



**Connecticut  
Light & Power**

The Northeast Utilities System

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# Overview of Integrated Resource Plan for Connecticut

## - Findings and Recommendations -

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# Background

**Section 51 of PA 07-242 required CL&P and UI to develop an integrated resource plan**

**This IRP presents how to meet customers needs for**

- ◆ Capacity and energy
- ◆ Connecticut Renewable Portfolio Standards
- ◆ ...while minimizing costs and emissions

**The Connecticut and New England bulk power supply system was simulated for years 2013, 2015, and 2020**

- ◆ “Base Case” outlook and alternative scenarios
- ◆ Various resource strategies were also explored

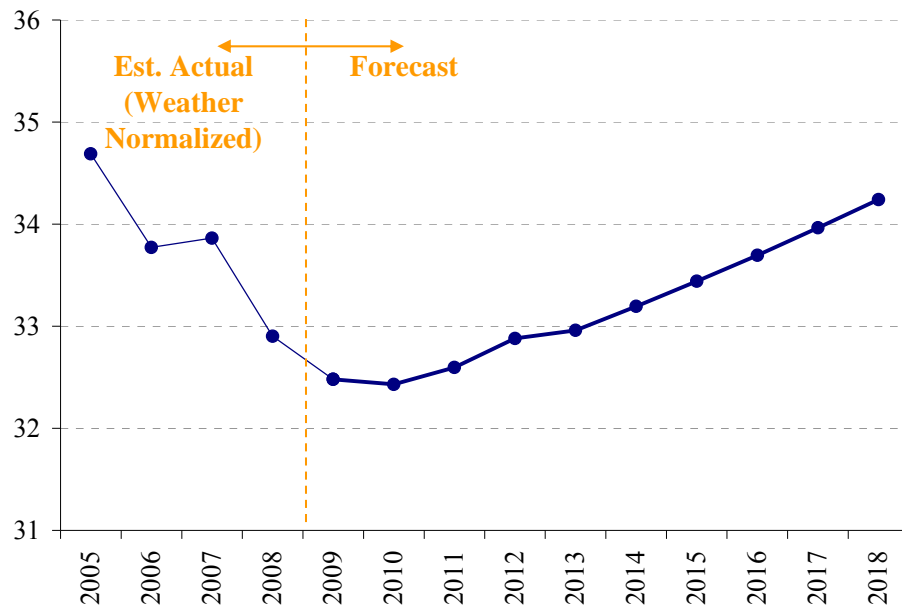
**10 subject areas were examined in-depth**

1. Resource Adequacy
2. Demand Side Management
3. Renewable Energy
4. Transmission
5. Nuclear Power
6. Combined Heat and Power
7. Environment
8. Energy Security
9. Natural Gas
10. Emerging Technologies

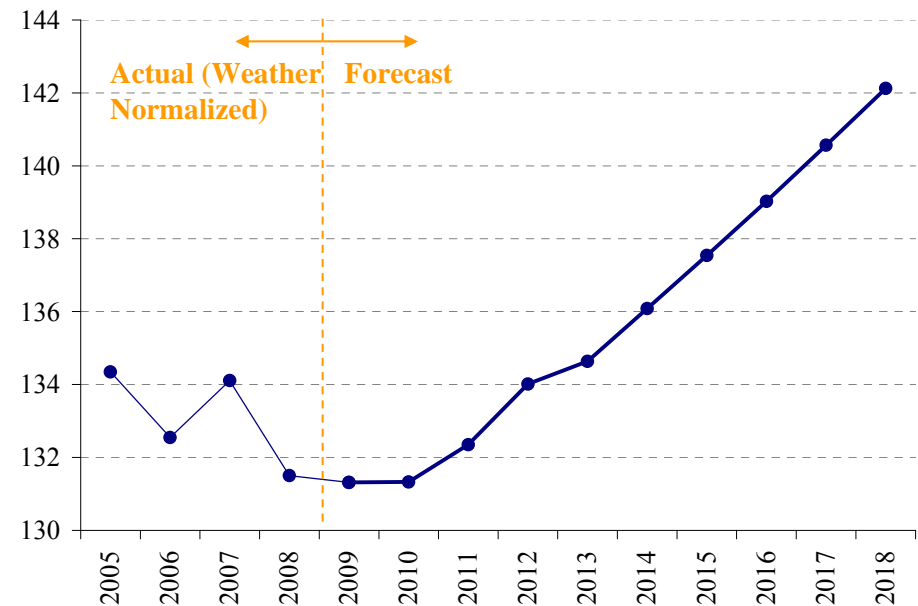
# Demand Forecast (Energy)

Started from ISO New England's 2009 CELT 50/50 energy forecast

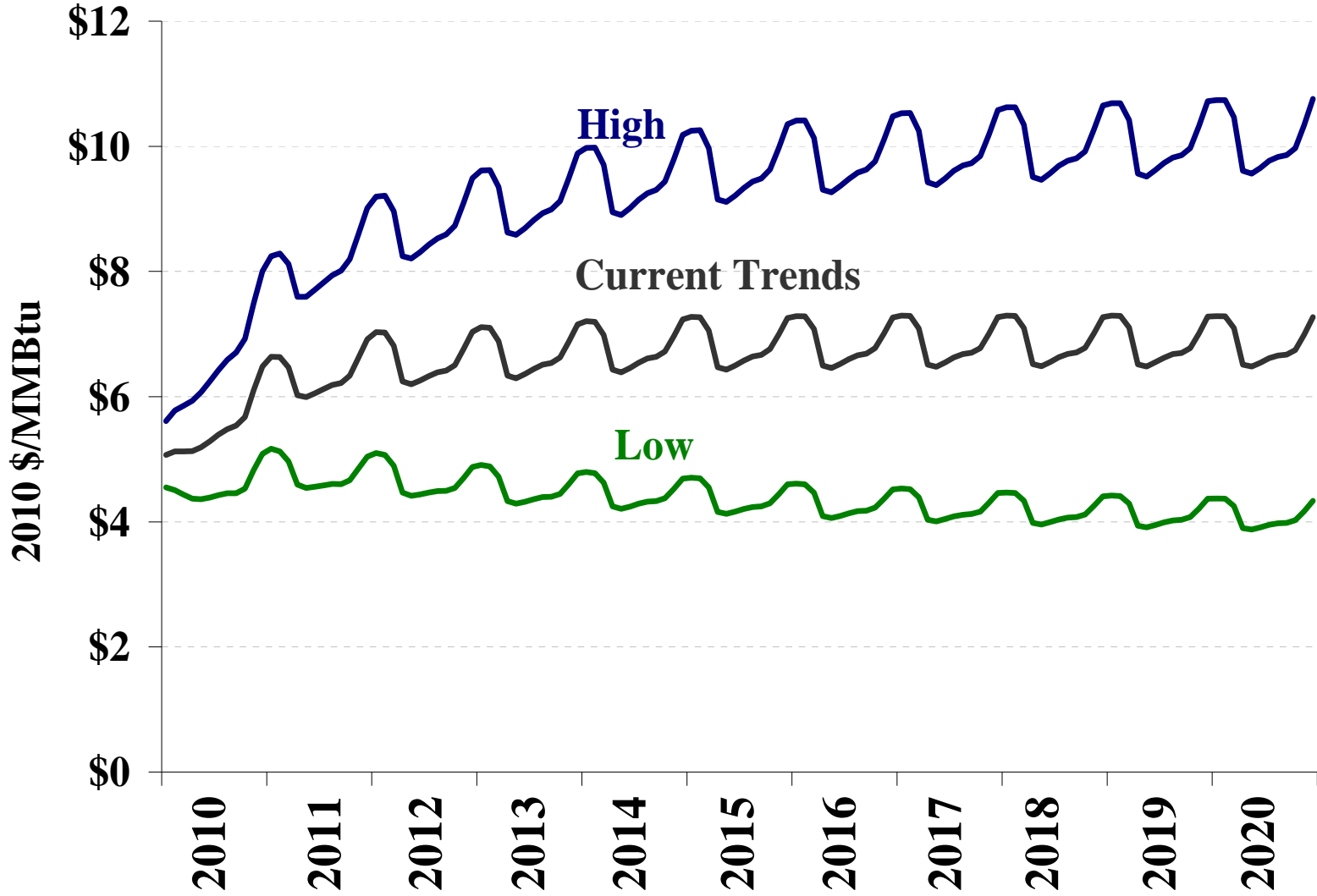
## Connecticut (TWh)



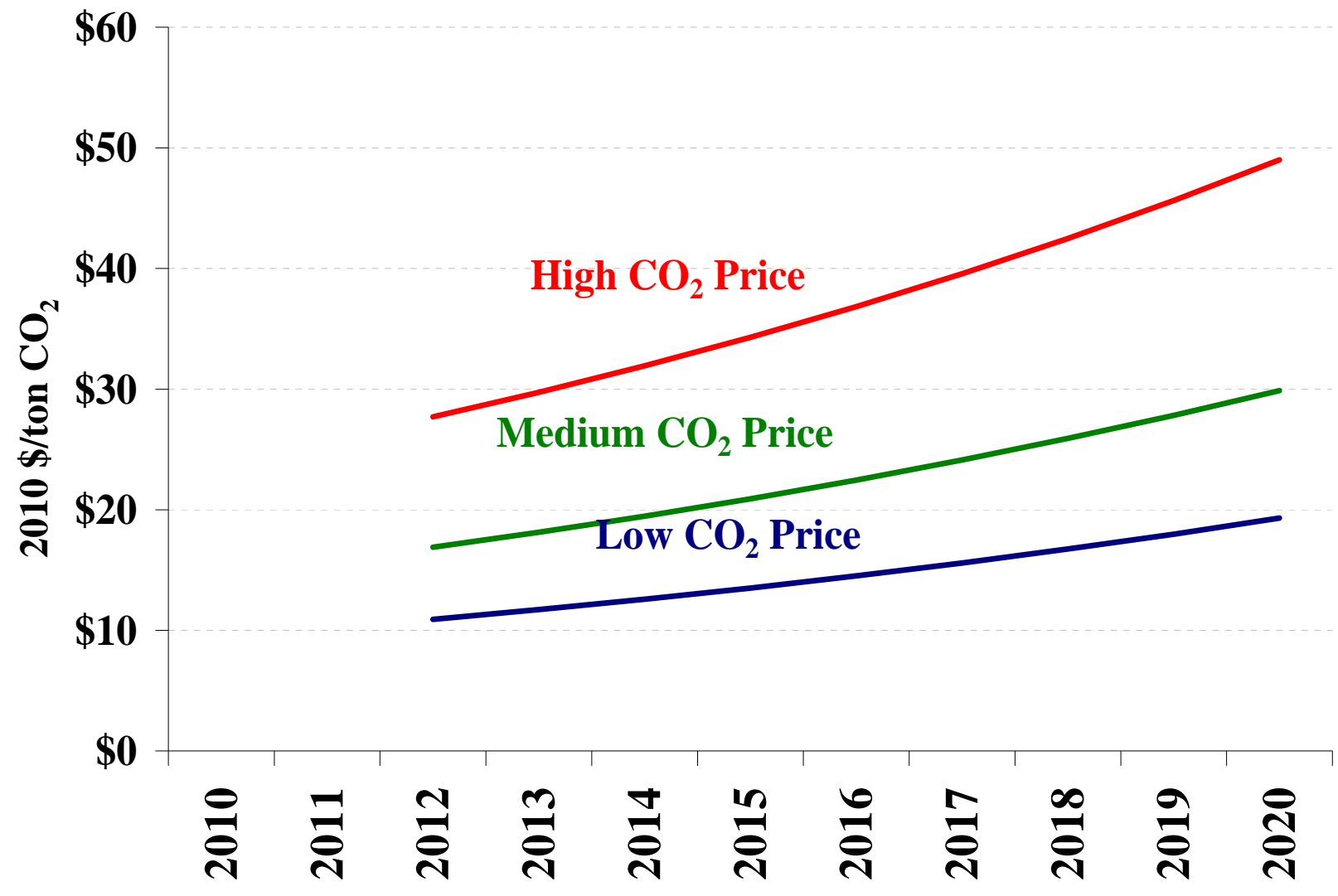
## ISO-NE (TWh)



