# Parabolic Trough Power for the California Competitive Market

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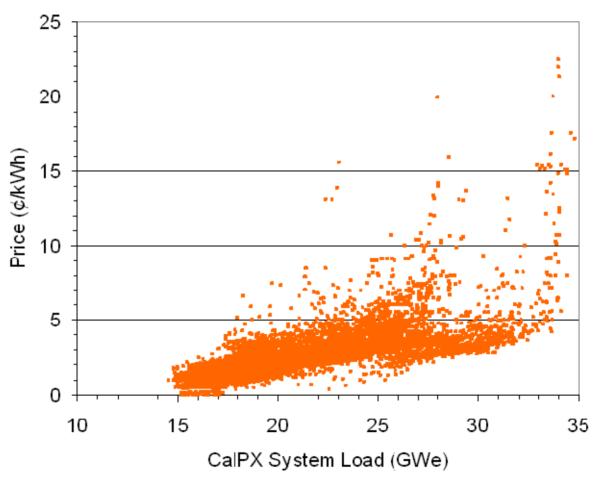
#### Restructuring of California Power Market

- March 31, 1998 California Deregulates Power Market
- California Independent System Operator (CAISO)
- California Power Exchange Opens (CalPX)
- Investor Owned Utilities
  - IOUs Sell Generation Assets
  - Purchase & sell power through CalPX
  - Renewables (QFs) on must take contracts
- Consumer Retail Rates Frozen

#### California Market 1998 & 1999

- Good hydro resource
- Low cost natural gas
- Low cost electricity
- Utilities control most generation
  - ⇒ Electricity Prices 2-3¢/kWh

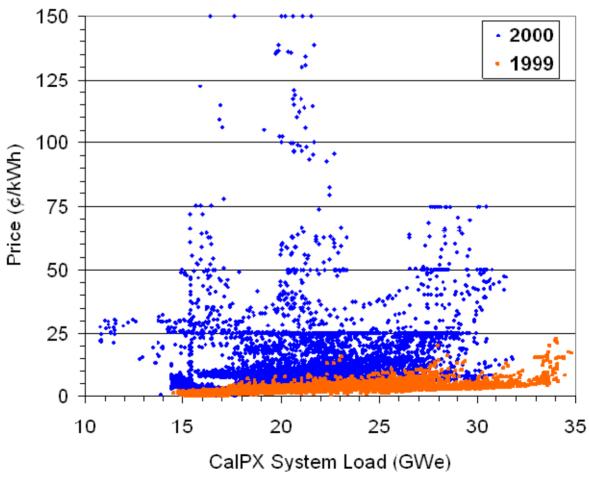
#### 1999 Cal PX Day Ahead Pricing



#### California Market 2000

- Reduced hydro resource
- Utility generation sold to non-utility generators
- Natural gas supply limitations & increasing prices
- Caps on CalPX pricing

### 2000 Cal PX Day Ahead Pricing



#### **Resulting Impacts**

- Transfer of utility generation assets
  - Commercial decisions used to decide when and where to sell power
- Price Caps
  - Natural gas prices too high for generators to make profit in CalPX market
  - Generators sell power outside CA
  - Generators sell power to CAISO outside of CalPX
- Utilities
  - Utilities forced to pay more for electricity than they can charge
  - Utilities stop paying for QF and CalPX generation

## Re-Restructuring of California Power Market

- January 2001 CalPX Closes
- California Department of Water Resource
  - Purchases power for CAISO
- CAISO Balances load with out of market purchases

#### **CalPX Market Clearing Prices**

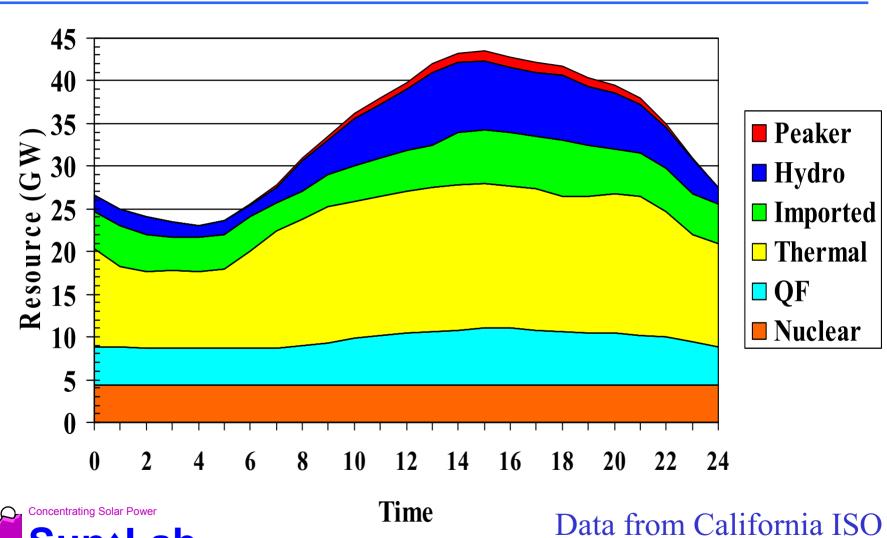
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Price For Solar	3.32	17%		
Solar with Storage	3.78	33%		

