

What is Renewable Energy... And why should I care?

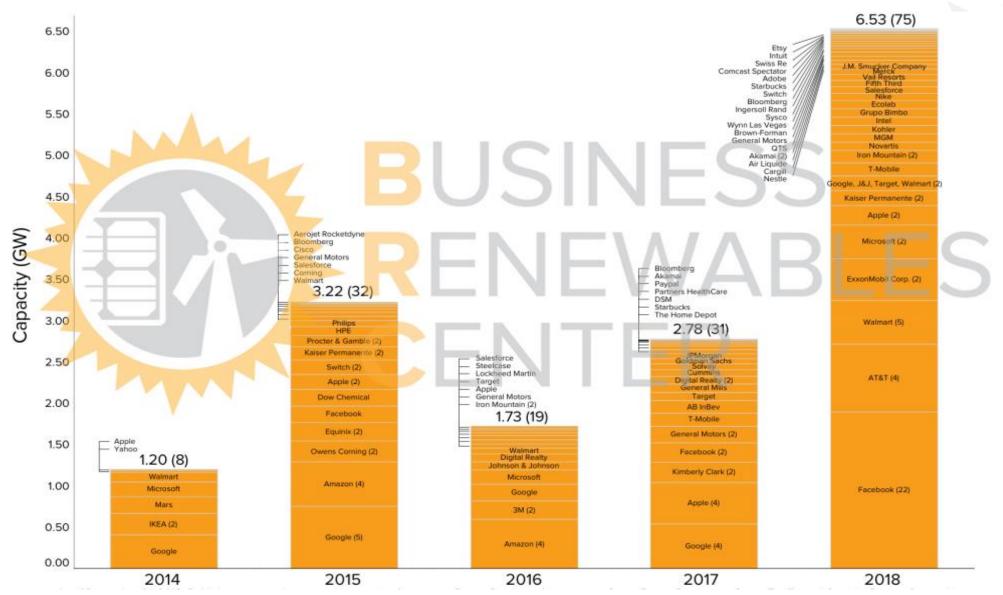
Definition -

- Renewable Energy is energy generated from renewable fuel sources that naturally replenish themselves – such as a wind, solar insolation, or biogas.
- Sometimes LFG, Biomass, Anaerobic Digestion Gas. These are cleaner generation technologies and address an existing waste problem.

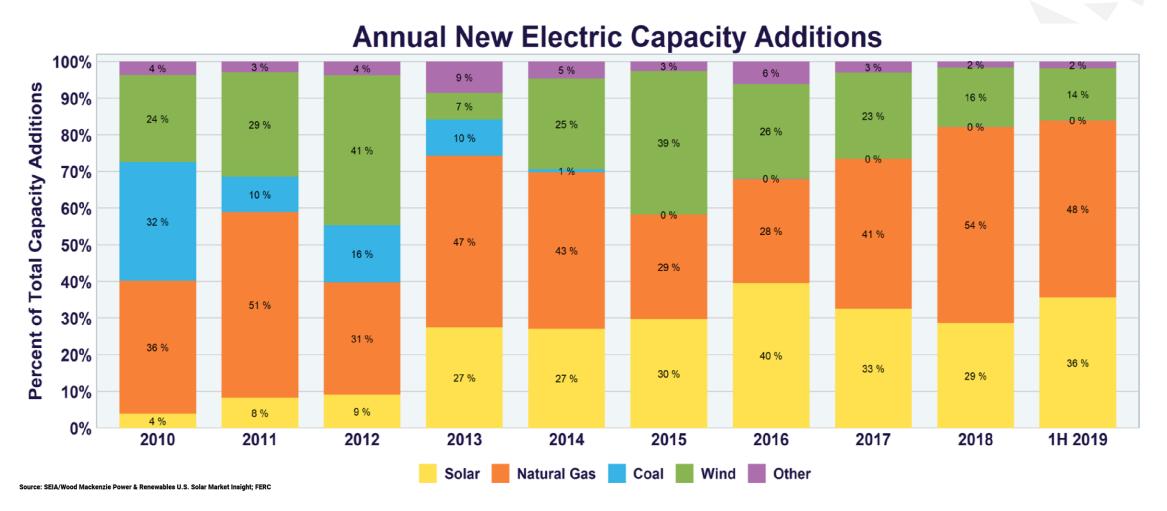
Why -

- It's good for the environment less harmful air emissions
- Local or regional sourcing of power means less dependence on foreign fuels
- Generation diversity makes our national power supply more rugged
- And could result in savings, price stability, and expense hedging