# Natural Gas Prices



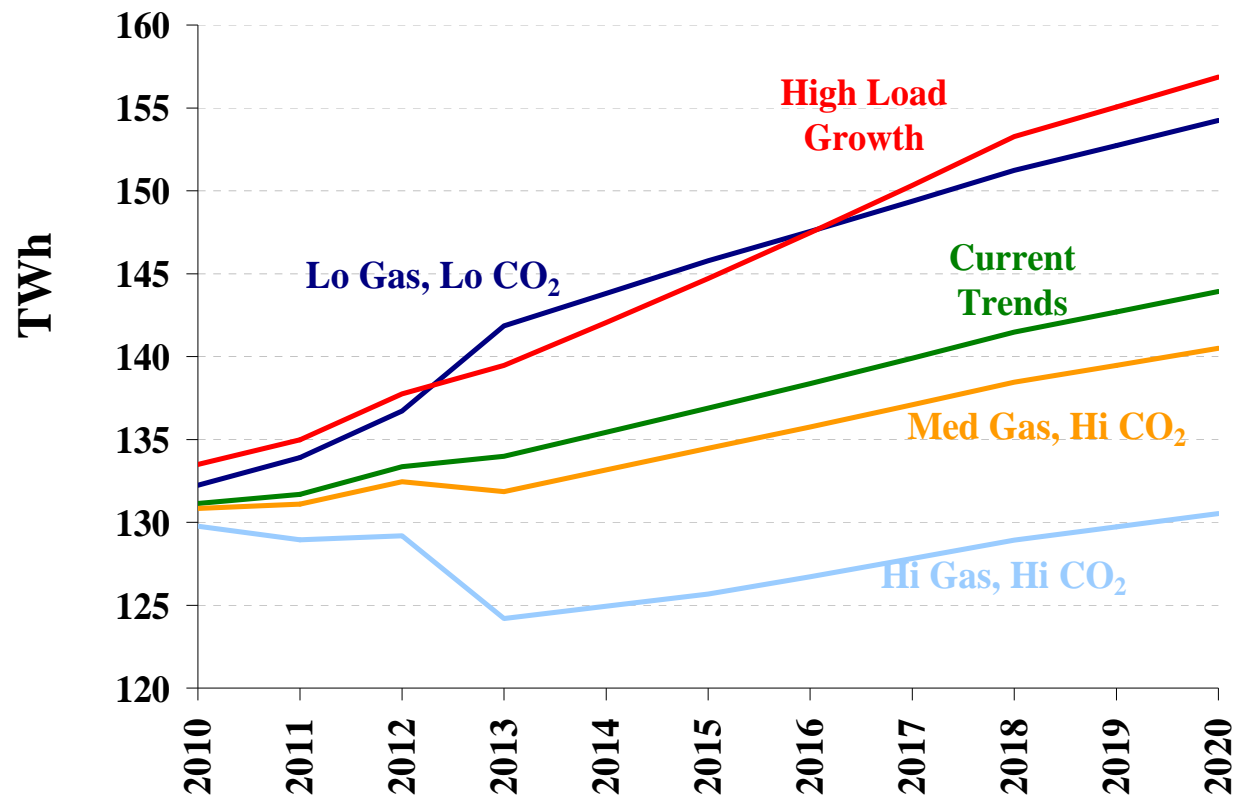
# CO<sub>2</sub> Prices



# Total Energy Demand (ISO-NE)

Energy demand in each scenario starts with ISO-NE's CELT 50/50 forecast, and adjusts for price response to prevailing energy prices

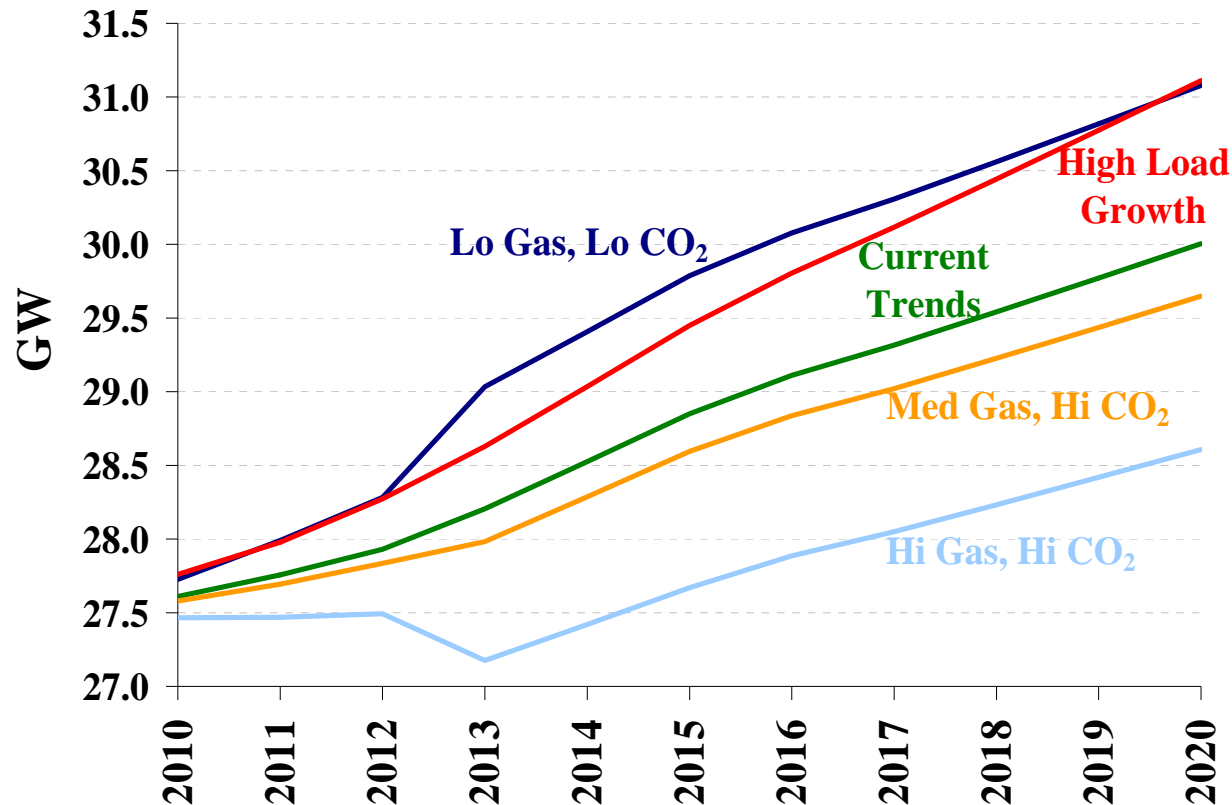
- ◆ High Load Growth case reflects ISO-NE's high load case



# Peak Demand (ISO-NE)

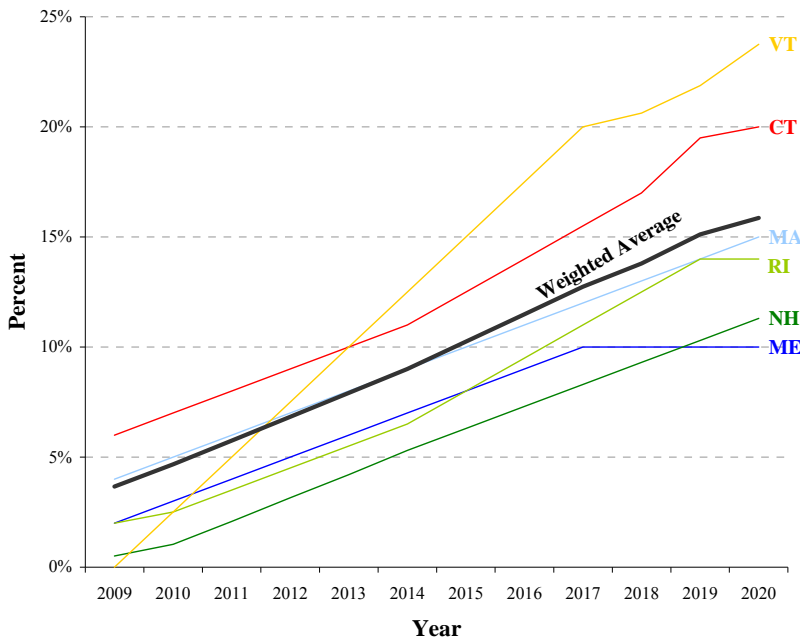
Peak demand in each scenario is also adjusted for price response

- ◆ Similar to energy demand, though peak is less price-sensitive

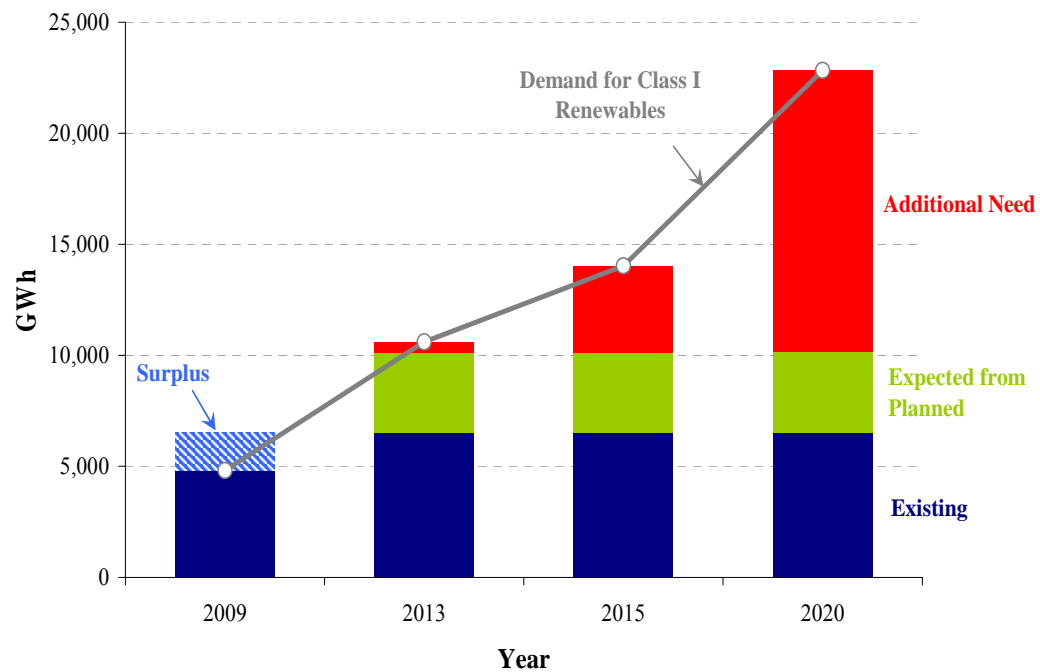


# New England Class I Renewable Requirements

**New England Class I Renewable Demand as Percentage of Retail Load**



**New England Class I Renewable Supply Need**



# Summary of Renewable Buildout for Base Case

## Summary of Renewable Buildout (Current Trends Scenario)

Renewable Technology	Existing Renewable Capacity	New Renewable Capacity Additions		
		Reference Strategy*		
	2009 (MW)	2013 (MW)	2015 (MW)	2020 (MW)
<i>Connecticut</i>				
Biomass/Biofuels	0	51	55	66
Fuel Cells	3	30	42	66
Landfill Gas	8	20	22	27
Small Hydro	5	0	0	0
Solar PV	13	10	13	21
Wind	0	0	0	0
Offshore Wind	0	0	0	0
<b>CT Total</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>180</b>
<i>ISO New England</i>				
Biomass/Biofuels	457	145	221	382
Fuel Cells	4	30	42	66
Landfill Gas	111	36	38	43
Small Hydro	87	3	12	31
Solar PV	28	103	143	247
Wind	97	239	754	1,939
Offshore Wind	0	367	881	2,066
<b>ISO-NE Total</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>924</b>	<b>2,092</b>	<b>4,774</b>

**To meet the RPS, New England needs to add about \$20B in new renewable generation, and \$10B in supporting transmission**

\* Includes both planned and unplanned additions to meet demand.

