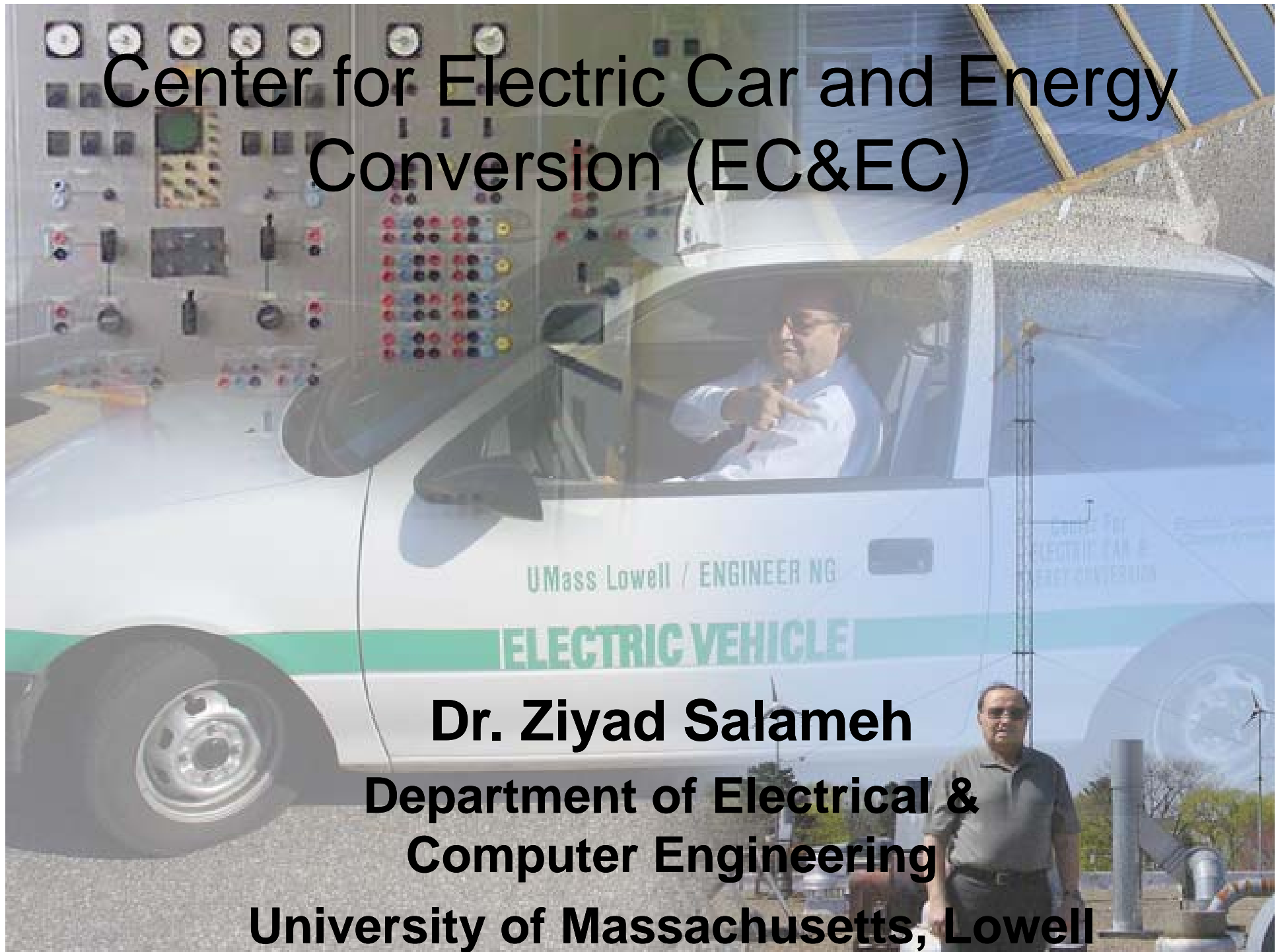


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Renearable Energy Sources and Their Impact on Utility Grids

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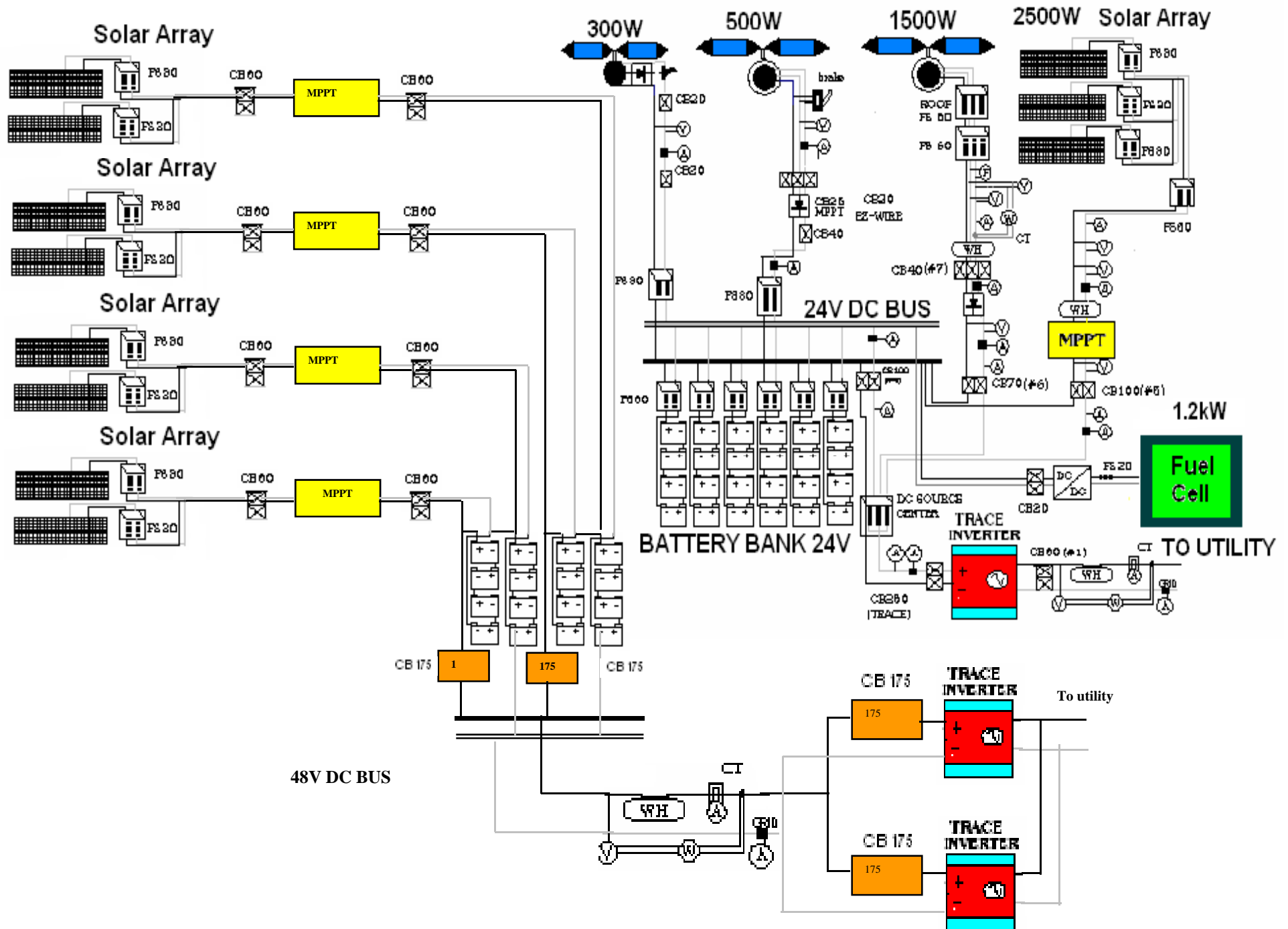
PV Powered Street Light







10.56kW





Renewable Energy Sources

Applications of WECS:

Stand Alone & Grid Connected

- **1. Small Scale Wind Energy Systems <10KW**

**houses, Small Farms, Boats,
Remote Weathering Stations ...**

- **Intermediate Scale , 10KW-100KW**

**Remote Villages, Islands,
Ranches.....**

- **Large Scale ,Wind Farms**



Antarctica



Village Electrification/Russia



Danish off shore Wind farm



Texas Horse Hollow Wind Farm/735MW



World largest wind turbine (6 MW)

