

# **CPS ENERGY MARKET & GENERATION PLAN UPDATE**

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CPS Energy Community Input Committee 07/09/2025

# AGENDA



- Executive Summary
- Market Outlook
- Generation Plan Progress
- Headwinds
- In-Progress Work
- Upcoming Generation Plan Refresh

We have made significant progress towards achieving our Vision 2027 Generation Plan and are we are moving forward to manage our community's increasing energy needs.

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**



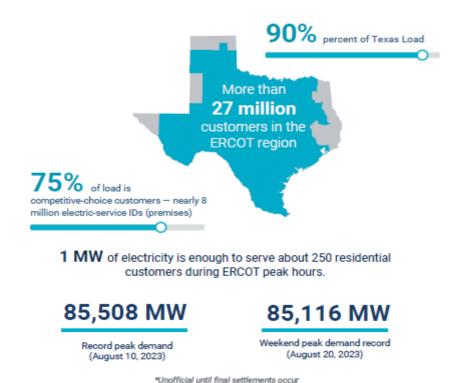
- Electric demand is accelerating in our region and throughout the State of Texas
- Growth, coupled with retiring legacy generation, and increasing costs/lead times to build generation mean that energy prices will become more volatile
- CPS Energy has made solid progress in executing and improving upon our community-led, Boardapproved long term generation plan to meet our community's growth and economic development needs amidst emerging headwinds
- We are exploring owned and purchase power opportunities across all technologies both for new and
  operating projects to meet our needs in a timely, cost-effective manner
- Beginning this fall we will be refreshing our power generation plan with updated assumptions and information and the CIC will be a key group for input/involvement

# **ELECTRIC RELIABILITY COUNCIL OF TEXAS**





The Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) is a nonprofit organization that ensures reliable electric service for 90 percent of the state of Texas. The grid operator is regulated by the Public Utility Commission of Texas and the Texas Legislature.



#### 2025 Generating Capacity

Reflects operational installed capacity for Summer 2025 based on December 2024 CDR report.

Natural Gas	Wind	Coal	Solar	
37.7%	22.9%	8.5%	19.0%	

The sum of the percentages may not equal 100% due to rounding. \*Other includes biomass and DC Tie capacity.

#### 2024 Energy Use

\*Other includes solar, hydro, petroleum coke (pet coke), biomass, landfill gas, distillate fuel oil, net DC-tie and Block Load Transfer imports/exports and an adjustment for wholesale storage load. Natural Gas 44.3% Wind 24.2% Coal 12.6% Solar 10.4%

Source: ercot.com

0.3% Hydro

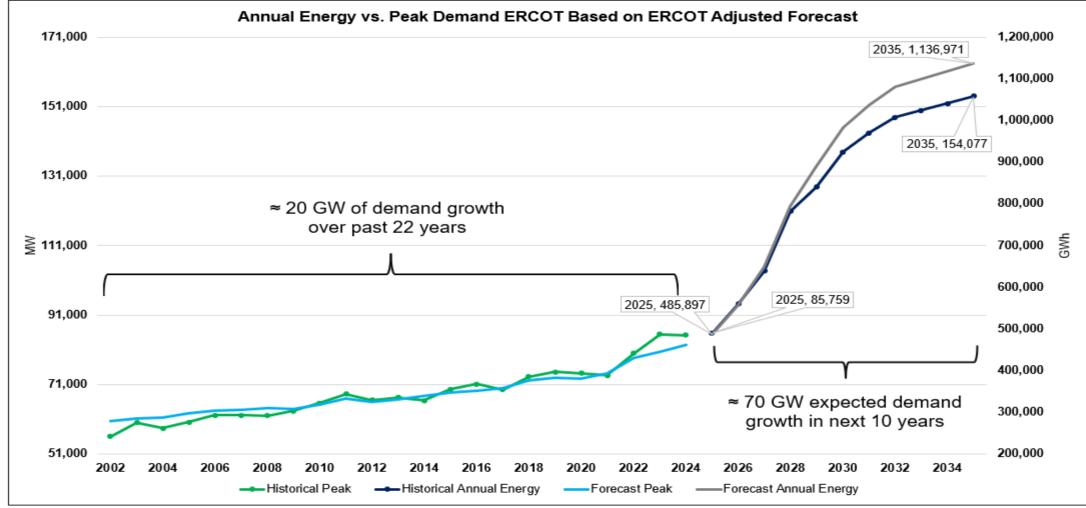
0.8% Other\*

7.7% Storage 3.0% Nuclear

ERCOT is the grid operator that provides electricity to over 90% of the State of Texas. Dispatchable resources are needed to support the growing renewable supply.

