

## Generating Resources

Combined Cycle Combustion Turbine

Utility Scale Solar PV

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## Purpose of Today's Webinar

- **Communicate results from the work Council staff (with aid from the GRAC) has been doing recently around two key supply-side resource technologies**
  1. Combined Cycle Combustion Turbine (CCCT)
  2. Utility Scale Solar Photovoltaic (Solar PV)
- **This includes cost and performance estimates, along with definition of new resource reference plants for use in the Regional Portfolio Model**

## 4 Key Points for CCCT

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| 1. Technology           | Mature technology, with continued improvements in efficiency and performance – resulting in better use of natural gas and more flexibility  |
| 2. In the Northwest     | Significant presence in the region. Dispatchable baseload power, but annual generation (capacity factor) is variable, depends on hydro conditions. Plentiful natural gas supply from diverse sources and robust gas infrastructure. |
| 3. Cost and Uncertainty | Stable capital cost estimate, but the levelized cost over 20 year planning horizon is highly uncertain – depends on future natural gas supply, price and hydro conditions   |
| 4. Emissions            | Emits CO <sub>2</sub> when generating, and related methane emissions from natural gas production and transportation - but are within proposed EPA regulations for CO <sub>2</sub> emissions from new plants                         |

## 4 Key Points for Solar PV

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| 1. Technology           | Evolving and improving both in efficiency and cost. Strong US focus on solar power; rapidly growing power source in California and the Southwest.   |
| 2. In the Northwest     | Limited presence in the region, though activity is picking up significantly in Southern Idaho – which is probably the best solar resource area in the region. Non dispatchable, variable resource – output varies seasonally and daily, requires integration. |
| 3. Cost and Uncertainty | High up-front capital costs, but costs have been declining rapidly, requiring a forecast of future cost declines. Levelized costs free from fuel related uncertainty.   |
| 4. Emissions            | Does not emit CO <sub>2</sub> .   |

## GRAC Meetings To Date

GRAC Meeting	Solar PV	CCCT	Hydro Scoping	Gas Peakers	Wind
1) Jun 20 2013	1				
2) Oct 16 2013	2	1	1		
3) Feb 27 2014		2		1	
4) May 28 2014	3	3	2	2	1
5) Oct 2 2014			3	3	2
6) Nov 7 2014	4				

## Reference Plant Basics

- Potential technology and configuration
- Likely location
- Capacity (MW)
- Normalized overnight capital cost (\$/kW)
- O&M costs fixed (\$/kW-yr) and variable (\$/MWh)
- Levelized cost fixed (\$/kW-yr) and full (\$/MWh)–annualized cost of capital and operation across the lifecycle
- Heat rate if applicable
- Note: all \$ in 2012 dollars

# Combined Cycle Combustion Turbine

## Background

### Primary Components

- Gas-fired combustion turbine (s)
- Heat recovery steam generator (s) - HRSG with or without duct firing
- Natural gas supply
- Water supply with or without dry cooling