Germany/ Enercon E-126



GE 3.6MW Turbine



PV Powered House in MA



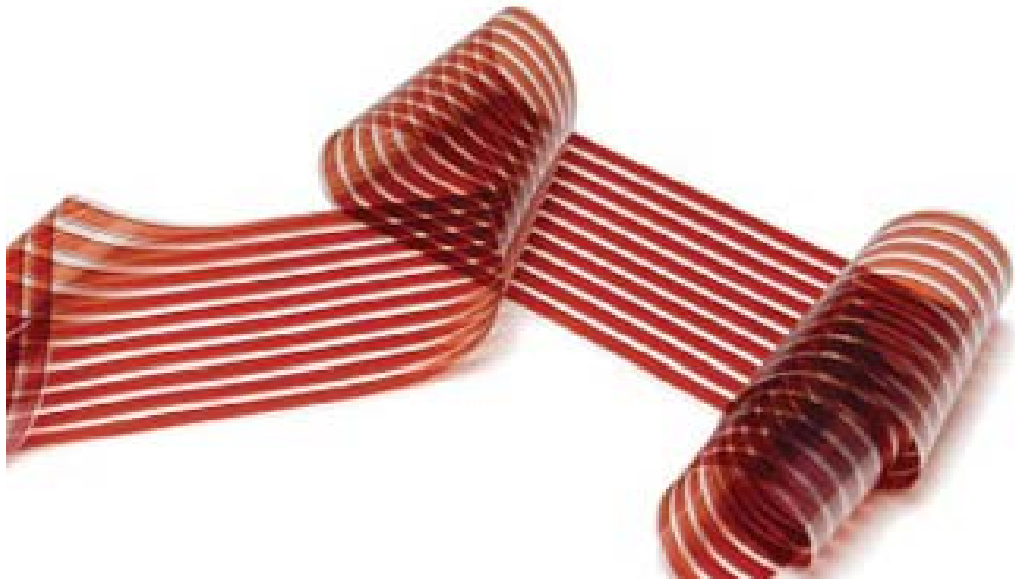
PV Powering Indian Reservation



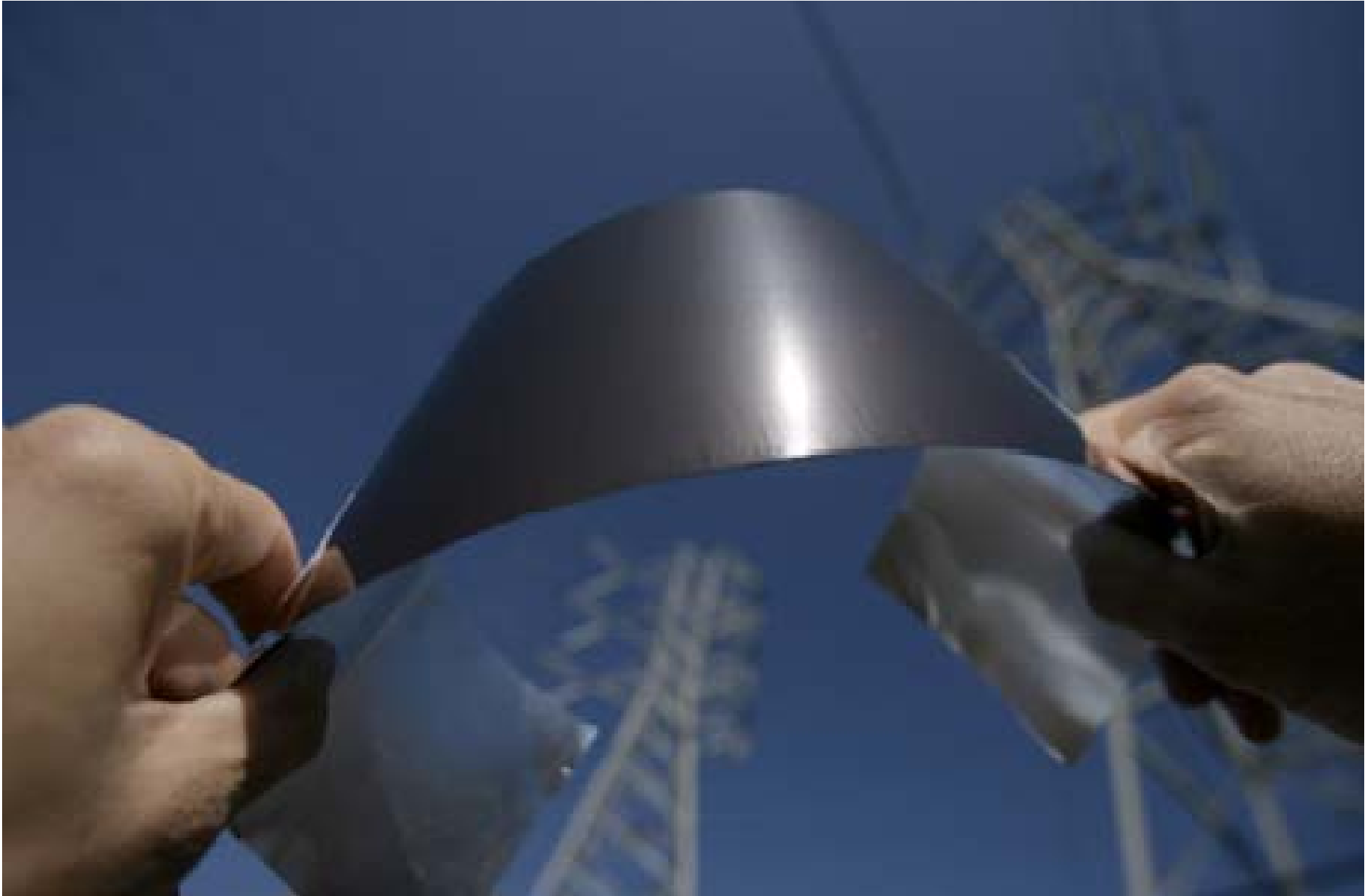
12WM PV Farm in Arnstein Germany



Flexible PV Sheets/Konarka



Nanosolar



Biomass

Definition: Biomass material of plants or animals(organic material), include wood, Solid waste ,animal waste, sewage, crop residue, garbage

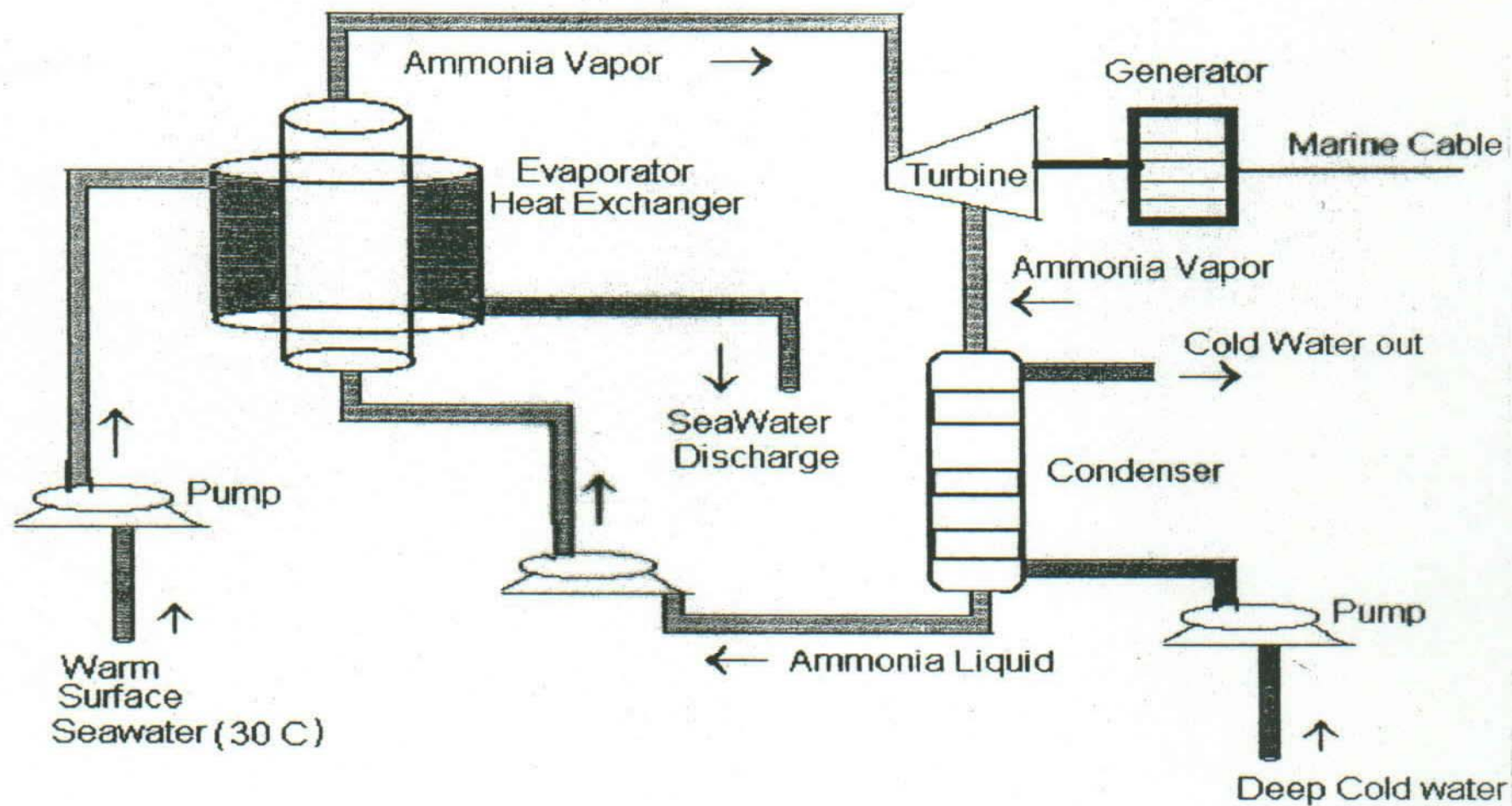
50-60% of energy sources in developing countries come from Biomass .

Energy from Biomass is released by two ways:

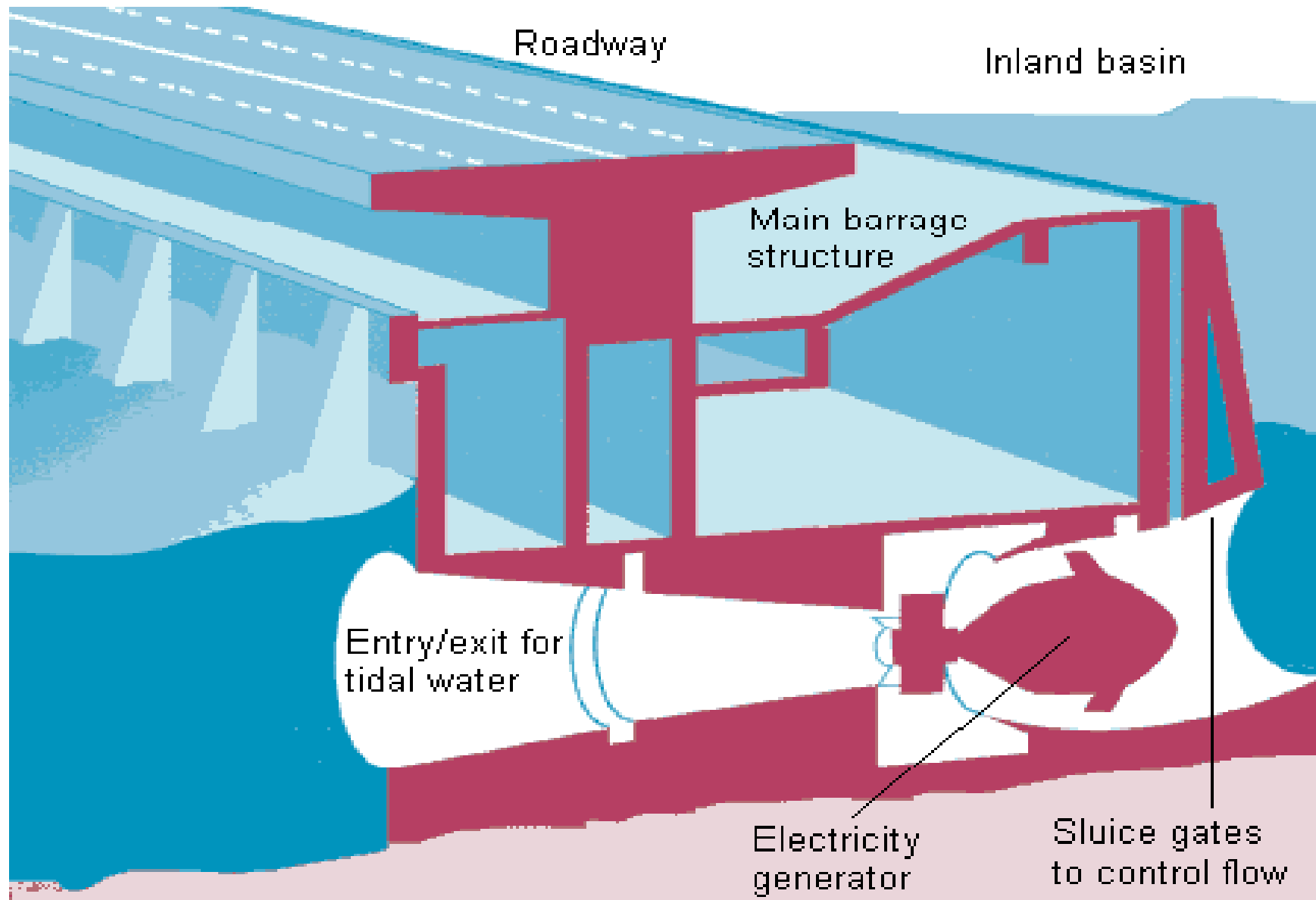
- 1.Direct Combustion :burning :weather in fireplaces or to generate steam and run turbines and generate electricity**
- 2.Transfer it through chemical and biological processes to produce bio fuel such as:
Ethanol, Methanol and Bio-diesel**

Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion (OTEC)