Large Corporate PPA Growth Continues – mostly Wind

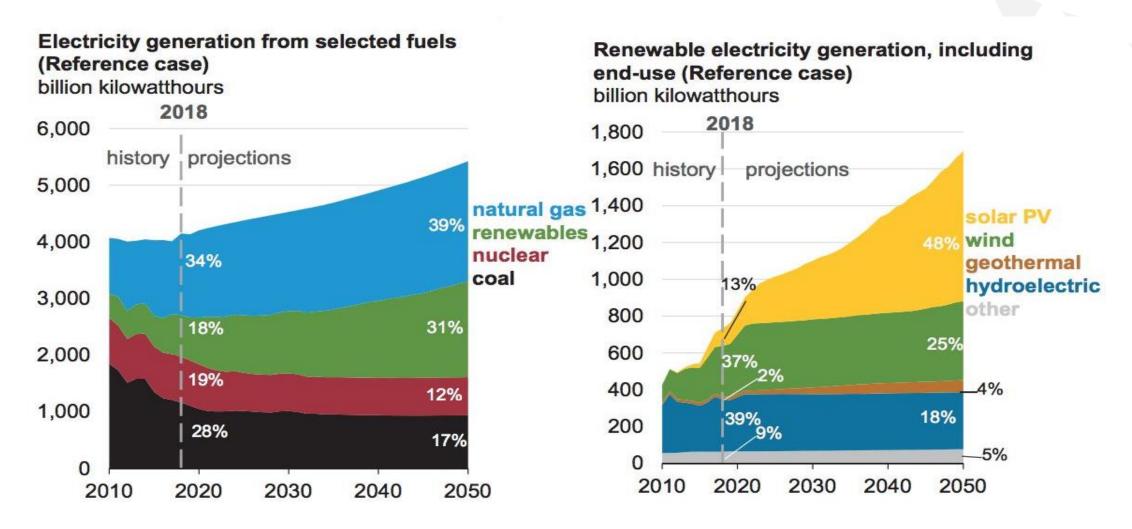


The Trend is Renewable Energy



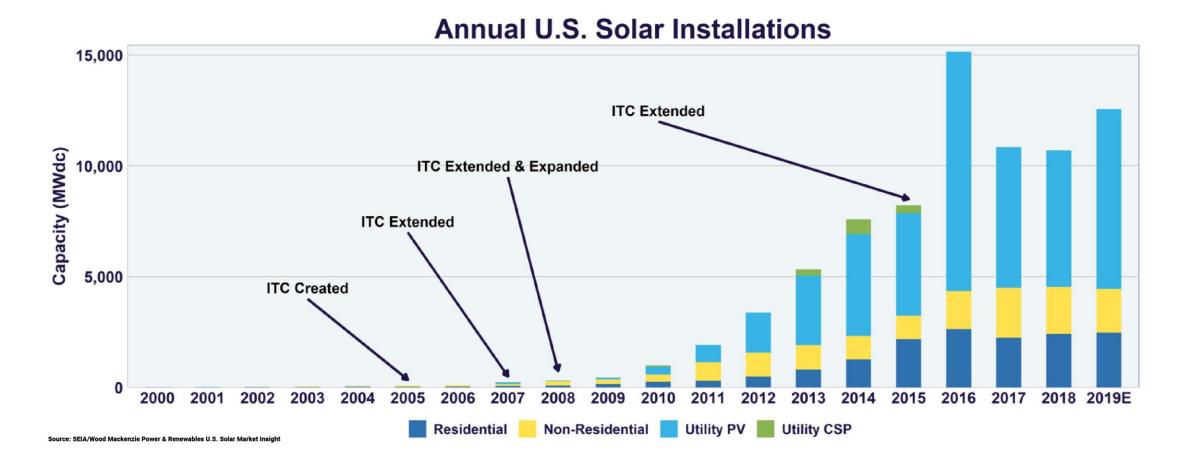
^{*} Solar and Natural Gas grow while Wind slows and Fossil Fuels decline dramatically.

