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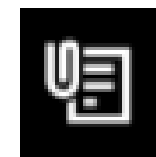
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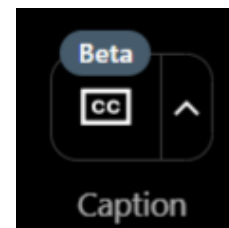
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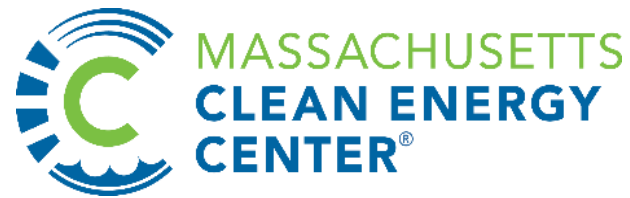
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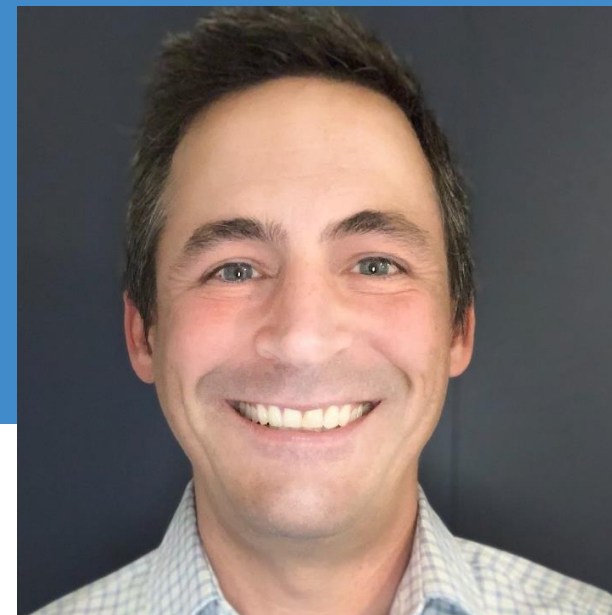
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ENERGY STORAGE FOR GHG EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS

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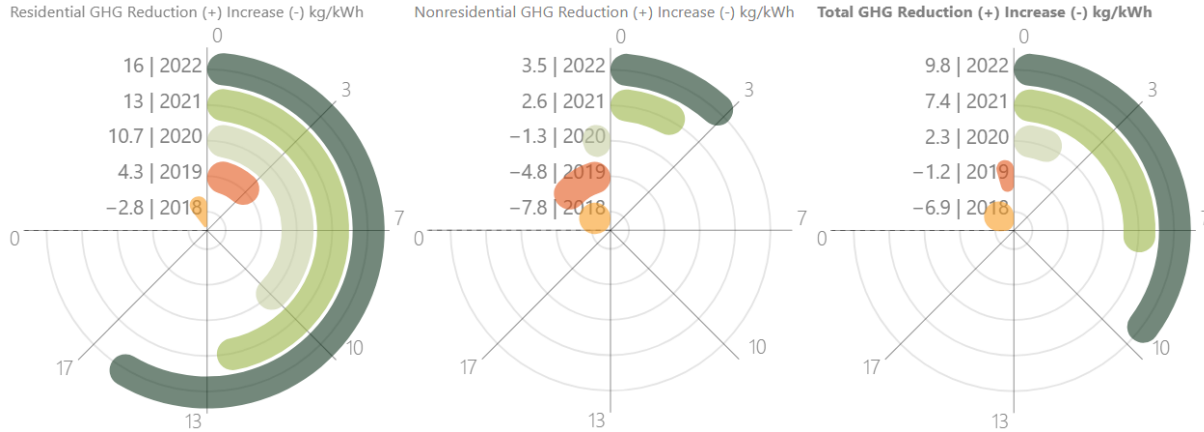
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INTRODUCTION

- » Brief history of the SGIP and M&E objectives
- » Results from recently completed SGIP Impacts Evaluation for 2021 and 2022
 - BTM energy storage receiving SGIP equipment incentives
- » Explore different ways energy storage technologies are utilized
 - How does that behavior/utilization impact GHG emissions
- » Observed impacts compared to optimal dispatch of storage
 - With perfect foresight, how could storage be dispatched to maximize GHG reductions?
- » Conclusions and program design improvement strategies

ENERGY STORAGE GHG IMPACTS (2018-2022)

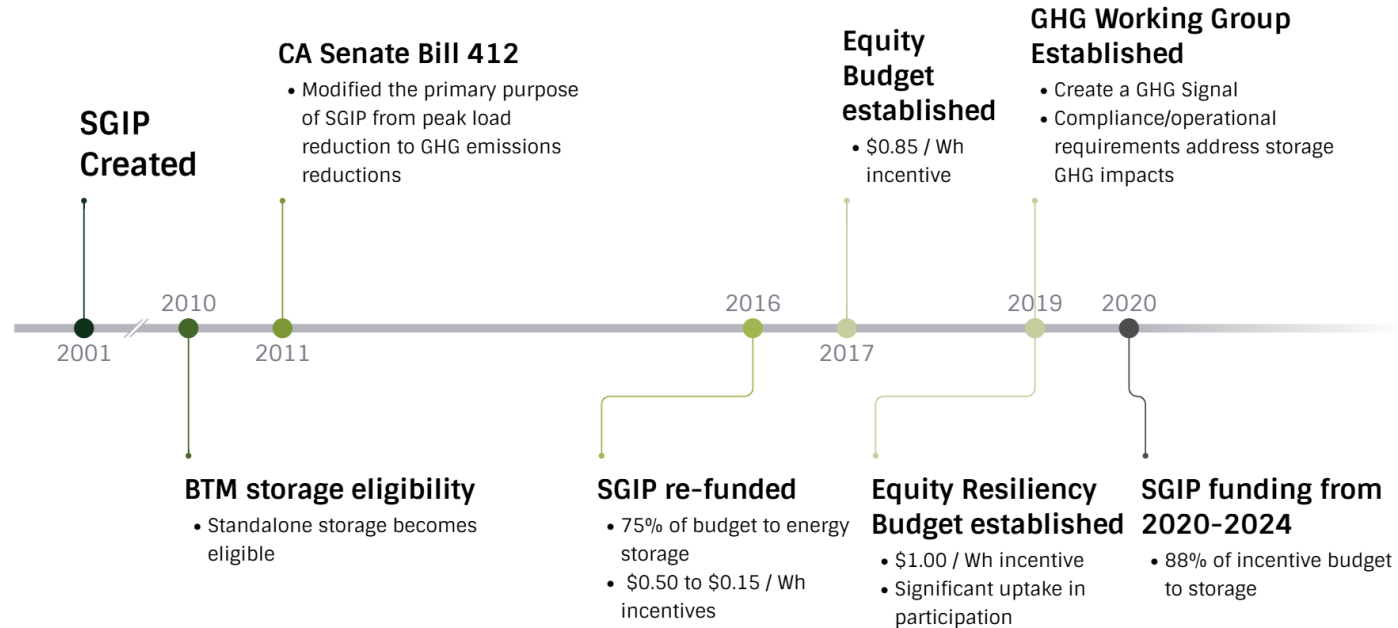
Tracking Per Unit Impacts over time (kg/kWh or MT/MWh)



- » Significant improvement in GHG emissions reductions in 2021-2022
- » Third consecutive evaluation with program-level reductions

- » Nonresidential sector fleet reduced emissions for first time in 2021 → 2022
- » Continued reductions in residential sector since 2019

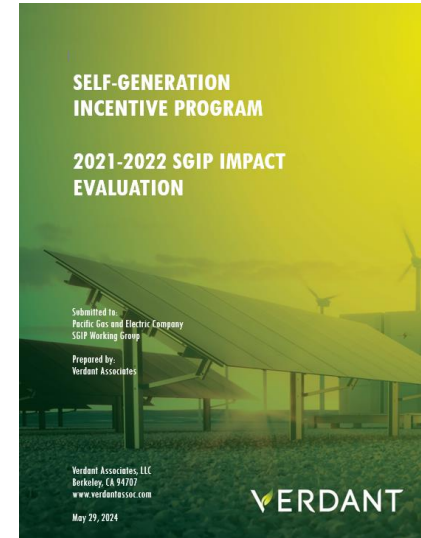
TIMELINE OF ENERGY STORAGE IN THE SGIP



MEASUREMENT AND EVALUATION

Ongoing evaluation reports assess SGIP's effectiveness and ability to meet its goals

- » System performance – utilization and efficiency
- » Grid impacts and Utility Avoided Costs
- » **Environmental impacts – GHG emissions reductions**
- » Customer resiliency and bill impacts
- » Track storage costs and market characteristics over time
- » Optimization modeling
- » Quantification of SGIP population impacts



<https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/-/media/cpuc-website/divisions/energy-division/documents/self-generation-incentive-program/sgip-2021-2022-impact-evaluation.pdf>