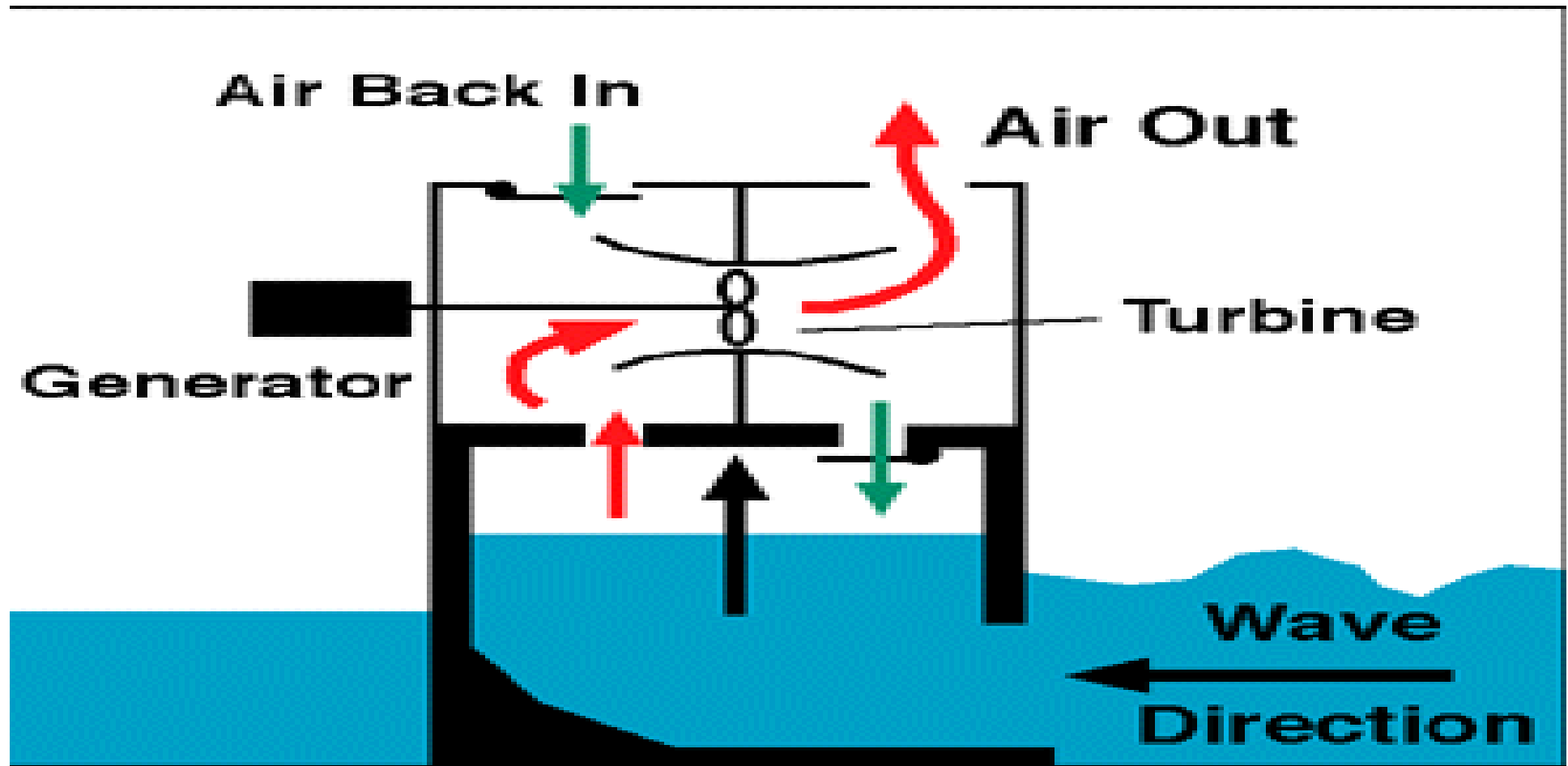
Closed-Cycle OTEC (Ammonia is the Working Fluid)



Tidal Power



Wave Power



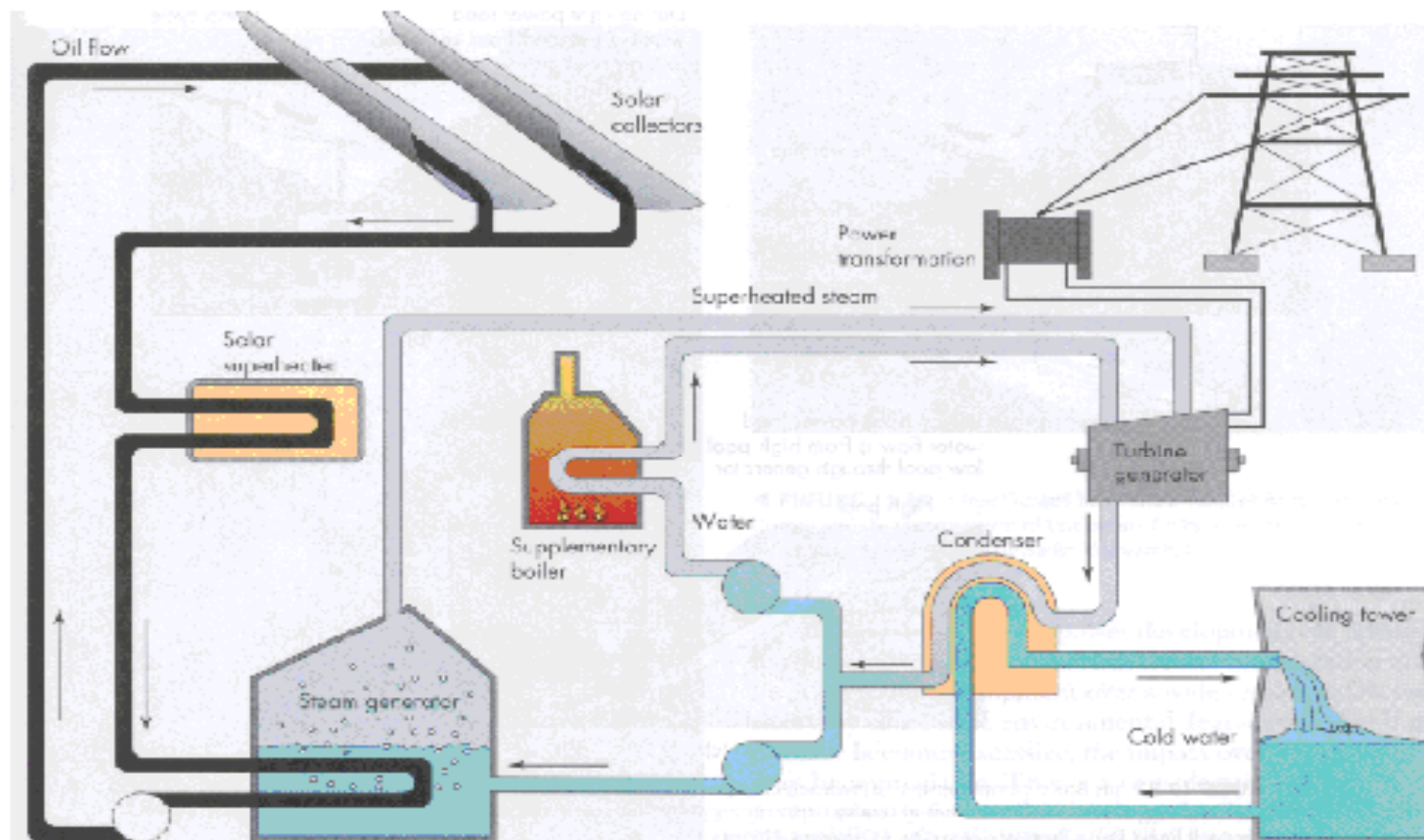
Submarine Turbine



10MW central Power Station



Thermal Power/Trough System

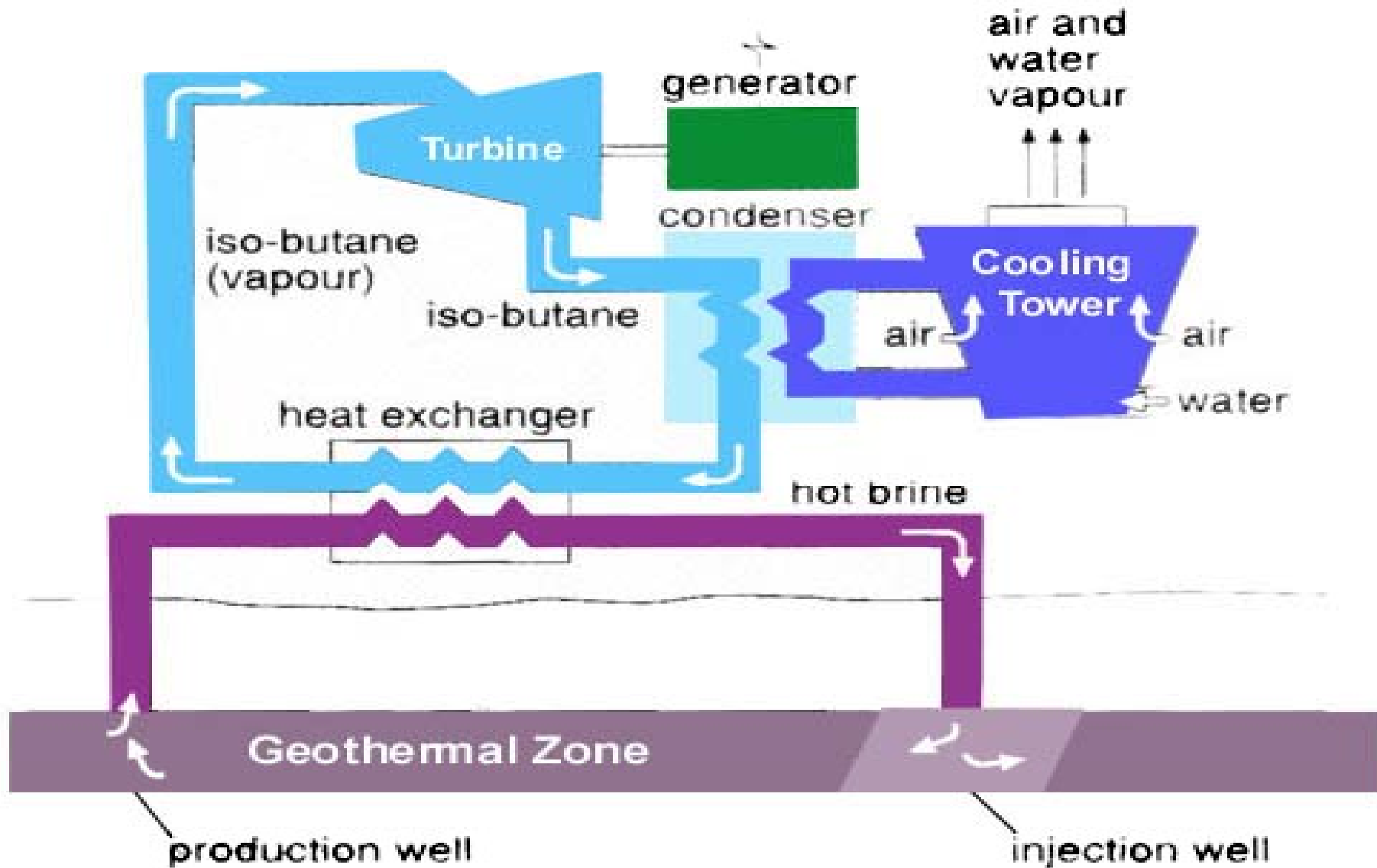


▲ FIGURE 15.36 Idealized diagram showing how the LUT solar electric generating system works. (Courtesy of LUT)