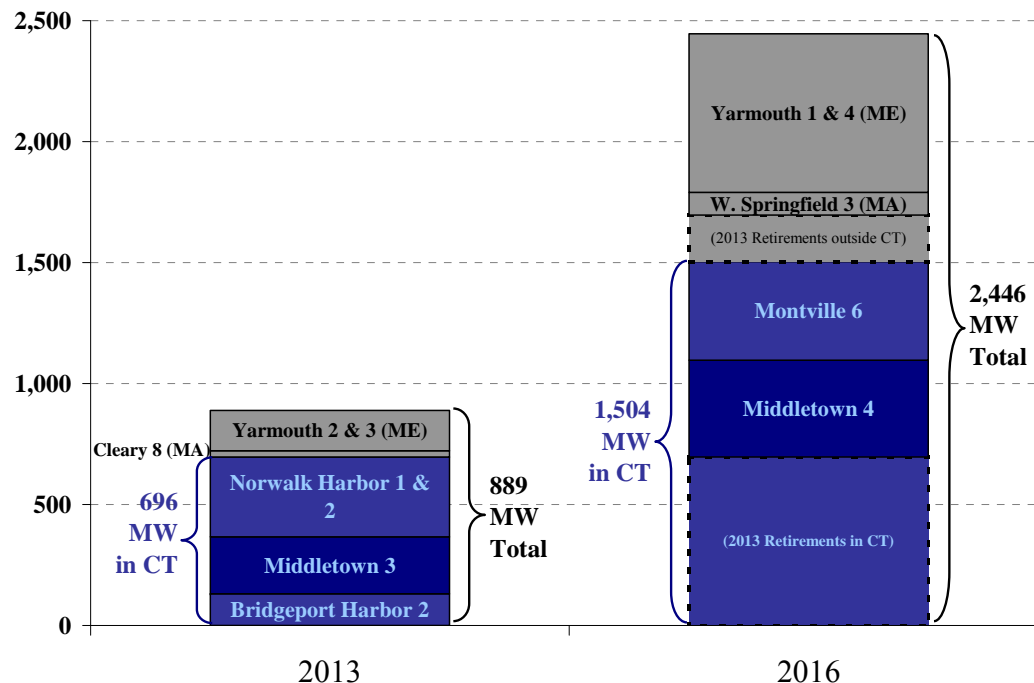
# Projected Generation Retirements

CL&P and UI met with the CT DEP to develop realistic assumptions for future NO<sub>x</sub> emission regulations to meet National Ambient Air Quality Standards.

As a result of those discussion, NO<sub>x</sub> emissions requirements for old, fossil steam oil/gas units are assumed to become more stringent in 2013 and 2017.

- ◆ Such plants would have to decide to invest in additional controls, or retire

Based on a long-term economic analysis, the following units had inadequate revenues to cover their going-forward costs, and are assumed to retire.



**Note: Generation retirements vary with scenario and strategy**

# Other Key Assumptions

**C&LM programs funded at current level – \$3 mills/kWh**

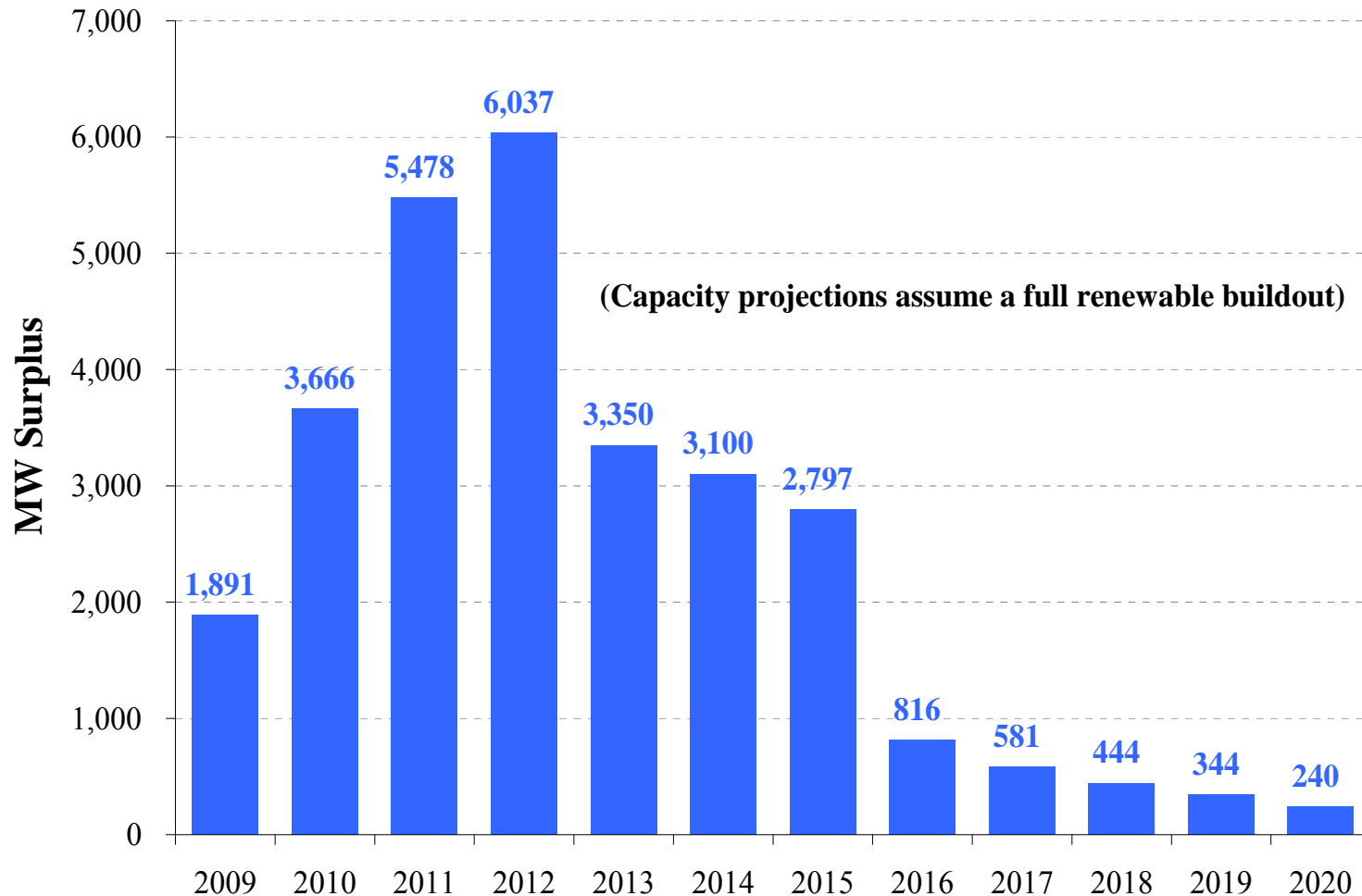
**All NEEWS installed by 2015**

**Project 150 renewable capacity**

**Kleen Energy (620 MW) completed**

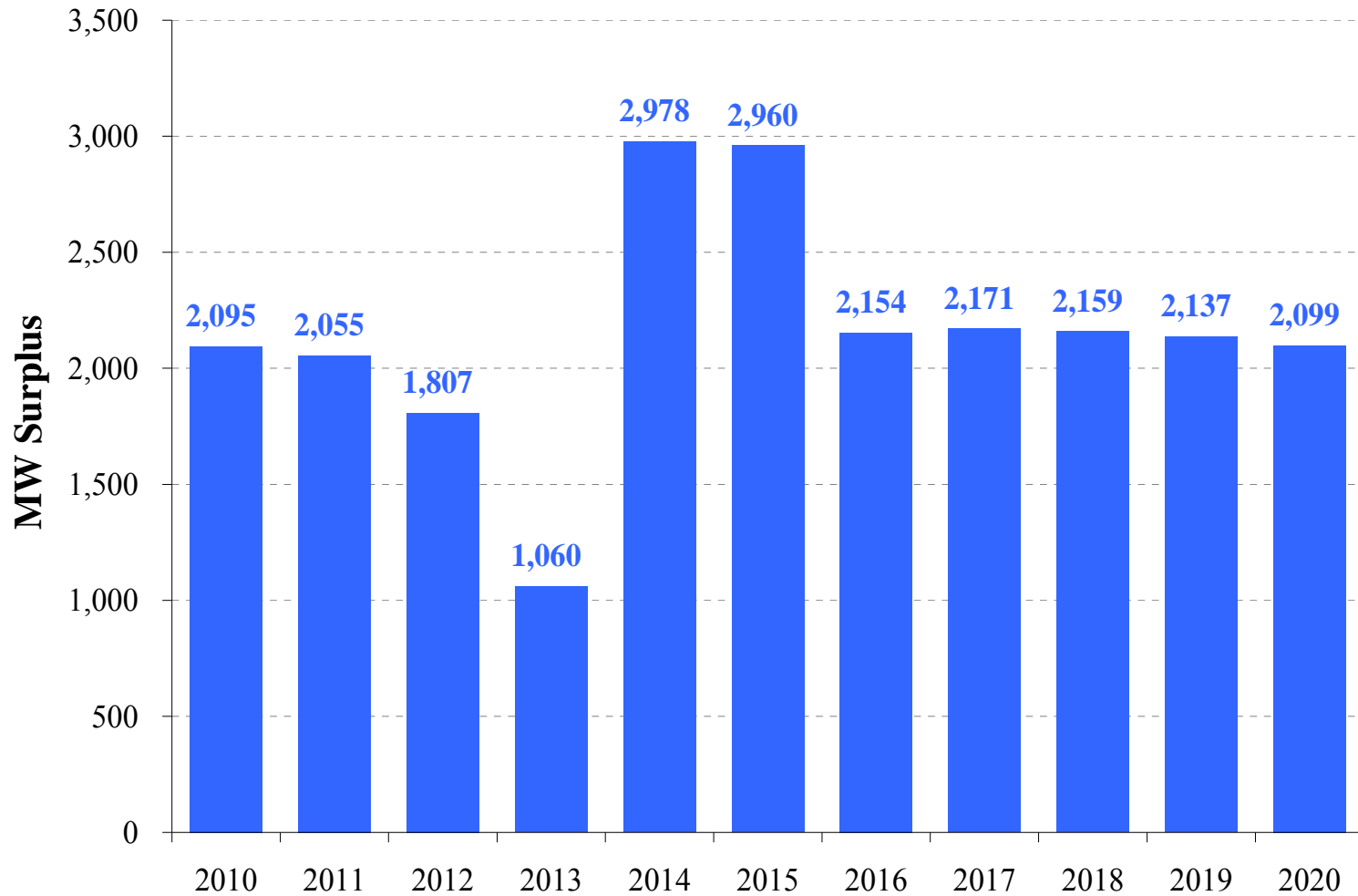
**New Connecticut peaking generation (504 MW) completed**

