



# Demand Response and Energy Efficiency as Renewables

### **ConsumerPowerline - What We Do**

ConsumerPowerline works with property and facility owners and operators to develop and implement integrated energy management strategies that:

- Reduce peak and on-going energy use
- Generate new sources of revenue from the energy markets
- Reduce on-going energy costs
- Secure the highest incentives for energy management
- Gain recognition for sustainable energy leadership

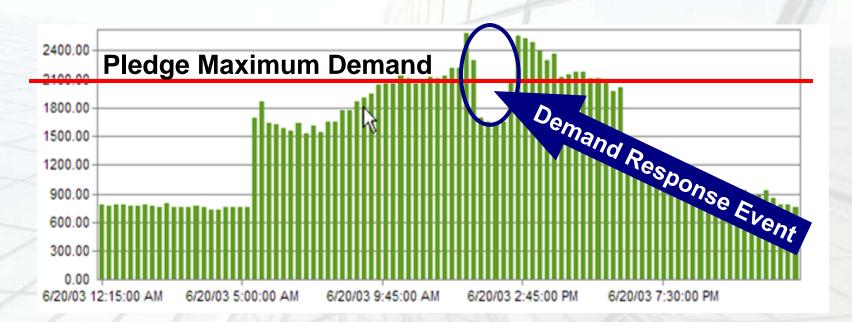
## ConsumerPowerline – A Leader in Demand Response

- Founded in 2000; financed organically thru 2007
- Received \$20M+ in Series A Financing in 2007; lead investors are Expansion Capital, Bessemer Ventures
- Helped build DR markets throughout North America
- National leader/visionary in designing and developing new DR programs across the US
- Advocate for electricity end-users with ISOs / Utilities
- Active in New York, New England, Mid Atlantic / PJM, California, Texas, and Ontario energy markets

## Alternative Energy Conference Presentation Outline

- Demand Response is a Renewable!
- DR Program Design Balancing Grid Operator and End-User Needs to create vibrant markets
- Emerging Energy Efficiency Markets
  - Monetizing Efficiency in the DR Markets
  - Emerging Markets White Certificates
- Summary of Key User / Policy Considerations

## Demand Response - What it looks like



- Buildings act as "peaker" or "reserve" power plants
- Demand Response reductions provide "insurance" for the grid
- Demand Response programs typically provide MWs in 10-minutes (synchronous reserves) – 3 hours (capacity)
- DR Programs are managed by the ISOs and/or Utilities

# Demand Response - Where it comes from

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#### **Buildings reduce energy demand temporarily**





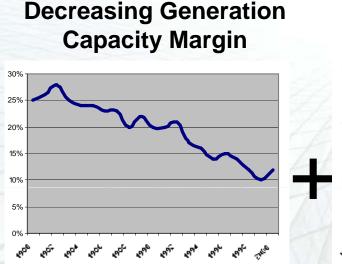




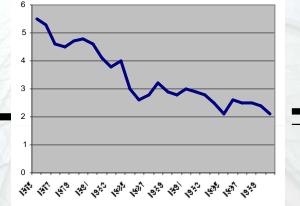
- Shut Downs: Total Plant Shut downs; turning off non-essential lights, fans, pumps, HVAC units, elevators
- Reductions: pre-cooling; global temperature re-sets, cycling
- Fuel Optionality: i.e. switching from electricity to steam
- Emergency Power: activate emergency generation (not renewable)

## Demand Response - Can meet immediate supply needs

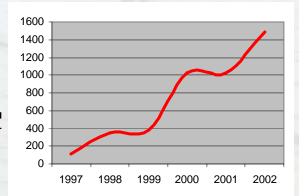
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U.S. Transmission Investment



