









Energy In Michigan: A Discussion of the State's Energy Impacts -- Now and in the Future

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A Few Basics on Energy Cost

- When you buy gas they charge you by the gallon. When you buy electricity they charge you by the kilowatt-hour (kWh). When you use 1000 watts for 1 hour, that's a kilowatthour.
- 100 watt light bulb runs for 730 hours (i.e. all month) = 73 kWh



Michigan Energy Prices: Regional Comparison (December 2011)

State	Residential (c/kWh)	Commercial (c/kWh)	Industrial (c/kWh)
Illinois	11.17	8.13	6.27
Indiana	9.85	8.74	6.18
Michigan	13.17	10.18	7.37
Ohio	10.96	9.22	6.27
Wisconsin	12.82	10.2	7.18

What Those Costs Mean

- So... it costs MI residents about \$9.61 to run a 100W light bulb all month, commercial businesses about \$7.40 and a factory about \$5.24.
- This hits business because their base operating costs are higher than competitors (assuming reliability is similar)
- This hits the poor most of all... they spend a higher percentage of their income on energy (25% for families below FGP)



But Will Costs Stay That Way??

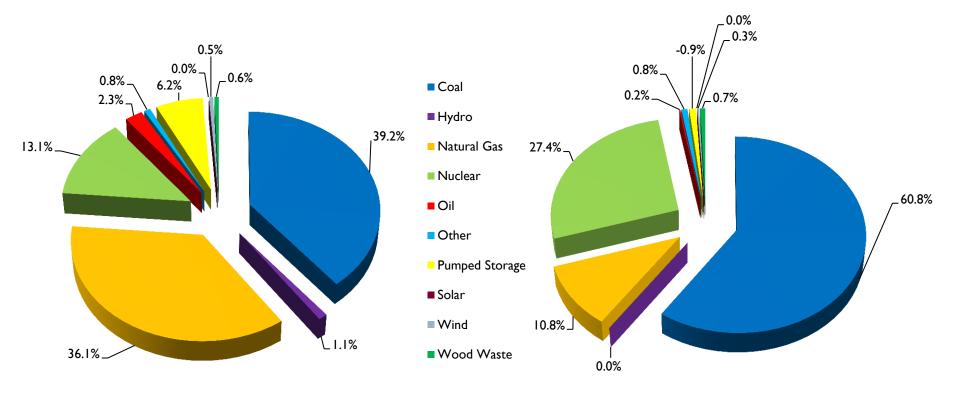
- Simple answer: It's unlikely.
- Major driver of power cost is fuel cost.
 - Other issues (infrastructure cost, etc.) are also important, but as a general rule, fuel cost is the biggest single rate impact.
- Michigan's natural advantages position us better for the future than they did in the past.



What Fuels MI's Power Now?

2010 Generation Capacity Expressed as % by Type

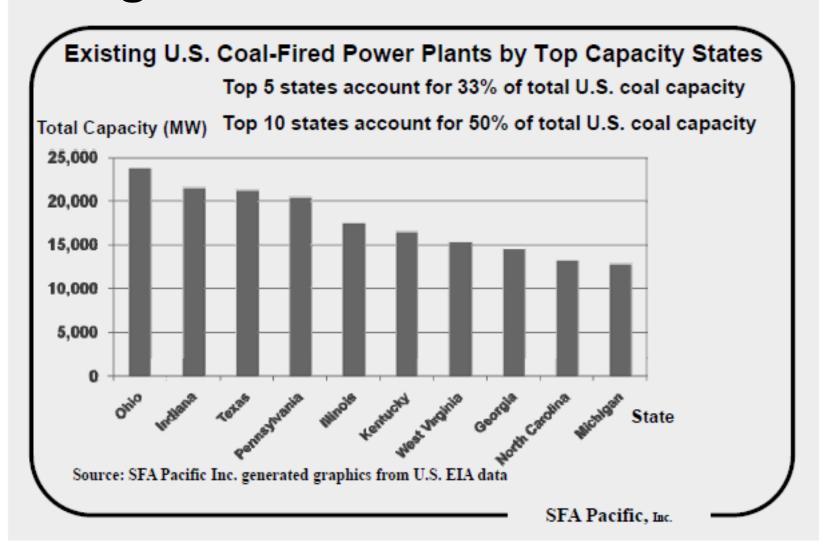
2010 Actual Generation Expressed as % by Type