EVALUATION POPULATION

» SGIP population by end of 2022*

- ~37,000 systems paid incentives
- ~1,300 MWh

» Project Count

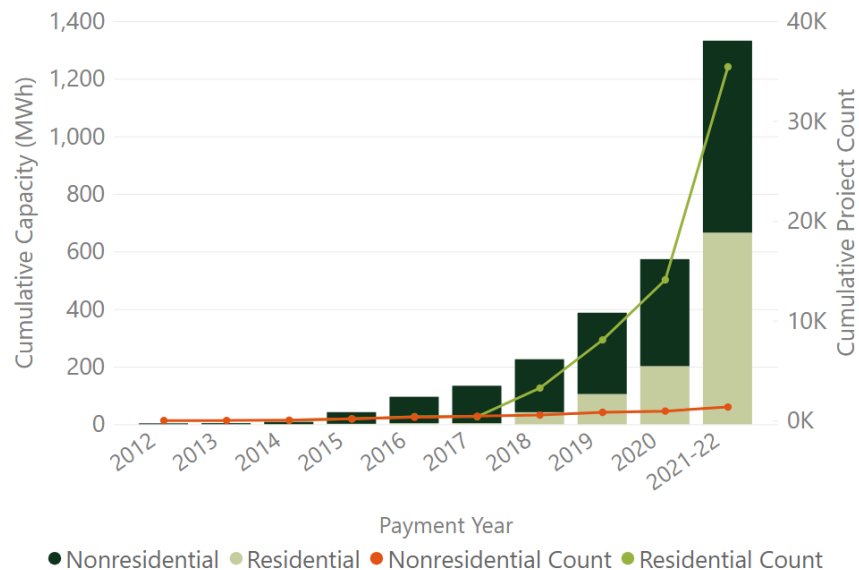
- Residential 95% of program

» Program Capacity

- Residential – 666 MWh | 276 MW
- Nonresidential – 667 MWh | 294 MW

* By 7/30/2024 the SGIP has incentivized over 45,000 systems and over 2,000 MWh of capacity

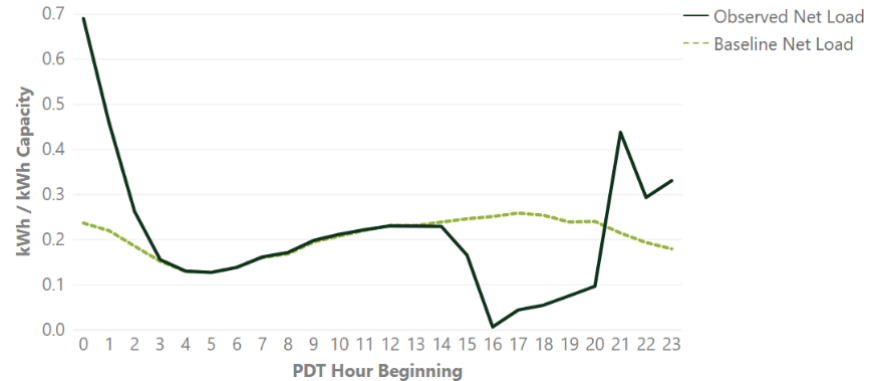
Cumulative Storage Growth by Sector and Payment Year



EVALUATION APPROACH

Observed Impacts and Unobservable Baselines

- » **Metered storage charge/discharge**
 - Actual system characteristics calculated from metered data – RTE, CF, Annual cycles
- » **Consumption at the meter in the absence of the SGIP technology**
 - Unobservable counterfactual to measure impact of program intervention
 - System could provide GHG emissions reductions relative to counterfactual if → emissions avoided during discharge are greater than emissions increases during charging



WHY TIMING AND MAGNITUDE OF DISCHARGE MATTERS

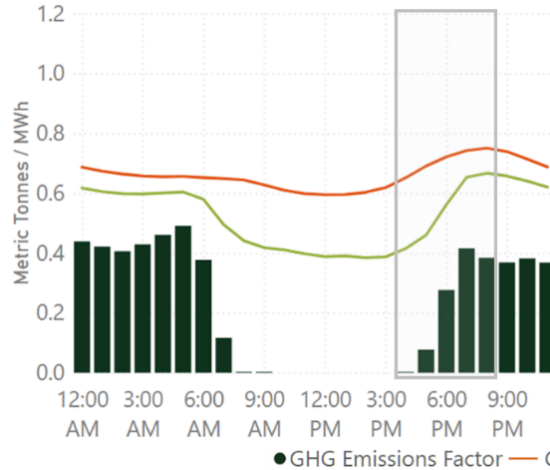
Relationship between Grid Emissions and System Load

- » Greater magnitude of system load on Peak day
- » Marginal emissions zero during several morning/midday hours on Spring day
- » Emissions ramp as Net load ramps
- » Emissions greatest from 6 pm – 9 pm on Peak Day

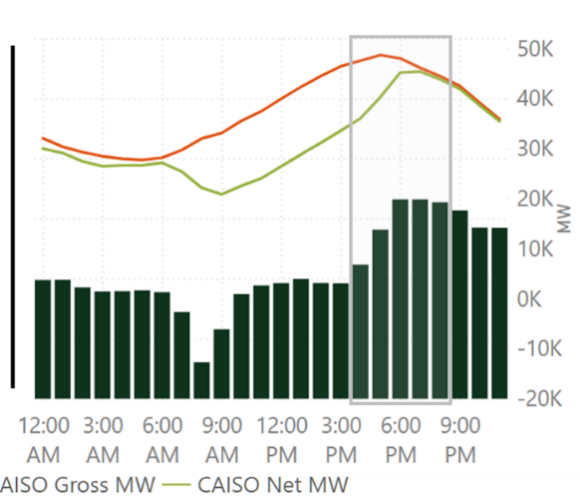
To optimize GHG reductions, charge during lowest emissions hours and discharge during highest emissions hours

Typical Sunday Spring Day (5/1/2022)

System Load and Marginal Emissions (Spring Day vs Peak Day)



Peak CAISO Day (9/6/2022)



* SGIP GHG emissions factors developed by Watttime is a heat rate-based calculation to estimate generator efficiency based on LMP

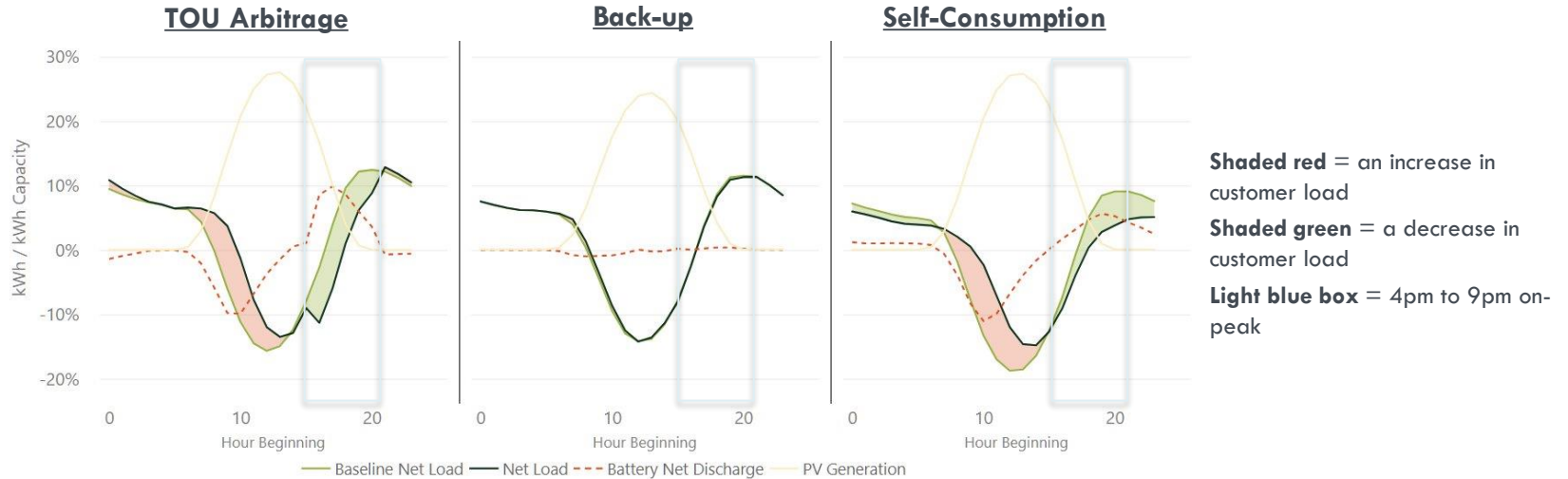
SGIP CHARACTERISTICS

Residential Energy Storage Dispatch Behavior

- » **97% of residential storage paired with Solar PV**
 - Charging from early morning on-site PV
 - Discharging for:
 - Self-consumption – zero out imported load
 - TOU arbitrage w/out export
 - TOU arbitrage with export – regularly or during specific events (DR)
 - Under-utilization or backup (not allowed in SGIP)
- » **3% are standalone systems**
 - Discharging on-peak (arbitrage) and charging overnight

KEY EVALUATION FINDINGS

Typical Residential Energy Storage Operating Modes



- » With and without export
- » Discharge exclusively on-peak
- » Not allowed in SGIP
- » Observed infrequently
- » Discharge to zero out imported load
- » Discharge continues outside on-peak