More Details: Renewable Energy increases while shares of nuclear and coal generation decreases



^{*} Source: U.S. EIA

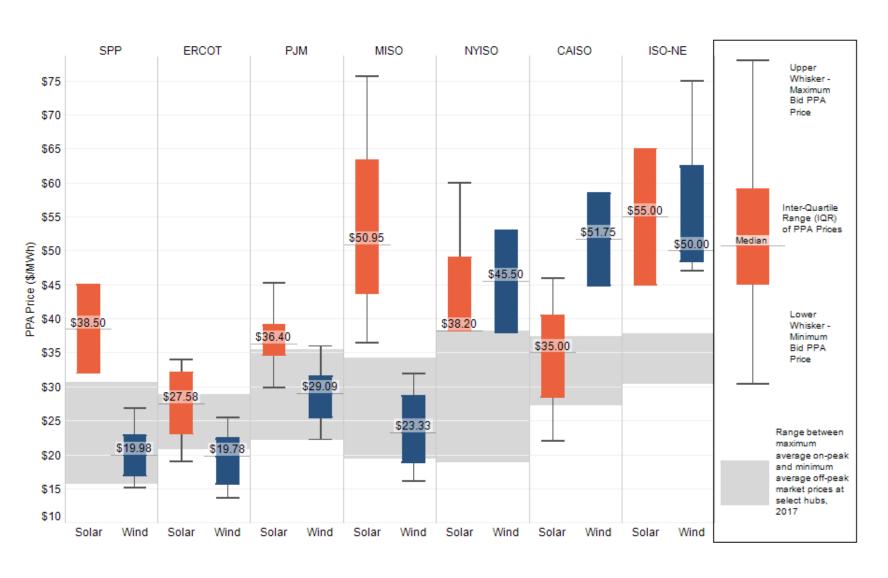
Solar Growth Continues



^{*} Solar across all application is growing. Large scale facilities are beginning to replace "big wind".

Offsite Renewable Energy PPA Pricing

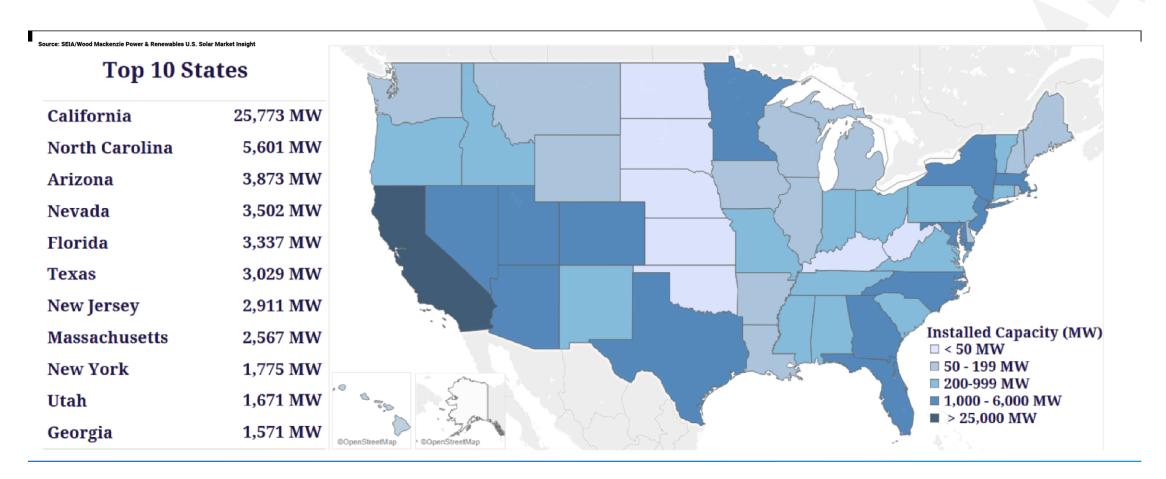
 PPA pricing is available at or below wholesale market prices in a number of markets today



