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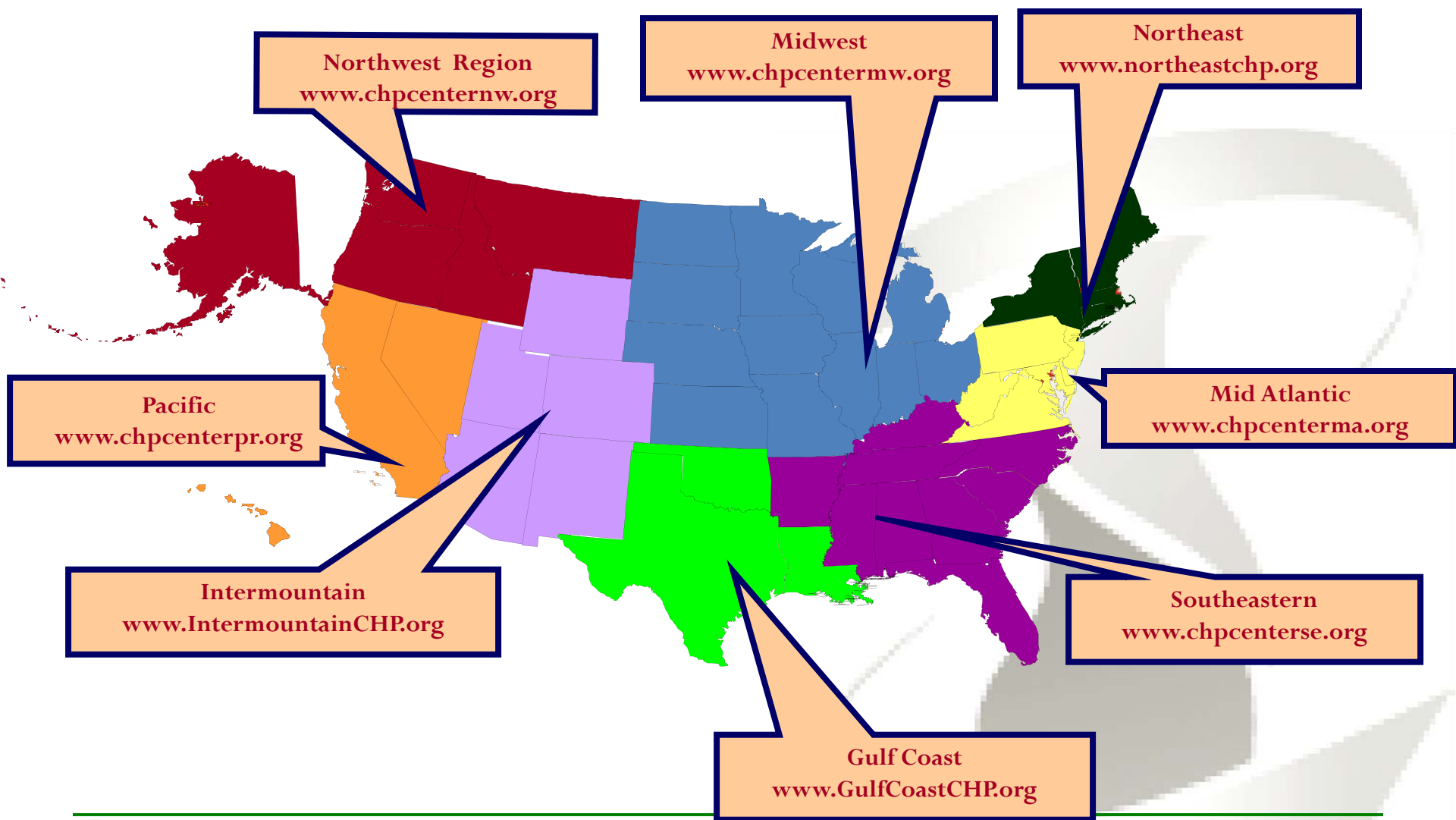
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Energy Efficiency &
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Regional Centers to Lead Deployment and Market Transformation