ENERGY STORAGE DISCHARGE PATTERNS

Residential Hourly Utilization

- » PV paired systems charging almost exclusively from solar (some exceptions in 2022)
- » Max avg hourly discharge ~6-7% of kWh capacity
 - ~45% of system capacity discharged daily in summer months
- » Standalone systems exhibit similar discharge pattern (lower magnitude)
- » Charging occurs overnight

Charge from on-site PV

Discharge mostly on-peak

PV Paired	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
January	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	-0%	-2%	-5%	-6%	-6%	-5%	-3%	-1%	0%	3%	4%	5%	4%	3%	1%	1%	1%
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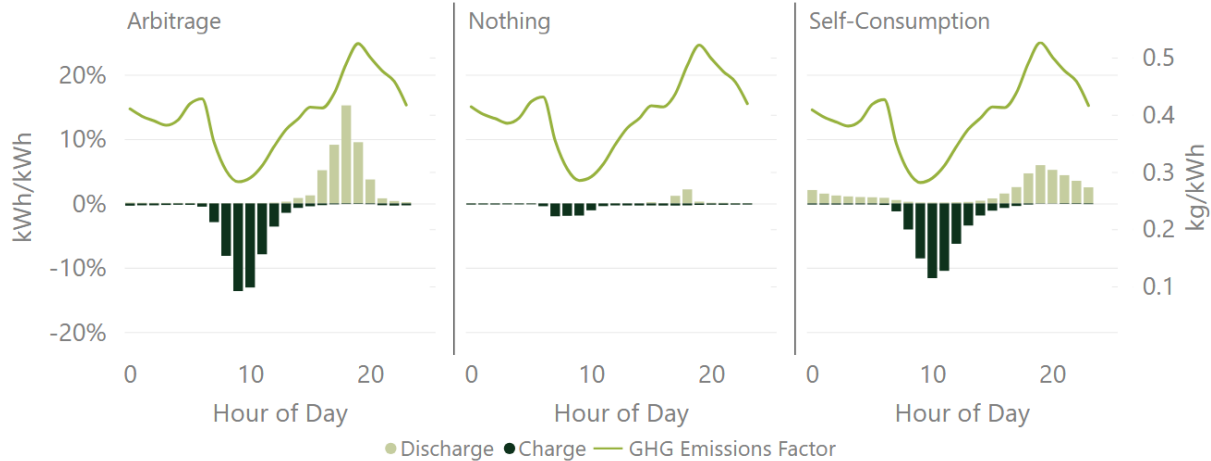
Charge mostly overnight

Discharge exclusively on-peak

ENERGY STORAGE GHG EMISSIONS

Residential by Operating Mode

Average Residential Charge and Discharge kWh/kWh and Emissions Factor in 2022 by Operating Mode (Summer Only)

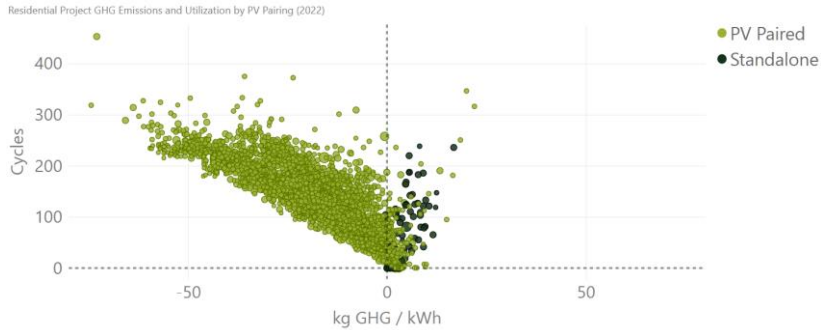


- » ~4% of residential systems idle or under-utilized in 2022 (“Nothing” above)
- » Discharging extends outside peak hours with self-consumption

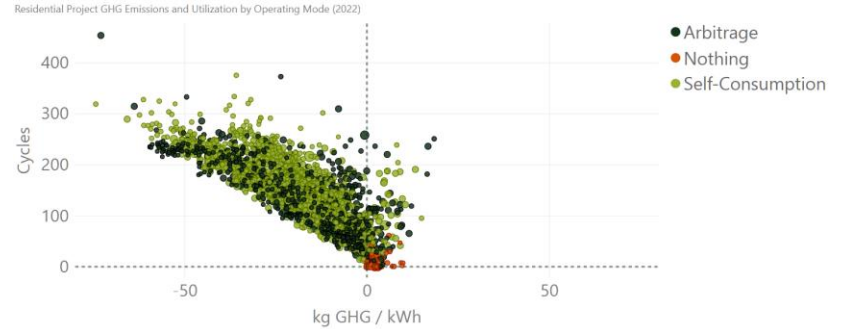
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Residential Project Emissions by PV Pairing and Operating Mode

Project Emissions – PV Paired versus Standalone Systems



Project Emissions – by Operating Mode

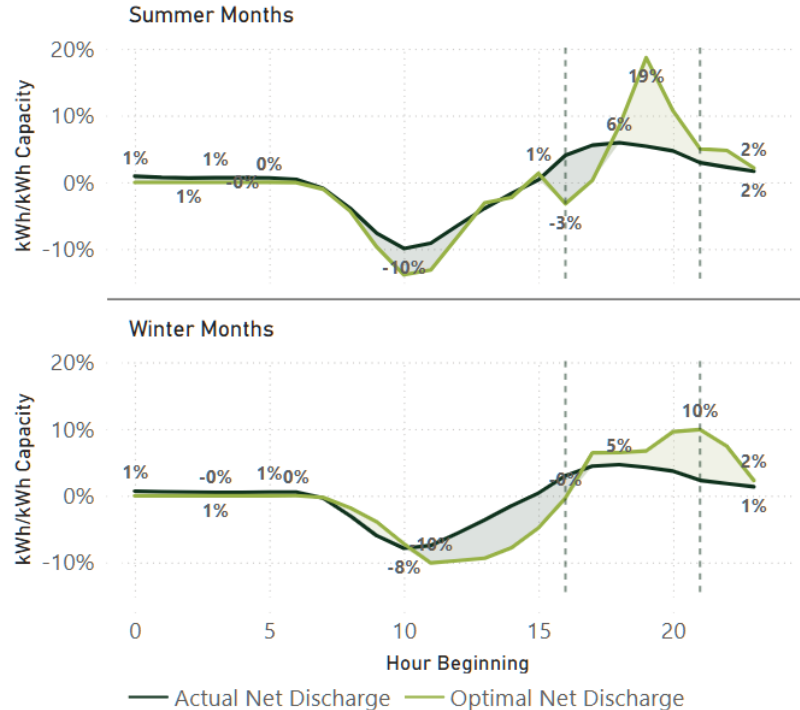


- » Correlation between GHG emissions reductions and greater utilization
- » Standalone storage charges overnight and increases emissions slightly
- » **Solar PV charging critical to emissions reductions**
- » Idle systems contribute to emissions increases

IS THERE VALUE BEING LEFT ON THE TABLE?

Comparing actual dispatch to optimal dispatch using Wattime GHG emissions signal

- » Optimal dispatch suggests...Yes!
- » **17 kg/kWh observed GHG reduction**
 - Average across residential fleet
- » **54 kg/kWh optimal reduction**
 - 3x improvement in GHG when optimized for it



RESIDENTIAL OPTIMIZATION

Heatmaps of Charge (-) Discharge (+) by Month and Hour

Actual Hourly Discharge (+) Charge (-) kWh / kWh Capacity

month	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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» Actual hourly discharge follows on-peak TOU periods →

- Discharge generally limited to underlying customer load (no export)

» Significant hourly differences with perfect foresight →

CONCLUSIONS & PROGRAM DESIGN IMPROVEMENTS

- » **SGIP BTM energy storage is providing GHG emissions reductions more recently** – 1) minimum cycling requirements, 2) high-differential on-peak TOU rates, 3) battery operating modes, 4) DR participation, 5) digitally accessible GHG signal are guiding this behavior.
- » Residential and nonresidential systems are not discharging the total capacity of the system regularly and many residential customers are limiting discharge to maintain net zero load rather than exporting
 - **Program improvements that encourage additional battery utilization** – 1) increase cycling minimums to better capture actual behavior, 2) enrollment in virtual power plants (VPP), 3) utility control of storage, 4) participation in real-time rates, or 5) other mechanisms.
- » Solar PV paired residential storage discharges roughly 45% of system kWh capacity daily throughout summer weekdays, and standalone systems discharge about 22% of available capacity
 - **Encourage more targeted dispatch that emphasizes the importance of discharging batteries (and reducing load) during on-peak hours rather than daily self-consumption.**

CONCLUSIONS & PROGRAM DESIGN IMPROVEMENTS

- » **BTM storage paired with on-site PV charges from early on-site PV generation**
 - Clean energy being discharged/exported to the grid
 - Charging occurs during lower grid-scale emissions hours
- » GHG emissions differentials between charging overnight and discharging on-peak are not sufficient to realize emissions reductions like observed with PV paired systems charging from on-site PV
 - **Standalone systems can achieve GHG reductions with the appropriate signal, such as the SGIP GHG signal or real-time pricing signals.**
- » Optimization modeling revealed that the average actual avoided emissions of 17 kg of GHG per kWh of capacity would triple if optimized for GHG reductions
 - **Create ambitious GHG reduction targets that reflect improvements in technology to maximize its potential.**