# ISO-NE Capacity Situation



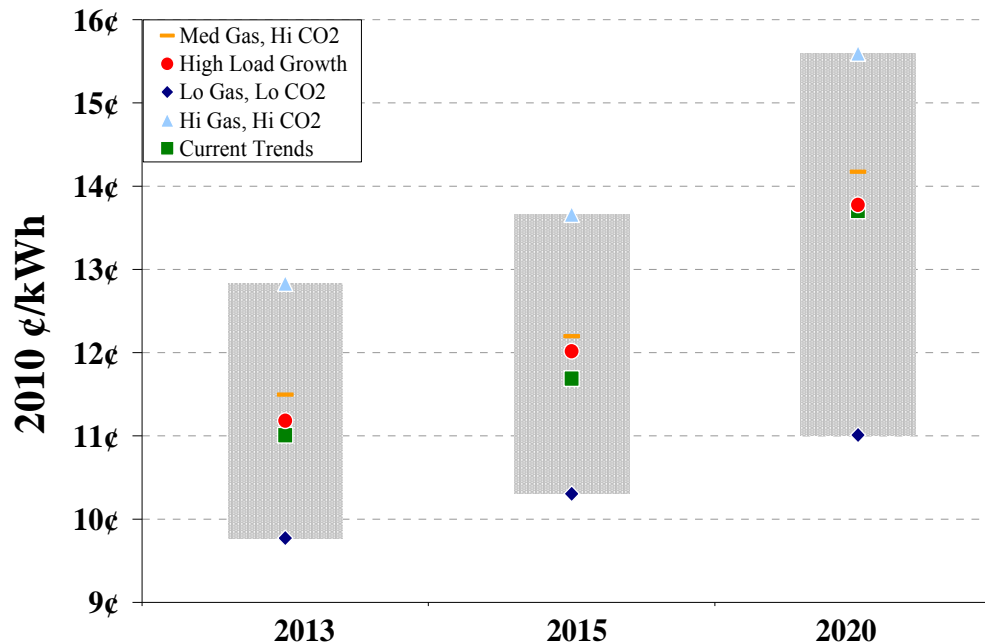
**Under Base Case assumptions, ISO-NE has sufficient resources through 2020**

# Connecticut Capacity Relative to Locational Requirements



**Under Base Case assumptions, there are sufficient resources beyond 2020**

# Average Power Supply-Related Cost in Connecticut



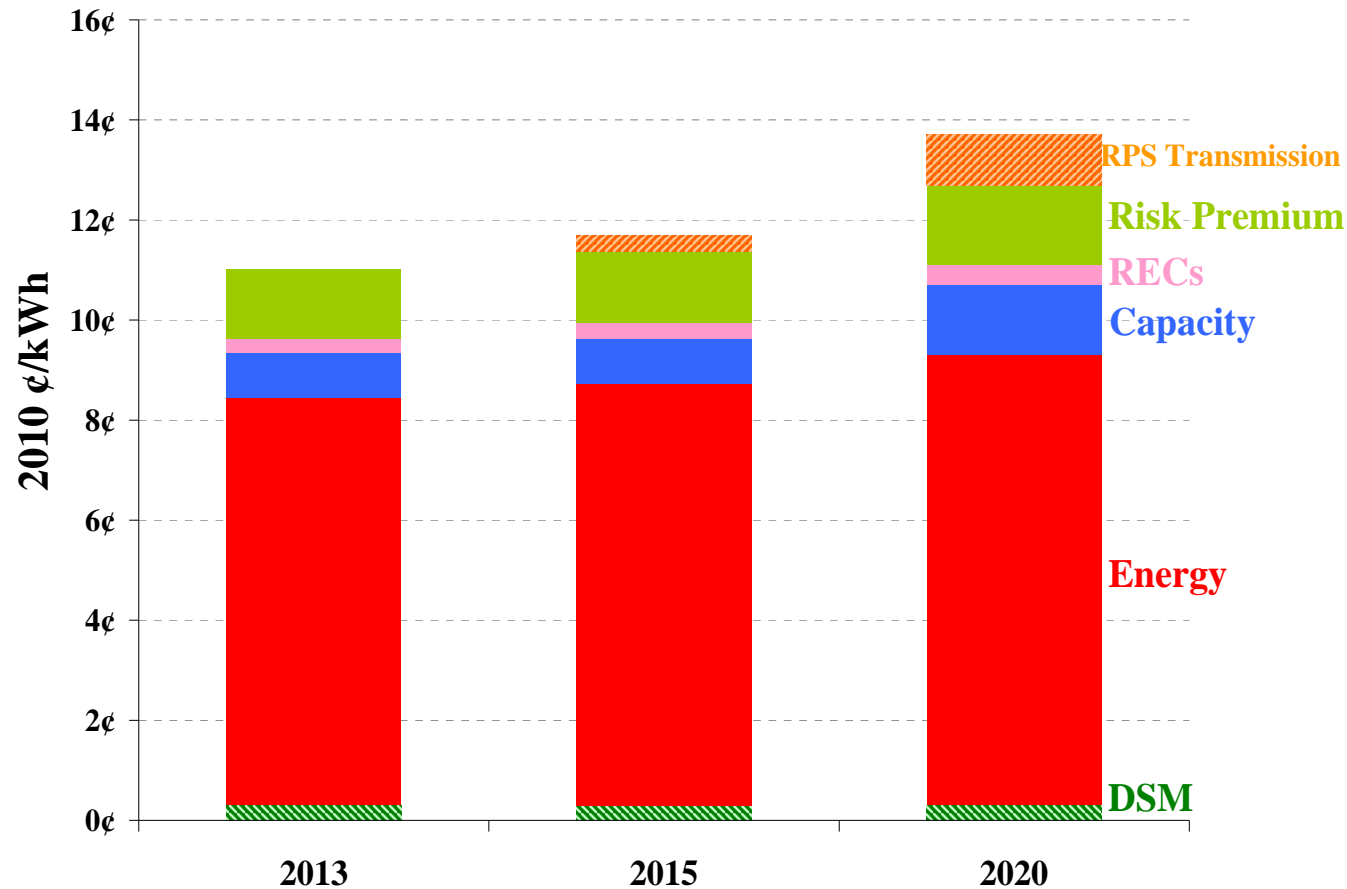
## Increasing costs are driven by:

- ◆ Renewable generation costs (including transmission expansion)
- ◆ Rising CO<sub>2</sub> prices

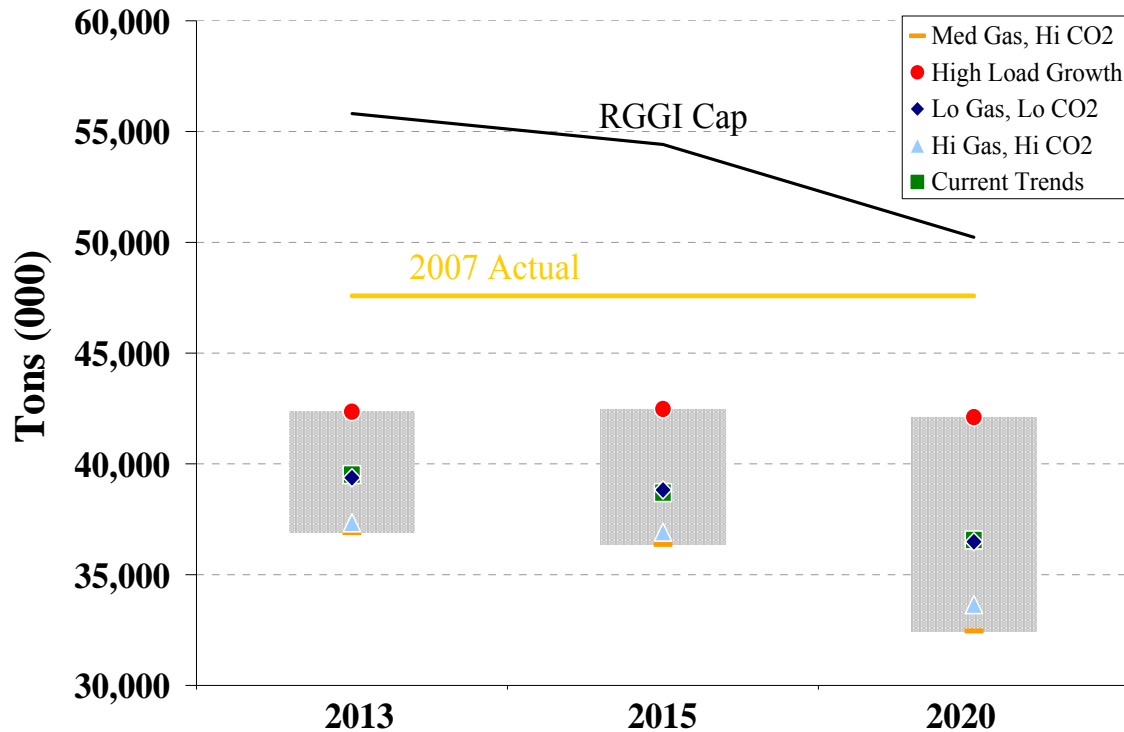
**Variability across scenarios is due mostly to gas price**

# Average Power Supply-Related Cost in Connecticut

Detailed look at Current Trends scenario:



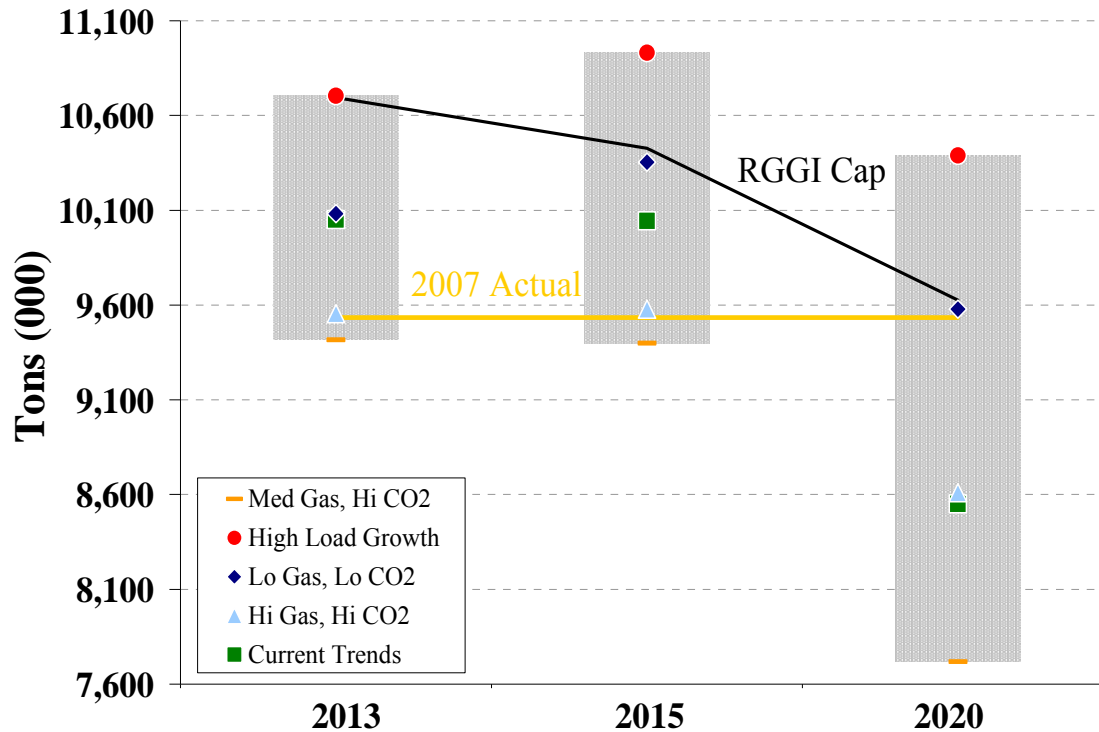
# CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions (Annual): ISO-NE



## CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are below RGGI cap (and below 2007 levels)

- ◆ Large renewable additions, and CO<sub>2</sub> prices well above expected RGGI levels
- ◆ Variability across scenarios is due to load as well as CO<sub>2</sub> price

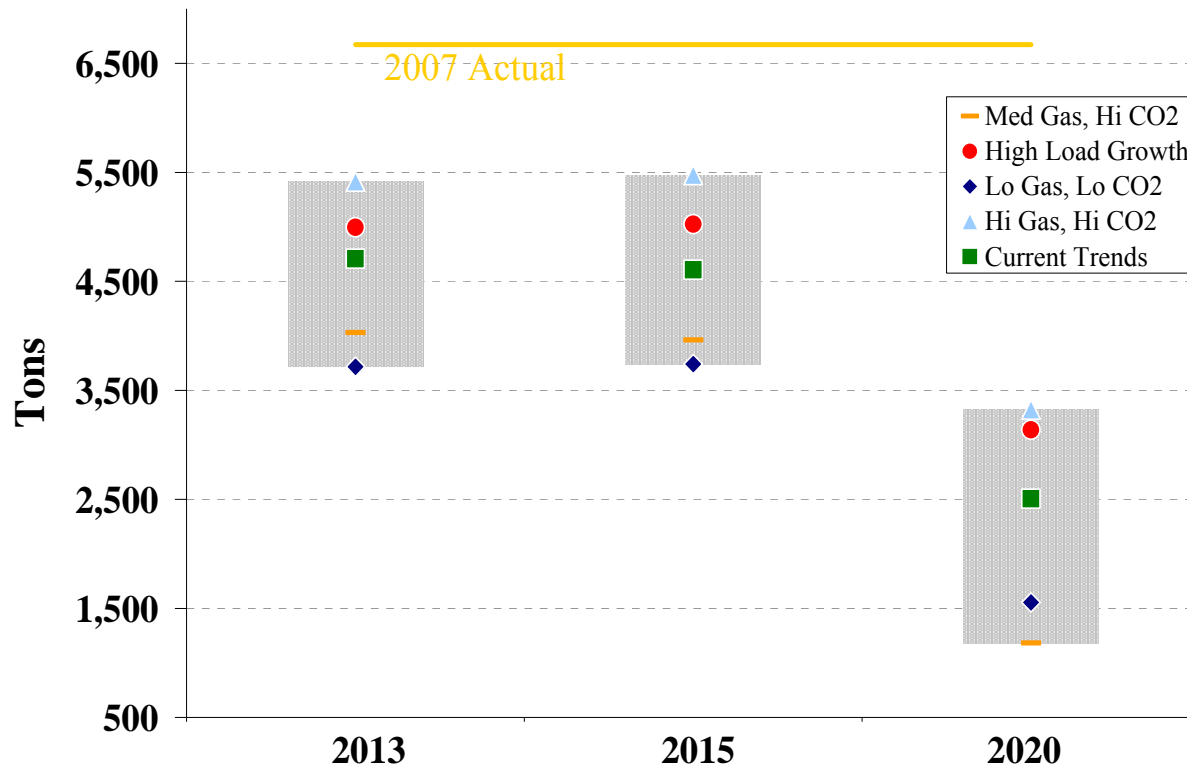
# CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions (Annual): Connecticut



## Connecticut CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are higher relative to benchmarks

- ◆ But this is mostly because more power is generated in-state due to the addition of new Connecticut generation – e.g., Kleen
- ◆ Variability due to load, CO<sub>2</sub> price, and exports to other states

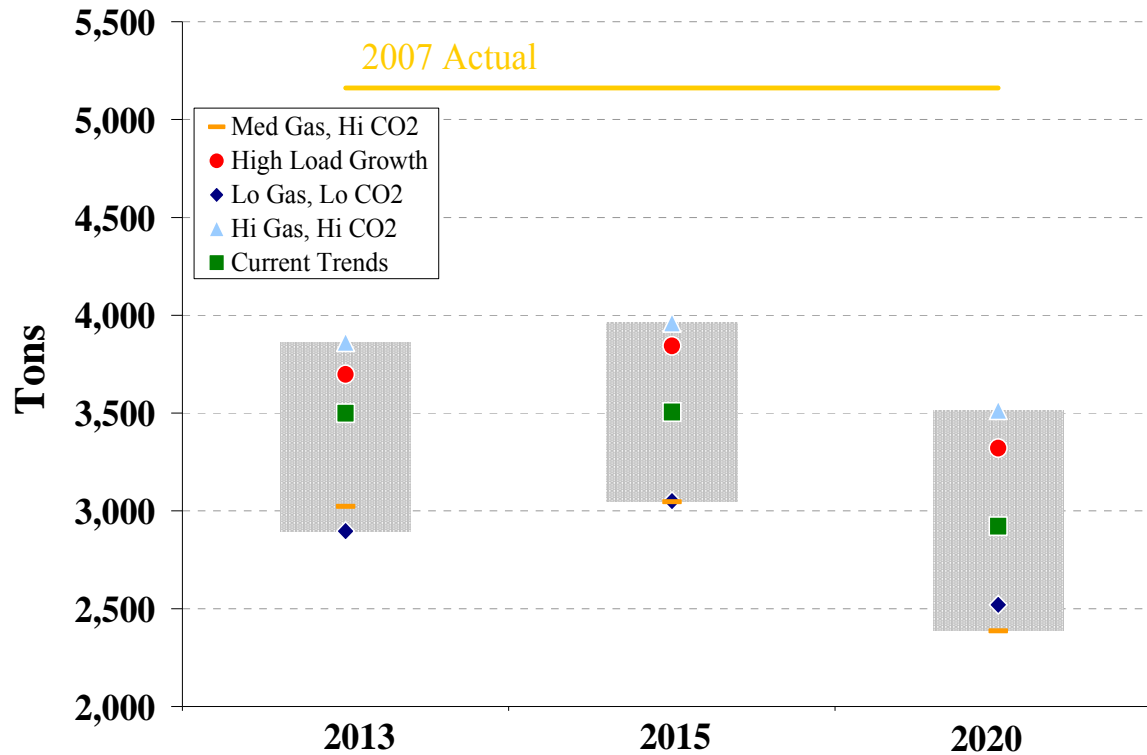
# SO<sub>2</sub> Emissions (Annual): Connecticut



## Connecticut SO<sub>2</sub> emissions fall relative to 2007

- ◆ Retirements of some older fossil steam plants in 2013, more in 2016
- ◆ Addition of new clean generation (new gas capacity, renewables) means the remaining fossil steam plants run less

# NO<sub>x</sub> Emissions (Annual): Connecticut

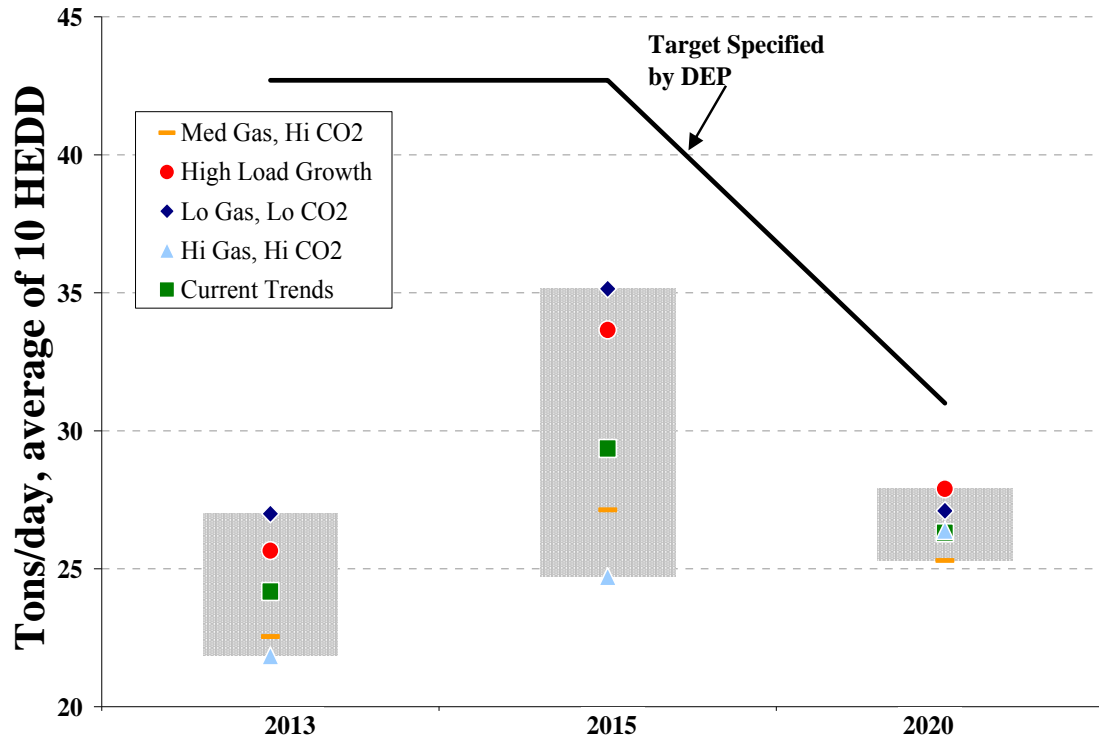


**Connecticut NO<sub>x</sub> emissions also fall relative to 2007**

**Reasons are similar to SO<sub>2</sub> effect:**

- ◆ Retirements of some older fossil steam plants in 2013, more in 2016
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# NO<sub>x</sub> Emissions (HEDD): Connecticut



**Connecticut HEDD NO<sub>x</sub> emissions are below target (10-day average), though individual highest day(s) may exceed target. Not decreasing over time because:**

- ◆ Even though older fossil units run less overall, they run more on top 10 days due to increasing peak load and declining reserve margins
- ◆ Increase over time is mitigated by 2016 retirements

