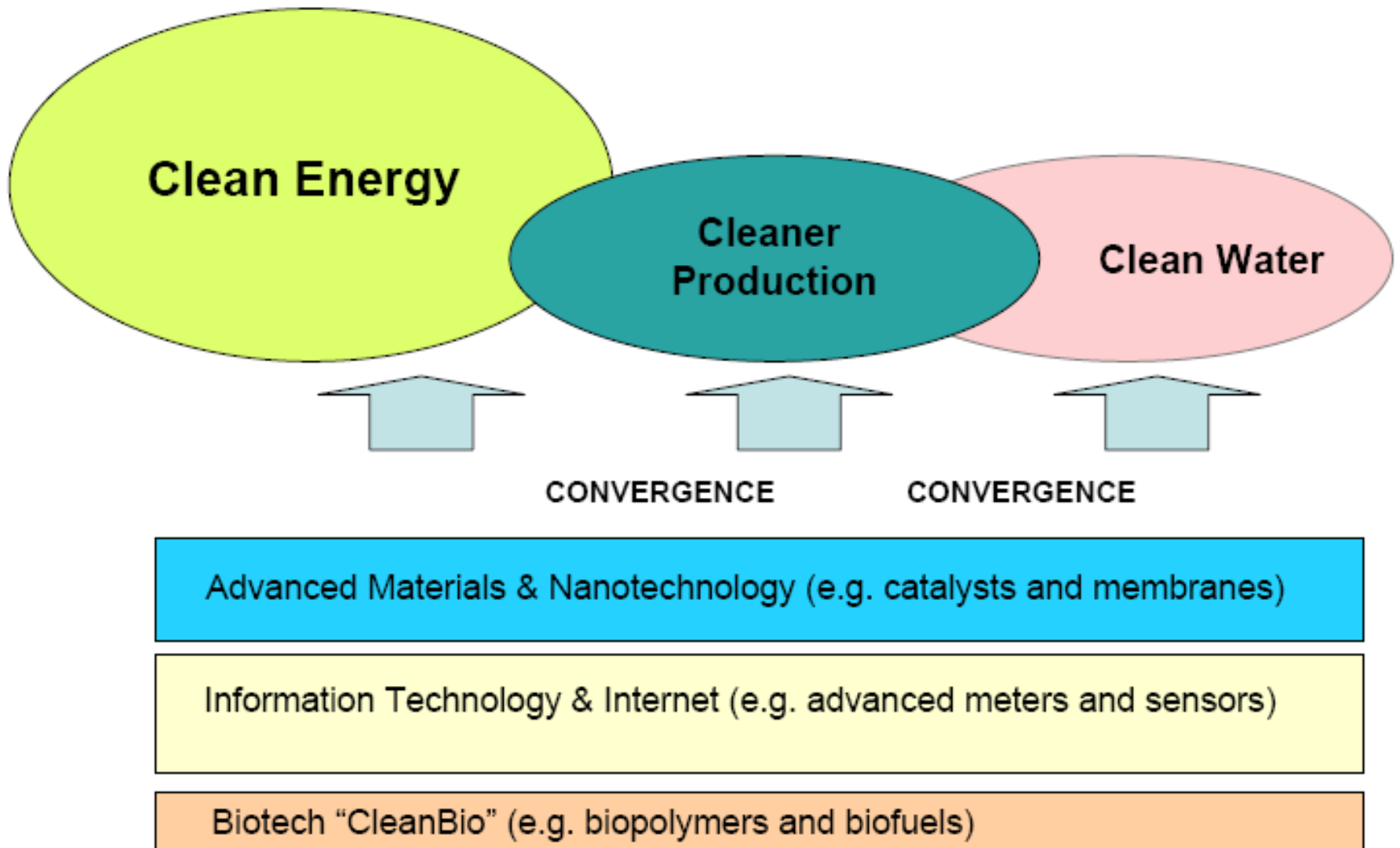
# Our Clients

- Fortune 500 Companies
- Japan & Asia-based Multinationals
- Governments
- Investment Groups
  
- Typical Projects for M&A, licensing, partnering
  - Identifying and comparing potential partners
  - Identifying commercializable technology
  - Technology due diligence
  - Market and industry evaluations
  - Corporate due diligence
  - Cross border collaborations
  - Patent portfolio analysis in a business context

# Outline

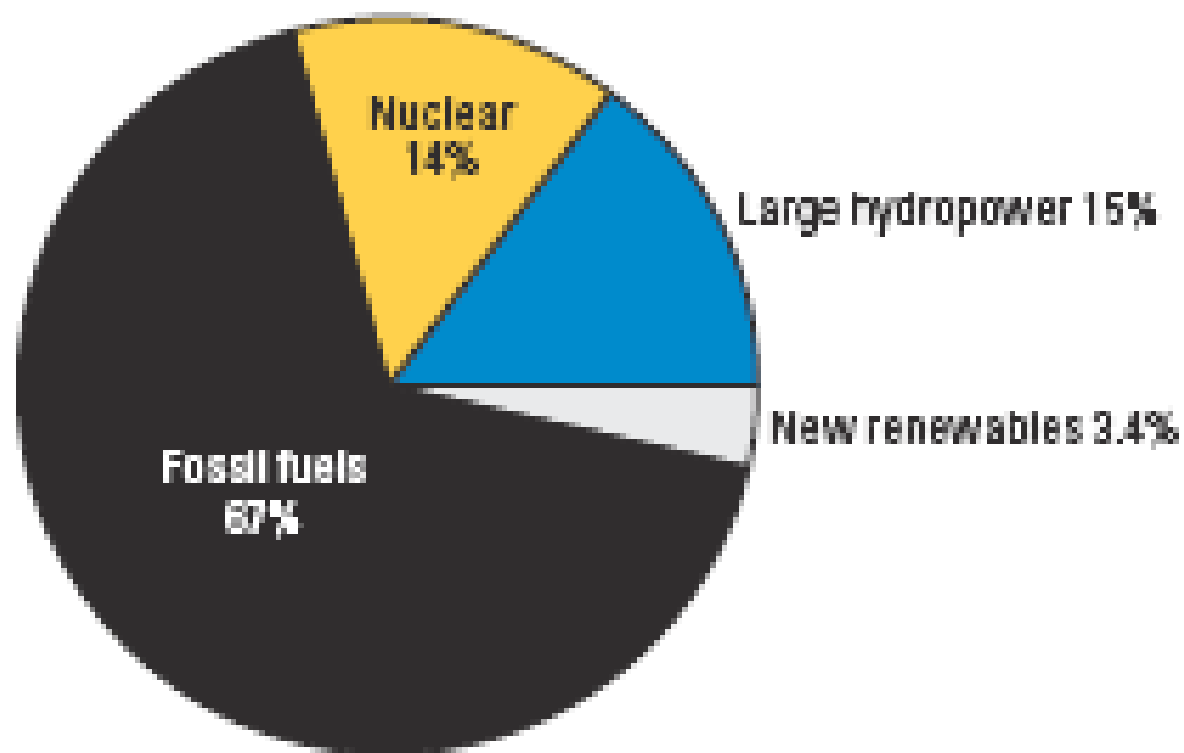
- Overview of Renewable Energy
  - Generation
  - Distribution
  - Storage
  - Efficient Use
- Commercial Reality vs. Opinion
- Show me the Money
- Opportunities & Risks
  - Future Employee / Student
  - Current Employee
  - Entrepreneur / Investor
- Resources

