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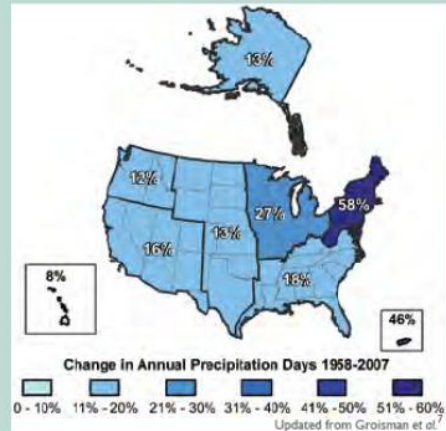
# Capturing Wisconsin's Clean Energy Future: Cap and Trade

# Outline

- Why Address Global Warming?
- Wisconsin's Energy and Emissions Mix
- The Economic Drain of Fossil Fuel Imports
- Wisconsin's Energy Opportunities
- Making Cap and Trade Work in WI



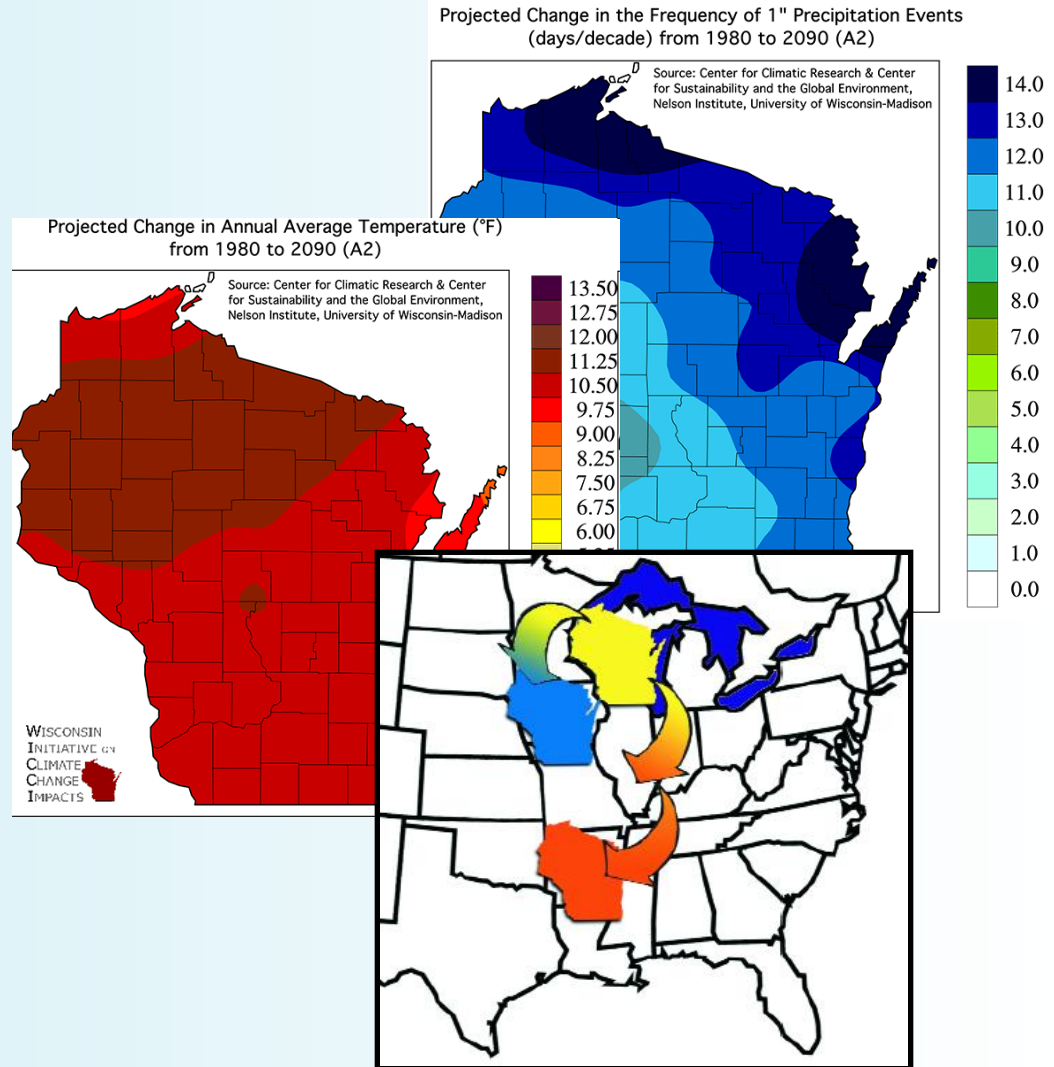
Increases in Very Heavy Precipitation Days (1958-2007)