# Alternative Resource Strategies Evaluated: 2020

**Reference Strategy:** current DSM funding; renewables to meet RPS

**Targeted DSM Expansion:** four high-potential DSM initiatives not included in current 3 mill/kWh funding

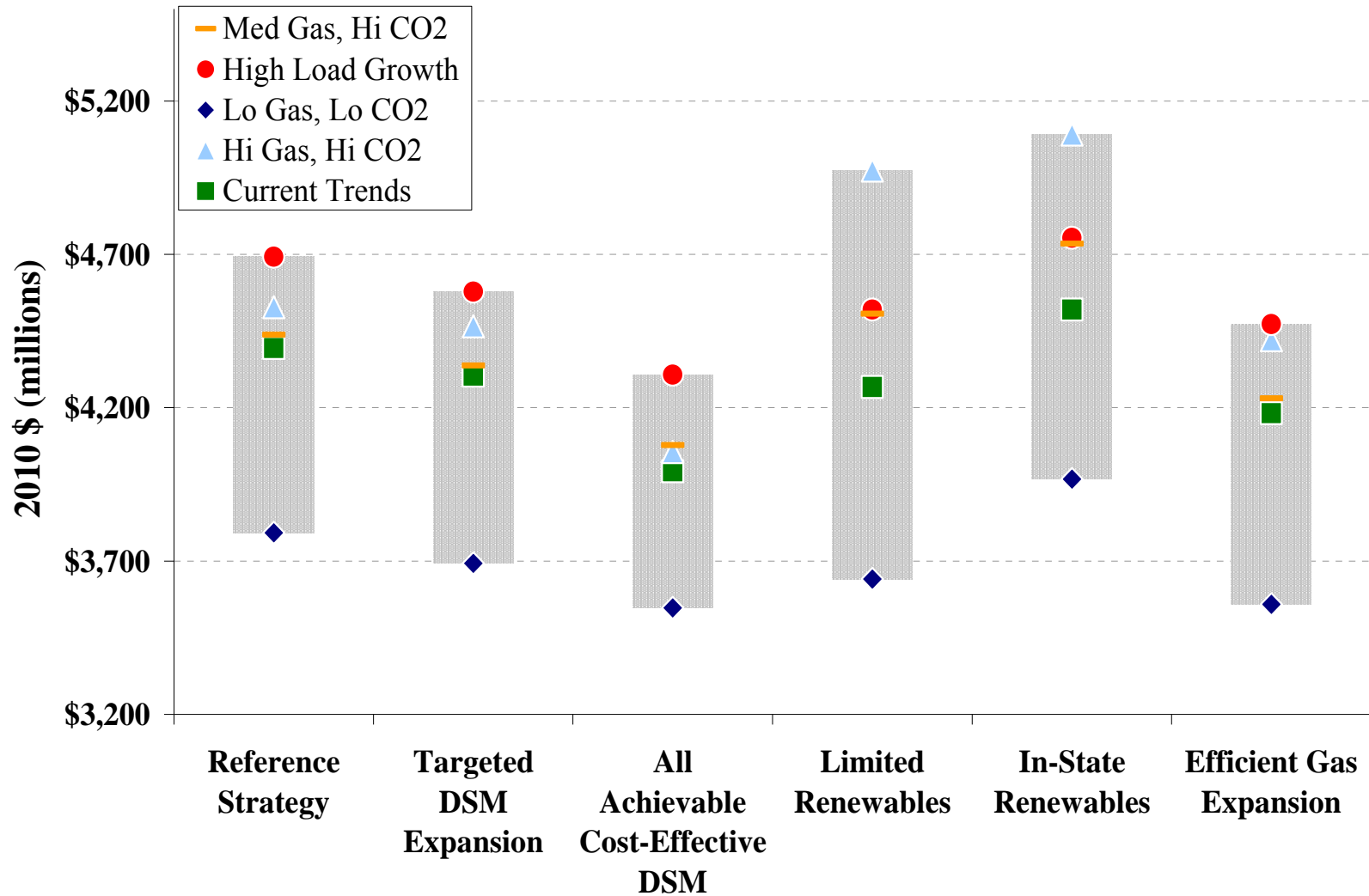
**All Achievable Cost-Effective DSM:** identified in ECMB “Potential Study”

**Limited Renewables:** regional renewable build out unsuccessful

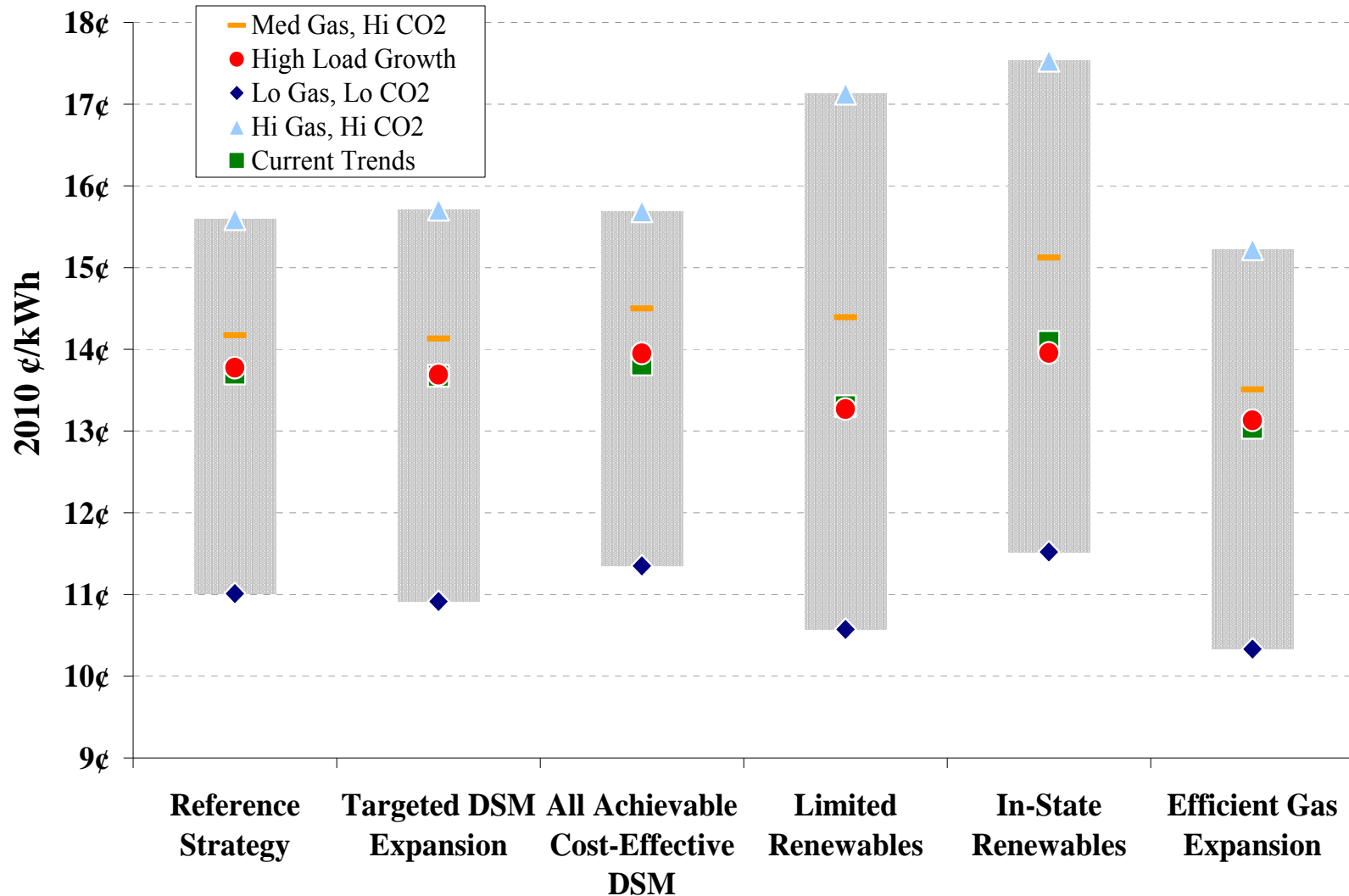
**In-State Renewables:** renewable build out in CT only to meet CT RPS

**Efficient Gas Expansion:** efficient gas-fired capacity supported by customers

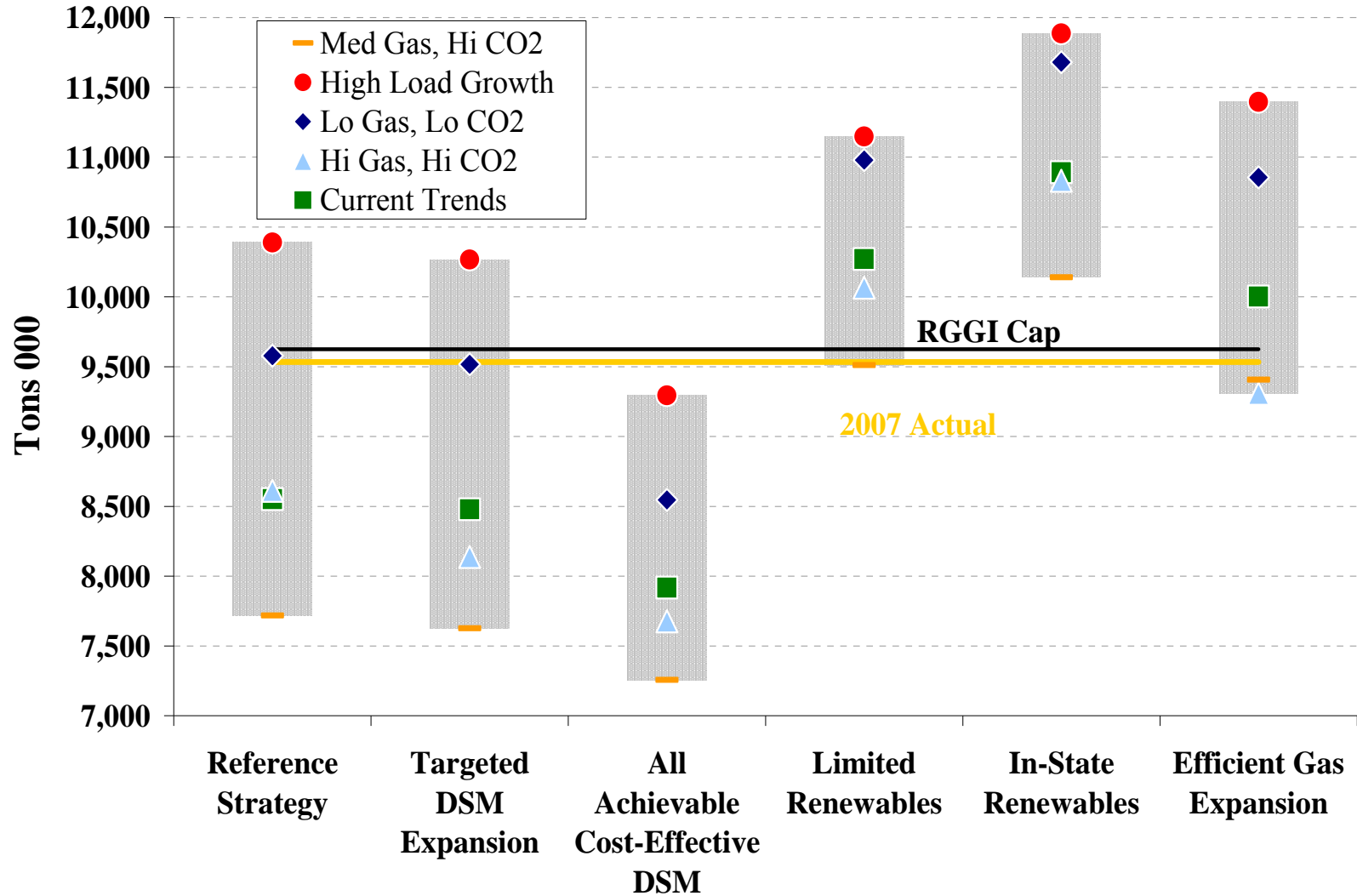
# Total Power Supply Cost (Annual) in CT in 2020