Source: Ventyx



Michigan's Coal Use vs. Others' Use





Average Cost of Coal by State

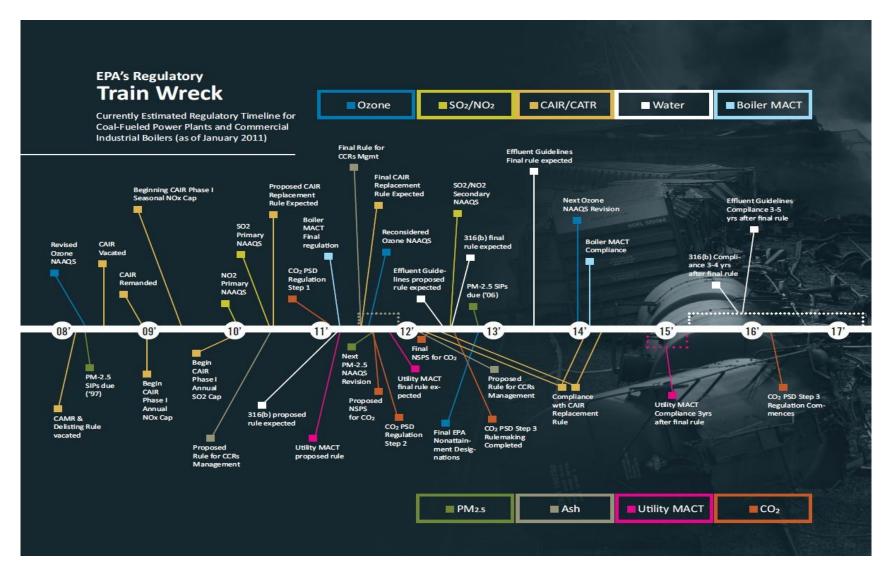
Average Cost of Coal Delivered for Electricity Generation by State, June 2011 and 2010 (Dollars per million BTU)

Census Division/ State	Electric Utilities	
	Jun-11	Jun-10
East North Central	2.46	2.12
Illinois	2.03	1.91
Indiana	2.5	2.17
Michigan	2.63	2.07
Ohio	2.31	2.11

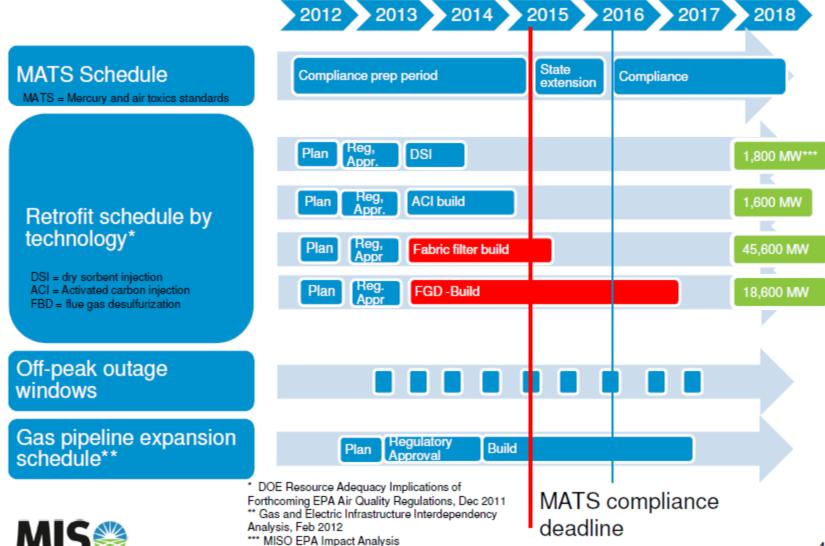
Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration



Coal in the Future...



EPA compliance schedule







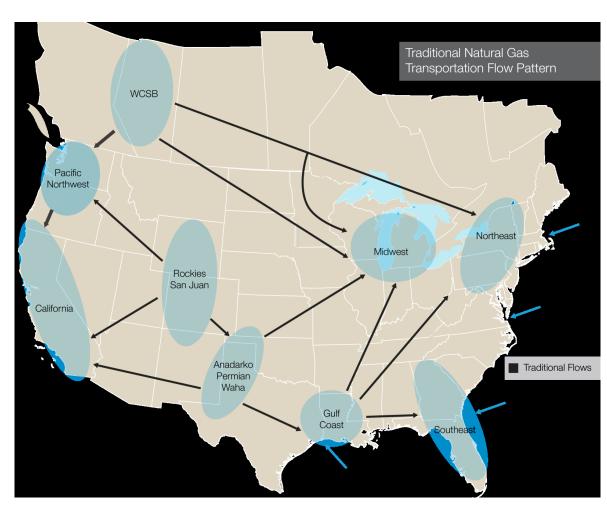
MI's Natural Advantage in Natural Gas

- Michigan has more natural gas reserves than any other state in the Great Lakes region.
- The Antrim natural gas fields, in the northern Lower Peninsula, are among the largest in the nation.
- Michigan has the most underground natural gas storage capacity of any state and supplies natural gas to neighboring states during highdemand winter months.

