



Benefits and Challenges for Governments Applying UNFC – The Hydrogen Puzzle

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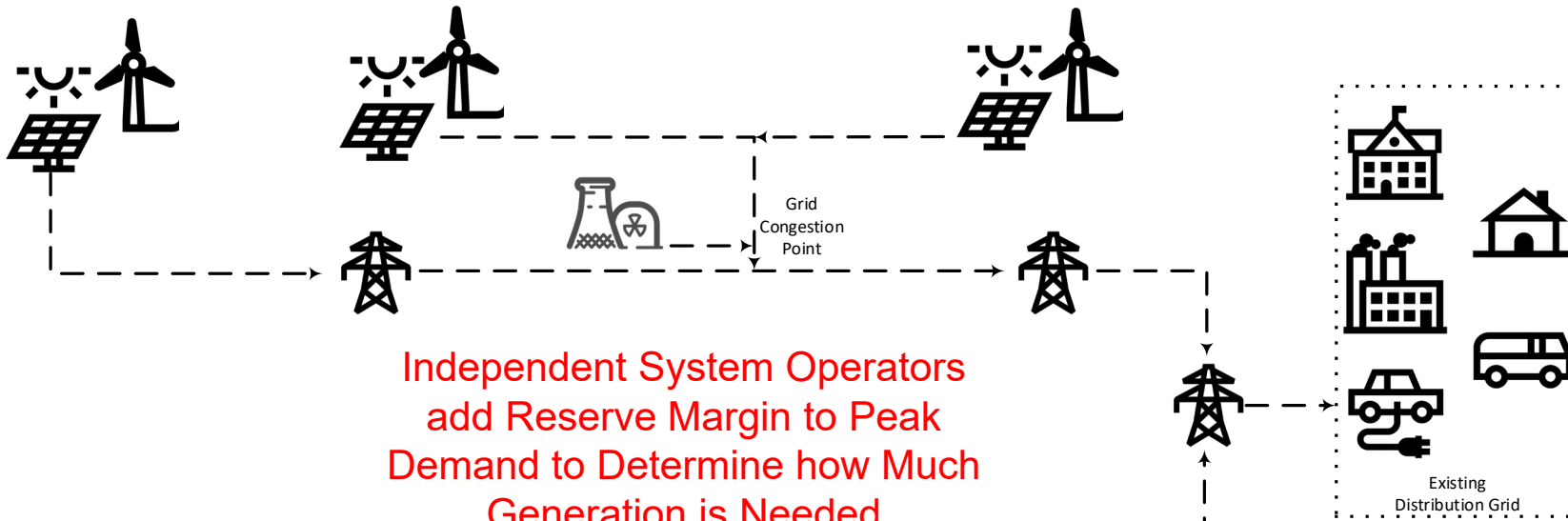
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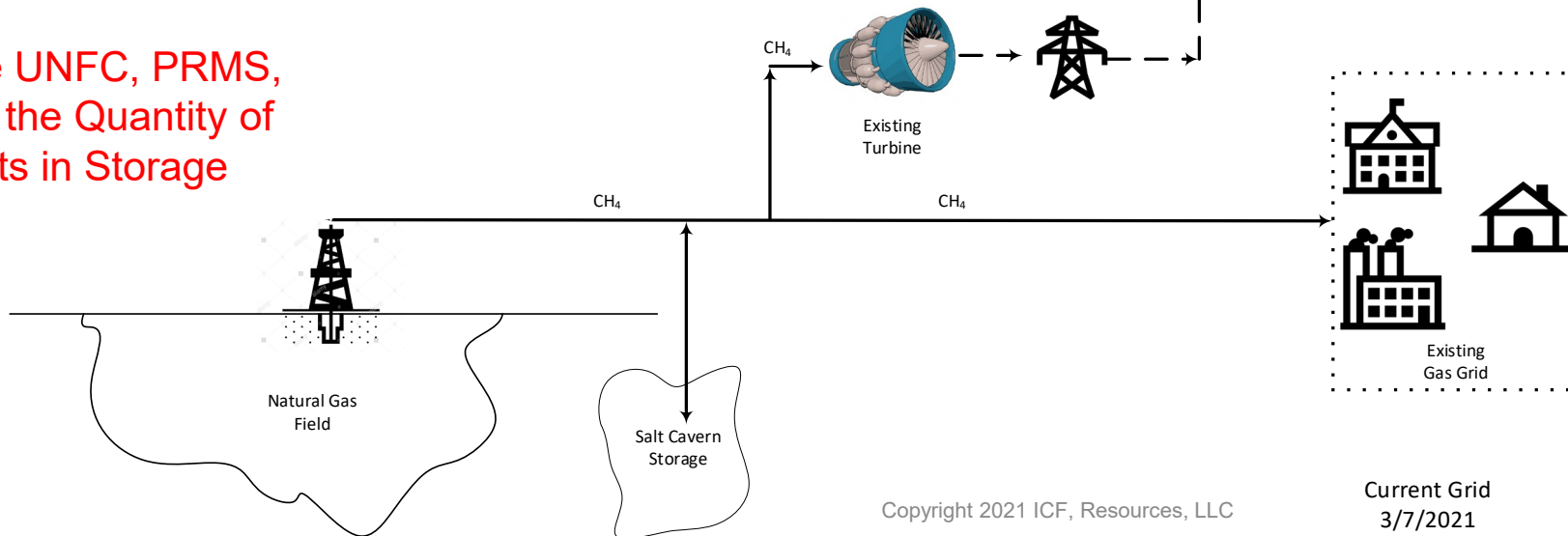
- **Existing Fossil Systems Use UNFC to Establish Energy Product Quantities in Storage**
- **Low Carbon Systems are More Complex, Both Dispatchable Power and Storage Requirements**
- **Hydrogen Potential is Vast in Quantities and Who Can Produce It**
- **The First Disappearing Energy Product?**