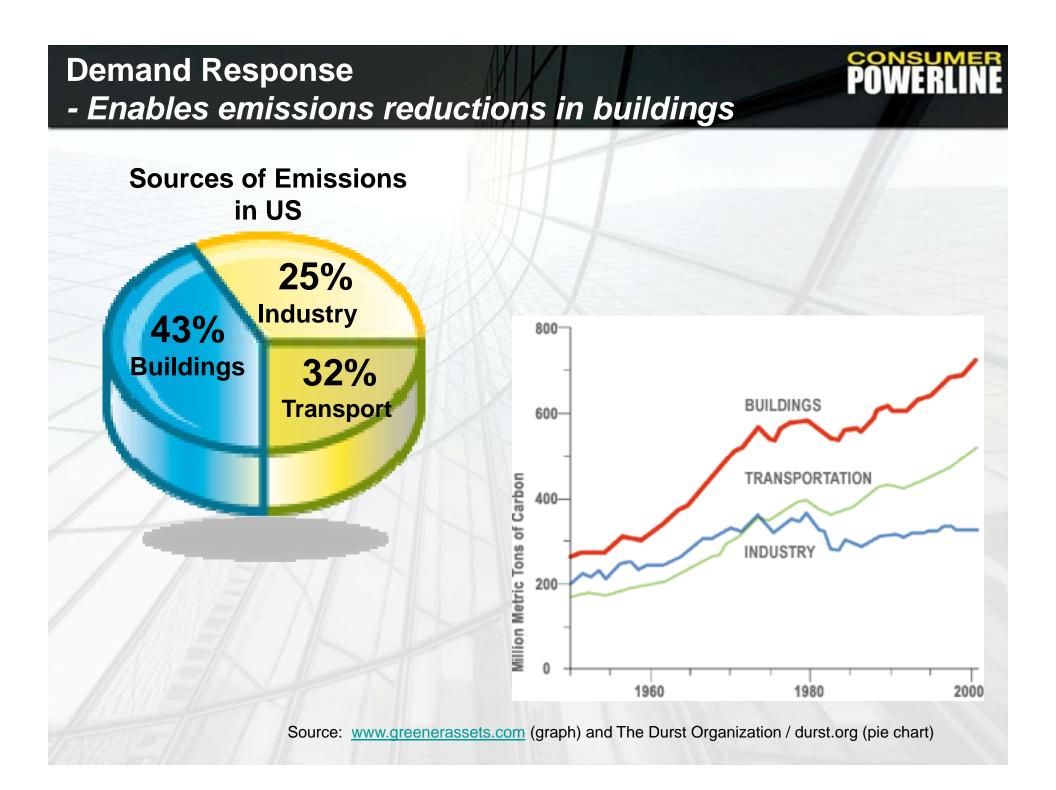
#### U.S. Load Relief (Reliability) Events



#### **Rand Corporation study concluded:**

The utility industry could save between \$50 - \$100 billion over the next two decades if "demand response becomes the norm"

Source: Electric Perspectives, July/August 2001, Western States Power Crises White Paper, EPRI, Summer 2001.



### **Demand Response**



- Can be a major & efficient renewable resource
  - US Market Size: ~10% of all demand; 300,000MW
  - Economic Value: 1kW of increased supply
     = 1nW of reduced demand
  - Efficiency: Saves transmission line loss of 7-9%
    - Reliability:
       Delivers flexible supply for grid operators

       "just enough; just in time"; reduces the likelihood of black-outs
  - Reduced Capital Cost / Speed to market: reduces need for new power plants just for peak demand periods; faster deployment
  - Market Benefits: reduces the price of electricity for all customers by reducing the cost of the last kW required

Source: USDOE Benefits of DR in Electricity Markets and Recommendations for Achieving Them, February 2006

## Demand Response Economics.... - Quick Installations, low cost per kW

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#### Installed Cost per kW

\$6,000 - \$10,000
\$1,500 - \$3,000
\$500 - \$1,000

#### Cost per kWh of energy produced

Solar	\$.20 - \$.40
Wind	\$.05 - \$.10
Fossil Fuel	\$.053 (2006)

Sources: Installed Costs: <u>http://www.solarbuzz.com/DistributedGeneration.htm</u> Cost per Unit: Coal and Natural Gas costs from International Energy Outlook, 2006

#### **Demand Response Install Costs\***

Metering	\$0 - \$5,000 / site
Controls	\$0 – \$2,500 / point
Datacom	\$0 - \$1,200 / year
Training	\$1,000 - \$5000 / site

Total \$1,000 - \$13,700+

# In most cases, DR is leveraging existing building assets

#### Cost per kWh

- Typically no additional cost AND
- Participants realize kWh savings

#### **REVENUE for Demand Response**

Capacity: \$40 - \$100 / kW / year Reserves: \$24 - \$150 / kW / year

\* DR Provider costs not included



## **Deploying Demand Response....**

## Program Design that balances Grid Operator & End-user need is key

## **Existing "Business Models"**

- Sources of Revenue / Savings for customer
  - Utility bill savings; CPP/TOU rates; rebates
  - Utility payments
  - ISO Market Capacity Prices
  - **Implementation & Program Management** 
    - 100% utility
    - Utility contracts vendors for DR programs
    - Mixed: Utility programs and private firms coexist

