

# Energy Storage

The Sixth Dimension of the Electricity  
Production and Delivery Value Chain

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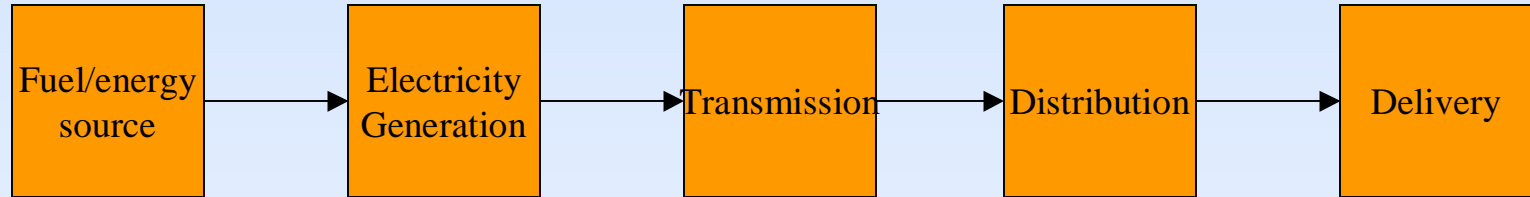
# Our “Elevator Pitch”

- Energy storage has a critical role to play in our nation’s electricity infrastructure
  - Securing and assuring our critical assets
  - Raising the value of renewables to the market
  - Optimizing the productivity of fossil-fired generation
  - Facilitating the transition to regional transmission organizations and a nationally competitive electricity market
  - Supporting distributed generation (DG) by bridging the gap between uninterruptible power systems (UPS) and DG prime movers

# Policy Implications of Energy Storage

- Storage must be recognized as the sixth dimension of the electricity value chain
- Security and reliability issues may suggest that a minimum storage capacity should be a federal government goal. *The infrastructure backbone...*
- R&D must be continued and expanded for small-scale storage. Advanced technologies for large-scale energy storage should be added to current programs
- Detailed system and economic modeling at three levels, with storage assets plugged in, is essential to quantify storage value buckets that currently are vague
  - Transmission- “Interstate level”
  - Distribution- “Secondary road level”
  - On-site- “Driveway level”

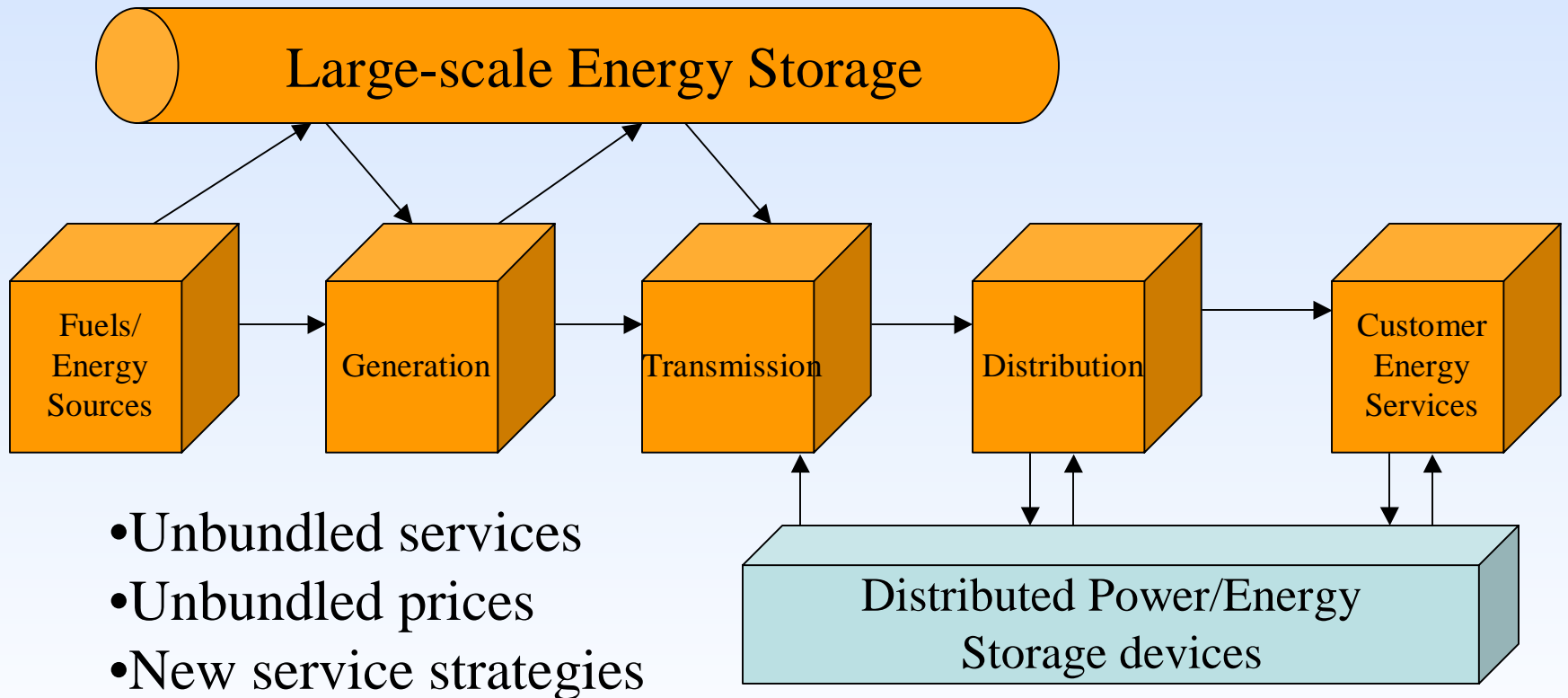
# Five Dimensions of the “Old” Electricity Value Chain



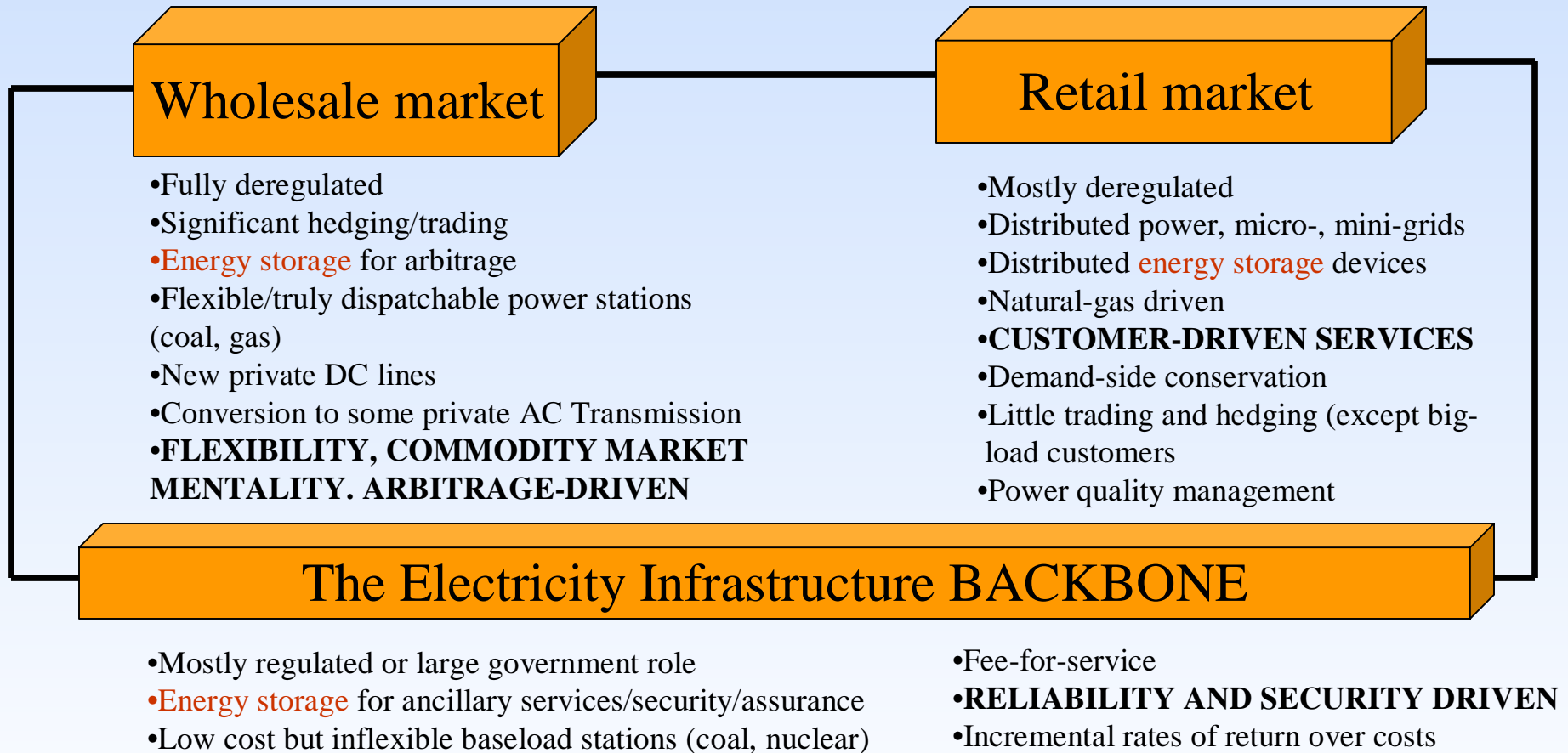
Traditional way: Regulated utility bundled functions:

One price does all.

