

Future Trends: Energy

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# Why Does Xcel Energy Want Its Customers to Use Less Energy?

- It's good for our customers.
  - Our rebates reduce the payback period for energy-saving improvements
  - Energy-efficient equipment lead to lasting energy savings
- It's good for energy prices.
  - Reduces amount of energy we need to generate
  - Helps limit our need to purchase energy on the open market
- It's good for the environment.
  - The cleanest kilowatt is the one not produced
  - Current programs have already eliminated the need for an additional medium-sized power plant



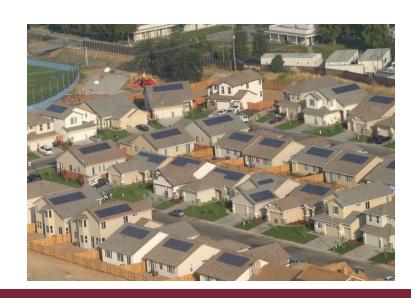
## **Energy Trend Drivers**

#### **Economics**

- Personal pocketbook issues in national spotlight
- Natural gas market highly volatile
- Renewable energy becoming more cost-competitive
- Financiers investing records amounts in renewable energy sector

#### **Environmental**

- Growing concern among the general public
- Corporations, government and individuals making efforts to reduce greenhouse gases
- Increasing interest in renewable energy and adoption of energy conservation behaviors





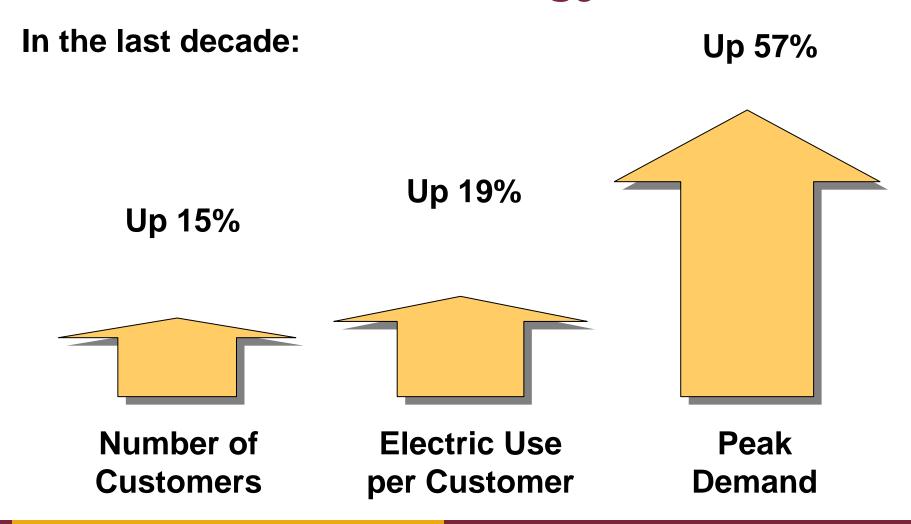
## **Energy Trend Drivers**

#### **Legislative**

- Colorado renewable energy standard 20% renewable energy by 2020
- Governor Ritter's New Energy Economy
- Colorado Public Utilities Commissioners appointed by Governor Ritter
- Renewable energy tax credit recently renewed
- National carbon cap-and-trade plan under discussion

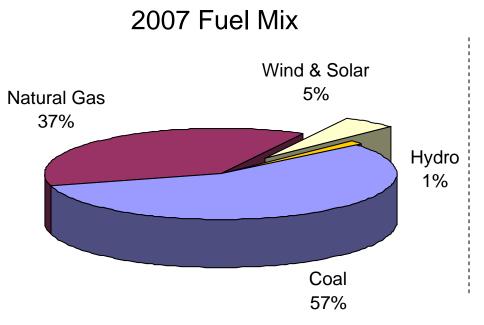


## Colorado's Energy Needs





# Where Does Colorado Get Its Energy and How Has It Changed?



#### In 1999

- Coal represented 80% of the fuel mix
- Wind energy wasn't in the fuel mix
- Natural gas was approximately 20%

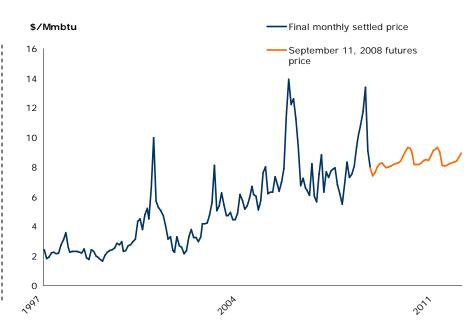


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#### **Natural Gas**

- Cleaner burning, reliable
- One of several fuels used to generate electricity
- Generation to cover peak demand
- Backup generation when renewable energy resources aren't producing
- Volatility attributed to storage levels hurricanes / weather affect supply
- Higher prices in Colorado are expected in 2008 with new pipeline capacity

