# The Changing Face of Kentucky's Utility Future

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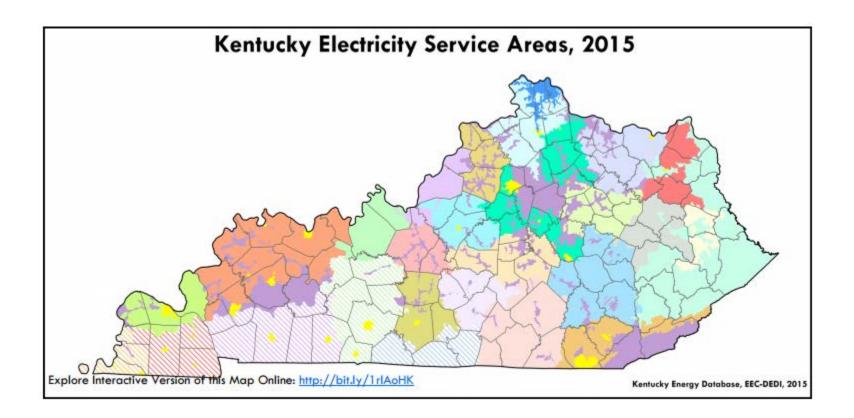
#### Presentation Outline

- Overview of the changes in Kentucky's generation portfolio
- Root causes of those changes
  - [Spoiler it's \$\$\$]

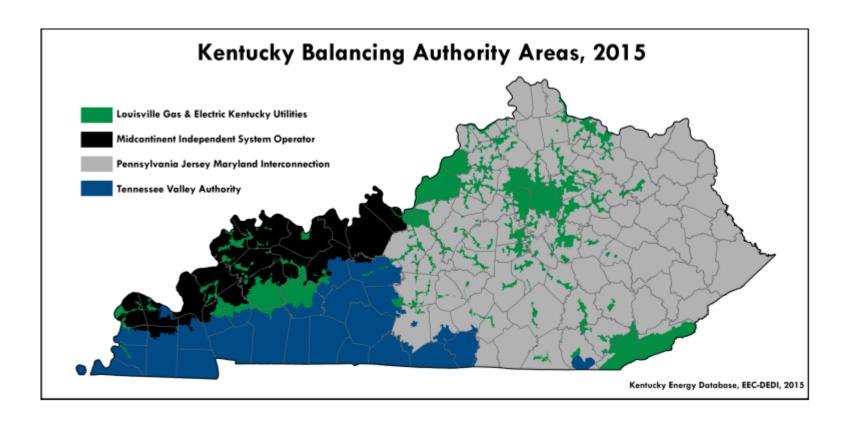
## Changes to Kentucky's Generation Portfolio