## ERCOT DEMAND OUTLOOK FORWARD ERCOT GROWTH





Source Date from ERCOT Adjusted Load Forecast - 4/15/2025

Unprecedented demand growth in the ERCOT market will require flexible, dispatchable generation resources to provide energy during peak hours.

# **ERCOT DEMAND OUTLOOK** SUMMER AND WINTER RESERVE MARGIN UPDATES

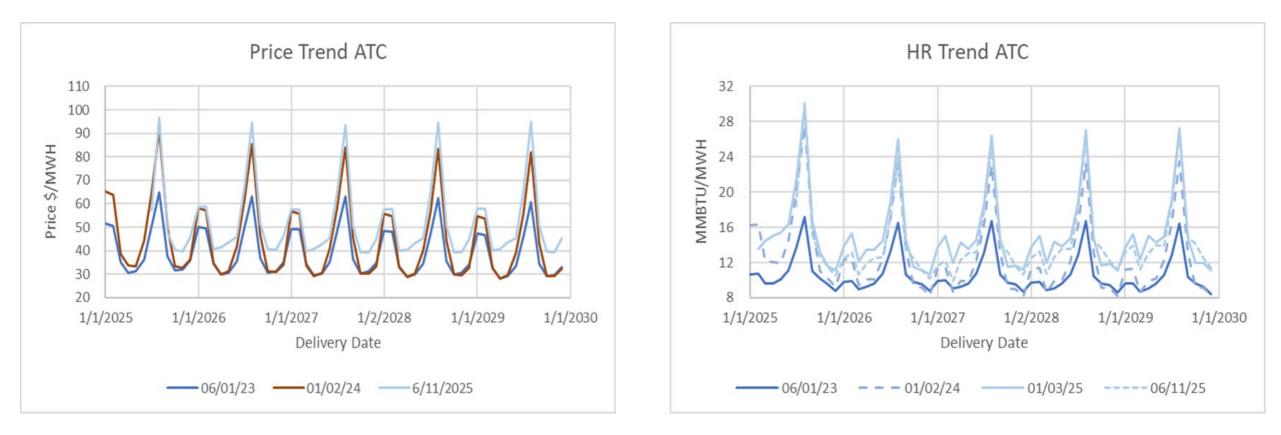


ERCOT Report on the Capacity, Demand and Reserves (CDR) in the ERCOT Region, 2026-2030 – May 16, 2025

Rapid projected demand growth in ERCOT poses significant risk to reserve margins and is expected to increase market price volatility.

## ENERGY PRICE TRENDS ERCOT HUB SOUTH





Forward market price signals have increased 30-50% over the past two years. System supply constraints could lead to additional price increases in the coming years.

# **OVERCOMING UNCERTAINTY**



#### **Headwinds**

- Load growth
- Supply chain constraints
- Transmission constraints
- Regulatory uncertainty
- Pace of technological advancement

#### Tailwinds

- Acquisition of additional generation assets
- Community support for generation plan
- Industry partnerships
- Access to capital markets
- Financial support when needed
- Transaction agility

We have the momentum and flexibility to manage uncertainty and achieve our generation plan objectives.

## **REGULATORY** DEVELOPING/HORIZON ITEMS



- Federal
  - Federal tax incentives/IRA changes
    - Renewable resources
    - Nuclear, geothermal, hydrogen
  - 202(c) recent actions
- State/ERCOT
  - Effective Load Carrying Capacity (ELCC) Changes
  - Market design updates (real time co-optimization, etc.)
  - PUCT firming reliability requirements rulemaking

## WORK IN PROGRESS NEAR-TERM ACCOMPLISHMENTS





South Texas Nuclear Project (STP)

Community Solar

Wind

Purchase Power Agreement for 200 MW in place; acquiring additional 2% ownership share (52MW)

50 MW currently in negotiations

29 MW currently in negotiations

Natural Gas Peaking Units

Procuring key equipment and services



On schedule; core contract services in development

**Unit Retirements** 

Braunig supporting ERCOT reliability

## WORK IN PROGRESS IN PROGRESS/UPCOMING WORK



- Continue to add new generation (build, buy, contract) in alignment with the Vision 2027 Generation Plan
  - Wind
  - Solar
  - Storage
  - Natural Gas
- Generation Plan Refresh (Fall 2025)
  - Update to 2022 assumptions/developments
  - Seek input/involvement of CIC and other stakeholders

Continued load growth is driving the need for new generation capacity.



