



Initial Modeling Results

Austin Energy's Resource, Generation and Climate Protection
Plan to 2035

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AUSTIN ENERGY'S RESOURCE, GENERATION AND CLIMATE PROTECTION PLAN TO 2035

WHAT DID YOU OBSERVE?

WHAT SURPRISED YOU?

WHAT QUESTIONS DO YOU HAVE?

**IF YOU COULD CHANGE SOMETHING AND THEN RE-RUN THE
MODEL, WHAT WOULD IT BE?**

Reference Guide to Numbered Portfolios

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*DNV projections refers to the quantities of Demand-Side Management (Demand Response, Energy Efficiency, and Local Solar) resulting from the market potential study performed by DNV Energy Insights

Portfolio	Net Cost 20-yr NPV (\$MM)	2035 Bill Impact (\$/Month)	2035 Energy Burden (%)	Total Liquidity Need (\$MM)	2035 Reliability Risk Events 4+ Hours (Count)	2035 Reliability Risk Hours (Hours)	Total CO ₂ Emissions (Million Metric Tons)	Total NOx Emissions (Metric Tons)	Total SOx Emissions (Metric Tons)	Total PM Emissions (Metric Tons)
1	\$9,771	\$38	3.7%	\$1,291	9	165	14	1596	49	389
2	\$13,026	\$67	4.5%	\$1,685	17	2,204	6	589	8	152
3	\$8,659	\$33	3.5%	\$424	0	0	27	3016	88	761
4	\$7,336	\$21	3.2%	\$365	0	0	40	8978	1036	869
5	\$13,029	\$68	4.5%	\$1,657	20	2,115	6	599	7	153
6	\$12,913	\$68	4.5%	\$1,643	25	2,141	6	584	4	150
7	\$13,053	\$69	4.5%	\$1,445	24	2,136	6	573	4	148
8	\$10,629	\$43	3.8%	\$653	0	3	9	1730	20	259
9	\$11,665	\$55	4.1%	\$961	20	438	8	1355	17	235
10	\$12,155	\$56	4.1%	\$549	4	41	6	650	4	554
11	\$9,273	\$35	3.6%	\$359	0	0	25	5267	562	167
12	\$13,244	\$75	4.7%	\$1,111	55	1,369	4	440	0	114
13	\$14,315	\$81	4.9%	\$1,313	56	2,449	4	457	1	118



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1	4	4	4	8	6	6	10	9	10	10
2	9	8	8	13	7	12	5	5	7	5
3	2	2	2	3	1	1	12	11	11	12
4	1	1	1	2	1	1	13	13	13	13
5	10	10	10	12	8	9	6	6	6	6
6	8	9	9	11	11	11	4	4	3	4
7	11	11	11	10	10	10	3	3	3	3
8	5	5	5	5	1	4	9	10	9	9
9	6	6	6	6	8	7	8	8	8	8
10	7	7	7	4	5	5	7	7	3	11
11	3	3	3	1	1	1	11	12	12	7
12	12	12	12	7	12	8	1	1	1	1
13	13	13	13	9	13	13	2	2	2	2

Ranks each portfolio 1-13 (1 = best, 13 = worst) within each output metric column



Portfolio	1 - No New Commitments	2 - 2030 Current Plan	3 - Local Gen/ Storage + Margin	4 - Local Dispatchable + Margin	5 - Meet Env Goals + Expand DSM	6 - Aggressive DSM + Local Storage and Maintain Current RE Levels	7 - Aggressive DSM + Local Storage and Meet 65% RE Goal	8 - Hydrogen	9 - Hydrogen + Storage	10 - Keep Existing Gas + Storage	11 - Replace FPP in 2028 w/ Gas	12 - EUC-Workgroup Recs	13 - EUC-Increase Batteries
RESOURCES													
Non-Local Solar (New)		700	118		700	118	700	700	700	700	700	1000	1000
Non-Local Wind (New)		1100	932		1100	932	1100	1100	1100	1100	1100	1500	1500
NG CC			225	600							225		
NG CT			350	500							350		
NG-H2 CT							1100	550					
Local 2-hr			25			25	25		25	25		25	25
Local 4-hr			100			100	100		100	100		200	360
Local 12-hr			150			150	150		150	150		300	540
Local 100-hr						120	120		120	120			
Decker CT	200		200	200						200	200		
Sand Hill CC	315		315	315						315	315		
Sand Hill CT	280		280	280						280	280		
FPP Coal													
STP Nuke	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430
NAC Biomass	105	105	105	105	105	105	105	105	105	105	105	105	105
Non-Local Wind	864	864	864	864	864	864	864	864	864	864	864	864	864
Non-Local Solar	826	826	826	826	826	826	826	826	826	826	826	826	826
Customer-Sited Solar	290	290	371	330	371	439	439	371	371	371	371	640	371
Community Solar	42	42	60	51	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60
Demand Response	120	120	270	195	270	325	325	270	270	270	270	300	270
Energy Efficiency	360	360	360	360	360	360	360	360	360	360	360	540	360

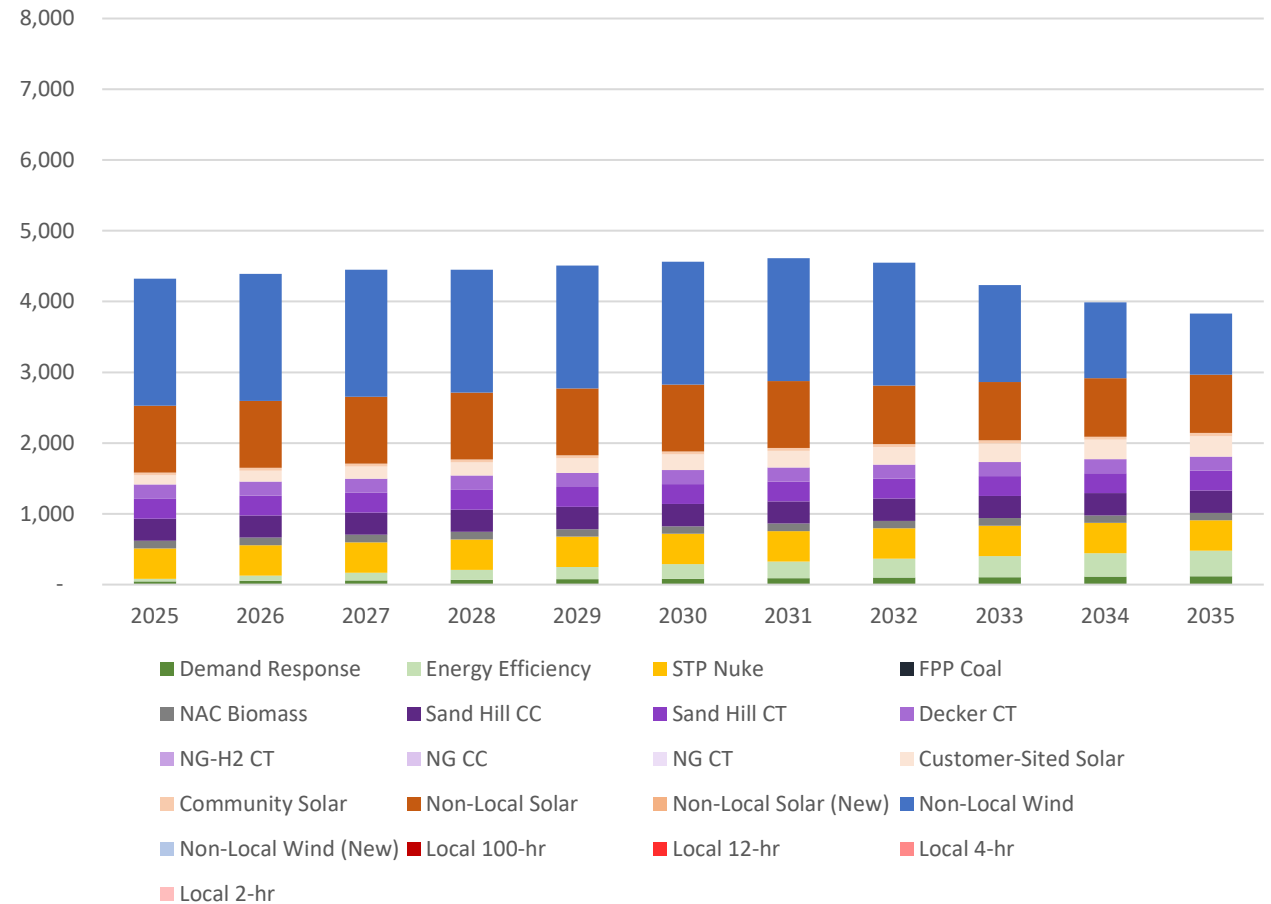
Portfolio #1 – No New Commitments

Output Metric	Value	Rank
NPV Net Cost (\$millions) (Normal/Avg of Scenarios)	\$7,934/ \$9,771	4
2035 Bill Increase (\$/Month)	\$38	4
Liquidity Risk	\$1.3B	8
Reliability Risk Hours (2035)	165	6
Total CO ₂ (Million Metric Tons)	14.3	10
Total NOx (Metric Tons)	1,596	9

- FPP Retires: 2024
- Decker/SHEC Retire: Past 2035
- New Local Solar* (MW): 332
- New Local Storage (MW): 0
- New Local Gas (MW): 0
- DSM Projection: Existing commitments
- RE Goal: Not included
- 100% Carbon-Free Goal: No

*includes existing commitments

Installed Capacity (MW)



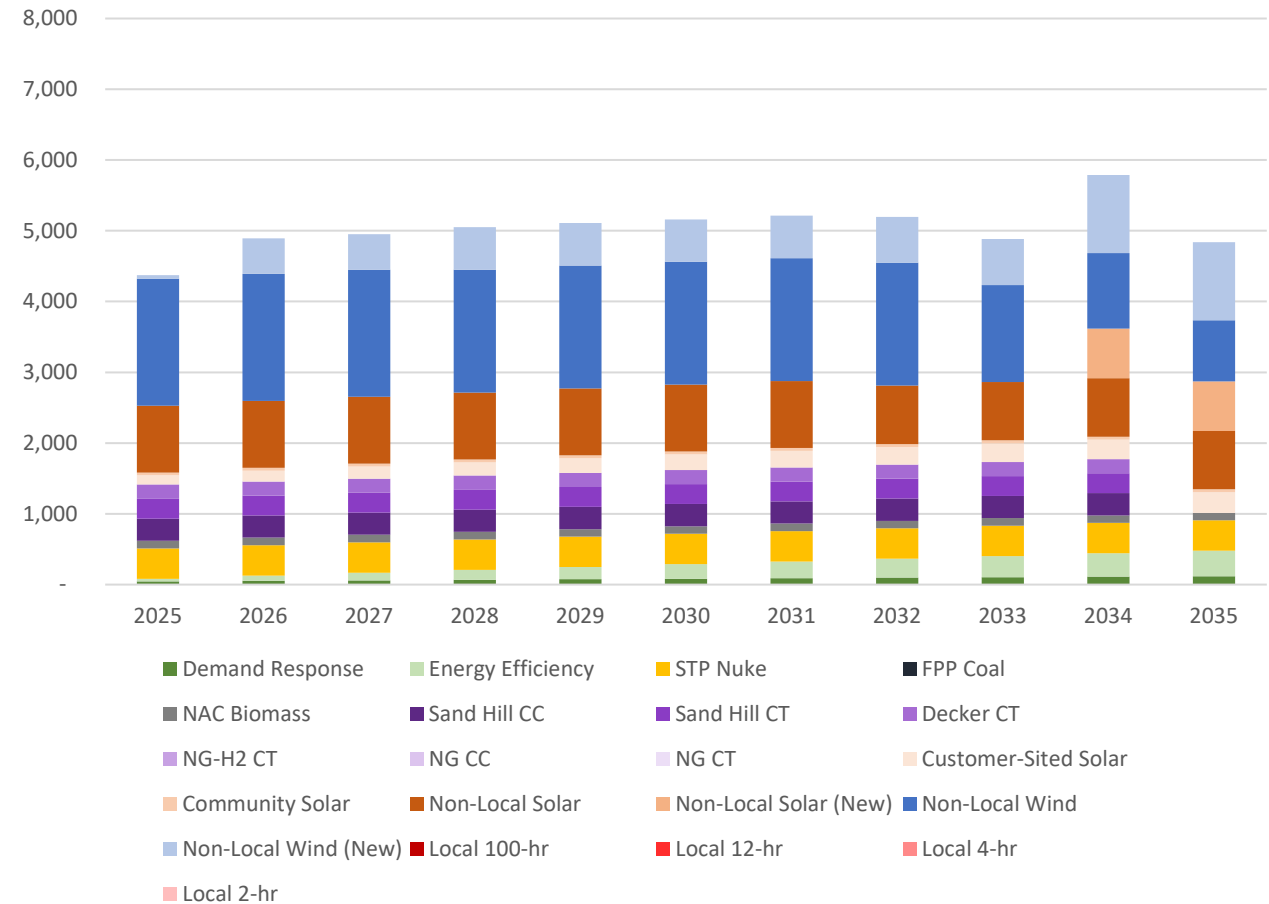
Portfolio #2 – Meet 2030 Plan

Output Metric	Value	Rank
NPV Net Cost (\$millions) (Normal/Avg of Scenarios)	\$10,509/ \$13,026	9
2035 Bill Increase (\$/Month)	\$67	8
Liquidity Risk	\$1.69B	13
Reliability Risk Hours (2035)	2,204	12
Total CO ₂ (Million Metric Tons)	5.8	5
Total NOx (Metric Tons)	589	5

- FPP Retires: 2024
- Decker/SHEC Retire: 2034
- New Local Solar* (MW): 332
- New Local Storage (MW): 0
- New Local Gas (MW): 0
- DSM Projection: Existing commitments
- RE Goal: 65%
- 100% Carbon-Free Goal: Yes

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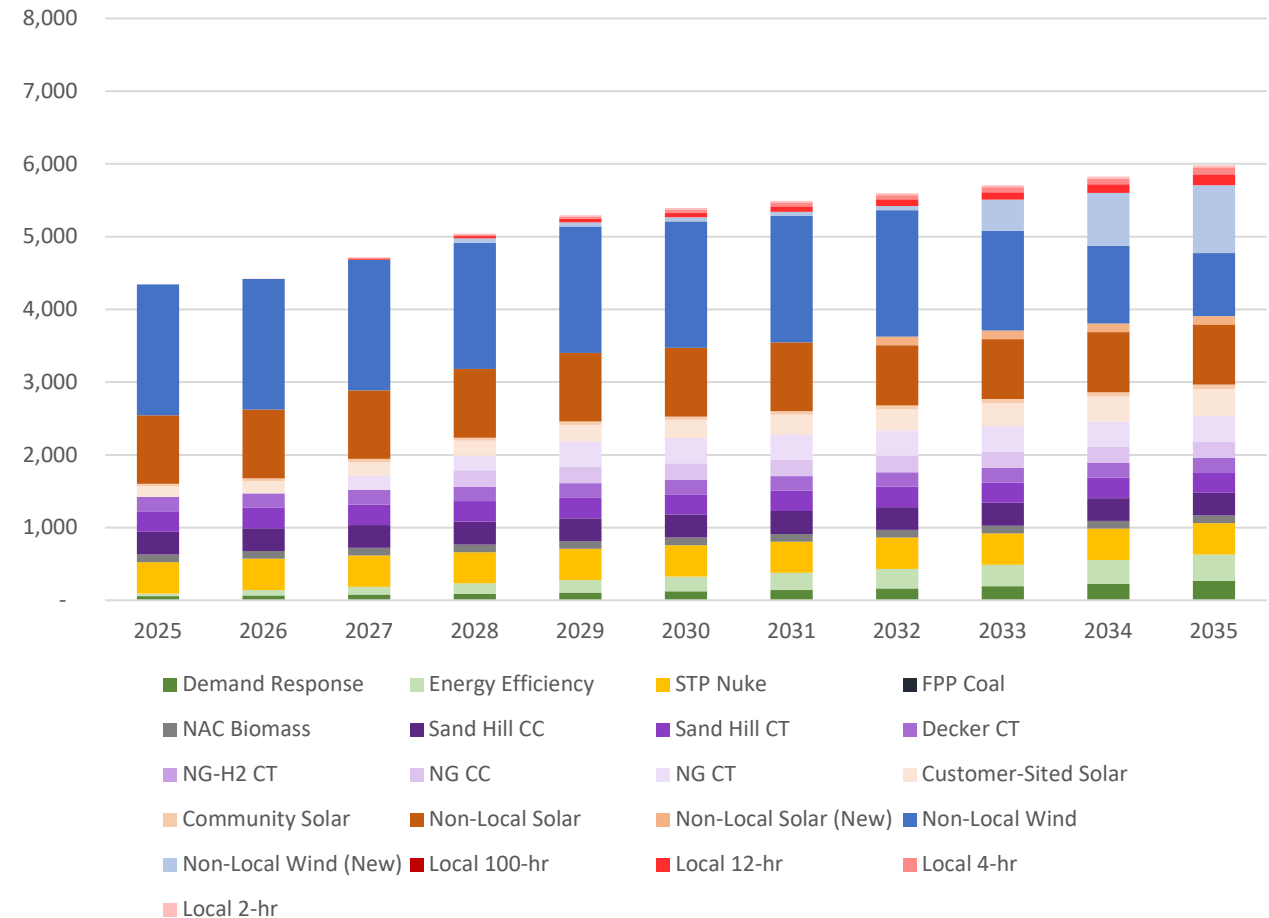


