

GRID-INTERACTIVE ELECTRIC THERMAL STORAGE (ETS) WATER HEATING

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A Thermal Storage “Battery”

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- Industry seeking a battery to store renewable energy
- Think of a 105 gallon water heater as a 26 kWh battery
 - ▣ Nominal two day supply of hot water
- GRE is storing approx. 1 GWh each night, every night, in water heaters



Grid-interactive Electric Thermal Storage (ETS) Water Heating

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- ❑ Provides renewables integration
- ❑ Offers ancillary value to wholesale markets
- ❑ Reduces carbon emissions
- ❑ Helps keep electric rates low



Smart “Grid-Interactive Controller”

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- Adjusts the water temperature up or down in response to energy price or availability of renewable energy
- Varies the wattage to water heater electric elements
- Assures comfort is never compromised – home always has hot water



Renewable Integration

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Wind and solar energy ramps up and down quickly...

- Grid-Interactive Controllers can ramp up and down as fast
 - ▣ Allows a higher percentage of renewable energy to be utilized
 - ▣ Enhances the value of renewable energy
 - ▣ Reduces water heater carbon footprint
 - ▣ Lowers operating costs

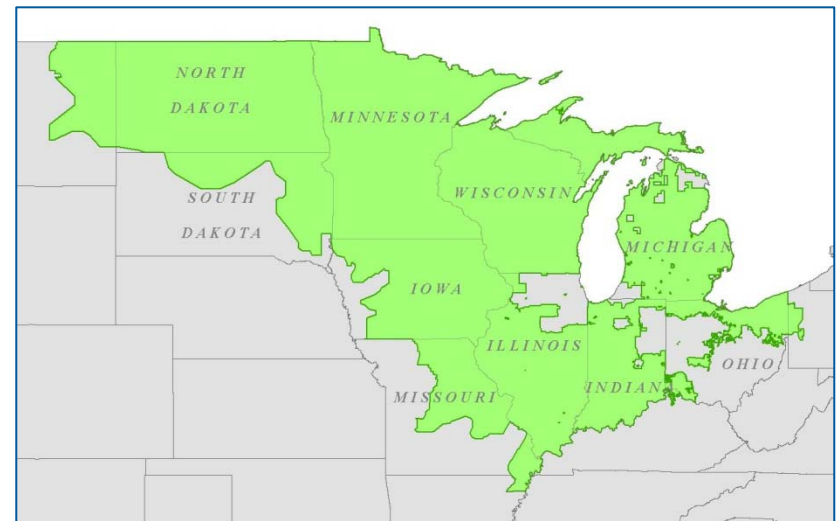


Renewable Integration

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The bulk electric supply system continues to change...

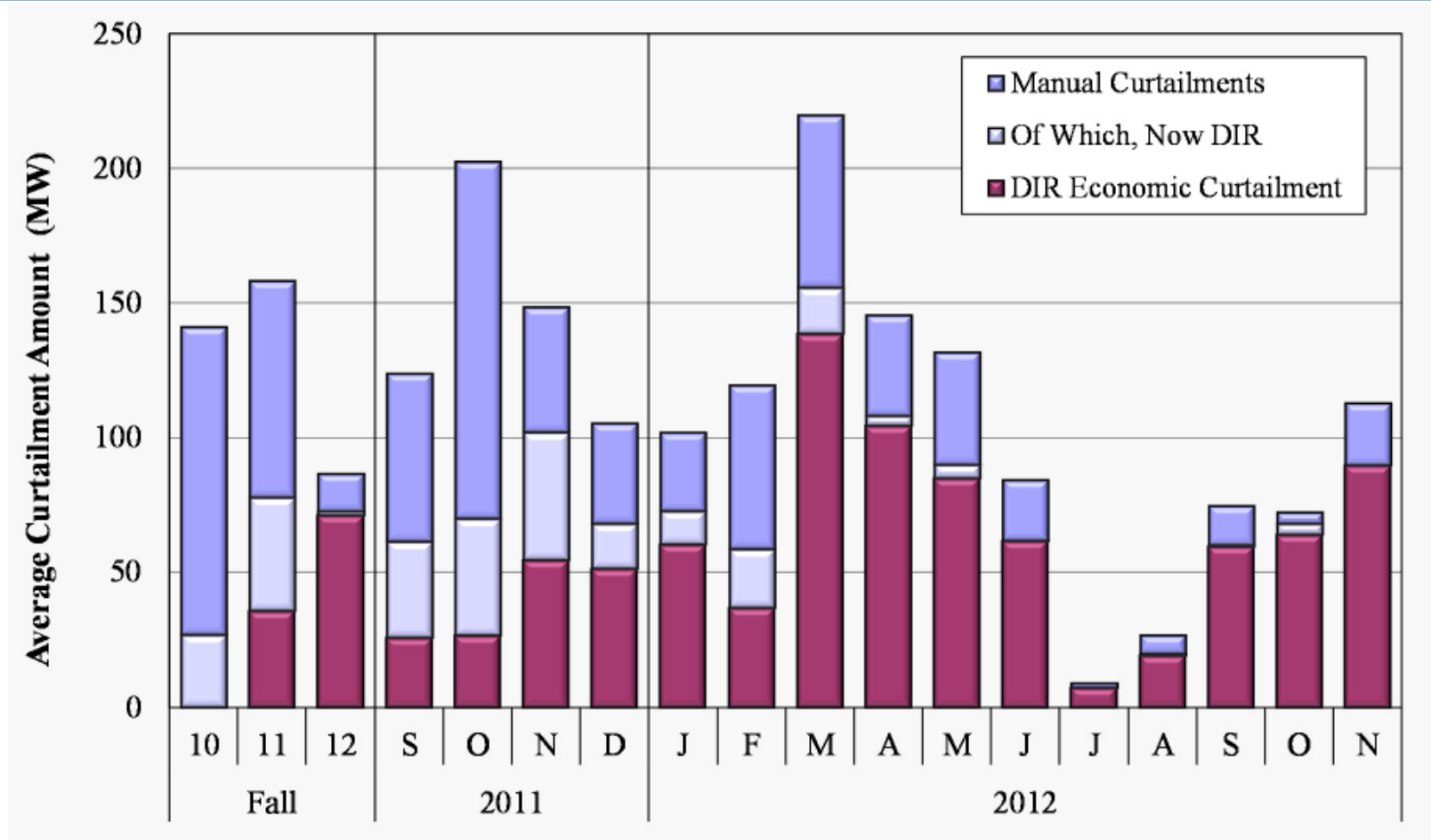
- MISO set an all time wind peak at just over 10 GW on the morning of November 23rd.
 - ▣ More than 25% of the generation output being used at the time.