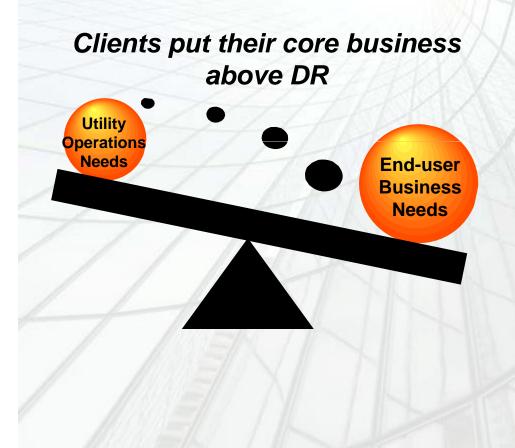
## Demand Response

## - Key Elements of Program Design



- What triggers Demand Response events
- How much notice is given for events
- How often / how long do events occur
- How is performance measured (Methodology / Metering Requirements)
- What are the Risks / Penalties for underperformance
- What is eligible to participate (i.e. generators, curtailment, etc.)
  - What is required to enroll (paperwork, information required, etc)
  - How much does it pay? (generally a price per kW/mo or MWh)

## Research / Studies Why end-users participate in DR



#### In order of importance:

- 1. To obtain bill credits and incentive payments
- 2. To help the utility company during peak situations
- 3. To help the community
- 4. To obtain non-financial product or service
- 5. Other increasingly green / sustainability initiatives\*

Source: Demand Response: Design Principles for Creating Customer and Market Value Peak Load Management Alliance - November 2002 <u>http://www.peaklma.com/files/public/CustomerPrinciples.pdf</u> \* Added by ConsumerPowerline, April 2008

#### MARKET DESIGN PITFALLS

- 1. Too Many Events
- 2. Events are too long
- 3. Unpredictable basis for calling events
- 4. Over-reliance on price signals

   customers don't want
  volatility
- 5. Penalty risk is not worth potential reward

- KEEP RELIABILITY PROGRAMS LIMITED TO TRUE EMERGENCIES
- OFFER RISK & REWARD "MENU" OF DR PROGRAMS
  - CREATE ON-GOING DIALOG / FEEDBACK LOOP WITH NON-GENERATORS ON DR
  - REMEMBER IT'S A FREE MARKET – CLIENTS VOTE WITH THEIR FEET

#### STRUCTURAL BARRIERS

- 1. Misaligned Incentives / Mistrust of Utilities
  - Could DR actually reduce utility revenues?
  - How does the utility share the benefits of DR?
- 2. Metering / Interval Data Availability
  - Utility Metering departments can be critical to effective deployment
- 3. DR, Efficiency & Operations "Silos"
  - Programs can work against each other – i.e. too many calls by Operations shrink DR participants

- 1. DEFINE 'BUSINESS MODEL' FOR UTILITY VIS A VIS DEMAND RESPONSE
- 2. BUILD TRANSPARENT PRICING / REVENUES
- 3. COORDINATE / ALIGN DR PROGRAMS AND UTILITY METERING DEPARTMENTS
- 4. ALIGN INTERNAL DECISIONS / PROGRAMS

#### COMMUNICATION CHALLENGES

- 1. Lack of Awareness
  - Decision-makers are unfamiliar with the concept, or have an old/inaccurate understanding of DR
- 2. Poor Education / Marketing / Outreach
  - Materials are not written for nonenergy audience
  - Materials are too long / complicated / detailed
  - Message / selling points don't distill simple, compelling enduser benefits

