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NRG Energy Overview



Listed: NYSE (NRG)
Market Cap: ~\$4.9 BN¹
Generation Assets: ~24.7 GW²

Competitive Retail Customers: ~2.1 MM2

2011 Financial Highlights:

Revenues: \$9.1 BN
EBITDA: \$1.8 BN
Cash from Ops: \$1.2 BN
FCF, before Growth: ~\$0.8 BN

NRG in the Power Sector Value Chain

Fuel Supply & Transportation

Power Generation

- * Regulated Utilities
- Competitive Generators
- Renewables

Transmission & Distribution

Retail (Customer)

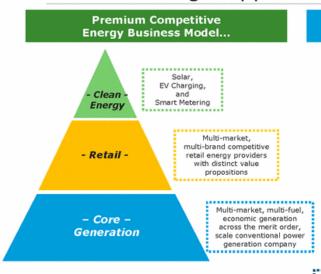
- . Cost of service
- Competitive markets (Residential & C&I)
- New products and services (EV charging and distributed solar)



- Premium competitive generation portfolio; Most capacity in Texas of any publicly traded power company
- teading integrated wholesale / retail energy business; Largest retailer in Texas
- Well positioned for power price and natural gas recovery
- ❖ First mover advantage in clean energy sector with ~1,130 MW³ utility scale solar projects in operation or under construction
- Strong free cash flow coupled with long history of returning capital to shareholders (including a dividend)

NRG's Strategic Approach





...Augmented by Balanced Capital Allocation

2006-1H 2012: \$10.8 BN Total1



PLUS:

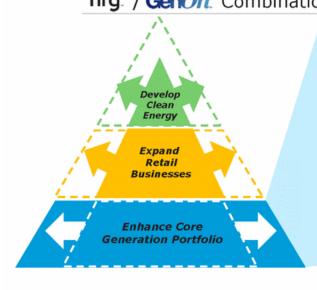
Annual dividend of \$0.36/share (~1.7% yield²): First ever quarterly payment made on August 15



A Commitment to Growth and the Regular Return of \bigstar Capital to Shareholders

Enhancing the Core Generation Portfolio: nrg. / GenOn. Combination





Transaction Delivers Strategic Benefits....



Expanding and strengthening the base to enable further expansion of NRG's Competitive Energy Business Model



Combined portfolio will be better positioned to compete throughout the commodity cycle



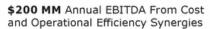
Greater scale enhances ability to revitalize generation fleet and optimize portfolio value



Foundation to duplicate NRG's successful Texas-based integrated wholesale/retail model



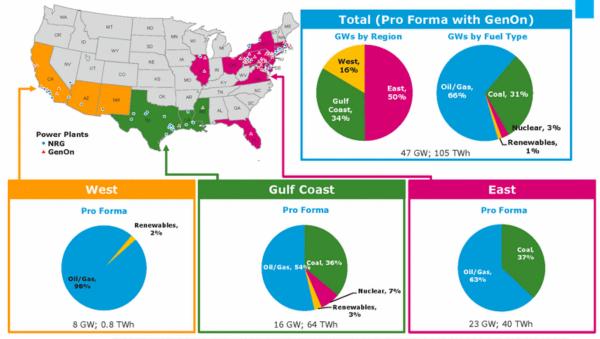
\$300 MM Annual Free Cash Flow Benefits from the Combination





A transformative combination expected to close by Q1 2013



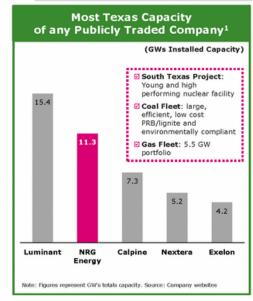


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The combined company becomes the largest competitive power generation company, with scale and diversification across US regions

Source: Company filings. NRG and GenOn capacity as of June 30, 2012, generation based on 2011 TWhs. Excludes NRG International assets, NRG Thermal assets, and NRG and GenOn projects under construction. Note: Totals may not sum to 100 due to rounding. See slide 14 of this presentation for NRG standalone generation portfolio

Leading Position in the Texas Power Market



¹NRG Texas included in Gulf Coast Region

Tightening Texas Reserve Margin Forecast...