- Combined Heat and Power, Waste Heat, District Energy
- Educating stake holders to reduce perceived risk. *Regionally focused. Both technical and policy*
- Workshops, Webcasts, Website, Newsletters, Case Studies, Project Profiles, Resource Guides, Toolkits, Policy Briefs,
- Project specific support





U.S. DOE INTERMOUNTAIN Clean Energy Application Center

- States of Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming
- Integration – Systems Approach to Energy
- Technology Focus
 - Combined Heat and Power
 - Waste Heat Use/Recovery
 - District Energy
- ETC Group, Salt Lake City, Utah
- Southwest Energy Efficiency Project (SWEET) Boulder, Colorado



Activities

- Market assessment
- Education and outreach
- Coalition building
- Project support and facilitation
- Policy review and reform
- www.intermountain chp.org



U.S. DOE **NORTHWEST** Clean Energy Application Center

- States of Alaska, **Idaho, Montana**, Oregon, Washington
 - Industrial CHP operated in cooperation with the Department of Energy's Industries of the Future Program
 - District energy systems including HeatMap CHP software that is the international standard for district energy system design and re-design
 - Waste heat to power systems such as Kalina and Organic Rankine Cycle
 - Legal, institutional and regulatory aspects of CHP
- Washington State University Extension Energy Program



The Other Clean Energy

Combined Heat and Power, Waste Heat, District
Energy



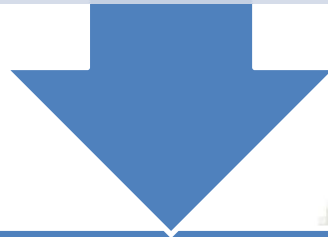
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We Aren't Really Interested in Energy

Fossil Biomass Wind Solar
Geothermal Nuclear



We're Interested in What it Does

Snow Lifts Light HVAC



We “Manage” Energy in Silos

Fossil		Solar		Biomass	
Thermal	Electrical	Thermal	Electrical	Thermal	Electrical
Policy	Policy	Policy	Policy	Policy	Policy
Regulatory	Regulatory	Regulatory	Regulatory	Regulatory	Regulatory
Economics	Economics	Economics	Economics	Economics	Economics
Engineering	Engineering	Engineering	Engineering	Engineering	Engineering

Efficiency is defined differently for EACH!!

