

*CLEAN ENERGY*

# Combined Heat & Power

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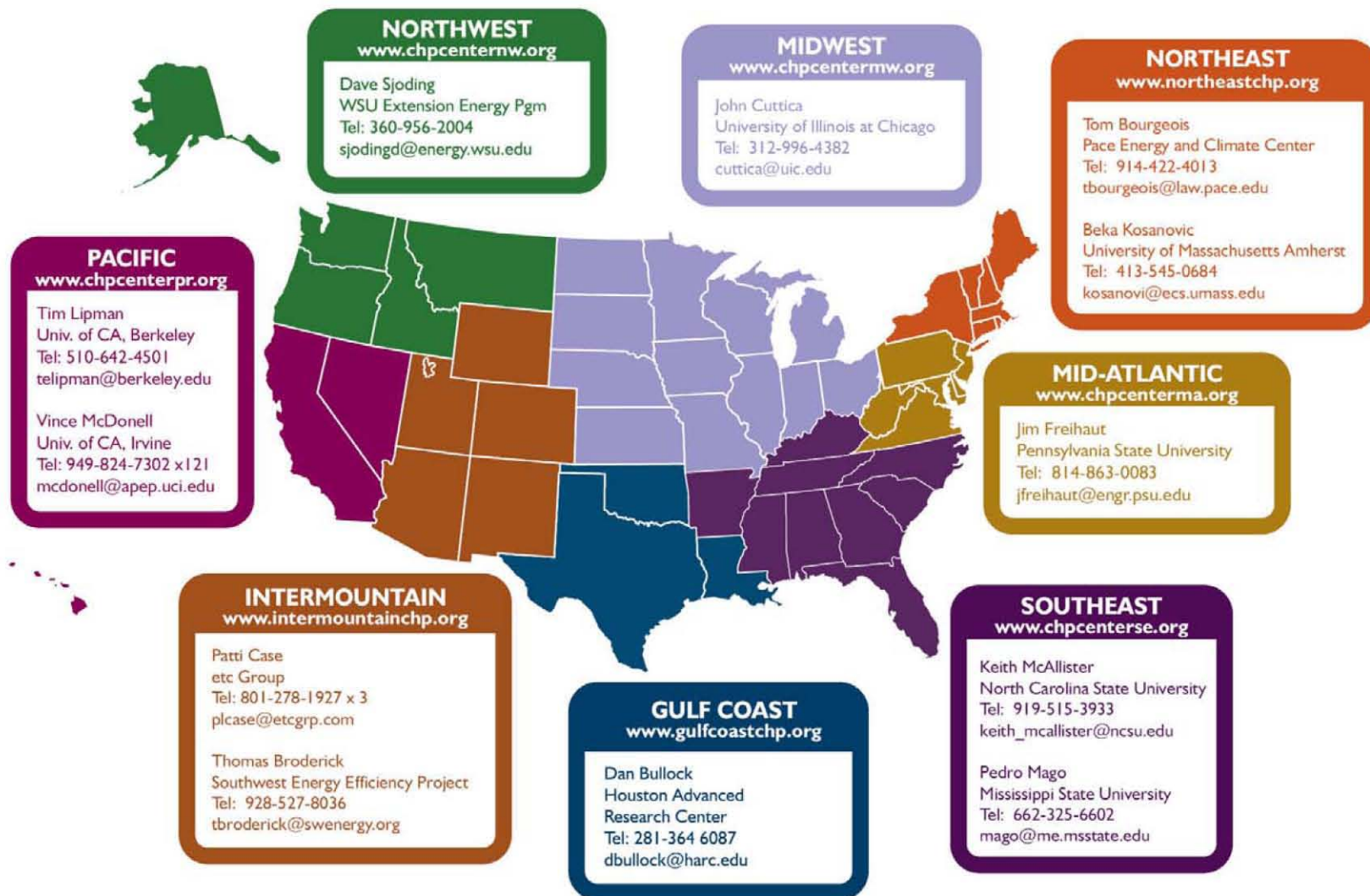
*Promoting CHP, District Energy, and Waste Energy Recovery*