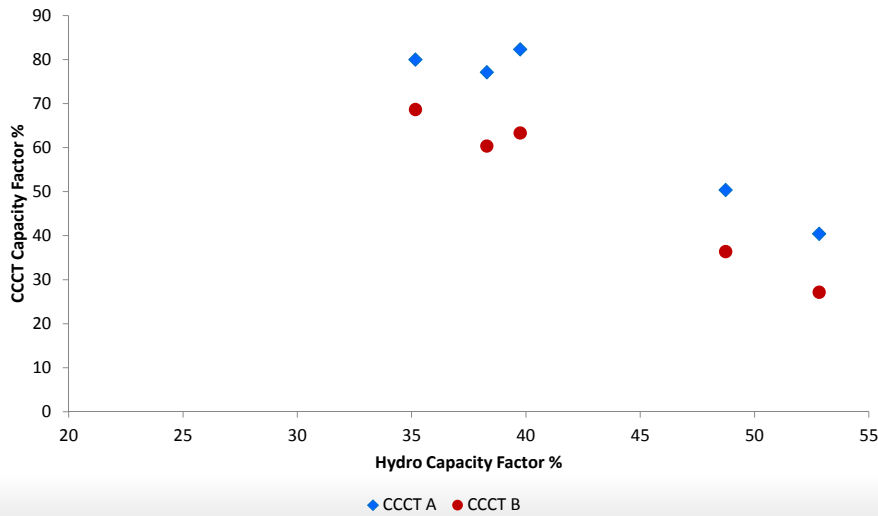
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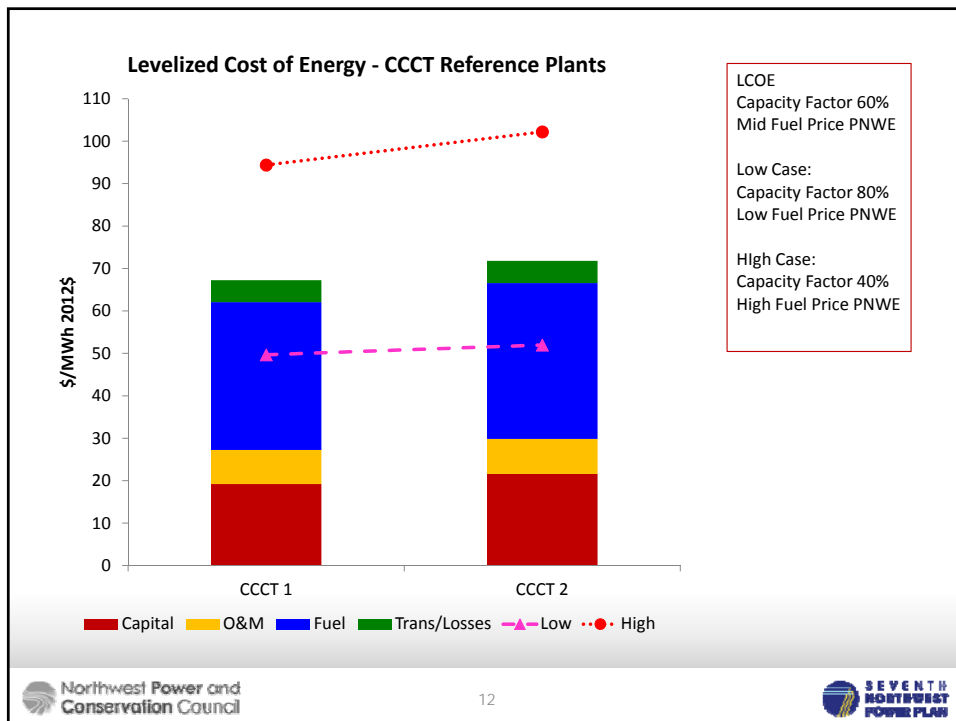
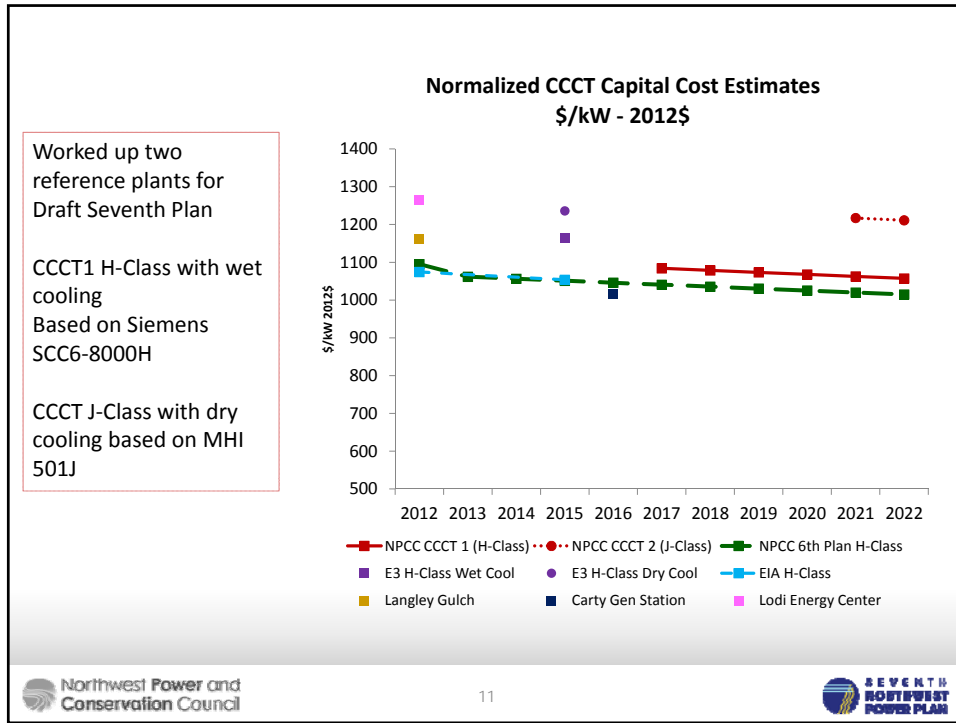


Natural Gas infrastructure in the Northwest can tap supply from BC and Alberta Canada, and US Rockies