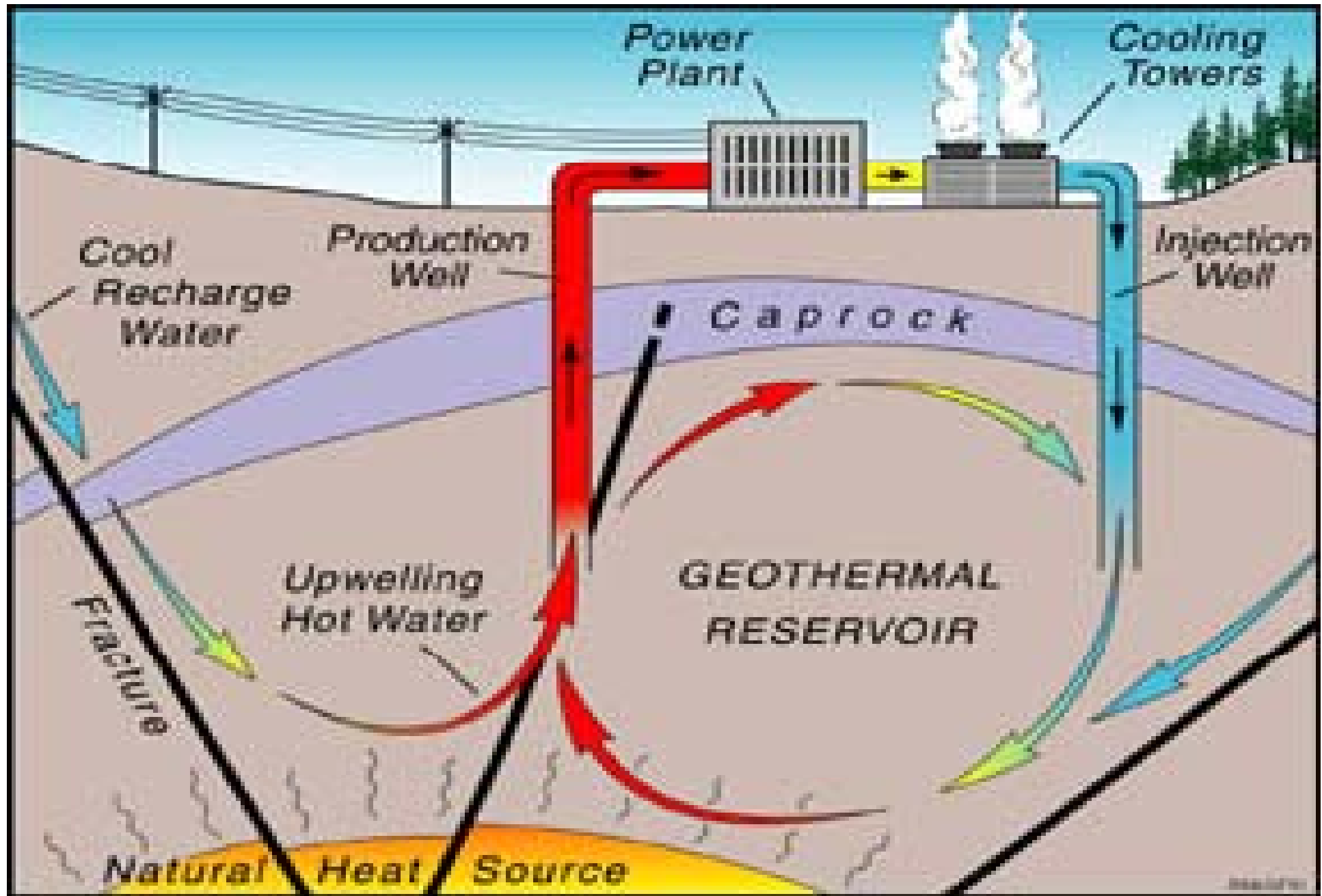
Geothermal Energy



Binary Cycle



Hot Rock Technology



Advantages of Renewable Energy Sources

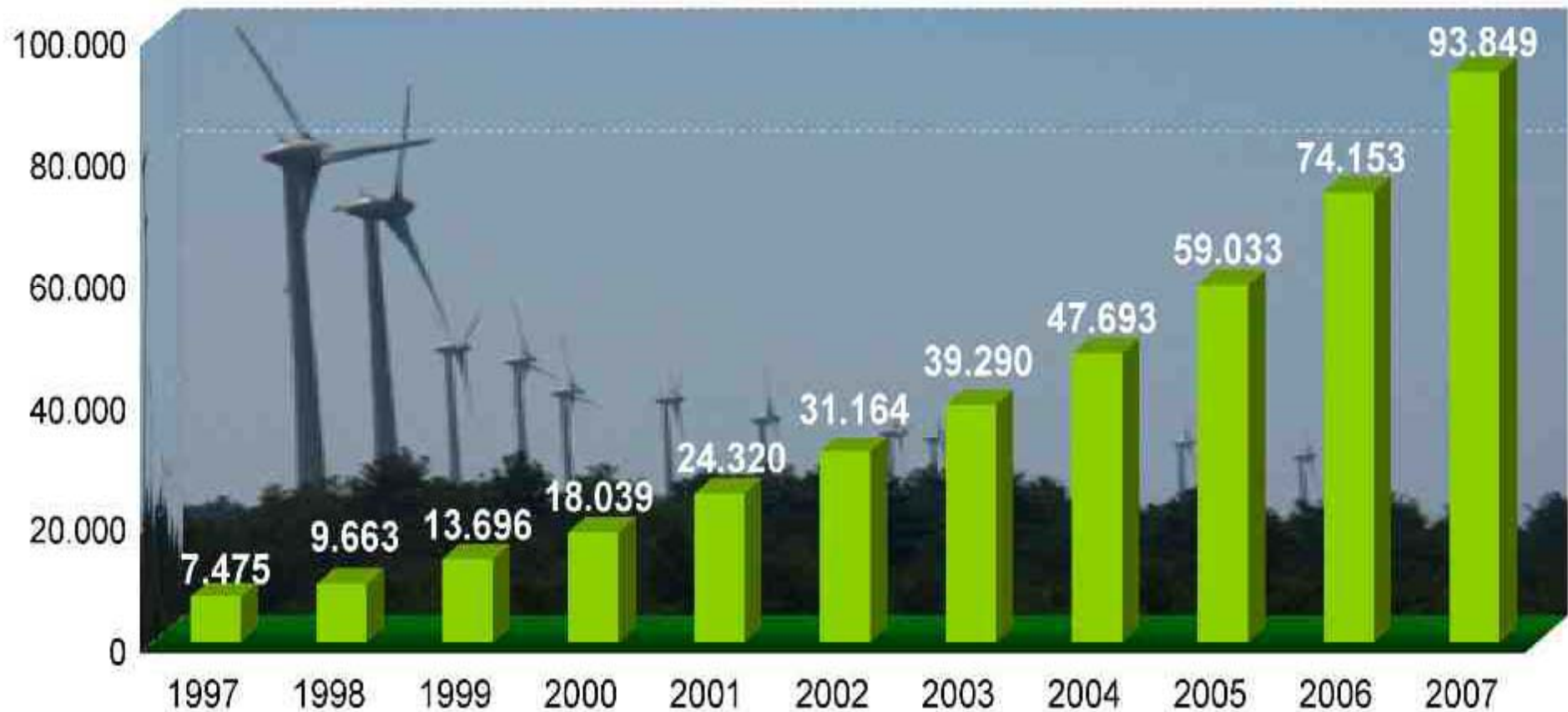
- **Clean Sources of Energy / No Pollution**
- **Modular**
- **Renewable**
- **More efficiently Used / Placed Right Where the Consumer is**

World Wide Renewable Energy

World Wide Wind Power Production



World Wind Energy - Total Installed Capacity [MW] 1997-2007





Germany



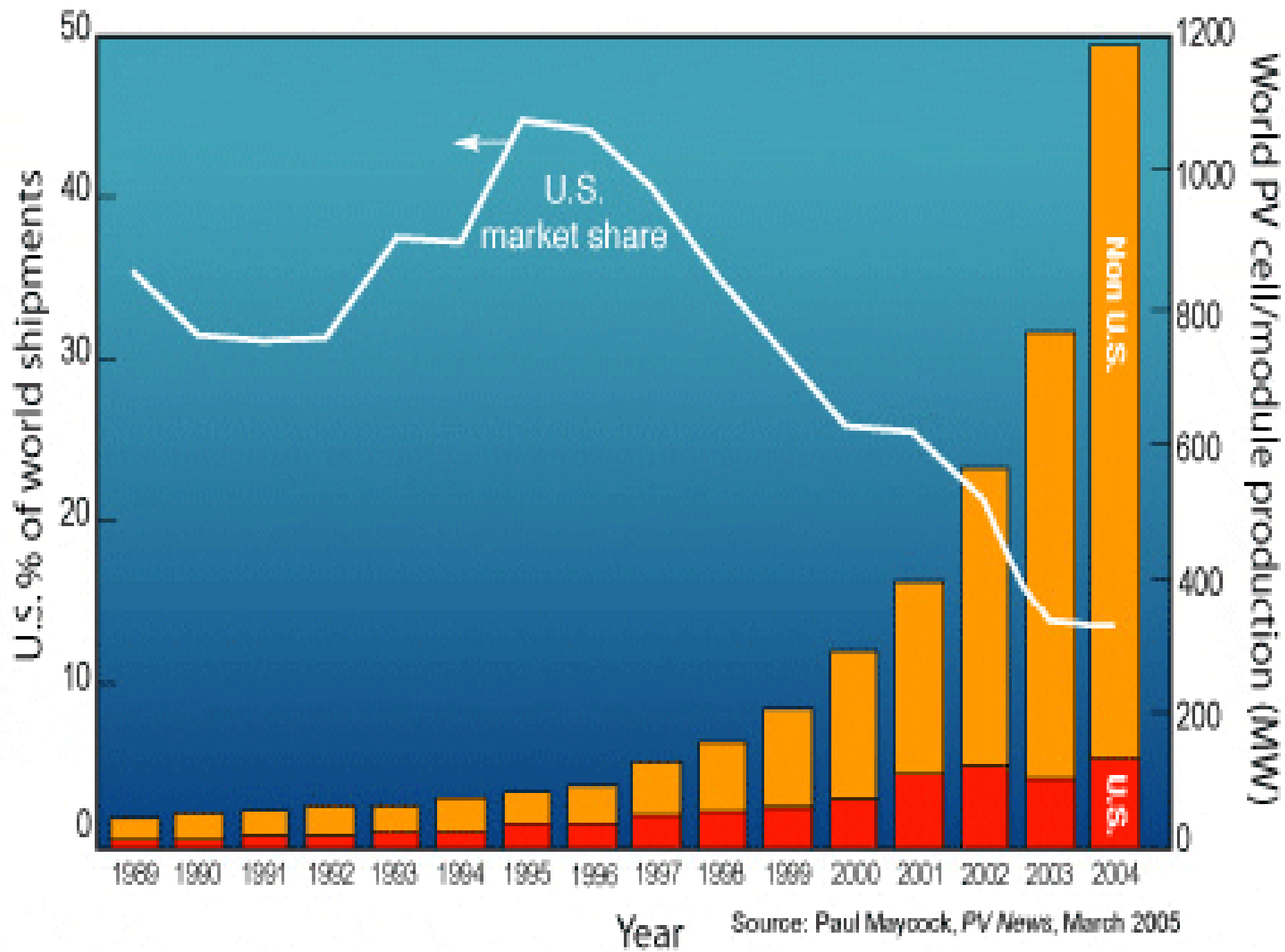
- **Germany has been the world leader in wind power capacity for many years**
- **2007 Capacity: 22,247 MW**
- **18,600 Wind turbines**
- **2007 Total output: 38.5 TWh (6.3% of Germany's electricity)**
- **Official target: 12% of Germany's electricity produced by wind by 2010, though this goal may be reached sooner**