Source: ERCOT May 2012 Capacity, Demand, and Reserves Report, ERCOT CEO Update (Aug 2011)

...but Forwards Don't Reflect Strong Fundamentals



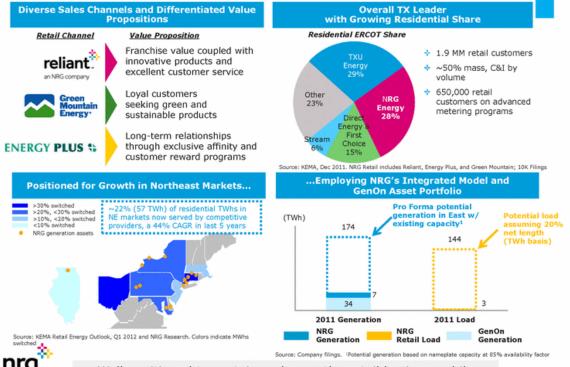
Source: NRG estimates. ¹Hargin required to justify new build economics for a CCGT based on \$800-1_000/kW capital cost net of A/S and O&M. Spark Spread=(Houston Hub On-Peak Power - 7 heat rate x Henry Hub Gas)



Concentration in high-performing Texas market with more than 11 GW capacity

Expanding the Retail Business: Multi-Brand and Multi-Channel Approach





Well-positioned to sustain and grow the retail business while employing NRG's successful integrated model

Developing Clean Energy: Targeting First-Mover Status, Strategic Synergies





Green Products and Services:

~\$400-\$500 BN Value

Clean Transportation

- · Electric vehicle services
- Home and network charging
- · Clean electricity for home charging

 US PEV sales to reach ~300k units by 2015, up from 1.6k in 2010

Green Housing and Utilities

- · Clean/green retail electricity
- · Rooftop solar
- · Smart Meters
- LEEDs
- Utility RPS (solar)

By 2015, US green building market to increase to \$173 BN from \$71 BN in 2010

Green Retail Energy

- Clean /green electricity
- Distributed solar
- CO₂ offsets and REC sales
- B2B/Energy management

 Green retail market projected to grow from 36 TWh in 2010 to 157 TWh by 2015¹





☑ First-Mover Advantage





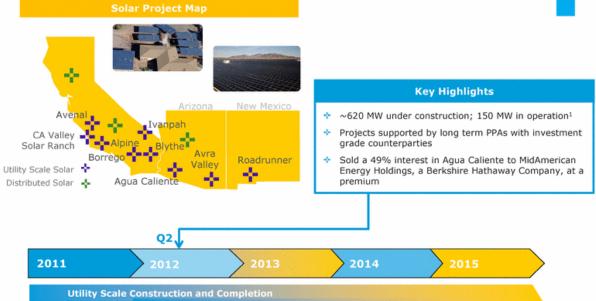




Leading position on >\$450 BN in market opportunities in the clean economy

Developing Clean Energy: Industry Leading Solar Platform





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With almost 500 net MW online by year-end, solar beginning to contribute significant contracted EBITDA

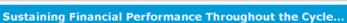
Build Capacity and Scale in the Distributed Solar Space

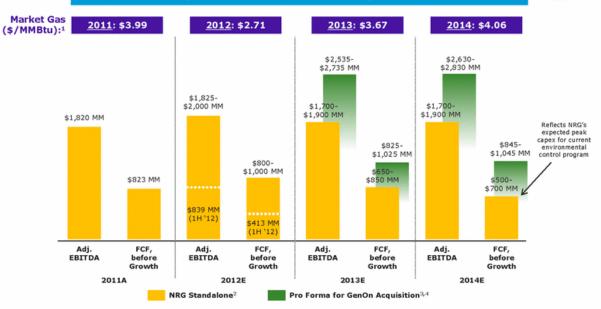
Residential

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'Net NRG ownership share as of end of Q2 2012 (utility scale only). Gross MW's (including capacity owned by minority equity partners) total ~1,130 utility scale MWs, including ~900 MWs under construction

Financial Highlights







...while preserving upside for commodity price recovery

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*Habural gas prices at Henry Hub; 2011 is average prompt market price, 2012 is average of prompt market price rice from Fig. 4. (2012-2014 forward market price sas of 8/8/2012 * Acc of 8/8/12/12 * Acc of 8/8/12/12 * (2012-2014) forward market price sas of 8/8/2012 * Acc of 8/8/12/12 * (2012-2014) forward market prices as of 8/8/2012 * (2012-2014) forward market













NRG: Why Now?