Portfolio #3 – Local Gen/Storage + Margin

Output Metric	Value	Rank
NPV Net Cost (\$millions) (Normal/Avg of Scenarios)	\$7,628/ \$8,659	2
2035 Bill Increase (\$/Month)	\$33	2
Liquidity Risk	\$424M	3
Reliability Risk Hours (2035)	0	1
Total CO ₂ (Million Metric Tons)	26.6	12
Total NOx (Metric Tons)	3,016	11

- FPP Retires: 2024
 - Decker/SHEC Retire: Past 2035
 - New Local Solar* (MW): 431
 - New Local Storage (MW): 275
 - New Local Gas (MW): 575
 - DSM Projection: DNV Study
 - RE Goal: Replace PPAs
 - 100% Carbon-Free Goal: No
- *includes existing commitments

Installed Capacity (MW)



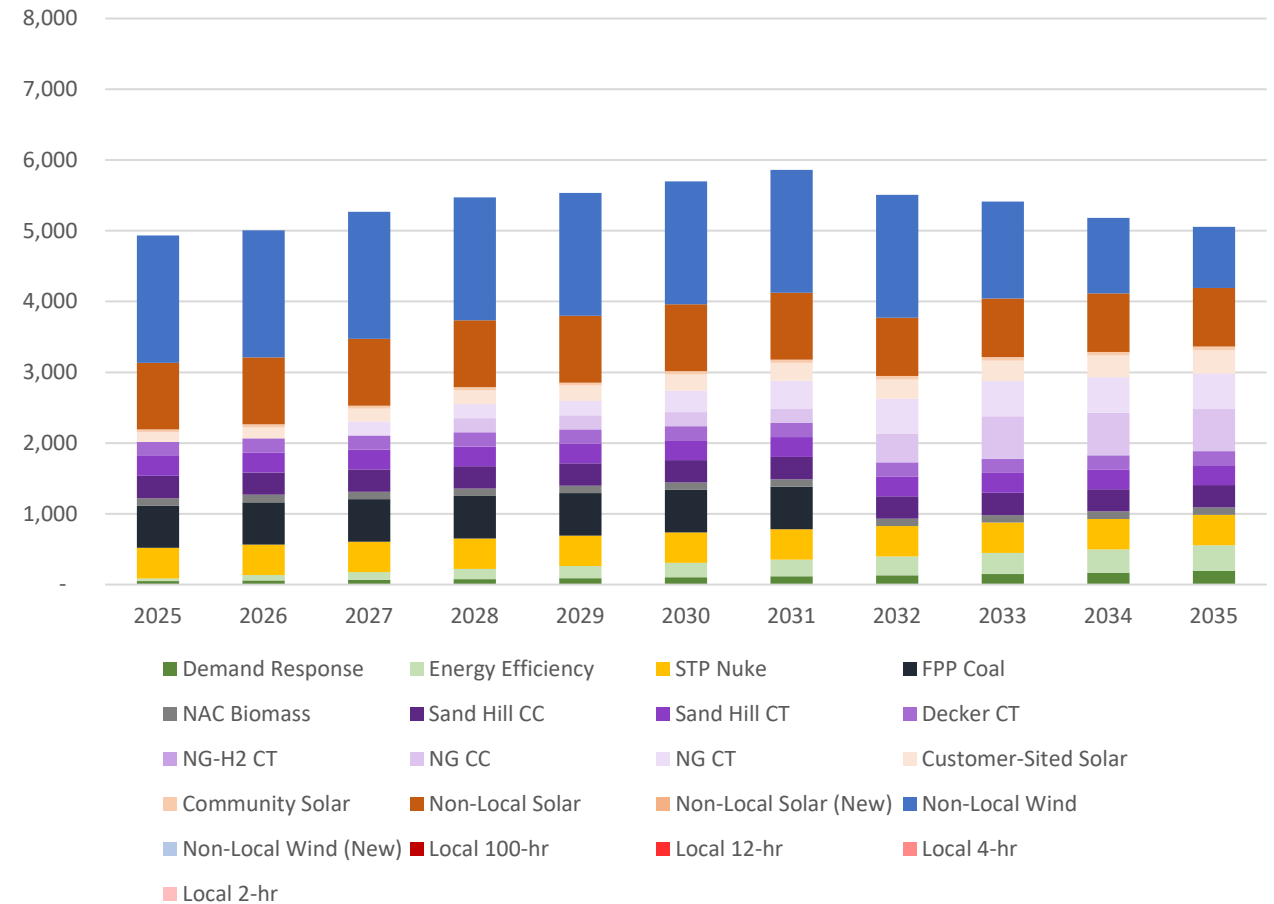
Portfolio #4 – Local Dispatchable + Margin

Output Metric	Value	Rank
NPV Net Cost (\$millions) (Normal/Avg of Scenarios)	\$6,696/ \$7,336	1
2035 Bill Increase (\$/Month)	\$21	1
Liquidity Risk	\$365M	2
Reliability Risk Hours (2035)	0	1
Total CO ₂ (Million Metric Tons)	40.4	13
Total NOx (Metric Tons)	8,978	13

- FPP Retires: 2031
- Decker/SHEC Retire: Past 2035
- New Local Solar* (MW): 381
- New Local Storage (MW): 0
- New Local Gas (MW): 1,100
- DSM Projection: 50% DNV Study
- RE Goal: Not included
- 100% Carbon-Free Goal: No

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Installed Capacity (MW)



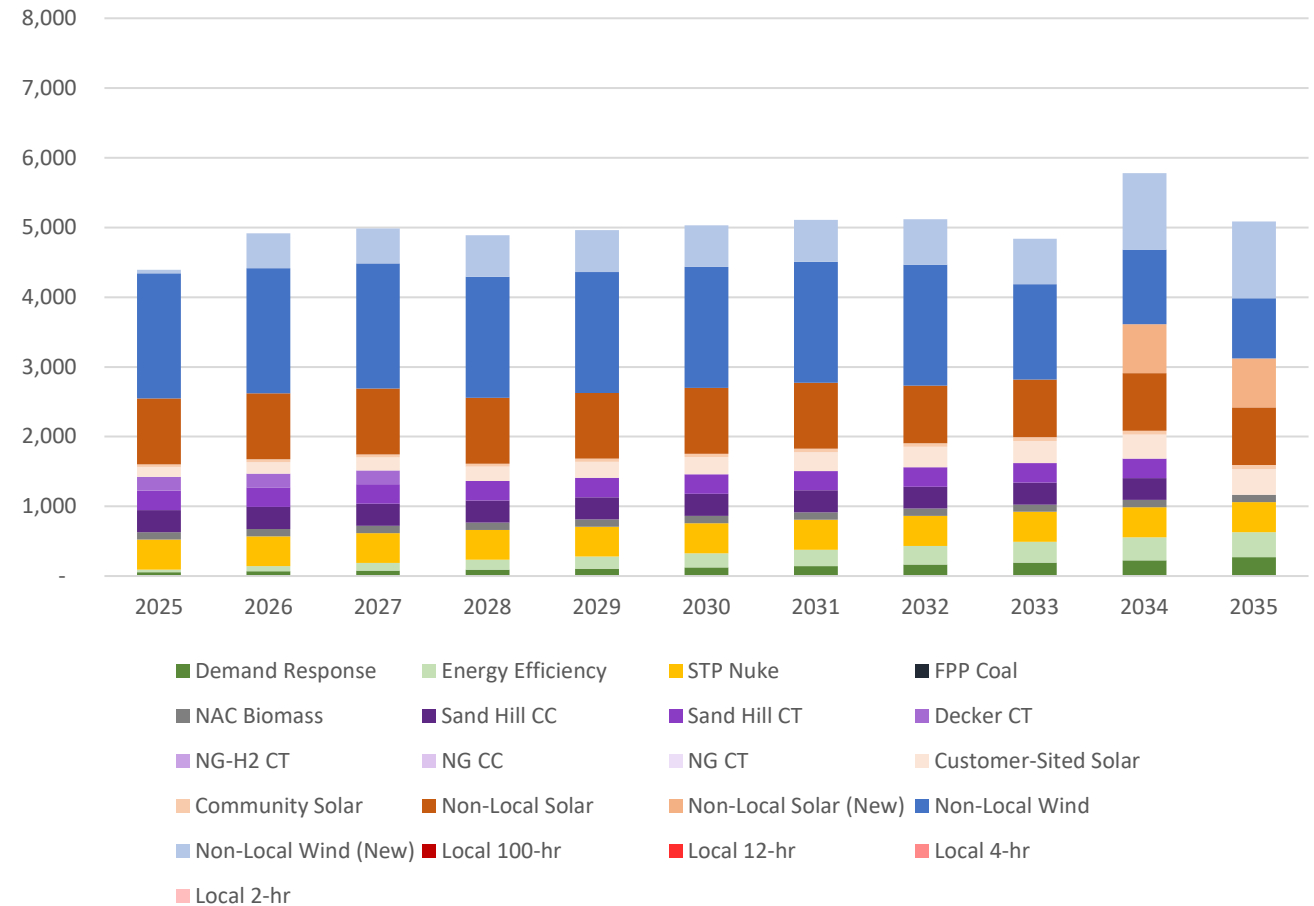
Portfolio #5 – Meet Env Goals + Expand DSM

Output Metric	Value	Rank
NPV Net Cost (\$millions) (Normal/Avg of Scenarios)	\$10,480/ \$13,029	10
2035 Bill Increase (\$/Month)	\$68	10
Liquidity Risk	\$1.66B	12
Reliability Risk Hours (2035)	2115	9
Total CO ₂ (Million Metric Tons)	5.8	6
Total NOx (Metric Tons)	599	6

- FPP Retires: 2024
- Decker/SHEC Retire: 2027/2034
- New Local Solar* (MW): 431
- New Local Storage (MW): 0
- New Local Gas (MW): 0
- DSM Projection: DNV Study
- RE Goal: 65%
- 100% Carbon-Free Goal: Yes

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Installed Capacity (MW)



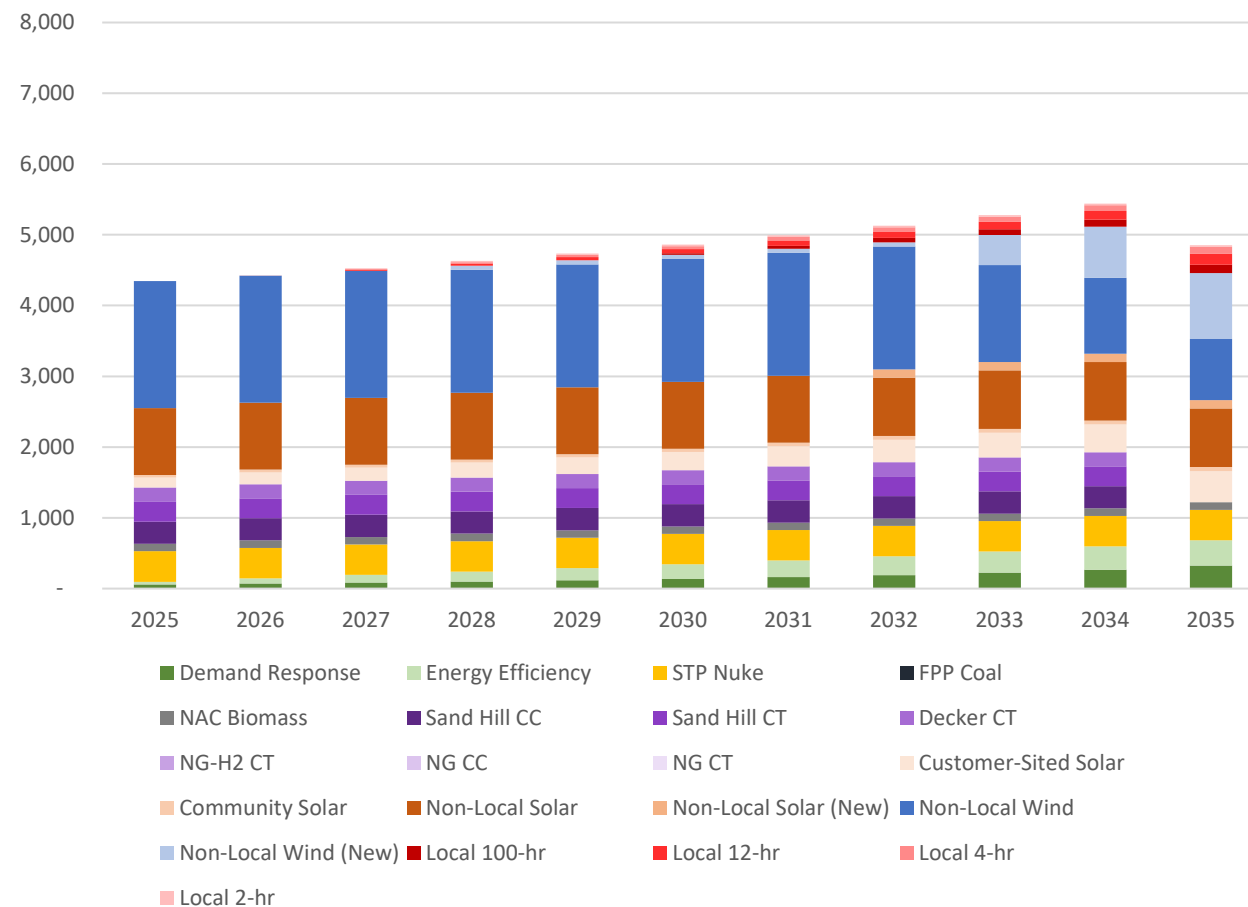
Portfolio #6 - Aggressive DSM + Storage + Keep PPAs

Output Metric	Value	Rank
NPV Net Cost (\$millions) (Normal/Avg of Scenarios)	\$10,355/ \$12,913	8
2035 Bill Increase (\$/Month)	\$68	9
Liquidity Risk	\$1.64B	11
Reliability Risk Hours (2035)	2141	11
Total CO ₂ (Million Metric Tons)	5.7	4
Total NOx (Metric Tons)	584	4

- FPP Retires: 2024
- Decker/SHEC Retire: 2034
- New Local Solar* (MW): 499
- New Local Storage (MW): 395
- New Local Gas (MW): 0
- DSM Projection: DNV Study+
- RE Goal: Replace PPAs
- 100% Carbon-Free Goal: Yes

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Installed Capacity (MW)