Existing Energy System Uses Reserve Ratio and UNFC to Quantify Resiliency



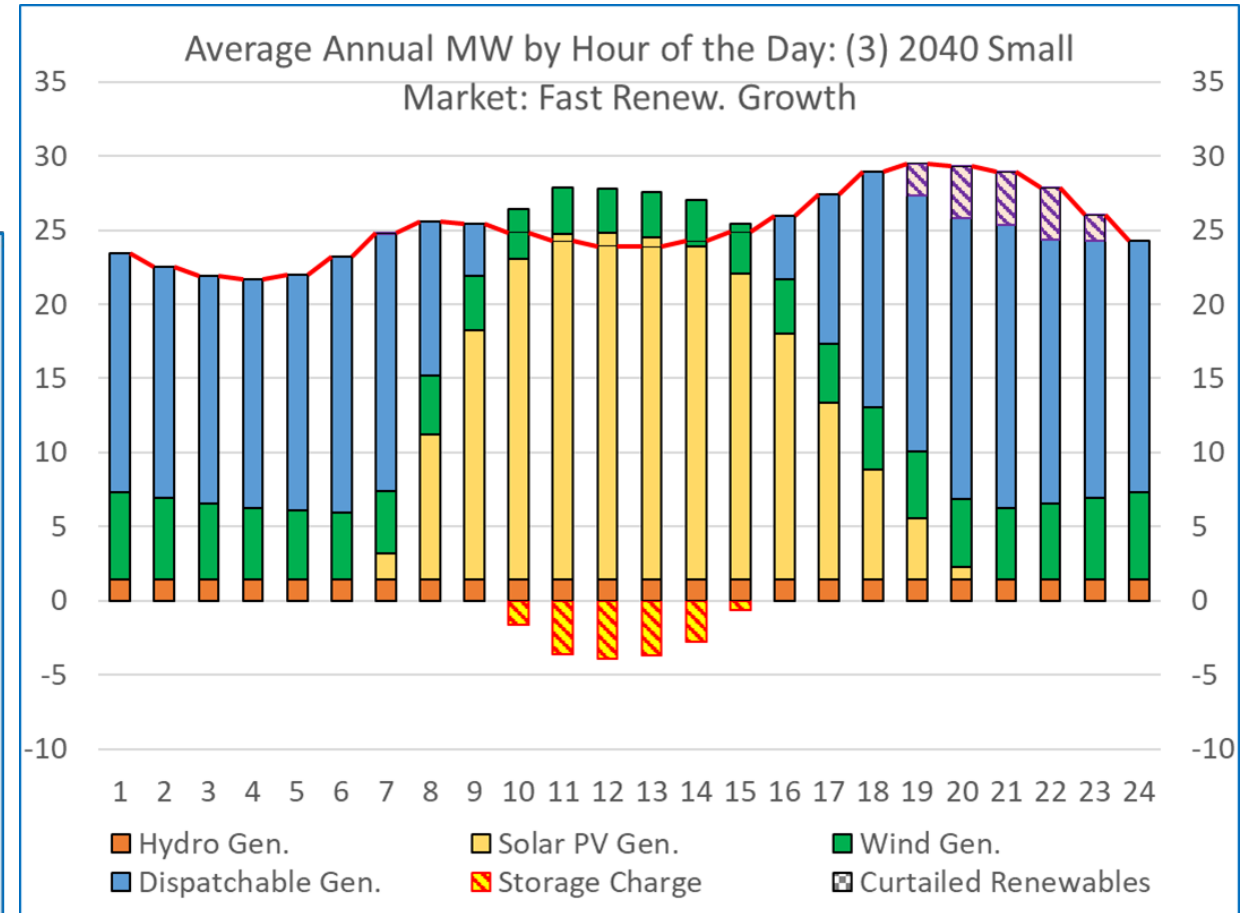
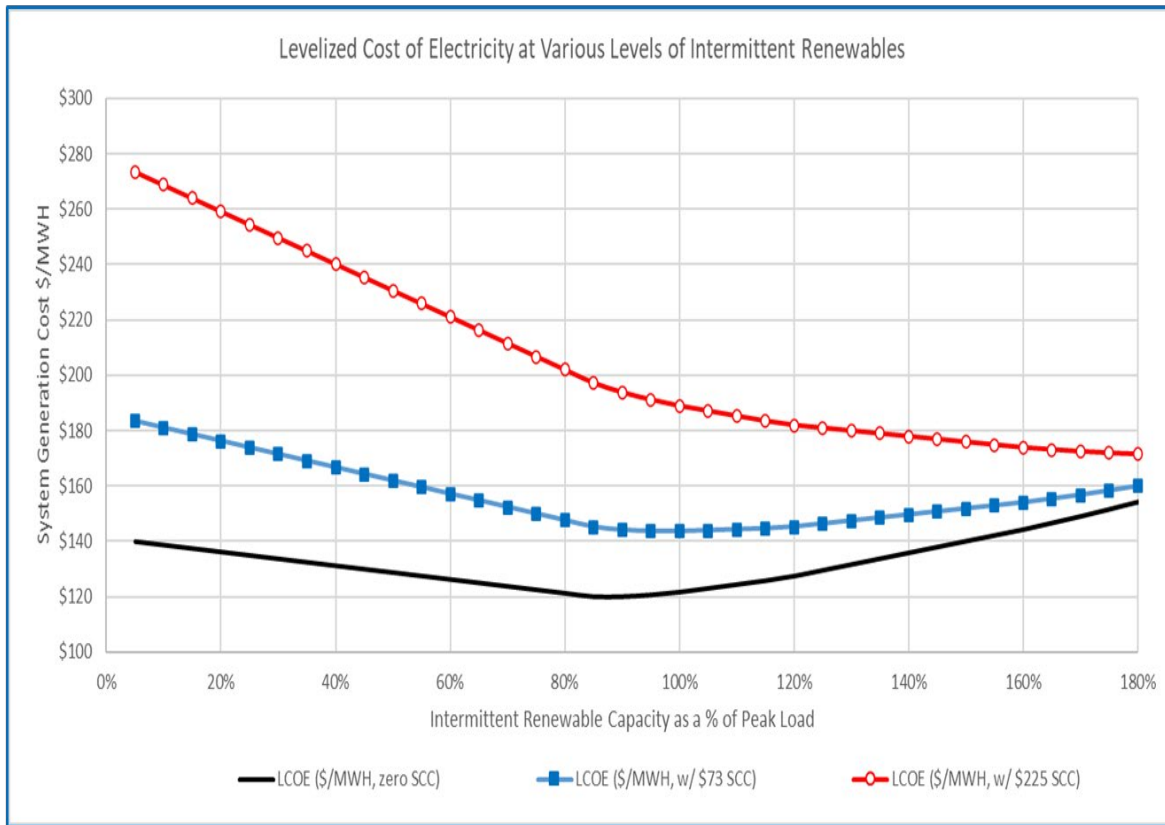
Independent System Operators
add Reserve Margin to Peak
Demand to Determine how Much
Generation is Needed

