





# Driven by the Sun – PV is (way)Cheaper than Gasoline Brief Information and Opinions

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# "Game Changers" The New Electric Cars



- 80% of VMT is less than 40 miles per day
- 26% of Florida vehicles are small cars
- 4,000 kWh/yr for 12,000 miles
- If all small cars electric
  - 1.4 billion gallons of gasoline saved per year
  - \$2.6 billion net cost savings per year if PV electric
  - 15 TWh (billion kWh) additional energy needs per year (4 MORE LARGE POWER PLANTS)!



#### Nissan Leaf (all electric)



#### Chevy Volt (plug-in hybrids)



Total Cost of Electric Car ~ Cost of Gasoline Car at the end of 5 years

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# **Residential Electricity is Equivalent to \$0.97 Per Gallon Gasoline**



|              | Fuel<br>Efficiency | Fuel<br>Price                            | Cost<br>per Mile | Cost per<br>12,000<br>Miles |
|--------------|--------------------|--|------------------|-----------------------------|
| Gasoline Car | <b>25 mpg</b>      | \$3.25<br>per gal                        | 13¢<br>per mile  | \$1,560                     |
| Electric Car | 3 miles<br>per kWh | 11.6 ¢/kWh<br>(\$0.97 per<br>gal equiv.) | 3.9¢<br>per mile | <b>\$464</b>                |

# Costs of PV modules are dropping below the power law experience curves

Sources: (CdTe) First Solar Earnings Presentation, SEC Filings; (c-Si) Navigant, Bloomberg NEF, NREL internal cost models



# **Installed Price of PV**





National Weighted Average System Prices, 2010 –Q1 2012

# **Residential Photovoltaic Power is Equivalent** to \$1.08 Per Gallon Gasoline



# **Future Price of Gasoline?**



Year

#### Price of Gasoline?

#### LIGHT-DUTY VEHICLE FUEL ECONOMY STANDARDS, 1955-2025



# **PV: \$1.08 a gallon today, & less than a \$1 a gallon tomorrow --**





#### **"Back of the Envelope" Numbers All Small Cars PV Electric by 2030:**



Annual Florida Gasoline use Florida on-road vehicles Florida Small Cars (26.3%) **Displaced Gasoline (16.7%) Displaced Gasoline Cost (\$3.25 /gal) PV Electricity (4 Power Plants)** PV Capital Cost (\$2.9 Wp-dc installed) **PV Job-Years (manuf. & install.)** PV Electricity Cost (\$0.13 /kWh) **Cost Savings Displaced OPEC oil imports** 

8.4 billion gal/y 14.3 million 3.76 million 1.4 billion gal/y \$4.6 billion/y 15.0 TWh/y \$20.4 billion 238,000 \$1.96 billion/y \$2.63 billion/y **67** %





Submitted for your consideration:

# Florida will drive PV powered electric cars!







- Many Factors point to growing demand for EVs
- Previous speakers confirmed trend
- Florida's electric grid will be impacted
- Residential PV equates to \$1.08/eq gal







# So where does the PV go?



Sidebar re: Future Grid-Also on The Way



- Back-to-Back DC links inserted in major AC ties
- New major Transmission is DC
- Widely dispersed DG (primarily solar)
- Reactive power control via Inverters
- Ancillary services via Inverters
- Improved System Stability
- Resistance to Fault Induced Delayed Voltage Recovery (FIDVR)



Behold: The "asynchronization" of the Grid...14

# Where?



# Physical A

- Parking Canopies
- Residential Roof
- Commercial Roof
- Institutional Roof



# Electrical

- Grid Tie Distributed
- Grid Tie Central Station
- Off Grid (Stand-alone)







# **Electrical – Grid-Tied Central Station (Large Ground Mount)**



# Advantages include:

- Can be Lowest Generated Energy Cost
- Monitoring & Control simplified
- > Ownership/Finance simplified
- Clarity of Rate Base issues
- > 88-92% Energy Benefit



# Disadvantages include:

- 8-12% EV charging energy lost in T&D
- No mitigation of EV impacts on feeder
- Significant complications and cost to wire the charging stations (particularly parking lots)

# Electrical – Grid-Tied Distributed Gen (Roof/Canopy Mount)



- Can be Lowest Delivered Energy Cost
- Highest Energy Yield
- Mitigation of Feeder Impacts
- Benefit to entire system on peak (except "needle" morning peak)
- > PV energy used 100%



- Disadvantages include:
  - Capital Cost highest
  - Control/Monitoring more complex
  - Significant complications and cost to wire the charging stations (particularly parking lots)

# Electrical – Off Grid Stand-Alone (Roof/Canopy Mount)



# Advantages include:

- Can be Lowest Delivered Energy Cost (to vehicle only)
- DC-DC Converters can be 98-99% efficient
- EV has no impact on feeder during day
- Benefit to entire system on peak (except "needle" morning peak)
- PV Parking canopy needs no external wiring



- Charging rates are variable, very low in bad weather, no nighttime capability
- PV energy utilization dependent on demand
- No grid inverters, therefore no ancillary services (VAR, voltage support, etc) available to utility
- Maximum roof/canopy area per vehicle likely limiting
- More suited for "boost" or "opportunity" charging
- DC charging standard needed in vehicles to realize full benefits







- Better EVs & Lower EV costs drive:
- Better Baseload generation utilization and Lower Baseload costs, driving:
- Lower\* Overall rates, driving:
- > Higher EV utilization....







- Lower PV costs drive:
- Lower Peak/Super-Peak generation costs, driving:
- Lower\* Overall rates, driving:
- > Higher EV utilization....







- Lower\* Overall rates, drive:
- Lower PV costs; driving:
- Utility investment in PV peaking generation (both DG and Central Station), driving:
- Lower PV costs!

### Repeat.





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# **A HUGE Argument for Doing It!**





# **Extra Slides**





Sources: "Levelized Cost of Energy Analysis – Version 4.0", Lazard, June 2010; Hudson estimates Notes: Solar PV assumes conventional silicon modules; gas assumes \$4/MMBtu in 2010 and \$5/MMBtu in 2015. Dotted lines include carbon tax of \$30/ton.



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# **PV Electrons \$1.08 per Gallon** and Cheaper than Coal

|                      | Installed<br>date | Capacity<br>Factor | Electricity<br>Production | <b>Cost</b> per<br>MWh<br>(2015) | Job-Years   |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| 500 MW<br>Coal Plant | ~2018             | 0.80               | 3.5 TWh                   | \$65-<br>\$150                   | 250   |
| 2518 MW<br>PV Plants | ~2015             | 0.17               | 3.5 TWh                   | \$105 -<br>\$115                 | <b>57,900</b><br><sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> manufacturing;<br><sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> installation |



#### Deutsche Bank Group DB Climate Change Advisors Repowering America: Creating Jobs



#### Exhibit 7: Cumulative Job-Years of Full-Time Employment by Sector - 2010-2030

Source: WPK Model, DBCCA Analysis.

The cumulative 7.9 million increase in net job-years is an impressive outcome and is largely driven by CIM jobs required in the plant building phase. Almost 64% (5.1 million) of the job-years created are a result of the CIM that results from the new RE investments, the change from coal to gas fired power plants, and associated infrastructure pipeline and transmission line investments.

#### Figure 2 Planned Generating Capacity Additions from New Generators by Energy Source, 2012-2015



Sources: EIA, DBCCA analysis, 2012

# **PV Grid Parity?**



