



California ISO  
Your Link to Power

# The Future of Power? Power is the Future!

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# Who is the California ISO?

- Began operations in 1998 - Not for Profit
- Controls 80% of the State grid
- Federally Regulated
- Responsibilities:
  - Reliability
  - Market Development
  - Market Operations
  - Market Monitoring
  - Grid Planning
- Resources:
  - 55,000 MW In-state Generation
  - 10,000 MW Imports
- Peak Demand of the ISO Footprint:
  - 51,000 MW (2006)
  - Total State peak is about 60,000 MW



# Reliability Management – EMS

- Load Forecasting
- Network Model
  - 6,000 buses
  - 1,800 generators
  - 3,200 load points
  - 8,000 circuits
  - 35,000 switching devices
  - 1,200 shunt compensators
- State Estimator
  - Every minute based on 17,000 measurements

## Reliability Management – EMS (con't)

- Real Time Contingency Analysis
  - 700 potential scenarios
- Security Assessment
- Wide-Area Phasor Measurements
- Visualization – Google Earth

# Market Operation

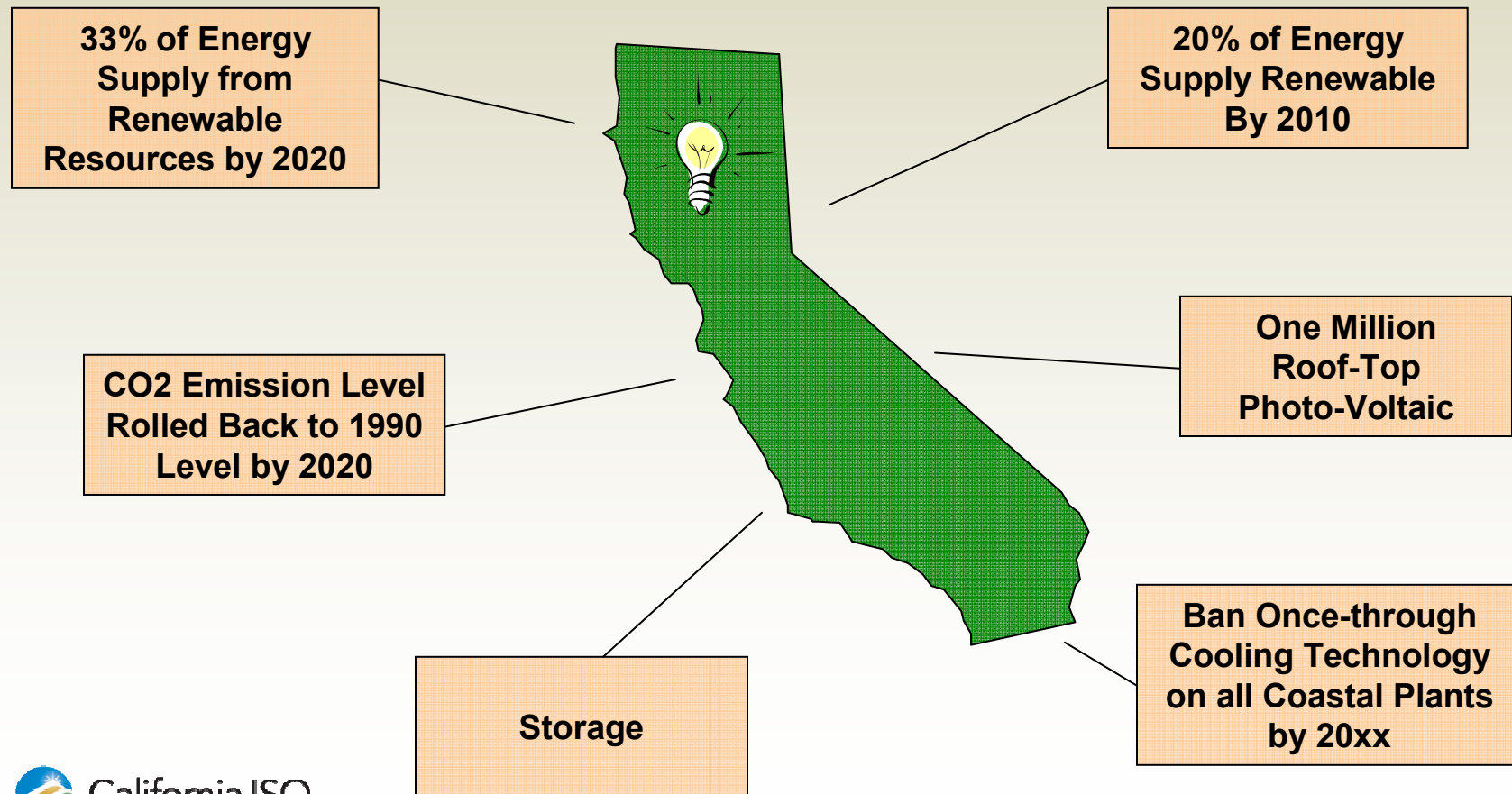
- 15,000 Market Transactions every hour
  - 100 participating entities
- Day-Ahead Market – Integrated Forward Market
- Hour-Ahead Market
- Market Power Mitigation & Reliability Requirement
- Residual Unit Commitment
- Real Time Unit Commitment