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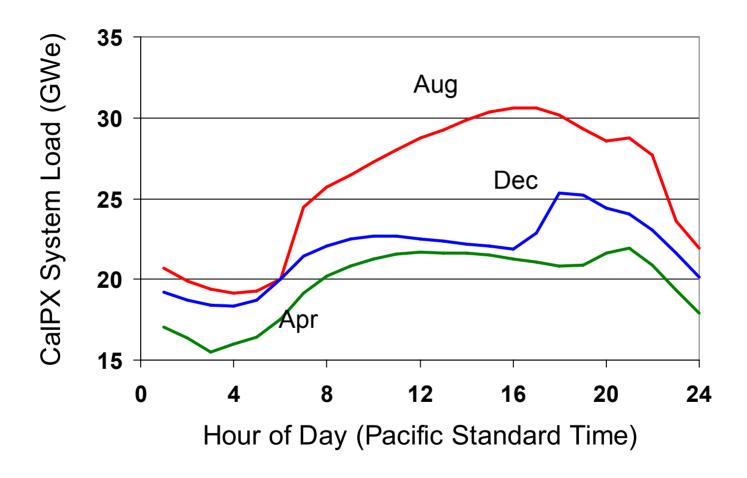
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Average Price	2.83		11.11	
Price For Solar	3.32	17%	12.03	8%
Solar with Storage	3.78	33%	14.31	29%

#### California 2000 Peak Day Resource Summary

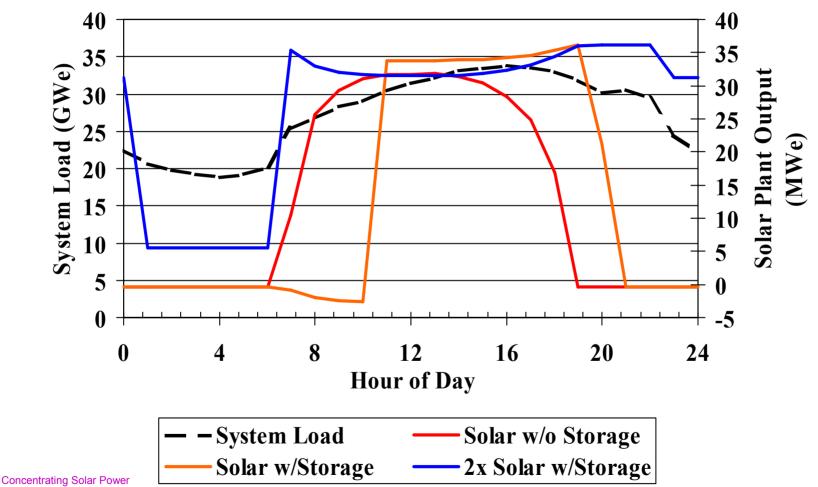
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#### California 1999 Average Hourly System Load

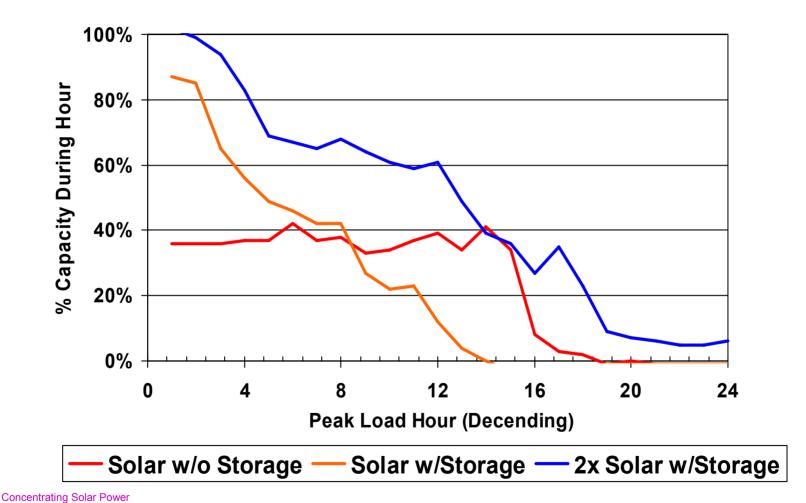


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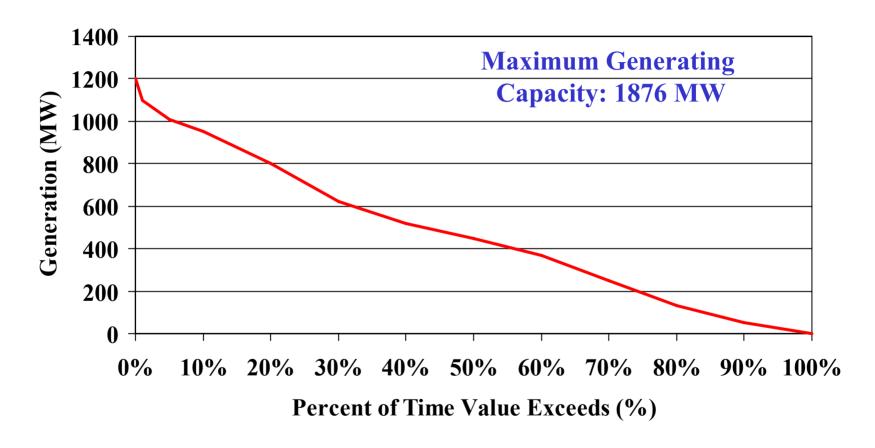