# Cleantech

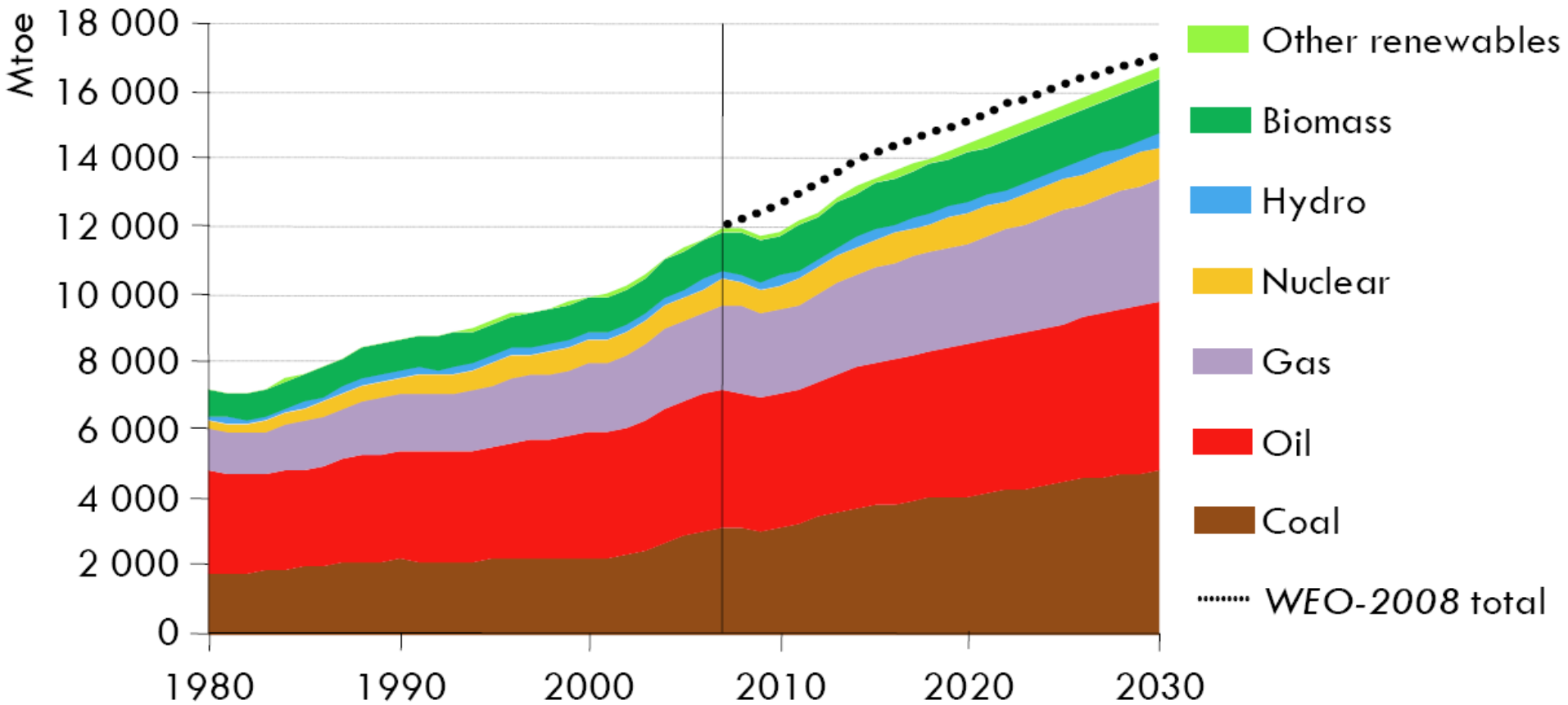


# Renewable Energy Market

## Share of Global Electricity from Renewable Energy, 2006



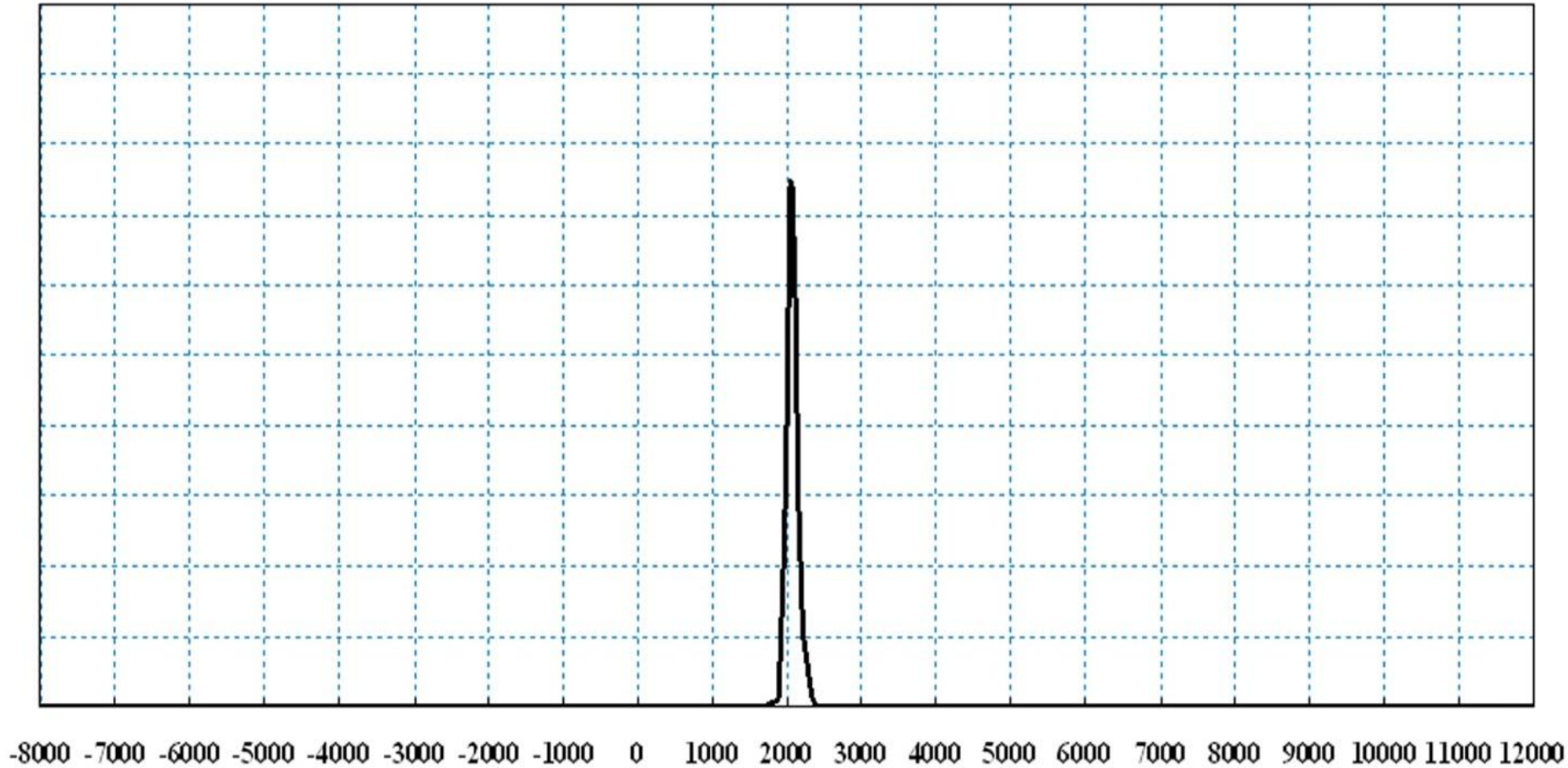
# World Energy Demand by Fuel



Source: OECD

# Fossil Fuel Use

A brief episode in the world's history



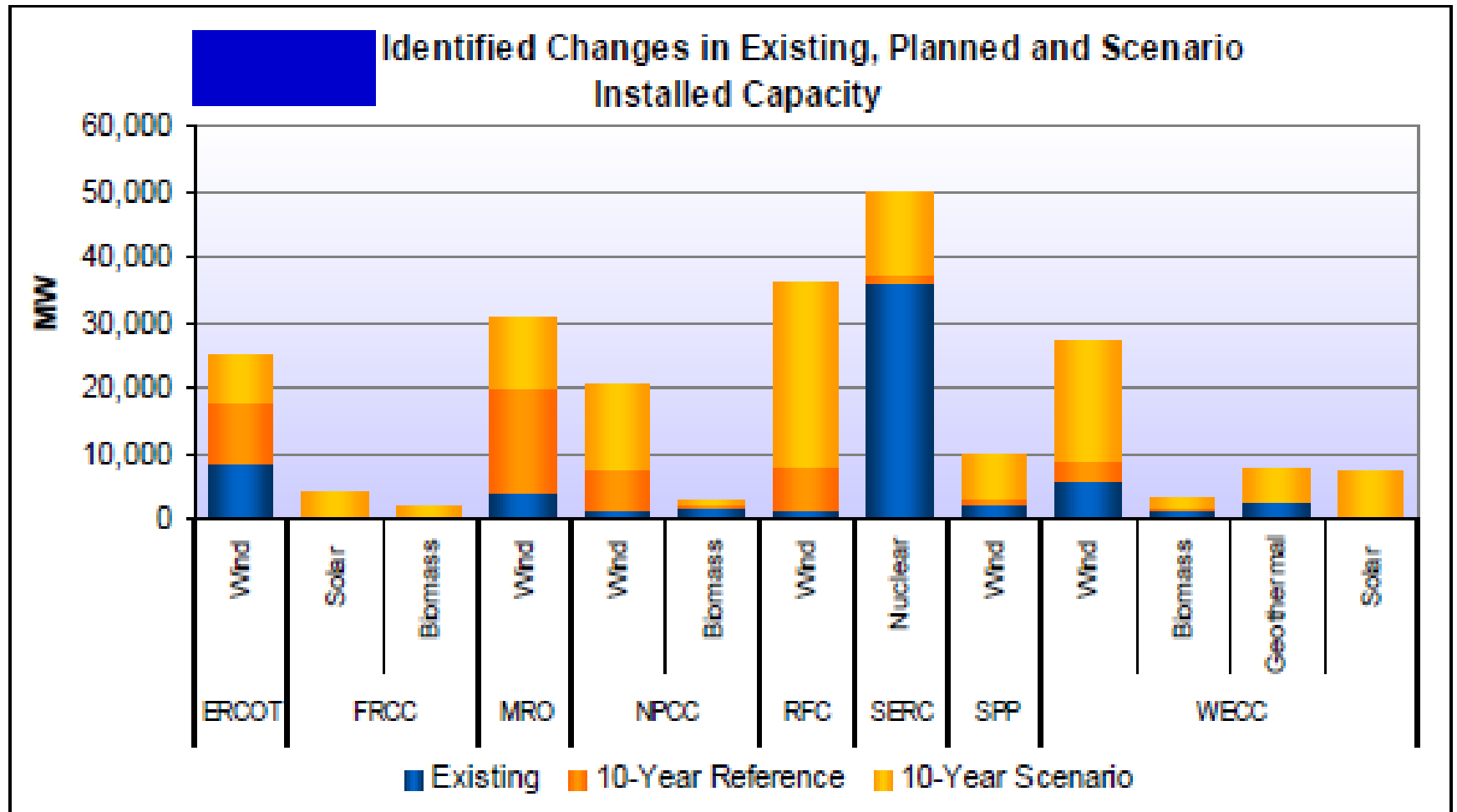


# Renewable Power Generation

- Wind
- Solar
  - Photovoltaic (PV)
  - Thermal & hot water
- Hydro
  - Low head
- Waste capture
  - Heat
  - Mechanical
  - Chemical

# Capacity Expansion

Scenario Reliability Assessment Summary



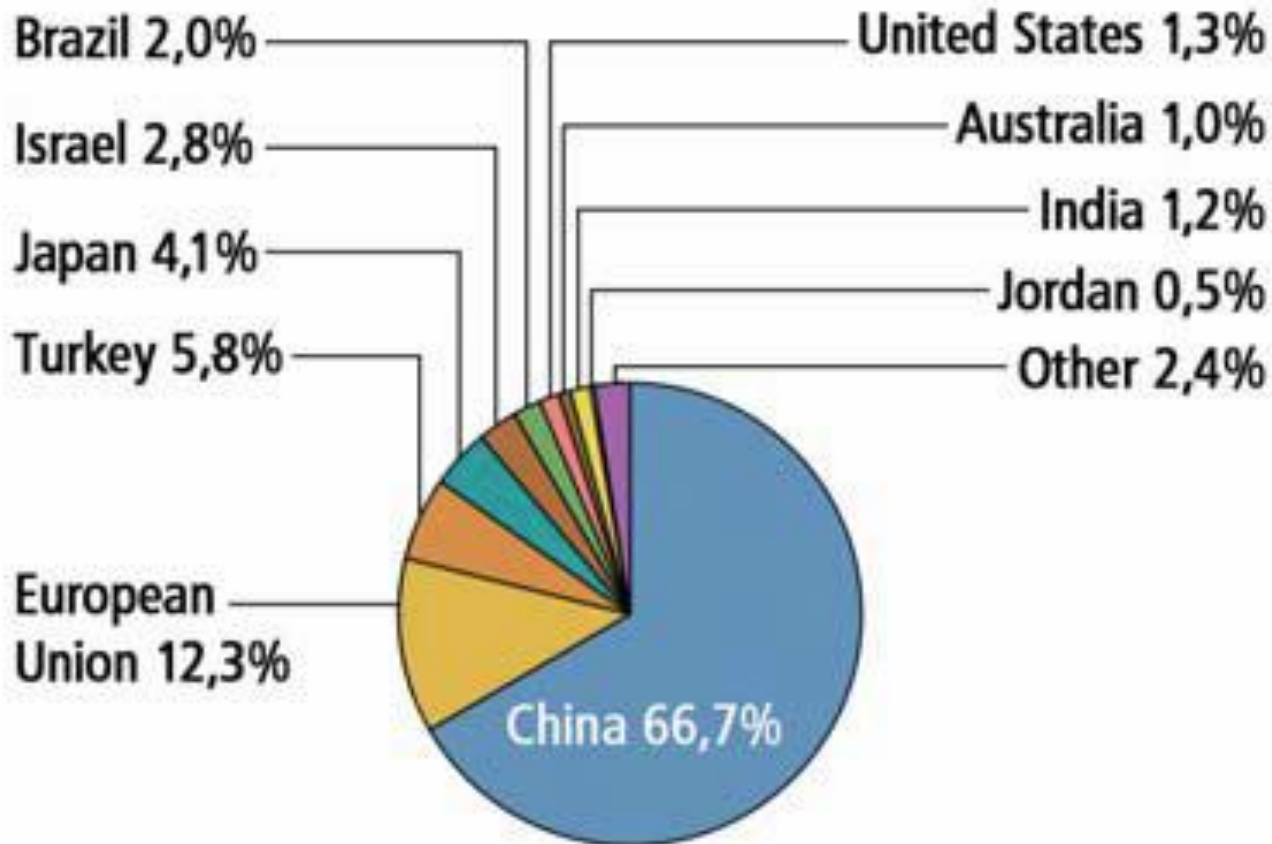
Source: 2009 NREL Scenario Reliability Assessment

# Wind Power



# Solar Hot Water

Share of Solar Hot Water/Heating Capacity Existing,  