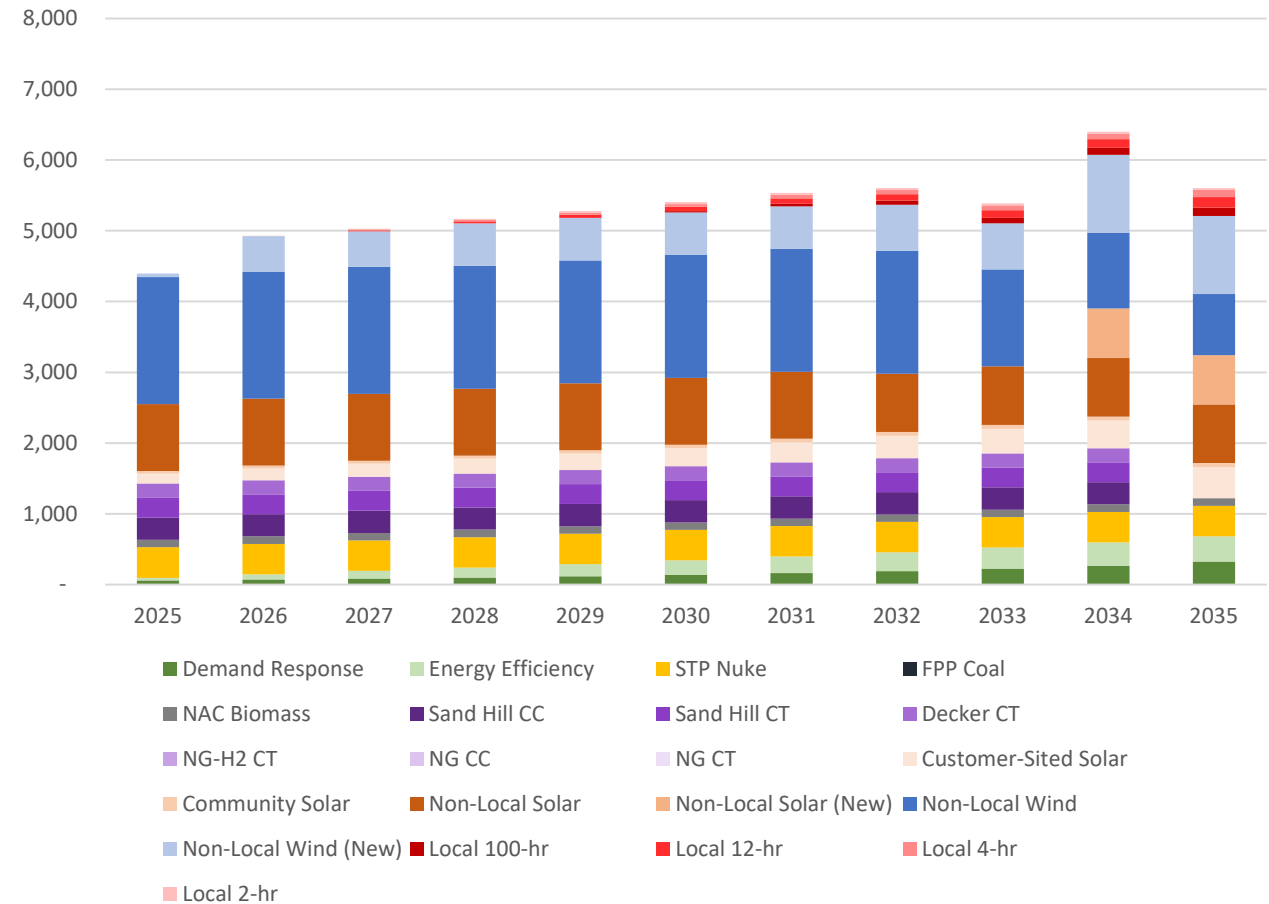
Portfolio #7 – Aggressive DSM + Storage + 65% RE

Output Metric	Value	Rank
NPV Net Cost (\$millions) (Normal/Avg of Scenarios)	\$10,552/ \$13,053	11
2035 Bill Increase (\$/Month)	\$69	11
Liquidity Risk	\$1.45B	10
Reliability Risk Hours (2035)	2136	10
Total CO ₂ (Million Metric Tons)	5.6	3
Total NOx (Metric Tons)	573	3

- FPP Retires: 2024
- Decker/SHEC Retire: 2034
- New Local Solar* (MW): 499
- New Local Storage (MW): 395
- New Local Gas (MW): 0
- DSM Projection: DNV Study+
- RE Goal: 65%
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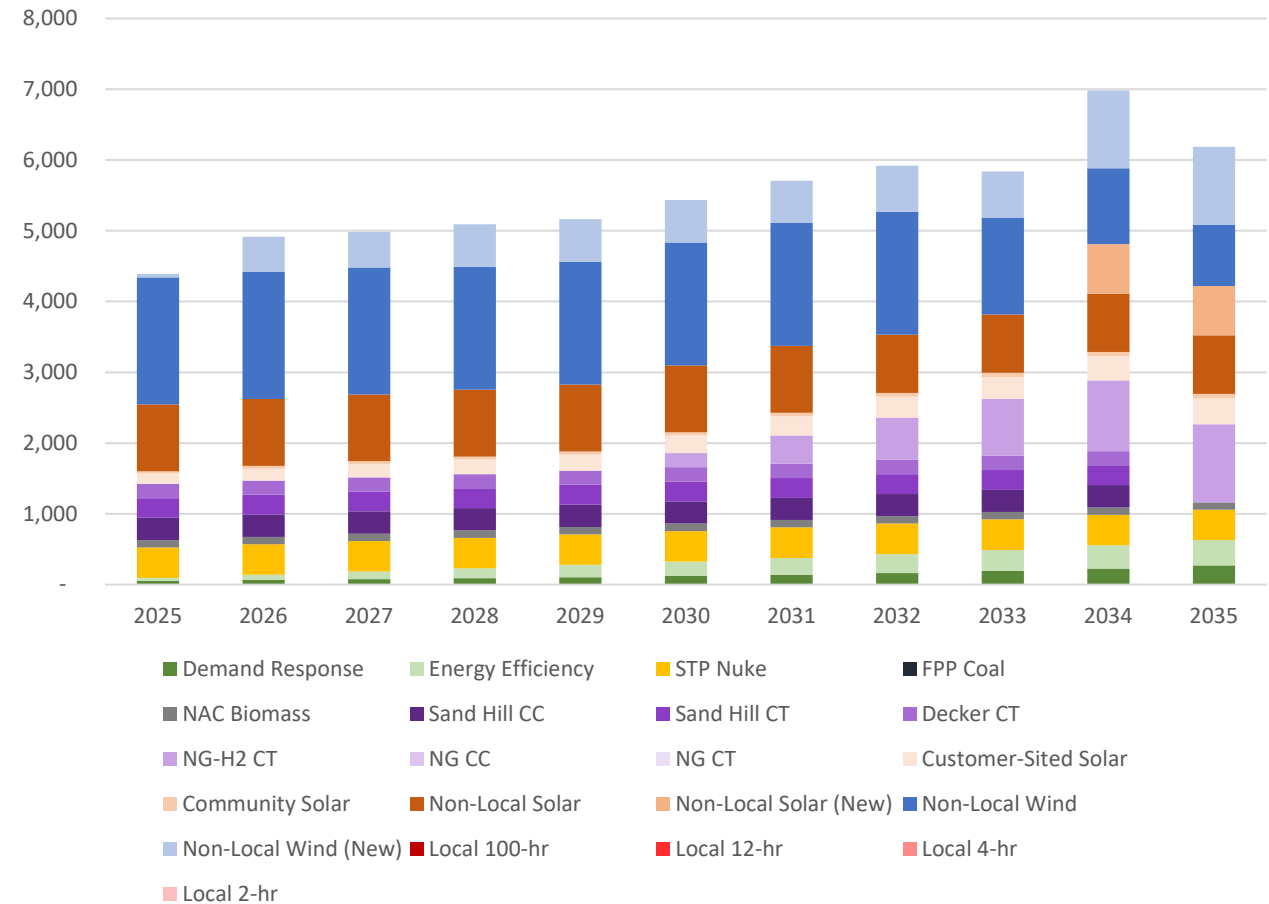
Portfolio #8 – Hydrogen-Capable Local Plant

Output Metric	Value	Rank
NPV Net Cost (\$millions) (Normal/Avg of Scenarios)	\$8,874/ \$10,629	5
2035 Bill Increase (\$/Month)	\$43	5
Liquidity Risk	\$653M	5
Reliability Risk Hours (2035)	3	4
Total CO ₂ (Metric Tons)	9.0	9
Total NOx (Metric Tons)	1,730	10

- FPP Retires: 2024
- Decker/SHEC Retire: 2034
- New Local Solar* (MW): 431
- New Local Storage (MW): 0
- New Local Gas (MW): 0
- DSM Projection: 100% DNV Study
- RE Goal: 65%
- 100% Carbon-Free Goal: Yes

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Installed Capacity (MW)

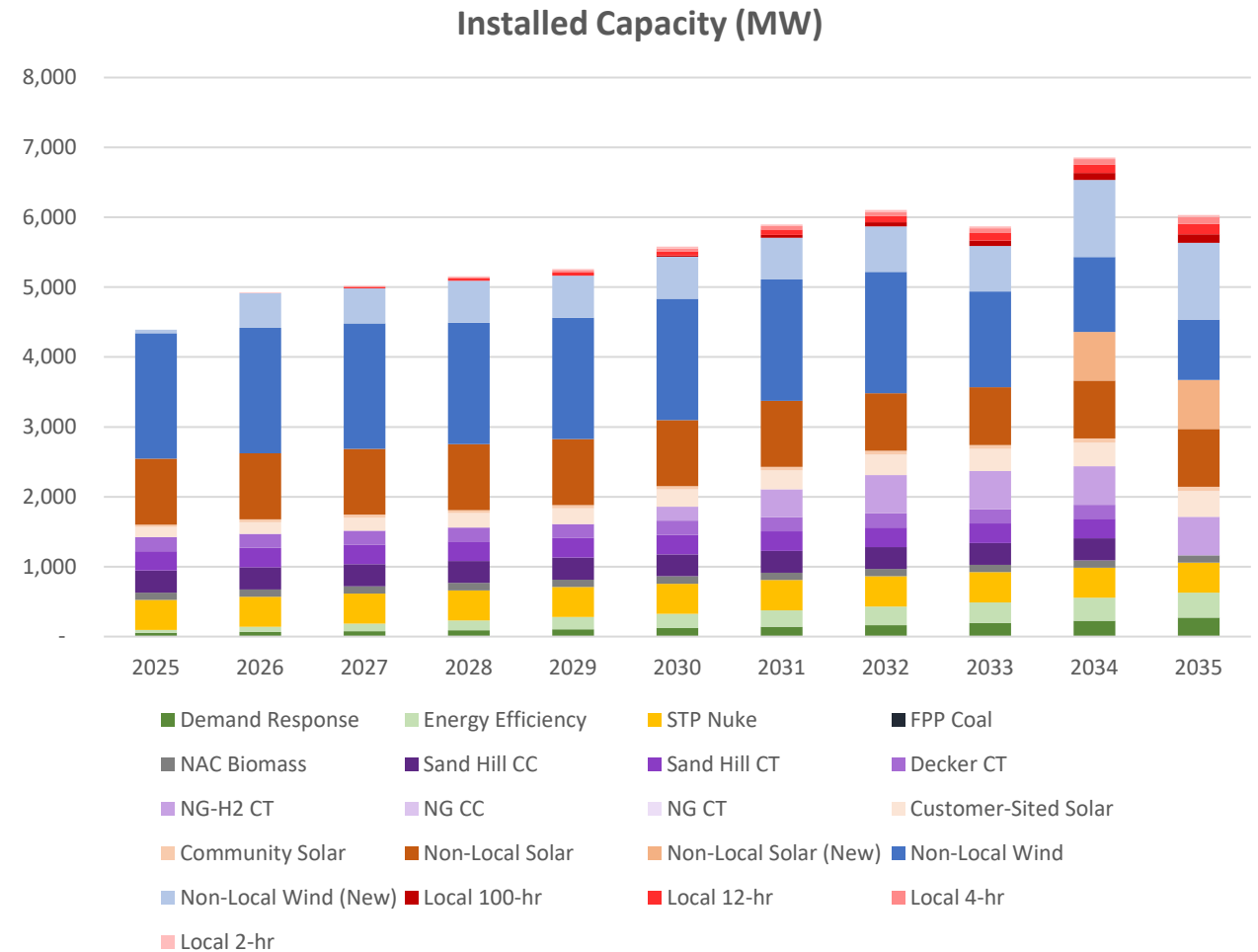


Portfolio #9 – Hydrogen + Local Storage

Output Metric	Value	Rank
NPV Net Cost (\$millions) (Normal/Avg of Scenarios)	\$9,595/ \$11,665	6
2035 Bill Increase (\$/Month)	\$55	6
Liquidity Risk	\$961M	6
Reliability Risk Hours (2035)	438	7
Total CO ₂ (Metric Tons)	8.2	8
Total NOx (Metric Tons)	1,355	8

- FPP Retires: 2024
- Decker/SHEC Retire: 2034
- New Local Solar* (MW): 431
- New Local Storage (MW): 395
- New Local Gas (MW): 0
- DSM Projection: 100% DNV Study
- RE Goal: 65%
- 100% Carbon-Free Goal: Yes

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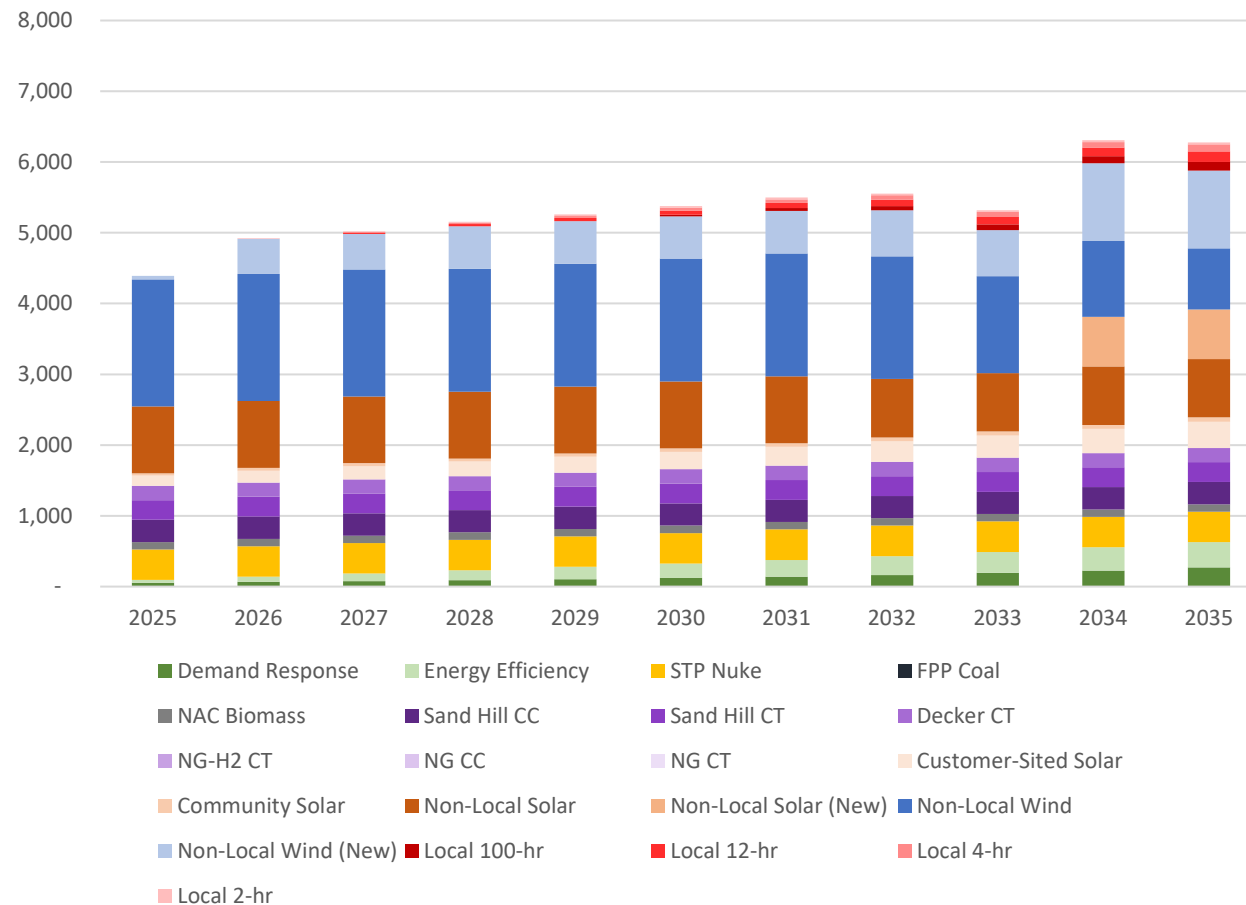
Portfolio #10 – Keep Existing Gas + Local Storage