The map shows the percentage increases in the average number of days with very heavy precipitation (defined as the heaviest 1 percent of all events) from 1958 to 2007 for each region, compared to a baseline period of 1961-1990. The clearest trends toward more very heavy precipitation days are evident at the national scale, and in the Northeast and Midwest.

# Global Warming Threatens Wisconsin

- Wisconsin faces increased temperatures (particularly in winter), more very hot days, fewer very cold days, more winter precipitation, and more extreme precipitation events
- Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Tourism are all based on WI's current climate and landscape



# Global Warming Threatens Wisconsin

What does this mean?

## Examples:

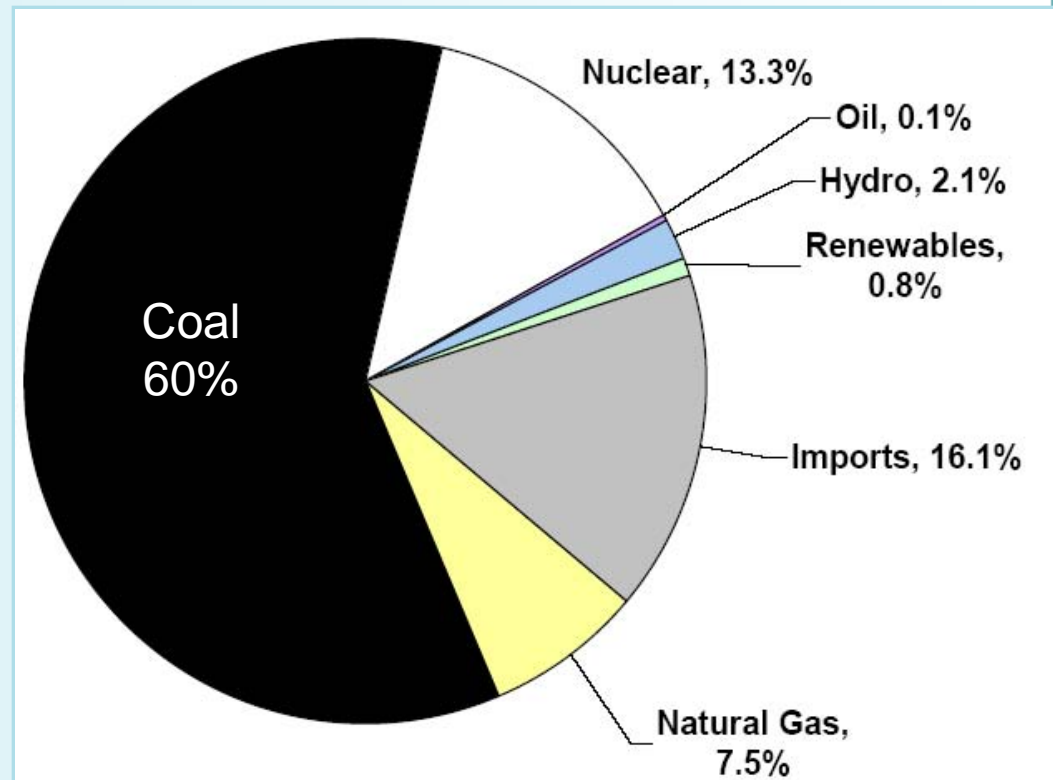
- Trout are particularly vulnerable, threatening a fishing industry that accounts for over \$1 Billion of economic activity in the driftless area per year.
- Climate change currently costs corn growers \$1.4 Billion per year worldwide, but the USDA projects a 2° F increase will cost corn growers in Wisconsin alone approx. \$41 million per year.