Governments Use UNFC, PRMS,
etc. to Determine the Quantity of
Energy Products in Storage



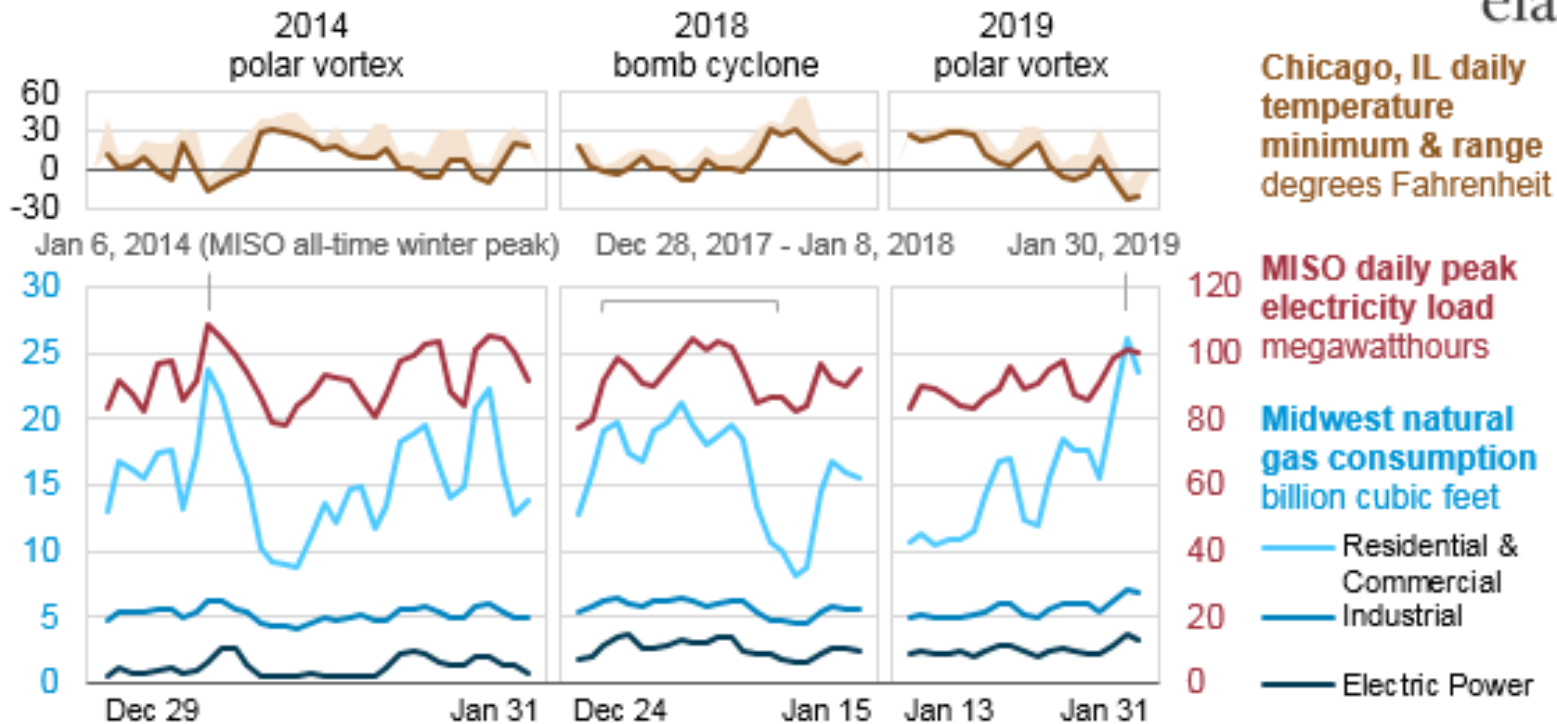
Future Systems Are More Complex, and You Can't Just Add More Renewables....