4	Pro forma-	-the <i>largest</i>	competitive	power of	company,
	levered to	both power	and gas reco	very	

* Positioned for **Texas** power market upside as the largest publicly traded Texas generator

Retail Energy

Core Generation

- Leading integrated competitive wholesale / retail position provides *countercyclical* earnings
- Growth vehicle for new customers, volume and products and services

Clean Energy

- → First mover in >\$450 BN clean energy sector
- under construction

Financial

- Significant annual free cash flow generation with committed return of capital as a dividend payer
- Combination with GenOn yields \$300 MM in annual free cash flow benefits



Strategically Positioned and Levered for Future Growth While Generating Significant Free Cash Flow



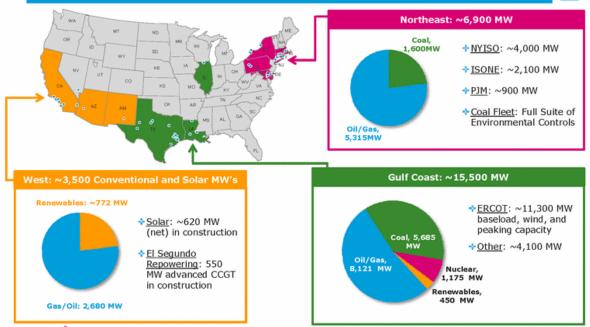
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NRG Standalone Generation Portfolio: Diversification by Region and Fuel Type



Positioned for Market Recovery with One of the Nation's Most Diversified Generation Portfolios¹



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Geographically and fuel-diverse portfolio of strategically located, premium generation assets across the merit order

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Excludes GenOn assets, NRG international assets, and NRG thermal assets; includes NRG net MWs under construction

Integrated Wholesale/Retail Platform: Managing the Texas Portfolio

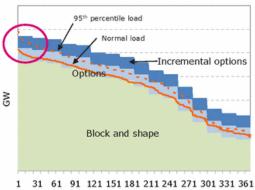






Retail Risk Management: Supply and Load

Summer month on-peak duration curve



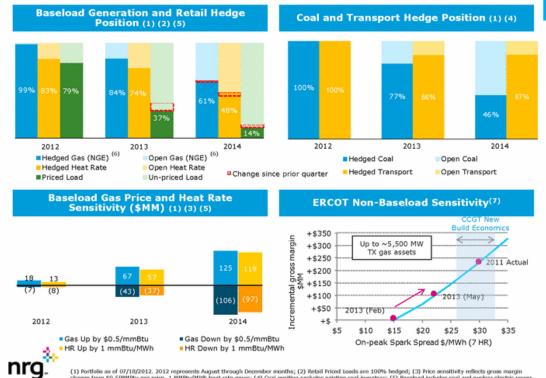
...While Managing Tail Risk



Exposure to robust market fundamentals while managing volatility in retail load

Managing Commodity Price Risk: NRG Standalone





(1) Portfolio as of 07/18/2012. 2012 represents August through December months; (2) Retail Priced Loads are 100% hedged; (3) Price sensitivity reflects gross margin change from \$0.5/MMRtu gas price, 1 MMRtu/MWh heat rate move; (4) Coal position excludes existing coal inventory; (5) Baseload includes coal and nuckar electric power generation capacity normally expected to serve loads on around-the-clock basis throughout the calendar year (6) NGE-Maturia Cas Equivalent (7) MRG estimates. Margin required to justify new build economics for a CCGT based on \$800-1,000/KW capital cost net of A/S and O&M. Sensitivity based on open gas portfolio. Spark spread = (Houston Hub On-Peak Power = 7 heat rate x letrery Hub Cas)