# **THANK YOU**

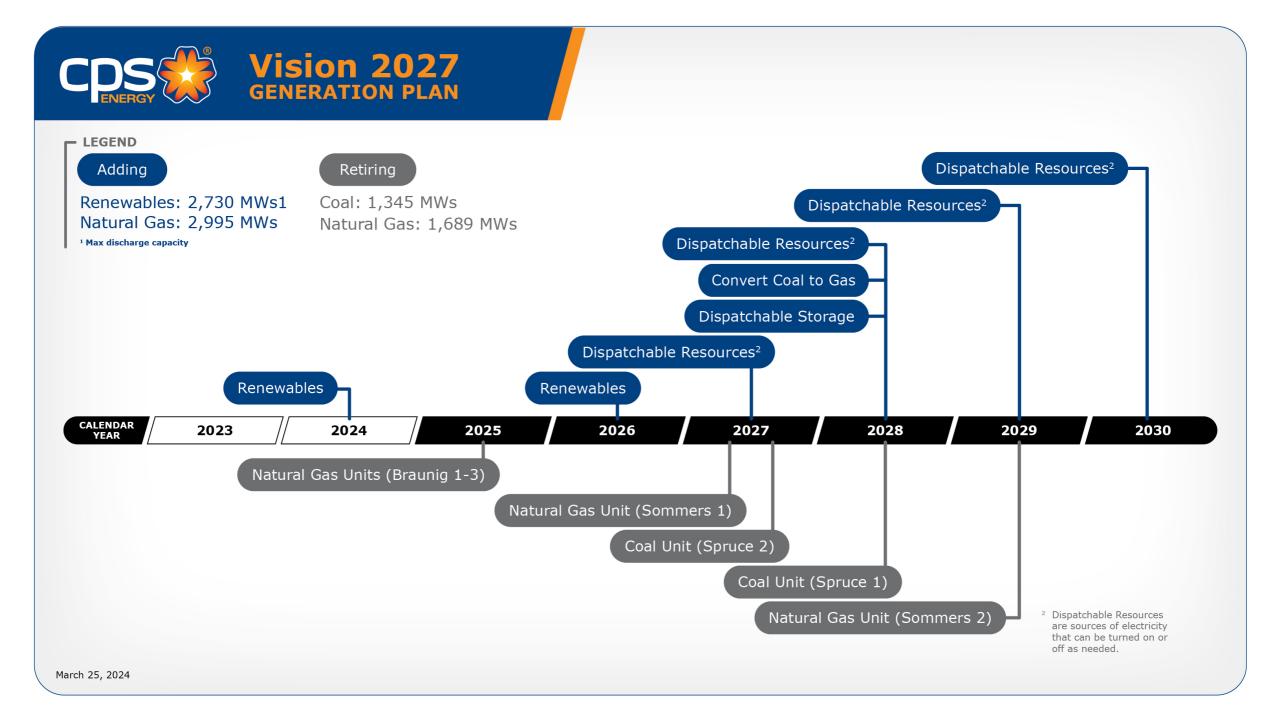


# APPENDIX

# **GLOSSARY / DEFINITIONS**

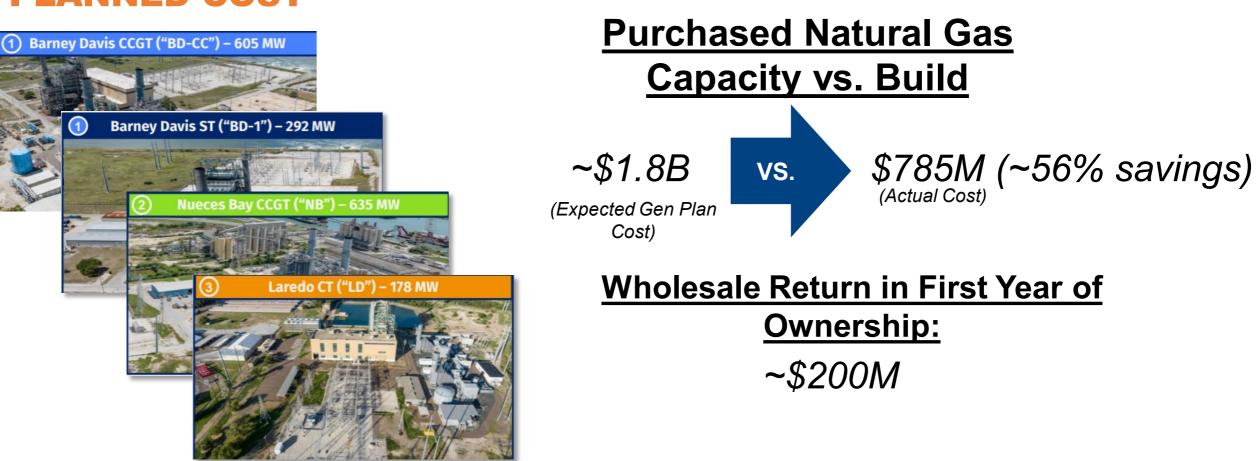


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BESS	Battery energy storage system	NPV	Net present value	
CCL	Corpus Christi & Laredo	RICE	Reciprocating internal combustion engine San Antonio Climate Action & Adaptation Plan	
CDR	Capacity, Demand & Reserves report			
CCGT	Combined cycle gas turbine	SA CAAP		
СТ	Combustion turbine	STP	South Texas Project	
ERCOT	Electric Reliability Council of Texas	FY	Fiscal year	
DC (tie)	Direct current tie	HE	Hour ending	
GW	Gigawatt	COD	Commercial operations date	
GWH	Gigawatt-hour	CY	Calendar year	
KW	Kilowatt	ATC	Around-the-clock	
KWH	Kilowatt-hour	HR	Heat Rate	
MW	Megawatt	WrNF	Wholesale revenue net of fuel	
MWH	Megawatt-hour	MMBTU	Million British Thermal Units	