Lack of integration creates waste

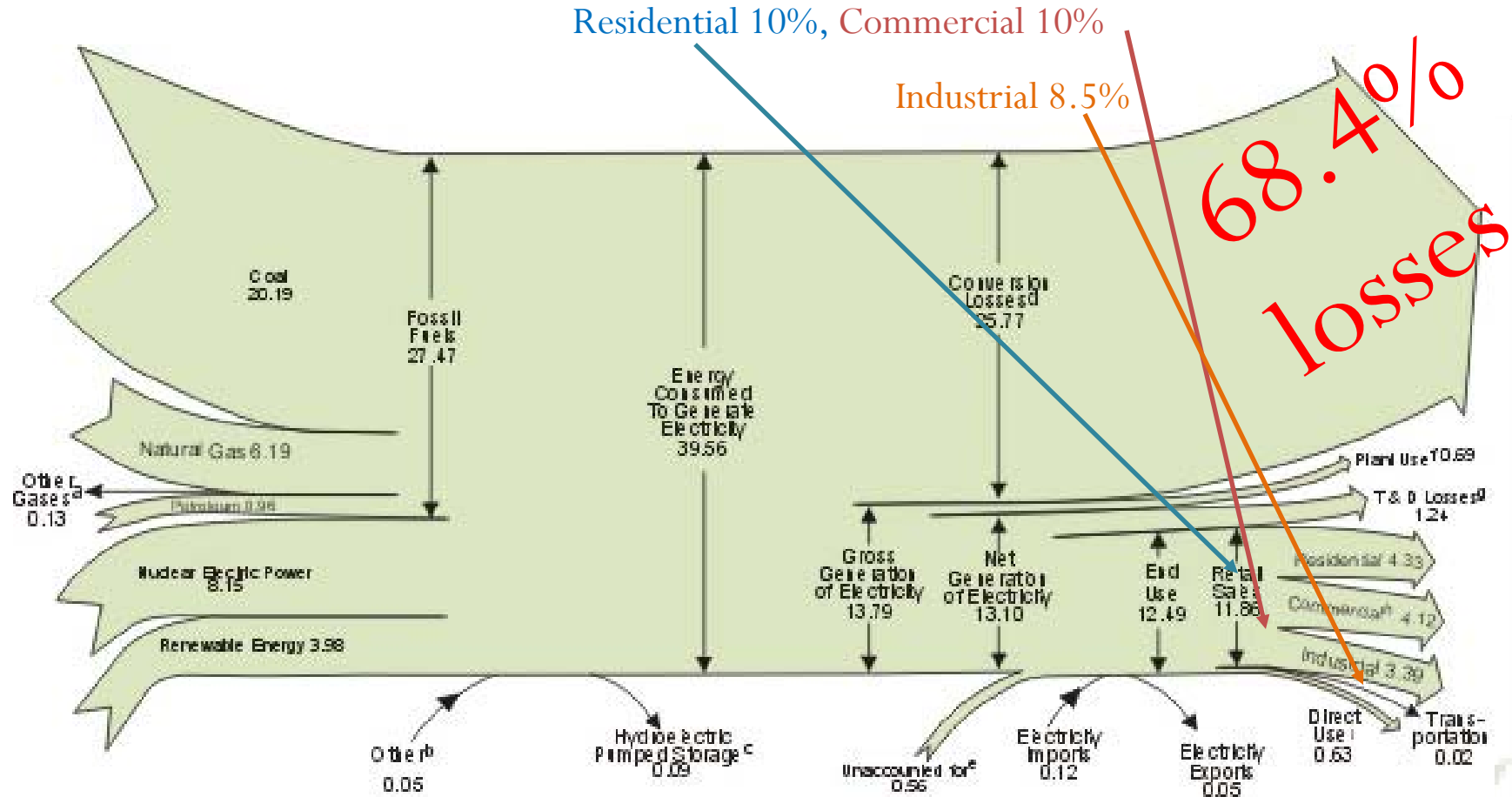


Inefficiency Increases Both Costs and Environmental Impacts of Energy Use

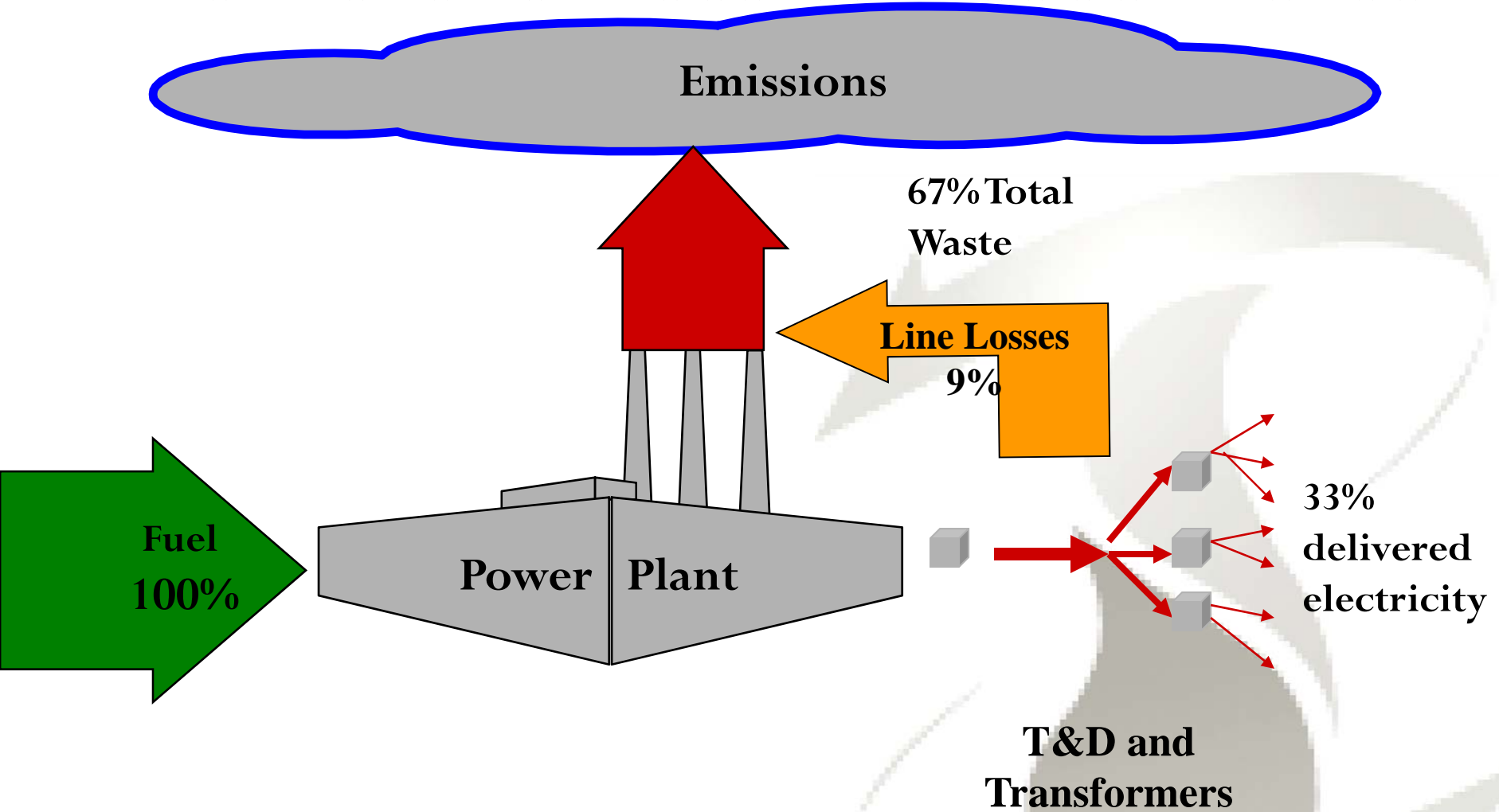
- This is true for the **Supply** side as well as the **Demand** side.
- A systems approach will
 - Integrate Supply Side and Demand Side
 - Integrate Electrical and Thermal Systems
 - Reduce Waste
 - Save Money
- **The Other Clean Energy**



