



Planning for the Future of Power Generation

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- Evergy Overview
- What is an Integrated Resource Plan and how is it built?
- What are capacity and energy requirements and how do they differ?
- How is a Preferred Resource Portfolio selected?
- Evergy's Current Preferred Resource Portfolio and Future Considerations

Evergy's Service Territory



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Capacity & Energy Profiles

Core Tenets of Evergy's Generation Strategy





What is an Integrated Resource Plan?

- Regulatory requirement to file a long-term plan for supply- and demand-side resources to meet forecasted customer needs – Triennial Filing every three years with annual updates every year
- The IRP process ultimately results in the selection of a Preferred Portfolio
- Preferred Plan contains expected retirements, demand- and supply-side additions over the 20-year planning horizon
- Preferred Plan is selected with a goal of identifying "the portfolio of resources that meets customer requirements at the lowest reasonable cost given an uncertain future"
- This assessment is informed by risk analysis of potential uncertain factors which could ultimately impact long-run utility costs (e.g., NPVRR is calculated across a variety of market price scenarios which vary based on gas price and carbon restrictions)



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Evolving Planning Dynamics

- Capacity and Energy Requirements
 - Commodity Prices
 - (primarily natural gas)
- Carbon Restrictions / Other Regulations
- Relative Technology Economics

Capacity Requirements: Resource Adequacy

Defining Resource Adequacy



Factors Impacting Resource Adequacy

NOT EXHAUSTIVE







Ultimately, capacity requirements (the need for installed capacity) is driven by expected load, but also by a variety of other reliability risk constructs which all combine to create "Resource Adequacy Requirements"



Illustrative Range of Capacity Credit (% of Nameplate)



Capacity Accreditation rules are established by SPP and are the measure of how much a certain MW of generation "counts" toward capacity requirements (can vary by season)

Expectation is that wind, solar, and storage will all be accredited using Effective Load Carrying Capability (ELCC)

In parallel, SPP is implementing Performance Based Accreditation for thermal resources which will accredit resources based on their reliability



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Impact of Commodity Prices on Generation

Impact of Carbon Restrictions on Generation

- Passage of Inflation Reduction Act signaled that progress toward carbon reductions is likely to be "incentive-focused" (promoting clean energy build-out) for the foreseeable future as opposed to "penalty-focused" (taxing emissions)
- In combination, new and proposed Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations focus on restricting emissions from generators without explicit taxes

2024 IRP Carbon Constraint (% Reduction vs 2005 by 2040)

IRP Market Price Forecasts

Relative Technology Economics

Lazard Levelized Cost of Energy (\$/MWh)

Source: Lazard 2023 Levelized Cost of Energy Plus Report and Levelized Cost of Storage v 7.0; Values reflect midpoint of Lazard ranges; No subsidized cost for standalone storage was provided so high-level assumption made is that subsidized cost of storage is 80% of unsubsidized cost (after 30% tax credit which impacts a large portion of project costs – consistent with ITC impact to solar costs in Lazard subsidized analysis)

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- In an IRP, portfolios are assessed based on 1) how well they meet future customer needs and 2) how well they perform in a variety of scenarios given an uncertain future
- Plans are constructed with an eye to both quantitative (e.g., market price) and qualitative (e.g., future reliability requirements, fuel diversity) risks

Evergy's 2024 Preferred Portfolio

Evergy's Preferred Portfolio

Future Considerations

- Near-term execution of renewable and thermal additions will have to manage ongoing supply chain and transmission interconnection-driven delays
- > Have seen a significant uptick in renewable pricing will need to evaluate whether that change is structural or costs will come down in the future
- Continued acceleration of economic development activity could impact ability to retire coal / could require additional new capacity resources
- If new / changing environmental regulations cause acceleration of coal retirements, could drive dependence on new dispatchable non-emitting technologies earlier in the time horizon in order to maintain reliability

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Ongoing monitoring on dispatchable, non-emitting technologies (nuclear, longduration energy storage, hydrogen) to determine feasibility / economics

Thank You