### **PREVIOUS SUCCESSES** EXECUTED ON GENERATION PLAN @ LOWER THAN PLANNED COST

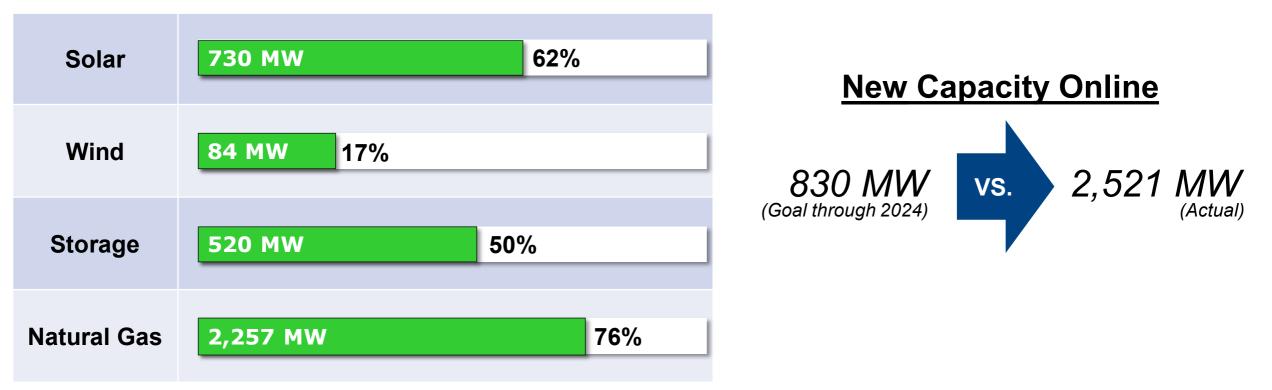




Capacity was consistent with the environmental profile of the generation plan and the acceleration of ownership enabled significant wholesale revenues. This successful purchase was able to cover nearly 1/3 of original price in just 1 year, for a 25 year asset.

# **2030 PLANNED CAPACITY ADDITIONS**

<u>% of 2030 Target That is</u> Online or Under Contract



As our Community's need for electricity accelerates, we are producing more power ahead of schedule.

## ACHIEVING COMMUNITY GOALS CO2 INTENSITY



Our accomplishments have better positioned us to meet our Community's CAAP goals for 2040.

We will continue pursuing opportunities to lower our CO2 intensity.

This ongoing effort is essential for achieving net zero carbon by 2050.