# Evolution of “Clean Energy Application Centers”

- Originally Established as “Regional **CHP** Application Centers”
- Pilot Center Started in 2001 in the Midwest
- Eight Regional CHP Application Centers Established in 2003/2004 through DOE Competitive Process
- Energy Independence & Security Act (EISA) - 2007
  - *Re-designated the 8 Regional “**CHP** Application Centers” as “**Clean Energy** Application Centers”*
  - *Directs DOE to Continue the Operation and Effectiveness of the 8 Centers*

# DOE Clean Energy Application Center Locations, Contacts, and Web Sites



For more information visit <http://www1.eere.energy.gov/industry/distributedenergy/racs.html>

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# Clean Energy Application Centers (RACs)

- **Mission:** Develop technology application knowledge and the educational infrastructure necessary to lead “clean energy” technologies as viable energy options and reduce any perceived risks associated with their implementation
- **Focus:** Provide an outreach and technology deployment program to end users, policy, utility, & industry stakeholders aimed at:
  - **Targeted Education**
  - **Unbiased Information**
  - **Technical Assistance**



# RAC Services & Capabilities

## Unbiased Information

Develop & distribute informational materials

Perform market research to identify high profile candidate applications

## Targeted Education

Develop & conduct target market workshops, seminars, internet programs to educate end users, regulators, and other stakeholders

Assist in overcoming policy and other market barriers

## Technical Assistance

Provide technical assistance to potential user sites

Provide or coordinate on-site assessments for entities considering deployment of clean energy technologies



# “Clean Energy” Technologies

## CHP



The sequential production of electric and thermal power from a single dedicated fuel source

## Waste Heat Recovery



Captures heat otherwise wasted in an industrial process and utilizes it to produce electric power. These systems may or may not produce additional thermal energy

## District Energy



Central heating & cooling plants that incorporate electricity generation along with thermal distribution piping networks for multiple buildings (campus / downtown area)

# Traditional Power is VERY Inefficient

CHP more efficient + less emission



Source: DOE Energy Information Administration Annual Energy Review 2007  
Combined Heat and Power, Oak Ridge National Laboratory

# What is CHP?

**CHP or cogeneration is the sequential production of power (electricity) and thermal energy (heating and/or cooling) from a single energy source.**

- CHP can reduce the amount of **fuel energy** required for a fixed load by up to 50%.
- CHP can reduce **emissions**, including greenhouse gases, by up to 50% or more.
- CHP can be an **economical investment** over the life cycle of the system.