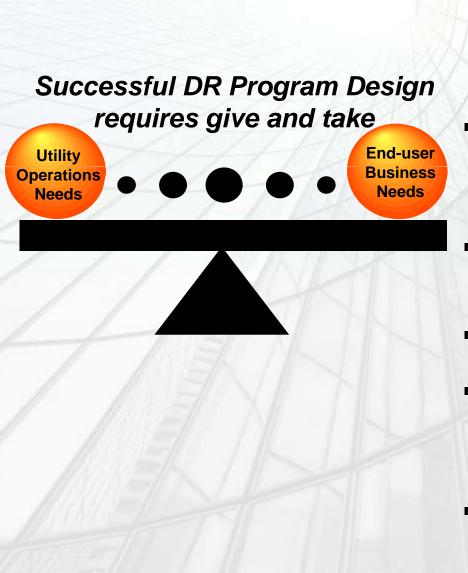
- 1. LONG SALES CYCLE
- 2. HIGH COST OF SALES
- 3. DIRECT SALES FORCE REQUIRED

### CLIENT BARRIERS

- Limited Staffing Capacity / Competency to implement programs
  - Facility managers are too busy putting out fires - where does this fit in their day?
- 2. Lack of incentives for staff
  - Engineers/Facility managers don't receive recognition or bonuses
  - Buildings / properties don't receive revenues – they go to the general budget (the black hole)
- 3. Can be difficult to close the Sale
  - No sense of urgency; not a business imperative
  - Many yes-es required building engineer, property manager, finance, owner, et al
  - Risk Aversion /Legal issues

- 1. ADDRESS THE 'HASSLE FACTOR'
- 2. MITIGATE CLIENT RISK
- 3. DIRECT SALES FORCE REQUIRED

### Demand Response Trends / Considerations



- DR acceptance increasing as participation and reliability improves --
  - Ontario paying over \$100/kW/year as they seek to replace fossil fuels
- Increase in controls and metering is accelerating participation and makes enrollment by smaller assets viable
- Expansion of DR– now can truly consider DR a national opportunity
- Expansion of Synchronous Reserves
- Utilities increasingly contracting with private firms to provide DR support services, marketing, aggregation, etc
- Prices trending toward an average of about \$55-65 per kW nationally

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# **Emerging Energy Efficiency Markets**

### Permanent Efficiency - Defined

- Capital Projects / Upgrades that yield permanent reduction in energy use
- Can be measured in terms of peak kW reduced and/or kWh reduced
- Examples of qualifying projects (eligibility varies by program/region)
  - Lighting retrofits
  - New HVAC systems
  - New Chillers
  - Cogeneration (some areas)
  - Renewable Generation

## **Emerging Markets for Permanent Efficiency**

- Utility funded DSM (demand side management) programs
- Demand response programs allowing "bids" for permanent efficiency (New England Forward Capacity Market "ODR")
- EPS (environmental portfolio standards)
  - White certificates
  - Energy intensity standards

### **Overview of EPS Market Design**

What creates a market: an EPS

- Where will markets be: Any geographic area can achieve whatever level of efficiency it chooses, e.g. a 40% standard requires marketers to purchase four certificates for each ten units of electricity sold
- Who will buy in this market: Anyone who markets electricity (soon, other fuels as well) needs to document that they have purchased certificates from people who have installed some documented energy efficiency retrofit

Who will sell in this market: Certified retrofits.

New Market Revenues for Efficiency Demand Response & White Certificates



National Chain Lighting Retrofit: Lighting retrofits 100 stores; 7,000kW total reduction # of hours reduction/yr: ~5,000 # of years of reduction: 8.5 years

Market value:

"Other Demand Response" in ISONE: ~ \$45 / kW for 7-10 years

→ \$3,100,000

"White Certificates" in CT, PA: ~\$25/MWh for 7-8.5 years

→ \$7,400,000

## Efficiency Dollars – Market Design Considerations

- 1. Reward the investor The "credits" should be owned by the decision-maker / the investor / the operator
  - Some rebate programs require investor to forfeit white certificate value
  - The "owner" of the credits should be the people who actually spend the money and who manage the use of the equipment post-investment
- Don't limit the market by heavy meaasurement & compliance requirements – We don't have to measure everything that can also be assumed statistically
  - Require only large projects to be metered
  - Small projects should be verified by simple evidence of purchases of eligible products or services and standard reduction assumptions
  - Open markets to consumers



# Conclusions

## Policy Considerations – Market Design

#### **Demand Response**

- Create competitive, market-based Demand Response Programs (not monopolies) priced at levels on par with generation
- To maximize enrollment, create / offer a menu of program options & prices so facilities can choose appropriate effort: reward
- Do not require minimum kW reduction levels for participation (i.e. 1MW for Reserves)
- Include AMI installations at smaller facilities (i.e. 250kW peak demand)

#### **Permanent Efficiency**

- Ensure facility owner / project investor owns "credits"
- Minimize M&V requirements (metering) on smaller projects
- Minimize on-going M&V / registration requirements



## **Thank You**

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