# Six Dimensions of the “New” Electricity Value Chain



# A New World Order for Electricity



# Analogies in Other Industries

- Federal Reserve—regulated money supply, supports banking infrastructure
- Fannie Mae/Freddie Mac—privatized gov't orgs regulate mortgages, supports real estate industry
- Interstate highways—supports transportation
- FAA-funded airports—supports airlines and travel industry
- Blue Cross/Blue Shield—backstops health and medical insurance
- Internet—government funded network, supports e-commerce and IT industries

# “Issues” That Don’t Show Up In Theoretical Market Designs

- Herd mentality and irrational exuberance
- Grossly inadequate investment in the infrastructure backbone (large generation assets, transmission facilities)
- Who pays for the infrastructure backbone?
- Transmission system built for reliability (minimal transfers of bulk power flows) not transaction-based power flows over long distances.
- “Real-time” costs are a fiction
- Technology development costs paid by users?

# Have We Lost Sight of the Goals?

## DEREGULATION WAS TO:

- Encourage competition but provide safety net
- Reduce prices to consumers
- Optimize existing infrastructure
- Raise productivity of organizations and assets
- Encourage services and allows new technology to flourish.

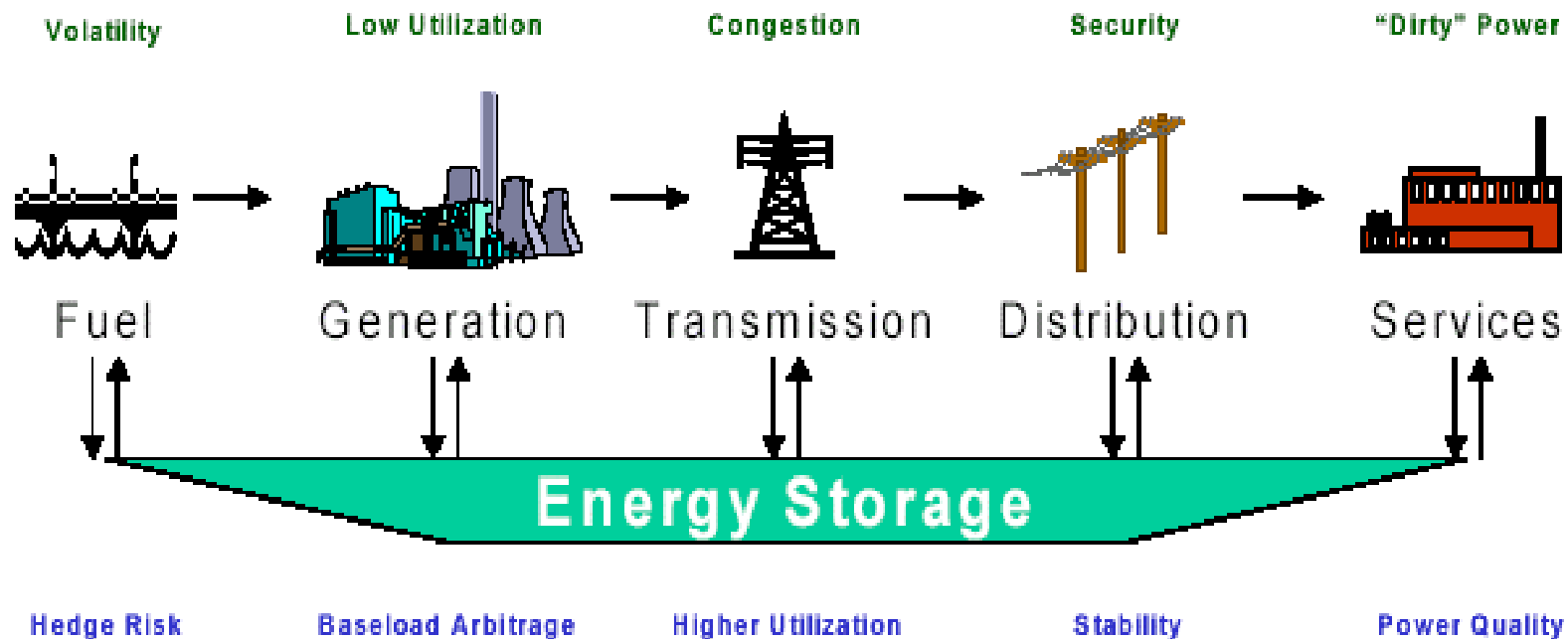
# New Goal: Infrastructure Security

- The way deregulation and competition unfolds is changing (regressing?) in the post-Enron financial regime.
  - State programs have backtracked or stalled
  - Merchant generation and trading sectors are in shambles
  - FERC is struggling to keep focus on competitive transmission organizations
- The need to secure the nation's electricity infrastructure has now become a critical objective in the post-9/11 world.

