



# **USING ADVANCED ENERGY TO LOWER COSTS AND EMISSIONS**

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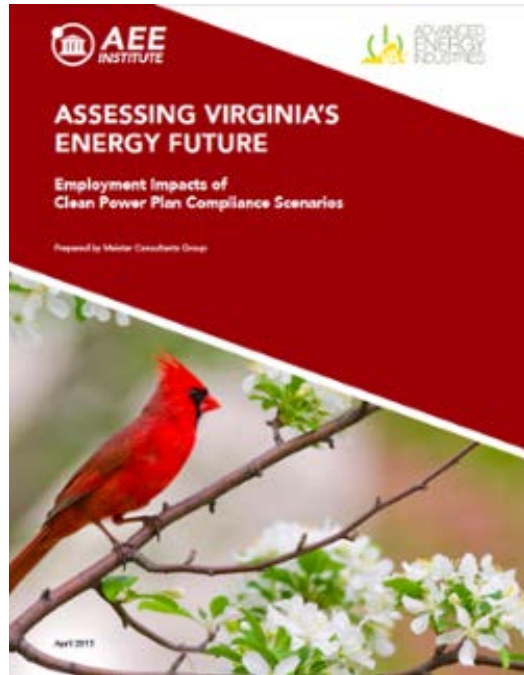
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# Advanced energy already plays a key role in the Commonwealth but has room for growth



*Assessing Virginia's Energy Future: Employment Impacts of Clean Power Plan Compliance Scenarios*



State Tool for Electricity Emissions Reduction

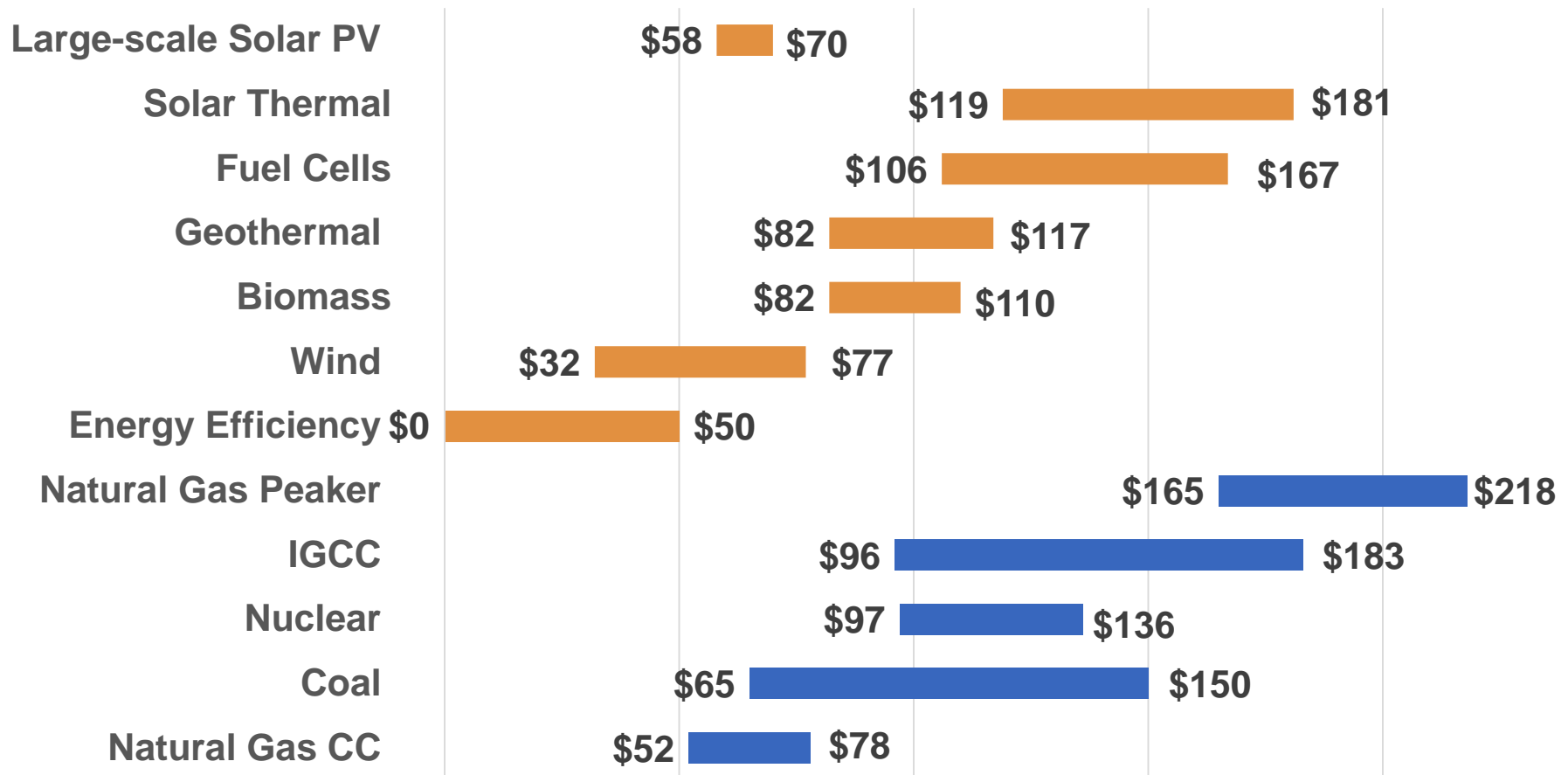
## **State Tool for Electricity Emission Reductions (STEER) model**