Top 10 Countries, 2007



Total = 126 gigawatts-thermal

# Storage

- Battery
  - Hybrids
  - Fuel Cell
- Super Capacitor
- Pumped Hydro
- Flywheel

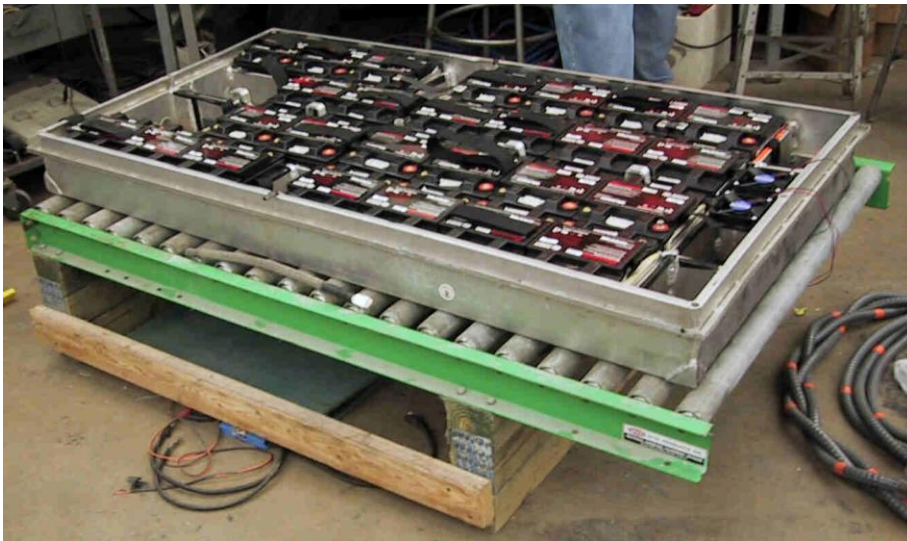
# Energy and Power

Storage technology	Energy density
Lead-acid batteries	100 kJ/kg (30 W-h/kg)
Lithium-ion batteries	600 kJ/kg
Compressed air, 10 MPa	80 kJ/kg (not including tank)
Conventional capacitors	0.2 kJ/kg
Ultracapacitors	20 kJ/kg
Flywheels	100 kJ/kg
Gasoline	43000 kJ/kg



# Energy Density

- Lead-acid battery energy density is only about 1% of the usable energy in gasoline.
- Sample test car: 275 kg battery pack  $\rightarrow$  equivalent to 4 L of gas!