# Benefits of Energy Storage

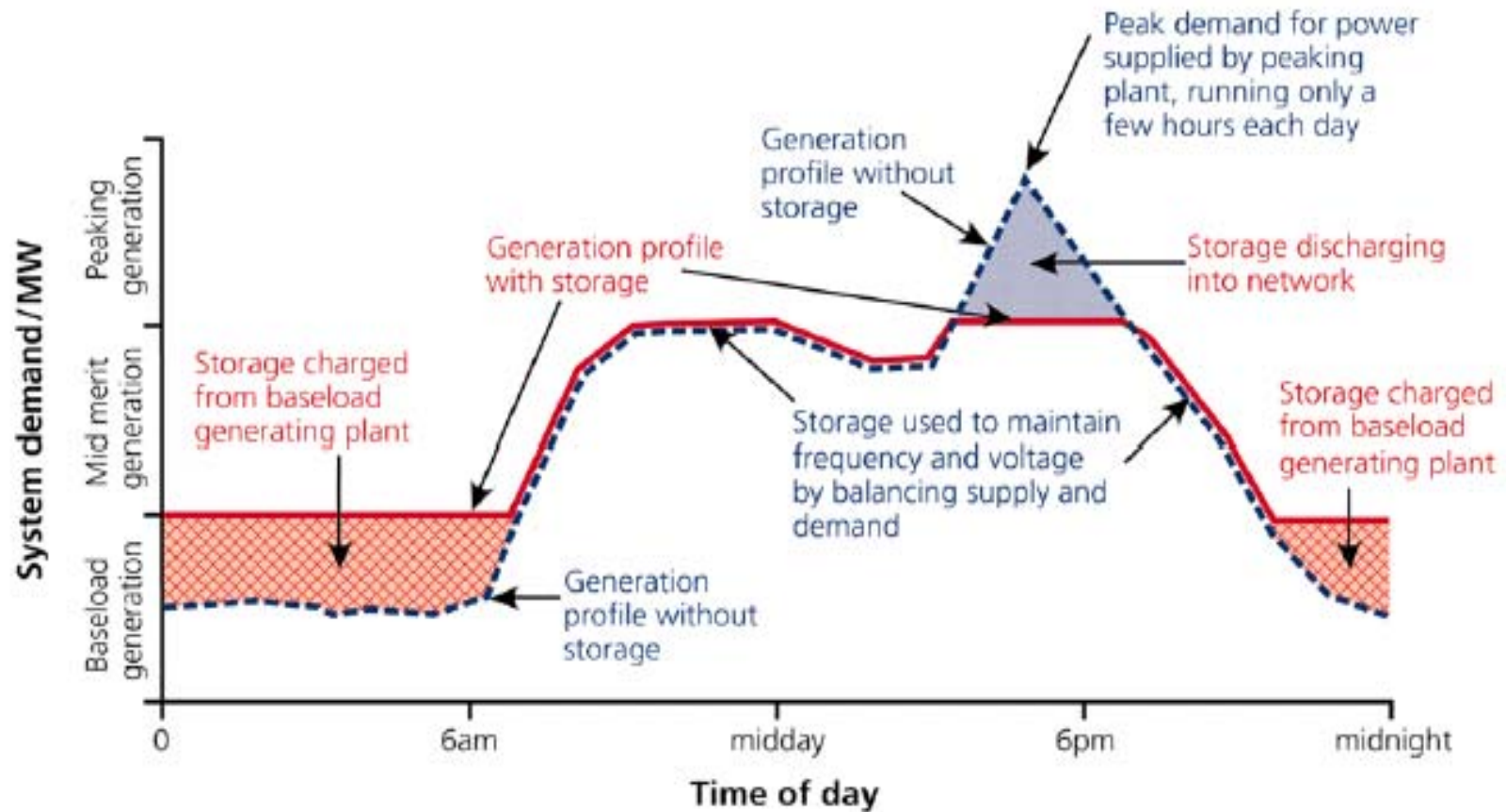
Along the Electricity Value Chain

## Industry Challenges



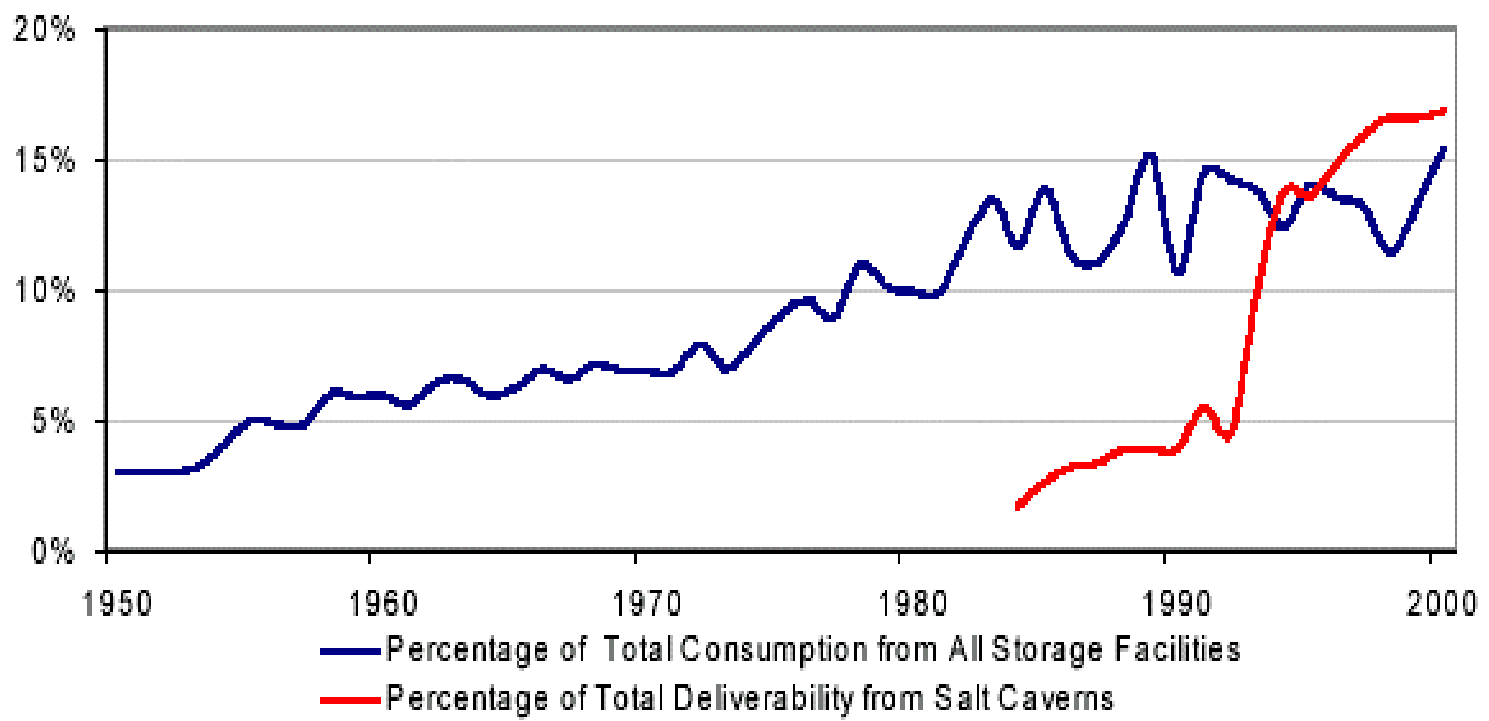
## Market Benefits

# Load Profile of a Large-Scale Energy Storage Facility



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# Storage's Changing Impact on the Gas Industry

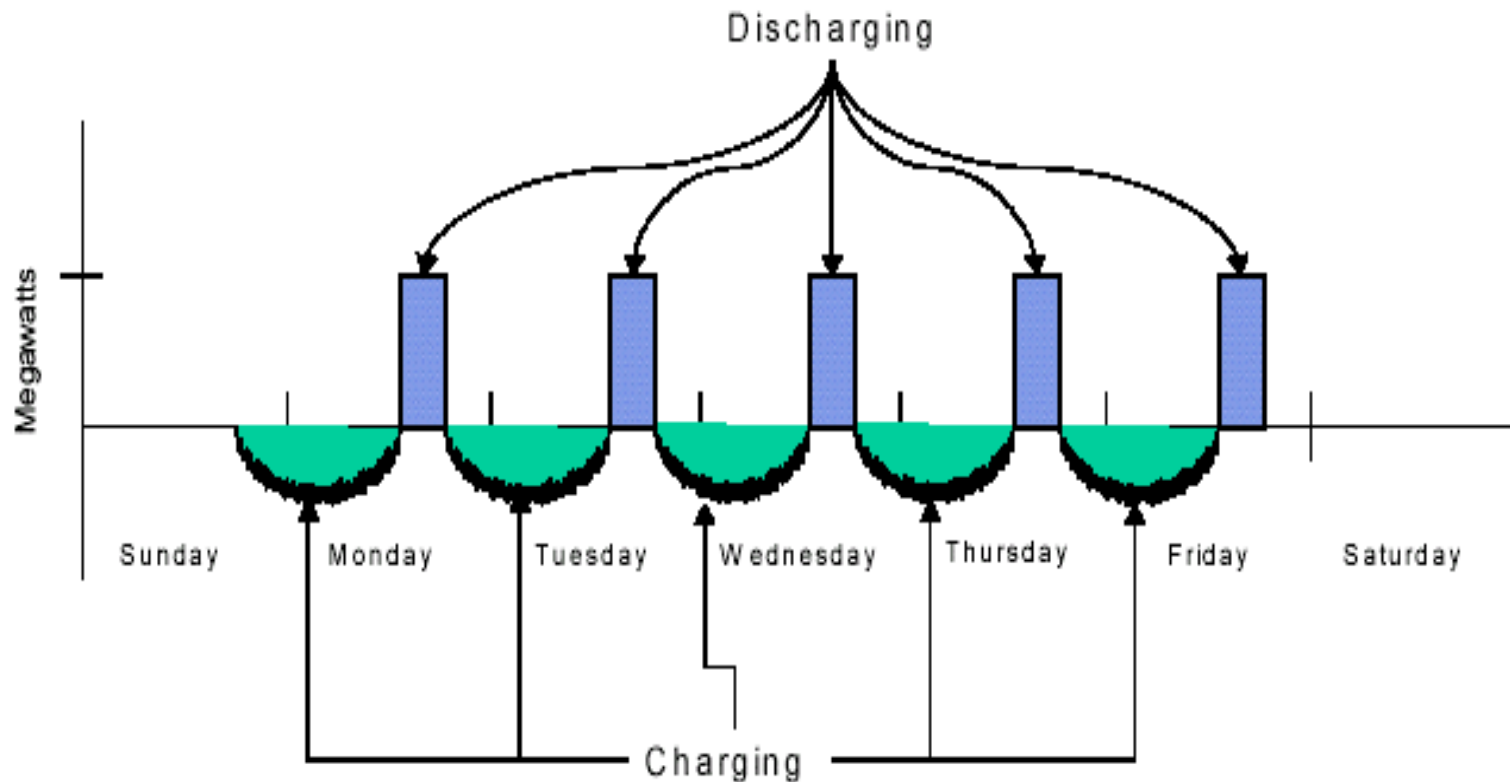


# Energy Storage Value Buckets

- **Arbitrage**-storing and moving low-cost power into higher price markets, reducing peak power prices.
- **Security and assurance**-voltage regulation, black start, frequency control, emergency power.
- **Asset optimization**—reducing the cycling and dispatch of large fossil units meant for baseload.
- **Enhancing renewables** —transforming “take it when you can get it” into scheduled power. A fuel-free electricity source in the peak markets! (Also, daily wind resource curves are often opposite the daily load demand curves)
- **Transmission asset deferrals** —postpone the need for new transmission assets depending on where storage assets are placed.
- **Support distributed generation** —Micro- mini-grids and on-site power systems must become at least as reliable as traditional grid-supplied electricity. Today’s digital society/economy demands power quality several orders of magnitude higher. Storage assets placed at distribution-voltage substations and integrated into advanced DG devices and uninterruptible power systems