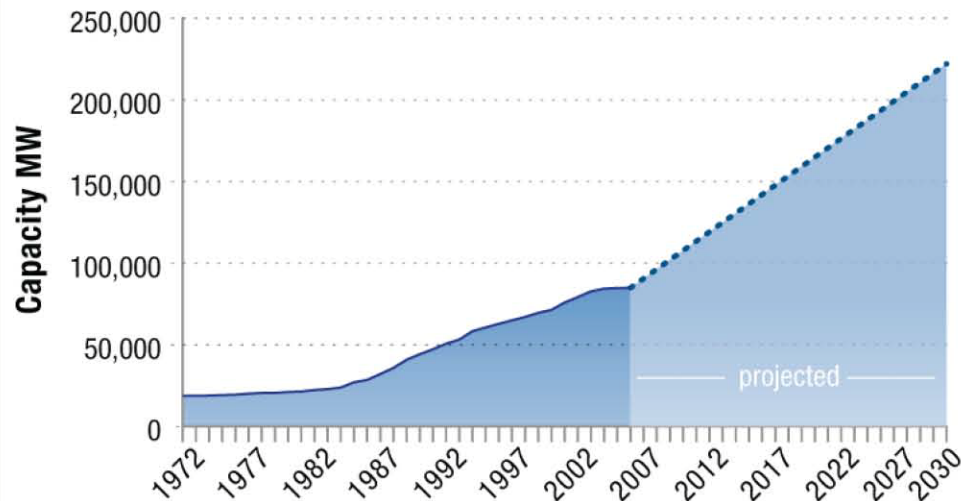




# RACs Support DOE Industrial Technology Program (ITP)

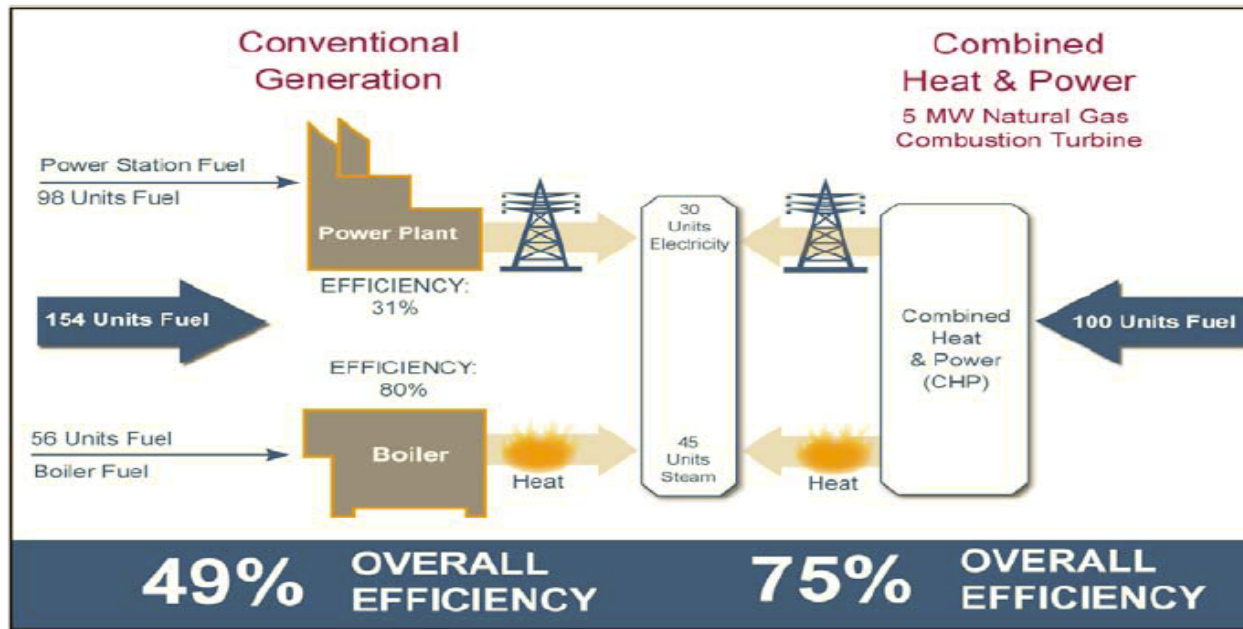
- ITP overall goal of reducing energy intensity in the industrial sector by 25% over the next ten years
- Increase CHP Capacity from 9% of US Generating Capacity in 2010 to 20% by 2030

Historical CHP Capacity and Growth Needed to Achieve 20% of Generation



- \$234 billion private sector investment
- Nearly 1 million new jobs
- Reduces fuel use and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

# Combined Heat & Power (CHP) VS Separate Heat and Power (SHP)



Note: Assumes national averages for grid electricity and incorporates electricity transmission losses.

# Summary of Potential DG Benefits

Can be a cost effective source of peaking and/or baseload power.

- DG can provide cost control and stability.
- Use of fuel contracts can provide long term predictability

Flexibility

Ease in siting

Can be operational within relatively short period.\

Capacity can be grown to match load growth

Energy efficient

Environmentally benign and easier to permit

Easier to finance as compared to other energy investments.

# CHP Why Now?

# Start With a Need for Generation!

Significant need for additional generation capacity.

- 35% of existing generation is 35 years or older.

Load growth may be unprecedented.

- Internet and e-commerce growth projected at 25% to 35% of existing demand.
- UPS growth is 24% annually.

# Add Customer Requirements

**Price:** Rate and volatility are issues.

**Reliability:** Poor power reliability estimated to cost \$50,000,000,000 annually.

**Availability:** Transmission system congestion and reliability coupled with inability to construct new lines constrains customer growth and limits availability of new supplies.

**Quality:** Requirements for high reliability and power quality; voltage, frequency and harmonic content more pervasive.

# CHP – Where?

# Characteristics of Good Applications

Good applications have 1 or more of the following characteristics:

- High electric rates / low fuel costs – good “spark spread”
- Larger facility size – yields lower first cost per kW
- Long operating hours
- Central heating and/or cooling plant – need thermal load
- Need to replace/upgrade existing boiler system
- Good coincidence between electric and thermal loads
- Nearby waste fuel or heat source available
- Need or want more reliable power supply



# Heat Recovery Approaches

Thermal energy can be cost effectively recovered in various media:

- Direct drying is low cost, high efficiency approach
- Water heating
- Steam
- Chilled Water

# Applications

- Industrial
- District Heating and Cooling Energy Centers
- Emergency Power
- Medical
- Educational
- Data Centers

# District Heating and Cooling “Energy Centers”

Heating and cooling loop are seasonal thermal loads.