Wind Curtailments in MISO

Fall 2010 - 2012

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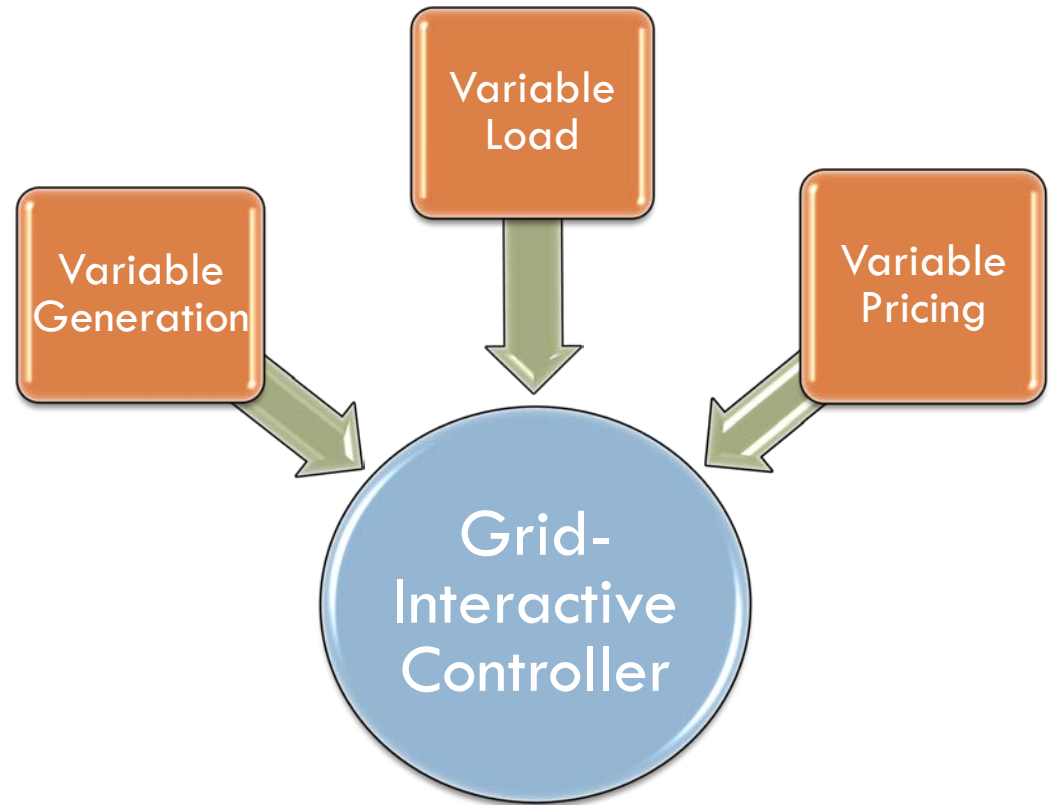


