

## Resource Planning Process & 2016 Market Update

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#### Why do Resource Planning?



- To support the Austin Energy Strategic Plan
- To meet the objectives of the (ACPP) Austin Climate Protection Plan net zero carbon emissions by 2050 (among other goals)
- To manage cost and risk of energy to our customers
   – Affordability
   goals and rate volatility
- Manage customer load with behind the meter programs such as rooftop solar, energy efficiency, demand response and Storage
- Other complimentary strategies and objectives such as those related to low income customers

What Resource Planning is not? A way to supply power to our customers

#### **Resource Planning at Austin Energy**



 A process that includes a measured system of choices and milestones over time

direction by policy consistent with Austin Climate Protection Plan (ACPP) – City Council with advice from Austin Energy and stakeholders

Set general

Establish future path and milestones through Generation Plan to support ACPP Pursue Generation Plan through budget, capital improvement plan, and financial strategies Implement decisions through request for Council actions after competitive purchasing processes 2-year updates to Resource Plan – allows for change in direction due to new inputs, market & regulatory forces, and stakeholder preferences

*City Council will have numerous approval steps in implementing the approved resource plan* 

#### Resource Planning: It's a Process...





#### **Resource Planning Stakeholder Group**





#### **Resource Planning Update Timeline**





#### Recap of Goals & Directives from 2014 Update



- 2014 Austin Energy Resource Plan (Progress to date)
  - 55% renewables by 2025 (31%)
  - 900 MW Demand Side Management by 2025
    - 700 MW energy efficiency by 2020 (576MW)
    - Demand Response -100 MW by 2020 and additional 100 MW by 2025 (54MW)
  - 950 MW solar by 2025
    - 110 MW Local Solar by 2020 and additional 90 MW by 2025 if affordable (76MW)
    - 750 MW Utility Scale Solar by 2025 (180MWs Operational/450 under contract)
  - CO2 emissions
    - 20% reduction from 2005 levels by 2020 (meeting)
    - Retirement of Fayette Coal Plant beginning in 2023 (in progress)
  - Affordability
    - 2% limit per year (met)
    - Rates should be in the lower 50th percentile statewide (slightly above trending lower)
  - 10 MW (lithium ion batteries) local storage by 2025 + 20 MW of thermal storage (17MWt/3 MWe in progress)
  - Retire Decker steam units by 2019 and replace with 500 MW efficient combined-cycle (pending) – subject to a third party study (complete)

# **Renewable Generation to Date**





### **Current Solar Portfolio**



Contract Name	Туре	Size (MW)	Start Date
Webberville	Utility	30	12/28/2011
East Pecos Solar	Utility	118	12/31/2016
Roserock Solar	Utility	157.5	11/16/2016
Upton Solar	Utility	150	8/31/2017
Kingsbery	Community	2.3	4/26/2017
Midway Solar	Utility	<u>170</u>	9/01/2018
Total		627.8	



#### Market Update

#### Changes in ERCOT Generation Mix





#### Changing Generation Landscape in ERCOT - Regulation



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#### Changing Generation Landscape in ERCOT - Wind





#### Changing Generation Landscape in ERCOT - Solar



#### ERCOT Solar Installations by Year (as of January 2016)



#### What are the corporations doing with renewables?





The gigawatt capacity of announced off-site corporate renewable power deals surged in 2015. Figures mostly reflect wind and solar transactions in the United States and Mexico. Graph courtesy of the Rocky Mountain Institute's Business Renewables Center.



# Appendix

#### Austin Energy Methodology



- AE uses integrated modeling tools to simulate market data, AE's load and generation assets, financial data along with emission modeling to assess resource plans
  - Uses UPLAN simulation modeling well suited to ERCOT's market design, risk analysis using Monte Carlo techniques as well as one-off scenarios
  - Inputs include: cost of gas, coal, nuclear, oil, carbon, cost of new build of various technologies, fixed and variable O&M for ERCOT generation
  - Calculates cost & revenues of ERCOT assets and pricing at each node 6,600 data output points
  - Results modeled for rate impact and financial metrics
  - This approach in line with industry practices, Brattle endorsed AE methodology in 2015
  - Well trained highly experienced economists

## **Key External Influences**

- Regulatory Uncertainties
  - Clean Power Plan
  - Mercury & Air Toxics Standards
  - Cross State Air Pollution Rule
- Electricity market design
- Market Conditions
  - Market cap \$9,000 /MWh
  - Congestion unique to Austin Energy
  - Energy payments due within a week of the date incurred 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 2.
- Supply & Demand Portfolio
  - Seasonal and Hourly differences
  - Current and future AE and ERCOT demand
  - Current and future generation resource capabilities







#### **Austin Energy Generation**





#### The ERCOT System



(Total Installed Summer Capacity as of December 31, 2015)

#### At a glance

- About 90% of Texas load
- 24 million consumers
- Competitive-choice customers: 75% of load
  More than 7 million electric-service ID's (premises)
- More than 46,500 circuit miles of high-voltage transmission
- More than 550 generating units
- More than 77,000 megawatts (MW) of expected available generation capacity for summer peak demand
  - One megawatt of electricity can power about 200 Texas homes during periods of peak demand.
- Record peak demand: 69,877 MW (Aug. 10, 2015)
- Energy used in 2015: 347 billion kilowatt-hours
  Up 2.2 percent compared to 2014
- Market participants: More than 1,400 active entities that generate, move, buy, sell or use wholesale electricity

#### Solar and Wind Generation

- Nearly 16,000 MW of installed wind capacity
  Most of any state in the nation
- Wind generation record: 14,023 MW (February 18, 2016)
- Wind penetration record: 45.14 percent (February 18, 2016)
- 288 MW of installed solar capacity