- Use of heat driven chillers can increase load factor.
- Hot and chilled water systems inherently include thermal storage.
- Distribution system thermal losses create a steady baseload.
- Hot and chilled water systems provide opportunity for storage to match electric and thermal loads.



# Local CHP Installations

## University of Maryland, College Park

- 2 combustion turbines @ 10 mw + 1 steam turbine @ 7 MW; total capacity of 27 MW.
- Integrating campus emergency generators into system for peak shaving and demand reduction.

## NIH, Bethesda

- 4 combustion turbines @ 4.5 MW + 1 reciprocating engine @ 5.6 MW; total capacity of 24 MW.

## FDA White Oak, Bethesda

- 4 combustion turbines @ 4.5 MW + 1 reciprocating engine @ 9 MW; total capacity of 27 MW.

# CHP Capacity Base (MW)

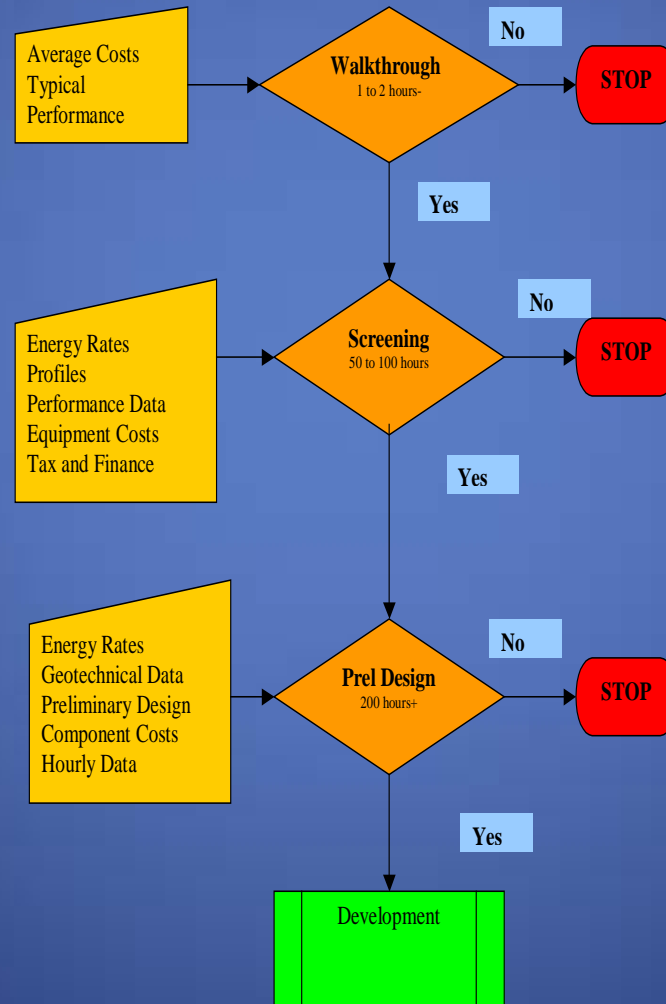
	Maryland	Virginia	District of Columbia
Total	836.0	2,189.0	10.0
Combustion turbine	54.3	11.3	10.0
Reciprocating Engine	15.3	29.7	0.0
Waste Fueled	217.7	180.0	0.0

# Four Steps to CHP

## What to do next?

- Obtain more detailed information and answer to questions.  
Telephone session often good first step
- Walkthrough evaluation
- Screening study
- Preliminary design of system/financing study

# Decision Making Process



# Walkthrough

**The objective of the “walkthrough” is to screen a site to determine if it is a possible candidate for CHP, and requires at most a few hours.**

- Economics; cost savings and payback time (estimates)
- Technical issues
- Existing conditions including infrastructure, zoning and environmental controls
- Space



# Some Immediate Local Initiative

Include CHP in any renewable program

Require CHP evaluations as part of design of new/renovated local facilities.

Require emergency generators be equipped for parallel operation with grid as a demand reduction measure.

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