The Balancing Act

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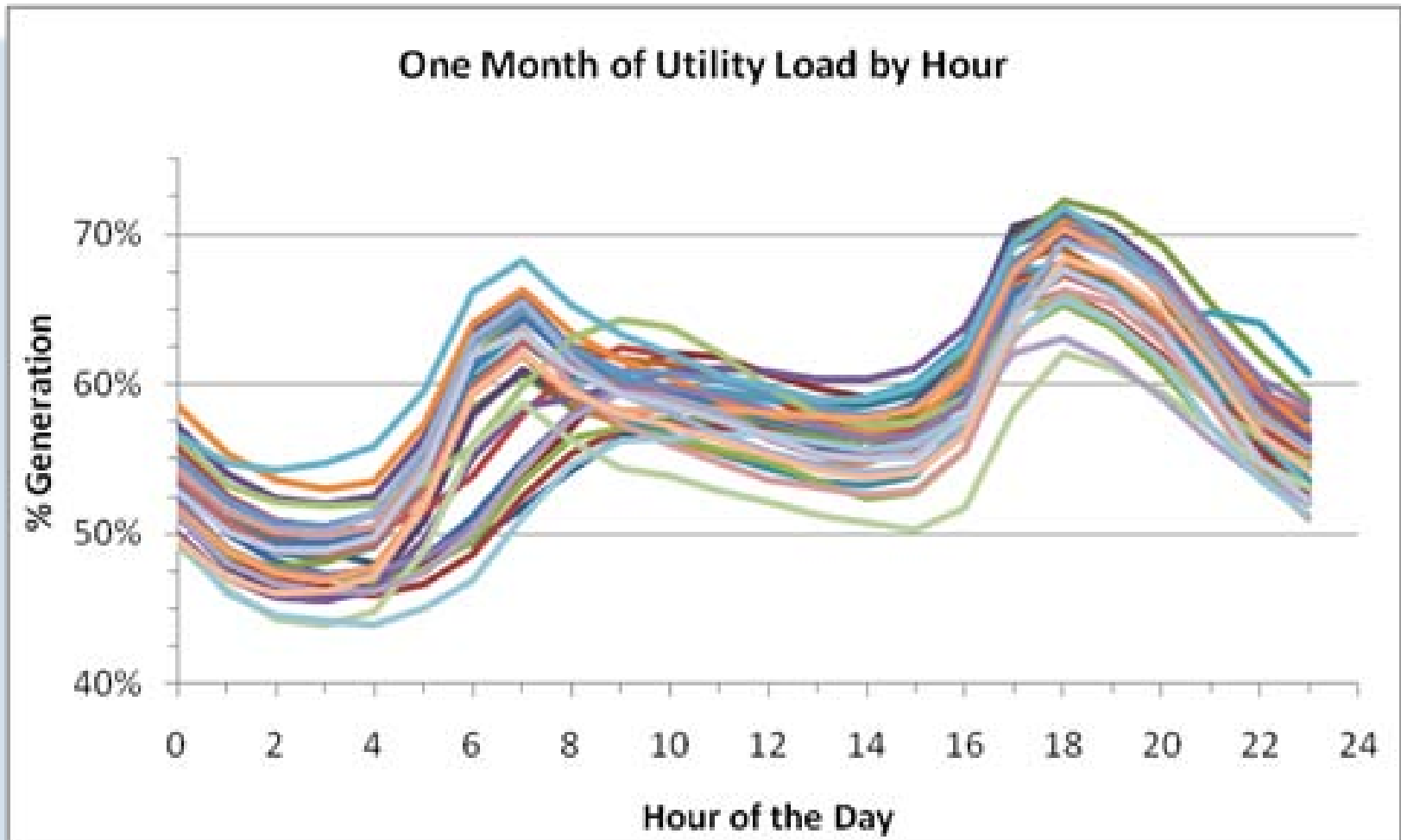
The needs of the smart grid include a balancing of...