Output Metric	Value	Rank
NPV Net Cost (\$millions) (Normal/Avg of Scenarios)	\$9,823/ \$12,155	7
2035 Bill Increase (\$/Month)	\$56	7
Liquidity Risk	\$549M	4
Reliability Risk Hours (2035)	41	5
Total CO ₂ (Metric Tons)	6.3	7
Total NOx (Metric Tons)	650	7

- FPP Retires: 2024
- Decker/SHEC Retire: After 2035
- New Local Solar* (MW): 431
- New Local Storage (MW): 395
- New Local Gas (MW): 0
- DSM Projection: 100% DNV Study
- RE Goal: 65%
- 100% Carbon-Free Goal: No

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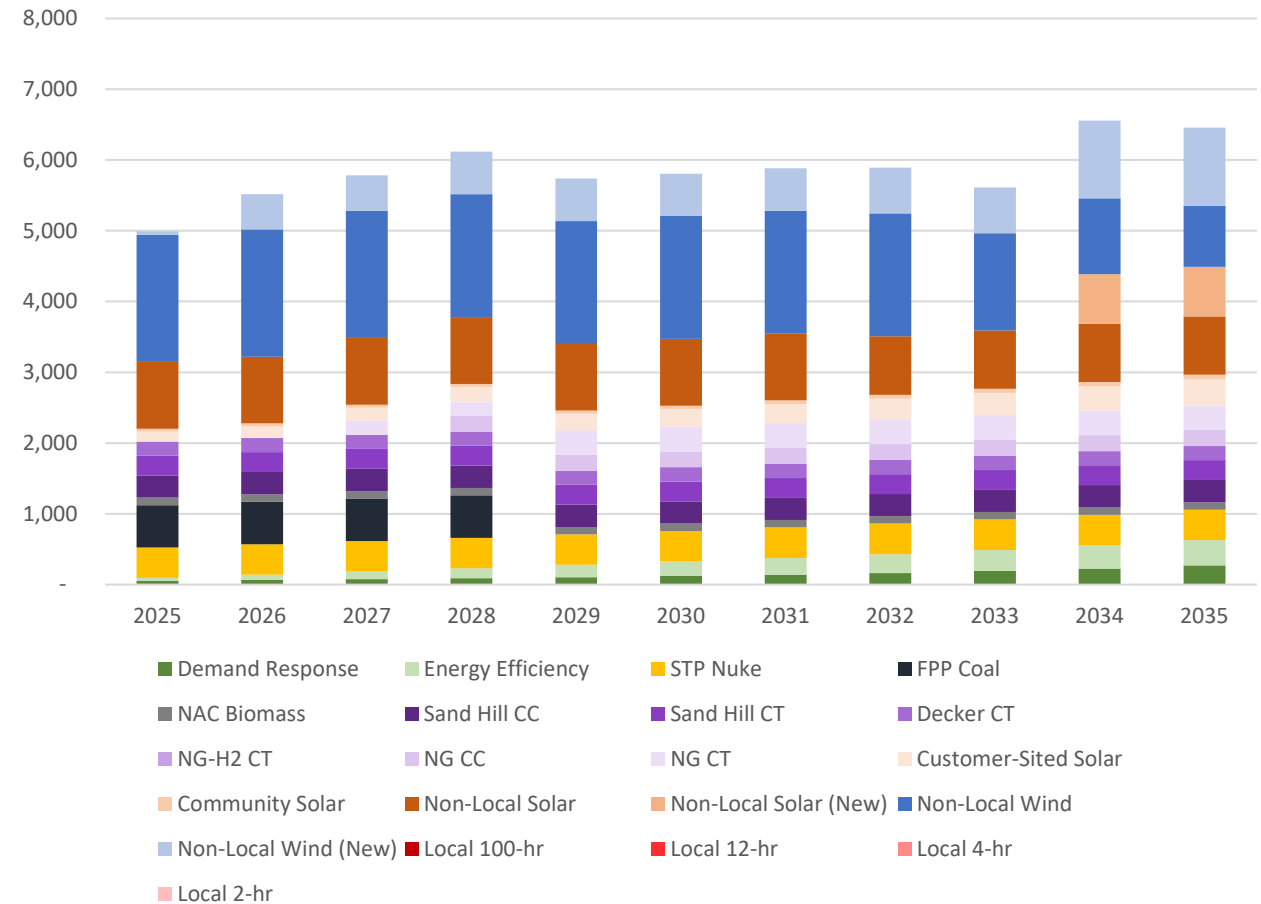
Portfolio #11 – Replace FPP in 2028 w/ Gas

Output Metric	Value	Rank
NPV Net Cost (\$millions) (Normal/Avg of Scenarios)	\$8,033/ \$9,273	3
2035 Bill Increase (\$/Month)	\$35	3
Liquidity Risk	\$359M	1
Reliability Risk Hours (2035)	0	1
Total CO ₂ (Metric Tons)	24.5	11
Total NOx (Metric Tons)	5,267	12

- FPP Retires: 2028
- Decker/SHEC Retire: Past 2035
- New Local Solar* (MW): 431
- New Local Storage (MW): 0
- New Local Gas (MW): 575
- DSM Projection: 100% DNV Study
- RE Goal: 65%
- 100% Carbon-Free Goal: No

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Installed Capacity (MW)

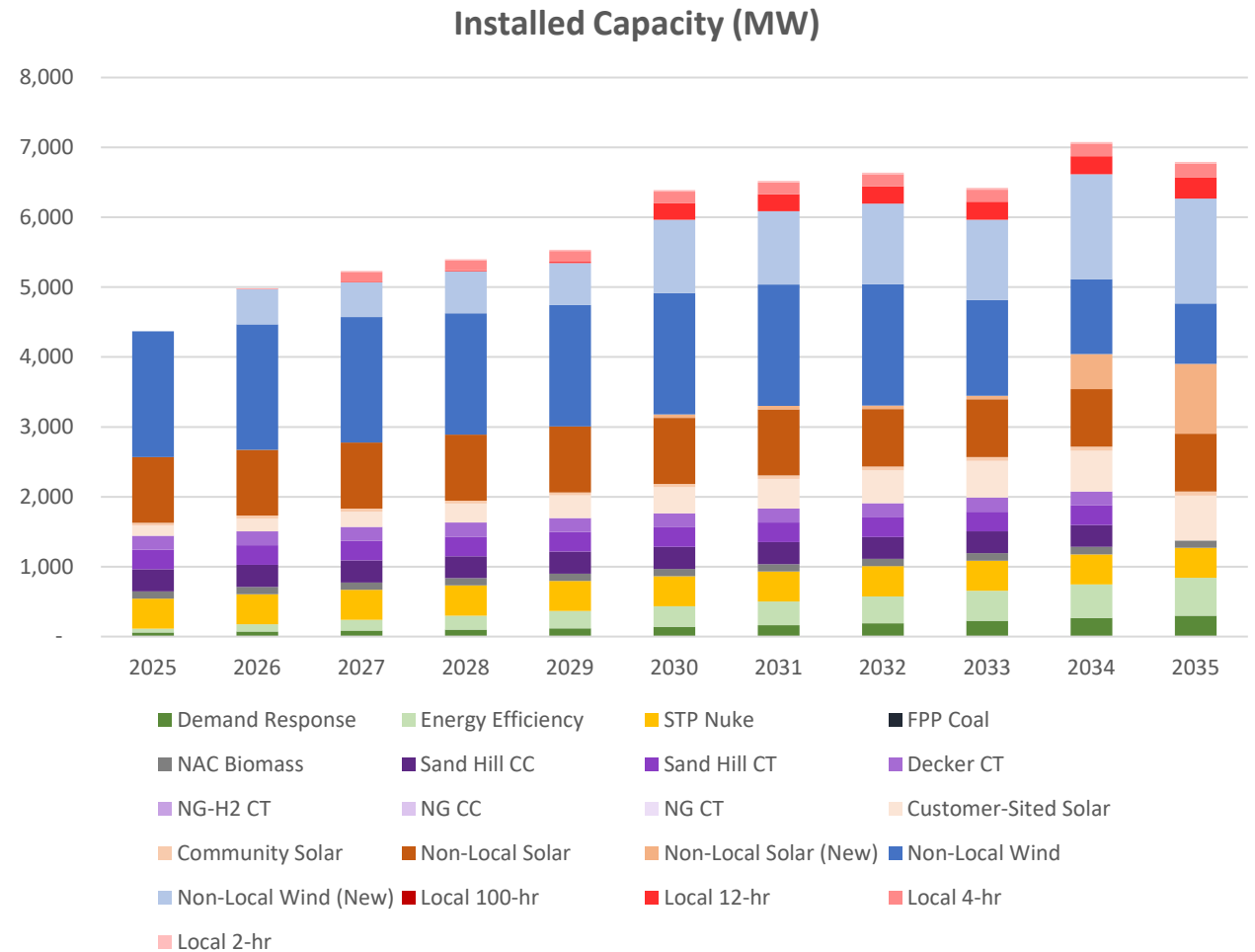


Portfolio #12 – EUC Working Group

Output Metric	Value	Rank
NPV Net Cost (\$millions) (Normal/Avg of Scenarios)	\$10,858/ \$13,244	12
2035 Bill Increase (\$/Month)	\$75	12
Liquidity Risk	\$1.11B	7
Reliability Risk Hours (2035)	1,369	8
Total CO ₂ (Metric Tons)	4.3	1
Total NOx (Metric Tons)	440	1

- FPP Retires: 2024
- Decker/SHEC Retire: 2034
- New Local Solar* (MW): 700¹
- New Local Storage (MW): 525
- New Local Gas (MW): 0
- DSM Projection: DNV Study+¹
- RE Goal: 100% of load
- 100% Carbon-Free Goal: Yes

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¹ Outside upper bound of DNV Market Potential Study

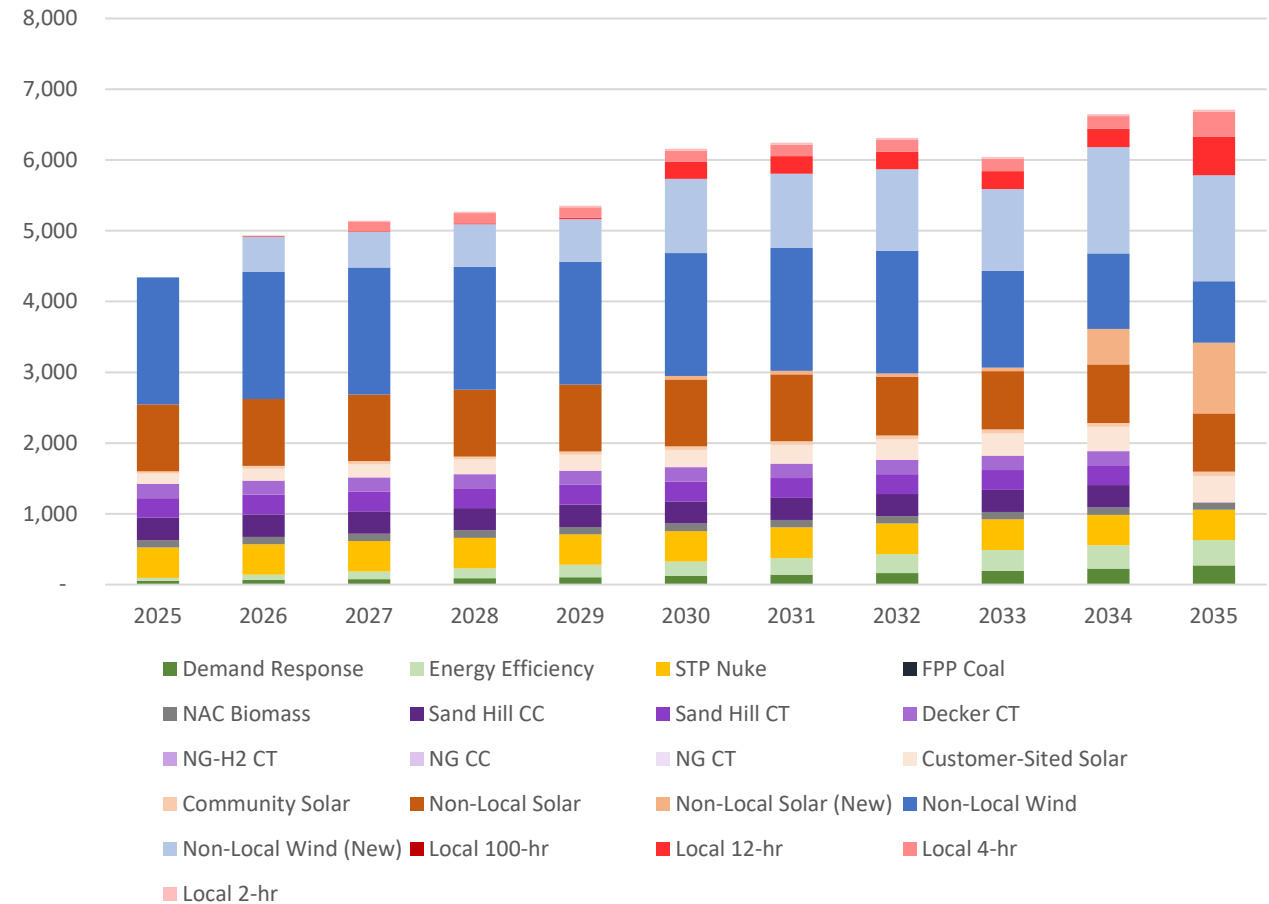
Portfolio #13 – Increase Local Storage

Output Metric	Value	Rank
NPV Net Cost (\$millions) (Normal/Avg of Scenarios)	\$11,647/ \$14,315	13
2035 Bill Increase (\$/Month)	\$81	13
Liquidity Risk	\$1.31B	9
Reliability Risk Hours (2035)	2,449	13
Total CO ₂ (Metric Tons)	4.4	2
Total NOx (Metric Tons)	457	2

- FPP Retires: 2028
- Decker/SHEC Retire: 2034
- New Local Solar* (MW): 431
- New Local Storage (MW): 925
- New Local Gas (MW): 0
- DSM Projection: 100% DNV Study
- RE Goal: 100% of load
- 100% Carbon-Free Goal: Yes

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Installed Capacity (MW)