# Markets for Nano-enabled Batteries

## 2008-2013 (\$ Millions)

Type	2008	2013	AAGR % 2009-2013
<b>Large Format Modules</b>	64	960	71.8
<b>Customized Battery Packs for Cordless Tools</b>	100	123	4.2
<b>Fast Charging Customized Nano Safe Battery for Laptops</b>	5	50	58.4
<b>Total</b>	160	1,133	46.3

Source: iRAP, Inc. Report En-102 Nano-enabled Batteries – A Global Industry and Market Analysis



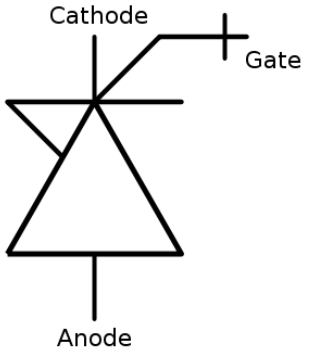
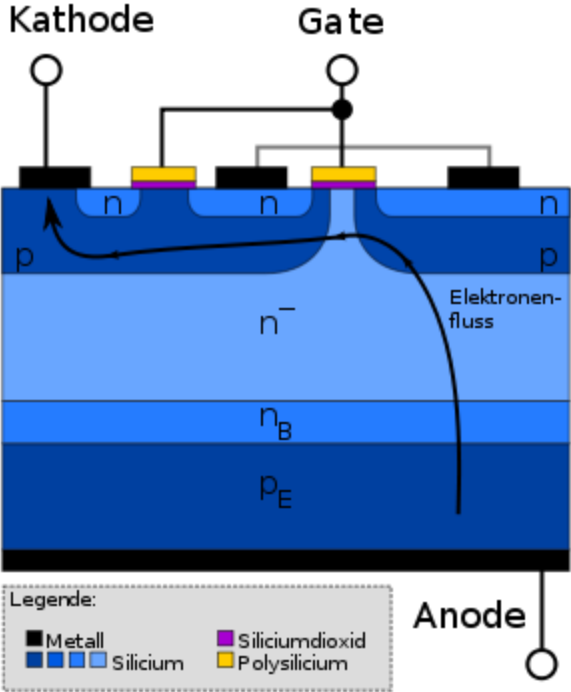
# FUEL CELL TECHNOLOGIES

Fuel Cell Technology	Electrolyte	Operating Temperature	Efficiency (%)	
			Electrical	Overall
<b>PEMFC</b>	<b>Ion exchange membrane</b>	<b>50 C</b>	<b>30-35</b>	<b>50-60</b>
<b>AFC</b>	<b>KOH</b>	<b>80 C</b>	<b>Low</b>	<b>Low</b>
<b>PAFC</b>	<b>Phosphoric Acid</b>	<b>200 C</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>MCFC</b>	<b>Alkali carbonates</b>	<b>650 C</b>	<b>45-55</b>	<b>75-80</b>
<b>SOFC - High Temp.</b>	<b>Solid metal oxide</b>	<b>980 C</b>	<b>45-47</b>	<b>75-80</b>
<b>SOFC - Reduced Temp.</b>	<b>Solid metal oxide</b>	<b>660 C</b>	<b>42-45</b>	<b>60-70</b>

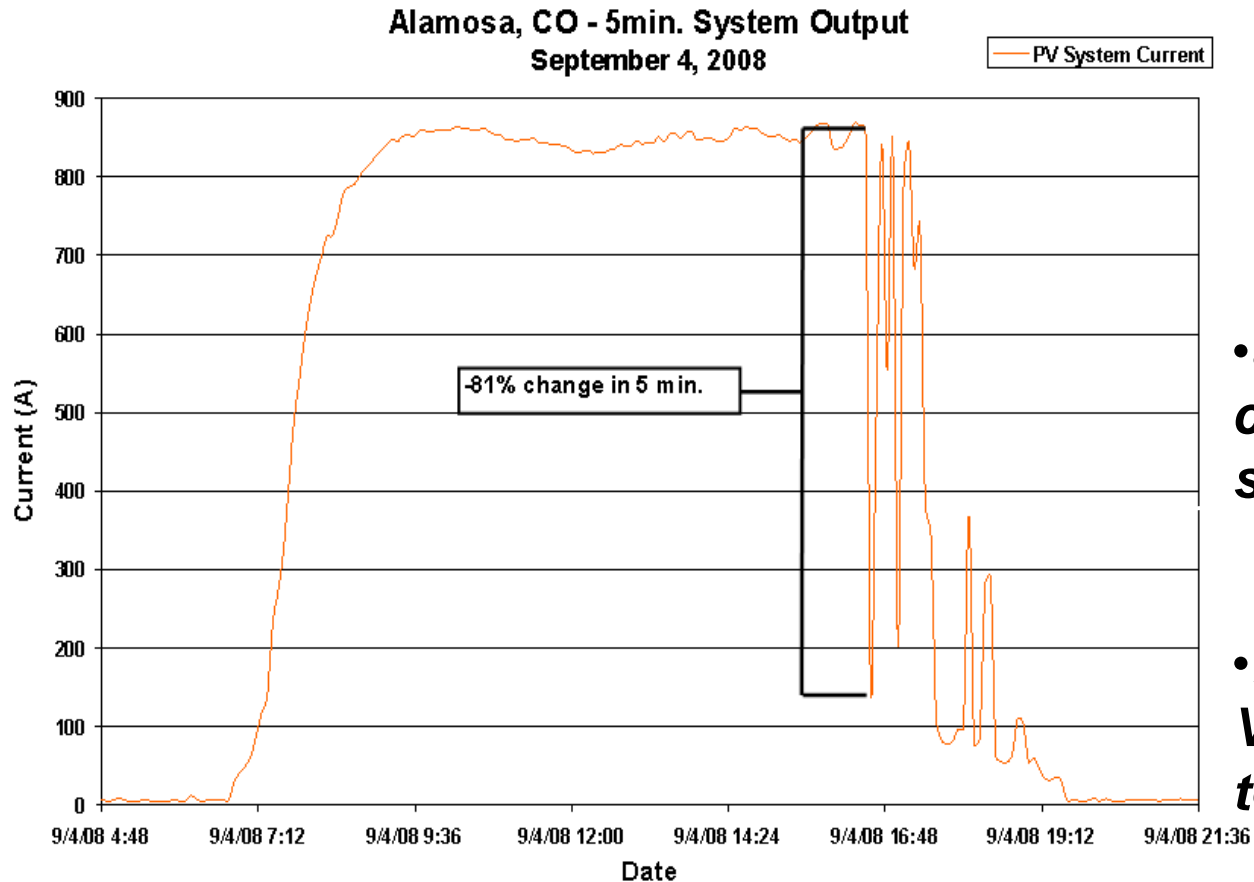
# Grid

- Efficiency
- HV DC
- Smart Metering, Net Metering
- Reselling back to the utility
- Security
- Intermittent sources
  - Wind
  - Solar (clouds)