Renewable Penetration in Isolated Island Grid



Natural Gas System (Chemical Storage) Currently Provides Peaking and Long-Term Storage Capacity

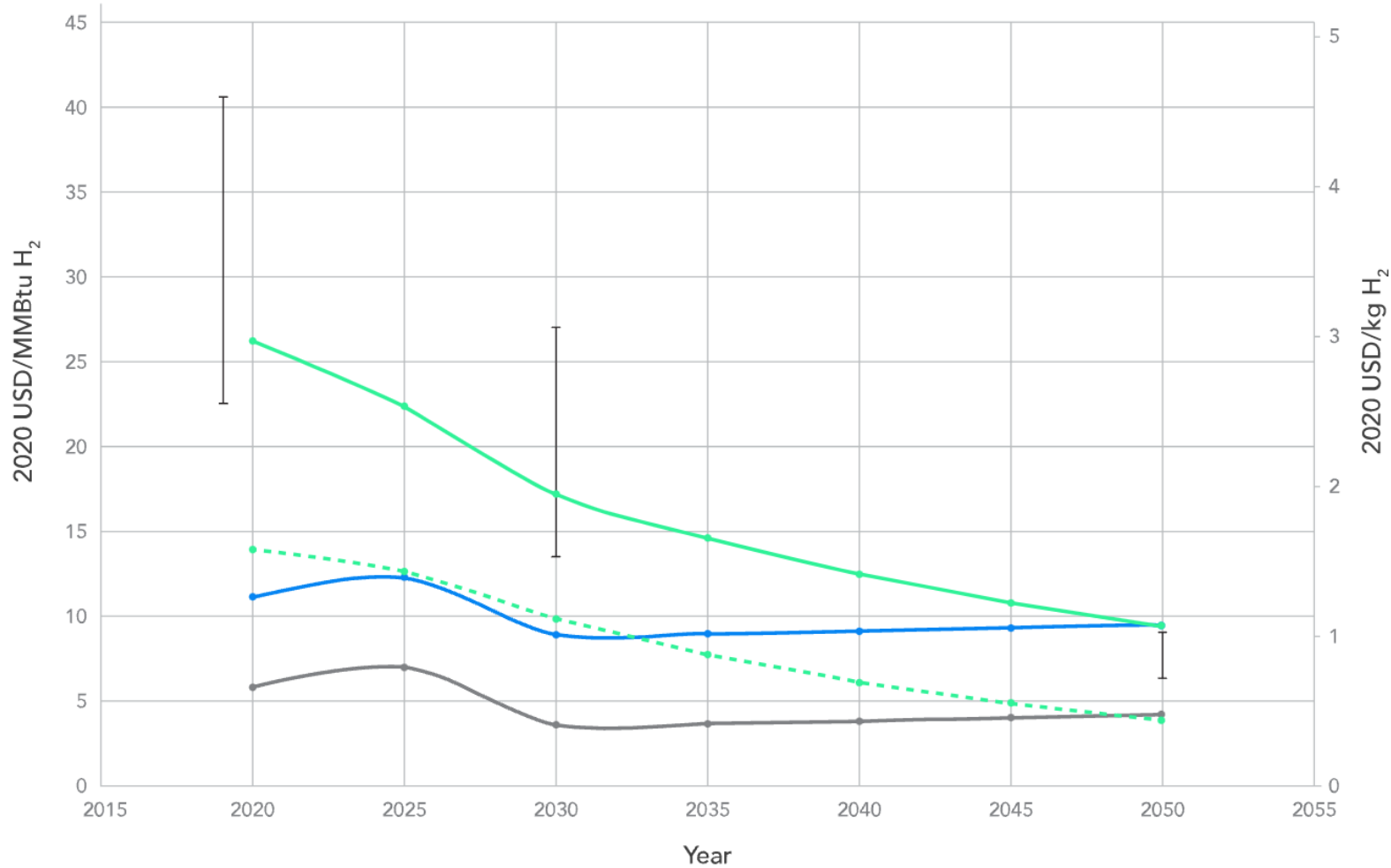
Midcontinent ISO (MISO) region during recent cold weather events