# Renewable Energy Sales into Peak Market Prices

## With Energy Storage



# Issues for Wind Customers\*

- ◆ Backing down generation to accommodate wind
- ◆ Frequency/System reliability issues
- ◆ Low capacity utilization on required transmission upgrades
- ◆ Significant amount of power being delivered off-peak
- ◆ Transmission constraints

## ◆ Implications

- ◆ Higher capital costs
- ◆ Higher ancillary service costs
- ◆ Lost renewable energy credits
- ◆ Higher O&M costs
- ◆ Higher risk management/planning costs
- ◆ Loss of low-cost power production capacity

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# Issues for Wind Generators\*

- ◆ Non-dispatchable power
- ◆ Non-firm power
- ◆ Transmission constraints
- ◆ Low capacity utilization on required upgrades (substations, etc.)
- ◆ Potential for restrictions on instantaneous power deviations

## ◆ Implications

- ◆ Lost sales
- ◆ Lost PTC's/renewable energy credits
- ◆ Limited ability to earn capacity fees
- ◆ Higher capital costs
- ◆ Minimum pricing for power delivered

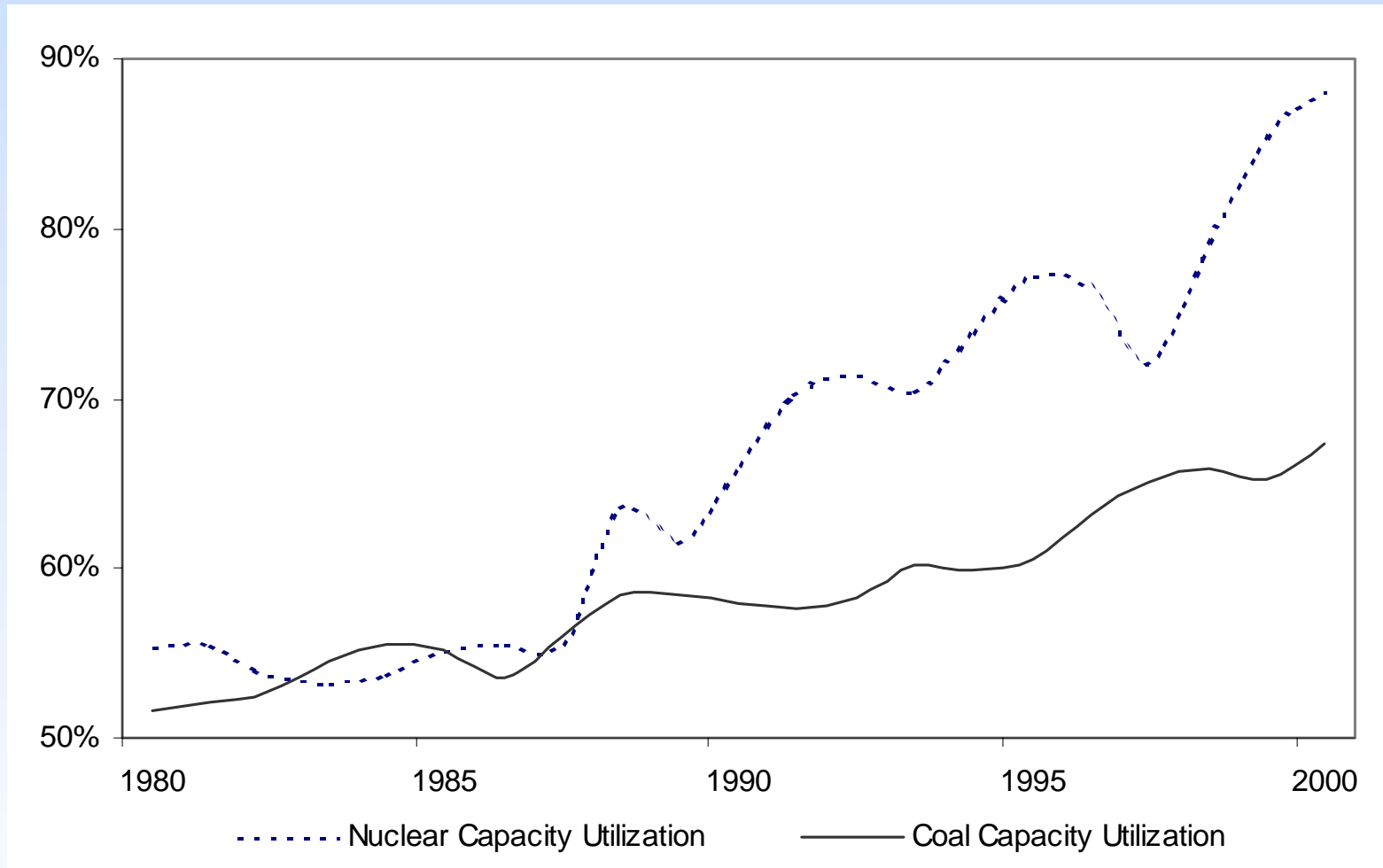
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# Unlocking the Value of Energy Storage

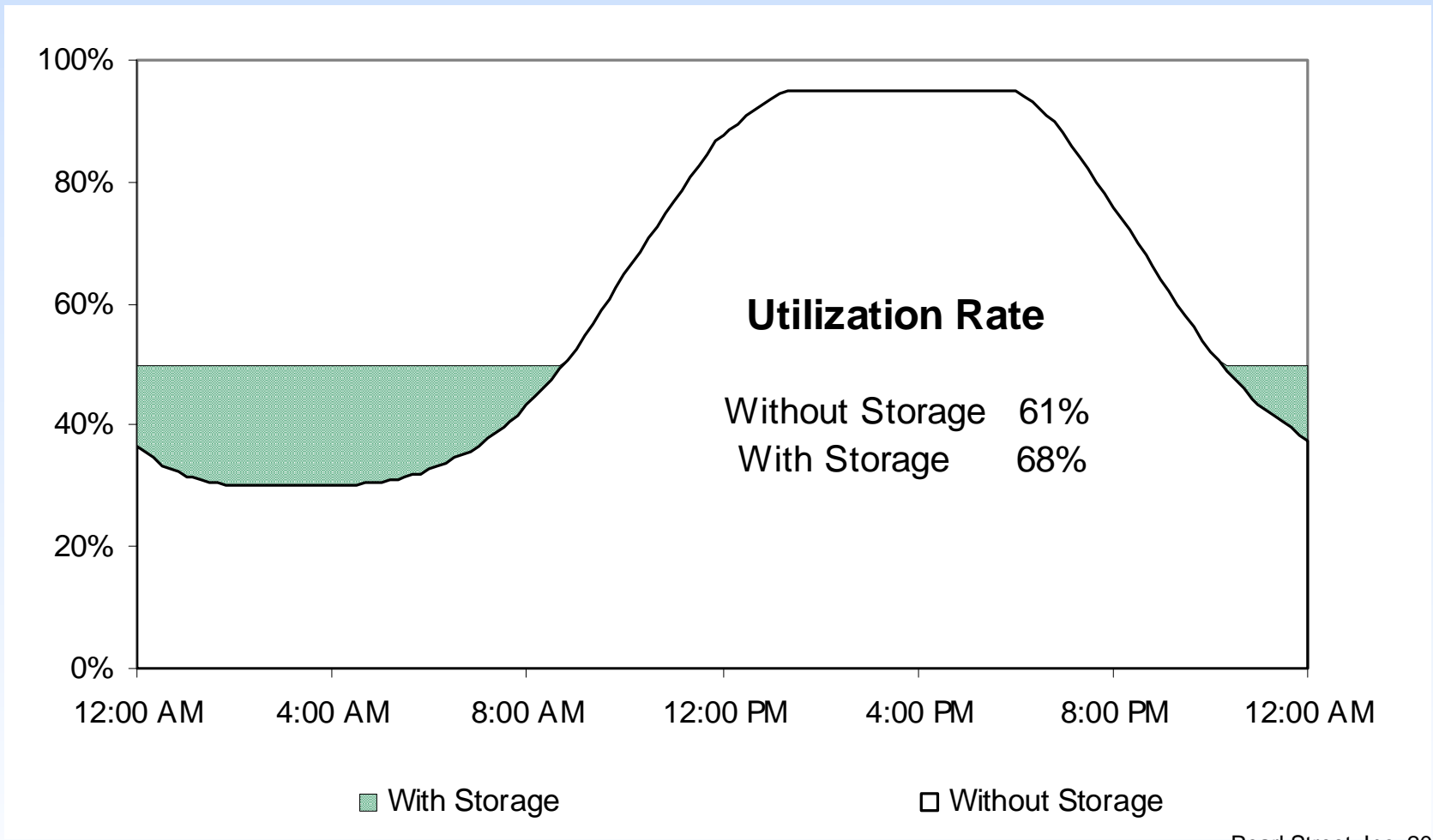
- System and economic modeling of the electricity network with storage facilities added.
  - Large storage facilities (greater than 500 MW) added in strategic parts of the country for *national* infrastructure security and assurance/reliability. What is the impact on the system and after significant “system events?” The “INTERSTATE” Transmission level
  - Mid-sized facilities (10-500 MW) added to bolster regional infrastructure. “SECONDARY ROADS” or distribution level
  - Local and on-site facilities to enhance distributed generation, uninterruptible power, etc. “DRIVEWAYS” or on-site level