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#### Wind Generation Durration Curve for 2000

[Peak Hours Only]





Data from California ISO

#### **Meeting Peak Hour Demand**

#### Peak Capacity Factor

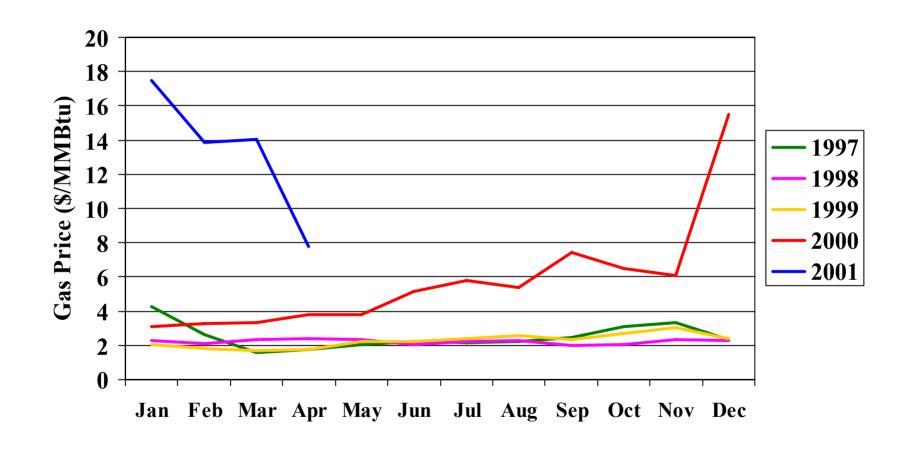
Wind 25%

Solar w/o Storage 36%

Solar w/ Storage 87%

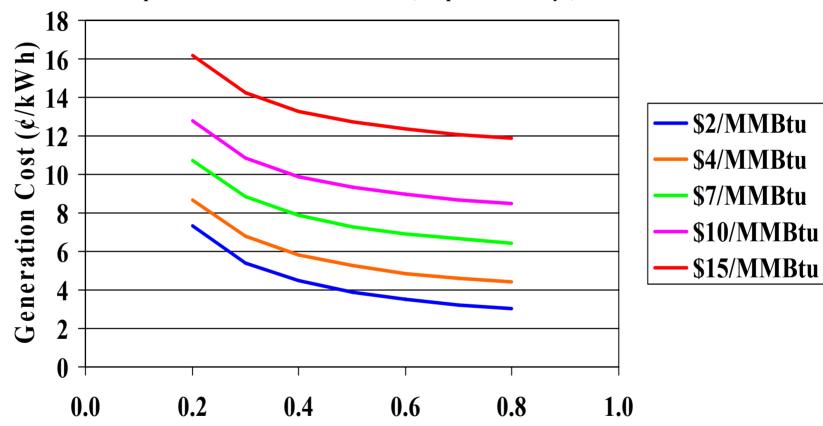
2x Solar w Storage 102%

#### Southern California Edison Short Run Avoided Cost - Gas Price



### Wholesale Electric Price for Modern Combined Cycle Plant

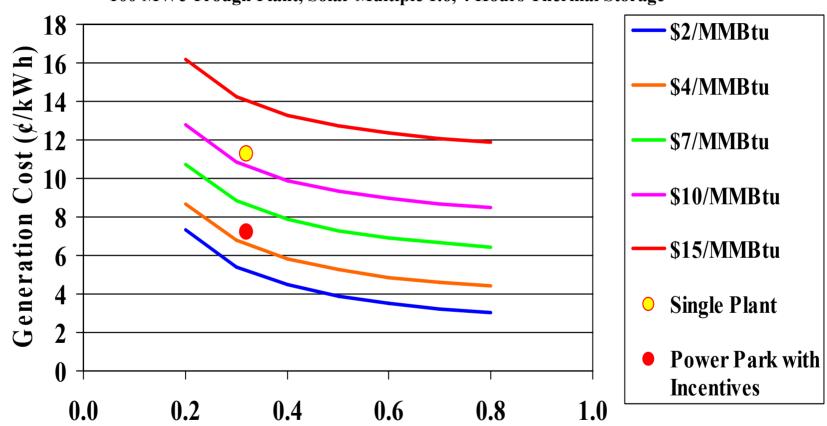
CEC Assumptions: Heat rate = 6800 Btu/kWh, Cap = \$100/kW/yr, O&M = \$2.5/MWh



**Power Plant Annual Load Factor** 

#### Wholesale Electric Price Combined Cycle Verses Trough Solar Plant

100 MWe Trough Plant, Solar Multiple 1.6, 4 Hours Thermal Storage



**Power Plant Annual Load Factor**