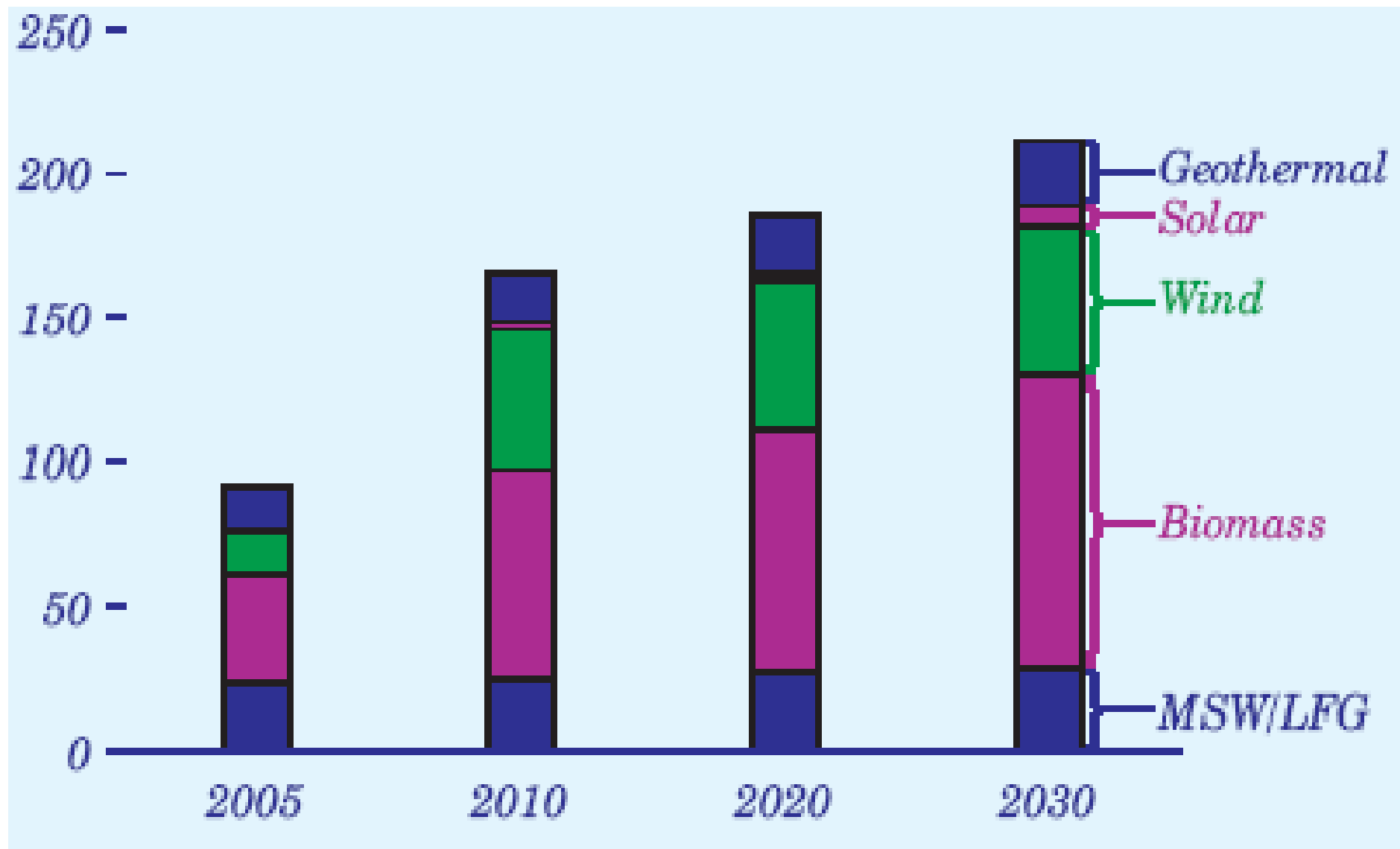
USA



- **2007 Capacity: 16,818 MW**
- **45% growth in 2007**
- **Top ten largest wind farms in the world are in The USA**
- **Horse Hollow in Texas is world's largest wind farm with 735.5 MW capacity**
- **Texas has surpassed California as largest wind power producing state**



Renewable Energy Production in Billions KWH/Projection



Why The Enormous Interest in Renewable Energy

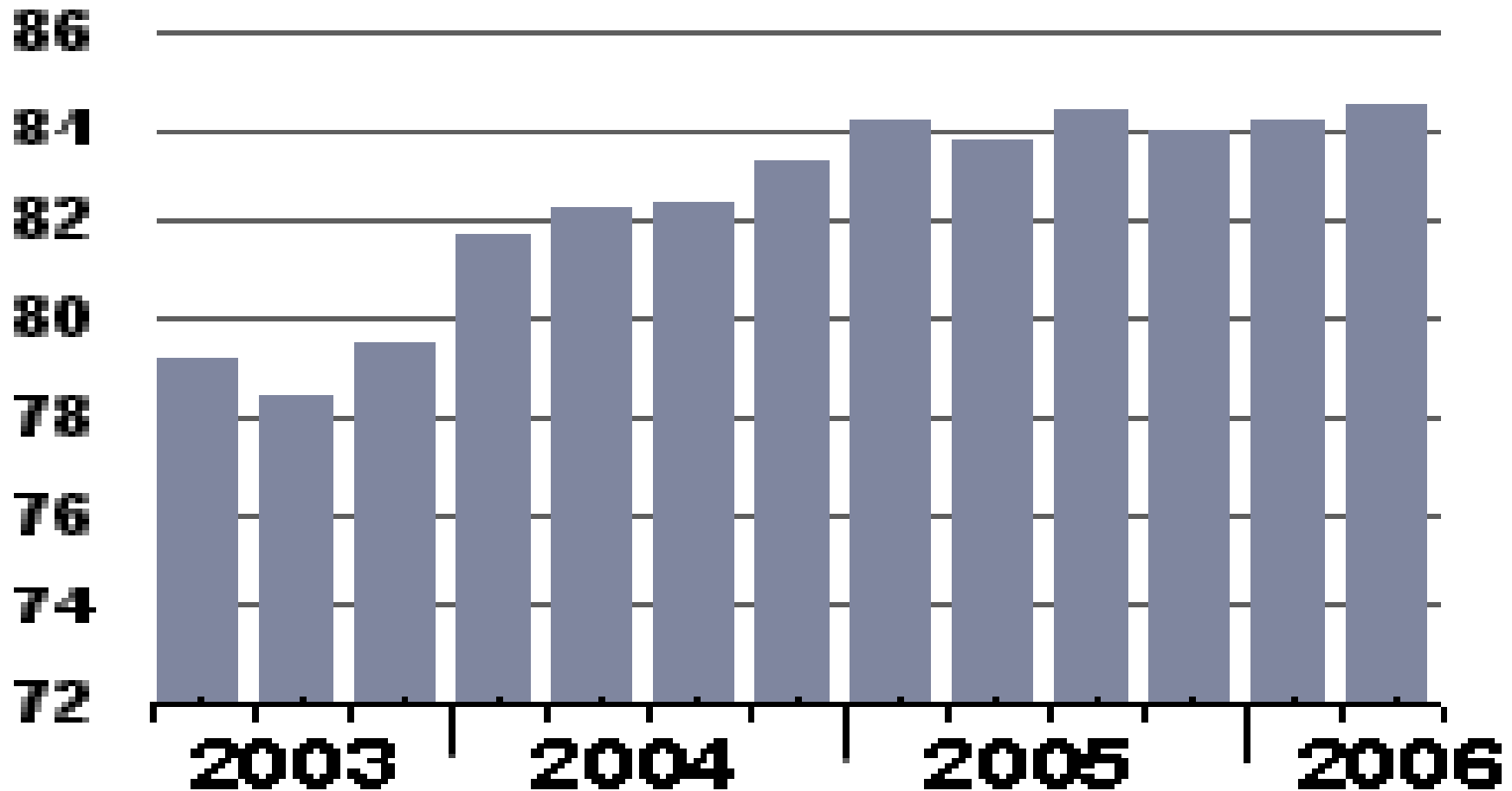
1. High Oil Prices

Oil Prices, 1994-March 2008 (NYMEX Light Sweet/WTI)



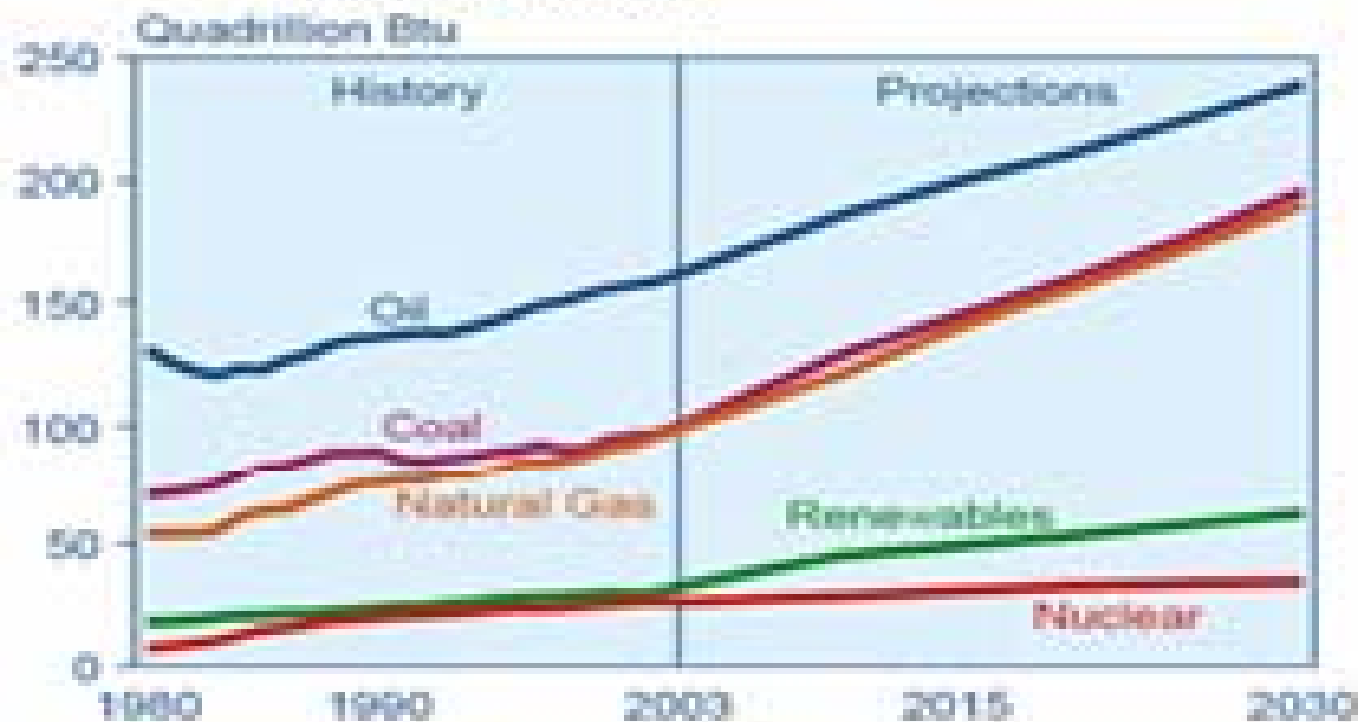
SOURCE: <http://octane.nmt.edu/gotech/Marketplace/Prices.aspx>