# Coal Facilities Lag Nuclear Unit Improvements



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# Coal Generation Benefits from Storage Facilities

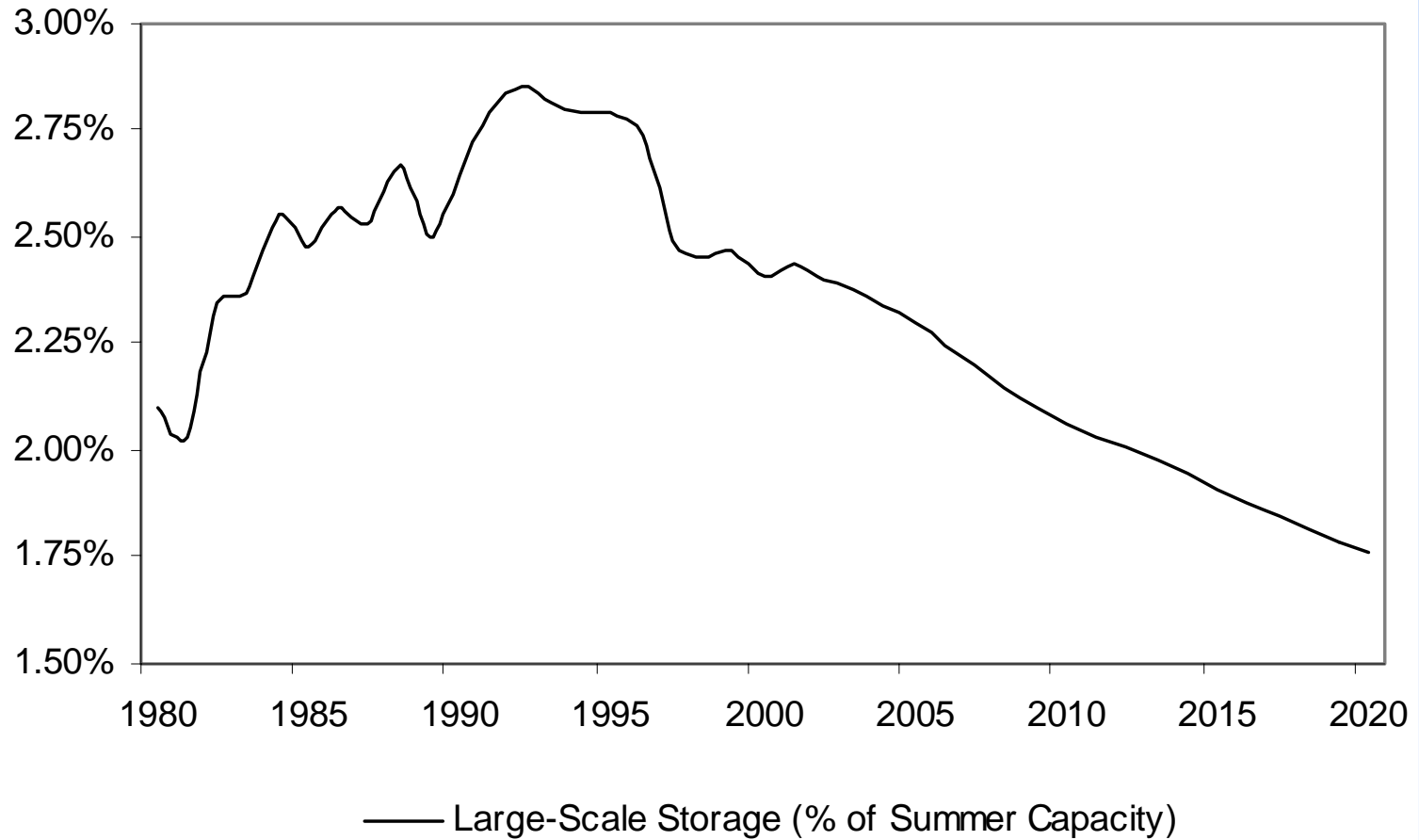


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# Minimum Storage as a National Goal

- The U.S. has 2.7% of its generating assets embodied by storage (all pumped storage hydroelectric except for 110-MW CAES) and this is declining as we add capacity but do not add storage.
- Other economically developed countries have larger percentages (4-10%) and some are working towards even larger goals.
- Given the new regime, should the government set a national goal or guideline? SYSTEM AND ECONOMIC MODELING CAN ANSWER THIS QUESTION!
- Does the electric infrastructure deserve a stored resource similar to the National Petroleum Reserve?
- Does distributed generation + storage lead to a more robust, secure electric grid? SYSTEM AND ECONOMIC MODELING CAN ANSWER THIS QUESTION!

# Large-Scale Energy Storage Representation Declines



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# Pumped Storage Capacity Wanes

- Large-scale storage solution to date has been pumped storage hydroelectric, BUT:
  - Last facility to come on-line was Rocky Mountain in Georgia. Project took 20 years
  - Proposed facilities in New Jersey, Missouri, California, elsewhere have been scuttled because of public opposition
  - Technology is commercial but outdated