Storage & Usage: Michigan as Natural Gas Destination

Natural Gas
Flows are
traditionally
into Michigan,
because of
our usage and
storage.

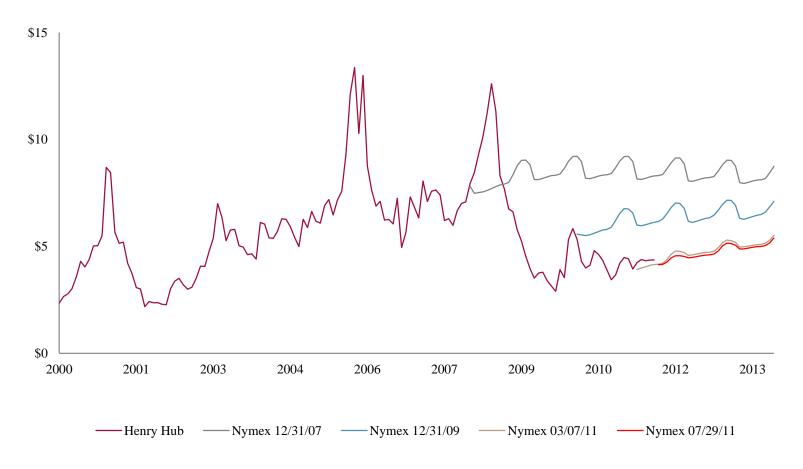
Source: U.S. Pipelines Central ANR / Great Lakes 2011 Shippers Meeting August 11, 2011.





Why Haven't We Used More Natural Gas in the Past?

Historic Natural Gas Spot and Forward Prices (\$/MMBtu)





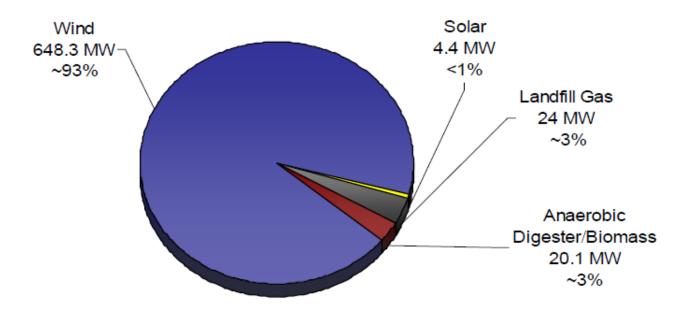
Renewables

- 2008 law requires electric providers to meet a 10 percent renewable energy standard (based on retail sales) by the end of 2015.
- Michigan's 2009 estimated renewable energy percentage of 3.6% (3/4ths of which is hydro and wood) is expected to increase significantly during the next two years as approximately 700 MW of new renewable energy will become commercially operational by the end of 2012.



Michigan's Renewables

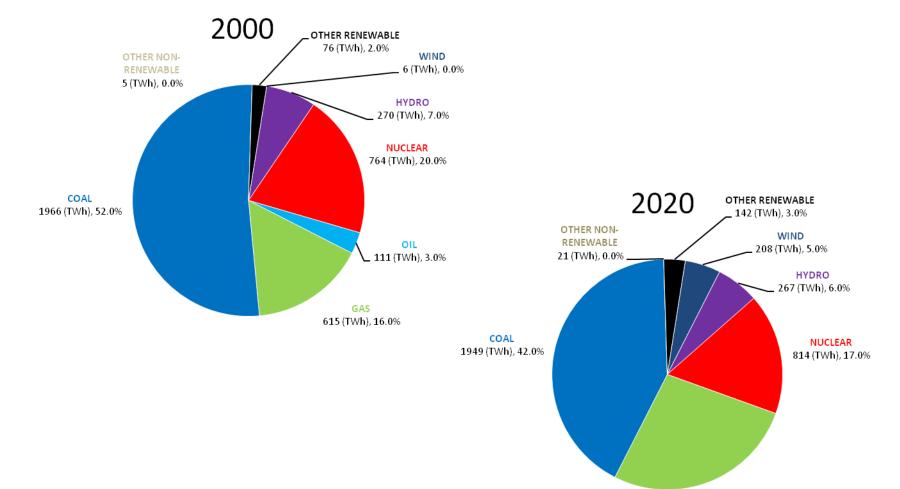
New Capacity (MW) by Technology



Source: Michigan Public Utilities Commission (Feb. 2011)



Nation's Predicted Energy Mix



GAS



Energy Predictions Point to Good Things for Michigan

- Gas prices are pushing down toward competitiveness with coal
- Michigan, which has no coal, has lots of gas and better storage capability for gas than any other state.
- Michigan is well positioned to compete in the future on energy.