What is Wisconsin's contribution to this problem?

# Electrical Generation in WI by Fuel

- Coal provides approximately 70% of WI electrical sales (in-state generation and imports)
- Only coal-producing states use a higher mix of coal than WI



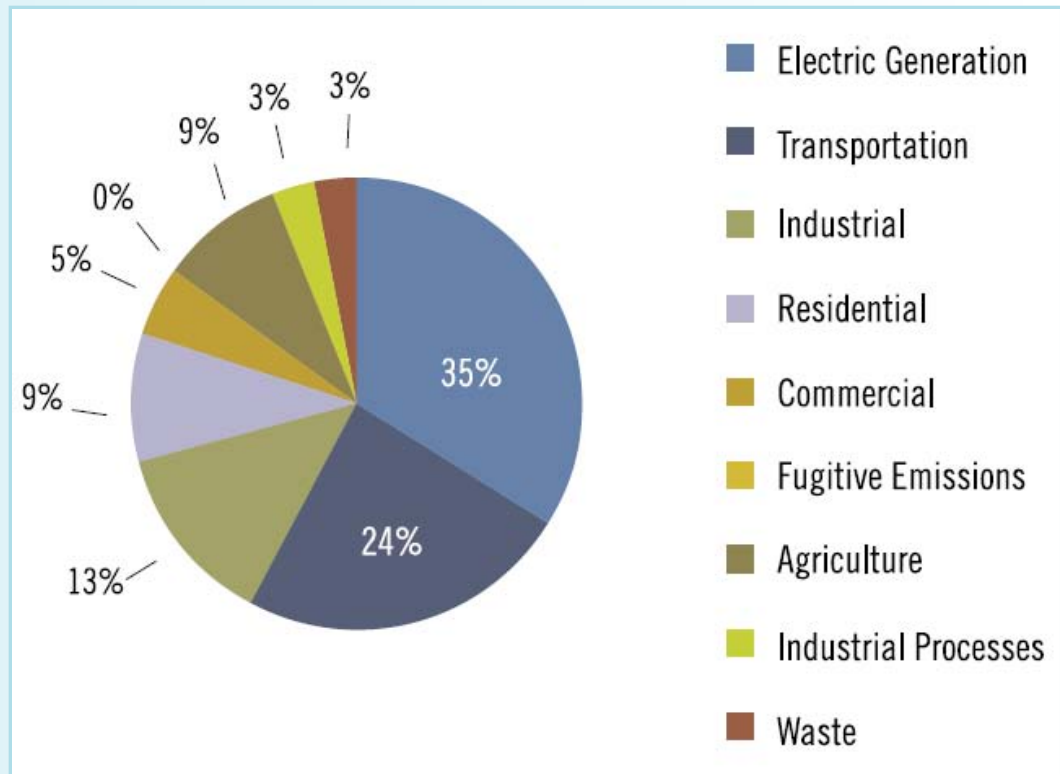
## Electrical Generation in WI

Source: WI PSC, SEA, 2007

Note: Wind power increased almost 8X in 2008

# GHG Emissions in Wisconsin

- WI's GHG emissions were 123 Million Metric Tons (MT) CO<sub>2</sub>e in 2003
  - 14% higher than 1990
- Electrical generation is the largest source of GHGs in WI
  - 43 MT CO<sub>2</sub>e
  - 30% higher than 1990
- By comparison, transportation is the largest source of GHGs in CA (59%)