Draft Natural Gas forecast prices average from from \$3.80 to \$7.5 per mmbtu in 2012 dollars

**Annual Capacity Factors for 2 CCCT plants in the Northwest by Hydro Capacity Factor (2008 – 2012)**





## Reference Plants

	CCCT 1 Siemens H-Class 1x1, Wet Cooled	CCCT 2 MHI J-Class 501J 1x1, Dry Cooled	
Location	PNW East	PNW East	
Earliest In –Service	2017	2021	
Construction Per. Years	3	3	
Economic Life Years	30	30	
Capacity MW	392	449	
Capital Cost \$/kW	\$1,084	\$1,217	
Fuel	Natural Gas	Natural Gas	
Heat Rate btu/kWh	6,471	6,408	
Max Capacity Factor %	89	89	
Inv. Tax Credit	-	-	
O&M Fixed (\$/kW-yr), Variable (\$/MWh)	15.37, 3.27	15.37, 3.27	
CO2 lb/MWh	792	784	

## Utility Scale Solar PV

## Solar PV Components

PV Modules	Power Electronics	Balance of System
Silicon based c-Si	Inverters	Land and permitting
Thin Film CdTe	Control electronics	Foundation, mounts, tracking systems
		Fixed mount
		Single-axis tracker
		Dual-axis tracker

## SunShot Initiative

- DOE launched SunShot as a way to drive R&D advances and provide market stimulation for Solar PV
- Cost goal for utility scale solar PV – \$1/W<sub>dc</sub> by 2020 which would represent a 75% drop in capital costs since 2010
- Revolutionary advances required – reducing costs across all components and increased efficiencies
- A less aggressive Evolutionary (incremental) cost reduction goal also stated



## Solar PV in the PNW



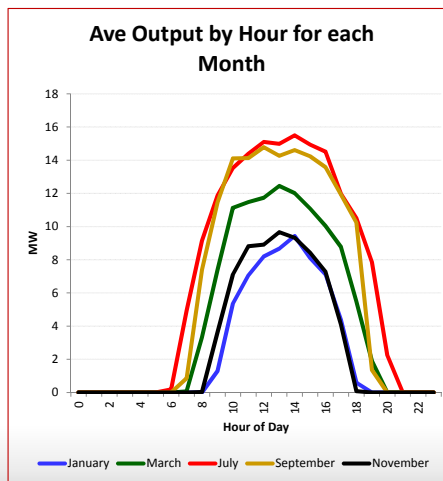
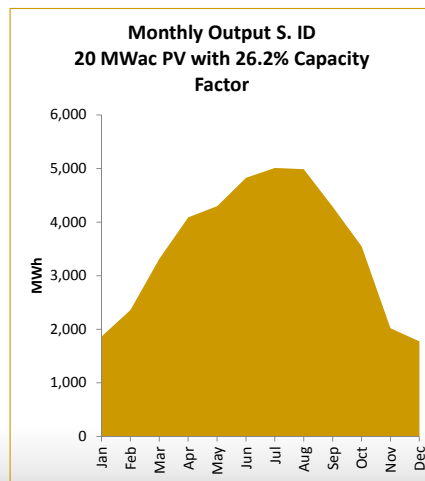
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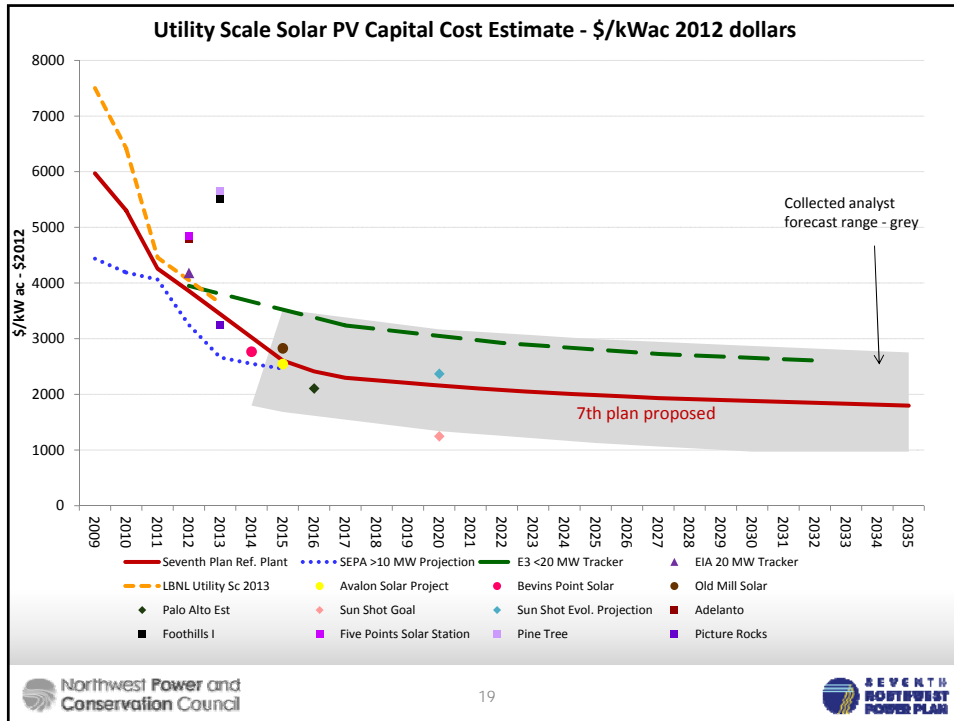
- **Outback Solar,** Christmas Valley, OR – largest solar PV project installed to-date in PNW at 5 MW