- Variable generation
- Variable load
- Variable pricing



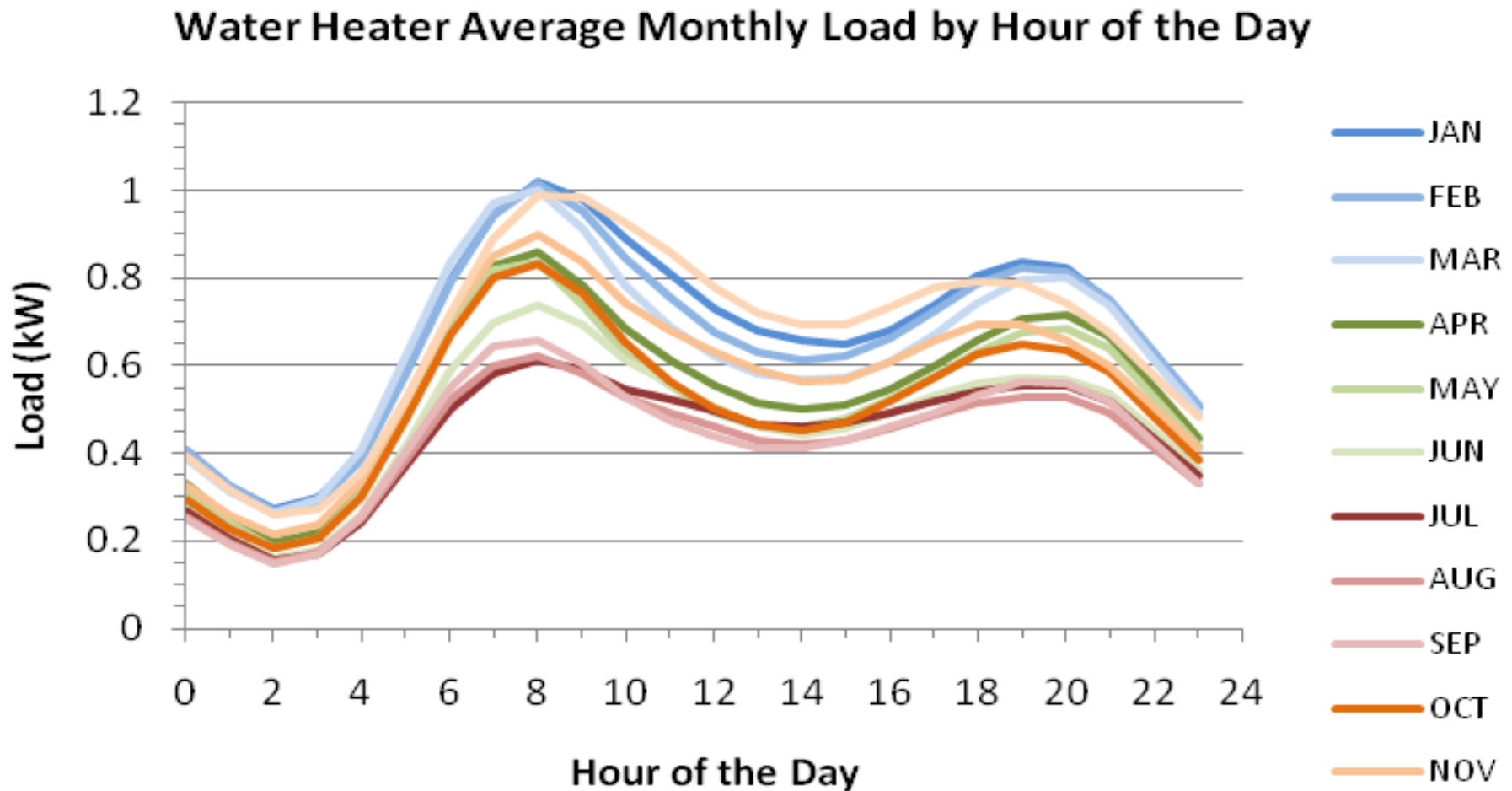
Variability of System Load

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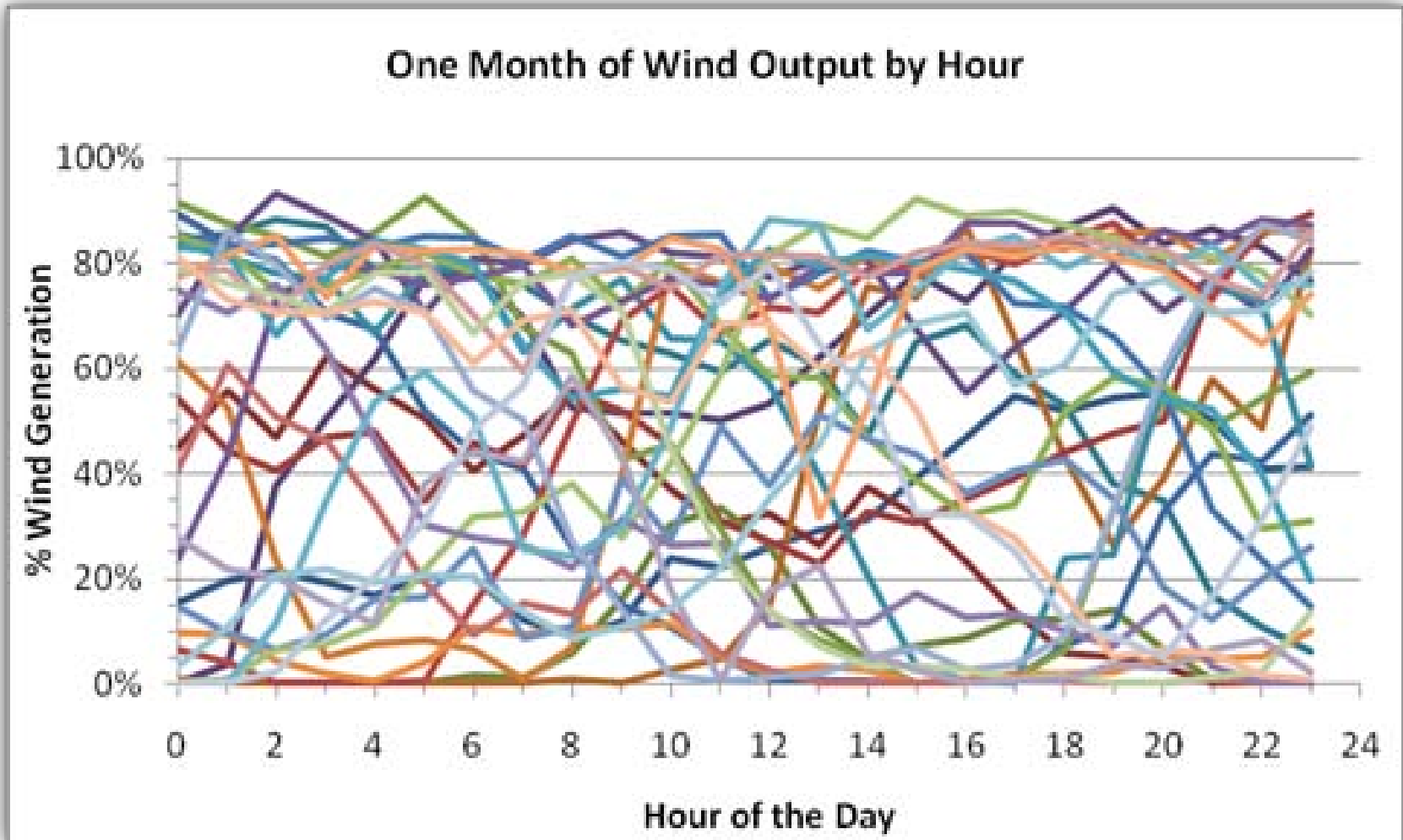
Variability of Water Heater Load