**Wisconsin Greenhouse Gas Emissions by Sector**

Source: World Resources Institute, Charting the Midwest, 2007

# Wisconsin's Energy Deficit

- Wisconsin has NO fossil fuels
  - No COAL, GAS or OIL
- WI spends over \$20 BILLION on imported fossil fuel energy
  - Approximately 10% of Gross State Product
- This money brings jobs to the Middle East, Venezuela, Canada and Wyoming instead of WI
- Fossil fuel dependency = price volatility



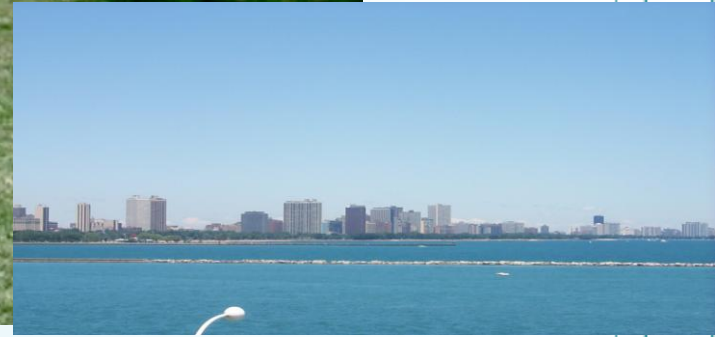
# Fossil Fuels Costs Outside the Energy Bill:

- State-wide Mercury Fish Advisory
- Increasing Winter Particulate Pollution

Annual Impacts of the two new coal plants in Oak Creek:

- 26 premature deaths
- 2,000 asthma attacks
- 350 emergency room visits
- \$188 million in public health impacts

Source: Harvard School of Public Health, 2003 testimony to Wisconsin PSC



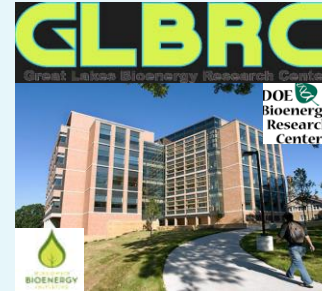
# But Does Wisconsin Have a Homegrown Alternative to Fossil Fuels?



# Bioenergy

## Wisconsin's Bioenergy Advantage:

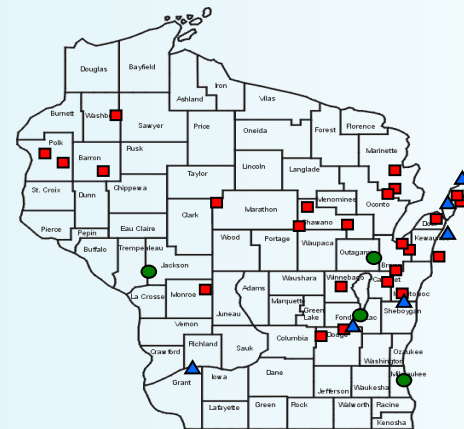
- High Productivity Agriculture in Southern WI
- High Productivity Forestry in Northern WI
- Leading Research Institutions
- Advanced Biofuel Industry



## Biomass Momentum

- DTE Stoneman coal to biomass conversion in Cassville
- Xcel's Bay Front coal to biomass gasification conversion in Ashland
- We Energies proposed biomass cogeneration plant in Rothschild

**Wisconsin leads the U.S. in Anaerobic Digesters producing biogas**



- 24 - Operating Farm Digesters
- ▲ 6 - Farm Digesters Under Construction
- 4 - New Industrial or Municipal Digesters Under Construction

April 7, 2009  
Source: Larry Krom  
Wisconsin Focus on Energy

# Wind, Solar, Geothermal, Energy Efficiency

Wisconsin is Uniquely Positioned to  
Lead in Clean Energy:

- Manufacturing:
  - Heavy Industry
  - Electrical Component Production
  - Diverse Specialty Products
- Energy Efficiency
- Cutting Edge Energy Products