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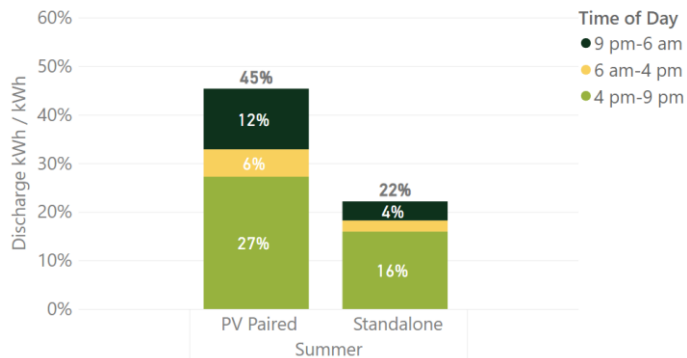
ADDITIONAL SLIDES

KEY EVALUATION FINDINGS

Residential Energy Storage Daily kWh Utilization

Discharge kWh per Capacity kWh

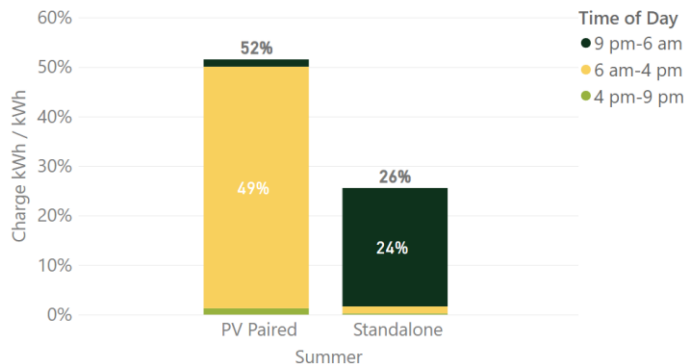
Residential Discharge kWh per Capacity kWh by Time of Day



- » PV Paired utilized ~45% of battery capacity daily
- » Most discharge comes between 4pm-9pm
- » Standalone utilized ~22%

Charge kWh per Capacity kWh

Residential Charge kWh per Capacity kWh by Time of Day



- » PV paired early morning solar charging
- » Standalone system overnight charging

SGIP CHARACTERISTICS

Nonresidential Energy Storage Dispatch Behavior

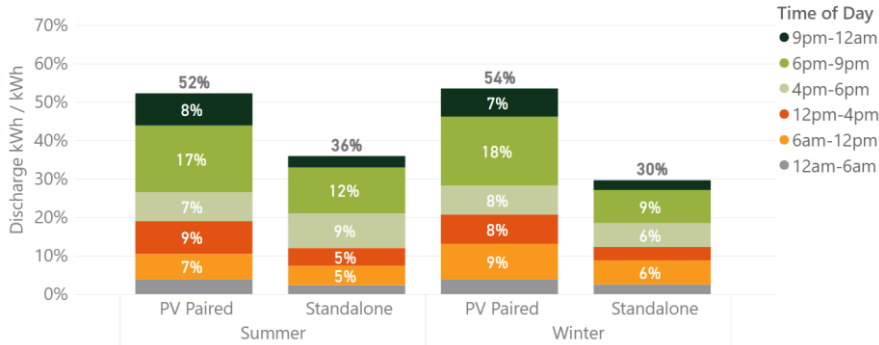
- » **34% of nonresidential storage paired with Solar PV**
 - Charging from early morning on-site PV
 - Discharging for:
 - Self-consumption & TOU arbitrage
 - Demand charge reduction (non-coincident and on-peak)
- » **66% are standalone systems**
 - TOU arbitrage and demand charge reduction
 - Cycling

KEY EVALUATION FINDINGS

Nonresidential Energy Storage Daily kWh Utilization

Discharge kWh per Capacity kWh

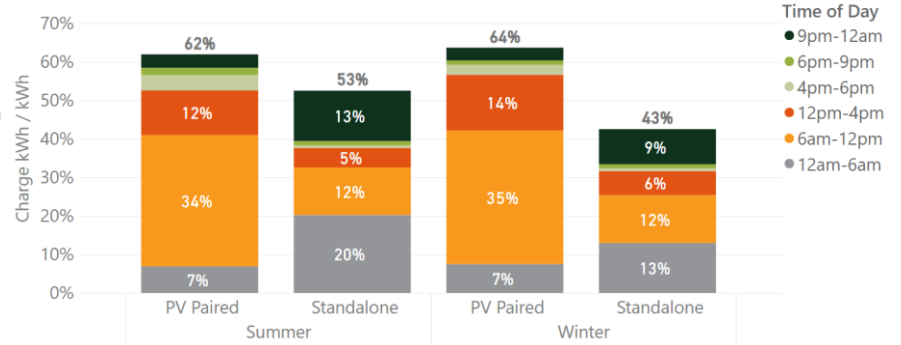
Nonresidential Discharge kWh per Capacity kWh by Time of Day



- » PV Paired utilized ~52% of battery capacity daily in Summer
- » Discharging occurs across hours

Charge kWh per Capacity kWh

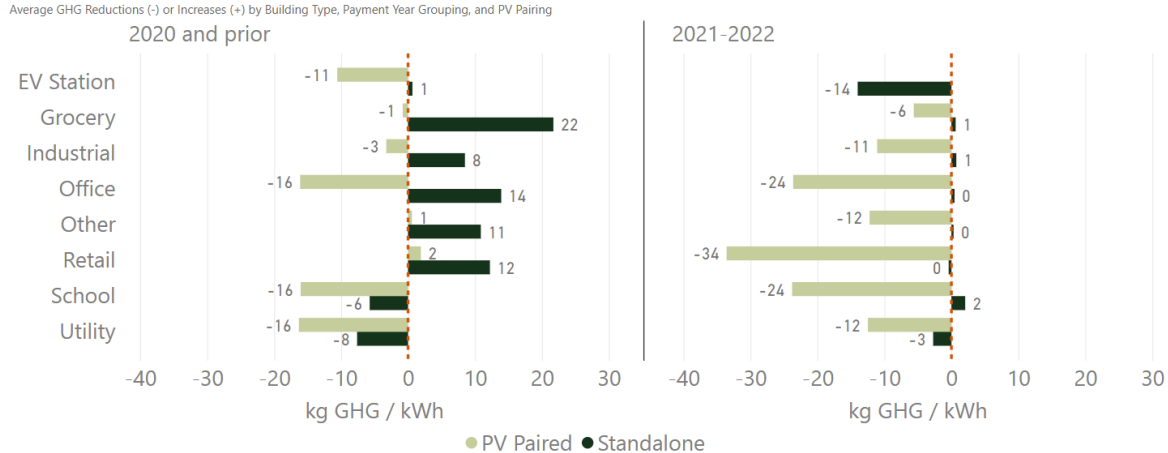
Nonresidential Charge kWh per Capacity kWh by Time of Day



- » More heterogeneity in charge timing
- » Most PV paired charging from on-site solar

ENERGY STORAGE GHG EMISSIONS

Nonresidential by Facility Type, PV Pairing, and Upfront Payment Year



- » PV paired segments decreased emissions in 2022
- » More recent (2021-2022) standalone installations reducing emissions

ENERGY STORAGE GHG IMPACTS

Charging from on-site solar critical to GHG reductions in the energy storage sector

» Residential energy storage sector

- PV paired average **GHG reductions** of 17 kg per kWh capacity
- **Standalone systems increase emissions** by almost 4 kg per kWh capacity
- Idle/under-utilized systems increase emissions slightly

» Nonresidential energy storage sector

- PV paired average **GHG reductions** of 10 kg per kWh capacity
- **Standalone systems increased emissions** by 1 kg per kWh capacity
 - Reduced emissions increases from previous years
 - Medium duration batteries and more targeted discharge

How Clean is the MA Clean Peak Standard?

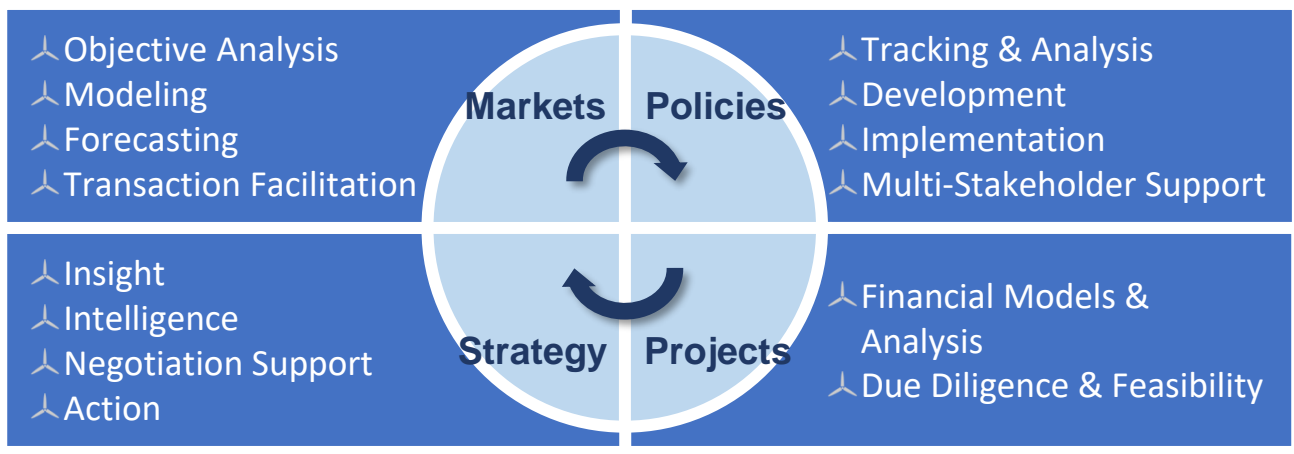
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PJM... coming soon!