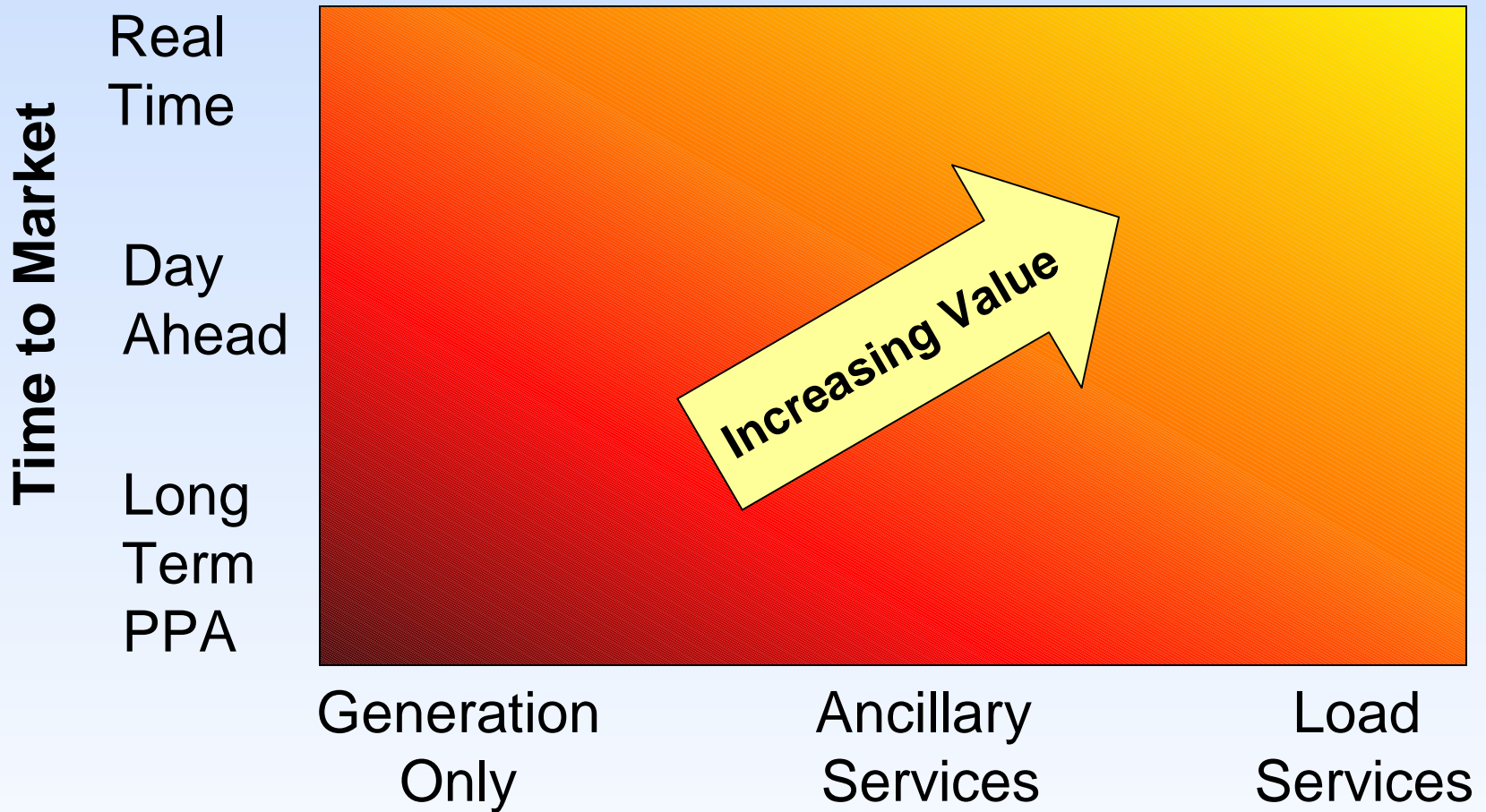
# If storage is so great, why isn't it more prevalent?

- Despite deregulation, industry is still not financially motivated to optimize assets and reduce costs
- Herd mentality-regulated industry tends towards lowest risk (“If everyone else is doing it, I can’t get into trouble.”)
  - Nuclear plants in the 1970s
  - Independent power in the 1980s
  - Gas-turbine combined cycles 1997-2001
- Overhang from the gas turbine boom means excess capacity in most areas of the country
- Costs for many storage technologies, particularly in the mid-range, are high because of an immature market, development, and value buckets that have yet to be accurately illuminated (e.g. ancillary services)
- Value of storage is greatest in the benefits that are most subjective and hardest to quantify.
  - Ancillary services
  - National security
  - Rapid response

# If storage is so great, why isn't it prevalent? (cont.)

- Greater grid security-what is the value?
  - And who is willing to pay for it?
- Operating flexibility-what is the value?
  - Flexible units will capture value missed by other facilities, but difficult to predict
- Ancillary Services-what is the value?
  - In competitive markets, this value is being illuminated but what about rest of the country?
    - Regulation, spinning reserves, non-spinning reserves, replacement reserves, black start

# General Findings of CAES Studies\*



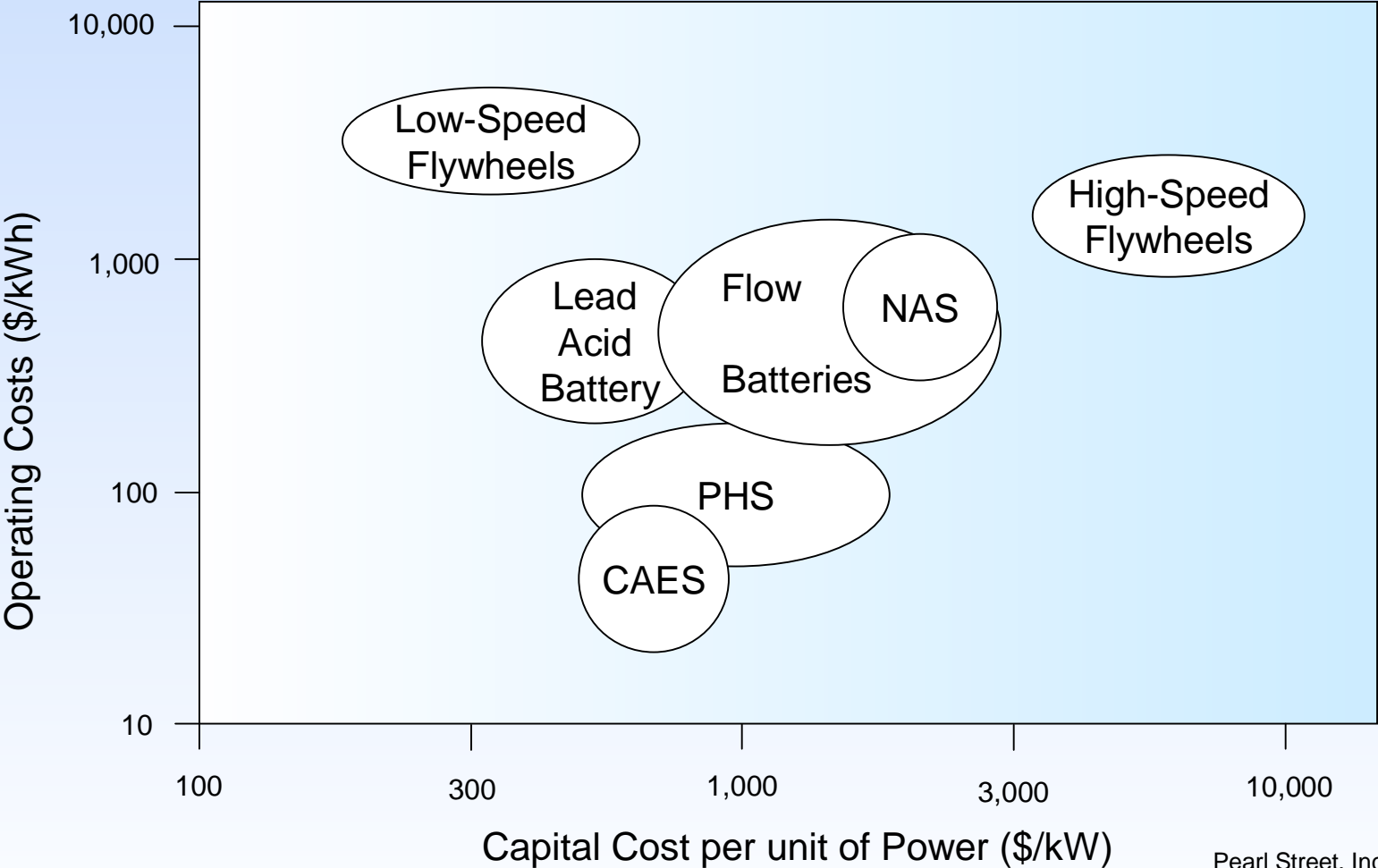
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**Diversity of Products**