**In Contrast, Old Dirty Fossil  
Technologies are Tomorrow's  
Economic Caboose**



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# Cap and Trade

## ONE part of a comprehensive clean energy plan

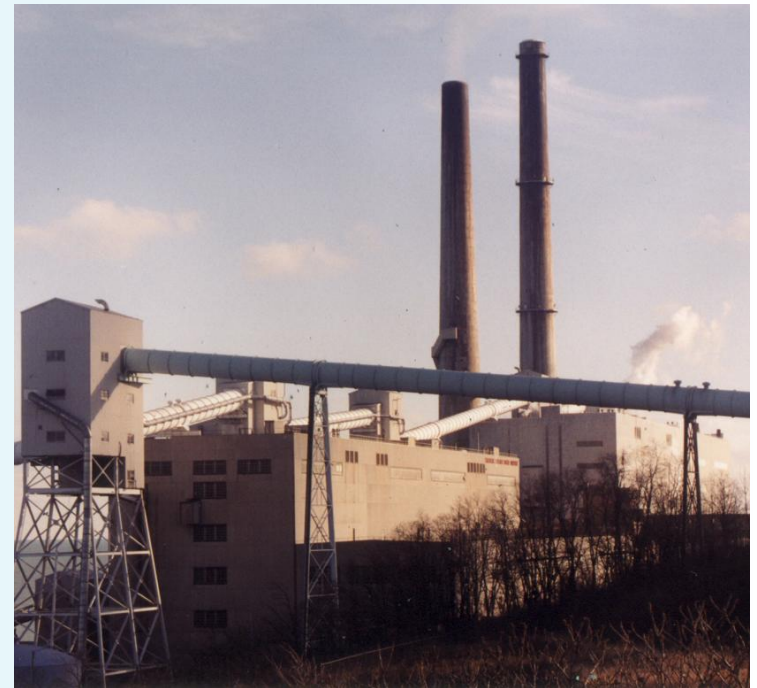
In a nutshell: The government sets a cap on pollution, limiting the amount that companies or other groups are allowed to release. The government then issues credits, which allow companies to each pollute a certain amount as long as the aggregate pollution is less than the set cap.

Cap and Trade is designed to address global warming pollution from the largest sources:

- Power Plants
- Refineries
- Industrial Facilities

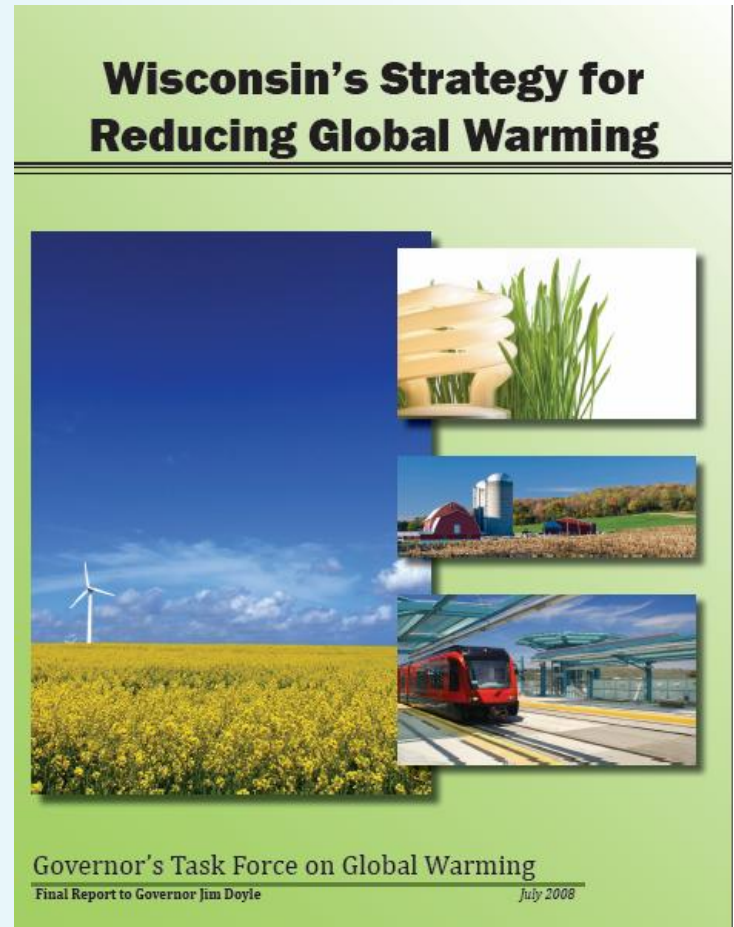
What does it cost?