*Modeling a Low-Cost Approach to Clean Power Plan Compliance for Virginia*



# Moreover, these technologies are cost competitive with traditional sources

## Unsubsidized, Levelized Cost of Electricity, 2015 (\$/MWh)



Source: Lazard

# Advanced energy can provide economic and environmental benefits if planned properly

## Other Options

**Carbon capture and sequestration**

**Demand response\***

### **BSER**

#### **Renewables**

(onshore wind, utility-scale solar PV and CSP, geothermal, hydro)

**Coal-to-existing NGCC switching**



**Heat rate improvements**

**Other grid-connected renewables**  
(offshore wind, DG, biomass, wave and tidal power)



**Energy storage\*\***

**Zero-emitting fuel cells**



**End-use energy efficiency**

ESCOs, behavioral programs, appliance replacement, building energy codes, appliance codes



**CHP, WHP, and cogeneration**

**New and incremental nuclear**



**T&D efficiency**

(VVO, CVR, smart grid)



\*Eligible to the extent it reduces net MWh end-use.

\*\*Cannot receive explicit credit but its benefits can be recognized in plans.

# A lack of holistic planning often results in inefficient decisions

- Wyoming may spend billions on pollution upgrades, yet plants may retire soon anyway due to de-carbonization



# Unfortunately, a series of structural issues limit integrated energy + air planning

## Structural Issues

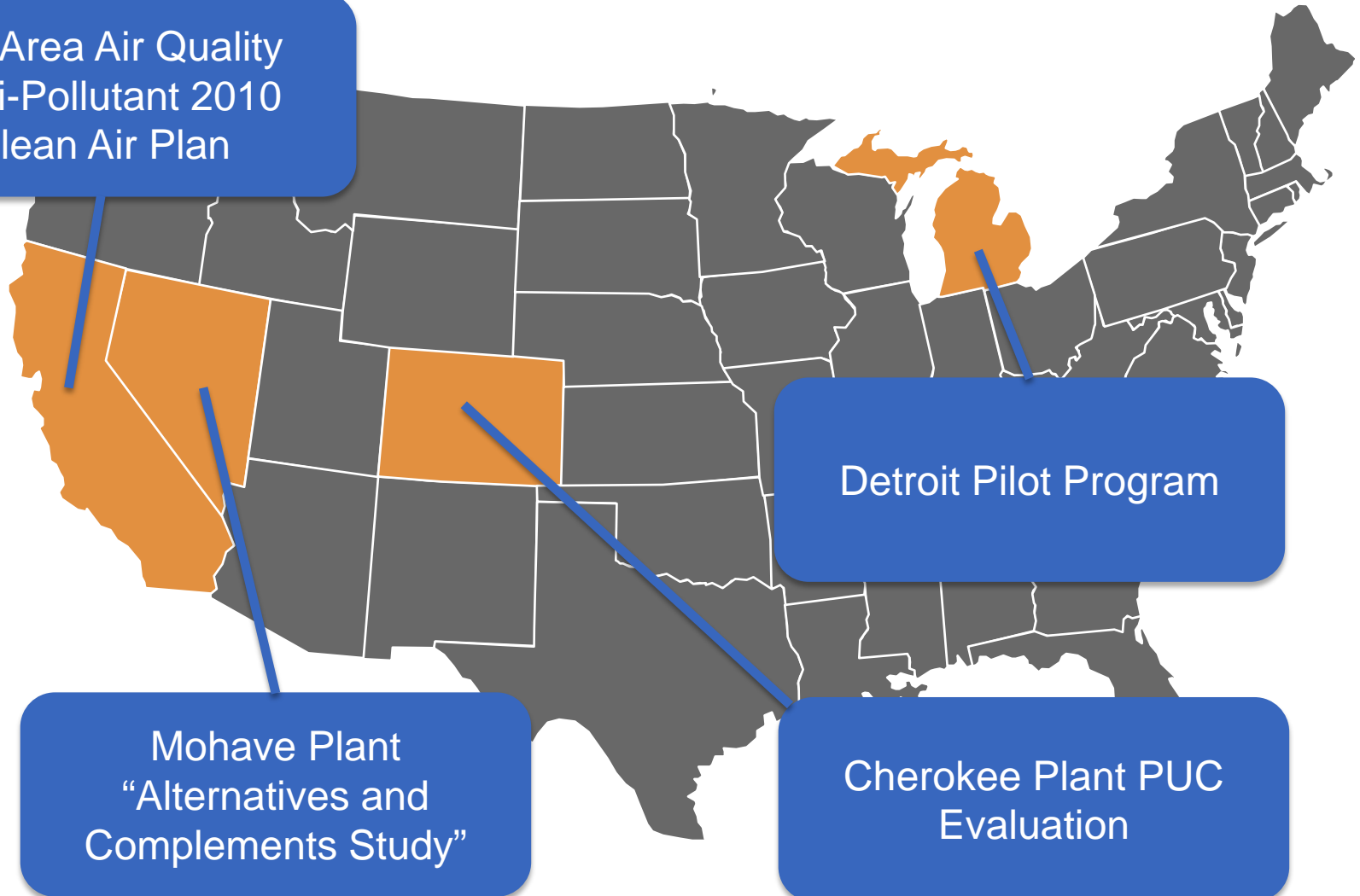
- CAA addresses one pollutant at a time
- No one owns holistic planning
  - Air regulators focused on pollution
  - PUCs focused on cost/reliability
- Regs often challenge use of advanced energy and other integrated solutions





# But there are other limited examples of success

Bay Area Air Quality  
Multi-Pollutant 2010  
Clean Air Plan



Detroit Pilot Program

Mohave Plant  
"Alternatives and  
Complements Study"

Cherokee Plant PUC  
Evaluation





# The Commonwealth can move its policies to capture more of the opportunity



**In 2015**

- **Wind Power alone**
  - Reduced CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 132 MMT
  - Reduced NO<sub>x</sub> emissions by 106,000 MT
  - Reduced SO<sub>x</sub> emissions by 176,000 MT
- **Energy Efficiency**
  - Reduced CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 490 MMT

# So the next step is 'no regrets' analysis and planning

## Planning Benefits

- Planning needs to happen no matter what happens in pending litigation
- Puts state in driver's seat when it comes to implementation rather than the feds
- Allows states to optimize their approach for meeting a variety of needs in the state



# Questions

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