# Distributed Storage Value Proposition

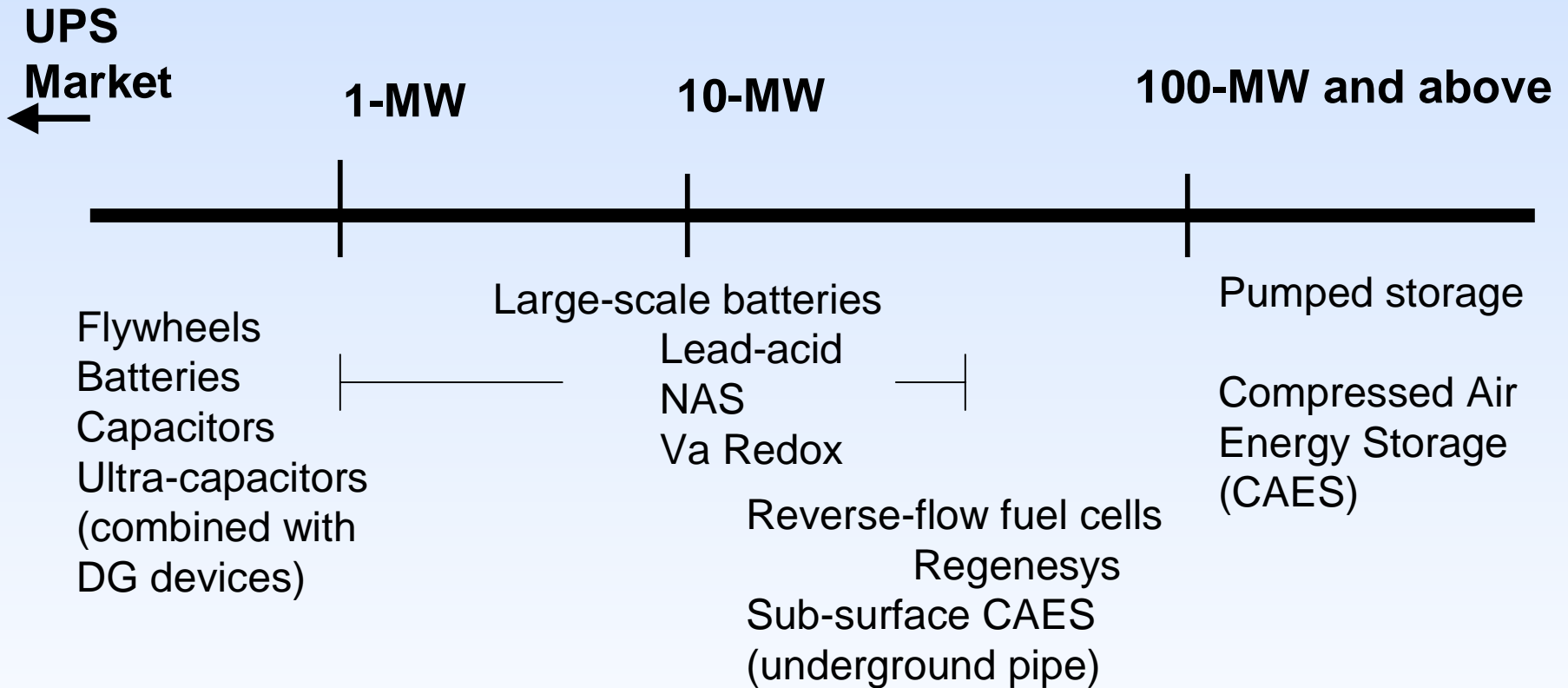
- Condition, performance of T&D assets are deteriorating
- Investment in T&D assets declining. Future investment jeopardized by regulatory dysfunction and uncertainty
- A network of mini- and micro-grids may provide a more secure infrastructure
- Power quality “events” cost industry tens of billions dollars each year
- Energy storage is a technology “bridge” between UPS and distributed generation. One integrated device can satisfy all on-site power needs and connect into the mini- or micro-grid.
- A GRID BUILT FOR THE INDUSTRIAL AGE IS NOT ADEQUATE FOR THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

# Installation vs. Operating Costs



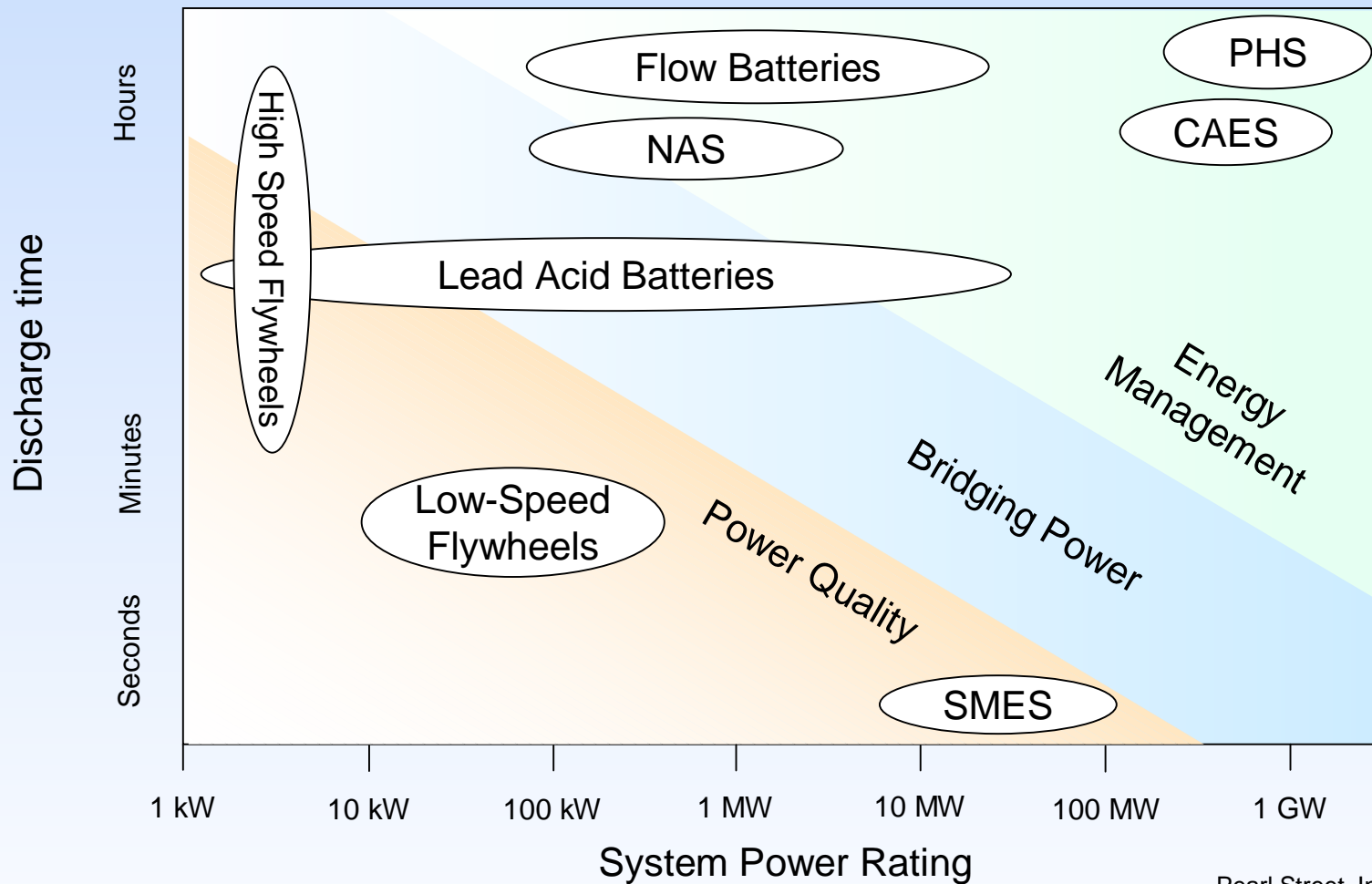
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# Storage Technologies