## Market Operation – (con't)

- Real Time Economic Dispatch
- Real Time Contingency Dispatch
- Real Time Manual Dispatch
- Congestion Revenue Rights
- Long Start Unit

# Into the Future – The Resources, Beginning Now

## Accommodating the Climate Change Initiatives



# What is necessary to integrate 20% renewable generation?

- We have published engineering studies on how to integrate renewable generation to meet the 20% RPS.
- Intermittency and timing of renewable resources create operational challenges.
  - Morning and evening ramp will increase 20-30%.
  - Potential wind forecast errors will drive the need for increased regulation capacity (as much as 500 MW) and a much deeper supplemental energy stack.
  - Over-generation will occur during certain hours but can be mitigated by minimal curtailment.
- Needed integration services can be provided by:
  - Hydro, IF there is enough water.
  - New thermal, IF it has the right characteristics.
  - Existing thermal, IF it is kept operating at certain levels (but could defeat the purpose).



# What is necessary to integrate 20% renewable generation? (Con't)

- Other mitigation measures are also necessary:
  - Advanced demand response
  - Curtailment mechanisms
  - Improved technology
  - Better forecasting tools
  - Storage
- Maintaining existing generation is essential (although replacement or re-powering can work).

# What does it take to integrate a higher RPS in California?

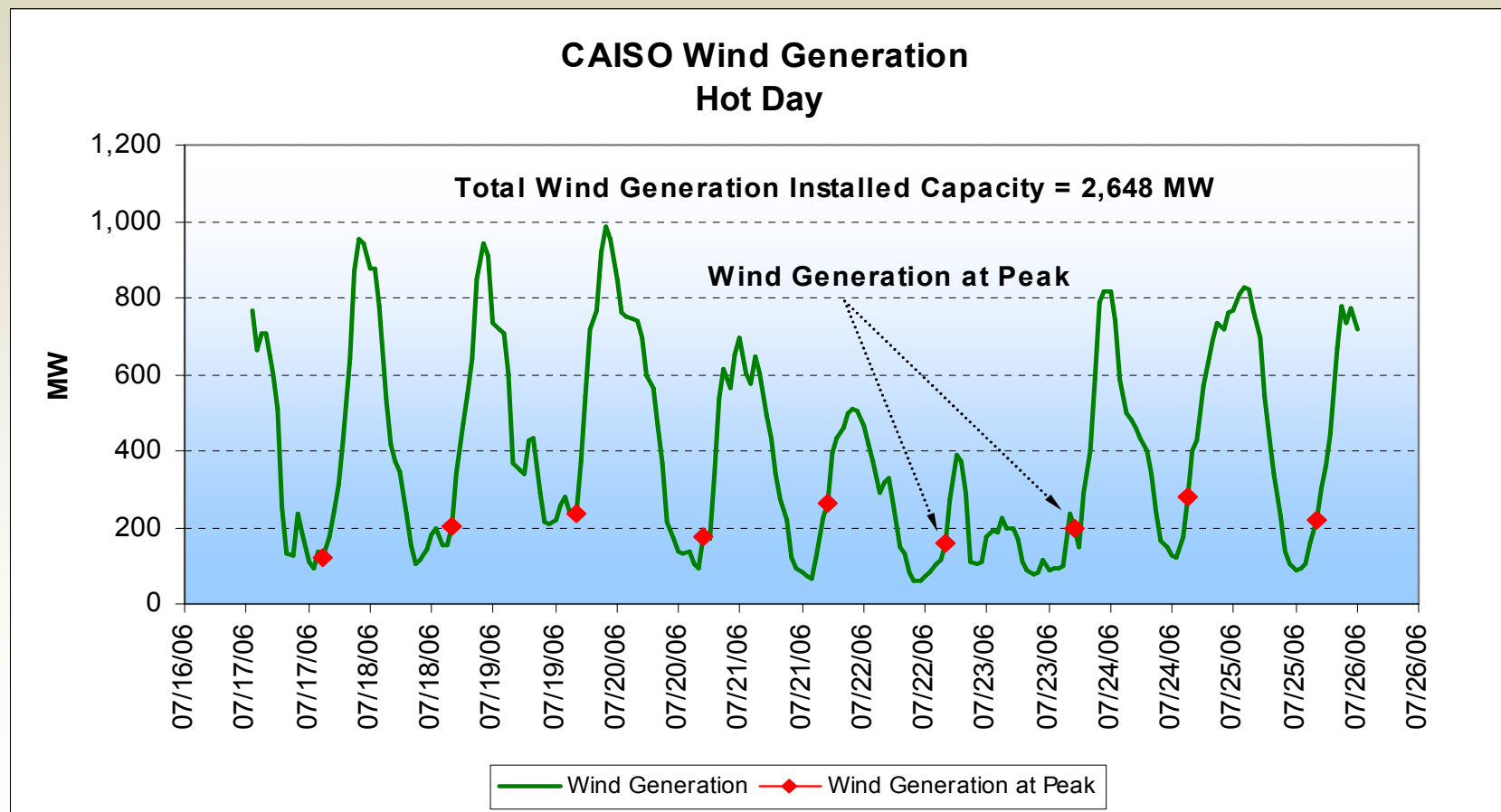
## “Out of the Box” on all fronts!

