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3.2 Emerging Industries & Sector Applications – Employing Energy Alternatives

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### Definition of Distributed Generation



•Distributed Generation (DG) may be defined as small-scale generation facilities located near the point of energy consumption.

•DG may use fossil fuels or solar energy, wind, small hydro or bio-fuels as the primary energy sources. (Not necessarily "clean or renewable energy").

•DG may use rotating generators or electronic power converters to supply electrical power to the distribution or highvoltage transmission grid.

### Definition of Distributed Generation

•DG systems may be located on either side of the customer revenue meter. (Becoming an energy efficiency device when located on the load side of the meter.)

•DG systems may produce electricity directly or offset electrical demand as is the case of combined heat and power systems or geoexchange technology (heat pump) and solar thermal water heating.

#### **Fundamental Shift in World Markets**





### Installed Wind Capacity 2003 Where Canada Stands





### World Wind Capacity 2003 ~40,000 MW







# Even though Canada has huge potential resources for D.G. -- Electricity - 2002

Technology	Installed Capacity in Canada (MW)	Additional Potential in Canada	Capital Cost (\$/kW)	Cost of Energy (\$/kWh)	Eg. of investors or developers
Large Hydro	67,000	X2	1,000-2,000	0.03-0.08	Utilities SNC, ACRES
Small Hydro	1,500	2,000	1,500-5,000	0.04-0.10	See ref.4
Wind	230	Larger than 28,000MW	1,000-4,000	0.05-0.20	OMERS, Trans Alta, Axor
Photovoltaic	10	Very Large	5,000-20,000	0.35-1.50	ATS, XANTREX, ICP, Newsun
Forest biomass (hog fuel and spent pulp liquor)	1,642	+20%	2,500-3,500	0.04-0,07	Most Pulp and Paper Co.
Electricity from Waste		X2	2,500-4,000	0.05-0.08	Ref. 4
Land fill gas	87	X5	1,300-2,000	0.06-0.09	
Tidal	20	8,500 MW	High	0.08-0.20	

Sources include the following : ref. 6, Les Énergies Renouvelables au Québec, Ressources naturelles Québec, août 2002. RETScreen.gc.ca, CETC-Varennes,NRCan, private communications

#### ... and Distributed Green Heat

Source/Technology	Primary Energy Supply (PJ)	Additional Potential in Canada	Capital Cost	Energy Cost
Industrial Pulp and Paper	513	+20%		2.20-5.00 \$/MBTU
<b>Residential Heating</b>	95	Large		
Landfill gas	2.4	X2		0.75 \$/MBTU
Municipal Solid Waste (MSW)	12	X2		
GSHP	1.0	Large	900 \$/kW	0.03-0.075 \$kWh
Active Solar (Water and Air)	1.1	Large	125-1, 100 \$/m²	Savings of 10- 60 \$/square metres
Passive Solar		Large	500-10,000 \$/residence	Savings of 5 to 20% of heating bill

#### Source: Natural Resources Canada, Presentation by Andre Filion

### Energy Issues – Why We Are Where We Are

- Large Supplies of fossil and nuclear fuels
- Low population density/ large land mass
- High per capita energy intensity
- Economic wealth built on low energy costs for long period of time
- Many external costs not factored into energy consumption charges
- Unfriendly policies to renewable and decentralized technologies

### Energy Issues – Why We Need Distributed Generation

Clean and (Mostly) Green for Renewable DG
 No Sox, NOx or CO<sub>2</sub>

Renewable in Nature
 Net Positive Energy Balance

Domestic Energy Source Not Subject to Embargo

Does not Consume Water

 Modular, Flexible and can be Sized to Meet Local Loads

Diversifies and Distributes Wealth Democratically

### Why is Canada Slow to React?

- DG and Renewable Technologies seen as "too expensive" compared to traditional energy sources.
- Government self interest keeps energy prices artificially low; "don't upset the electorate".
  - Ontario tender for 300 MW of renewable DG is too modest, indicating government does not believe technology can make a difference.
  - Government has a parochial attitude when reviewing successful programs around the world. "That only works in California..."

### Why is Ontario Slow to React?

- Bill 100 allows for long-term price contracts for renewables but does not accept "Advanced Tariff Laws" used successfully around the world.
- Hidden concerns that corporations will flee Ontario to other jurisdictions with lower energy costs.

 Private investors in generation cannot operate under economic and regulatory uncertainties dictated by current government regulations.

Past spending patterns show lobbying efforts...

### Why is Canada Slow to React? Past Government Spending on Energy

- \$40.4 billion Direct federal spending on fossil fuels between 1970 and 1999.
- \$16.6 billion Total subsidies to the nuclear energy industry by the Government of Canada since 1953.
- \$2.8 billion Loans to fossil fuel industry written off by the federal government since 1970, over and above direct spending.
- \$850 million Federal cost of cleaning up radioactive waste in Port Hope and decommissioning uranium tailings sites. Historical waste practices in the refining and processing of uranium and radium resulted in contaminated sediment on the harbor of this Ontario municipality.
- \$156 million Federal subsidy to the Canadian nuclear industry in 2000.
- \$12 million Total average yearly funding for renewable energy by the Canadian government

Source: Low-Impact Renewable Energy Policy in Canada: Strengths, Gaps and a Path Forward, Pembina Institute, February 2003

#### Why is Canada Slow to React? Casting a Shadow on D.G.

Existing Technology Realities High capital costs / Poor Rates of Return Manufacturing, installation, BOS Technological jump required

Current Market & Legislative Domain Affinity towards centralized power "Cheap" established power Cumbersome rules, pricing, processes

Technical & Administrative Challenges

Lack of Skills, Awareness, Educ.