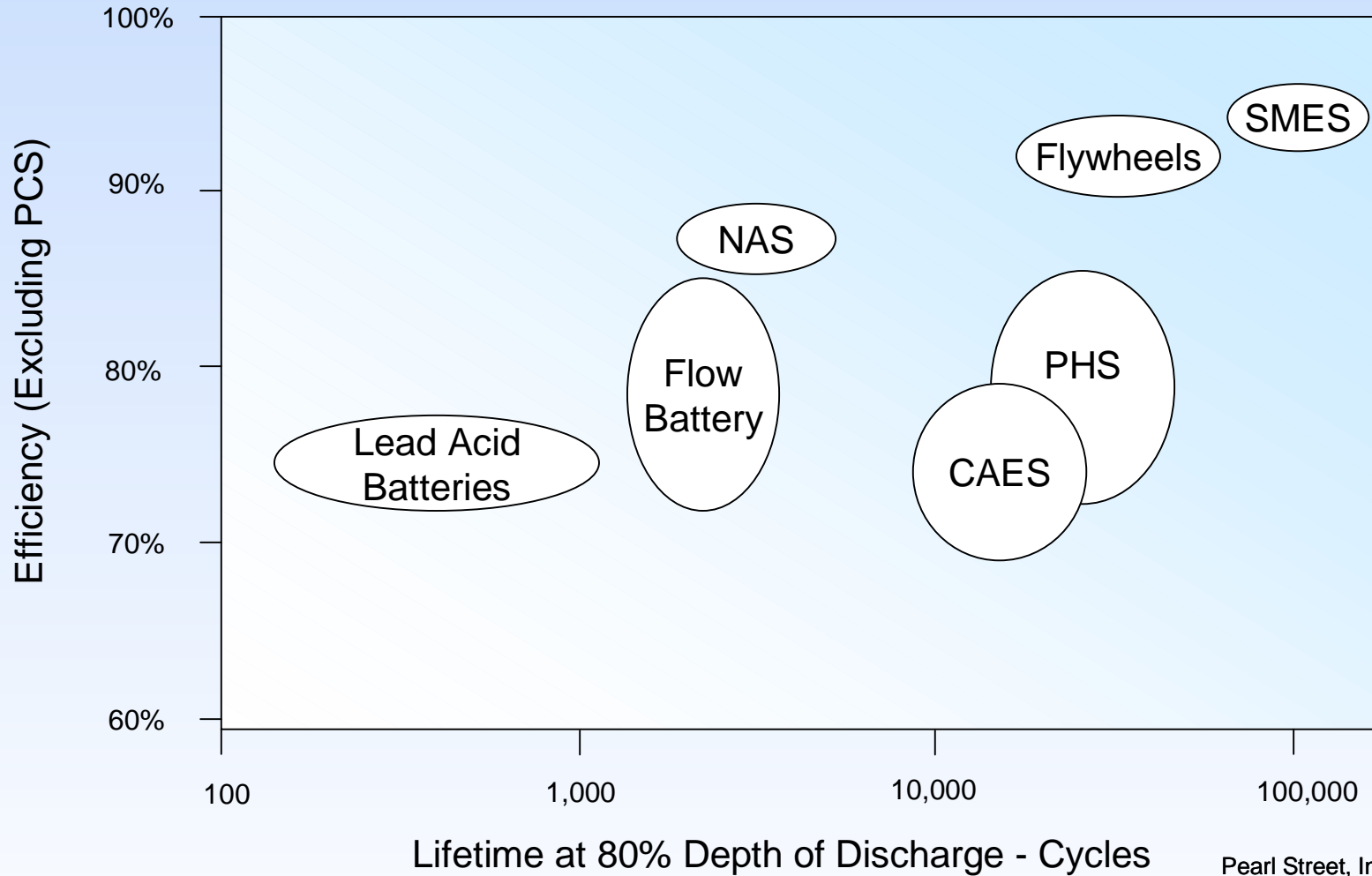
# Market Roles of Energy Storage Facilities

Based on Discharge Time vs. Power Rating

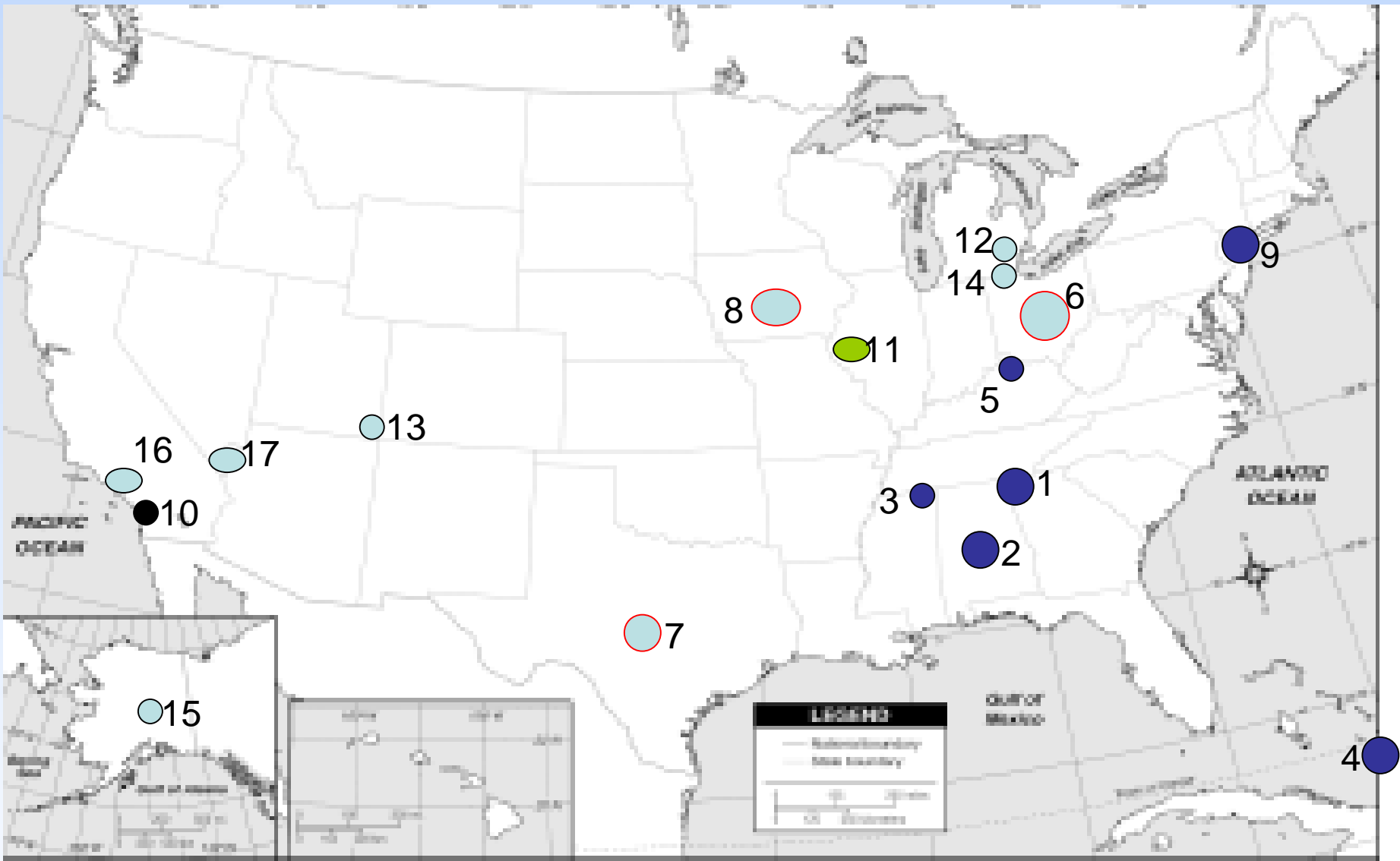


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# Efficiency vs. Discharge Endurance



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# Storage projects are operating and more are planned.

- 1. Operating-850-MW Rocky Mountain-last pumped storage to come on-line (note: many utilities currently operate such facilities) Oglethorpe Power
- 2. Operating. 110-MW CAES (Alabama Electric Cooperative) facility operating
- 3. Demonstration. 12 MW regenerative fuel cell (reverse flow battery) at TVA-near or in startup
- 4. Operating. 20 MW lead-acid battery facility operating in Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority
- 5. Demonstration. 500 kW Sodium sulfur reverse flow battery operating at American Electric Power
- 6. Active. Norton CAES facility, up to 2700 MW of storage
- 7. Active. Markham CAES 540-MW permitted facility
- 8. Active. Eagle Grove aquifer-based CAES between 100-200 MW serving regional wind facilities.
- 9. Operating. 1-MW flywheel facility serving rail transportation.
- 10. Decommissioned. 10-MW lead-acid battery facility in Chino, California.

# Storage projects are operating and several more are planned. (cont.)

- 11. Proposed. Commercial and/or technology demonstrations in central Illinois
  - 12. Proposed. NextEnergy distributed power corridor in Detroit, demonstration of micro grid technologies, including storage such as flywheels.
  - 13. Under construction. 250-kW Vanadium redox flow battery, Pacificorp
  - 14. Under construction. 200-kW zinc bromide flow battery, Detroit Edison Co.
  - 15. Under construction. Multi-MW battery facility. Golden Valley Electric
  - 16. Operating. 3.5 MW valve regulated battery system.
  - 17. Proposed. Multi-MW battery/flow-battery facility
- \*List not mean to be all-inclusive but representative of projects and technologies