- Demand can double or even treble in days, difficult for battery storage
- Battery storage economically viable for 4-8 hours
- ERCOT would have needed ~90 hours this spring

<https://www.eia.gov/todayinenergy/detail.php?id=38472>

Hydrogen production cost



ICF analysis assumptions:

- 3% annual maintenance as percentage of Capex
- Used 2018 DOE case studies for initial Capex costs

Green Hydrogen

- Renewable power costs projected from ICF modeling
- Solar capacity factor of 27%
- Energy consumption ranged from 55 to 49 kWh/kg from 2020 to 2050
- 7-10 years of stack membrane replacement; 15% of direct cap cost
- Learning Rate of 12% used for PEM Electrolyzers

Gray Hydrogen

- Additional CapEx for SCR NOx Control on Stack for Gray Hydrogen (SMR only)
- Additional CapEx for CO2 removal for process and at stack for Blue Hydrogen (SMR + CCS)



— BNEF Green Hydrogen Forecast 2019

— ICF Gray Hydrogen Analysis

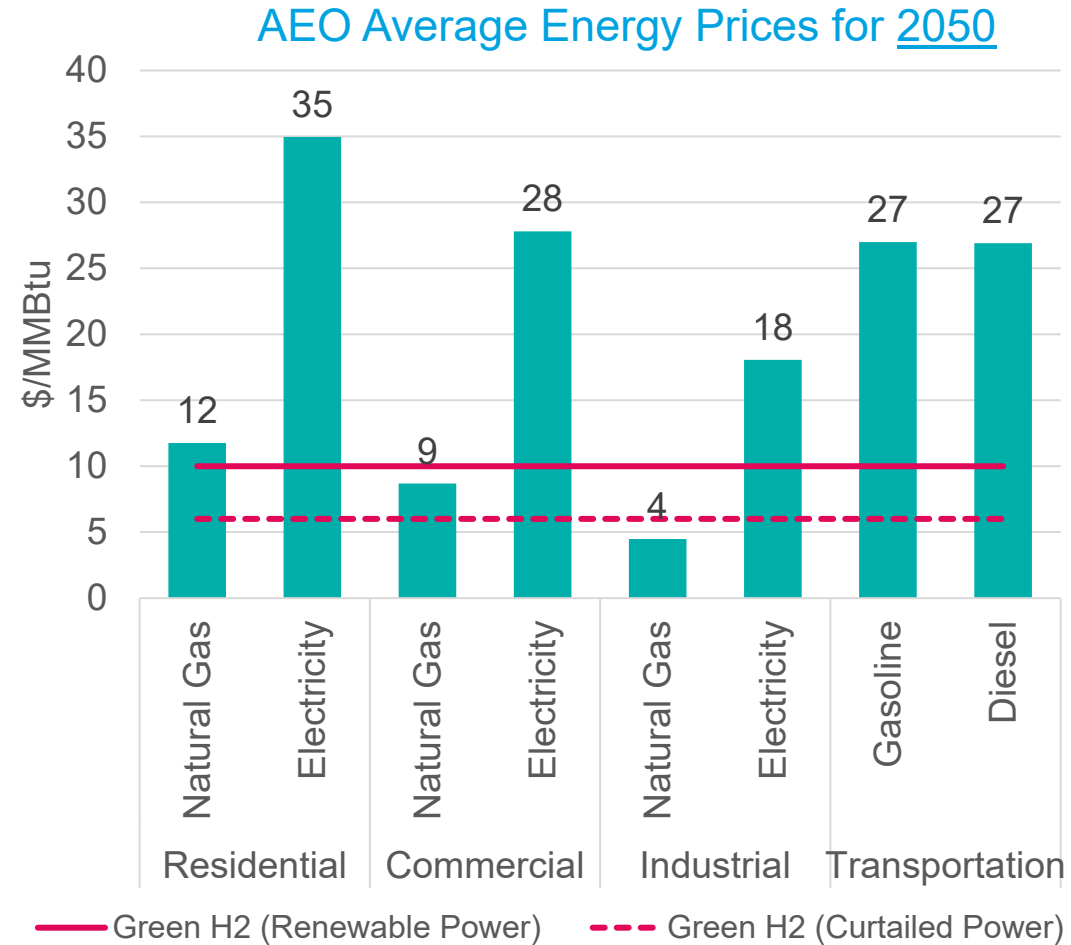
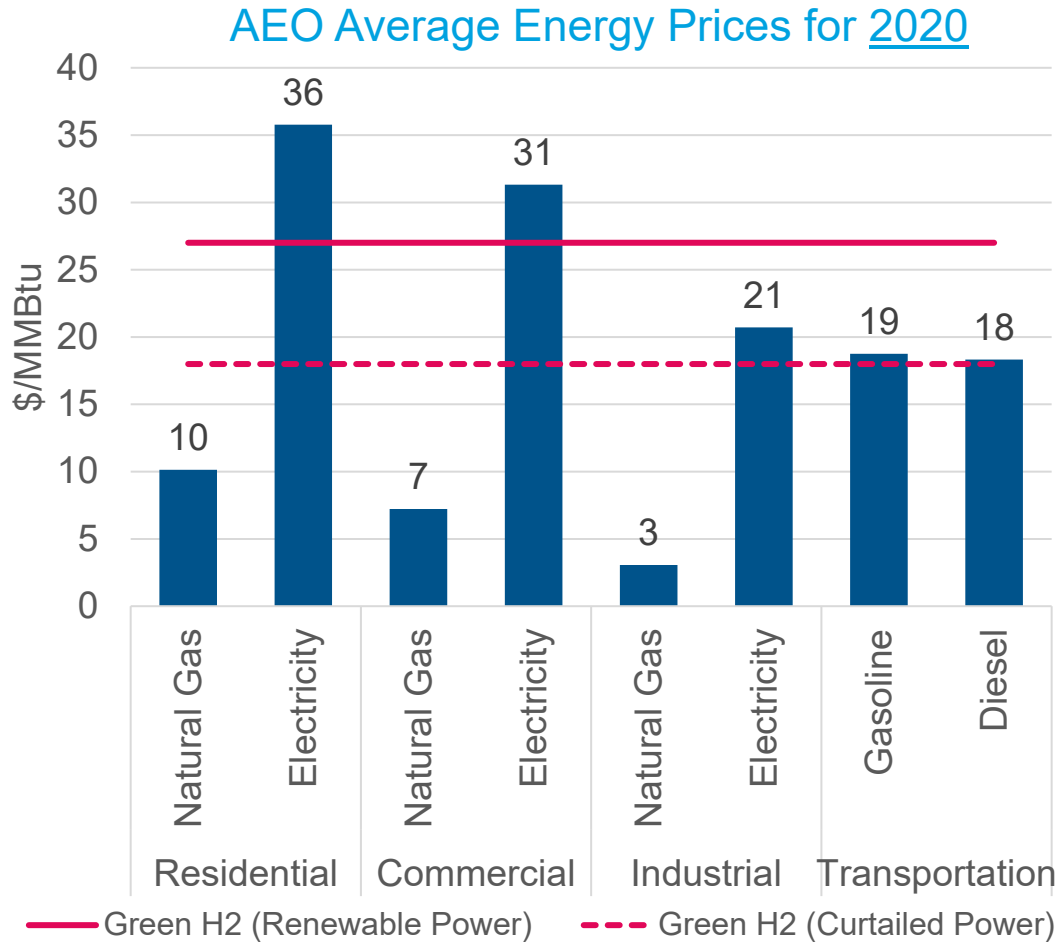
— ICF Blue Hydrogen Analysis