# Integrated gated control thyristor (IGCT) - ABB



# Accommodating Variability



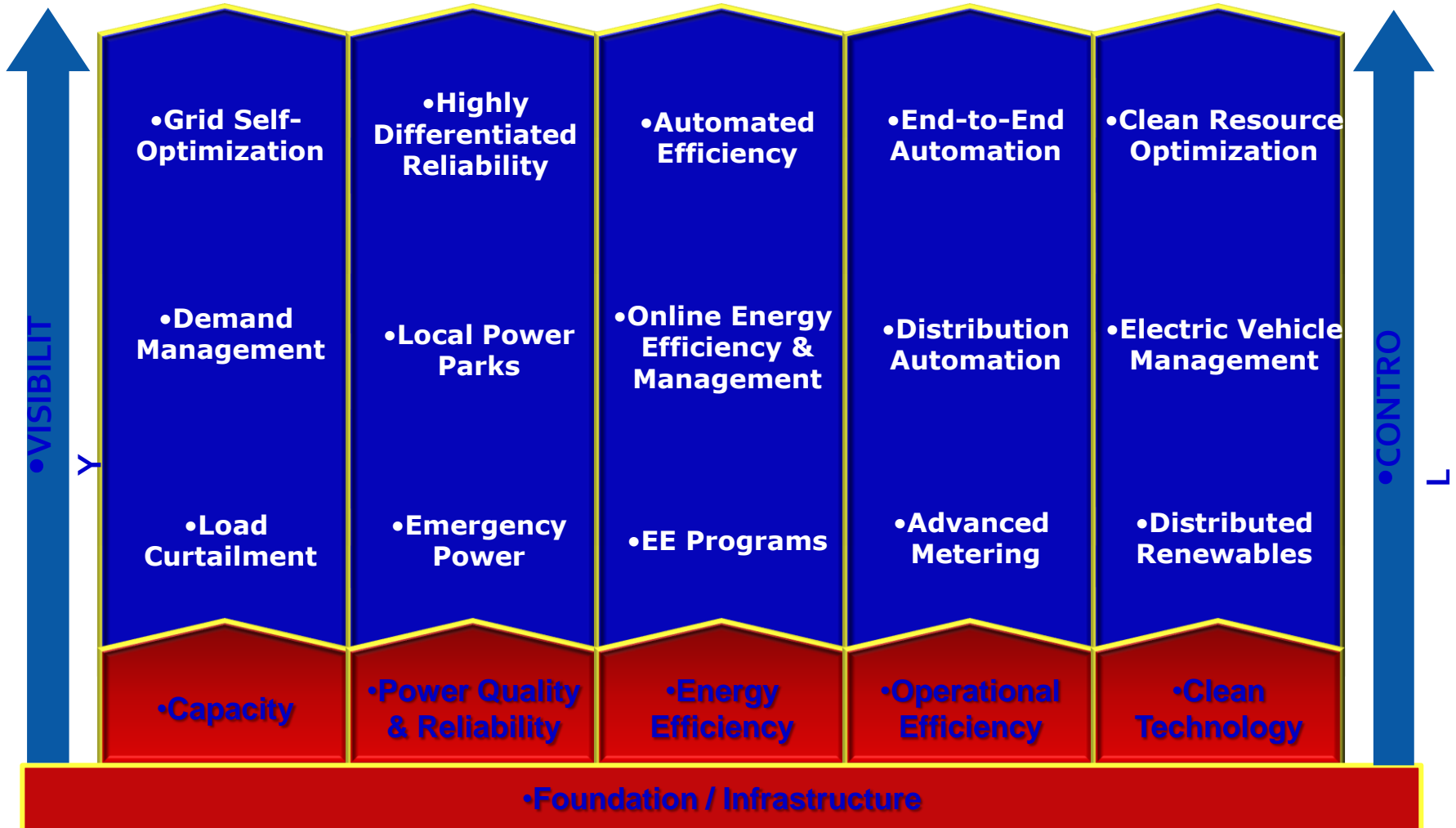
• **8MW**  
*connected to  
substation*

• **High**  
*Variability due  
to clouds*

Source: Xcel Energy – Alamosa System

# Electricity System Framework

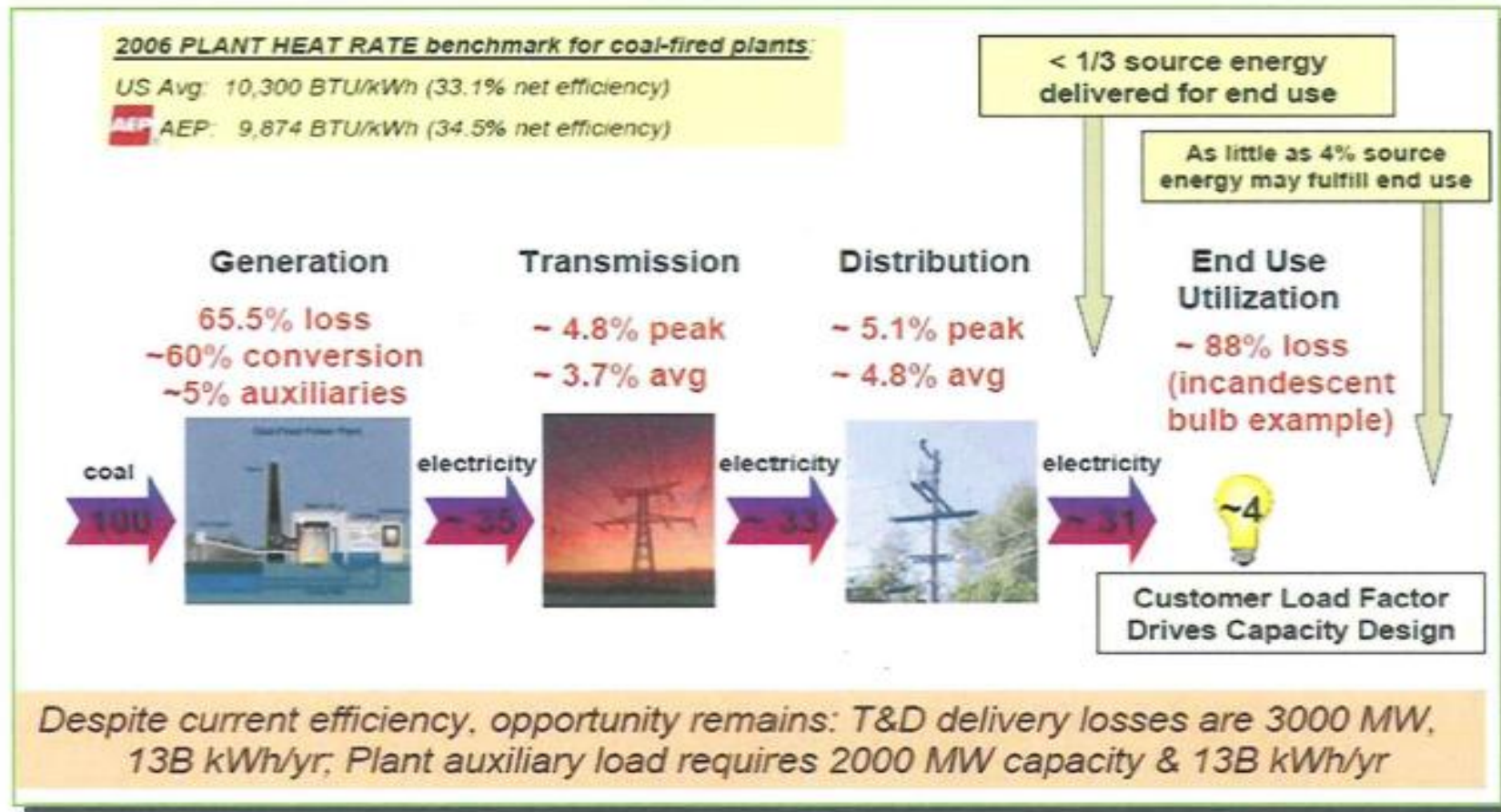
## GRID 3.0



# Efficiency

- LED & solid state lighting
- Electric Motors
  - Rare earth magnets
- Materials
  - Insulation
  - Lightweight Materials
- Power management
- Sensors and control systems

# Grid inefficiency



Source: AEP PUC Hearing

## Pushing a Bright Idea

Wal-Mart is promoting consumer use of compact fluorescent light bulbs over incandescents. Here's how the bulbs compare.



INCANDESCENT



FLUORESCENT

Energy used (watts)	60	13
Light output (lumens)	850	800
Average cost (dollars)	\$0.25 to 0.60	\$2 to 4
Annual savings (dollars)	\$0	\$8
Annual carbon savings (pounds)	0	roughly 100
Life (hours)	1,000	5,000 to 10,000
Mercury in the bulb (milligrams)	none	4
Mercury emissions (milligrams)	10	2.4
Number of bulbs sold annually*	1.5 to 2 billion	130 to 150 million

\*Includes all wattages



# LED Light Bulbs

- Beautiful warm color, highly energy efficient, will last 35 years.
- Input: 4W (Output 40W)
- Original Price: \$ 69.00
- Sale Price: \$ 39.95



# Free Websites & Newsletters

## Renewable Energy & Grid

- Greentech Media - [www.greentechmedia.com](http://www.greentechmedia.com)
- Renewable Energy World - [www.renewableenergyworld.com](http://www.renewableenergyworld.com)

## PV

- Solar Industry - [www.solarindustrymag.com](http://www.solarindustrymag.com)
- PV Times - [www.electroiq.com/index/photovoltaics](http://www.electroiq.com/index/photovoltaics)

## Wind

- World Wind Energy Association - [www.wwindea.org](http://www.wwindea.org)
  - Online book at [www.wwindea.org/technology/ch01/en/](http://www.wwindea.org/technology/ch01/en/)

## LED

- LED Magazine - [www.ledsmagazine.com](http://www.ledsmagazine.com)

## Finance

- Renewable Energy Stocks Directory - [www.renewableenergystocks.com](http://www.renewableenergystocks.com)

# Energy Organizations & Meetings

## Local

- Cleantech Corridor– [www.cleantechcorridor.org](http://www.cleantechcorridor.org)
- NJTC – [www.njtc.org](http://www.njtc.org)
- Farleigh Dickinson – <http://JumpstartGreen.org>
- NJ's Clean Energy Program - [www.njcleanenergy.com](http://www.njcleanenergy.com)

