# NH Energy Landscape Patterns, Policy and Potential

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#### **Panel Overview**

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#### **Presentation Overview**

- New Hampshire Energy System
- New Hampshire in a Larger Context
- A Look to the Future

### **Presentation Takeaways**

- NH Energy Prices Are HIGH
- NH Energy System Highly Exposed
- Energy Prices and Costs Result of Policy Decisions
- Energy Costs Impact on NH's Competitive Edge
- The Future Is Ours to Make

### **New Hampshire In Focus**



# 2019 Headline: "NH Leading the Way"



Source: Grist, World Resources Institute

Data Source: EIA State Energy Data System, Environmental Action Network Data; NHDES Analysis. Subject to revision. August 2020.

2019 Finding: New Hampshire ranked SECOND in nation in percent emissions reductions between 2005 and 2016, and first in New England.

### NH Economic, Energy, & Emissions Trends ARE Positive



Data Source: Federal Reserve Economic Data, US Energy Information Administration, US Census Bureau. August 2020.

# **NH GHG Emissions**

**Inventory By Sector** 

Compared to base year (1990), TOTAL emission are virtually unchanged in 2018. Compared to peak emissions in 2004/2005, emissions have fallen more than 30%.

Electric sector emissions (top/red) have fallen nearly 74% since 2005. Other sectors declined through 2011, and have remained flat or begun rising.



Data Source: 2018 NH GHG Emissions Inventory: US Energy Information Administration, US EPA Data, RGGI Inc.; NHDES Analysis. August 2020.

# **Overall Electric Generation Changes in NH**

Analysis of NH's energy consumption across sectors, including retail electric sales, shows far less change. NH's emissions are falling but the economy is consuming a MORE energy.



Data Source: US Energy Information Administration. August 2020.

# **New Hampshire in Context**

#### **Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative**



- The Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) is a ten (10) state cooperative effort among northeastern states to cap and reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the power sector.
- Electric generation facilities purchase emission allowances through auctions and participating states invest proceeds in energy efficiency, renewable energy, and other consumer benefit programs.

#### **NH Emissions & Regional Electrical Market**



- NH's electric generation facilities do no provide electricity for NH alone.
- Electricity within New England is shared over transmission lines, and managed by a region grid operator, ISO-NE.
- The electricity consumption across NE impacts NH generators and emissions.

# New England Peak Demand & Total Electricity Consumption

NH GHG emissions in the electric sector have fallen as regional "peak demand" and total regional electricity consumption have declined.



Source: ISO-NE, Electricity Use and Demand, November 2022 https://www.iso-ne.com/about/key-stats/electricity-use/

# **Overall Electric Generation Changes in New England**



Source: ISO New England, Generation Data And Net Energy And Peak Load by Source Report

# New England Competes for Energy Global Energy Market



#### ISO-NE Wholesale Market Vulnerable to Winter Price Spikes



Source: ISO-NE, 2022, <u>https://isonewswire.com/2022/04/27/monthly-wholesale-electricity-prices-and-demand-in-new-england-march-2022/</u>



#### Source: NHPR 2022:

https://www.nhpr.org/nh-news/2022-09-08/why-electricity-prices-are-rising-unevenly-across-new-england

#### A 'Tsunami of Shutoffs': 20 Million US Homes Are Behind on Energy Bills

Surging electricity prices spur worst-ever crisis in late utility payments.



About 1 in 6 American households are behind on their utility bills, the highest number on record, according to the National Energy Assistance Directors Association. *Photographer: Michael Nagle/Bloomberg* 

The Nice household is one of some 20 million across the country– about 1 in 6 American homes–that have fallen behind on their utility bills. It is, according to the National Energy Assistance Directors Association (Neada), the worst crisis the group has ever documented. Underpinning those numbers is a blistering surge in electricity prices, propelled by the soaring cost of natural gas.