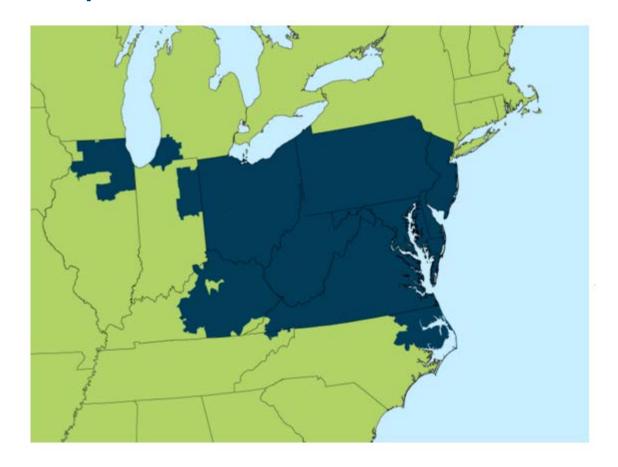
## Kentucky's Electric Utilities



#### Kentucky Balancing Authorities

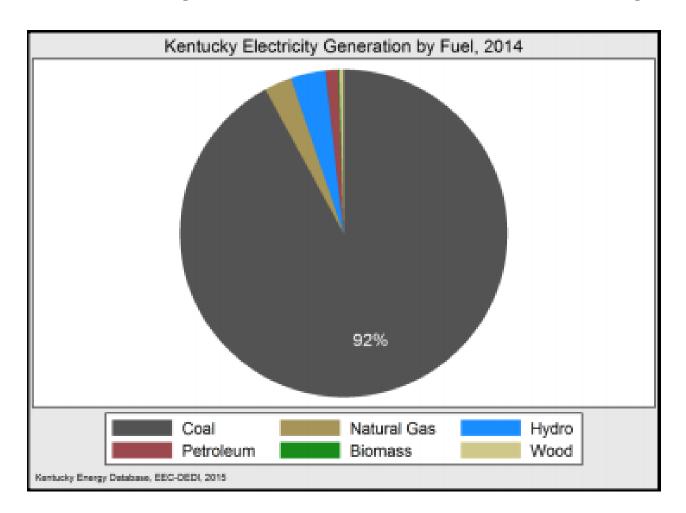


## PJM Footprint

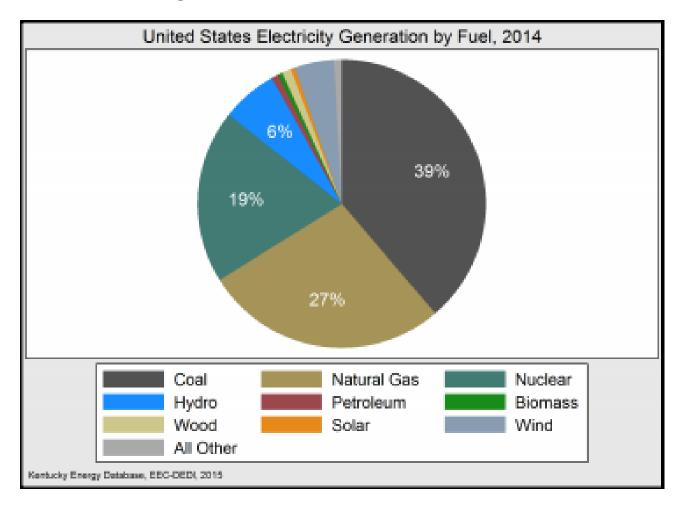




## Generation by Fuel Source (KY Only)

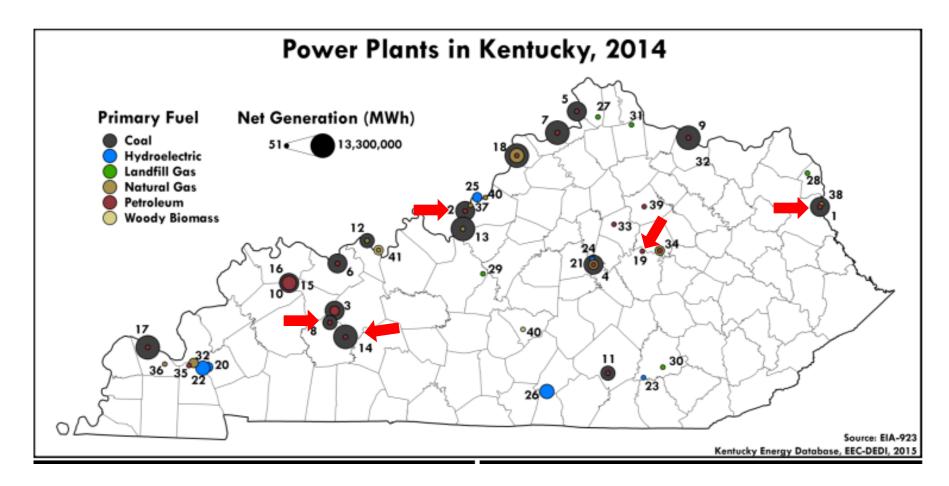


#### Generation by Fuel (US)





#### EGUs in Kentucky - 2014



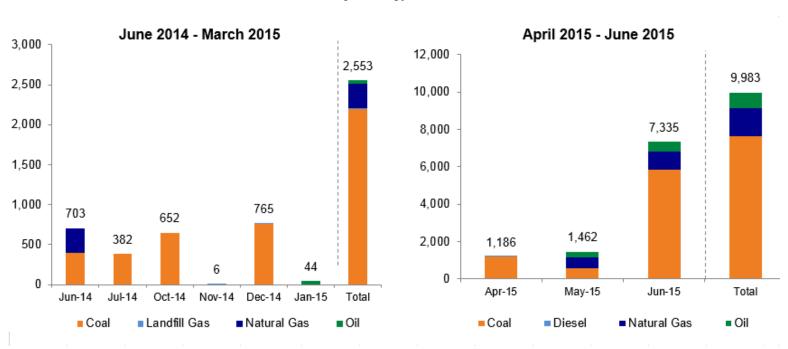
#### Kentucky Coal Plant Retirements (2015-16)