Conventional Generation Development: Strengthening and Enhancing the Portfolio



El Segundo CCGT Under Construction



- 550 MW state of the art CCGT technology with unique fast ramp capability
- Located in center of Los Angeles load pocket
- Full-requirements PPA with So. California Edison delivers earnings visibility, eliminates commodity exposure
- COD in summer 2013

Other Well-Positioned Opportunities

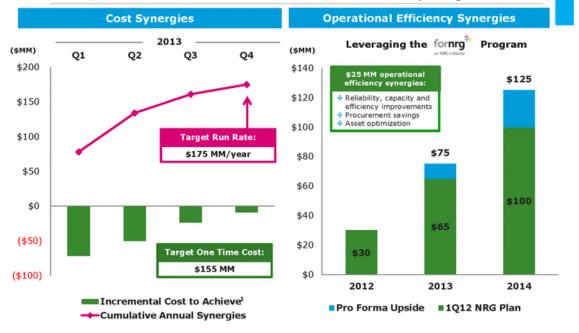
Project	Size (MW)	Status
Long Beach Repowering	260 MW	✓ Completed Q3 2007
Cos Cob Peaker	40 MW	✓ Completed Q2 2008
Cedar Bayou 4	260 MW	✓ Completed Q2 2009
GenConn Peakers	200 MW	✓ Completed Q3 2011
Astoria CCGT	Up to 1020 MW	 Competitive for next NYPA RFP
Encina CCGT	-	☐ Competitive for California utility RFPs
TX Brownfield	-	 Available when new- build economics prevail in TX market
Old Bridge CCGT	660 MW	☐ Contract signed with NJ BPU



Repowering projects supported by long-term off-take agreements with creditworthy counterparties, located in or near high population centers

GenOn Combination:

Real, Measurable and Actionable EBITDA Synergies





\$200 MM of Annual Cost and Operational Efficiency Synergies to be Fully Realized in First Full Year of Operation



NRG Standalone 2012-2014 Guidance¹

(\$MM)	2012	2013	2014
Wholesale	\$1,130-\$1,225	\$850-\$965	\$705-\$820
Solar Projects ²	\$70-\$75	\$200-\$210	\$320-\$330
Retail	\$625-\$700	\$650-\$725	\$675-\$750
Consolidated adjusted EBITDA	\$1,825-\$2,000	\$1,700-\$1,900	\$1,700-\$1,900
Free Cash Flow – before growth investments	\$800-\$1,000	\$650-\$850	\$500-\$700

¹Guidance as of August 8, 2012; from Q2 2012 NRG Earnings Call Presentation ²Solar projects include the EBITDA contribution from the projects net of non-controlling interest and excluding development expen







(\$MM)	12/31/2011	3/31/2012	6/30/2012	COD Date / Comments
Recourse debt:				
Term loan facility	1,592	1,588	1,584	
Unsecured Notes	6,090	6,090	6,018	
Tax Exempt Bonds	264	273	274	
Recourse subtotal ¹	7,946	7,951	7,876	
Non-Recourse debt:				
Ivanpah	874	1,049	1,168	2013
Agua Caliente	181	233	440	2012-2014
CVSR	-	138	277	2012-2013
Other solar non-recourse debt	157	141	137	2012
Total Solar Debt	1,212	1,561	2,022	
El Segundo	159	198	248	August 2013
Capital Lease - Schkopau ²	103	103	_	Sold on July 17th
Conventional non-recourse debt ³	444	438	438	
Non-Recourse and Capital Lease Subtotal	1,918	2,300	2,708	
Total Debt	\$9,864	\$10,251	\$10,584	

¹ Includes discount of \$11M, \$12M, and \$12M, for 6/30/12, 3/31/12 and 12/31/12, respectively

³ Includes discount on NRG Peaker of \$17M, \$18M and \$20M, for 6/30/12, 3/31/12 and 12/31/11, respectively