**Depends on the Cap and Trade Program Design AND the Total Energy Plan**



# WI Task Force on Global Warming

- 29 Member bipartisan panel
- 6 Working groups developed policy recommendations
- Staffed by DNR, PSC, DATCP and others
- Goals: Reduce GHG emissions, increase jobs and transform economy
- Near-unanimous approval of 63 policies
  - Energy Efficiency
  - Energy Conservation
  - Renewable Energy
  - Infrastructure
  
  - Cap and Trade
  - 22% reduction from 2005 levels by 2022



<http://dnr.wi.gov/environmentprotect/gtfgw/>



“CREWE will advocate meaningful energy policy change, as outlined in the Governor’s Global Warming Task Force final report, which will have a positive impact on Wisconsin’s economic development and security, as well as foster jobs.”

Alliant Energy  
American TransmissionCo.  
Axley Brynelson  
C5•6 Technologies  
CleanPower  
DTE Energy Services  
EcoEnergy  
Emerging Energies of WI

Forest County Potawatomi  
Community  
Johnson Controls  
Madison Gas and Electric  
MillerCoors  
Orion Energy Systems  
Wisconsin Energy Corp.  
WPPI Energy  
Xcel Energy

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# Midwestern Governors Association (MGA) 2007 Midwestern Greenhouse Gas Accord

- Bi-partisan stakeholder groups formed to develop specific recommendations
- May 22, 2009 Final Consensus
  - 20% reduction from 2005 levels by 2020
  - Offsets up to 20% of compliance
  - Direct allocation of emissions



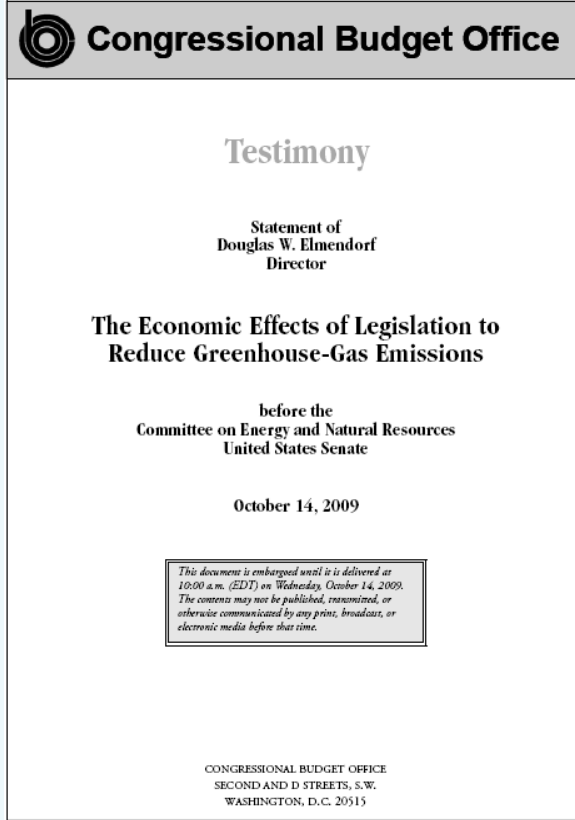
# Cap and Trade in Federal Energy Legislation

## The non-partisan Congressional Budget Office (CBO) Analysis of Cap and Trade:

- The average households would pay less than a postage stamp a day
- The lowest income households will actually see net positive budget results

## The CBO Analysis did NOT take into account Wisconsin initiatives that will lower our compliance costs

- Aggressive Energy Efficiency Goals in Wisconsin
- Federal Analyses also do NOT include site-specific opportunities for very high ghg emission reduction actions like converting coal power plants to biomass



“United States Climate Action Partnership (USCAP) is a group of businesses and leading environmental organizations that have come together to call on the federal government to quickly enact strong national legislation to require significant reductions of greenhouse gas emissions.”