#### **Total US Overdue Utility Balance**



### **State Energy Policies Add Up**

# NH Energy Policy Lags Northeast and Nation



Source: ACEEE, 2021, https://www.aceee.org/press-release/2020/12/2020-state-energy-efficiency-scorecard

# NH Energy Consumption By Sector 1990-2019

Analysis of NH's energy consumption across sectors, INCLUDING RETAIL ELECTRIC SALES, shows far less change. NH's emissions are falling, but the economy is consuming a slightly more energy.



Source: US DOE EIA State Energy Data System. August 2020.

# New England Electric Sales Change in TOTAL Consumption

NH electricity consumption (GWh/year) across all sectors increased more than any other NE state from 1990present, and declined from less than almost any state between 2005 and 2018.



#### **New England States**

#### **Renewable Portfolio Standards**



# Final Installed 2021 Solar PV Nameplate Capacity (MW)

State	Installed Capacity (MW <sub>AC</sub> )	No. of Installations
Massachusetts*	2,953.43	130,040
Connecticut	809.08	63,735
Vermont*	434.24	17,296
New Hampshire	156.88	12,186
Rhode Island	288.38	12,641
Maine	125.05	7,403
New England	4,767.06	243,301

# **Climate Change Targets ARE Common New Hampshire is an Outlier**



The five OTHER New England states are aggressively pursuing efforts aimed at increasing renewable energy generation and reducing carbon emissions.

# SIDE NOTE: Fossil Fuel Producers May Not Come to Rescue



# **A Look Forward**

# FORECAST New England Total Electricity Consumption



Source: ISO-NE, Electricity Use and Demand, November 2022 https://www.iso-ne.com/about/key-stats/electricity-use/

# FORECAST New England Peak Electricity Demand



Source: ISO-NE, Electricity Use and Demand, November 2022 https://www.iso-ne.com/about/key-stats/electricity-use/

# ISO's Electrification Forecast Shows Demand Growth

Compound annual growth rates for peak demand and overall electricity use, net of energy efficiency and solar photovoltaics (PV), 2019–2028



#### Source: ISO-NE, 2021-2022 State Energy Profiles

https://www.iso-ne.com/static-assets/documents/2021/03/new\_england\_power\_grid\_state\_profiles.pdf

#### Final 2022-2031 PV Forecast Nameplate Capacity (MW)

				Chatas		Totals
			States	2031		
States	Thru 2021	2022	1	ст	86.9	1,879.9
ст	809.1	113.4	1	MA	283.4	6,527.3
MA	2953.4	448.8	4			
ME	125.1	107.8	2	ME	25.5	1,241.1
NH	156.9	30.0	:	NH	26.8	429.8
RI	288.4	52.1				
VT	434.2	28.5	:	RI	39.2	748.5
Regional - Annual (MW)	4767.1	780.6	8	VT	25.5	693.7
Regional - Cumulative (MW)	4767.1	5547.6	6			
		_	Regional - Annual (MW)	487.3	11,520.4	
				Regional - Cumulative (MW)	11520.4	11,520.4

# **The Future Is Not Written**

### **PV Forecast Retrospective Look** Nameplate Capacity (MW)



Source: ISO-NE, Final 2022 PV Forecast Presentation, April 28, 2022

#### Technological Adoption Can Occur Quickly Once Started



Image Credit: Tony Seba

# ISO Generator Interconnection Queue > 30,000 MW of Renewables + Storage



Note: Some natural gas proposals include dual-fuel units (with oil backup). Some natural gas, wind, and solar proposals include battery storage.

#### Source: ISO-NE, November 2022, https://www.iso-ne.com/about/key-stats/resource-mix

### **Policies and Potential**

- The Inflation Reduction Act expands incentives that to-date have only been available to private companies to local governments;
- 2. <u>Community Power and CPCNH</u> are preparing to launch power supply service in 2023, giving cities and towns market power and the ability to develop local, cost-effective projects to benefit their communities;
- **3.** <u>Statewide Energy Data Platform</u> is in development that will greatly improve the ability of innovative energy companies to create value for customers and for the system; and
- 4. <u>2023 NH Legislative Session</u> is planned to remove regulatory barriers holding back cost-effective, development of in-state energy generators and battery storage at the community scale.