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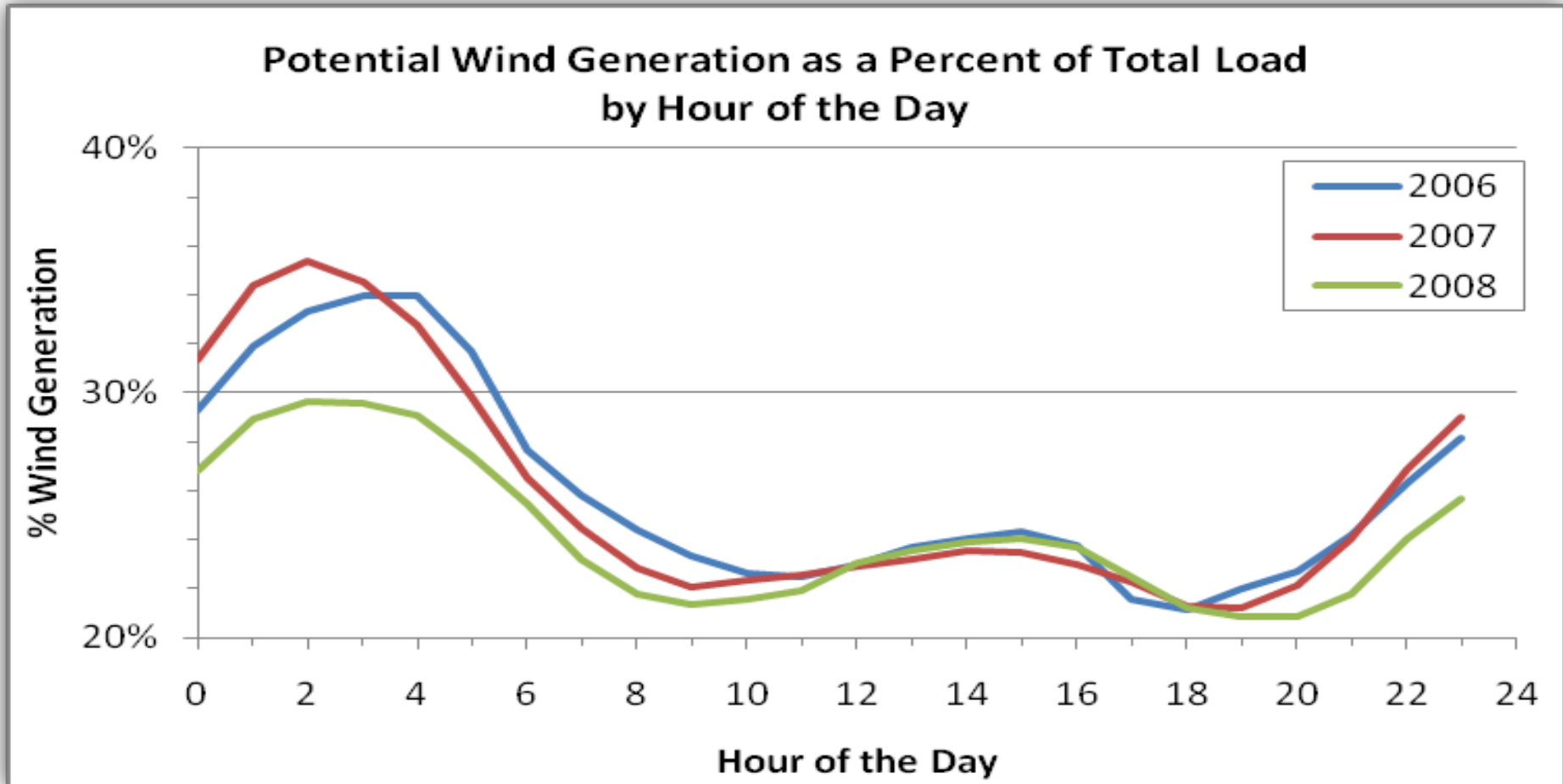
Variability of Renewables