Case	GWh	Avg. Mw	Nameplate Mw
20% RPS (2010)	55,657	6,353	13,614
33% RPS (2020)	102,000	11,600	29,000

- Achieving 33% requires us to meet two times load growth with renewables between now and 2020.
- The increase in need for capacity, ramping, and regulation to achieve 33% RPS is not linear – it is much greater.
- 5-7 major transmission projects.
- Regional diversification is important technically and economically.
- Key questions are:
  - How much “in the box” thinking is still viable?
  - Can we retain and invest in more non base-load facilities?
  - Does retirement or replacement make sense?

# Wind Production on Peak Heat Days

You have to go a very long distance to get diversity!

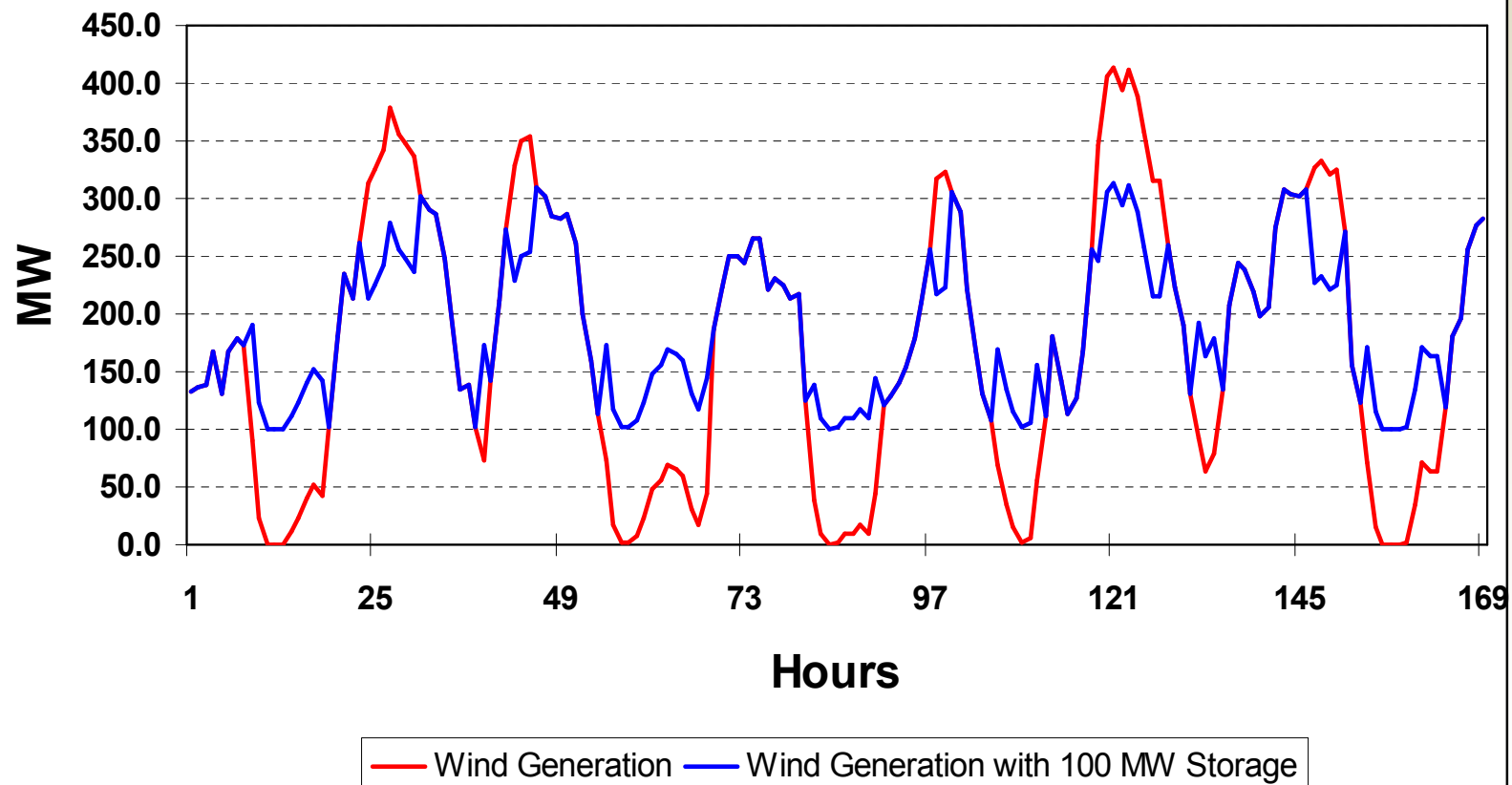


# Towards RPS – Green Energy

**The capacity element and the crown prince (storage)!**

	Wind	Solar PV (non-DG)	Solar Thermal	Geothermal
<b>Capacity Value</b>	15-30% prior CPUC Approx. 3-8% new CPUC	65%	71-80%	80-90%
<b>Capacity Factors</b>	18-20% historical <30% new turbines	18-24%	20-28%	80-90%