- - - ICF Green Hydrogen Analysis - Curtailed Energy (\$0/MWh)

— ICF Green Hydrogen Analysis - Renewable Energy

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Hydrogen production costs in context of delivered energy prices



Notes:

- Delivered energy prices/costs are national averages from EIA's 2021 Annual Energy Outlook (AEO)
- Hydrogen production costs are an ICF calculation for green hydrogen, based on assumptions on previous slide
- These bars do not account for relative efficiency of equipment using different fuel types

Hydrogen as Long Duration Storage Using Existing Energy System

- Existing GT's can be Retrofit for High Hydrogen Service
 - Hydrogen combustors
 - Larger fuel piping and valves
 - Safety sensors and flame detectors
 - Control system changes
- Major OEMs (GE, Mitsubishi, Siemens) Targeting 100% Hydrogen Compatibility between 2025 and 2030
- No Change in Heat Rate (J/kWh or Btu/kWh)
- Slight Derate in Power (About 8% for 100% H₂)

GE lists 75 turbines with 6MM+ operating hours, the Deasan Refinery 6B's in South Korea have been running on 70-95% hydrogen since 1997 (guaranteed at 95%)



Source: <https://www.ge.com/power/gas/gas-turbines/6b-03>

Hydrogen Storage – Liquid Tanks

- Gaseous hydrogen is liquefied by cooling it to below -253°C (-423°F)
- Liquid hydrogen tank storage costs:
\$3.65/MMBTU H_2 in 2020
→\$2.40/MMBTU H_2 in 2050
 - Almost 80% of the costs are due to the energy required for liquefaction (10.4 kWh/kg H_2)
- Boil off losses are typically between 1-3% per day