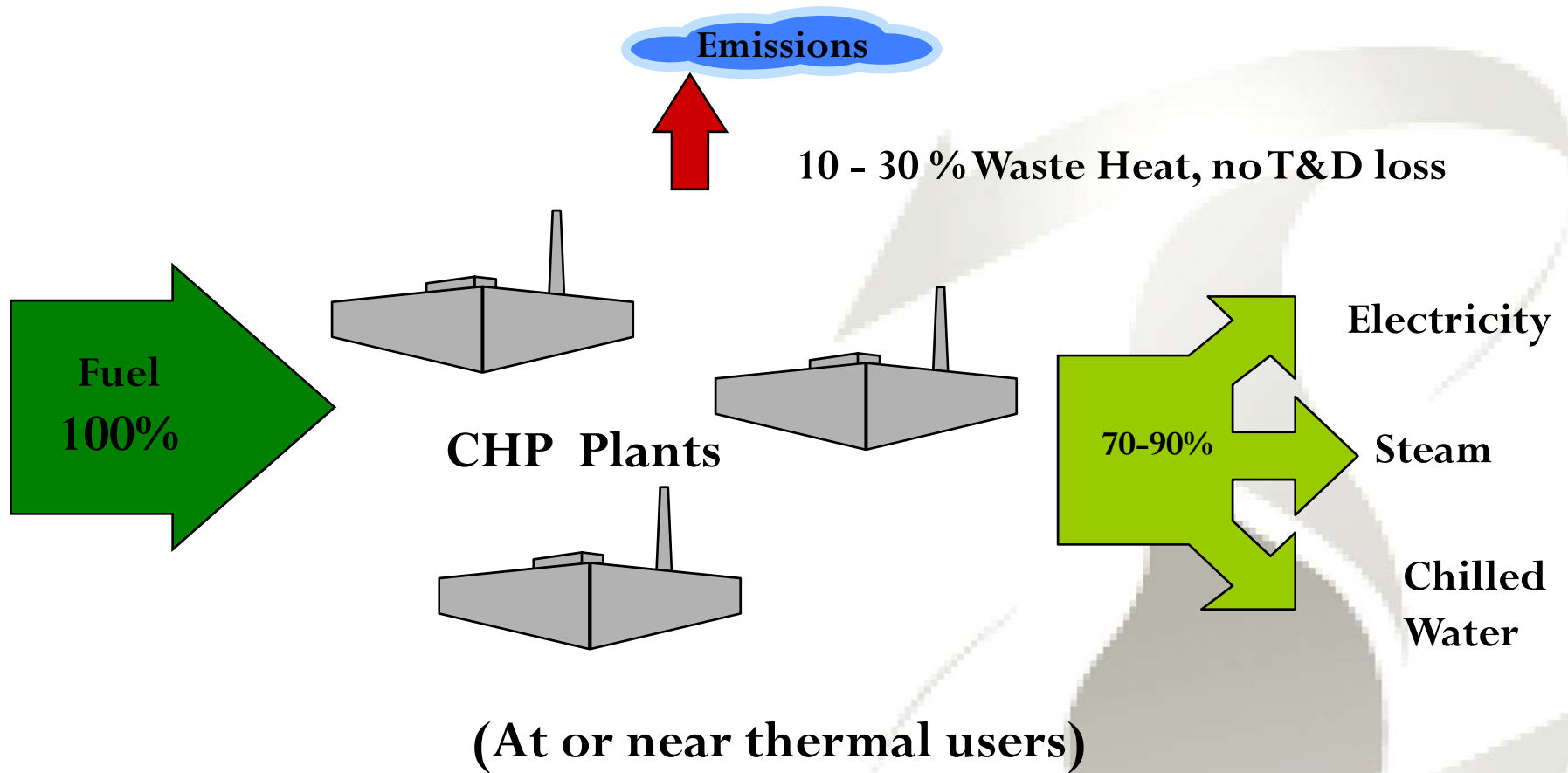
Electricity Generation and Use



Thermal and Electrical Loads in Silos



Integrating Thermal and Electrical Loads



Combined Heat and Power

- “Traditional” CHP
- Recycled Energy or Waste Heat CHP



CHP BASICS

Simultaneous production of electricity/mechanical power and heat (cooling) from one fuel input

- Why CHP - Benefits
- Cycles and Technologies
- Characteristics of favorable sites
- Evaluation steps



CHP Benefits- End User

- Energy savings
- Emissions reduction (source based)
- Reliability/Security of electric supply
- Power quality



CHP Benefits

- Emissions reduction
 - Over 50% reduction of CO₂ to provide same electricity and thermal outputs
 - Other emissions, NO_x, SO₂, particulate, mercury....also reduced
 - EPA CHP Partnership developed an Emissions Calculator-rigorous, but easy to use, emissions benefit calculator
 - www.epa.gov/chp



Reliability benefits of DG, CHP

- August 2004 Blackout
- 50 million people, 61,800 MW (Ohio, Michigan, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut)
- United States \$4-\$10 billion, Canada GDP down 0.7% in August
- Facilities with CHP systems
 - “The lights stayed on”
 - Hospitals, Food Processing, Multi family Commercial/Residential, Chemical/Pharmaceutical



CHP Fuels

- Traditionally, natural gas
- Waste heat (recycled energy)
- “Opportunity fuels”: non-traditional fuels usually a by-product or waste product
 - Example: wood waste from forests or sawmills, industrial compounds with energy content, but little other value, digester or land-fill gas, agricultural wastes



CHP Cycles

- Power then heat
 - Need a gas or liquid fuel
- Heat then power
 - Can use solid fuel (coal, wood....)