World Oil Production 1 millions of barrels per day



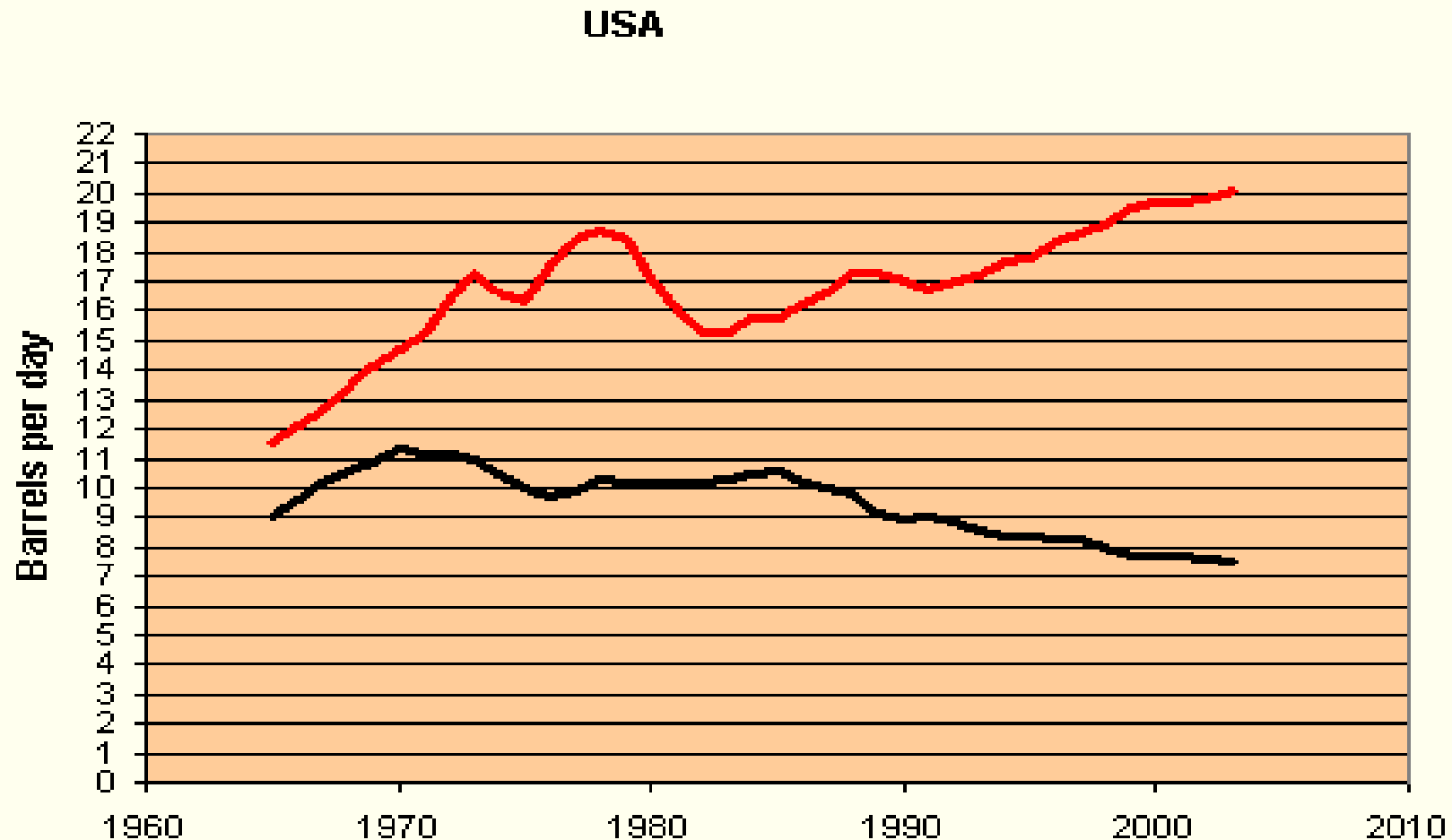
World Energy Consumption

Figure 3. World Marketed Energy Use by Energy Type, 1980-2030



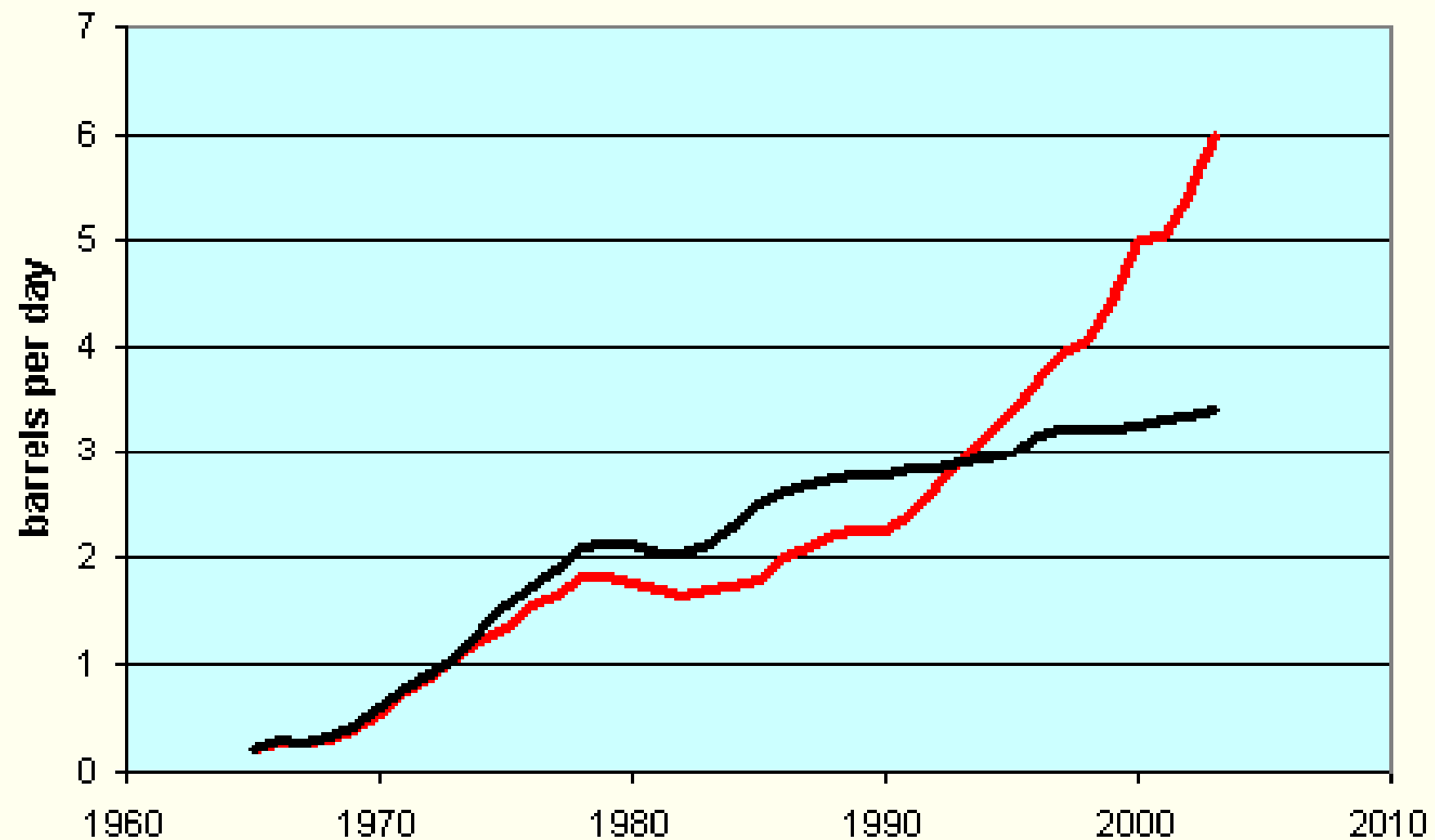
Sources: History: Energy Information Administration (EIA), *International Energy Annual 2003* (May-July 2005), web site www.eia.doe.gov/iea/. Projections: EIA, *System for the Analysis of Global Energy Markets* (2006).

Oil Consumption by country (millions of barrels per day)



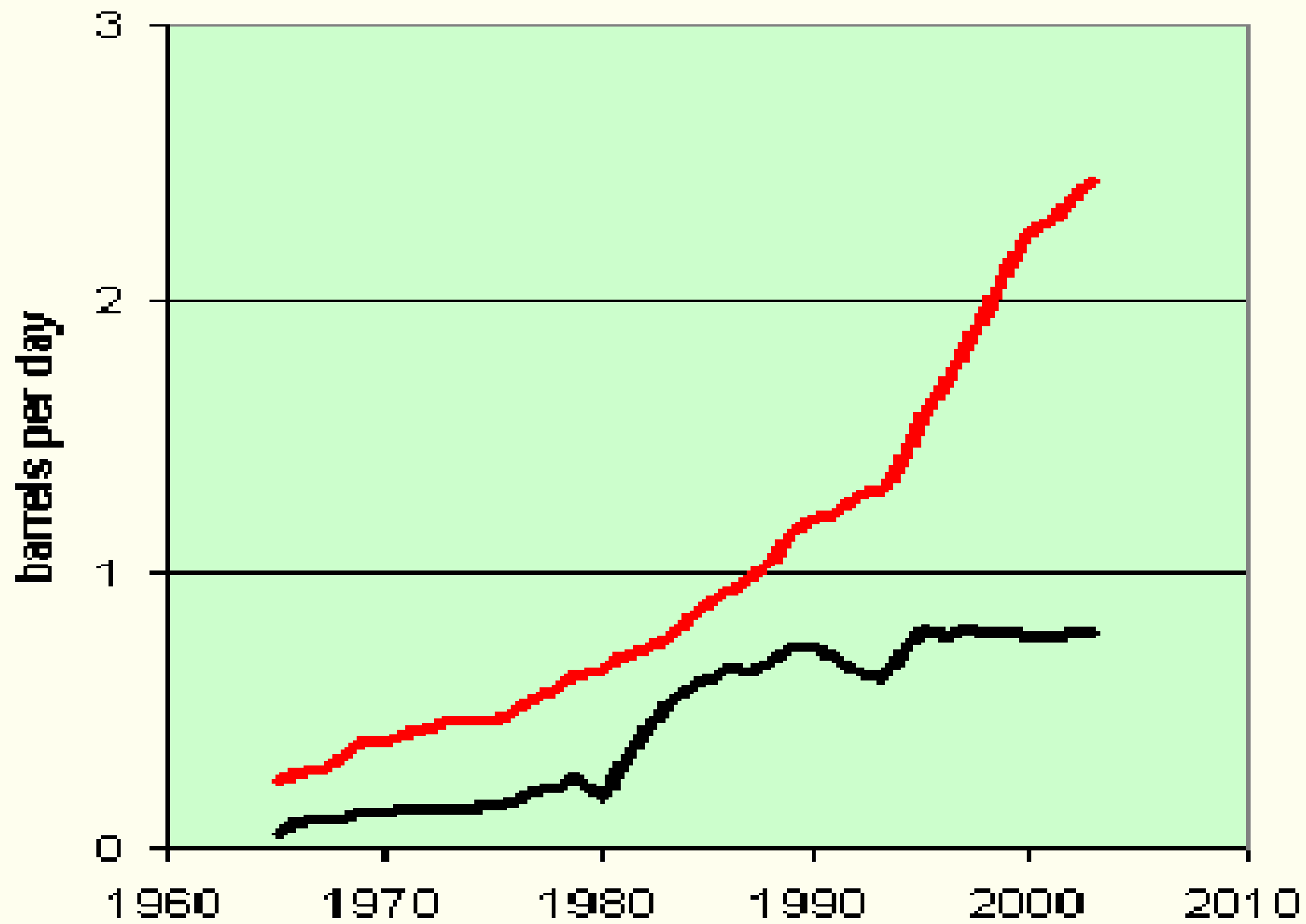
The USA remains by far the largest oil consumer with declining domestic production now meeting considerably less than 50% of consumption.

China



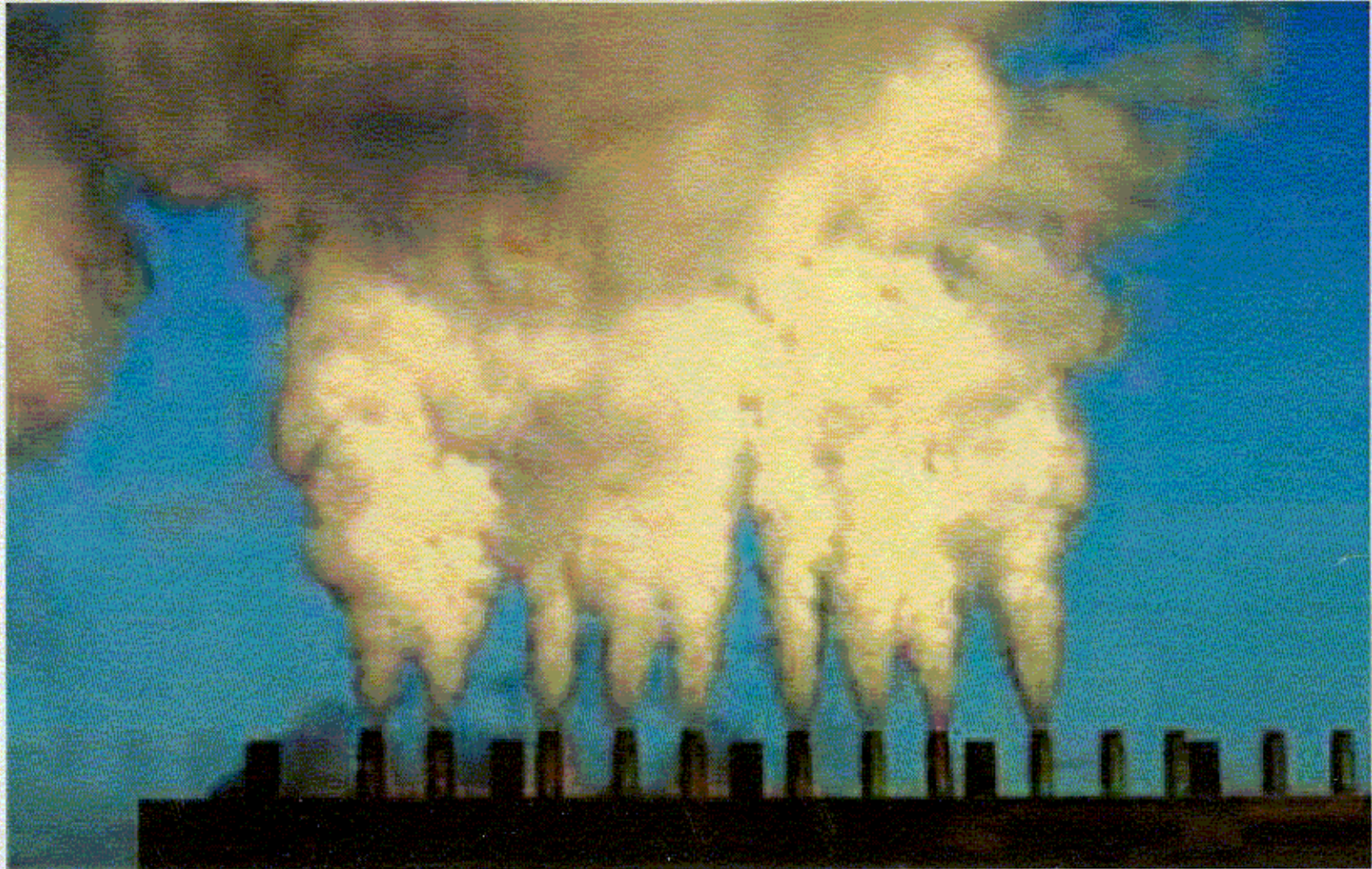
China became a net importer in 1993 and is now on a trajectory to compete with the USA for remaining reserves around the world.