- **Solar in Southern Idaho ~500 MW**

- Grand View Solar Two (80 MW) and Boise City Solar (40 MW) - 20 year sales agreements approved by IPUC 11/14/14
- 11 additional projects in IPUC queue (380 MW)

## Solar PV Energy Production Example for Southern Idaho

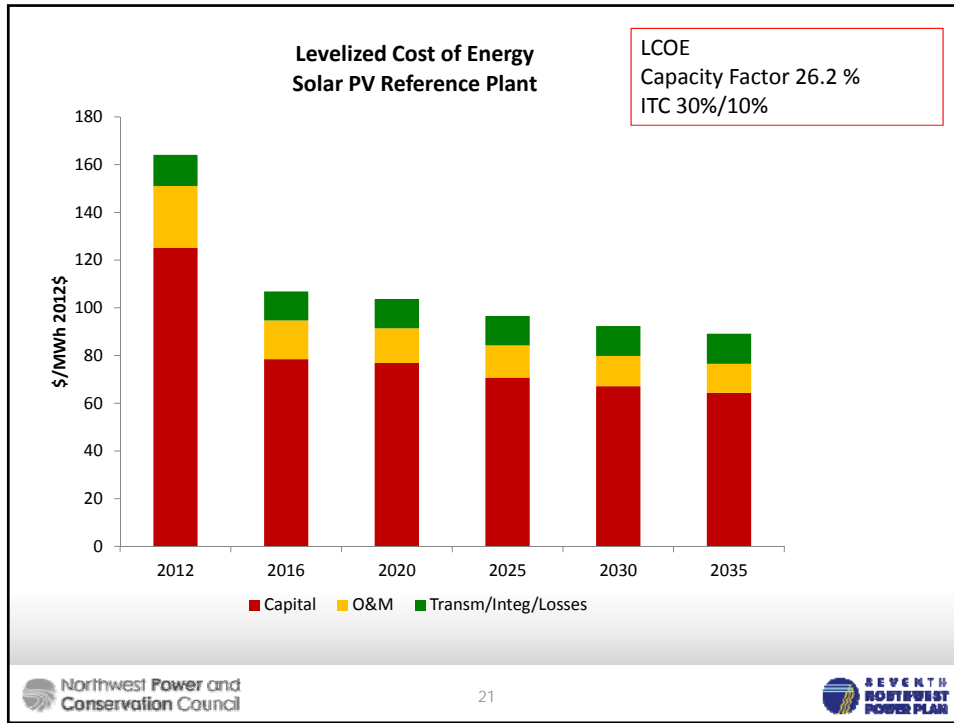




## O&M and Levelized Cost Estimates

- **Fixed O&M Estimates**
  - PV panel washing & replacement due to loss
  - Inverter replacement at 15 years
  - Costs decline with capital cost estimate
  - 30 year life
- **Levelized Cost Calculation**
  - Capacity Factor 26.2% (S ID)
  - Investment Tax Credit 30% through 2016, then 10%
  - Microfin cost calculator: includes cost of capital, insurance and property tax, O&M, transmission, integration, and cost of losses

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# Wrap Up

## Levelized Costs – Reference Plants

Year	Fixed Levelized Cost \$/kW-yr			LCOE \$/MWh		
	CCCT 1	CCCT 2	Solar PV	CCCT 1	CCCT 2	Solar PV
2016	163.27		241.75	67.23		106.87
2020		177.38	234.12		71.80	103.70
2025			217.37			96.61
2030			207.16			92.37
2035			199.41			89.17

CCCT Cap Factor 60%  
Solar Cap Factor 26%