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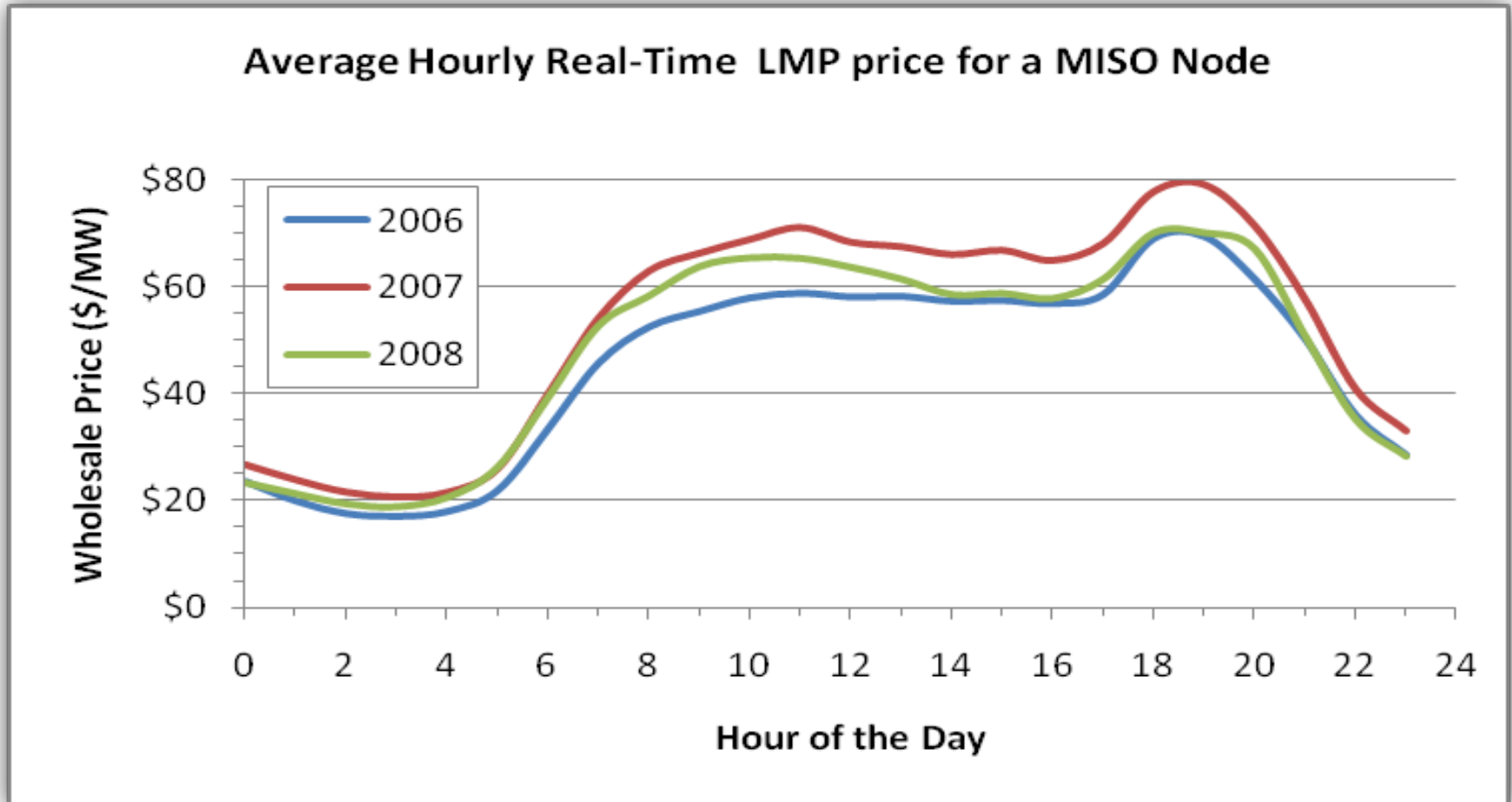
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Variability of Pricing