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Briefing and Process Update

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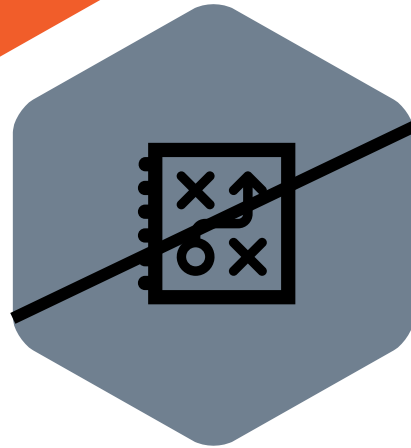
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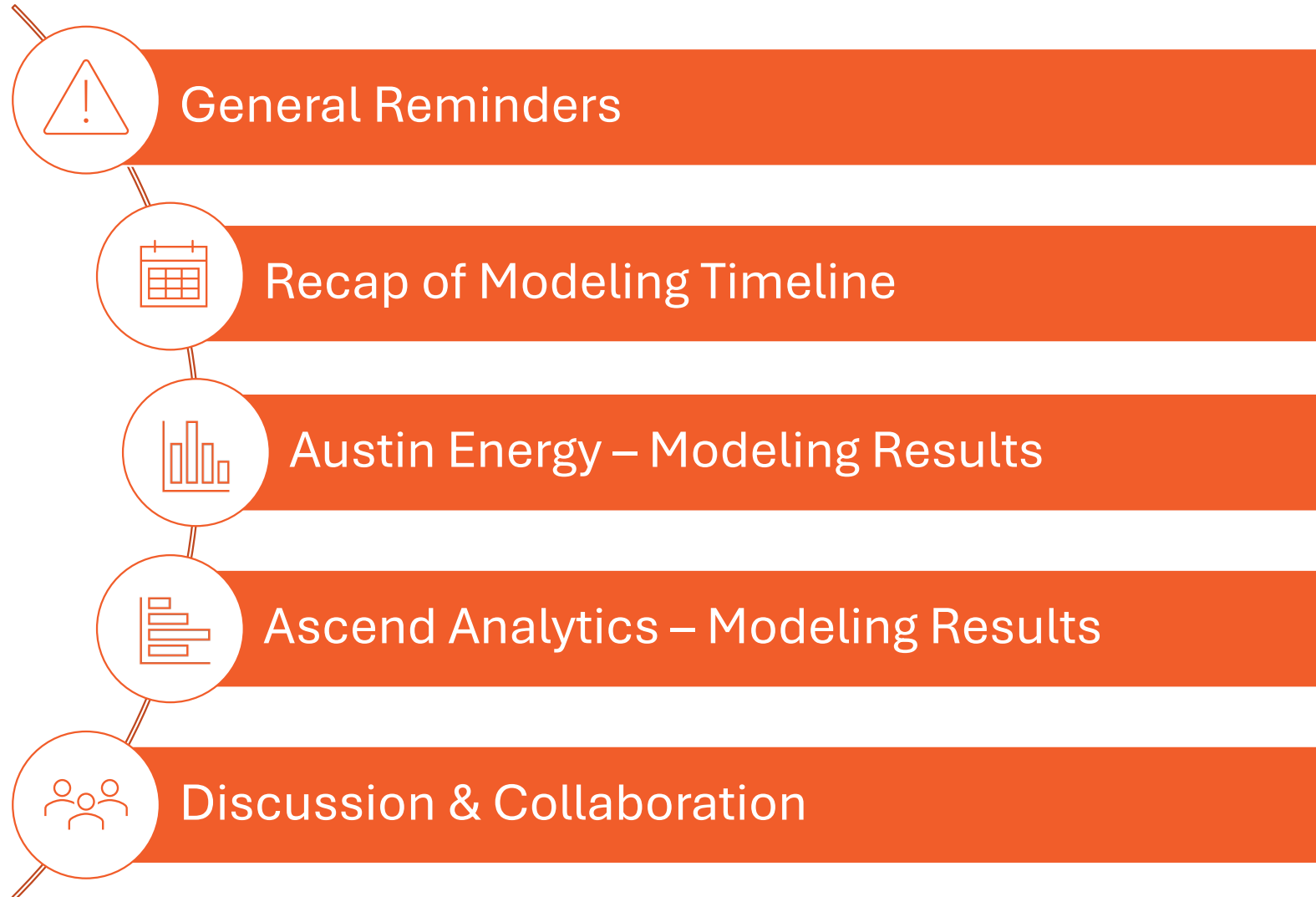


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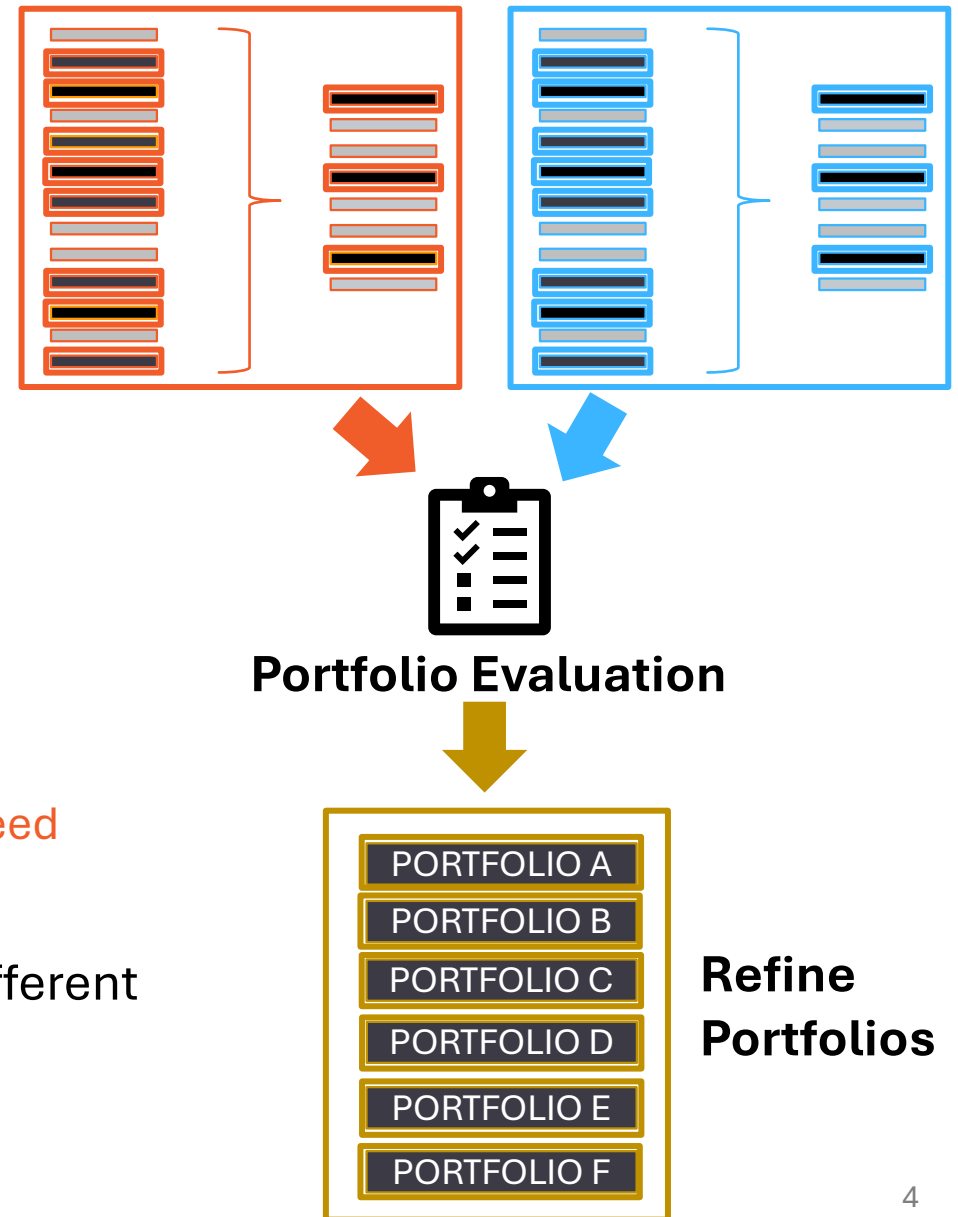


Agenda



General Reminders

- 17 portfolios studied to date
 - 13 Austin Energy & EUC-defined portfolios
 - 4 Ascend Analytics (software-optimized) portfolios
- Several portfolios included for reference only
 - Edge cases, purposefully defined to help understand the boundaries
- Slides show raw data for comparison across portfolios
- We're not drawing conclusions
 - With these portfolios, tradeoffs are significant
 - With the information gained from these portfolios, we will need to refine
- Next step: Ask "what if?" and refine portfolios by mixing different technologies, seeking a more acceptable set of tradeoffs



EUC Office Hours

- Tuesday, Oct. 1 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.
- Wednesday, Oct. 2 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Thursday, Oct. 3 2:30 p.m. – 4 p.m.
- Friday, Oct. 4 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

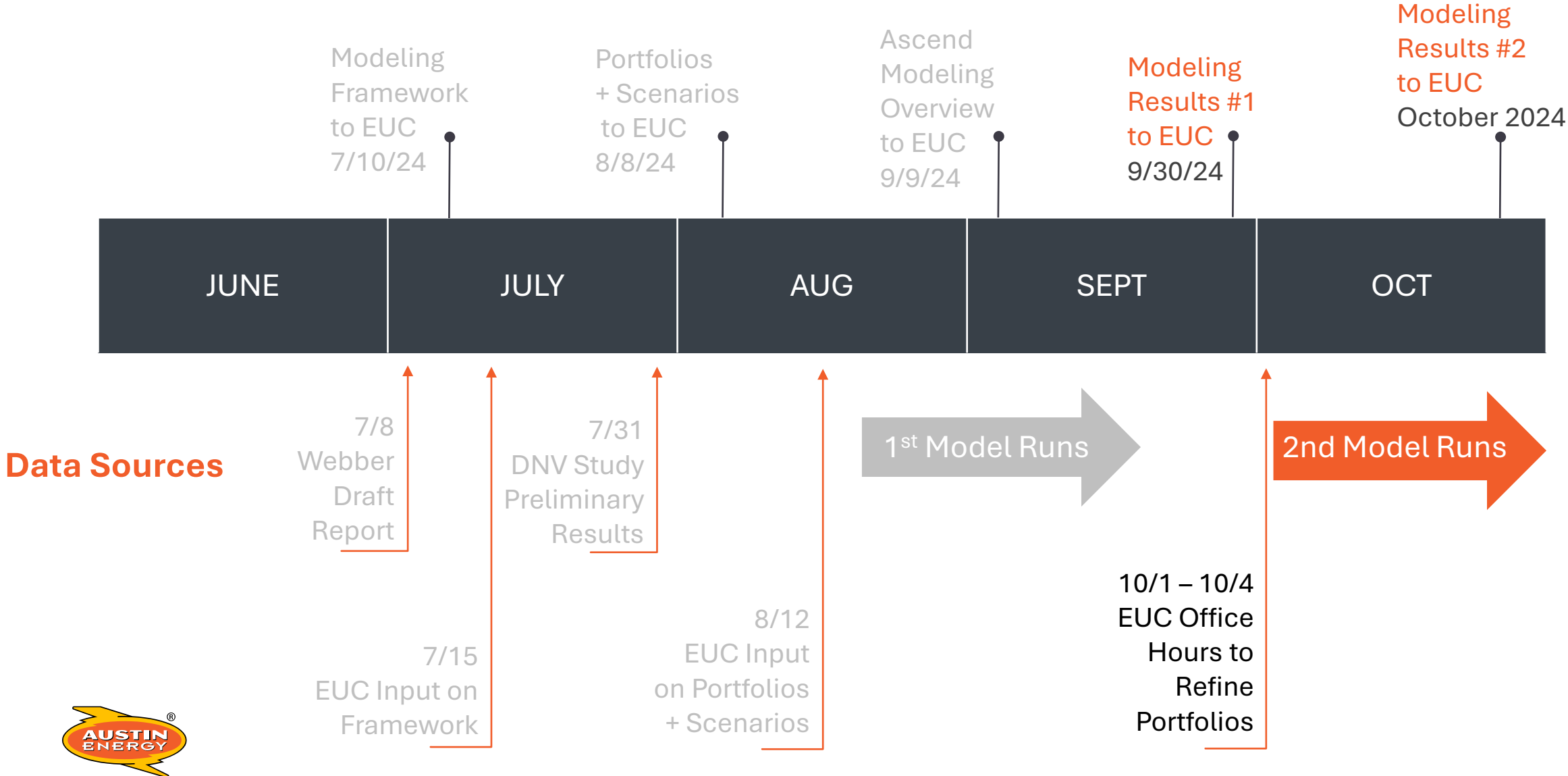
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Office Hours Objectives:

- Review detailed results
- Ask questions
- Determine takeaways
- Refine portfolios



Modeling Timeline



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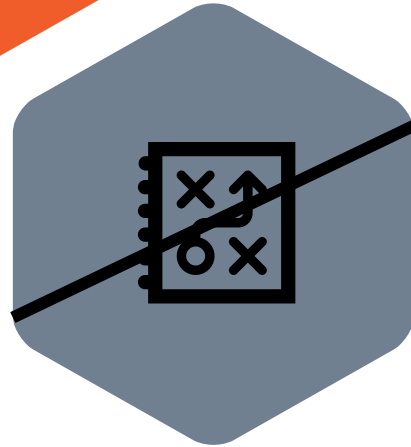
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13	EUC – 2	925 MW local storage , aggressive DNV projections, 100% RE as % of load, 100% CF, REACH on gas, retire Decker/SHEC 2034

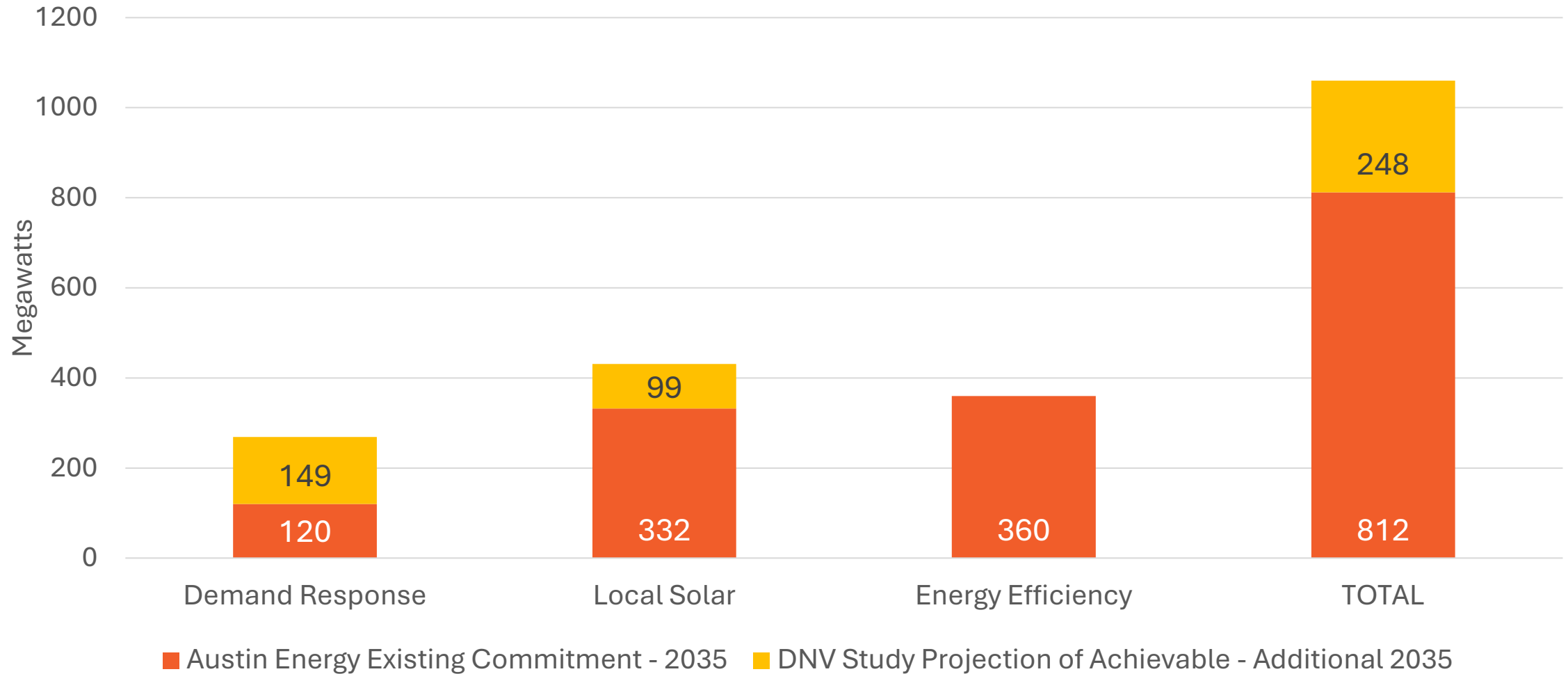
*DNV projections refers to the quantities of Demand-Side Management (Demand Response, Energy Efficiency, and Local Solar) resulting from the market potential study performed by DNV Energy Insights

Glossary of Terms

Term	Definition
Ascend Analytics	Consultant currently providing additional modeling support – Ascend’s modeling uses the same set of inputs and assumptions as AE’s UPLAN modeling, but the main difference in their approach is that their software designs optimized portfolios based on constraints and UPLAN relies on the modeling team to design the portfolios
DNV Study	DNV is a consultant that is currently working on a demand-side management market potential study for Austin Energy – preliminary data from DNV related to Austin’s market potential for additional local solar, demand response and energy efficiency is included in the modeling – “100% of DNV study” indicates that a portfolio includes 100% of the additional DSM savings based on DNV’s data
Local Congestion	When transmission lines that bring power into the Austin Energy service territory begin to reach their maximum carrying capacity, they experience “congestion” which can cause cost increases and potential reliability issues
Local vs. Non-Local Generation	An asset is considered “local” generation if it is physically located within the Austin Energy service territory – this is important in the context of relieving “local congestion” (see definition above)
Portfolios	A specific mix of electricity generation and demand-side management resources year by year over the modeling period of 2025-2035, provided in MW capacity
Scenarios	Different possible future worlds with different kinds of stressors (extreme events, local congestion, ERCOT market rule changes) that test each portfolio’s performance in that future through modeling
UPLAN	Modeling software used by Austin Energy to simulate how a portfolio of resources will perform operationally and financially under projected normal conditions and in various future states (scenarios)

Demand-Side Management 2035

Austin Energy 2035 Commitments & Market Penetration Study Projections



Note: All new MW capacity figures provided in graph represent cumulative additions projected by 2035. Energy Efficiency figures do not include pre-2024 installations (~828 MW).