- Big Sandy (KPCO) 1078 MW
- Cane Run (LG&E/KU) 563 MW
- Green River (LG&E/KU) 163 MW
- Paradise (TVA) 1230 MW
- Dale (EKPC) 199 MW
- TOTAL = 3,233 MW Retired



#### PJM Retirements June 2014-June 2015

#### PJM Retirements by Fuel Type and Retirement Date



#### New Generation in Kentucky

• Cane Run #7 – 640 MW

Paradise – 1,100 MW

Big Sandy #1 – 268 MW

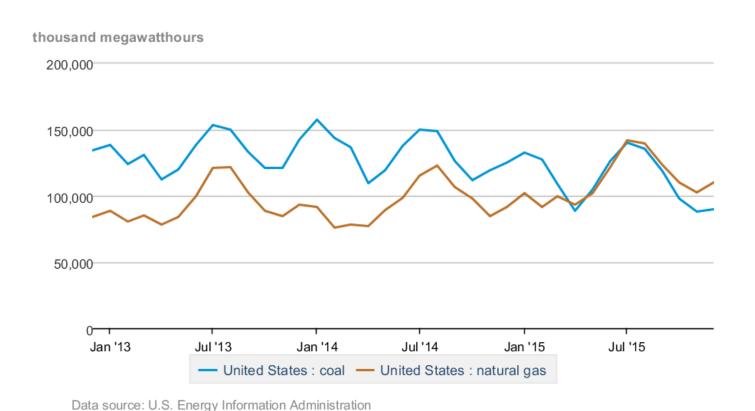
• Brown Solar – 10 MW

ecoPower – 58.5 MW



#### Coal v. Natural Gas (Dec 12 – Dec 15)

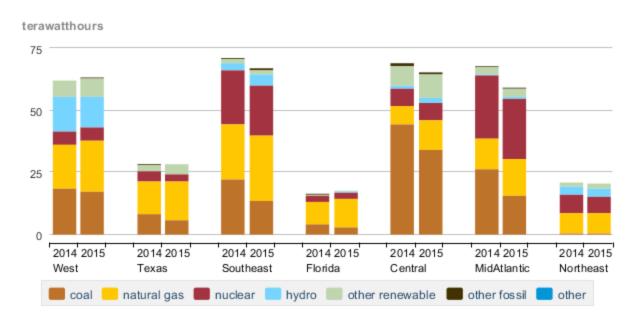
#### Net generation for all sectors, monthly





## Nationwide Change in Fuel Mix

#### Net generation by fuel type, December



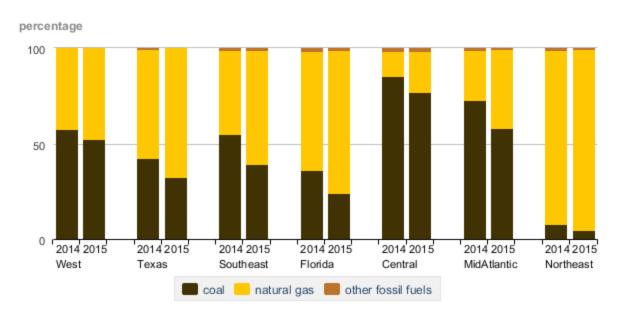


Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration



## Nationwide Change in Fossil Fuel Mix

#### Share of fossil fuel consumption (percentage), December

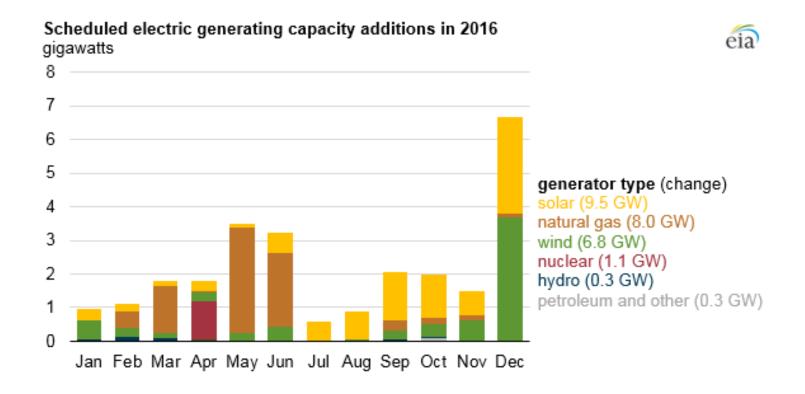




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#### Scheduled Generation Adds (2016)