## National

- IEEE PV Conference - [www.ieee-pvsc.org](http://www.ieee-pvsc.org)
- CSTI - [www.techconnectworld.com](http://www.techconnectworld.com)



Symposium on

# Power Electronics and Machines in Wind Applications

## PEMWA 2009



### Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Generator design
- Control of wind turbine induction & permanent magnet generators
- Power electronics converter topologies for wind turbine systems
- Modeling and simulation of wind power converters
- Residential applications and other small wind turbine systems
- Low wind-speed technologies
- Wind forecasting for siting & dispatching of distributed generation sources
- Islanding and protection capabilities
- Grid connection issues
- Energy storage technologies for use with wind generating sources
- Rural development associated with wind applications

### Dates for Symposium:

June 24-26, 2009

5-page digest submission deadline is February 15, 2009

### Location:

University of Nebraska-Lincoln  
Lincoln, Nebraska USA

### Sponsors:

- IEEE Power Electronics Society, Distributed Generation and Renewable Energy Technical Committee
- Nebraska Center for Energy Sciences Research
- Nebraska Wind Applications Center
- IEEE Power and Energy Society, Technical Co-Sponsor

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# Clean vs. Renewable Energy

## Clean

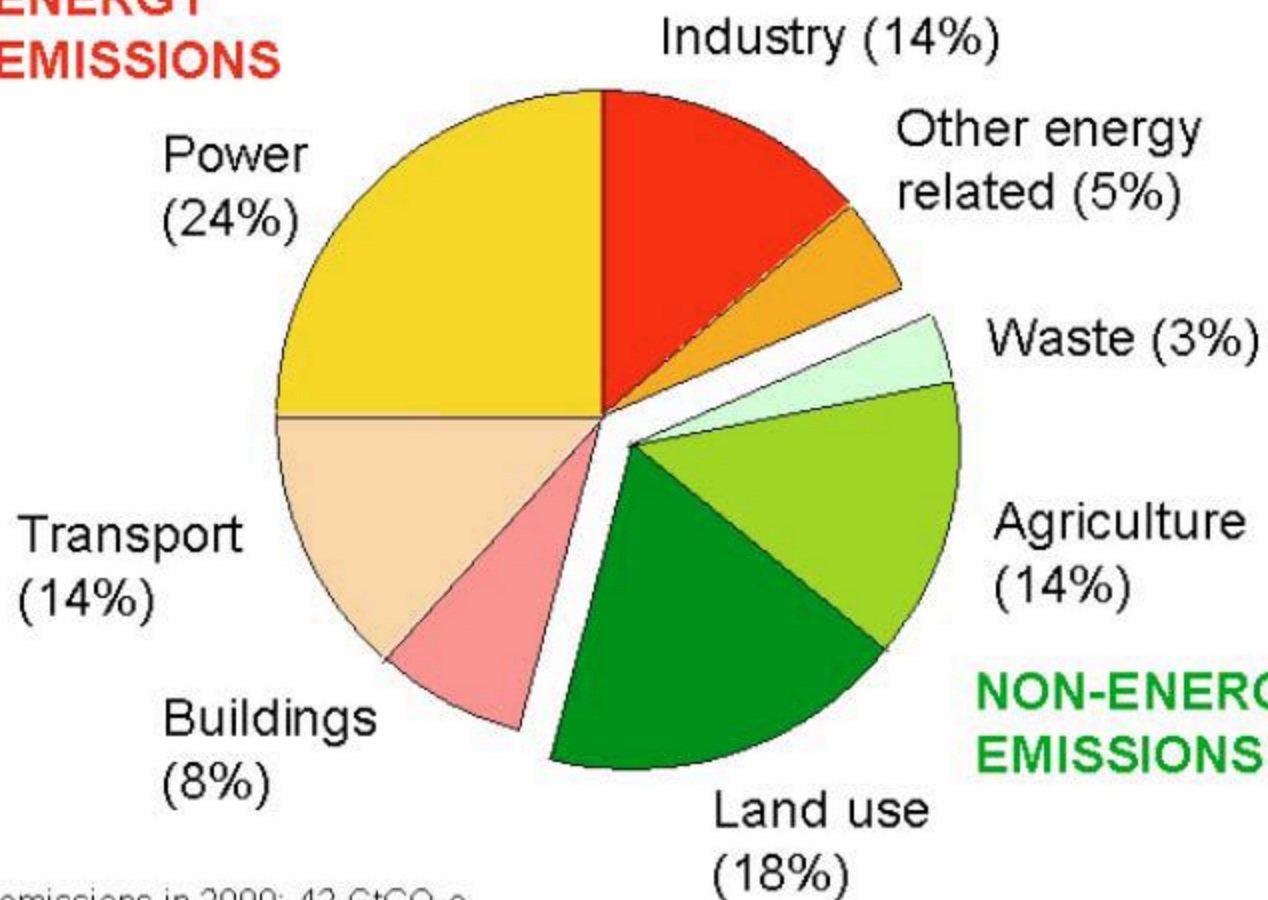
- Emissions
  - Gas (air)
    - Carbon Dioxide
    - Particulate
    - Sox
  - Liquid (water, groundwater)
  - Solid (landfill)

## Renewable

- Uses less material
  - Unused energy
    - Sun
  - Efficiency
  - Recycle & reuse

# Global Emissions by Sector

## ENERGY EMISSIONS



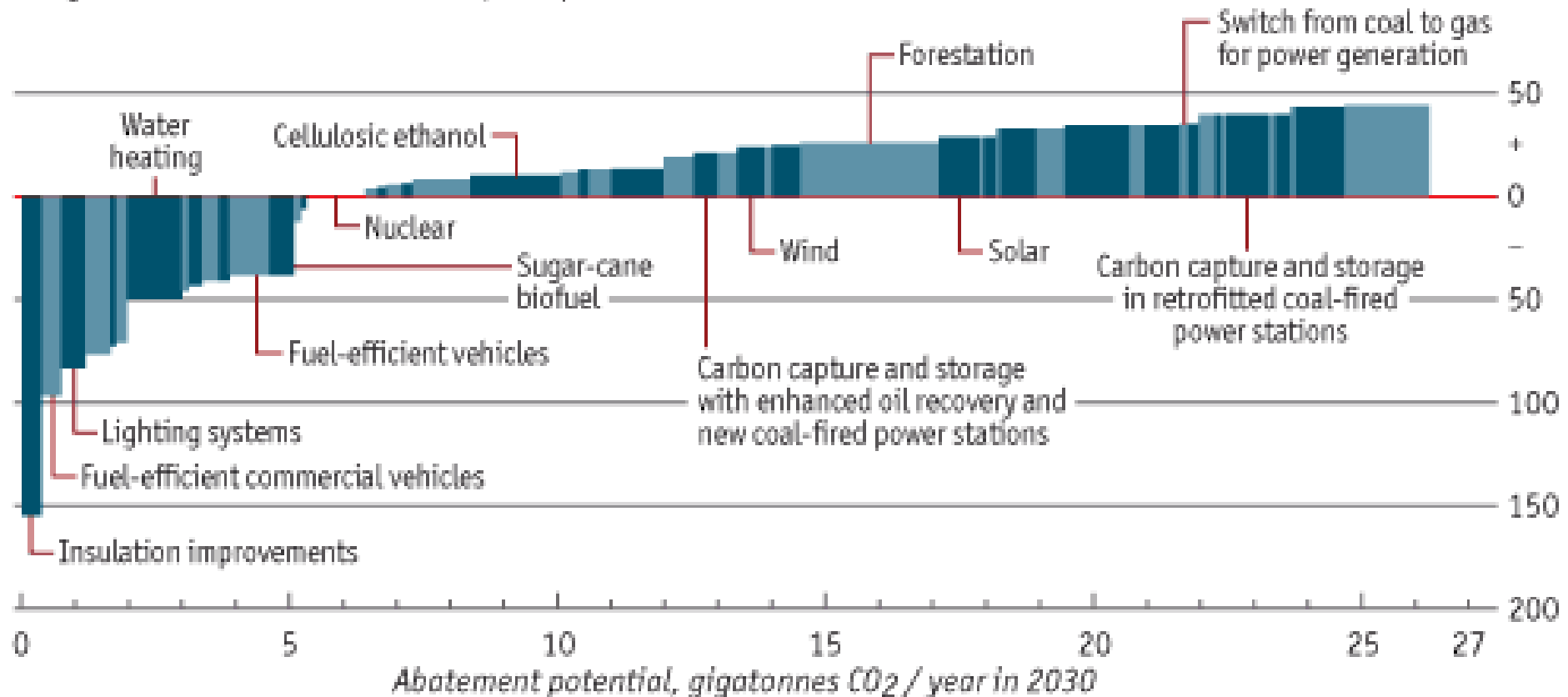
## NON-ENERGY EMISSIONS

Total emissions in 2000: 42 GtCO<sub>2</sub>e.