CHP Equipment Types

- Engines (generation or direct drive)
- Gas Turbines (generation or direct drive)
- Steam Turbines (generation or direct drive)
- Organic Rankine-Cycle Turbines
- Microturbines
- Fuel Cells



CHP Equipment Types

- **Engines 200 kW to 2000 kW**
 - Electrical efficiency: 24-38%
 - Heat produced: 4-5000 BtuH/kW
 - Load-follows well
 - Good match for under 200F heating loads



CHP Equipment Types

- **Gas Turbines 1,000 kW- 50,000 kW**
 - Electrical efficiency: 24-36%
 - Heat produced: 5-6000 BtuH/kW
 - A little more heat, a little less electricity
 - Better match for steady base loads
 - Good match for steam heating loads
 - Lower capital and operating cost than engines



CHP Equipment Types

- **Microturbines 30 kW to 200 kW**
 - Electrical efficiency 25-30%
 - Heat produced 6-7000 BtuH/kW
 - A little more heat, a little less electricity than turbines or engines
 - Good match for hot water heating loads
 - New integrated systems for power & cooling
 - Higher capital cost per kW, similar operating cost to engines



CHP Equipment Types

- **Steam Turbines 200 kW to 10,000 kW**
 - Electrical efficiency: 15-40%
 - Condensing higher, backpressure lower
 - Heat produced: Varies widely
 - Load-follows well
 - Good match for existing steam system or when fuels are combusted in boiler (Need high pressure steam.)



CHP Equipment Types

- Fuel Cells 5 kW to over 1000 kW
 - Electrical efficiency 33-60%
 - Heat produced varies
 - No combustion, very low emissions
 - Very expensive, 3 times capital cost of engines/turbines



Waste Heat - Recycled Energy

- Recycled energy is useful energy derived from
 - Exhaust heat from any industrial process;
 - Industrial tail gas that would otherwise be flared, incinerated or vented; and
 - Pressure drop in any gas



CHP Evaluations

- Initial Screening
- Detailed Screening
- Engineering



Initial Screening

- **Favorable Characteristics**
 - High electric costs compared to CHP fuel cost i.e. large “spark spread”
 - Coincident thermal and electrical loads and/or
 - Significant and quantifiable reliability drivers
 - Significant capital upgrades to boiler systems “in the works”
 - A place to put it!



CHP Evaluations

■ Initial Screening

- Drivers – what is most important
- Thermal and electrical load evaluation
- Fuel source(s) evaluation
- Existing equipment evaluation
- Equipment and load “matching”
(size, high or low temp thermal load, top or bottoming cycle...)
- Dispatch - peak shaving” or “base load” operation is more favorable



CHP Evaluations

- Initial Screening (con't)
 - Select largest CHP system sized for high utilization for electric and thermal loads
 - Estimate operating costs and savings, capital costs
 - Screen in or out for further analysis



CHP Evaluations

- Detailed Screening
 - Can be done in multiple steps, with progressively more detailed and site-specific inputs
 - More accurately specify:
 - Load profiles, operating schedule, operating costs and savings, capital costs, non-economic benefits
 - Sensitivity and risk analysis on assumptions



CHP Evaluations

- Detailed Engineering
 - If detailed screening indicates favorable project, then expense of detailed engineering makes sense
 - Confirms or alters detailed screening
 - Produces drawings and specifications for bids



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