#### Root Cause of the Changes

[Still \$\$\$]



#### **Generation Economics**

- Dispatch Stacking
- Least Cost Generation Planning
- External Drivers on Cost



## Dispatch Stacking

#### **Available Generation**

#### **Demand**

Gen 4 - \$25/kWh 30 kWh

Gen 3 - \$20/kWh 20 kWh

Gen 2 - \$15/kWh 20 kWh

Gen 1 - \$10/kWh 30 kWh **75 kWh** 



#### Least Cost Generation Planning

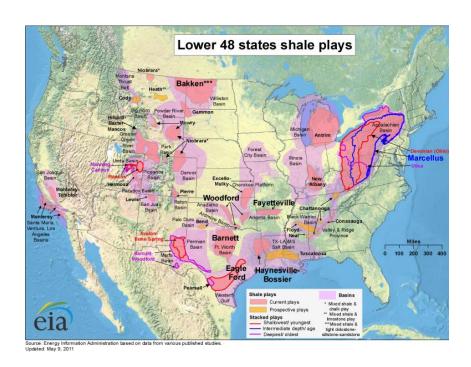
- CPCN = least cost (mostly); KRS 278.020
- Levelized costs for new build (includes fuel/O&M)
  - Scrubbed Coal \$95.1/MWh
  - Coal with CCS \$144.4/MWh
  - NGCC \$75.2/MWh
  - NGCC with CCS \$100.2/MWh
  - Wind \$73.6/MWh (non-dispatchable)
- Gas is the future because it's cheaper...



#### Why makes natural gas cheaper?

 Market Price of Natural Gas

 Regulatory Pressure on Coal



#### Natural Gas Spot Prices (Henry Hub)

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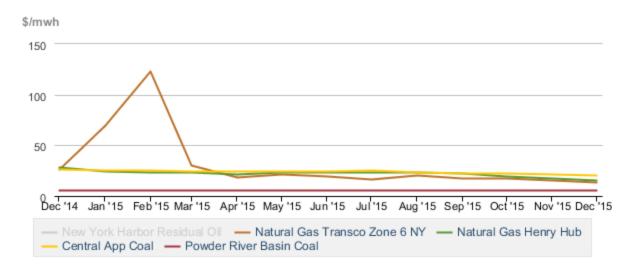


Source: Natural Gas Intelligence



#### Comparison of Fuel Costs

Average fossil fuel spot prices (\$/MWh), December 2014 – December 2015





Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration derived from Bloomberg Energy



#### Regulatory Pressure on Coal

- Cross State Air
  Pollution Rule (CSAPR)
  - "Good Neighbor Rule" –CAA § 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I)
  - Annual SO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>X</sub>;
    Ozone Season NO<sub>X</sub>
  - Cap and Trade System
  - Lots of Litigation
  - -2015 = first budget year



#### More Regulatory Pressure

- Mercury and Air Toxics Standard (MATS)
  - Appropriate and Necessary under CAA § 112(d)
  - Numeric limits on Hg, PM (non-Hg Metals) and HCl (acid gases)
  - Effective April 16, 2012
    - Compliance Date(s) April 16, 2015 or May 31, 2015 or April 16, 2015...
  - Litigation still on-going...although rule remains in place



## Why CSAPR and MATS Drive Cost...





#### Clean Power Plan????

- Promulgated under § 111(d) of the CAA
- Establishes two goal milestone dates 2022 & 2030
- Goals set via BSER three "building blocks"
  - Increased efficiency
  - Replace with less carbon intensive existing NG plants
  - Replace with new renewables
- Two ways to measure
  - Emission rate reductions
  - Mass reductions (i.e. market)
- Litigation...



#### Predictions for the Future

- More natural gas baseload generation in KY
- Increased renewables?
- Increased energy rates regardless
- CPP outcome?
  - Ask me November 9





## QUESTIONS?

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