# Emission Reductions - Cost or Savings?

## The cost of cutting carbon in different ways

Marginal cost of abatement, examples €/t CO<sub>2</sub>



Source: Vattenfall

# Opportunities & Funding

- Government
- Venture Capital
  
- Sales
- Licensing
- Joint Development



# Raising Money: the beginning

Most Early Stage Investments (<\$1 to 2M for pre-commercialization) come from founders, friends & family, angels, and regional governments

Stage	Pre-Seed	Seed/Start-Up		Early	Later
Source	Founders, Friends and Family	Individual Angels	<b>Funding Gap between \$500,000 and \$2,000,000/\$5,000,000</b> (depending on region)	Venture Funds	
Investment	\$25,000 to \$100,000	\$100,000 to \$500,000		\$2,000,000/\$5,000,000 and up	

# Grants & Bootstrapping

- Federal & State grants, loans, & incentives
- University collaboration
- Incubators
- Stock for \$ and work
- Consult for cash flow if necessary
- Contract manufacture for cash flow
- Keeping very low overhead
- Used equipment

# Government Funding & Resources

DOE - [www.doe.gov](http://www.doe.gov)

NREL - [www.nrel.gov](http://www.nrel.gov)

ARPA-E - <http://arpa-e.energy.gov/>

DoD Energy Security Task Force -  
[www.dod.gov/ddre/doc/DoD\\_Energy\\_Security\\_Task\\_Force.pdf](http://www.dod.gov/ddre/doc/DoD_Energy_Security_Task_Force.pdf)

EPA - [www.epa.gov/cleanenergy/](http://www.epa.gov/cleanenergy/)

Ben Franklin Energy Commercialization Institute -  
[www.sep-energy.org/eci.html](http://www.sep-energy.org/eci.html)



**NREL is a national laboratory of the U.S. Department of Energy Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy in Golden, Colorado**

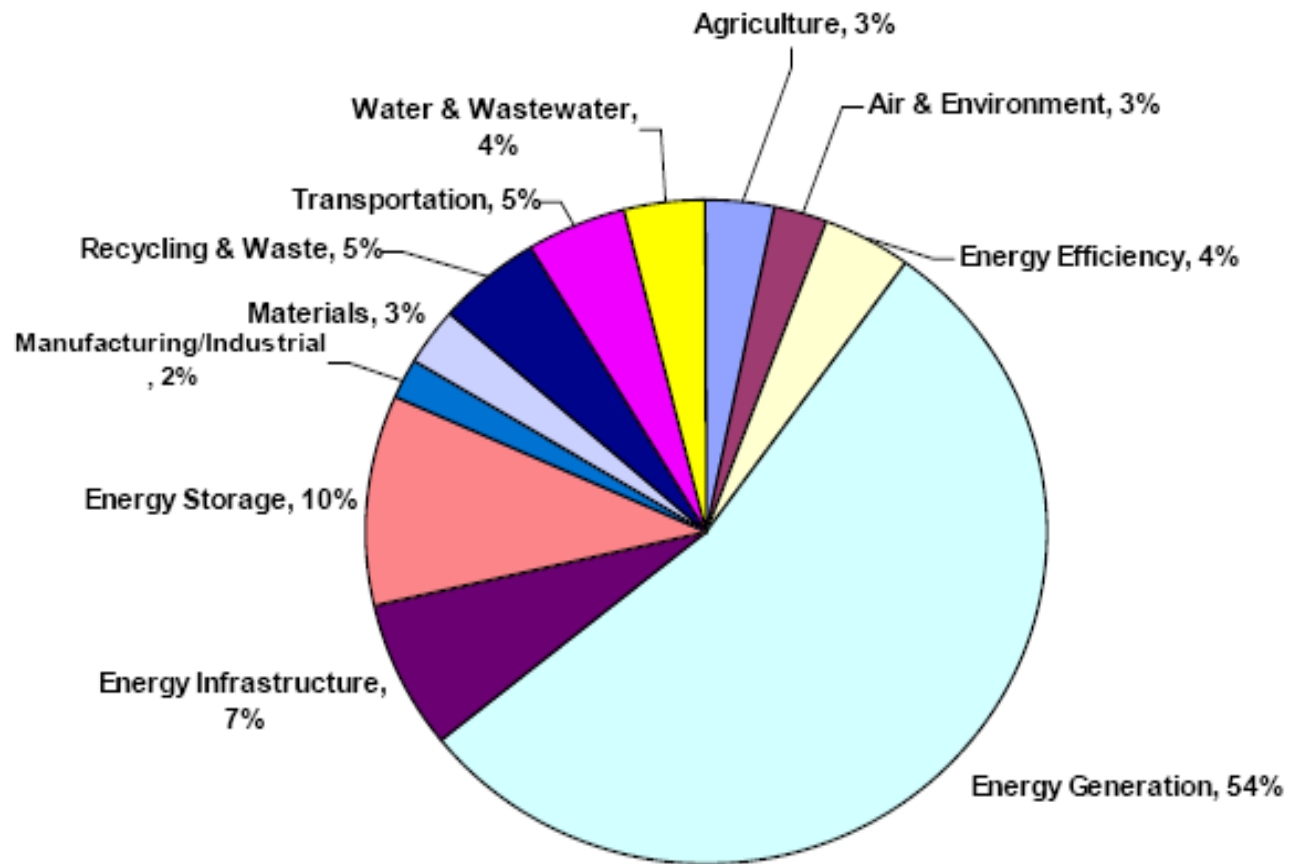
# Energy Data Sources

- Department of Energy Data Explorer
  - <http://www.osti.gov/dataexplorer/>
- National Renewable Energy Laboratory
  - [http://www.nrel.gov/gis/data\\_analysis.html](http://www.nrel.gov/gis/data_analysis.html)
- USGS Energy Program Publications and Data
  - <http://energy.usgs.gov/search.html>
- UNEP World Solar and Wind Energy Assessment
  - [http://na.unep.net/swera\\_ims/map/](http://na.unep.net/swera_ims/map/)
- MIT Geoweb and the Geodata Repository
  - <http://web.mit.edu/geoweb/>
- MassGIS Transmission Lines
  - <http://www.mass.gov/mgis/trnslns.htm>