NASA, 3800 m³, 270 t



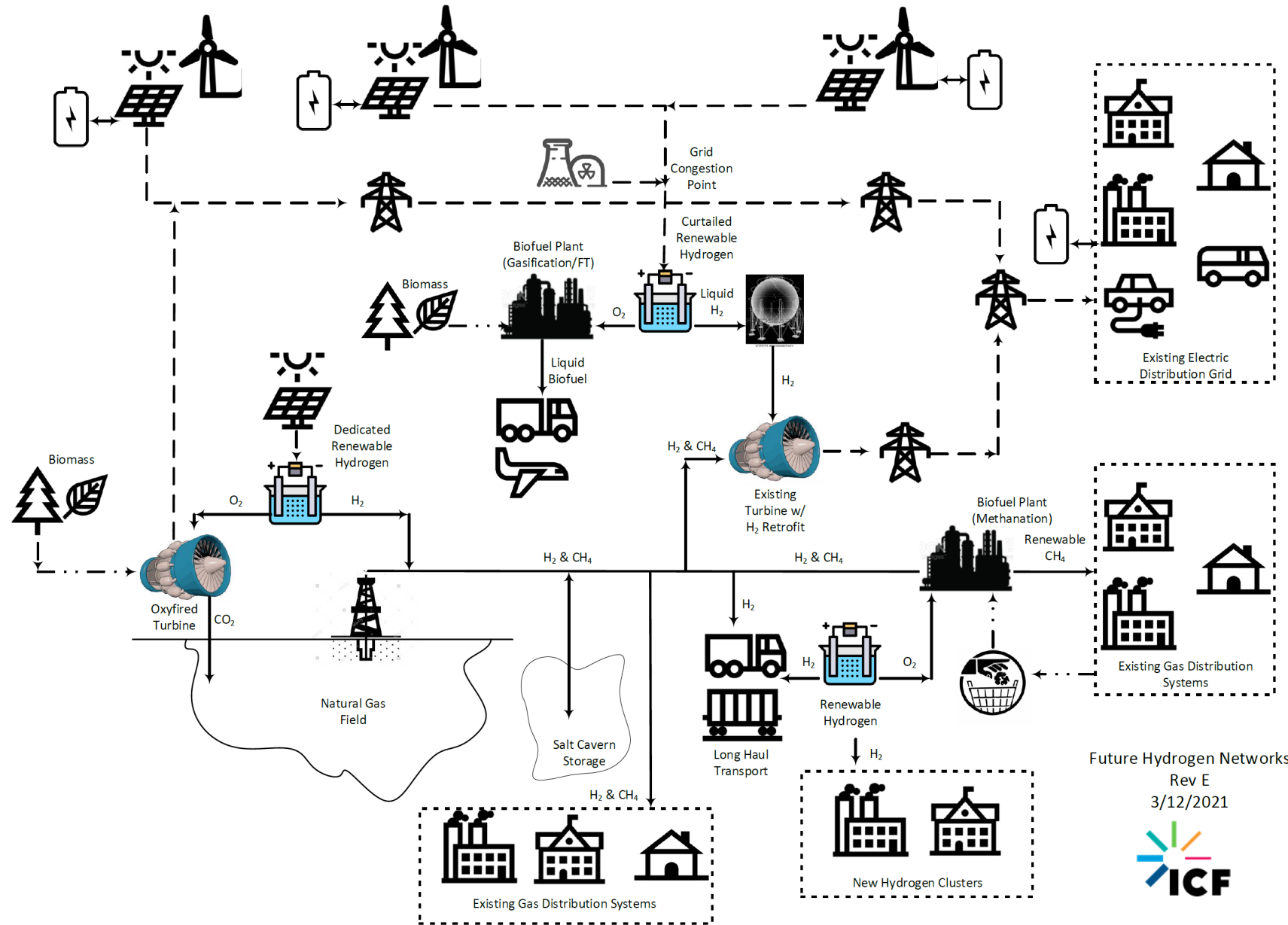
JAXA (Kawasaki), 540 m³, 38 t

Source: <https://www.utwente.nl/en/tnw/ems/research/ats/chmt/m13-hendrie-derking-cryoworld-chmt-2019.pdf>

Hydrogen may be used in a wide variety of applications...

So how does a Government know that there is enough?