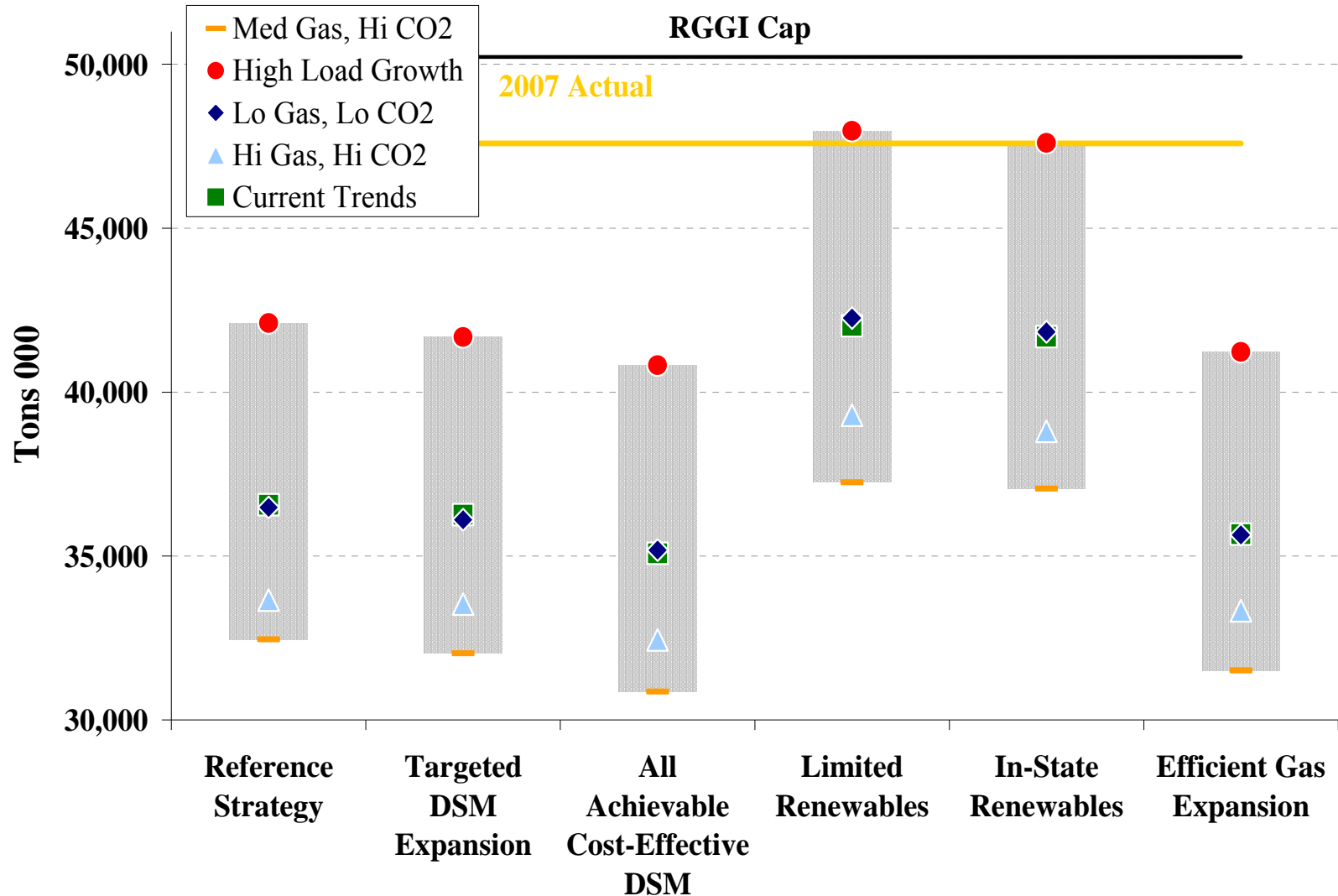
# Average Power Supply Cost in CT in 2020



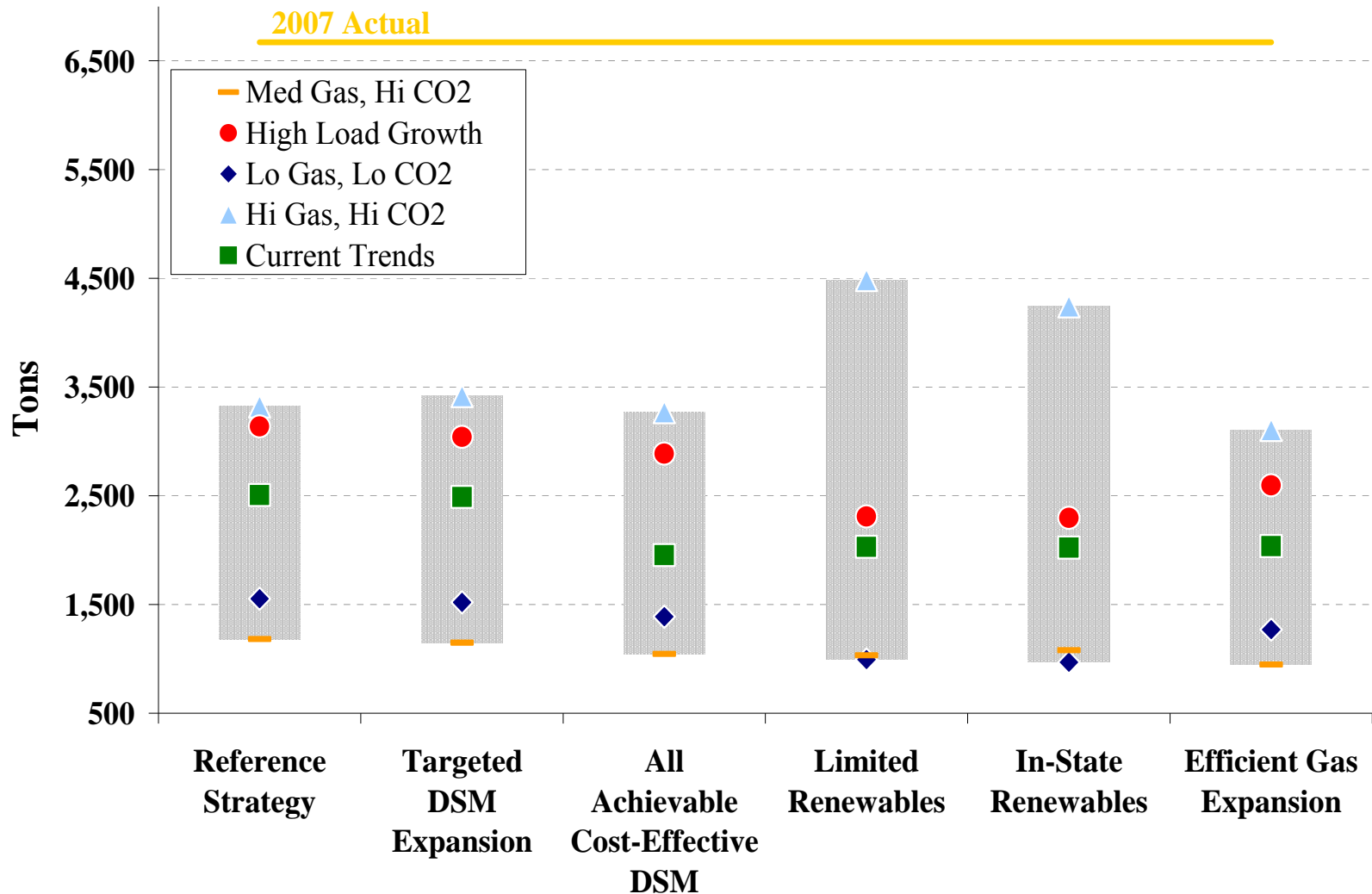
# CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions in CT in 2020



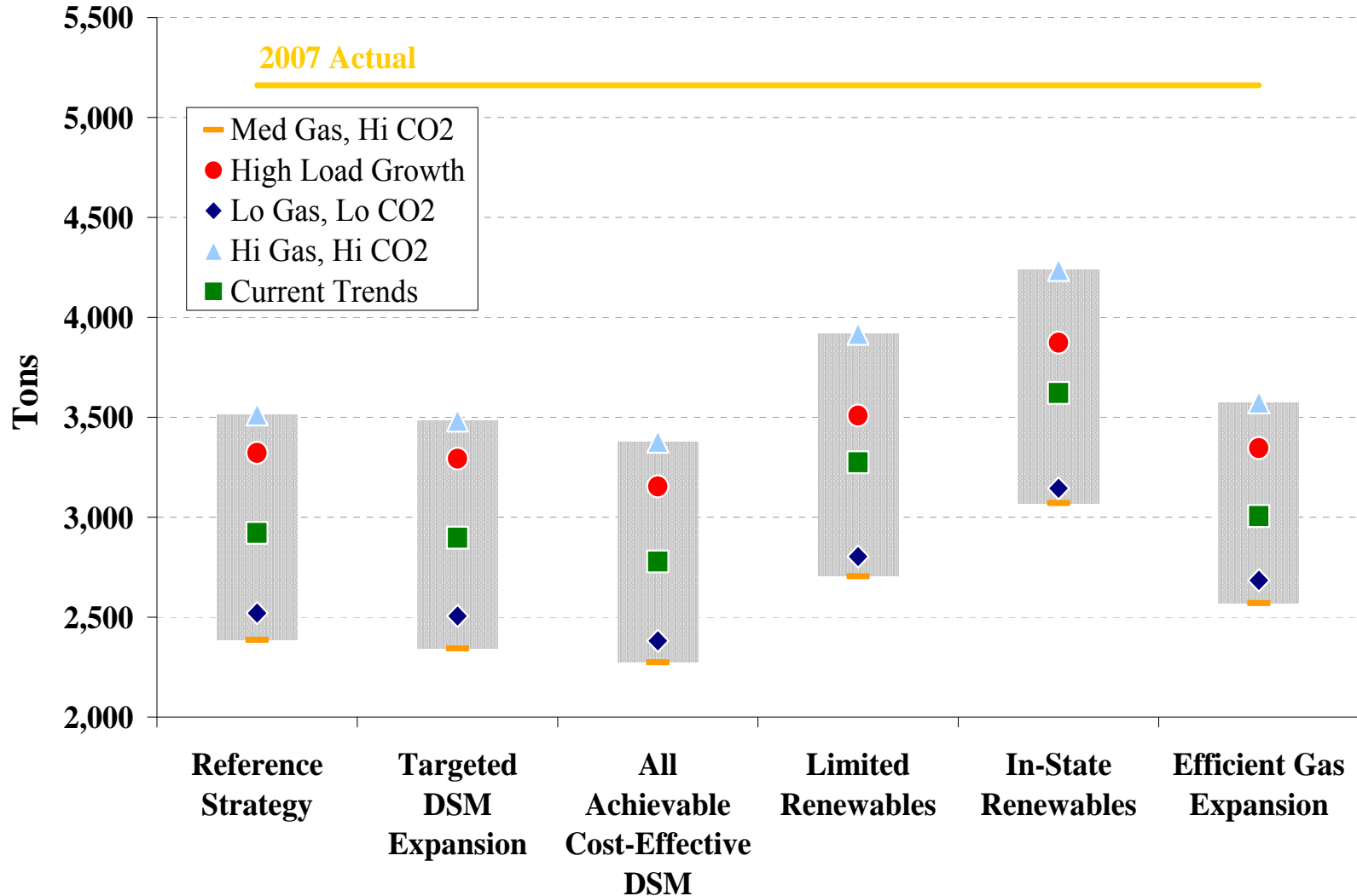
# CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions in New England in 2020



# SO<sub>2</sub> Emissions in CT in 2020



# NO<sub>x</sub> Emissions in CT in 2020



# Primary Findings

1. Assuming the New England states are successful in building enough new renewable generation and associated transmission to meet RPS requirements, there should be **no need for any additional generating resources** for resource adequacy purposes **over the next ten years** under a wide range of demand uncertainty.
2. Predicated on reasonable assumptions regarding supply and demand and transmission, **Connecticut has sufficient generation** installed or under contract to assure locational resource adequacy requirements **for reliability over the next 10 years**, even if significant uneconomic, high-emissions generating plants retire.
3. Due primarily to the effects of RPS and climate legislation, **power supply-related costs are expected to increase** from 11¢/kWh today and in 2013 to nearly 14¢/kWh in 2020 (in 2010 dollars) under expected supply and demand and moderate fuel and emissions costs.