AES

Alcoa

Alstom

Boston Scientific Corporation

BP America

Caterpillar

Chrysler

ConocoPhillips

Deere & Company

The Dow Chemical Company

Duke Energy

DuPont

Environmental Defense Fund

Exelon Corporation

Ford Motor Company

FPL Group

General Electric

General Motors Corporation

Honeywell

Johnson & Johnson

Natural Resources Defense Council

The Nature Conservancy

NRG Energy

PepsiCo

Pew Center on Global Climate Change

PG&E Corporation

PNM Resources

Rio Tinto

Shell

Siemens Corporation

World Resources Institute

# Many Companies Are Already Exceeding the Targets of Cap and Trade Legislation

“Our plan would **reduce** carbon dioxide emissions by 22 percent from 2005 levels by 2020, a 6 million ton reduction, while pursuing the lowest-cost expansion path, meeting increased customer needs and maintaining system reliability.”

Source: Xcel Energy's Resource Plan, 12/07



Xcel's Bay Front Coal Plant in Ashland WI. A coal to biomass gasification conversion was recently approved by the Public Service Commission (10/30/09)

# Thank You

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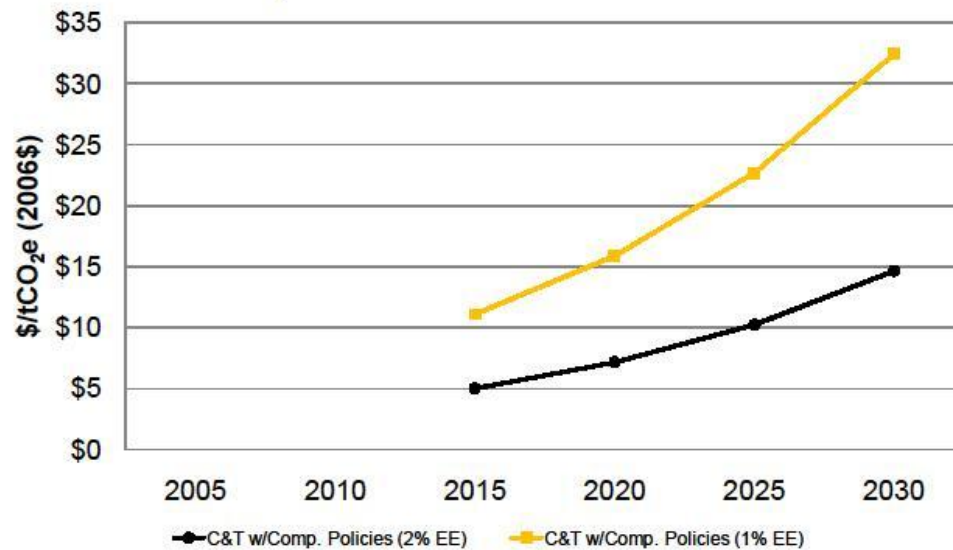