# Venture Capital 2009-2010

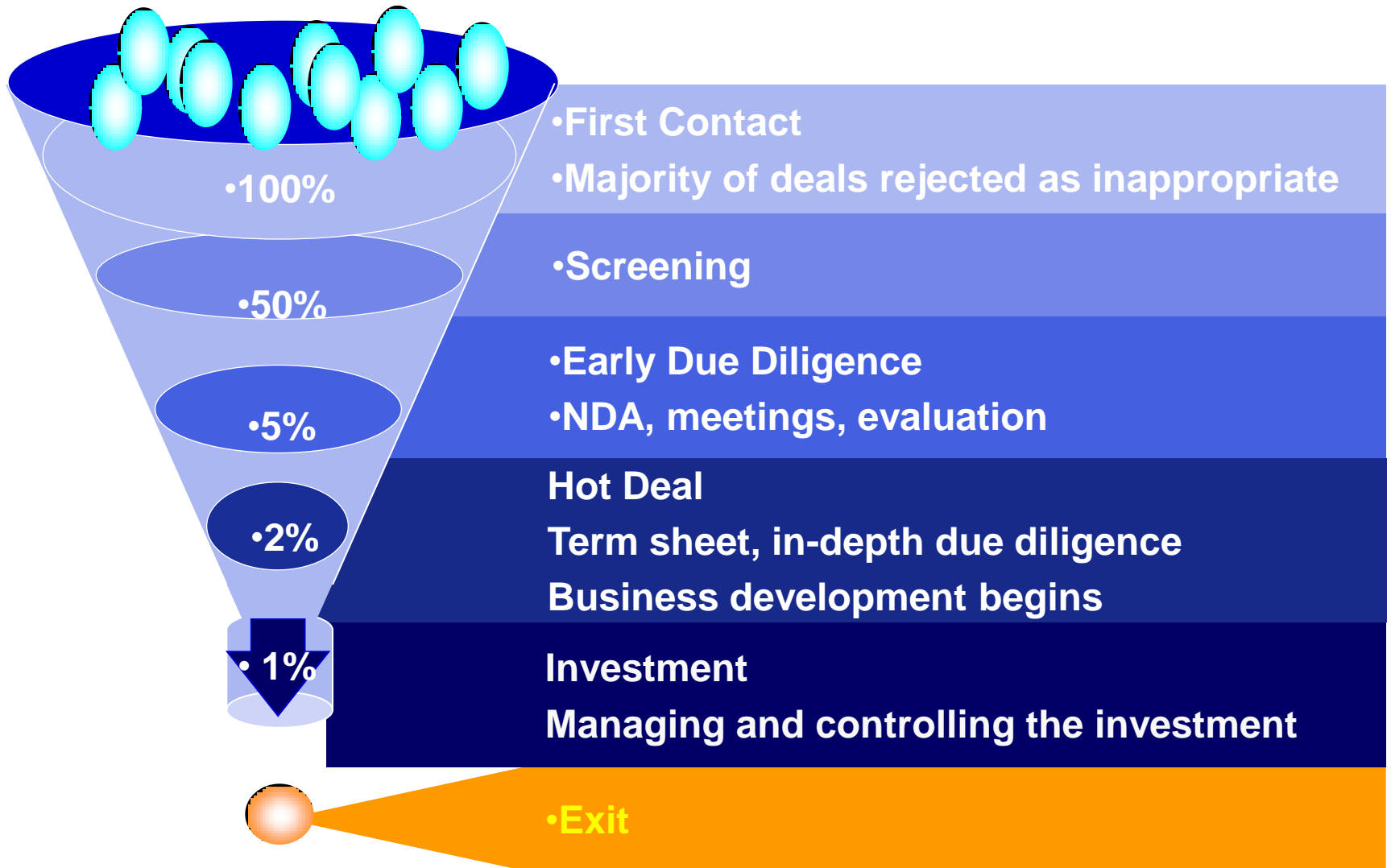
- Global investment fell 36% to \$29.4 billion in 2009
- Cleantech – Shift to energy efficiency deals with lower capital requirements
- Since 2000, actively investing firms fell 32% in the U.S., but grew in China
- Global M&A activity is growing again
- Median time to exit in the U.S.
  - M&A = 5 years
  - IPO = 8 years (few IPOs but restarting now, e.g., A123)
- There are now 880 venture backed cleantech companies

## Cleantech VC by Segment: 2006 & Q1 2007 Worldwide (China, North America & Europe/Israel)



Totaling \$5.729 billion

# Investment Process







**Raised \$378 million in 2010 IPO**

- Manufactures batteries for DeWalt, Chrysler, Navistar and Fisker (in return for \$23M)
- Asian competition
- US and state funding, yet moved manufacturing to China
- Promises \$6,500/car (\$350/kWh) by 2016

Competitors:

- SK (Korea)
- LG Chem (Korea) for Chevy Volt
- Bosch (Germany) / Samsung (Korea)



# New Enterprise Associates – Energy VC

Scale and  
Capital  
Commitment

One of the largest VC portfolios in energy technology

\$1 Billion committed; already helped 21 portfolio companies raise \$1.5Bn

Energy  
Technology  
Relationships



GE  
Energy Financial Services



google.org



*Government & Research*

*Utilities*

*Key Industry Partners*

Domain  
Expertise

Core team of 10 investment professionals with deep technology expertise across the US and abroad (China, India)

Diversified  
Strategy

Portfolio spans both the supply side (generation, storage) and the demand side (efficiency, conservation) of the energy equation, across electricity and clean fuels

- New Enterprise Associates (NEA) closed its thirteenth fund in Q1 2010, with nearly \$2.5 billion.
- The new fund represents about 17% of all US VC funds raised in 2009 and is the largest single fund raised since 2007.

# Many Areas to Innovate and Invest



<b>Electricity</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. HVAC, lighting, appliance</li><li>2. Grid demand response</li><li>3. Data center</li><li>4. Waste energy recovery</li><li>5. Public awareness</li><li>6. More efficient motors</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Solar</li><li>2. Fuel cell</li><li>3. Wind</li><li>4. Nuclear</li><li>5. Biomass</li><li>6. Clean coal</li><li>7. Geothermal</li><li>8. Batteries</li></ol>
	<b>Fuel</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. More efficient motors</li><li>2. Electric or hybrid vehicles</li><li>3. Building materials</li><li>4. Bio-based chemicals</li></ol>
	<b>Demand (Efficiency)</b>	<b>Supply (Generation &amp; Storage)</b>

# NEA Energy Technology Portfolio

Electricity

   	           
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Fuel

  	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alternative Fuels Group</li> </ul>
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Demand

(Efficiency, Conservation)

Supply

(Generation & Storage)

# Renewable Energy Applications



Solar PV



Dry Wall  
Efficient Windows



Smart-Grid Platform



Fuel Cells



High-Efficiency LEDs



Behavioral Modification

# Local VC Organizations & Meetings

- NJEF - [www.njef.org](http://www.njef.org)
- NJEN – [www.njen.com](http://www.njen.com)
- VANJ – [www.vanj.com](http://www.vanj.com)
- Ben Franklin - [www.sep.benfranklin.org](http://www.sep.benfranklin.org)
  - Renewable Energy Group - [www.sep-energy.org](http://www.sep-energy.org)
- SFJ Ventures - [www.cleantechinvesting.com](http://www.cleantechinvesting.com)
- Young Startup - [www.youngstartup.com](http://www.youngstartup.com)
- Meeting Notices
  - NJ Entrepreneur newsletter - [www.njentrepreneur.com](http://www.njentrepreneur.com)
  - NJBIZ – [www.njbiz.com](http://www.njbiz.com)
  - US-1 - [www.princetoninfo.com](http://www.princetoninfo.com)

# Intellectual Property License Agreements

9/15/2009 – 1/1/2010

- Princeton-based Universal Display licensed solution processed white OLED technology to Showa Denko (Japan)
- Unidym licensed fullerene derivatives for solar cells to Nano-C
- Harvard University licensed STORM super resolution microscopy to Nikon (Japan)

# Partnership and Supply Agreements

9/15/2009 – 1/1/2010

- Joint Development between Unidym and a major LCD manufacturer (Asia) for CNTs for use in glass based LCD displays
- Joint Development between Unidym and Samsung Electronics (Korea) for CNTs for flexible displays



# Partnership Types

- International finance
  - M&A
  - Investor
  - Joint Venture
- Customer
- Joint Development
- Vendor
- Outsourcing
- Branch Office
- License

# Resources

- Trade Councils, Embassies & Consulates
  - U.S. - helping you locally in each country
  - Foreign - helping you benefit their country (JETRO, KOTRA)
- U.S. Government
  - Department of Commerce
  - Export Assistance Office - [www.export.gov](http://www.export.gov)
- States
  - SBA U.S. Export Assistance Center
- Professional Organizations (ACS, IEEE)
- International Firms
  - Law
  - Accounting
  - Consulting

# Accounting & Valuations

## Find the right people

- If you are in transition
  - how do you balance between your job search and building a business or buying a business?
- If you are considering starting a business
  - what structural pieces do you need to put into place?
- If you are creating, acquiring, or selling Intellectual Property
  - how would you value it?

## Resources:

**Lloyd F. George**, CPA/ABV/CFF, CVA, CLU, ChFC

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# Opportunities (EE)

- Efficiency
- Grid
  - but who pays
- Inverters & chargers
  - plug in hybrids, solid state lighting, PV
- Batteries
  - but not made in US
- Printed PV
  - faster cost, emissions and energy payback
- Building integrated PV (BIPV) – solar roof tiles
- PV without storage or grid connection
  - for shaving peak demand loads

# Risks

## Global

- Oil/gas price
- Warming/cooling & ability to affect
- War/unrest
- Govt. regulation & uncertainty (e.g., incandescent in EU/US, Cadmium)
- Commodity price (e.g., Indium)

## Business

- Is there a market?
- Time to market
- Competitors – PV glut
- Funding, Cost of capital

## Technology

- Complexity
- Legal, regulatory, IP, environmental (CdTe)
- Costs (development, manufacturing)

# Conclusions

- You have to guess the future
- You can help influence the future IF there is an eventual need
  - Can you show a return on investment (ROI)?
  - Will people pay for it?
  - Is there a real advantage over the competition?
  - Is it sustainable?
- Do not rely on government subsidies for more than a few years
- Know your entire chain
  - What is your optimal part (value chain, development stage)
  - Payback time (financial, energy, environmental)
- Partner!