Portfolio Comparison – Financial Impacts



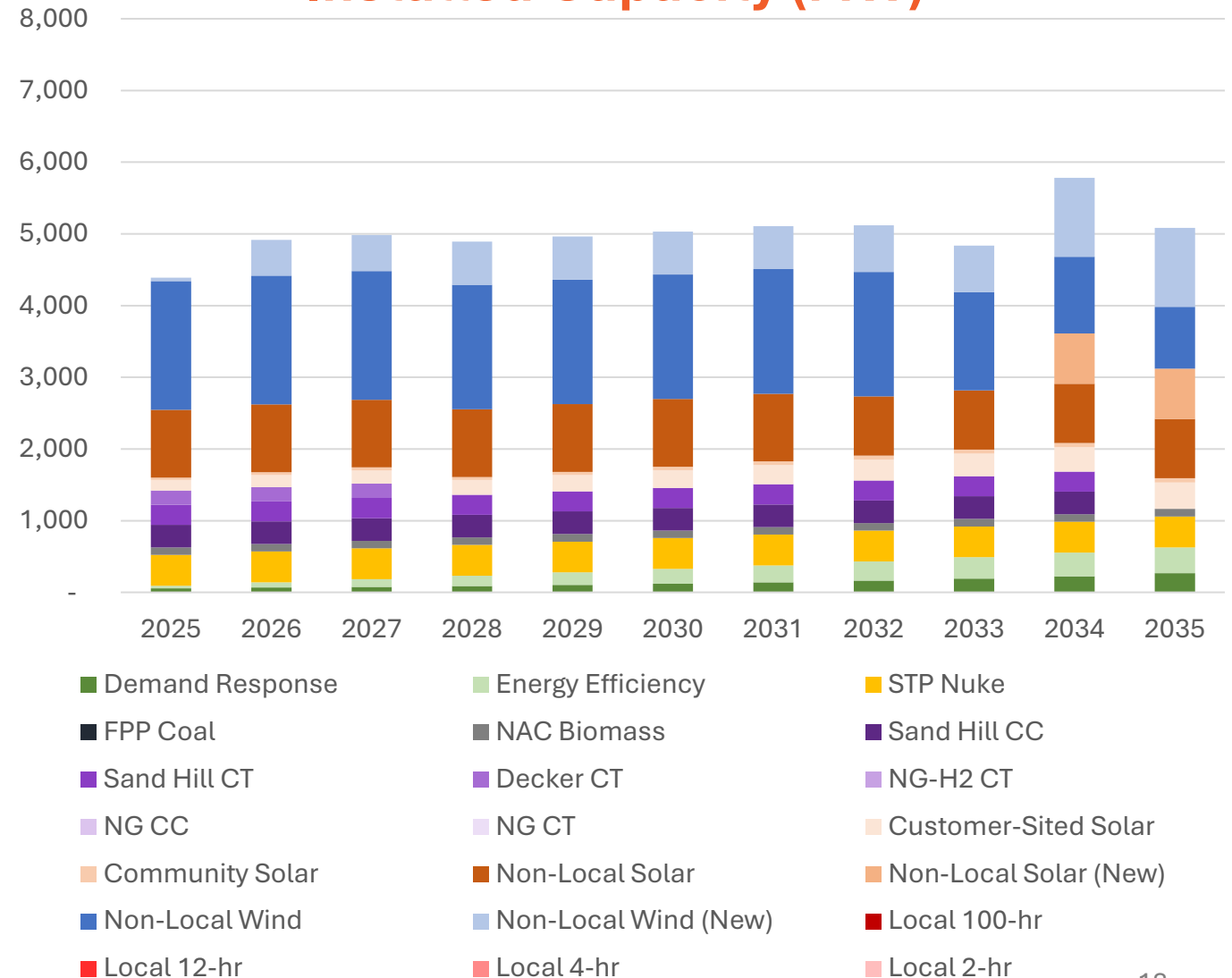
Portfolio #5 – Meet Environment Goals + Expand DSM

Output Metric	Value	Rank
NPV Net Cost (\$millions) (Normal/Avg of Scenarios)	\$10,480/ \$13,029	10
2035 Bill Increase (\$/Month)	\$68.30	10
Liquidity Risk	\$1.66B	12
Reliability Risk Hours (2035)	2115	9
Total CO ₂ (Million Metric Tons)	5.8	6
Total NOx (Metric Tons)	599	6

- FPP Retires: 2024
- Decker/SHEC Retire: 2027/2034
- New Local Solar* (MW): 431
- New Local Storage (MW): 0
- New Local Gas (MW): 0
- DSM Projection: DNV Study
- RE Goal: 65%
- 100% Carbon-Free Goal: Yes

*includes existing commitments

Installed Capacity (MW)





Net Cost

- “Net Cost” = Total capital + O&M costs to generate power – Total revenue from sale of power for a given portfolio mix.
- Capital costs for new assets amortized (spread out evenly) over expected life of asset.
- O&M costs include fuel, personnel, regular maintenance, etc.
- To compare a single “Net Cost” value across portfolios we use the Net Present Value (NPV) of the annual net costs for the 20-year period 2025-2045 using 7.8% discount rate.

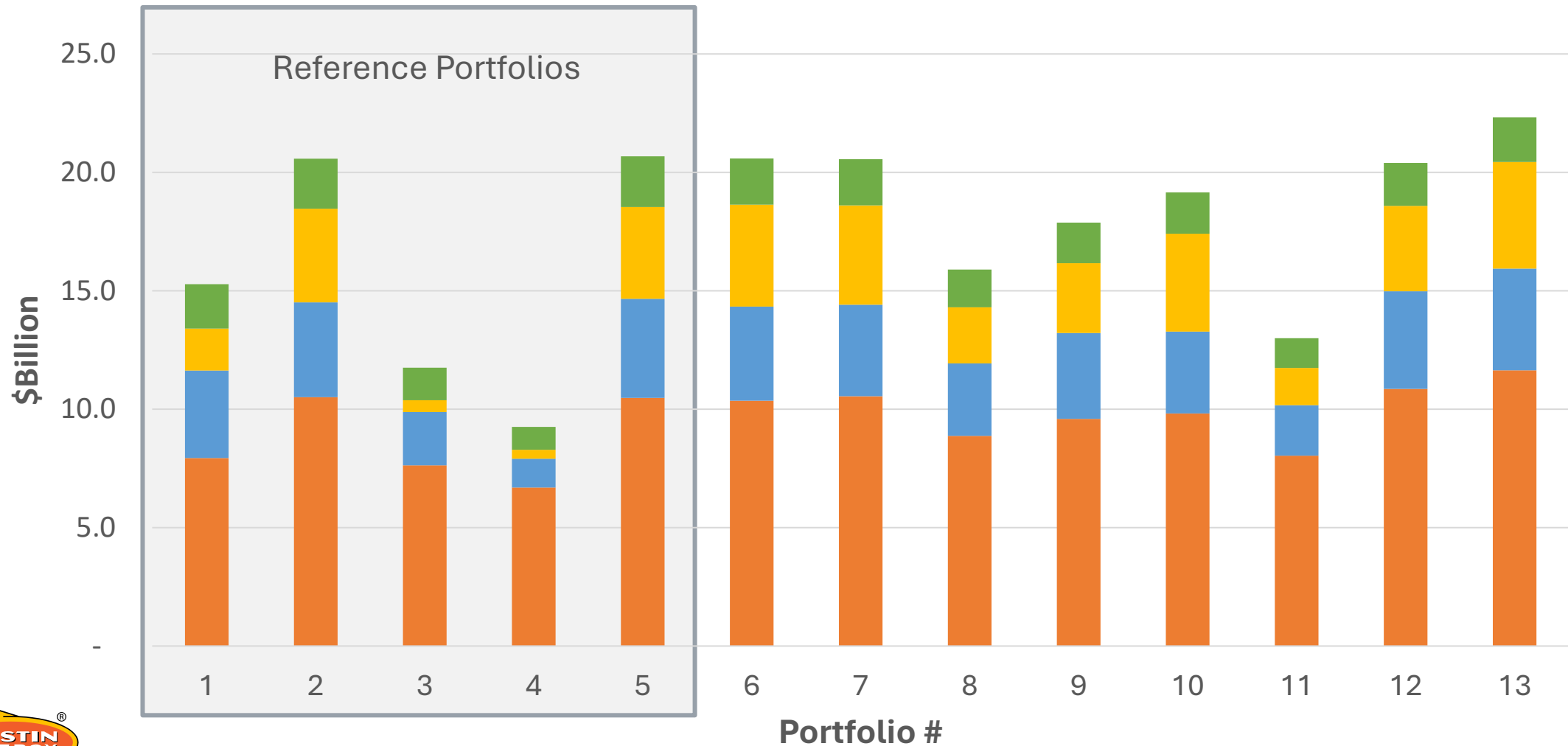
Net Present Value of 20-Yr Annual Net Costs

Normal Conditions



Net Present Value of 20-Yr Annual Net Costs

■ Normal Conditions
 ■ Extreme Weather Scenario
 ■ High Congestion Scenario
 ■ Market Rules Change Scenario

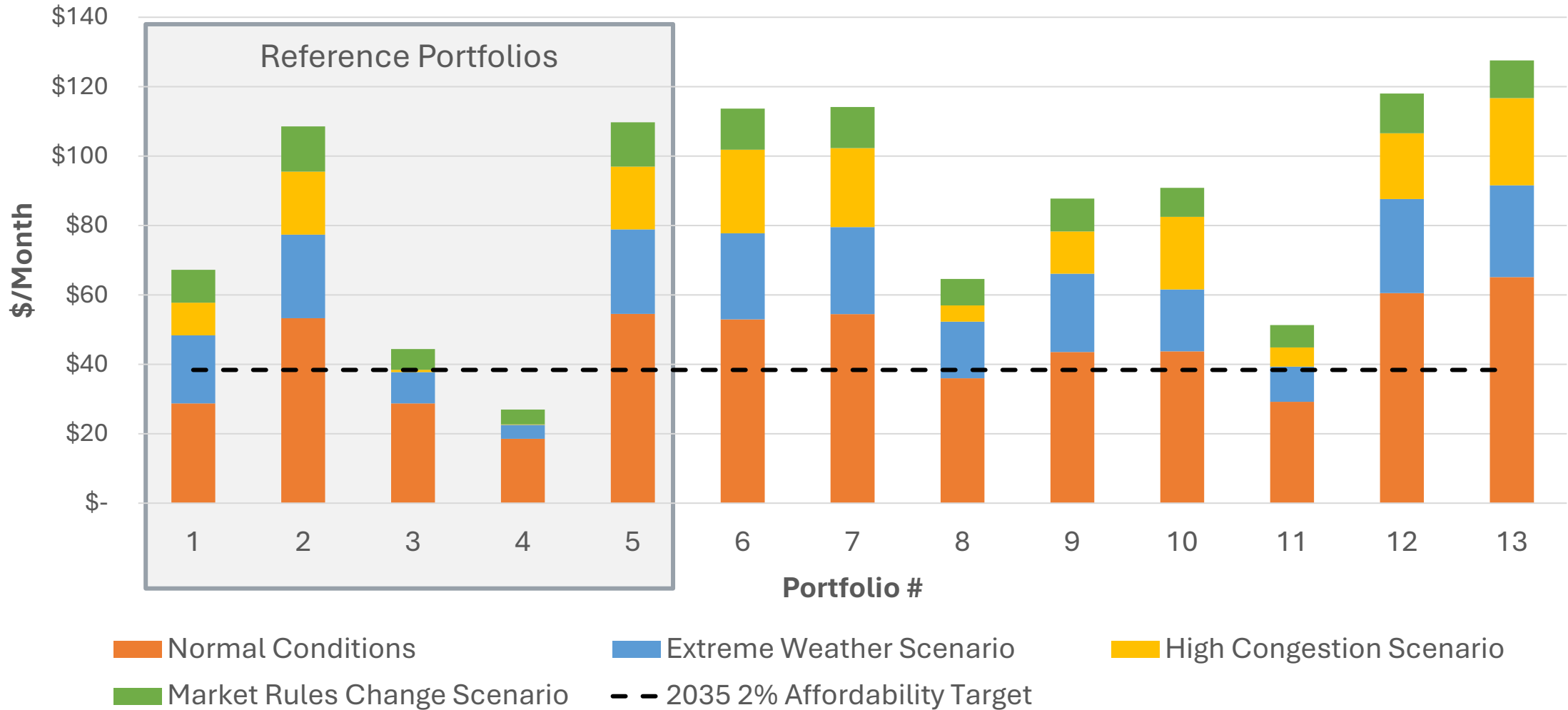




Bill Impact

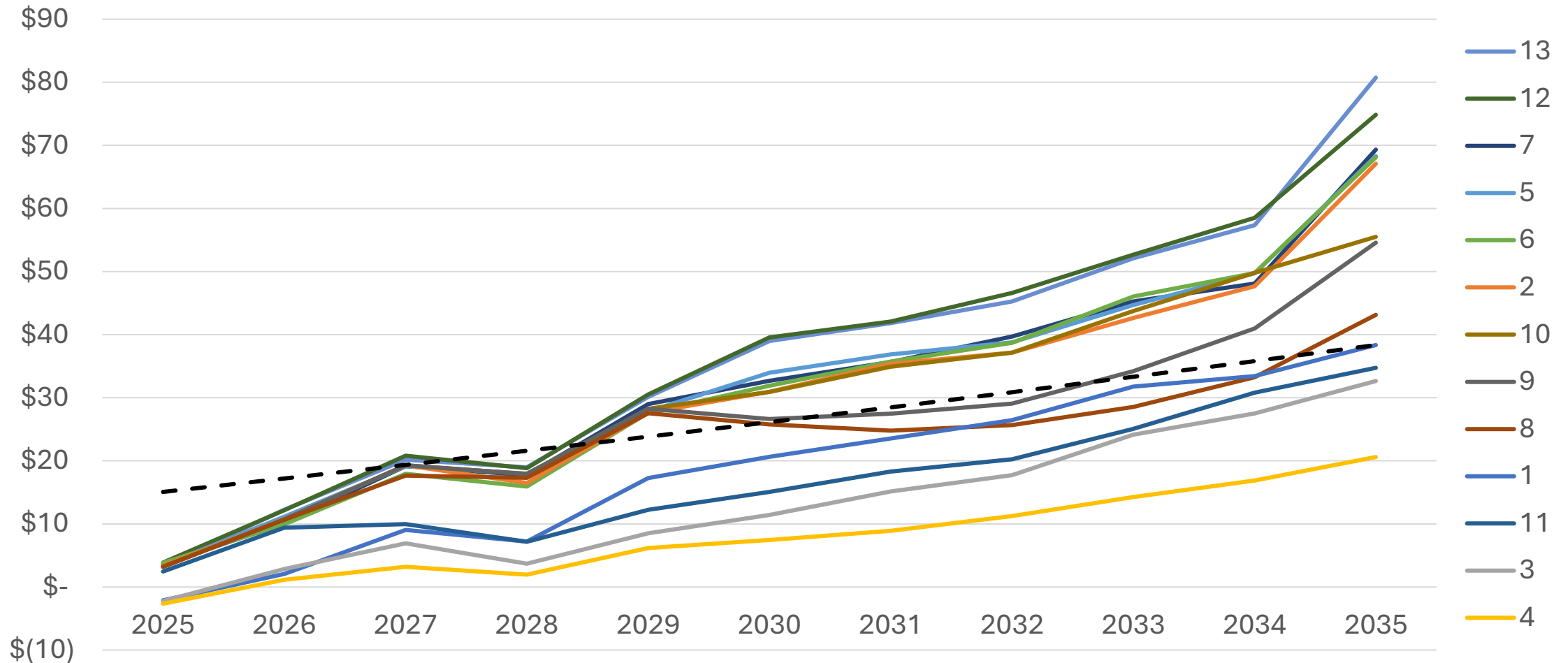
- "Average Monthly Residential Bill Increase" = expected increase in a typical Austin Energy residential customer's monthly electricity bill in 2035 compared with today due to the additional net costs associated with the generation portfolio only.
- Based on the "Net Cost" of each portfolio.
- Does not account for any other new or required AE capital or O&M costs in the future.