# Tehachapi Wind Generation with 100 MW Storage

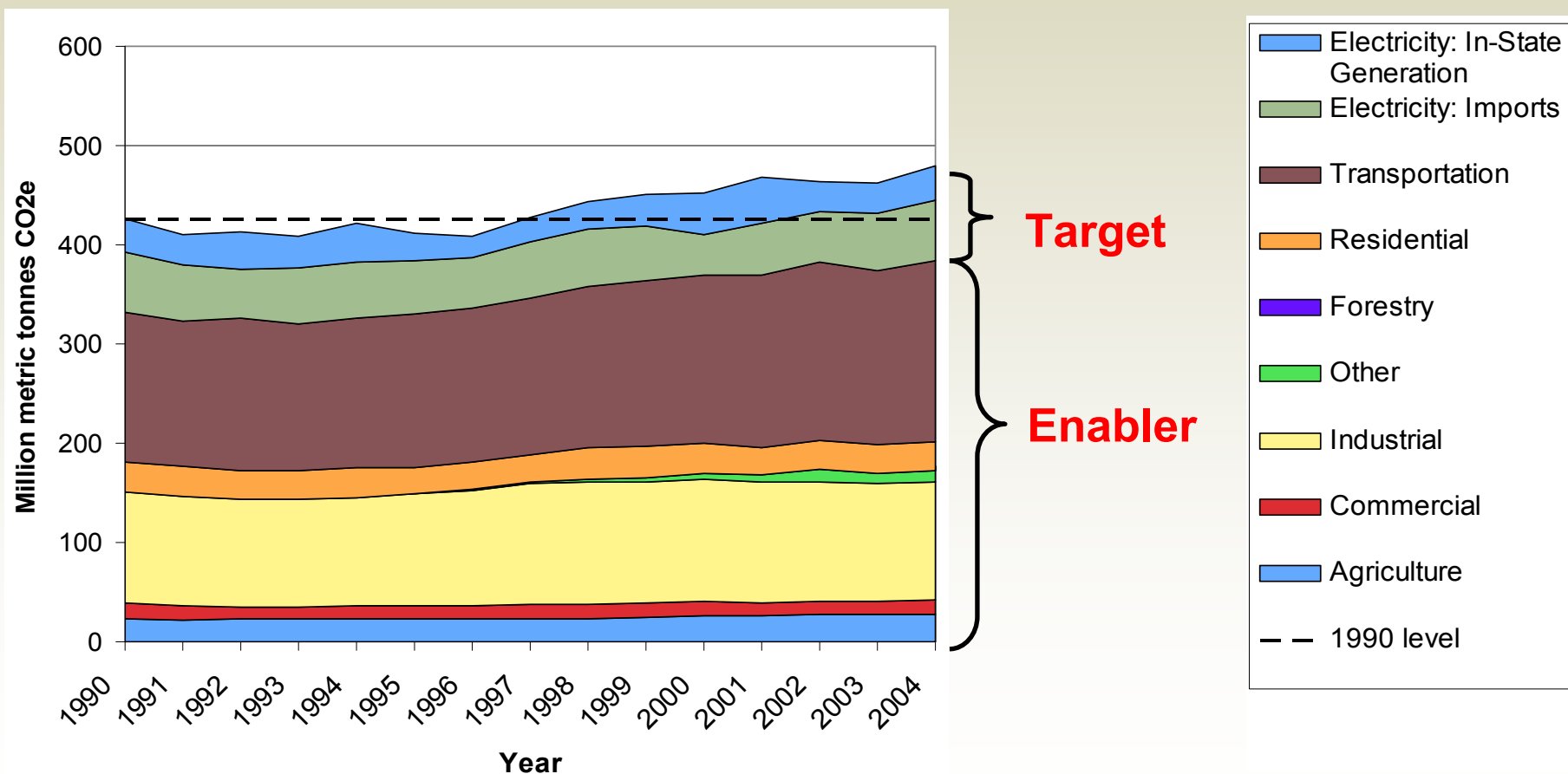


# The Future – The Grid

- The Smarter Grid
  - IT
  - Telecom
  - Power Equipment
  - Demand Side
- The Greener Grid