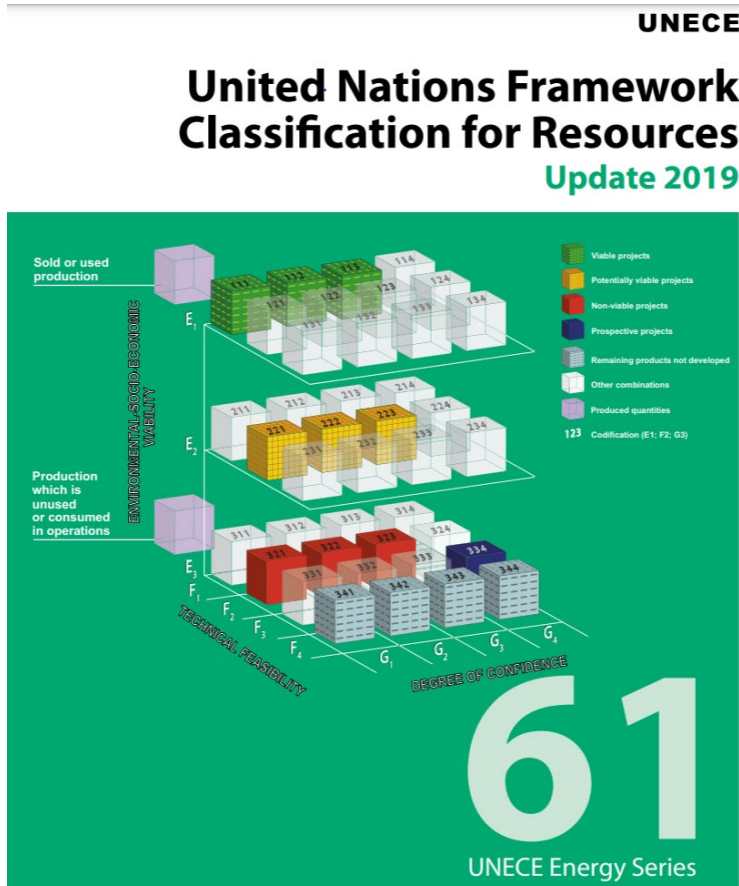
The UNFC!



Future Hydrogen Networks
Rev E
3/12/2021



So What's the Problem?



- Remember, liquid hydrogen boil off losses are typically **between 1-3% per day**
- The UNFC's first disappearing energy product...



Conclusions

- UNFC is an excellent system to classify hydrogen as an energy product, and provides a good foundation for estimating quantities from various sources
- Future grids with intermittent renewables will need more robust classification and quantification systems
- Hydrogen can be a key energy storage medium for power gen, transport, heating
- *Key Challenge or Opportunity*, how to deal with the first disappearing energy product? Could this be a differentiator for the UNFC vs other systems....

Questions?

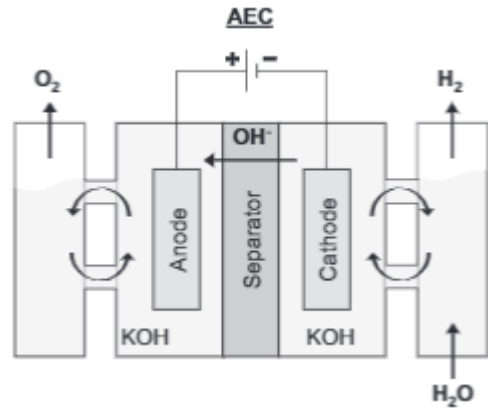
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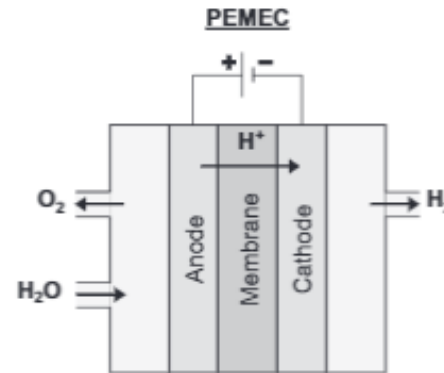
Electrolyzers

Alkaline



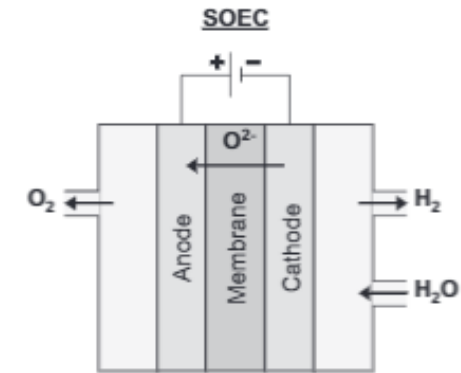
- Liquid electrolyte solution (i.e. KOH or NaOH)
- Operating temperatures: 60-80°C
- Production rate: <math><760 \text{ m}^3 \text{ H}_2/\text{hr}</math>
- System energy: 4.5-6.6 kWh_{el}/m³ H₂
- Cold start time: <math><60 \text{ mins}</math>
- Stack lifetime: 60,000-90,000 hrs
- Mature technology

Proton Exchange Membrane (PEM)



- Solid polymer electrolyte
- Operating temperatures: 50-80°C
- Production rate: <math><40 \text{ m}^3 \text{ H}_2/\text{hr}</math>
- System energy: 4.2-6.6 kWh_{el}/m³ H₂
- Cold start time: <math><20 \text{ mins}</math>
- Stack lifetime: 20,000-60,000 hrs
- Commercial technology

Solid Oxide



- Solid ceramic material for electrolyte
- Operating temperatures: 650-1000°C
- Production rate: <math><40 \text{ m}^3 \text{ H}_2/\text{hr}</math>
- System energy: >3.7 kWh_{el}/m³ H₂
- Cold start time: <math><60 \text{ mins}</math>
- Stack lifetime: <math><10,000 \text{ hrs}</math>
- Demonstration phase

PEM electrolyzers projected to cost less (\$/kW_{el}) than alkaline electrolyzers through scale-up and R&D technology improvements