

#### Thermal Storage Cooling: An Overlooked Utility Resource

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#### **Thermal Storage Cooling**



**Cold Air or Chiller Water** 



#### Shaving Peak by 200 MW



**Hour Ending** 

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#### Cost Factors in Organized Markets

- Transmission Cost– based on Load at time of Coincident Peak \$/MW
- Ancillary Service Cost typically allocated like Transmission cost \$/MW
- Energy cost varies every 15 minutes \$/MWH

Avg August System & Cooling Load



**Hour Ending** 

#### Value of Thermal Storage Austin Energy –Case Study

- Assume 100 MW of Load Reduction at Time of Coincident Peak
- Requires 300 MWH of Daily Energy Shift
- Transmission Cost Reduction = \$40,000 per MW
- Ancillary Service Cost Reduction = \$9,000 per MW
- Energy Cost Reduction Based on Shift of 300 MWH each Day for 100 Summer days

Avg prices - July 2010



time interval ending

## Value of Thermal Storage

• Transmission cost reduction:\$4.0 million/yr

- Anc.Service Cost Reduction: \$0.9million/yr
- Energy Shifting Cost Red: \$1.8 milion/yr
- Value:

\$6.7 million/yr

## Cost of Thermal Storage

- 1 MWH Requires 1200 TonHours
- 300 MWH = 360,000 TonHours
- @\$130 per TonHour
- Cost = \$47 million
- Value = \$6.7 million/yr
- Cost to Value Ratio = 7

#### Chilled Water Storage Tank

- 98 ft diameter
  x 40 ft high
- Stores 17,000 Ton Hours



#### Modular Ice BankTanks

#### Bank of America Tower, New York, NY: Registered LEED® Platinum

Each 7.5 ft diameter, 8.5 ft high tank stores 160 TonHours

# Ice on Coils – Large Tank

- 3,000 TonHours
- 900 sq ft
- 10 Ft High
- Approx 1 sq ft per 300 sq ft of bldg floorspace



# **Rooftop Units**



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#### Shaving 200 MW from Peak



# **Concluding Thoughts**

- Centralized Dispatch by AE
- Increasing night time load facilitates wind integration
- How can AE encourage widespread adoption of storage cooling in planned buildings and cooling system retro-fits ?
- Possibly through bldg codes coupled with incentives

#### **Thermal Storage Cooling Systems in Austin Energy 10 MW District Cooling #1** 52,000 TonHours **5 MW District Cooling #2** 26,000 8,000 1.5 MW **Mueller Energy Center** 3,540 **3M** 755 kW 2,600 362 kW **Bowie High School Austin Convention Center** 6,000 500kW 15,000 1,064 kW Airport

#### **Cooling Load**



**Hour Ending** 







age of Load for Hr. Color shows details about Month. The view is filtered on Month, which has multiple members selected.

Peak Day of 2010



# **Hrs of Storage vs Peak Reduction** $y = 13.627 x^{1.8259} R^2 = 0.9991$ **Hours of Storage**

**Peak Reduction in MW**