2016 State of Charge Report

*“Over the last three years from 2013 – 2015 on average, the **top 1% most expensive hours accounted for 8%** (\$680 million) of Massachusetts ratepayers’ annual spend on electricity. The top 10% of hours during these years, on average, accounted for 40% of annual electricity spend, over \$3 billion.”*

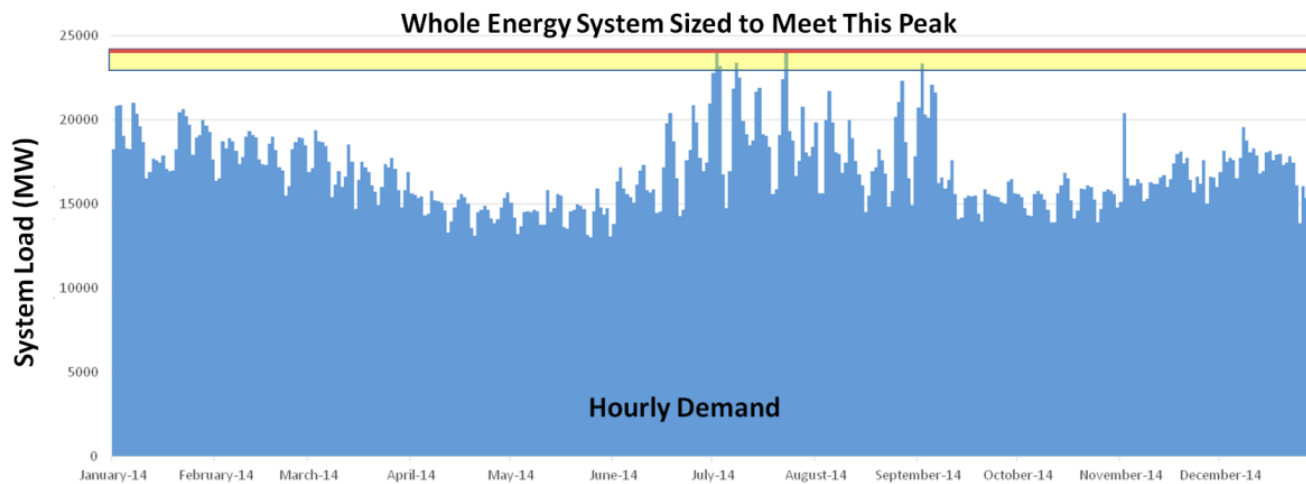


Figure 2: The whole electricity system is sized to meet peak demand

Primary conclusions include:

1. System peaks drive costs and emissions
2. Storage can help and is cost effective

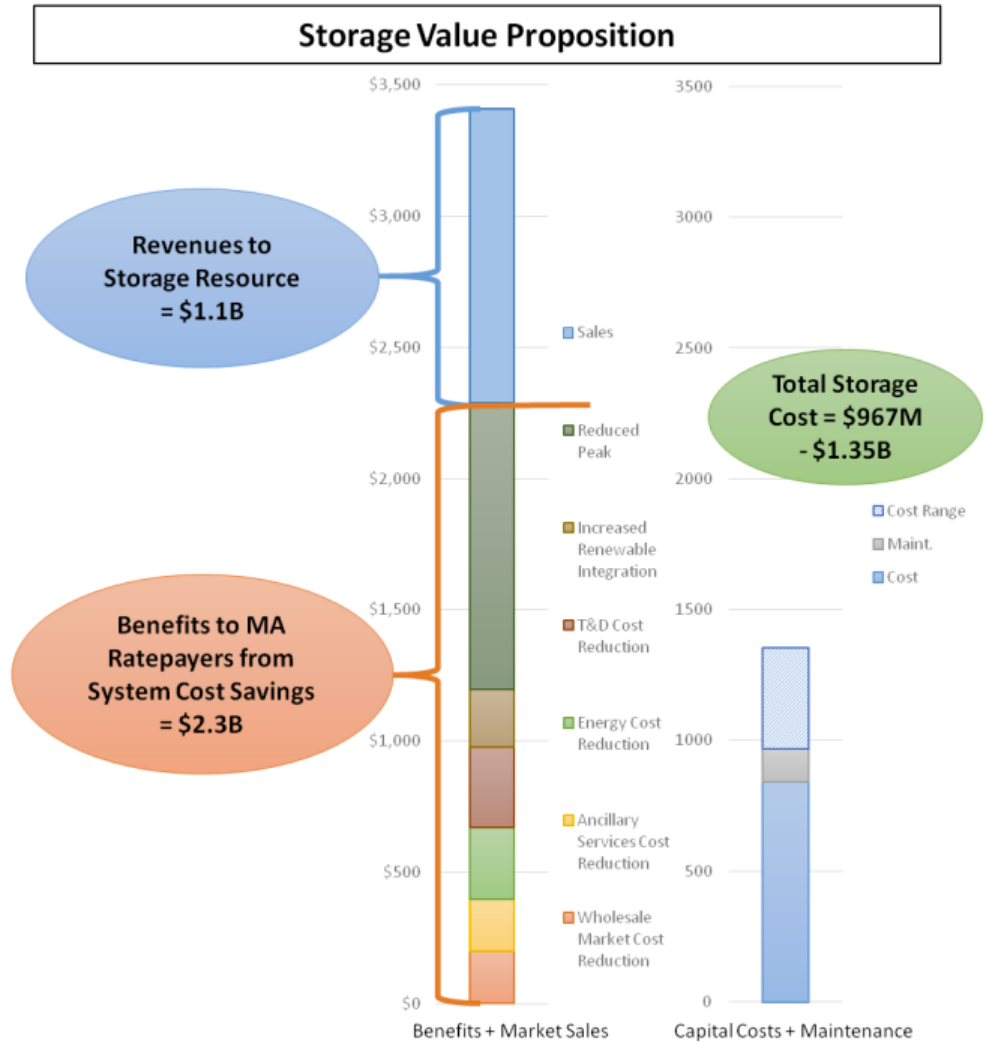


Figure 12: Storage Value Proposition

[State of Charge Report \(2016\)](#)

Clean Peak Energy Standard Background

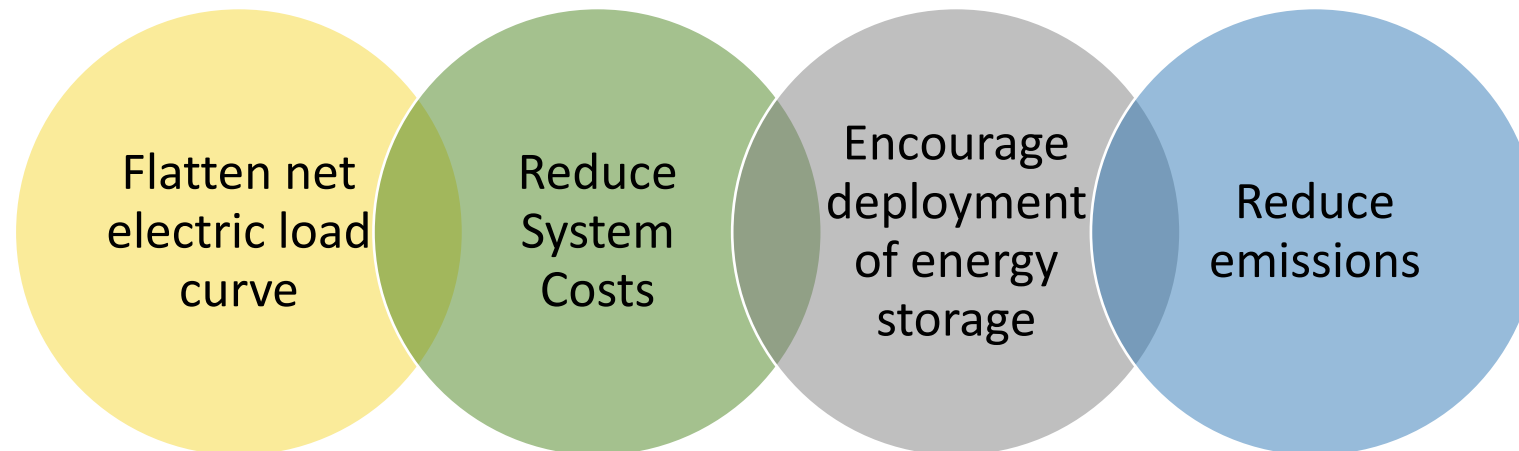
PRESS RELEASE

8/04/2020

Baker-Polito Administration Launches First-in-the-Nation Clean Peak Energy Standard

Program Will Promote Use of Clean Energy When Costly Electricity Demand is Highest

- 2018 – enabling legislation passes
- Policy goes into effect in 2020
- CPS Objectives from MA Department of Energy Resources (DOER) [straw proposal](#):



What is CPS? (1)

Like an RPS but, more complicated. It has...