What should I be looking for?

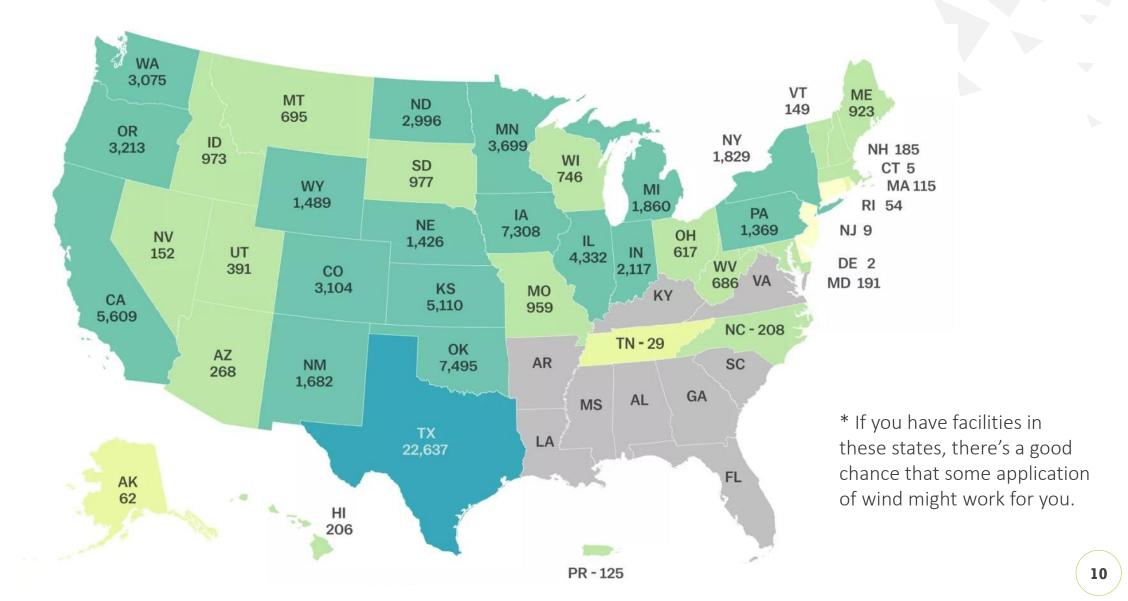
Renewable Situation	Host Requirements	State Incentives	Renewable Resource	Good for My Business
Onsite Solar – Rooftop	Usually ownership of buildingNew roof or one that needsreplacing	- Generally required	- Sunniest states are best but state incentives can close the gap	- Rooftop solar is the fastest growing market and is applicable with savings and other benefits across the country
Onsite Solar – Ground mount	- Open acreage (more than 10 acres) - Investment, lease, or PPA	- They help but not a deal breaker	- Sunnier is better but check incentives and local pricing	 Ground mount is making a surge with lower pricing for those with open land to spare Application advances such as canopy and carport
Onsite Wind – Large	Open acreage (more than 5 acres)Friendly permittingInvestment	- They help but not a deal breaker	Very windyIf the wind annoys you daily6 m/s (13 mph)	- There have been a few of these but rarely make financial sense
Onsite Wind - Small	- Less space needed, light poles - Investment	- They help but not a deal breaker	- Windier is better but these are sometimes simply for "demonstration"	 Same as the large onsite wind if you see one there's a pretty good chance it's costing them money Exception: remote applications
Offsite Wind or Solar (larger contracts)	- Minimum contract size (> 10 mw - 40,000 mwh per year) - PPA or other 3rd party structure	- Not required	- "fair to middling" resource depends on market price of power	 Both are very competitive and usually the best priced situation available If you have the size! Some aggregation plans are in play but tough to coordinate
Bio-based products	- Can be PPA'd, could be onsite	- Not required	Proximity to fuel source is criticalLFG less now, AD making a comeback based on RFS rules	- "Does it solve another problem?"