2035 Average Monthly Residential Bill Increase



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Avg. Monthly Bill Impact by Year – Avg. of All Scenarios



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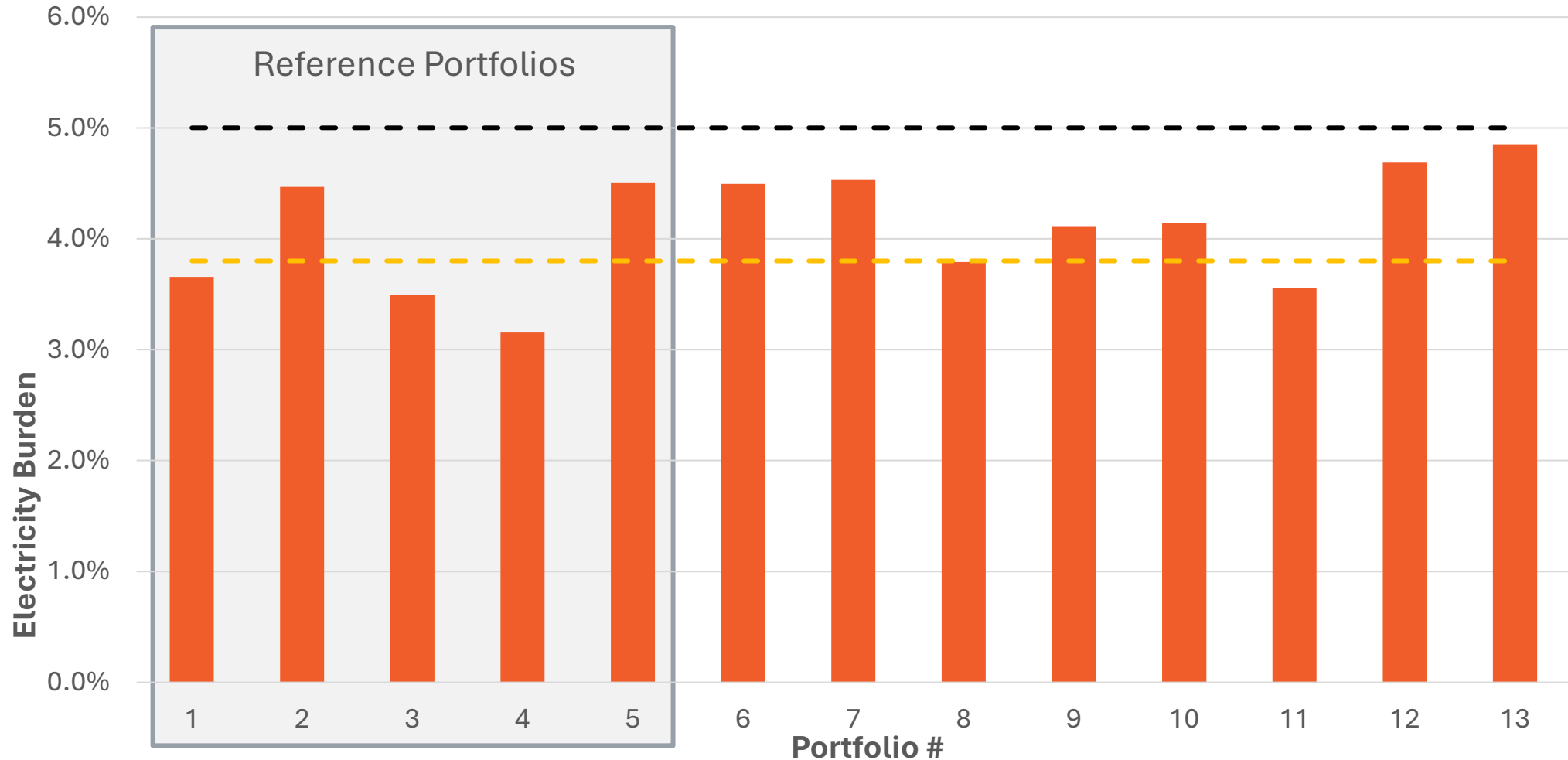




Electricity Burden

- “Electricity Burden” is the percentage of a household’s monthly income that goes toward their electricity bill
- A higher percentage of income dedicated to electricity costs indicates a higher “electricity burden” for that household
- For this analysis AE estimates the electricity burden for a typical customer in its Customer Assistance Program (CAP) using the 2023 Federal Poverty Income guidelines as a reference for estimated annual income

2035 Estimated Customer Assistance Program (CAP) Customer Electricity Burden (Avg of Scenarios)



- 2035 Estimated CAP Customer Electricity Burden
- 2023 Estimated CAP Customer Electricity Burden
- 2023 State of Texas Average Low Income Customer Electricity Burden

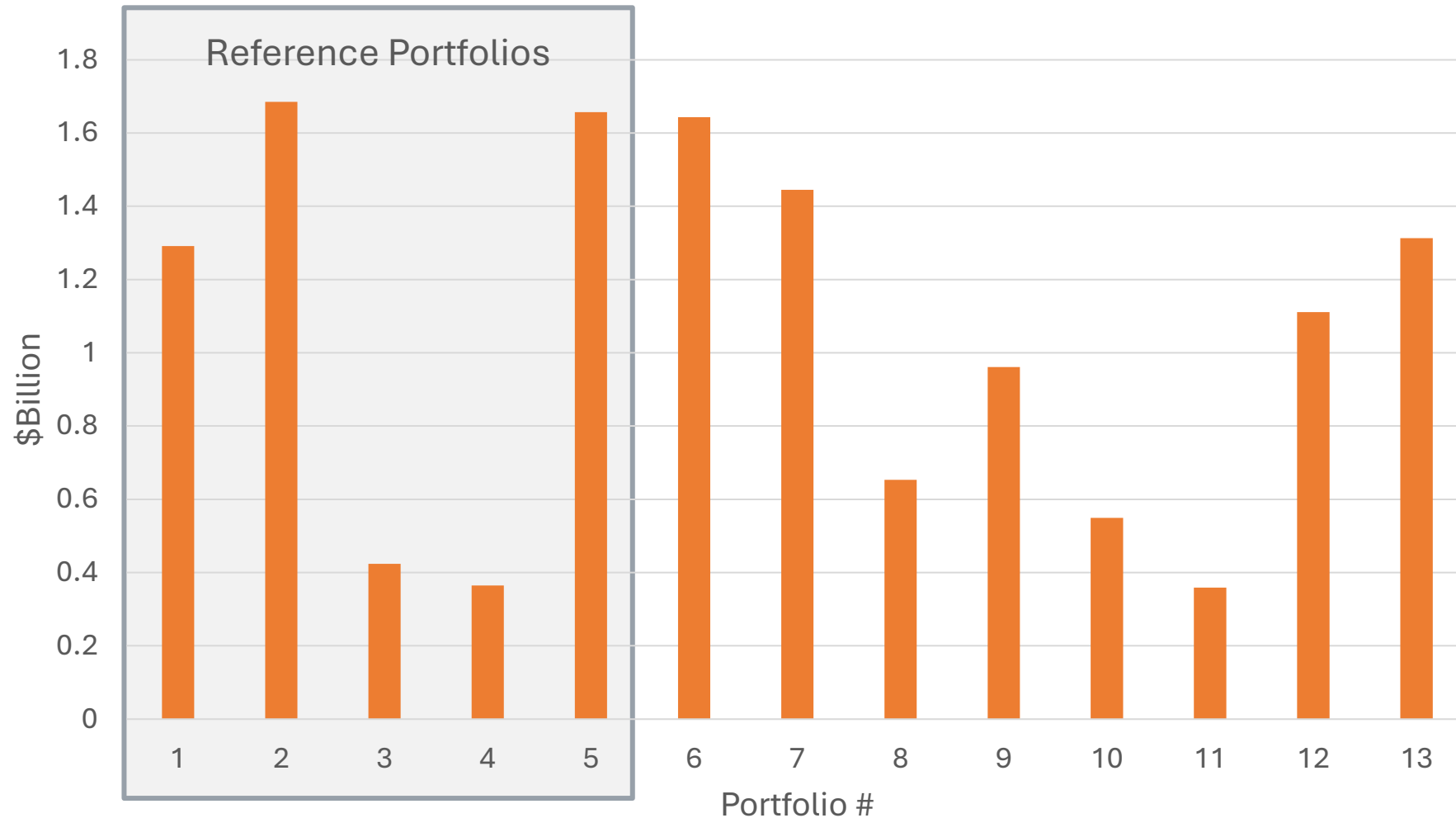


Liquidity Risk

- “Liquidity Risk” = Risk to Austin Energy of not having enough cash on-hand to settle financial account with ERCOT after an extreme event.
- Uses a modeling technique called “backcasting” to estimate how a portfolio of resources would have performed financially during an event similar to Winter Storm Uri.
- During an extreme event, ERCOT prices can spike – Austin Energy must purchase power from ERCOT to cover local load – if Austin Energy does not sell enough electricity at the same prices to cover expense, it must pay the difference to ERCOT immediately.
- Based on portfolio mix in 2035.

Stress Test Results – Total Liquidity Risk

Based on 2035 portfolio mix



Portfolio Comparison - Reliability Impacts



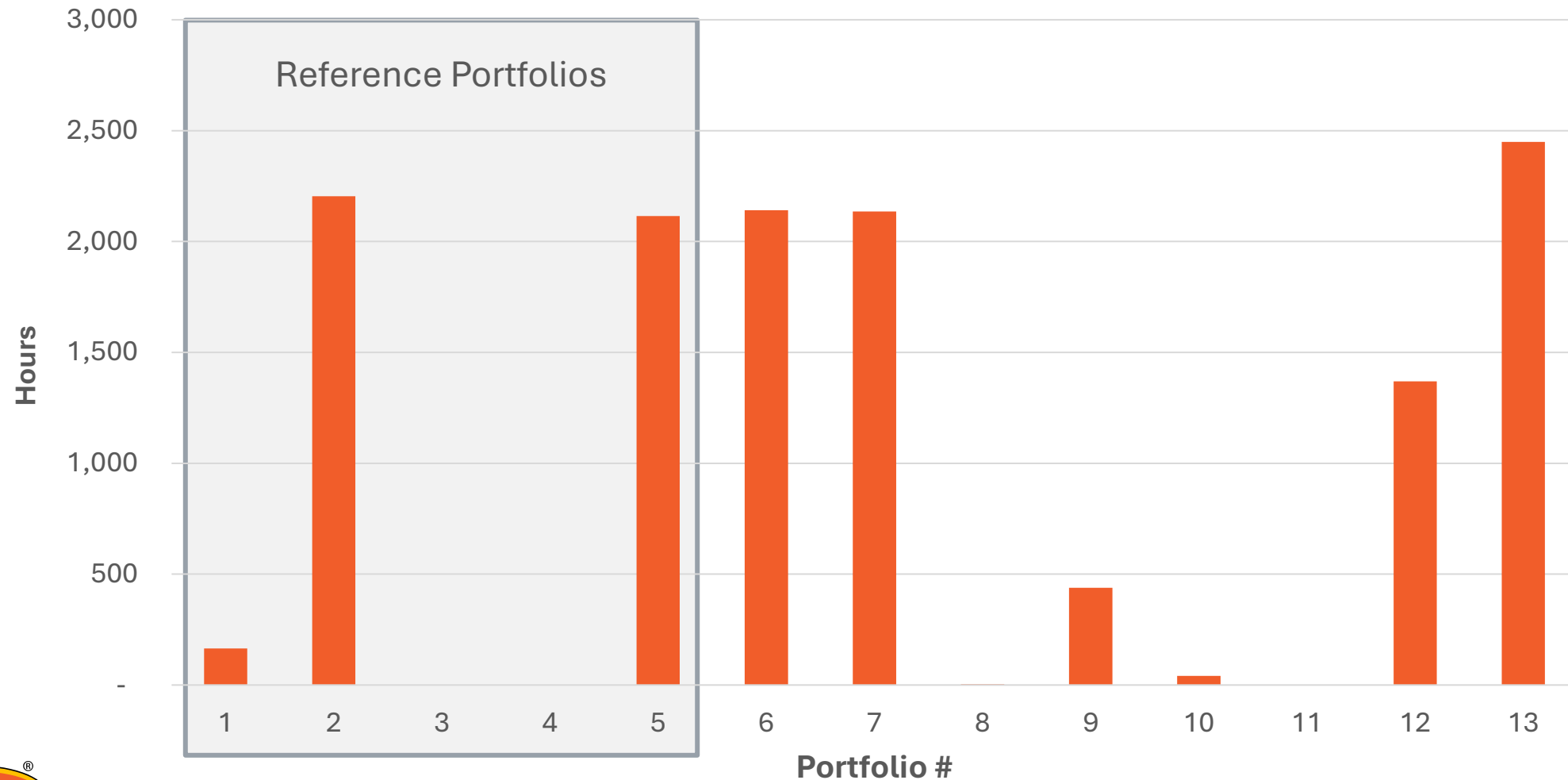


Reliability Risk Hours

- “Reliability Risk Hours” = total number of hours in a given year that the model predicts there will be increased risk of local outages.
- Local outages in this case are a result of not enough electricity physically available to meet Austin’s load.
- Can be caused by high local load, decrease in local power generation, decrease in import capacity, or a combination of these factors.