...Seasonal Peak Windows and Charging Windows!!!

- Hours that define when Clean Peak Energy Certificates (CPECs) can be generated
- Alternatively, resources can i) physically or ii) through bilateral contracts charge from renewables

		Seasonal Peak Windows and Charging Windows (hour ending)																							
Month		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
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Wind-based
Charging Windows

Solar-based
Charging Windows

Seasonal Peak
Windows

Applies only to Business Days and non-state/federal holidays

What is CPS? (2)

Like an RPS but, more complicated. It has...

...Multipliers!

- Which increase or decrease CPEC production based on resource- or time-specific criteria.

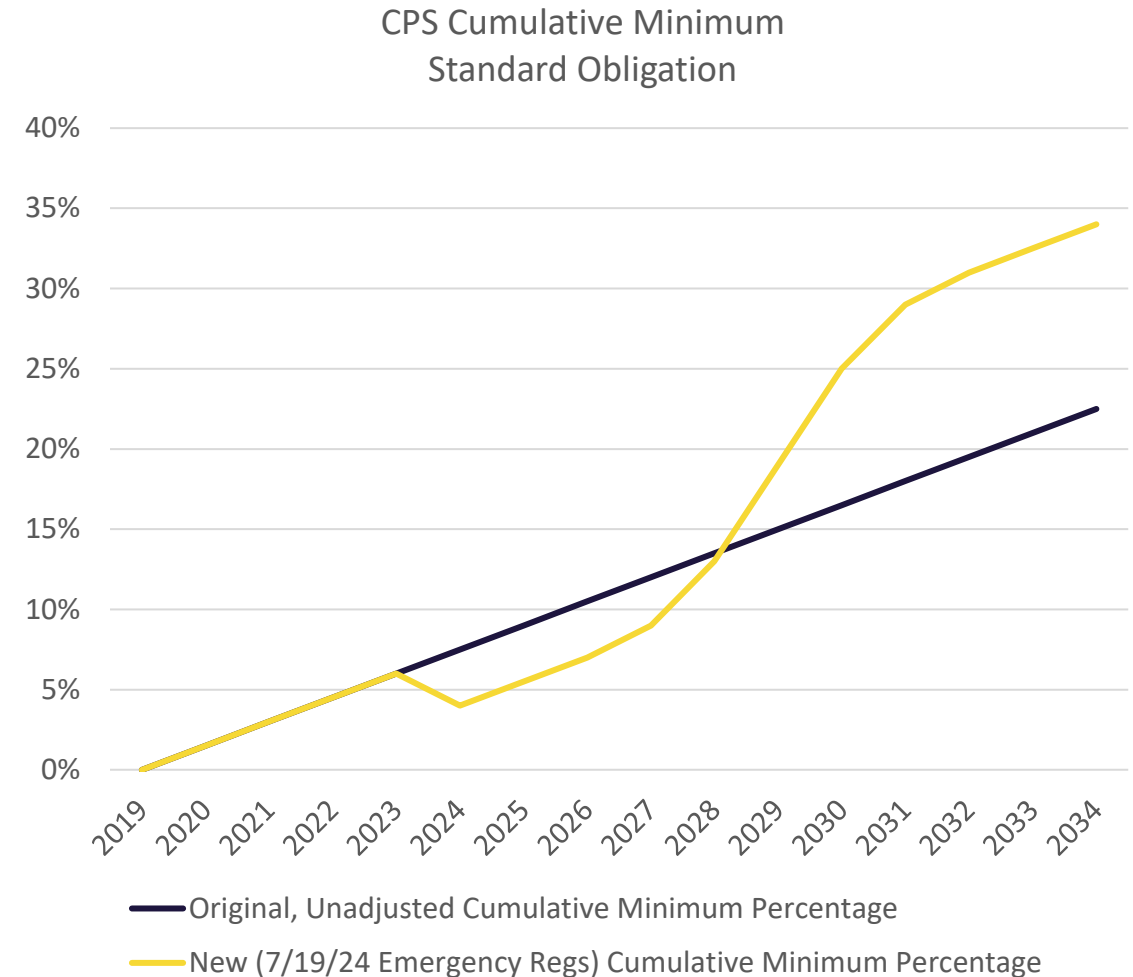
Multiplier Type	Multiplier Amount
Seasonal	Spring & Fall = 1X Summer & Winter = 4X
Monthly Peak Hour	25X
Existing (pre 2019) Resources	0.1X
Resources with Policy-Driven Long-Term Contracts	0.01X
Resources Providing Resilience	1.5X
SMART Energy Storage	0.3X
Resources on Highly Loaded Distribution Circuits (“Distribution Circuit Multiplier”)	2X first 10 years
New! Distribution-Connected Standalone Storage Online by end of 2026 (“Near-Term Resource Multiplier”)	2X first 10 years

What is CPS? (3)

Like an RPS but, more complicated. It has...

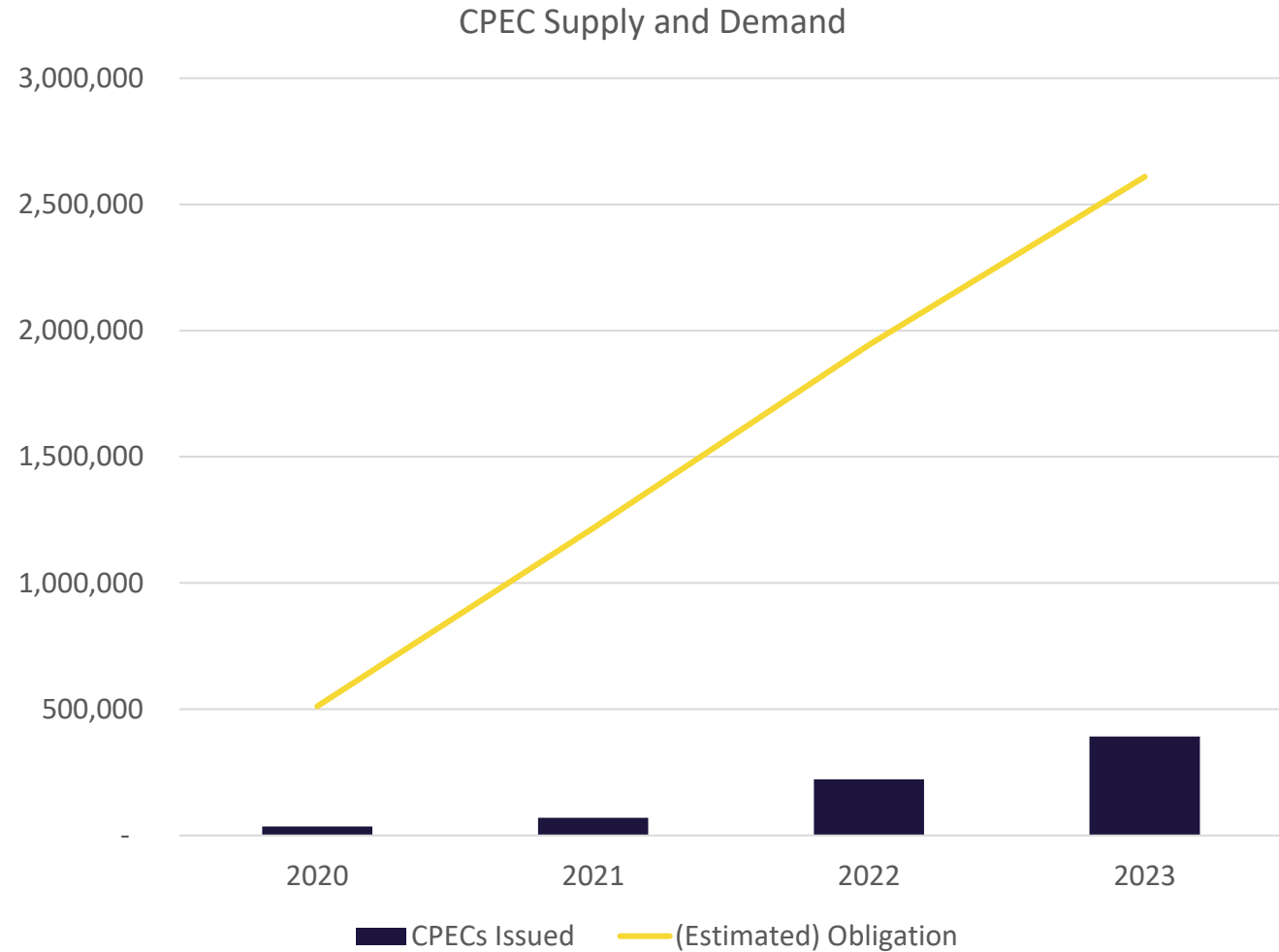
...other cool features!

