# Market Transformation Symposium: News From the North

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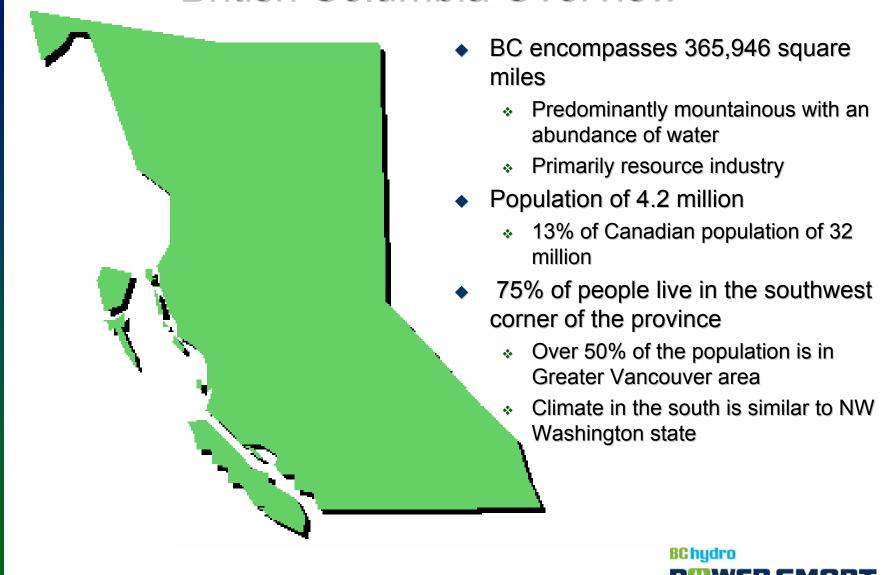


### Overview

- About British Columbia
- ◆About BC Hydro
- ◆BC Hydro and energy-efficiency
- Cooperation with others
- ◆The role of Energy Star



#### **British Columbia Overview**



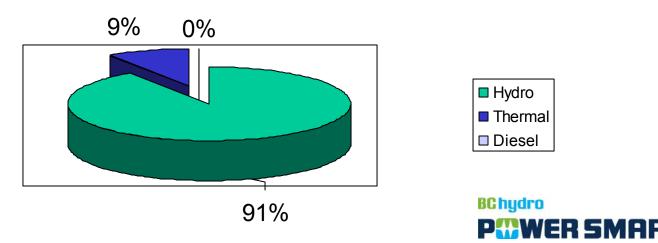
### **BC Hydro Overview**

- BC Hydro is a crown corporation
  - Electric only utility
- BC Hydro services 1.6 million customers
  - 94% of the province's population
- Residential rate is 6.05¢ Cdn
  - Approximately 4.8¢ US
- Regulated by the BC Utilities Commission



### **BC Hydro Overview**

- ◆ BC Hydro generates 43,000-54,000 GWh annually
  - 30 hydroelectric facilities
  - 3 thermal facilities
- Capacity is 11,298 MW, of which 90% is hydroelectric
  - 58% provided by 3 large hydro facilities
- Transmitted over 46,000 miles of lines



### **BC Hydro Overview**

- BC Hydro is presently a net importer of electricity
  - By choice, due to electricity trading activity
- Load is growing at a rate of 2% annually
  - Combination of population migration and increasing electrical intensity
- BC Hydro requires 10,000 GWh/yr of additional capacity by 2012
  - 1/3 of this new energy is to come from efficiency/conservation



#### **Power Smart Overview**

- Power Smart was launched in 1989 as a consolidated DSM initiative of BC Hydro
- By 2000, Power Smart had yielded 2,500 GWh/yr of electricity savings
  - Most DSM activity halted in late 90's as focus moved to deregulation and customer retention
- In 2001, Power Smart was re-launched with a target of 3,600 GWh/yr of electricity savings over 10 years



#### **Power Smart Overview**

- Conservation Potential Review (CPR) was undertaken in 2001
  - BC Hydro customers broken into 3 segments
  - Each segment broken down by achievable potential for product categories or process improvements (Industrial only)
- Conservation Potential Review became the basis for the Power Smart 10-year plan



## **Power Smart Targets**

- The Power Smart 10-year plan identifies strategies for acquiring 3,600 GWh/yr of electricity savings by 2012
  - 2,300 GWh/yr from the Industrial sector
  - 600 GWh/yr from the Commercial sector
  - 700 GWh/yr from the Residential sector
- 1,315 GWh/yr of savings have been accomplished to date
- Budget of \$600 million over 10 years (\$500 million US)



### Power Smart Strategy

- Design and implement cost-effective programs that address barriers to the 5 pillars of market transformation
- Programs are designed to achieve immediate energy acquisition and sustained long-term savings
- Programs are designed to complement existing market channels wherever possible