India



2. Pollution

Pollution from Fossil Fuel Economy



Air Pollution

Carbon monoxide (CO): is a product of incomplete combustion

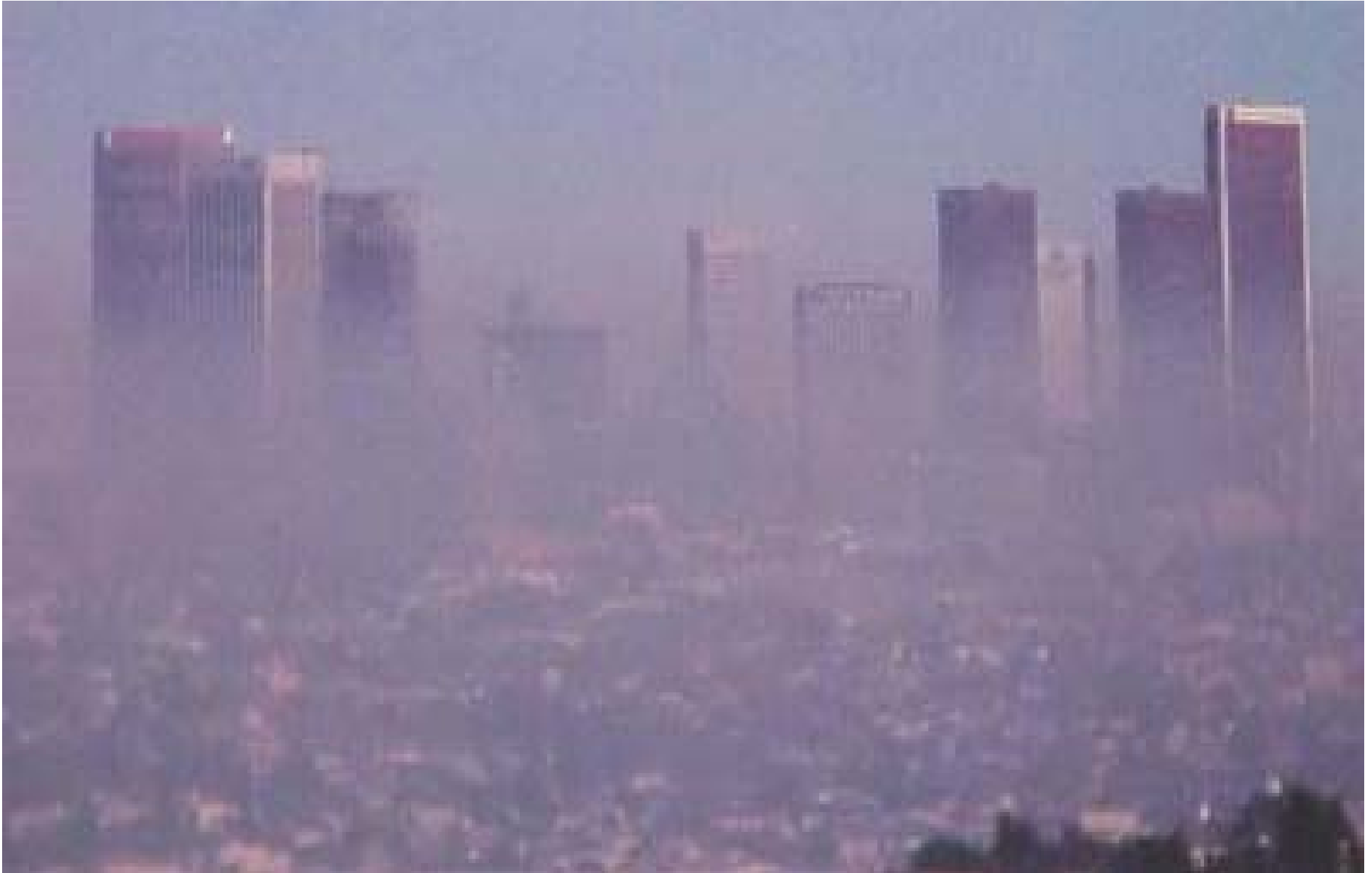
Carbon dioxide CO₂: is a “greenhouse gas” that traps the earth’s heat

Hydrocarbon Hydrocarbons react in the presence of nitrogen oxides and sunlight to form ground-level ozone (**Smog**)

Nitrogen Oxides: NO_x. Contribute to acid rain

Sulfur Dioxide, contributes to acid rain

Smog Over LA



Procurement Pollution

- **Damage Due to Petroleum Procurement**

About 60 tanker accidents are reported annually in global waters

- **Damage Due to Natural Gas Procurement**

Explosions of gas carrying vessels could cause severe tolls on the environment and on human lives

- **Damage Due to Coal Procurement**

Coal excavation damages land areas

Explosions in mines cost life

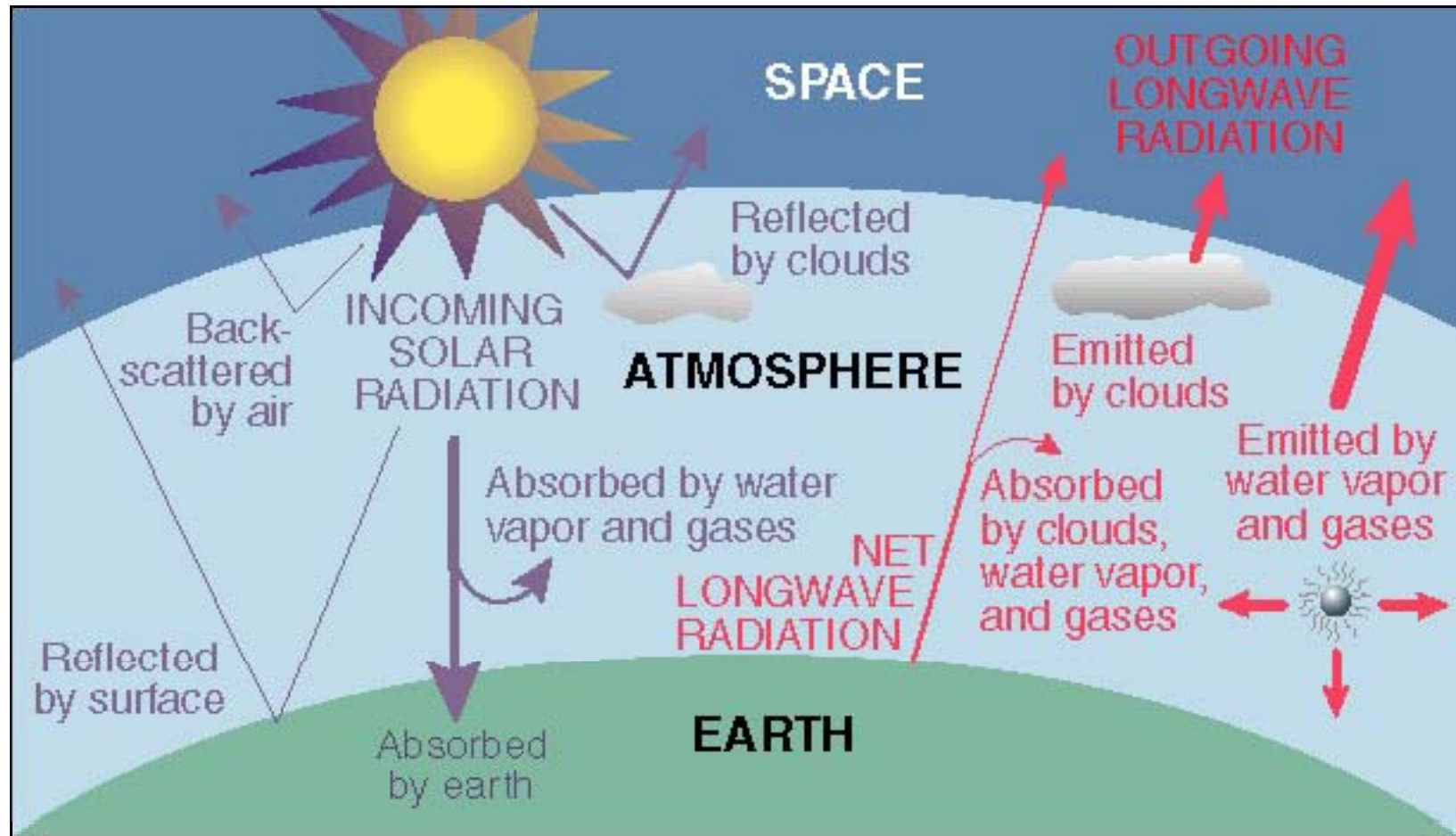
Dust inhalation causes damage to miner's lung