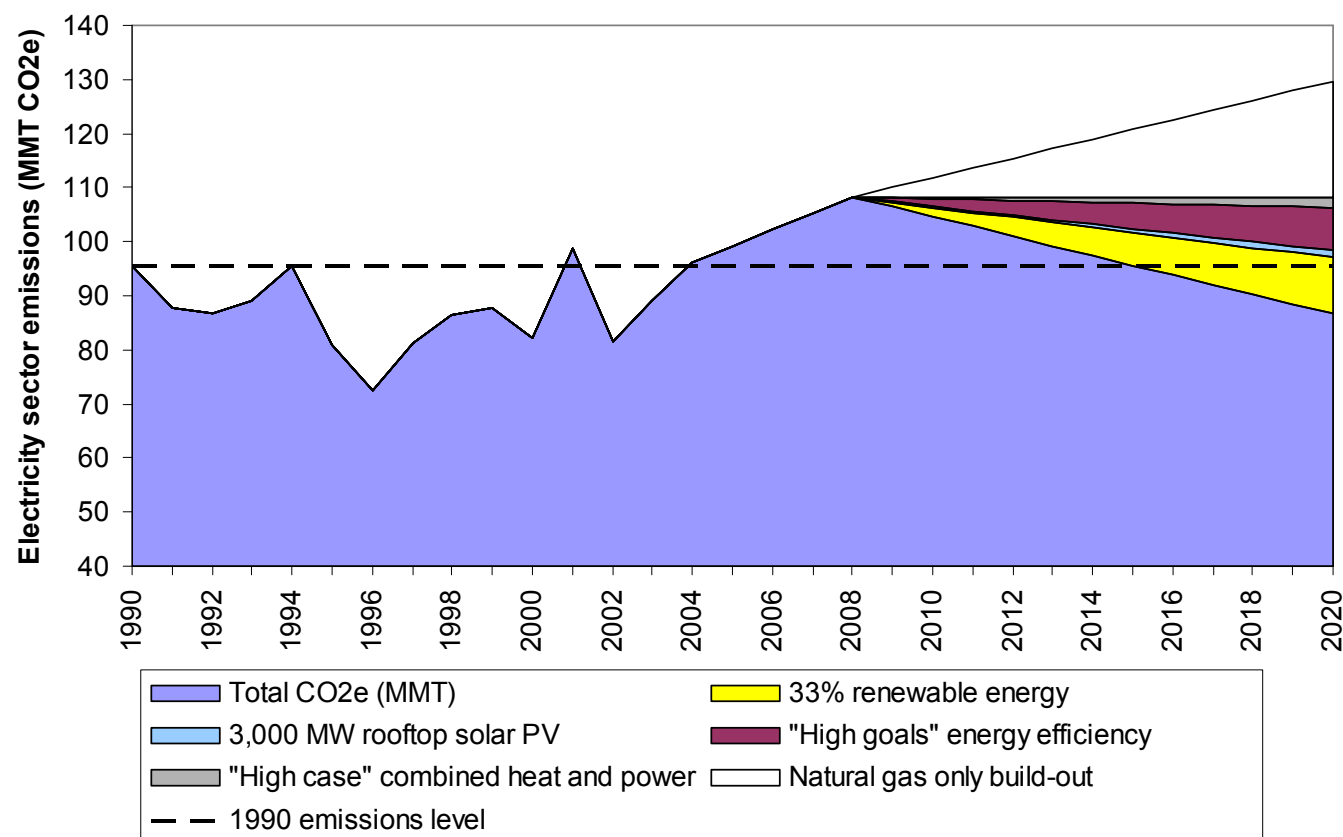
# Into the Future

## Achieving Statewide 1990 Level Emissions by 2020 (CA Assembly Bill 32)



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## Electricity Sector Emission Reductions Potential Compared to Historic Electricity Sector Emissions

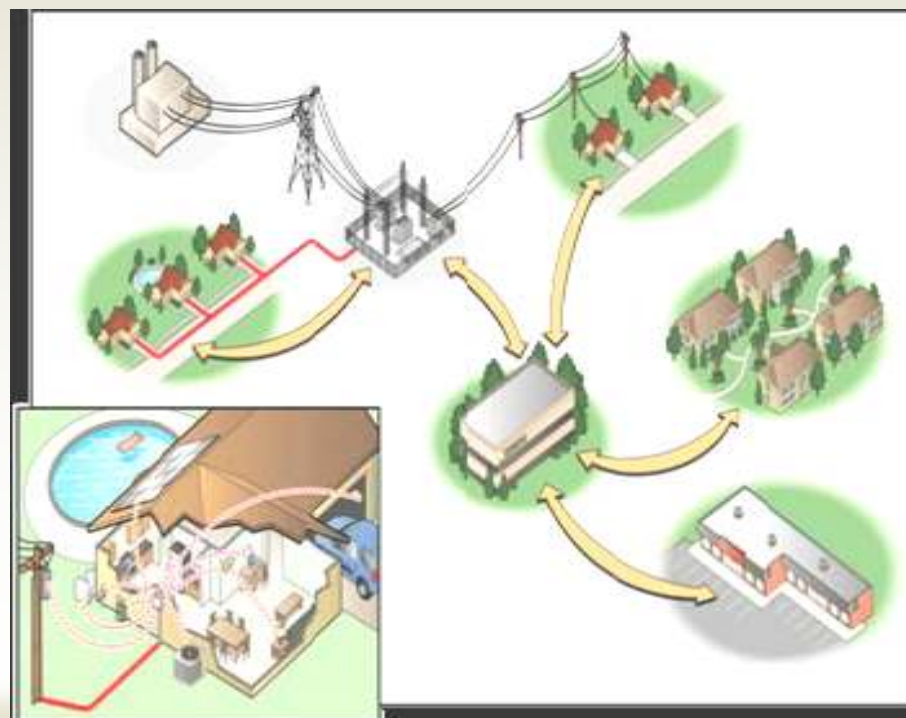


● Gas Build-out ● Reference Case ● Accelerated Policy Case



# Into the Future - The Demand

- Smart Homes
- Smart Appliances
- Electrification of the Transportation
- Electrification of Industrial Processes
- Conservation
- Distributed Generation



# Into the Future - The Education

- The largest vital single element
- We are all students before becoming teachers
- Inspiring the new and older generations
- The ISO Academy
- The ISO Sabbatical