# Primary Findings (continued)

4. A **targeted expansion of DSM programs** beyond those currently planned **can lead to significant reductions in emissions and costs**. It is anticipated that the additional program costs would be more than offset by a reduction in generation service costs and rates.
5. For New England to meet each respective state's 2020 Class 1 renewable portfolio requirements, **New England needs to add about 4,800 MW (nameplate) of new renewable generation**, primarily wind, that will be located in areas distant from load centers that would require investments of approximately **\$20 billion in new renewable generation and about \$10 billion of investment in transmission** resources to access this new renewable generation.
6. Assuming the Class 1 renewable generation buildout and continuation of the Connecticut DSM measures, **New England's CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, NO<sub>x</sub> emissions, and SO<sub>2</sub> emissions in 2020 will be substantially below 2007 actual levels**.

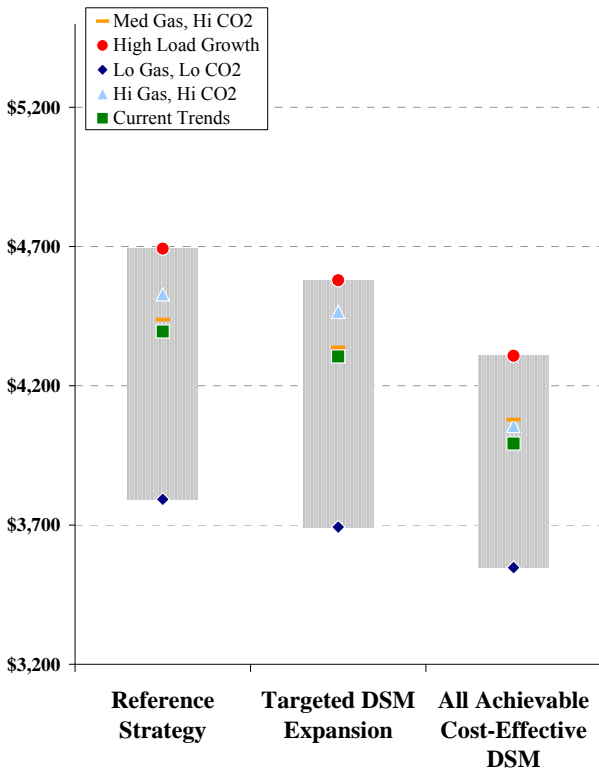
# Primary Findings (continued)

7. New England electric energy prices are highly dependent on the price of natural gas. It is expected that the large supply of economically recoverable shale gas, which can be found as close to New England as New York and Pennsylvania, may allow **natural gas prices to remain moderate** and may thereby help to moderate energy prices.

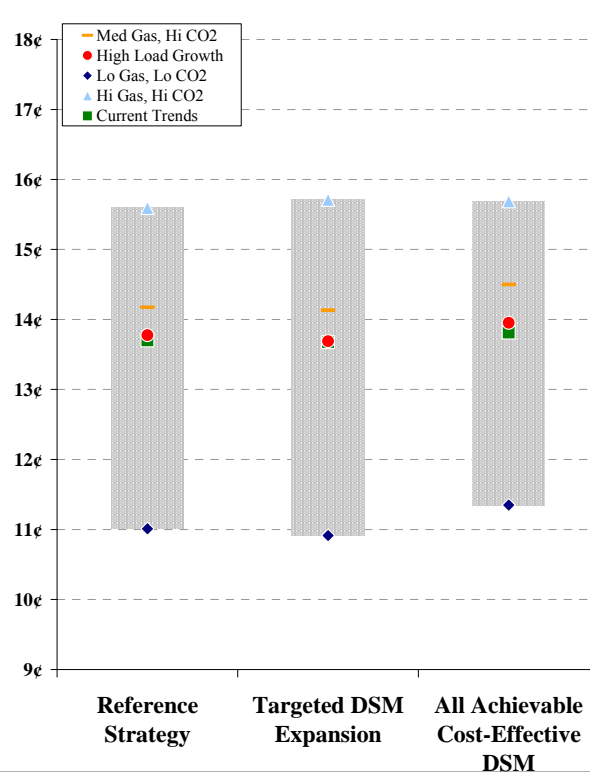
# Recommendation 1: Pursue DSM

Given that the Targeted DSM Expansion strategy would reduce customer costs and emissions while even reducing rates for non-participants, the Companies recommend that this strategy be funded.

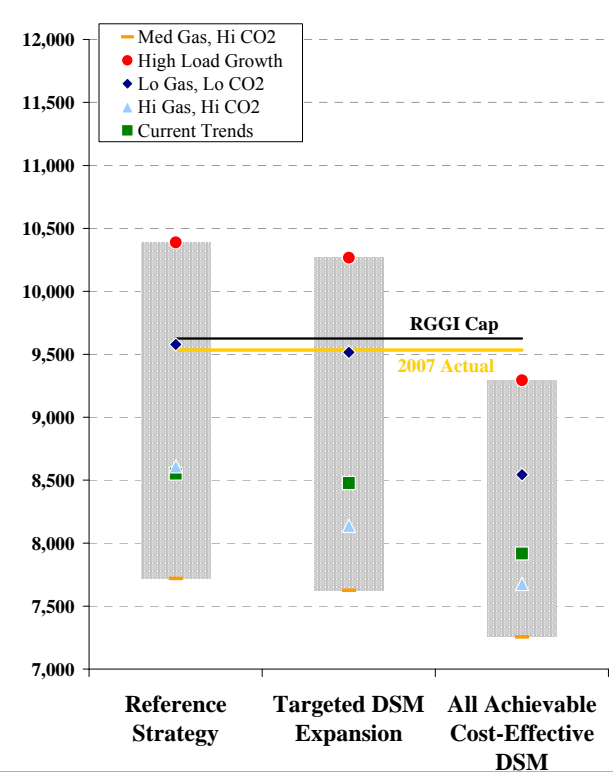
CT Total Power Supply-Related Costs in 2020, 2010 \$ (millions)



CT Average Power Supply-Related Costs in 2020, 2010 \$ (¢/kWh)



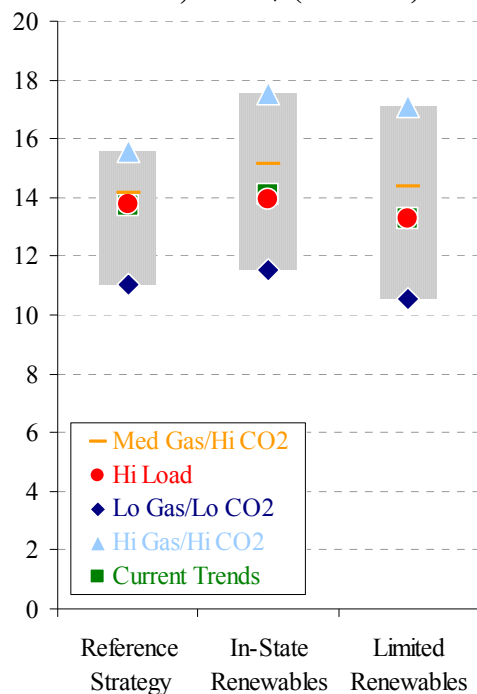
CT CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions in 2020 Tons (000)



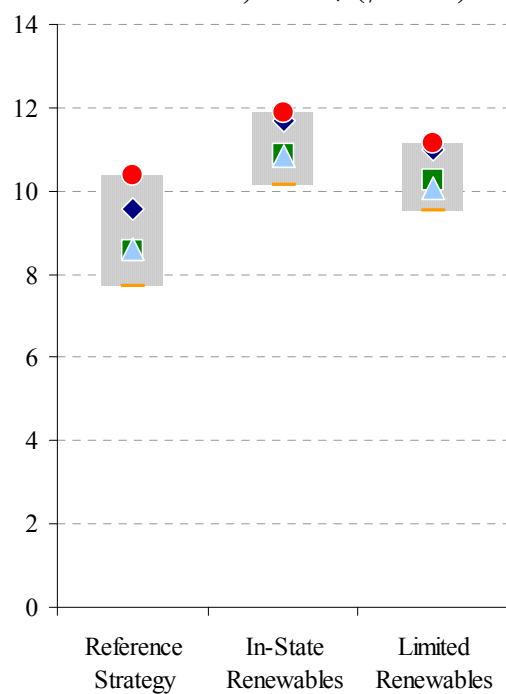
# Recommendation 2: Develop Renewable Policy

Connecticut policy makers need to engage with other New England states to develop a comprehensive regional renewable energy policy. The New England states should work to define the best and most cost-effective means to expand renewable energy development in New England and the surrounding regions while meeting environmental goals.

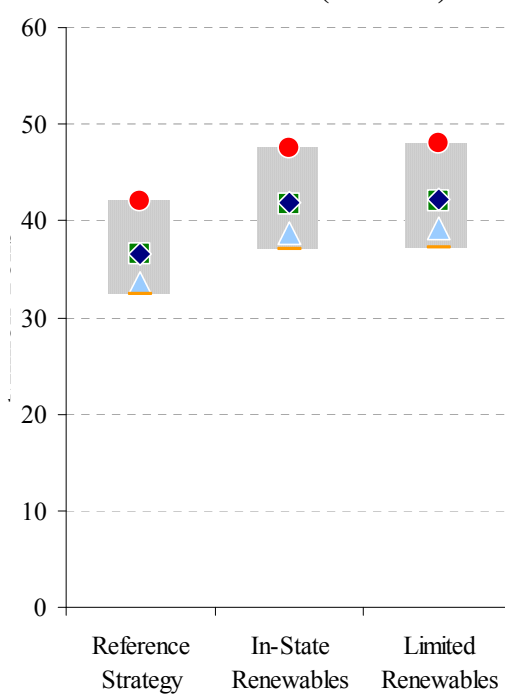
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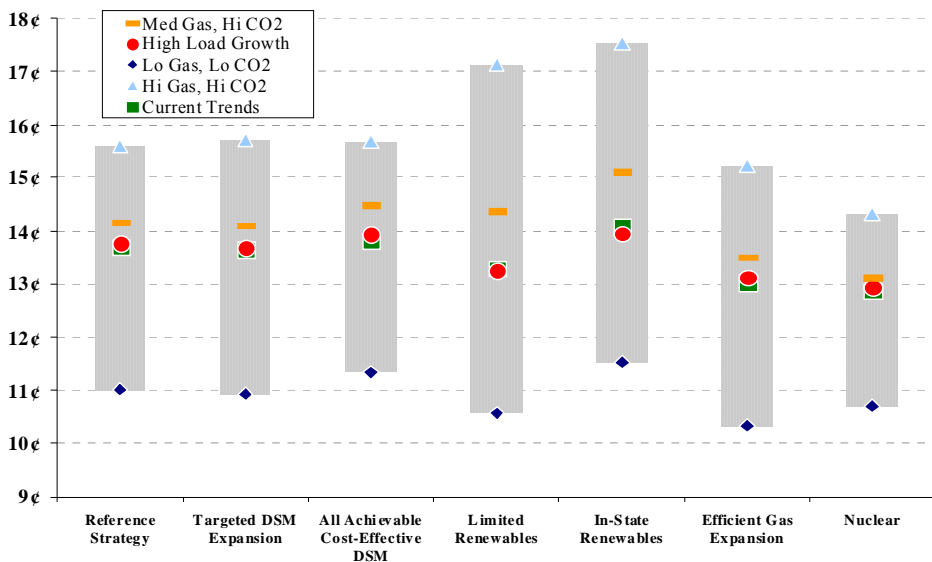
CT CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions in 2020 Tons (millions)



# Recommendation 3: Nuclear Study

UI recommends, in light of the potential benefits of a nuclear strategy identified in the analysis, that the CEAB conduct, sponsor, or otherwise support a more detailed study of the potential costs and benefits of nuclear power, with the objective of providing a more complete picture of the tradeoffs encountered with nuclear power as a long-term resource strategy for Connecticut.

CT Average Power Supply-Related Costs in 2020, (2010 ¢/kWh)



CT CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions in 2020 Tons (000)