Arabian Gulf Spills



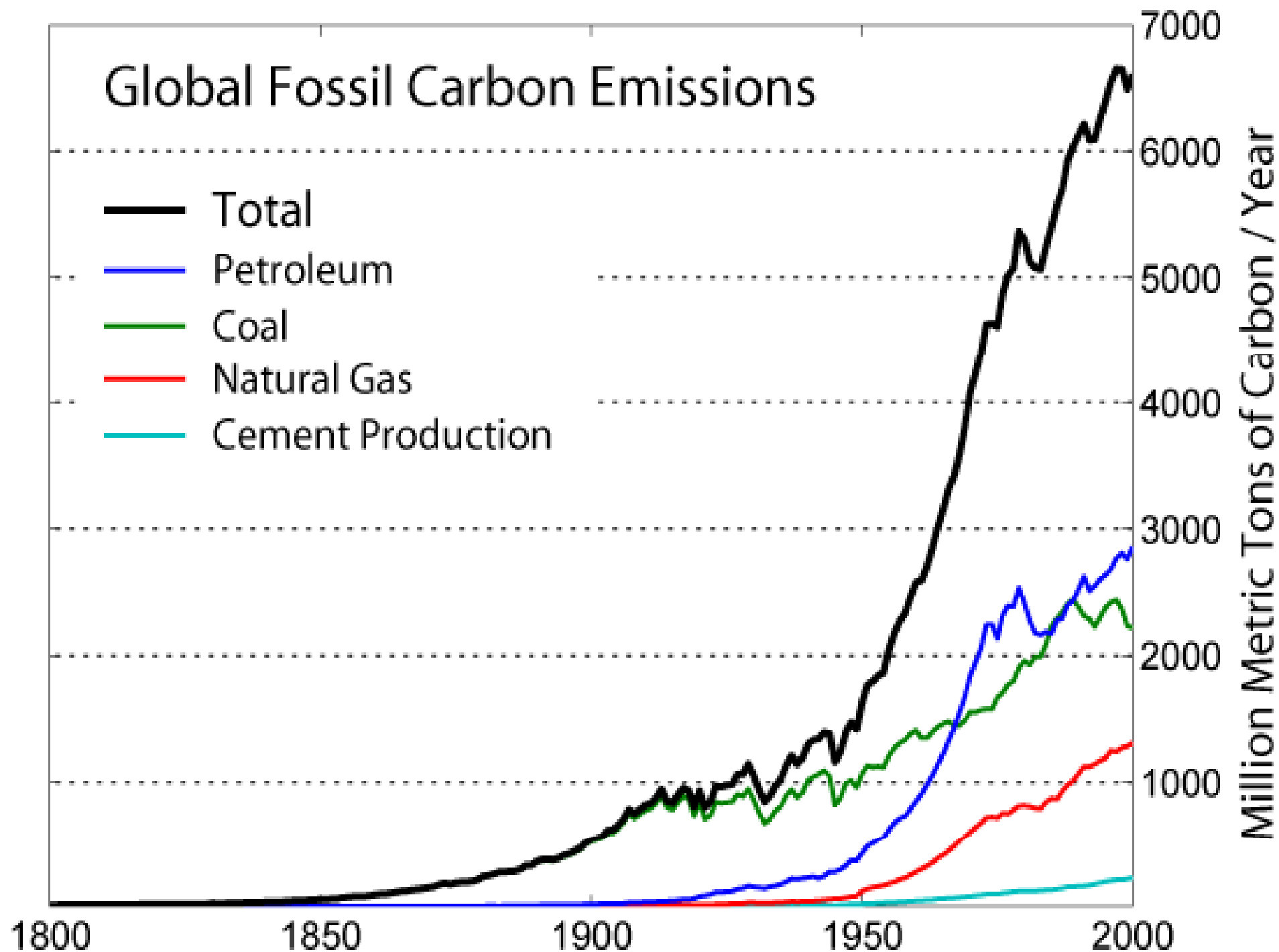
3. Global Warming

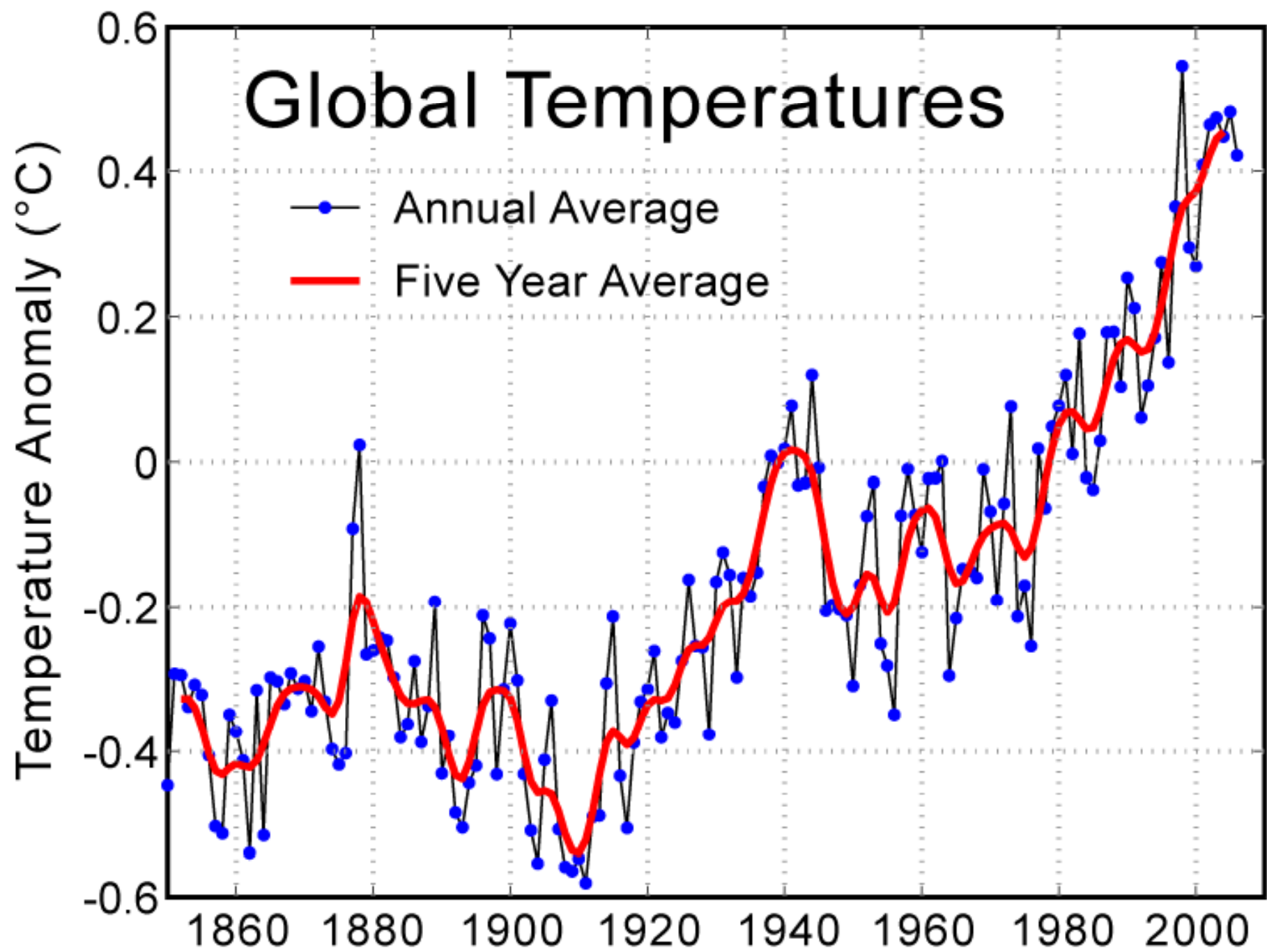
Green house process



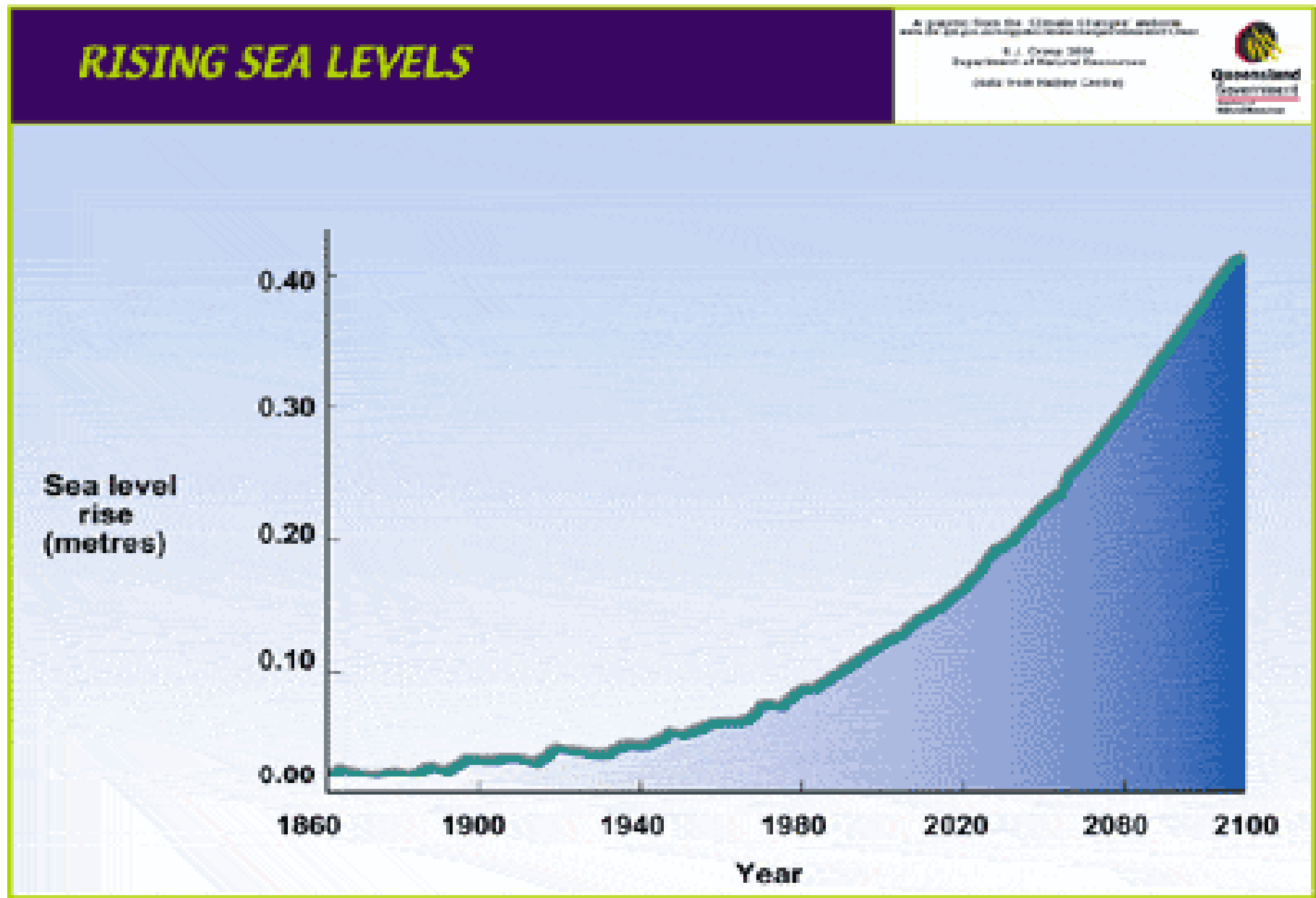
Global Fossil Carbon Emissions

- Total
- Petroleum
- Coal
- Natural Gas
- Cement Production





Rising sea Level



Incentives

- **Rebates by Governments for the installation of RES**
- **State and Federal Tax incentives**
- **The Trade in (Carbon Dioxide) CO2 Credit, Companies are Voluntarily buying CO2 credit from RES Companies/ The money is used to add more RES**

Massachusetts State and Federal Tax Incentives for Wind Energy

Massachusetts State Tax Incentives	Federal Tax Incentives
State Income Tax Credit: Income tax credit of 15% or \$1,000 , whichever is less, for the purchase a wind system.	Federal Production Tax Credit: 2 cents/kWh for first 10 years of project's life.
State Sales Tax Exemption: Exempts from the state sales tax, the sale of a wind system that is used as primary or auxiliary source of energy for a residence.	Modified Accelerated Cost Recovery System: Deduct 50% of value of property for 5 years to mitigate taxes on property.
Local Property Tax Exemption: Exempts from local sales tax, the sale of a wind system.	Business Investment Tax Credit: Deduct 10% of cost for investing in a wind project.

Impact of Renewable Energy Sources as Distributed Energy Systems on Utility Grids

Renewable Energy Sources as Distributed Energy Systems

- **Located right where the customers are, so they are more efficiently used**
- **No overhead line losses**
- **Easily and fast installed, as opposed to building a power station that will take long time.**
- **No pollution**
- **renewable**

Direct impact on the Utility grids

- **Reduction on the demand side, helps the utilities meet the overall increasing demand on energy in their jurisdictions**
- **Reduce Summer Peaks load (10:00AM-4:00PM)**
- **Increase the reliability of the Utilities by not relying solely on big generators , the outage of which causes great power failure**
- **Companies should have Solar Monitoring Network of the solar projects in their areas to plan meeting the loads demand**