#### Commercial & Industrial Sector



#### Power Smart Partners

- Objective is to encourage integration of energy-efficiency into ongoing business practices
- Targets customers that spend > \$50,000 annually on electricity
- Focus on steam, pumps, compressed air, pulping, lighting, HVAC
- Matching funding assists customers to identify potential electricity savings opportunity (ESO) in a facility
- Incentive funding provided to the most cost effective projects
- Communication strategies provide recognition of success



#### Commercial Sector

- Product Incentive Program
  - Objective is to encourage simple retrofit installations
  - Targets all industrial, commercial and government with a focus on smaller customers and projects
  - Focus on lighting, HVAC, belt drives and pumps
  - Incentives are web based and fixed to specific products





#### Commercial Sector

- High Performance Buildings Program
  - Objective is to encourage whole building integrated design
  - Targets new construction of commercial, high-rise, government and industrial facilities
  - Offers incentives, education and training





- New Home Program
  - Objective is to encourage adoption of electrically-efficient technologies in new construction
  - Targets all new residential construction
  - Offers incentives and marketing support for the installation of specific products
  - Looking to expand to building envelope







- Renovation Rebate Program
  - Objective is to encourage installation of better insulation and low-e windows in electrically heated homes
  - Targets electrically heated detached housing stock (10% of market)
  - Offers prescriptive incentives for the installation of specific products



- Refrigerator Buy-Back Program
  - Objective is to encourage customers to decommission their second fridge
  - Targets customers that have a second fridge or have just purchased a new fridge
  - Offers \$30 incentive and free pick-up and recycling





- Variable Speed Motors Program
  - Objective is to encourage customers to include a VSM in the purchase of a new gas furnace
  - Targets customers that are participating in the gas utilities furnace upgrade program
  - Offers \$150 incentive to purchase a qualifying model





- Seasonal Light Emitting Diode Program (SLED)
  - Objective is to encourage customers to purchase SLEDs in place of incandescent Christmas lights and transform market
  - BC Hydro gave 20,000 strings to high profile events in 2002
  - Rebate coupons offered to spur additional demand,450,000 strings sold for x-mas '03, 1.5 million for '04







- Compact Fluorescent Lighting Program (CFL)
  - Objective is to encourage customers to purchase CFLs in place of incandescent lights and shift BC lighting market
  - BC Hydro offered 2 free CFLs to all residential customers
  - Giveaway events were hosted by retailers
  - Manufacturers and retailers provided additional free product and supported coupons towards the purchase of more
  - Now moved away from giveaways and expanding into torchieres







- Federal government targets are largely in-line with BC Hydro's
  - Federal focus is on GHG reduction as per Kyoto Protocol
  - Electricity saved results in GHG reductions
  - Federal initiatives are fuel neutral, allowing greater scope
  - Market transformation efforts in BC can spread to the rest of the country
  - Market transformation in other provinces benefits BC





# Canadian Cooperation



- Federal contributions to BC Hydro's efforts
  - Technical expertise
  - Energy Star brand
  - Cross promotion of similar programs
  - Funding
    - VSM incentives
    - SLED incentives
    - Torchiere incentives
    - Energy Star appliance incentives
    - Energy Star windows incentives
    - Energy Star houses



# The Role of Energy Star

- The need for efficiency standards
  - Power Smart did 'endorse' products with a Power Smart Saves label in the early to mid-1990's
  - Became a national initiative that included appliances, windows, lighting etc
  - At ~1% of North America's population, difficult for BC Hydro to sustain







## The Role of Energy Star

- BC Hydro and Energy Star
  - Energy Star criteria is used wherever feasible to determine which products we include in programs
- Incentives offered on Energy Star labeled products including:
  - \* CFLs
  - Windows
  - Appliances
  - Fans



# BC Hydro and Energy Star

- BC Hydro's relationship with Energy Star is symbiotic
  - Energy Star awareness in Canada lags behind US due to our late start
  - Leveraging the Power Smart brand to promote Energy Star increases awareness
  - Energy Star allows BC Hydro easy access to standards, without incurring major costs
- "It's Power Smart to buy Energy Star"



# What We Need From Energy Star

#### Quality issues

- Predominantly in CFL category
- Catastrophic product failures threaten our investment and the entire CFL category
- Our testing indicates Energy Star labeled products don't meet Energy Star criteria
- Energy Star categories
  - BC Hydro is often ahead of Energy Star in Canada
  - Examples include SLEDs and torchieres



#### Market Transformation in BC

- Market transformation is a realistic objective for BC Hydro
  - Service territory can be geographically isolated
  - Leading position in Canada for many product categories
  - Cooperation at the provincial ministry level
  - Cooperation at the federal level