² Reclassified to current liabilities held for sale



Appendix Reg. G





Reg. G: 2011 Free Cash Flow

\$ in millions	ec 31, 2011
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 1,820
Interest payments	(769)
Income tax	(26)
Collateral	12
NINA capital calls - post deconsolidation	(14)
Working capital/Other assets & liabilities	143
Cash flow from operations	\$ 1,166
Reclassifying of receipts (payments) of financing element of acquired derivatives	(83)
Adjusted Cash flow from operations	\$ 1,083
Maintenance CapEx	(200)
Environmental CapEx, net	(51)
Preferred dividends	(9)
Free cash flow - before growth investments	\$ 823



Note: see Appendix slide 27 of the Q4 2011 Earnings Call presentation for a Capital Expenditure reconciliation





\$ in millions	Jun 30, 2012	 Jun 30, 2011	Variance
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 839	\$ 972	\$ (133)
Interest payments Income tax Collateral/working capital/other	(293) (21) 60	(485) (25) (153)	192 4 213
Cash flow from operations	\$ 585	\$ 309	\$ 276
Reclassifying of net payments for settlement of acquired derivatives that include financing elements	(44)	(46)	2
Adjusted Cash flow from operations	\$ 541	\$ 263	\$ 278
Maintenance CapEx	(102)	(112)	10
Environmental CapEx, net Preferred dividends	(21) (5)	(1) (5)	(20)
Free cash flow - before growth investments	\$ 413	\$ 145	\$ 268

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Reg. G: 2012 Guidance

\$ in millions	8/8/2012 Guidance	5/3/2012 Guidance
Wholesale	\$1,130-\$1,225	\$1,200-\$1,300
Solar Projects ¹	70-75	-
Retail	625-700	625-700
Consolidated adjusted EBITDA	\$1,825-\$2,000	\$1,825-\$2,000
Interest Payments	(605)	(605)
Income Tax	(50)	(50)
Collateral/working capital/other	(50)	(83)
Cash flow from operations	\$1,100-\$1,300	\$1,050-\$1,250
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Retail	650-725	675-750
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Interest Payments	(670)	(740)
Income Tax	(40)	(40)
Collateral/working capital/other	60	80
Cash flow from operations	\$1,050-\$1,250	\$1,000-\$1,200
Maintenance CapEx	(230)-(250)	(220)-(240)
Environmental CapEx, net	(130)-(150)	(230)-(250)
Preferred Dividends	(9)	(9)
Free cash flow - before growth investments	\$650-\$850	\$500-\$700

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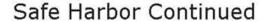
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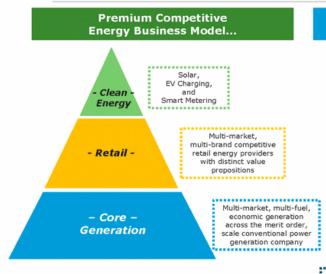
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Expanding and strengthening the base to enable further expansion of NRG's Competitive Energy Business Model



Combined portfolio will be better positioned to compete throughout the commodity cycle



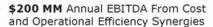
Greater scale enhances ability to revitalize generation fleet and optimize portfolio value



Foundation to duplicate NRG's successful Texas-based integrated wholesale/retail model



\$300 MM Annual Free Cash Flow Benefits from the Combination





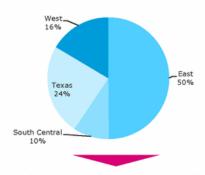
A transformative combination expected to close by Q1 2013

I. NRG Pro Forma Generation Portfolio: Diversification by Region and Fuel Type



Pro Forma Company will be one of the Largest, Most Diversified Generators...

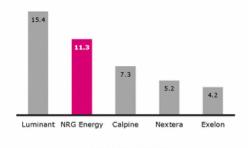
Pro Forma Installed Capacity: 47 GW



- Multiregional with fuel diversity across the merit order
- ~12 GW low-cost, environmentally controlled baseload coal
- ~4 GW combined cycle capacity; ~1.3 GW efficient gas-fired capacity under construction
- Diversified revenue streams from energy, capacity, and through long-term contracts