#### **Volatility in Natural Gas Prices**



Source: NYMEX, Henry Hub Futures

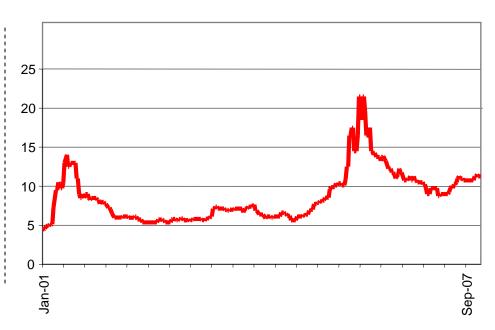


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#### **The Coal Market**

- Less volatile than natural gas, providing predictable pricing
- Price has doubled since 2001
- Price continues to rise along with other fuel sources
- Even with coal scrubbing technologies,
   CO<sub>2</sub> is emitted in the atmosphere
- Potential CO<sub>2</sub> emission reduction legislation is on the horizon

#### **Powder River Basin Coal Prices**





## Environmental Leadership

- No. 1 wind power provider
  - Source: American Wind Energy Association
- Windsource No. 1 program in the nation
  - Source: National Renewable Energy Laboratory
- Industry-leading voluntary emission reductions
- Award-winning energy conservation programs
- Voluntary carbon management strategy
- Member of the Dow Jones Sustainability Index







## Conservation First, Then Renewables

The cheapest, cleanest and most efficient kW is the one not produced

#### **Conservation**

- Less usage means less power produced
- Cheaper than developing new wind and solar farms

#### Renewables

- People don't live where the wind blows the most
- Added transmission needed to get wind and solar to population centers
- Intermittent
  - Wind generates power about 30% of the time
  - Not always sunny outside
  - Need natural gas back-up



## Conservation Rebate Programs

- Provides financial incentives to adopt energy efficient technologies
  - Cash rebate up to 50% of the project cost
  - For new or existing facilities
- Filed an unprecedented request to launch 35 conservation rebates programs for business and residential customers in 2009
- Builds on the success of our existing programs.
  - Creates new programs
  - Adds new rebates to existing programs
- Designed to save more than 425 million kWh of electricity and 721,000 dekatherms of natural gas in 2009 and 2010
- Effective date (requested) January 1, 2009





## Three Types of Programs

- Prescriptive programs
- Non-Prescriptive programs
- Studies and audits



### Prescriptive Programs

#### **Prescriptive programs**

Predetermined rebate amounts and related savings for various energy-saving technologies

- No preapproval required
- Qualifying technologies are listed on the rebate applications

#### **Included programs:**

- Lighting
- Cooling
- Motors and variable frequency drives



## Non-Prescriptive Programs

#### Non-prescriptive rebates

For equipment and conservation efforts not covered with the prescriptive programs

- Preapproval required
- Rebate amounts and energy savings may vary greatly by project

#### **Included programs:**

- Custom Efficiency
- Energy Management Systems
- Energy Design Assistance



### Studies & Audits

#### Studies/Audits

Xcel Energy funds a portion of a study, which may lead to identifying energy-saving opportunities

- Preapproval required
- Additional rebate opportunities can be realized by submitting a prescriptive or custom rebate application

#### **Included programs:**

- Compressed Air
- Recommissioning
- Refrigeration
   Recommissioning
- Energy Analysis
- Lighting Redesign



## Proposed New Business Programs

#### New Rebate Programs

- Boilers
- Data Centers
- Furnaces
- New Construction
- Process Efficiency
- Small Business Lighting
- Self-Directed
- Standard Offer
- Commercial Real Estate

#### **Expanded Rebates on Existing Programs**

- Compressed Air
- Cooling
- Custom
- Energy Management Systems
- Lighting
- Motors and Drives
- Recommissioning



- Modeled after our award-winning program in Minnesota
- Filed in August 2008 for expansion to Xcel Energy's Colorado customers
- Available for a limited time (2009-2011)
- Open to office buildings > 50,000 ft<sup>2</sup>
- Pays for up to 50 percent of studies (up to \$24,000)
- Offers rebate bonuses for implementation



Phase	Cost	Rebate	Services Included
Preliminary report	\$8,000	\$4,000	<ul> <li>ENERGY STAR® benchmark</li> <li>Remote phone survey</li> <li>On-site visit</li> <li>Preliminary detailed report</li> <li>Energy Conservation</li> <li>Opportunities rebate summary</li> </ul>
Investigative study (optional)	\$40,000 (estimated example)	\$20,000 (Up to 50%, \$20K max)	<ul><li>Investment-grade analysis</li><li>Requires preapproval</li></ul>
Total	\$48,000	\$24,000	Energy Conservation Opportunities receive additional rebates & bonuses



#### Successful Program in Minnesota

- 80 participating buildings
- 30 million square feet
- More than 650 energy-saving measures identified
- Over 30 million kWh identified in potential savings
- The program has identified many potential improvements, even in ENERGY STAR-labeled buildings



#### **Controls**

- Night setback and "optimum start"
- ✓ Outside air (CO₂ sensors)
- Mixed-air setpoint

#### **Cooling Equipment**

- ✓ Water-cooled DX vs. air-cooled DX
- VFD compressors
- Water-side economizer

#### **Fans**

- ✓ VFDs (no reset)
- Fan-powered VAV (series or parallel)

#### **Garage Ventilation**

- Carbon monoxide controls
- ✓ Make-up air

#### **Heating Equipment**

- Cost per BTU of heat output
- ✓ Warm-up strategy
- Condensing boilers

#### **Pumps**

- ✓ VFDs (no reset)
- Right-sizing vs. throttling

#### Lighting

- ✓ T-8's, CFL's, LED's, etc.
- ✓ Light levels



### **Contact Information**

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