**Courtesy Delphi Group** 

Inconsistent interconnection standards, guidelines, product and safety codes Contract terms and conditions

Limited knowledge of RETs & benefits (end-users, utilities, investors, govn't...)

#### Market Success – It Does Work D.G. in World Markets



### Wind Works

Large Networks	Percent Wind		
Denmark	17%		
Germany	4%		
Ireland	2%		
Spain	2%		
California	1%		



### World Wind Industry 2003 Revenues

#### **Billion \$CAD**

**Project Development** 

**Electricity Sales** 

**Operation & Maintenance** 

~12 ~14 ~1.5



### **World Market**

Germany ■ 2,600 MW in 2003 20,000 MW Total on Land by 2010 Spain = 1,000 MW/year France = 20,000 MW Filed USA 500-2,000 MW/year Growth 20%-40%/year Small Turbines

\$25-50CAD million/year



## Danish Co-ops (Vindmølleaug or Fællesmølle)

- 1/4 Capacity Nationwide
  - ~ \$1.7CAD Billion
- 100,000 Households Own Shares
- 5% of Population

Velling Mærsk-Tændpibe





#### Canadian Market Success Private Distributed Generation is Already Here:

 Publicly Traded Canadian Hydro Developers (TSE Symbol "KHD") has 82.9 MW of Ecologo™ certified green power generation.

- Gross sales of: \$16M in fiscal 2001.
- Net earnings of: \$3.7 M
- Cash flow return on equity: 12%

 According to President Ross Keating, "Our compounded average growth over the last 5 years has been 30% per year. As the market continues to shift towards renewables, we expect this growth rate to continue."

#### World Industrial Impact Jobs in the Wind Industry

Europe	Direct	Indirect	Total
Germany	7,500	37,500	45,000
Denmark	8,600	4,300	13,000
Spain	7,000	15,000	22,000
Total			<u>80,000</u>



### Canadian Industrial Impact Issues and Concerns

- Canada risks becoming a net importer of foreign DG technology and labour (an exporter of Canadian money) if we don't accept the realities of the new energy market.
- Universities and colleges must place more emphasis on power technology development.
- Governments need to level the playing field between central and decentralized technologies and understand that the technologies are cooperative and not mutually exclusive.

**Canadian Industrial Impact Building a Sustainable Industry** What Works Advanced Renewable Tariffs (ARTs) Electricity Feed Laws What Does Not Work **Direct Subsidies & Tax Credits** Quota/RPS Systems Proof is in the Market ART Markets = Many Manufacturers Quota Markets = Few Manufacturers 



**Canadian Industrial Impact Advanced Renewable Tariffs** What Are They? Political Price, Not Political Quota Fixed Price/kWh Fixed Period Simple Contracts How Do They Work? Simple & Comprehensible Little or No Administration Where? Germany, France, Spain, Austria, Netherlands, Portugal . . . Maybe within Canada?



### **European Wind Market Comparison**

#### **Thousand MW Total**



Year



### Advanced Renewable Tariffs (for wind technology)

#### Germany

- \$0.15CAD/kWh first 5 years
- \$0.14CAD/kWh years 5-20, Interior Sites
- \$0.10CAD/kWh years 5-20, Coastal Sites

#### Spain <50 MW</p>

\$0.10CAD/kWh

#### France <12 MW</p>

- \$0.14CAD/kWh first 5 years
- \$0.14CAD/kWh years 5-15, Low Wind Sites
- \$0.05CAD/kWh years 5-15, High Wind Sites

Austria

\$0.13CAD/kWh for 13 years



### **DG Tariff Structure for Ontario**

20 Year Fixed-Price Contract \$0.10/kWh for wind Years 1-10: \$0.10/kWh Years 10-20 High Productivity: \$0.08CAD/kWh Low Productivity: \$0.10CAD/kWh \$0.08/kWh small hydro; \$0.30/kWh for photovoltaic systems Streamlined Interconnection Regulations ■ i.e. Net metering, MicroConnect, etc. For all Projects <10 MW</p> BOSEA

Technology Overview The Solutions will be varied



### **Combined Heat & Power**

- Potential in commercial sector in Ontario ~
  2,500 MW.
- Existing CHP ~ 1% of potential
- Least cost after Hydro
- Small, low risk, short lead-time
- Clean, efficient
- Improves local reliability





### Small Hydro (Co-op Friendly)

- Well established, low cost, flexible, strong capacity
- ~ 80+ sites => 400+ MW
- Potential: >12,000 MW
- 6% 20% viable
  - Far from grid
  - Retrofits may be the way to go



#### LFG Management (2001) (Possibly Co-op Friendly)





### Biomass (Co-op Friendly)

- Demand increased 50% from 1990 2000
- 2<sup>nd</sup> most deployed renewable next to hydro
- New & proven technologies
- Costs \$0.05 / KWh & Up
- Security & supply location?Financial/Political Support?





### Wind (Co-op Friendly)

- ~ 35 sites > 10 MW in 2003
- Fastest growing in Canada
- Significant potential (but only a few key areas in Ontario)
- Political backing & incentives
- Competitive \$0.06 \$0.12/KWh
- Possibly localized areas of opportunity but...need > 15 km/h



Source: CANWEA





## Solar PV

- 10 MW in all of Canada
- Much of S&E Ontario
  has better sunlight than
  World's largest market –
  Japan
- Not currently competitive >\$0.25 KWh
- Peak shaving potential
- BIPV offers interesting opportunity

### What Can't Be Ignored

- Clean Distributed Generation is Poised for Significant Growth
- Distributed Generation and Centralized systems are complementary, not mutually exclusive
- When, How & Rate of Change is Unclear ...
- Large scale success dependent on Policy and Electricity Market Reforms (Open Market with Real Competition)
- Canada represents significant opportunity...but Caution Warranted



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