...While Maintaining a Leading Position in the Texas Power Market

Installed ERCOT Capacity (GW)2



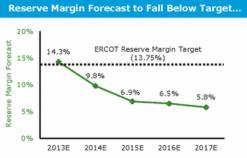
- South Texas Project: 1.2 GW young and high performing nuclear facility
- 4.2 GW large, efficient, low cost PRB/lignite and environmentally compliant
- * 5.5 GW natural gas portfolio



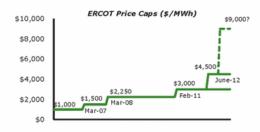
Geographically and fuel-diverse portfolio of strategically located generation assets with a focus on Texas



I. The Texas Power Market Debate







Sources: ERCOT May 2012 Capacity, Demand, and Reserves Report

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NRG's Resource Adequacy Perspective

- Mandated reserve margin requirement to ensure a stable and reliable power grid, now and in the future
- Strong scarcity pricing provisions in the energy market
- Well-designed, non-discriminatory forward capacity market to complement the ERCOT energy market

Texas power market fundamentals remain strong, but further market design changes required to ensure long term reliability

II. Expanding the Retail Business: Multi-Brand and Multi-Channel Approach



Diverse Sales Channels and Differentiated Value Propositions¹

Retail Channel

Scale and Value Proposition

reliant.

Franchise value coupled with innovative products and excellent customer service



Loyal customers seeking green and sustainable products

ENERGY PLUS \$

Long-term relationships through exclusive affinity and customer reward programs

- * 2.1 MM competitive retail electricity customers
- 57 TWh retail load served (2011)
- Active in 12 states including TX, PA, NY, CT, NJ
- 300,000 customers on green electricity products

Overall TX Leader with Growing Residential Share! Residential ERCOT Share? \$\frac{1.9 \text{ MM retail customers}}{2.9\%}\$ Other 2.3\% Direct Energy Energy Energy Energy Energy 2.8\% First Choice 15\% \$\frac{1.9 \text{ MM retail customers}}{2.000 \text{ retail customers}}\$ on advanced metering programs! Fourier KEMA, Dec 2011, company filings. NRG Retail includes Reliant, Energy Plus, and Green Mountain East: Integrated Model and GenOn Asset Portfolio Pro Forma potential generation in East w/existing capacity3 144 Potential load assuming 20\% net length (TWh basis)



Well-positioned to sustain and grow the retail business while employing NRG's successful integrated approach

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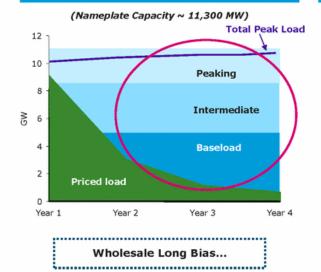
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¹As of June 30, 2012

II. Integrated Wholesale/Retail Platform: Managing the Texas Portfolio

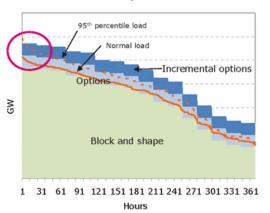






Retail Risk Management: Supply and Load

Summer month on-peak duration curve



...While Managing Tail Risk

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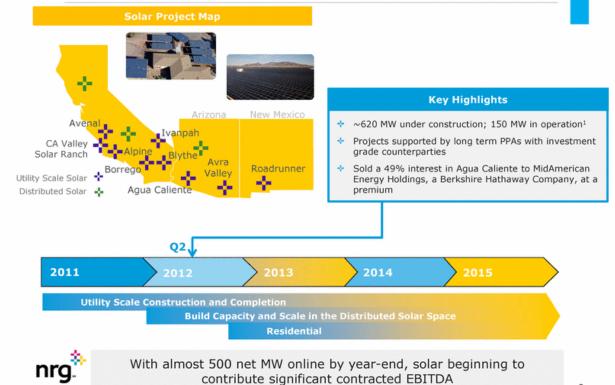
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Exposure to robust market fundamentals while managing volatility in retail load

III. Developing Clean Energy: Industry Leading Solar Platform





1Net NRG ownership share as of end of Q2 2012 (utility scale only). Gross MW's (including capacity owned by minority equity partners) total 1,130 utility scale MWs, including ~900 MWs under construction