- **Variety of eligible technologies** including renewables and demand response, though most supply likely to come from storage
- A **declining ACP** rate that falls faster in response to oversupply
- **Long-term procurements of CPECs**, though this element of the policy has not yet been implemented
- **Emergency regulations and Program Reviews**, most recently resulting in a change in the Minimum Standard (% requirement for CPECs) and introducing a new multiplier



How Has CPS Been Working?

- A little slowly.
- Nonetheless, the market is expected to get more interesting (supply will catch demand), especially with recent changes to Minimum Standard



Is CPS Reducing Emissions?

- Probably not much. Yet.

“However, today, New England does not have sufficient penetration of renewables to support meaningful arbitrage between low-emitting, low-price renewable generation and high-emitting “peaking” oil and gas generation when storage losses are considered.”

[2023 Charging Forward: Energy Storage in a Net Zero Commonwealth](#)

“We show that the policy is largely ineffective at achieving this emissions reduction goal.”

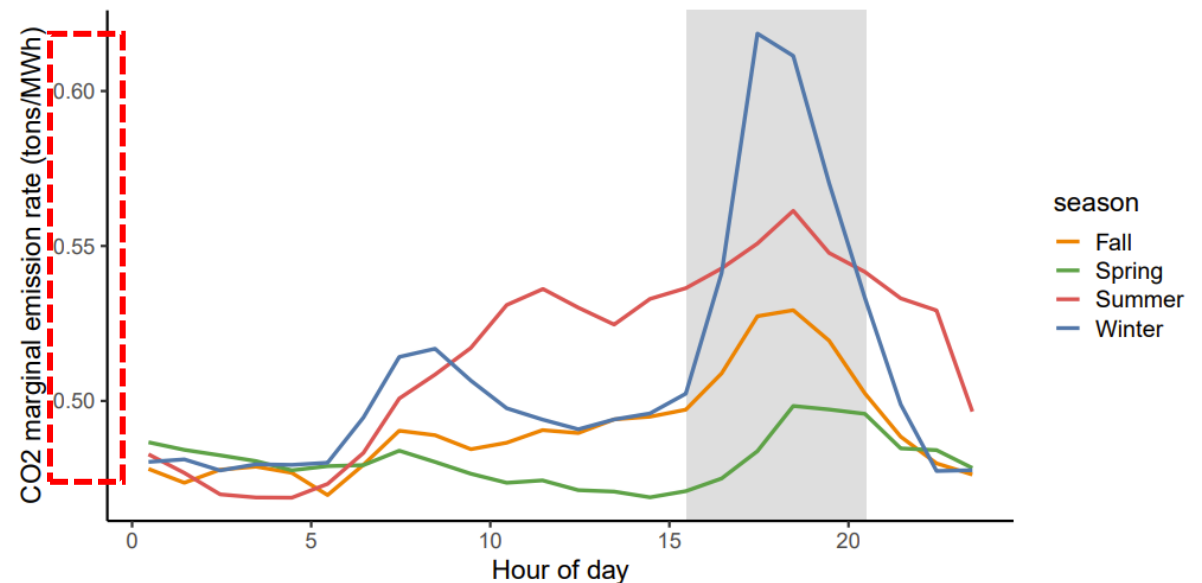
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Why Not? 1: Flat(ish) Marginal Emissions Rates

- Historically, marginal emissions rates in New England have been fairly flat
- With round-trip efficiency losses, cycling storage can increase emissions
- Zero emissions resources (solar & wind) rarely the marginal resources
- Natural gas almost always the marginal unit, though, in winter, more common for oil to be marginal unit
- This will change over time

Figure 1: Marginal Operating Emission Rates



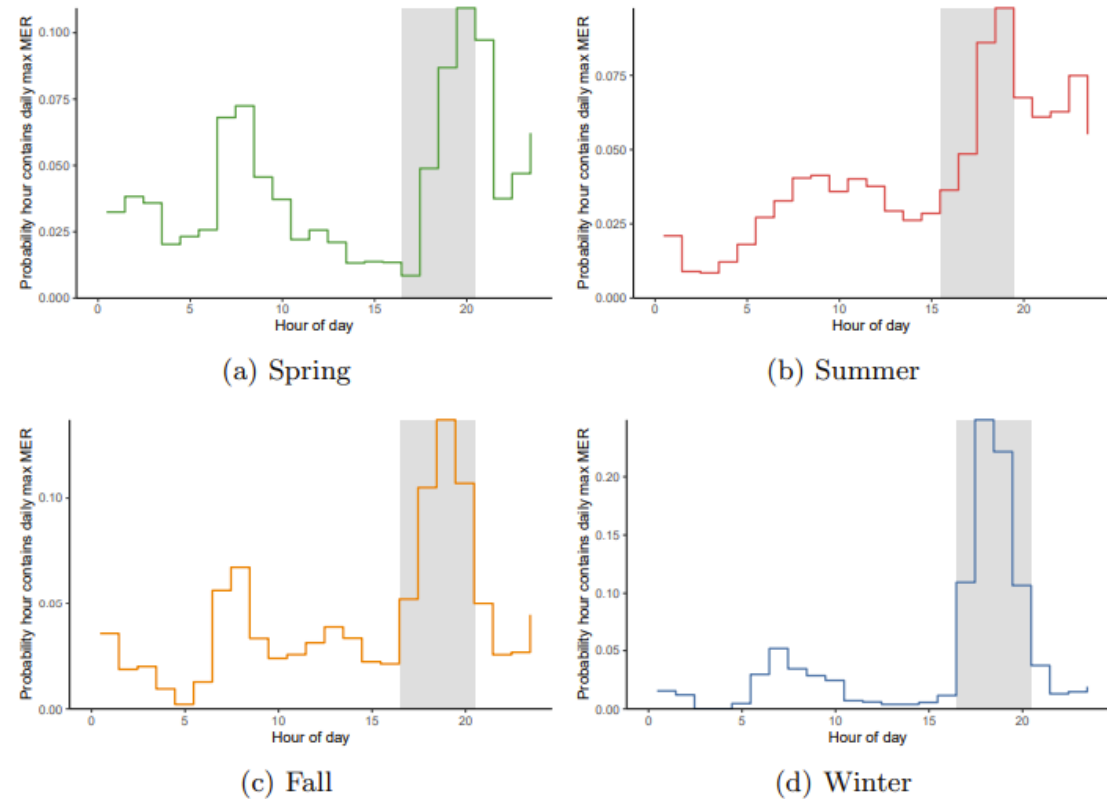
Notes: The figure shows marginal operating emissions rates (MOERs) in tons of CO₂ per MWh, averaged by season and hour of day over the sample period. The gray bar shows the Clean Peak window across all seasons.

[2019 \(Not So\) Clean Energy Standards](#); “sample period” = 2018-2019

Why Not? 2: CPS Design

- CPS design (defined discharge windows) intended to provide simplicity and predictability
- Flip side – peak emissions for a day may not always fall within defined windows
- DOER has authority to adjust CPS windows as needed
- Charging hours primarily driven by wholesale prices – strong alignment with marginal emissions, but not perfect

Figure 5: When Do Peak Emissions Occur?