# Extra Slides

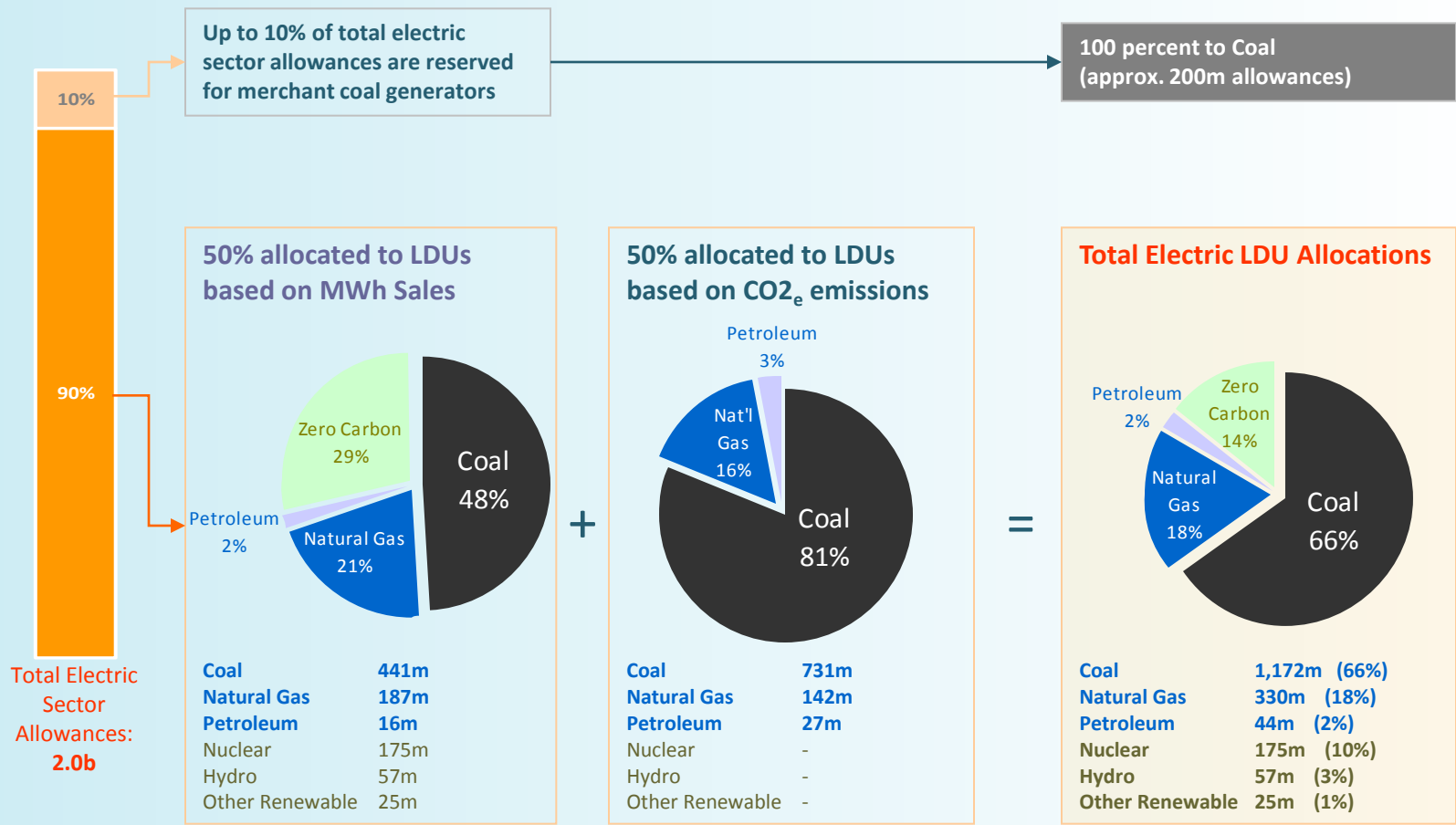
# MGA Modeling Shows Energy Efficiency Drives Low Cost Cap & Trade

Midwestern Greenhouse Gas Reduction Accord

### Cap-and-Trade Allowance Price



# Initial Distribution of Electric Sector Allowances by Fuel Type under H.R. 2454



Sources: EIA 2006, 2007, 2008 (Sales and Emission figures are averages for the three-year period.)

# Other Companies are Voluntarily Investing in Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