Top States for Utility Scale Solar



^{*} If you have facilities in these states, there's a good chance that some application of Solar will work for you.

Top States for Utility Scale Wind (end of 2017)



Common Challenges to Tackling Renewable Energy



Internal Alignment



Lack of Independent Analysis



Market Access



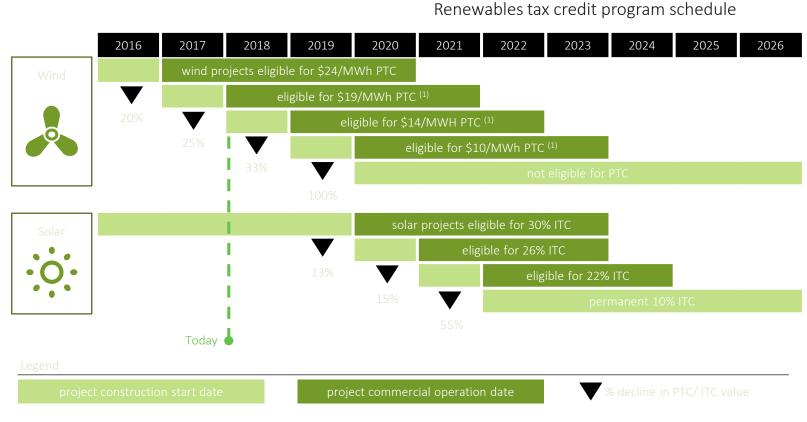
Limited Internal Resources



Unfamiliarity with Contract Structures

Phase Down of Tax Credit Programs for Renewables

Reductions in the federal incentives for renewable energy projects are a serious headwind for buyers.



(1) Exact PTC values will depend on the inflation-adjustment factor used by the IRS in the respective tax years. The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2016 phased the PTC down from its full value, for projects that begin construction by the end of 2016, to 80% of its full value for those that begin construction by the end of 2017, 60% by 2018, and 40% by 2019. The IRS has issued detailed guidance on the definition of "commence construction," summarized as beginning "physical work of a significant nature" or showing that 5% or more of the total cost of the facility was paid or incurred. A project developer has four years from the end of the year in which the project starts construction to place it in service, otherwise the developer must prove continuous work on the project in order to qualify for the tax credit.

- The Production Tax Credit (PTC) and Investment Tax Credit (ITC) are scheduled to step down over the next 4 years
- In order to achieve the full PTC value, projects should achieve commercial operations date (COD) by 2020
- Failure to obtain 100% PTC puts projects in the 20% stepdown period. To keep investor returns stable, the PPA prices offered to corporations would need to be at least 25% higher than today's rates
- For a 100MW wind farm, for example, this equates to ~\$20M in cash flow over 15 yrs.

For companies with renewable energy goals or ambitions, Edison Energy strongly encourages preparing for transacting no later than Q3 2018. The earlier companies are able to begin education and deal evaluation, the less they will find themselves competing amongst other corporate, utility and bank buyers.

What next? The call to action.

Savings, hedging against rising prices, future-proofing for future regulations, resiliency, reputation, internal pride, environmental stewardship, corporate goals... all benefits that might be available to you now through Renewable Energy.

- Commit to investigating if there is a renewable energy application that is right for you
- > Don't be limited or halted by lack of resources, expertise, or bandwidth
- ➢ Get some help don't go it alone



Thank you

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