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Putting it all Together

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Overall Utility Load

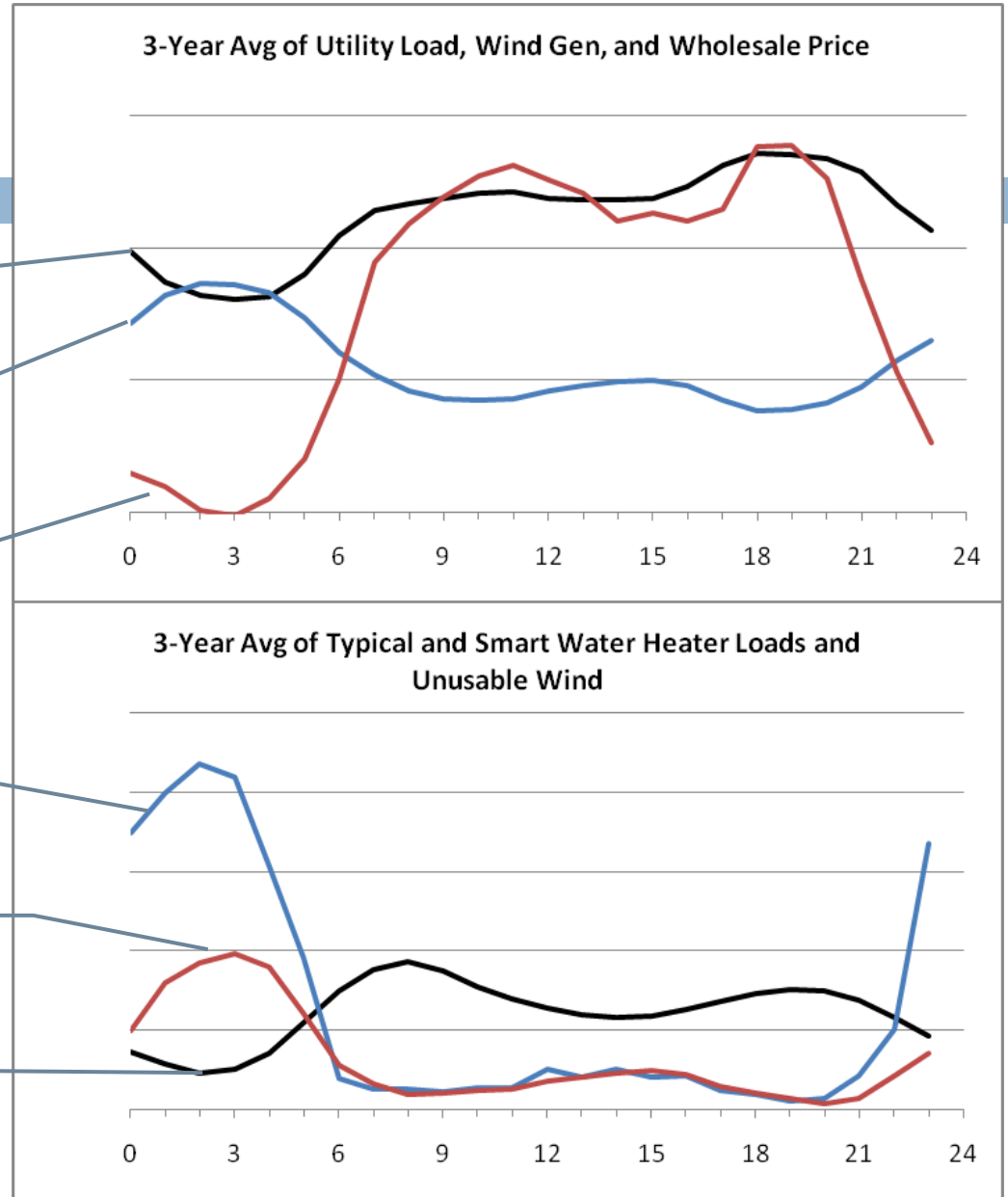
Wind Generation

Wholesale Energy Cost

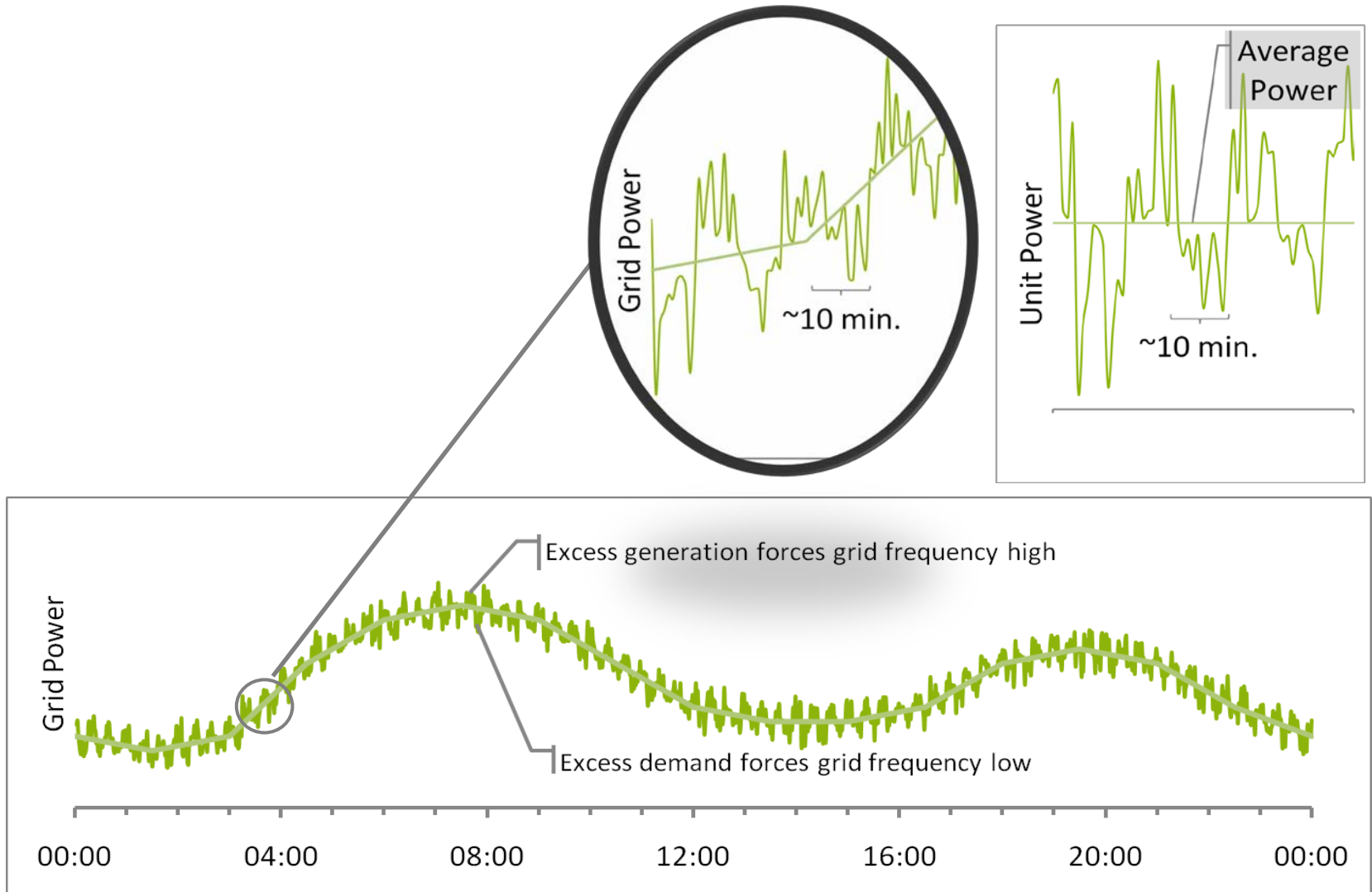
Smart Water Heater Load

Curtailed Wind Generation

Typ. Water Heater Load

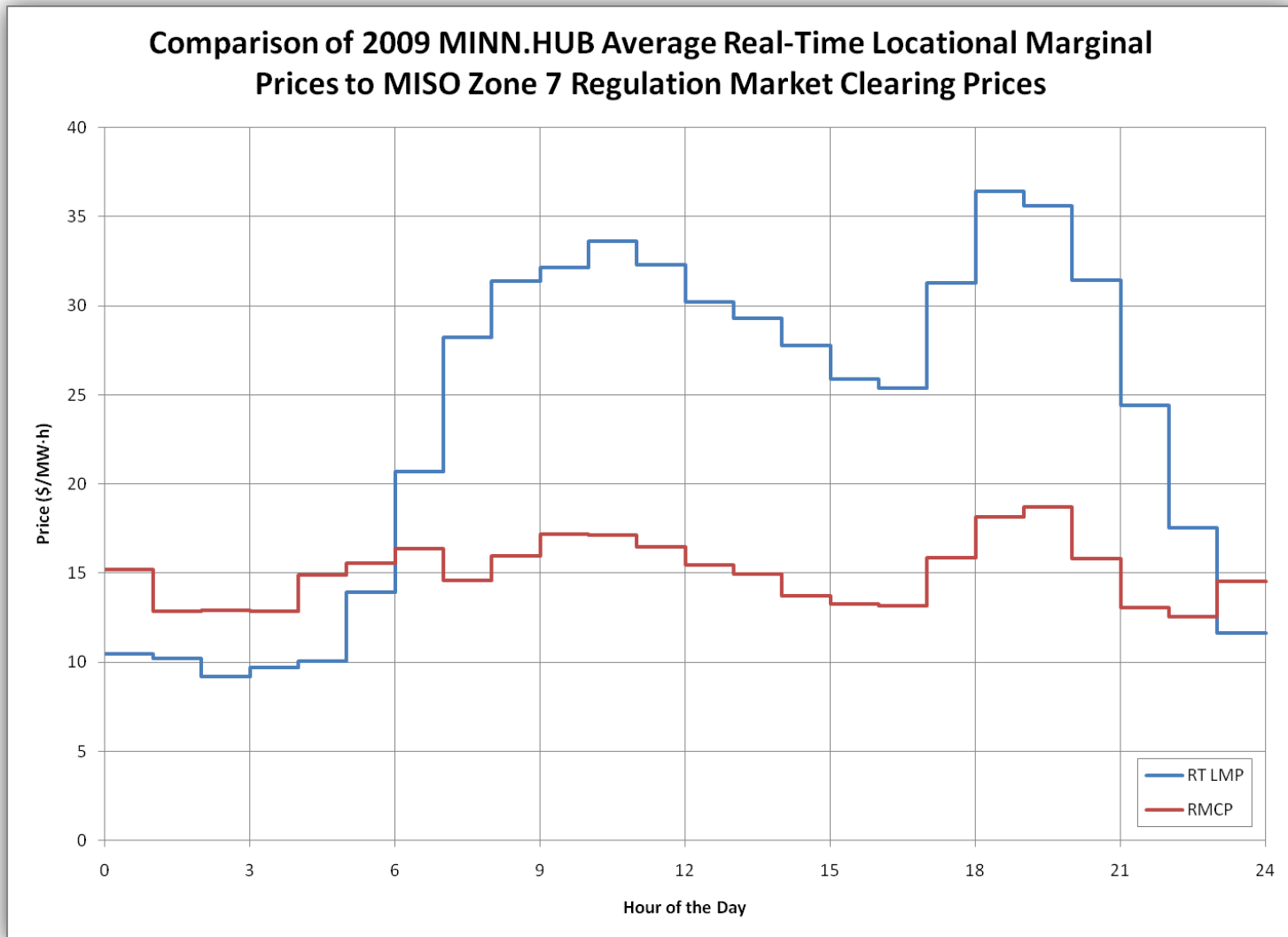


An Additional Value – Regulation



Real Time Prices Vs Regulation Market Clearing Prices

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Wholesale Annual Operating Cost for Electric Water Heater

Type/Method	Energy Cost	Demand/Trans. Other Costs	Total Cost
Uncontrolled	\$256	\$50 - \$200	\$306 - \$456
Grid-Interactive LMP Optimized	\$108	0	\$108
Grid-Interactive with Regulation	(\$80)	0	(\$80)

- **Uncontrolled Water Heater:** No controls installed on water heater
- **Grid-Interactive Water Heater: Consumes energy when LMP is low, but not doing regulation** Typically there is no additional transmission or demand cost during low demand hours when LMP is low
- **Grid-Interactive with Regulation: Consumes energy when LMP is low and provides regulation.** This option also provides a 70% reduction in CO₂ emissions, independent of the renewable integration value.

Note: PJM has a need for about 700Mw of up and down regulation.

Grid-Interactive Electric Thermal Storage Water Heating Benefits

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- ❑ Renewable integration
- ❑ Arbitrage value
- ❑ LMP following
- ❑ Ancillary value
- ❑ Reduced carbon
- ❑ Conservation
- ❑ Efficiency
- ❑ Economy



THANK YOU

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