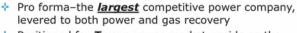












Positioned for <u>Texas</u> power market upside as the largest publicly traded Texas generator

Retail Energy

- Leading integrated competitive wholesale / retail position provides countercyclical earnings
- Growth vehicle for new customers, volume and products and services

Clean Energy

- + First mover in clean energy sector
- ~770 MW_{net} utility scale solar projects in operation or under construction; *long term* PPAs

Financial

- * Significant annual free cash flow generation with committed return of capital as a dividend payer
- Combination with GenOn yields \$300 MM in annual free cash flow benefits



Strategically Positioned and Levered for Future Growth While Generating Significant Free Cash Flow

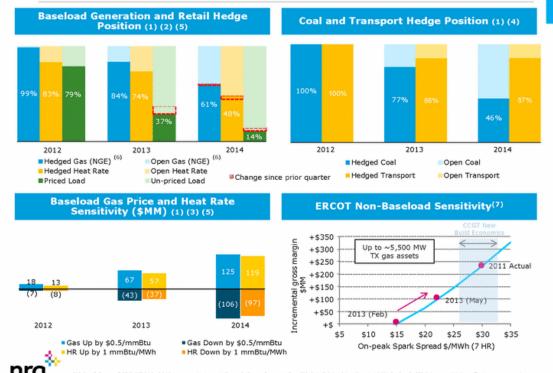


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Managing Commodity Price Risk: NRG Standalone

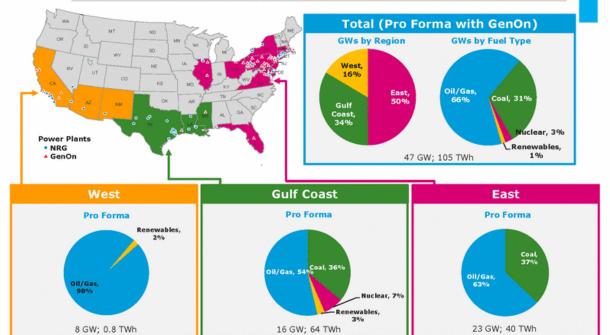




(1) Portfolio as of 07/18/2012. 2012 represents August through December months; (2) Retail Priced Loads are 100% hedged; (3) Price sensitivity reflects gross margin change from \$0.5\text{MRBU,MWh} in Meat rate move; (4) Coal position excludes existing coal inventory; (5) Baseload includes coal and nuclear electric generation capacity normally expected to serve loads on around-the-dock hasts throughout the calendar year (6) NGE+listuatic Gas Equivalent (7) NGE estimates. Margin required to justify new balld economics for a CCGT based on \$800-1,000/KW capital cost net of A/S and O&M. Sensitivity based on open gas portfolio. Spark spread = (Houston Hub On-Peak Rower - 7 heat rate x Henry Hub Cas)

Enhancing the Core Generation Portfolio: Delivering Generation, Fuel and Revenue Diversity





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The combined company becomes the largest competitive power generation company, with scale and diversification across US regions

Conventional Generation Development: Strengthening and Enhancing the Portfolio



El Segundo CCGT Under Construction



- 550 MW state of the art CCGT technology with unique fast ramp capability
- Located in center of Los Angeles load pocket
- Full-requirements PPA with So. California Edison delivers earnings visibility, eliminates commodity exposure
- COD in summer 2013

Other Well-Positioned Opportunities

Project	Size (MW)	Status
Long Beach Repowering	260 MW	✓ Completed Q3 2007
Cos Cob Peaker	40 MW	✓ Completed Q2 2008
Cedar Bayou 4	260 MW	✓ Completed Q2 2009
GenConn Peakers	200 MW	✓ Completed Q3 2011
Astoria CCGT	Up to 1020 MW	 Competitive for next NYPA RFP
Encina CCGT	-	 Competitive for California utility RFPs
TX Brownfield	-	Available when new- build economics prevail in TX market
Old Bridge CCGT	660 MW	Contract signed with NJ BPU



Repowering projects supported by long-term off-take agreements with creditworthy counterparties, located in or near high population centers