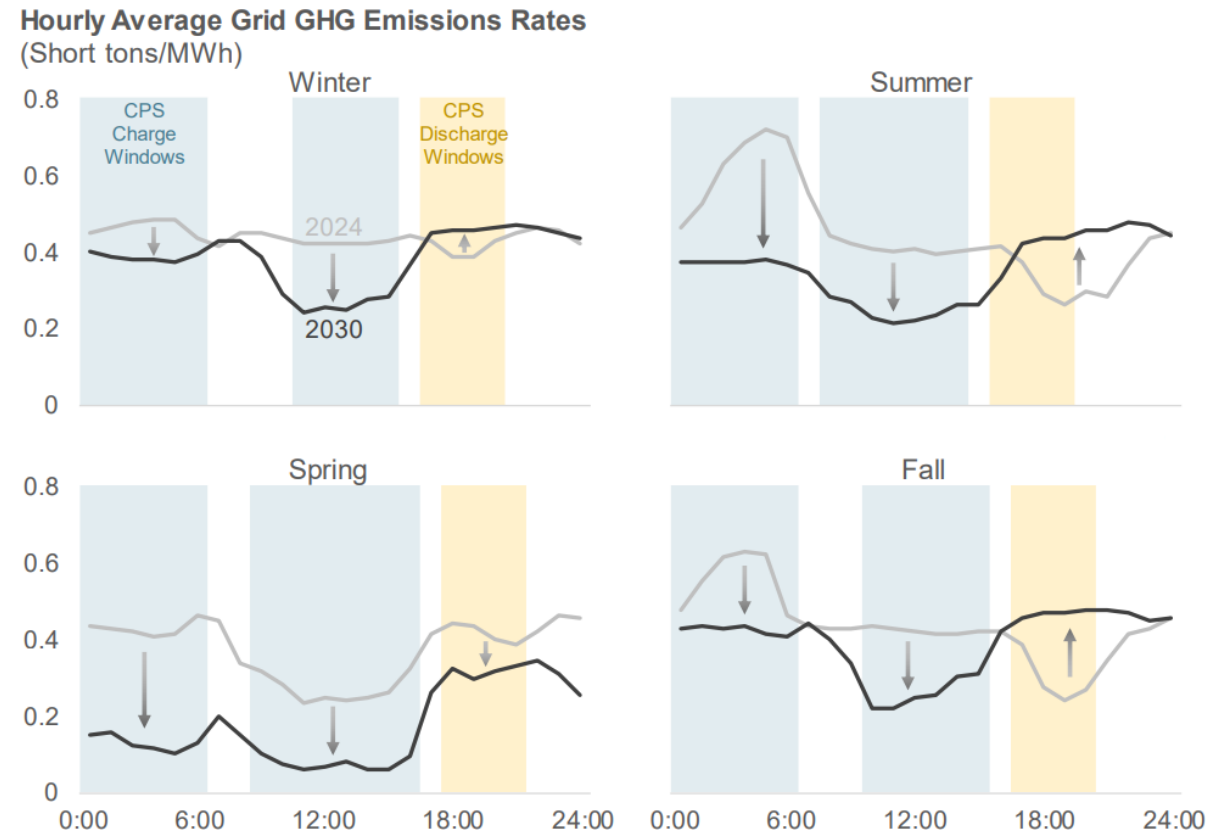
Notes: The figures show the probability of a day's peak emissions occurring within any given hour of the day in the baseline scenario. Each panel shows a different Clean Peak season. The gray bars are the Clean Peak windows based on average peak demand.

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Will Emissions Impact Improve in the Future?

- Almost certainly yes
- As more renewables come online, likely to result in higher price and emissions volatility – CPS can amplify this signal and provide revenue boost needed for storage to come online

Figure 2-8. AESC grid emissions factors by season and hour



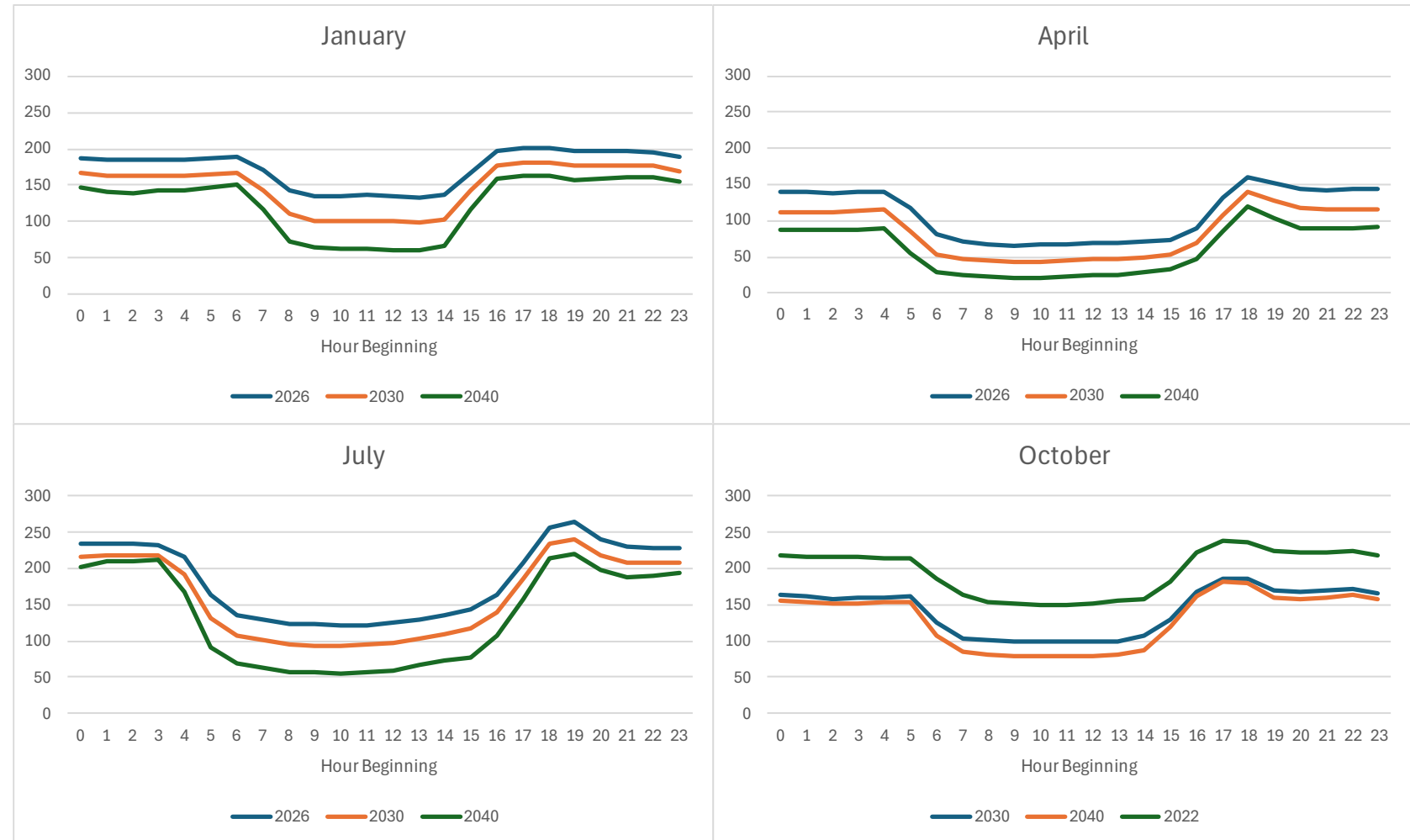
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More Projections on Marginal Emissions

- Most marginal emissions estimates are short-run – assume only *operational* changes (e.g., one unit runs more or less)
- NREL's Cambium datasets include long-run marginal emissions rates (LRMER) estimates, intended to capture emissions impacts while also accounting for structural changes to the grid (transmission buildout, new/retired generators)
- Using LRMER, storage operating in CPS is delivering emissions reductions

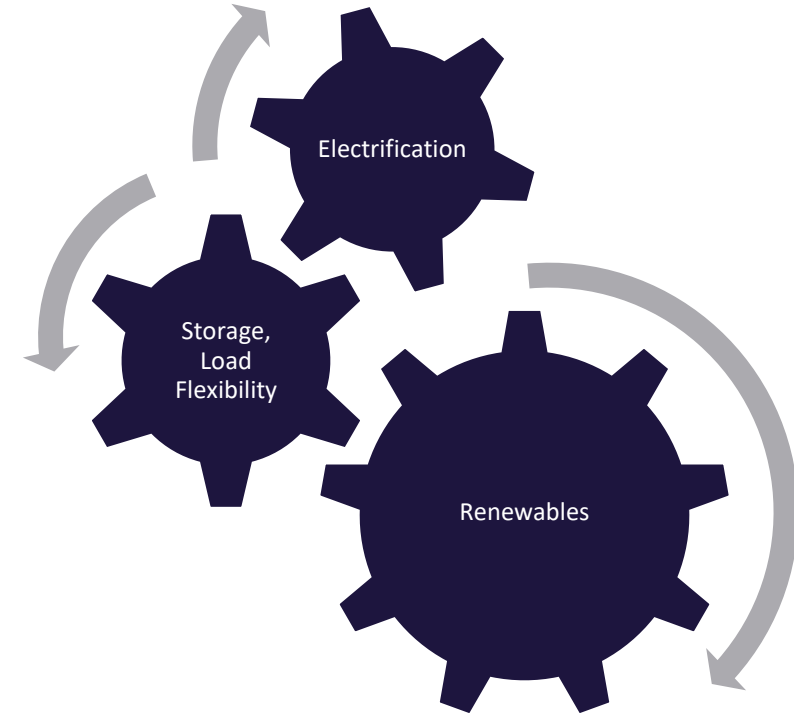
Long-Run Marginal Emissions (NREL Cambium)

Kg per MWh, Mid-Case



Looking at the Larger Picture

- Short-term, direct emissions reduction is an important metric for evaluating storage policies, but not the only one
- **Longer-term view of impact on emissions** may be more relevant, especially as building storage (both as an industry and individual projects) takes time. If allowing a small increase in emissions in the near-term is necessary (it may not be) to scale industry so that storage can deploy at scale when greater emissions arbitrage is available, may be better long-term outcome.
- **Achieving MA's GHG and clean energy mandates will necessitate storage (and load flexibility) → CPS incentivizes both**
 - *Financial* benefits: e.g., storage increases the capacity value (and reduces out of market compensation requirements) of renewables
 - *Physical* need: e.g., need storage to keep the lights on (and power heat pumps)
- **Downward pressure on electric rates can help drive electrification**
 - Storage can help manage rates through deferred/avoided T&D investments
 - Lower rates can help spur electrification – indirect emissions benefits



Ultimately, cost-efficiently meeting GHG goals requires storage.

Thanks!



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