2035 Reliability Risk Hours

One year = 8,760 hours



2035 Reliability Risk Events of 4,6 or 8 Hours

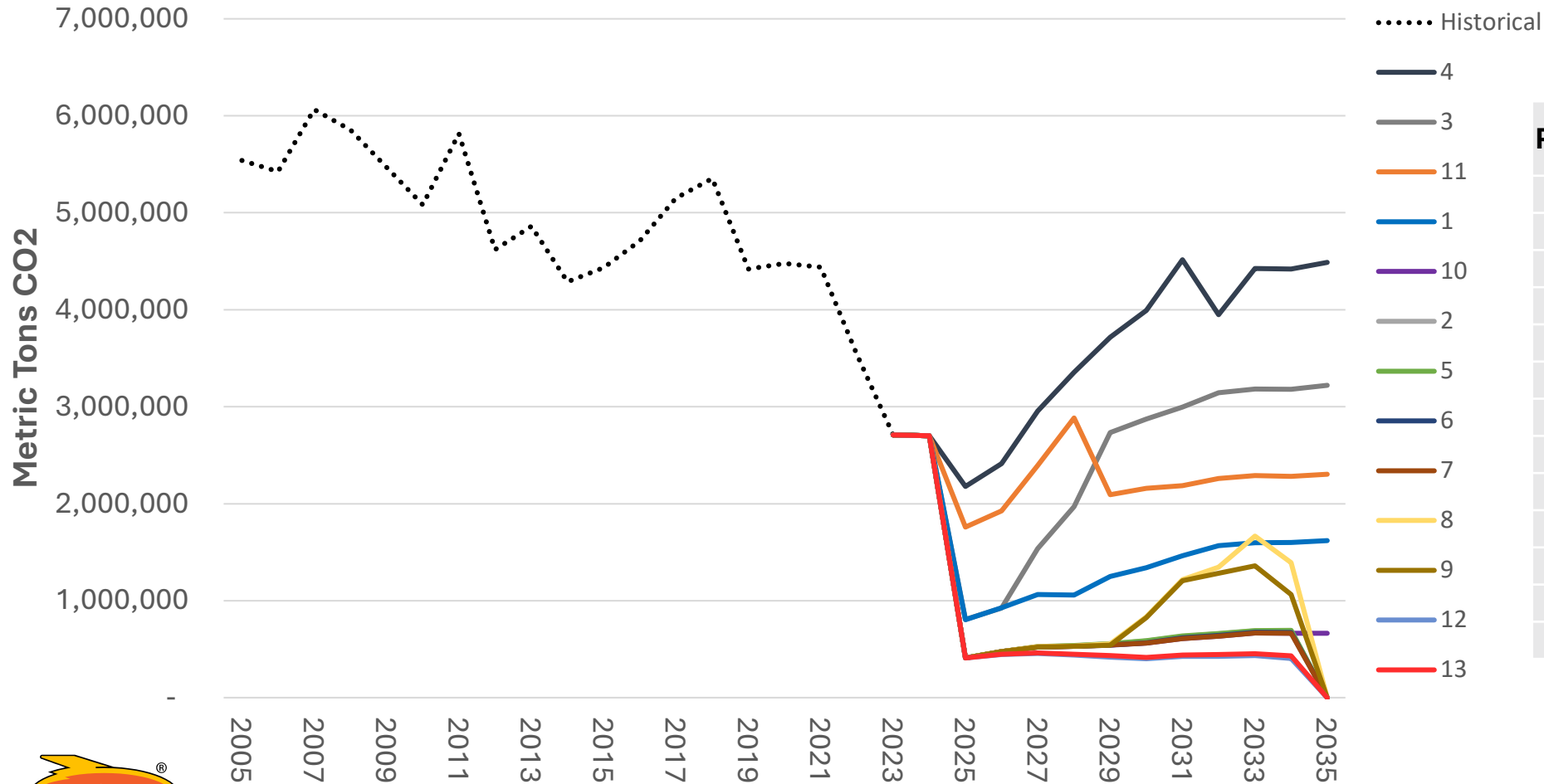


Portfolio Comparison – Emission Impacts



Modeled Austin Energy Stack CO₂ Emissions

By Year vs. Historical

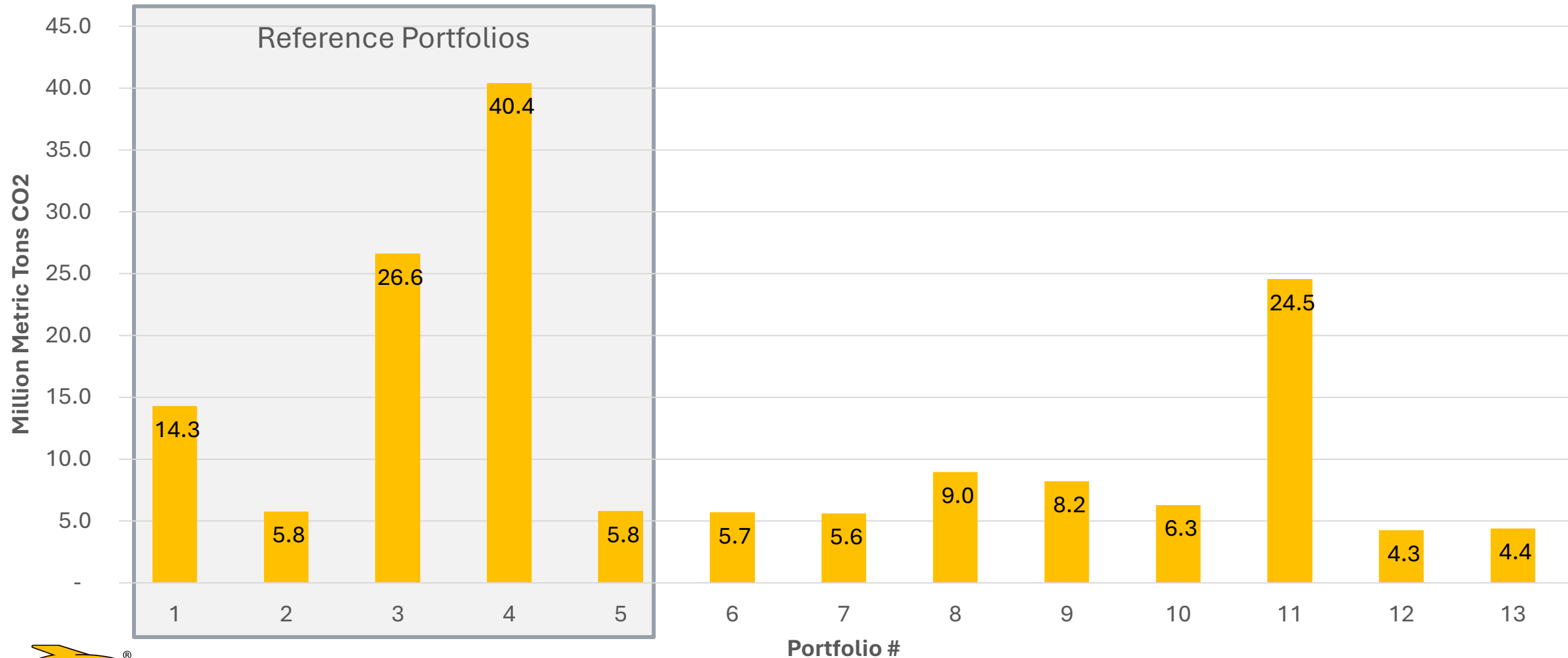


Portfolio #	2035 % Reduction (Relative to 2020)
4	-0.2%
3	28%
11	49%
1	64%
10	85%
2	100%
5	100%
6	100%
7	100%
8	100%
9	100%
12	100%
13	100%



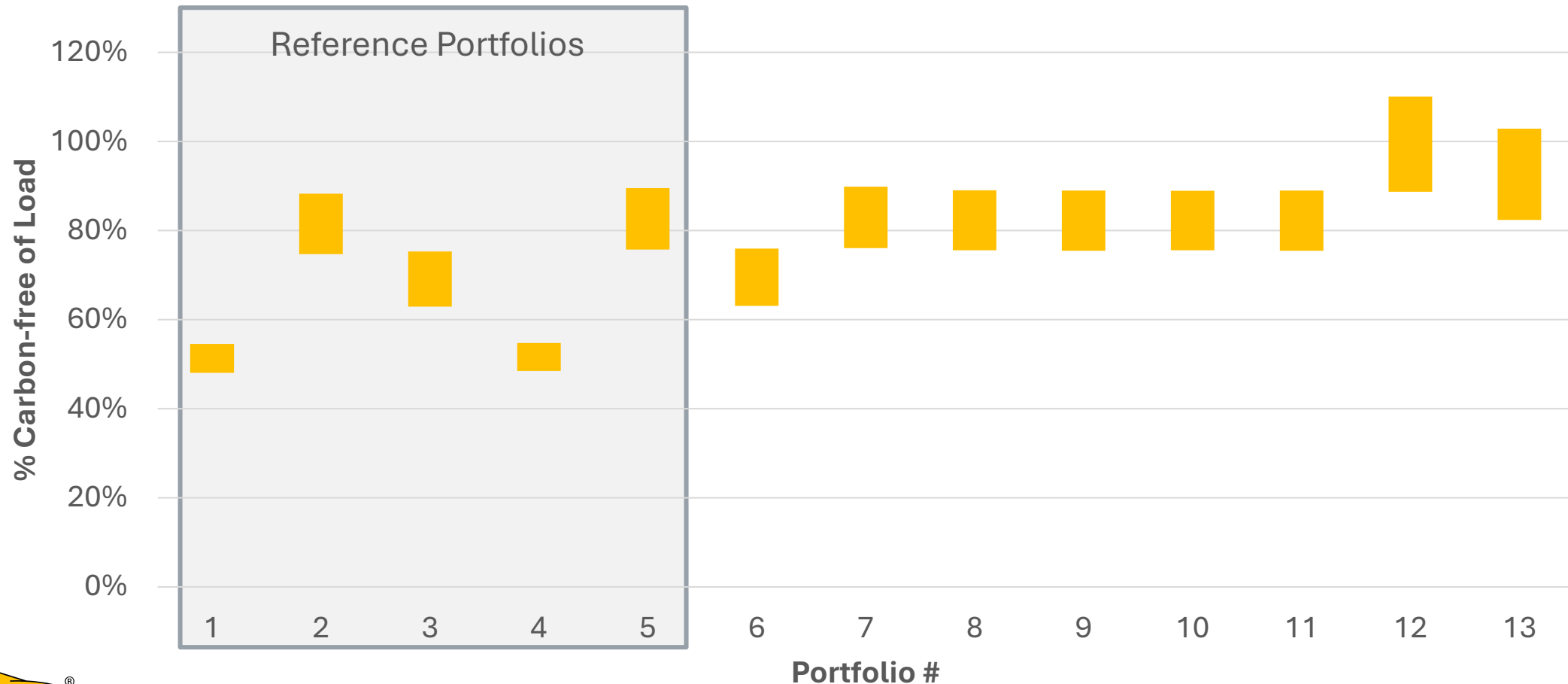
Total CO₂ Emissions (Million Metric Tons)

2025-2035



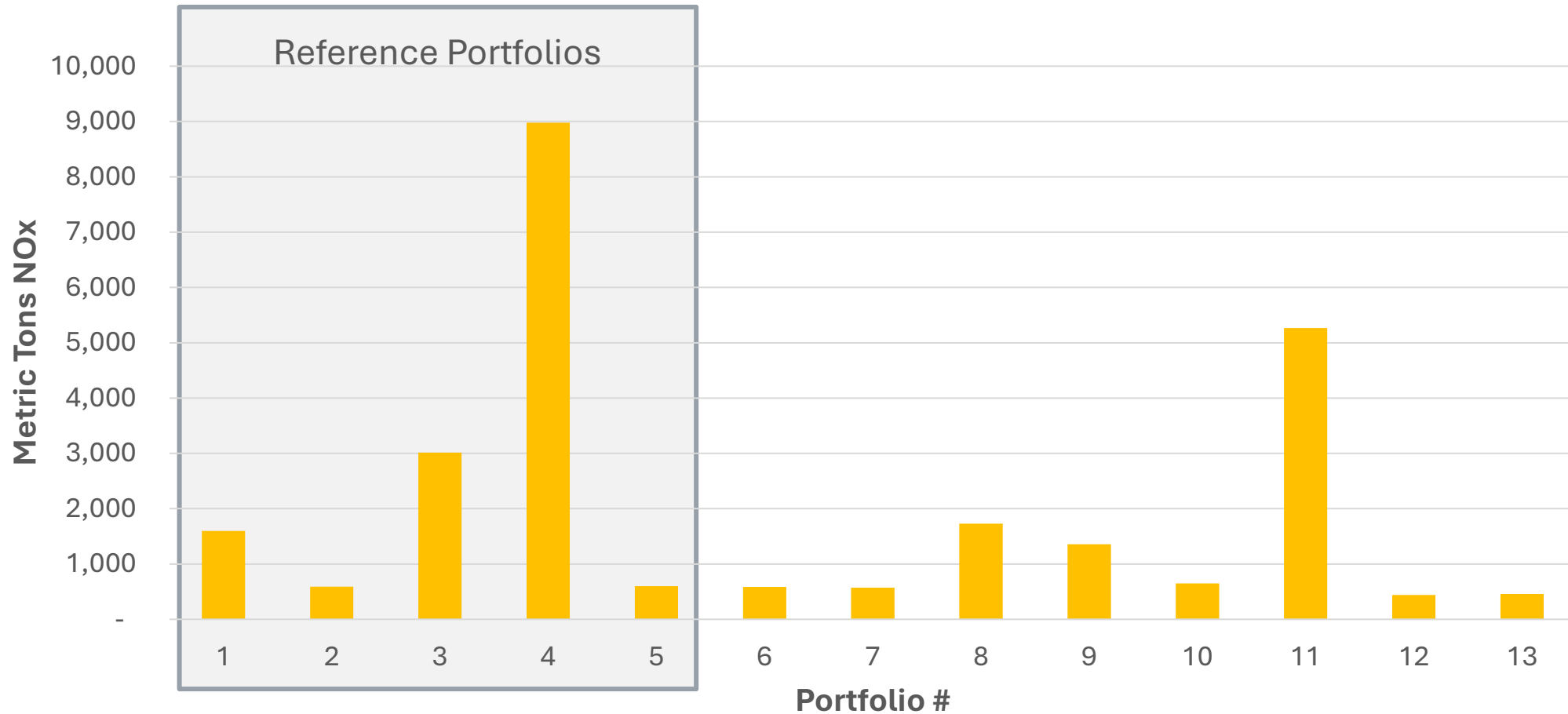
Percent of Load Matched with Carbon-Free Energy in 2035

Range Accounts for Curtailments



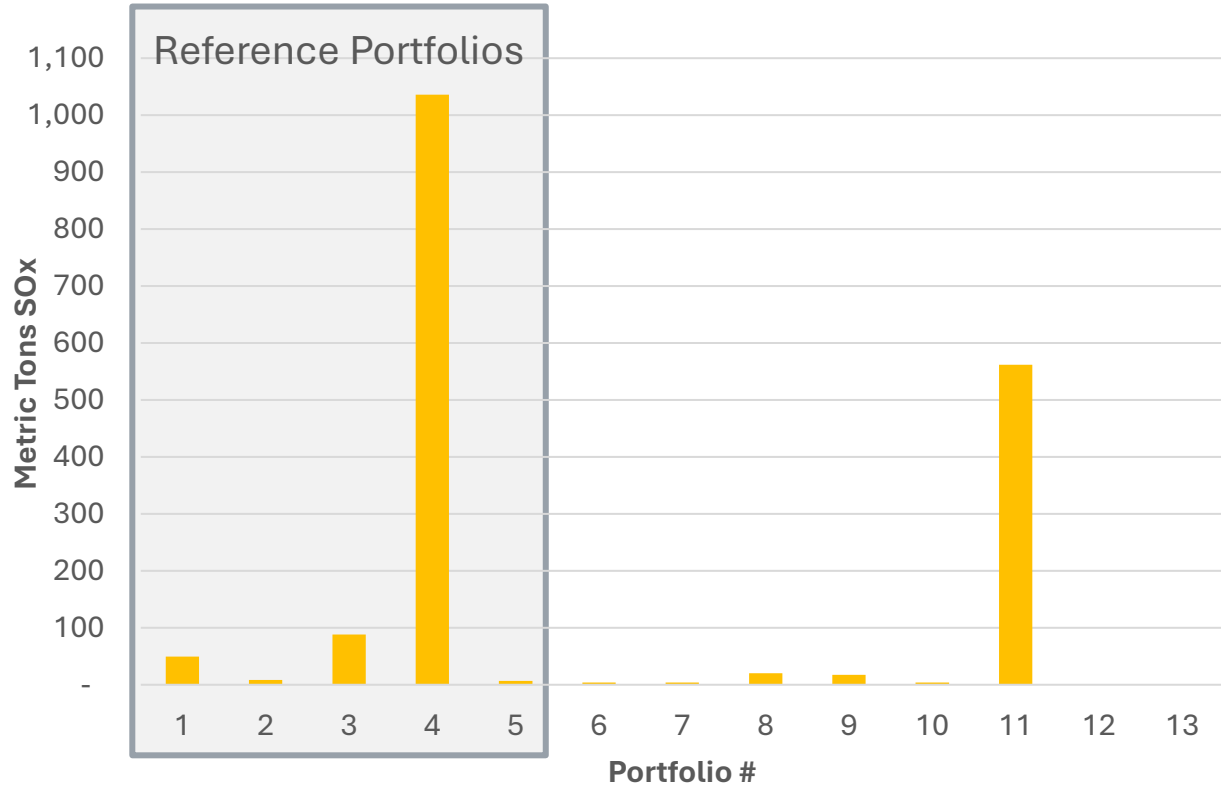
Total NOx Emissions (Metric Tons)

2025-2035

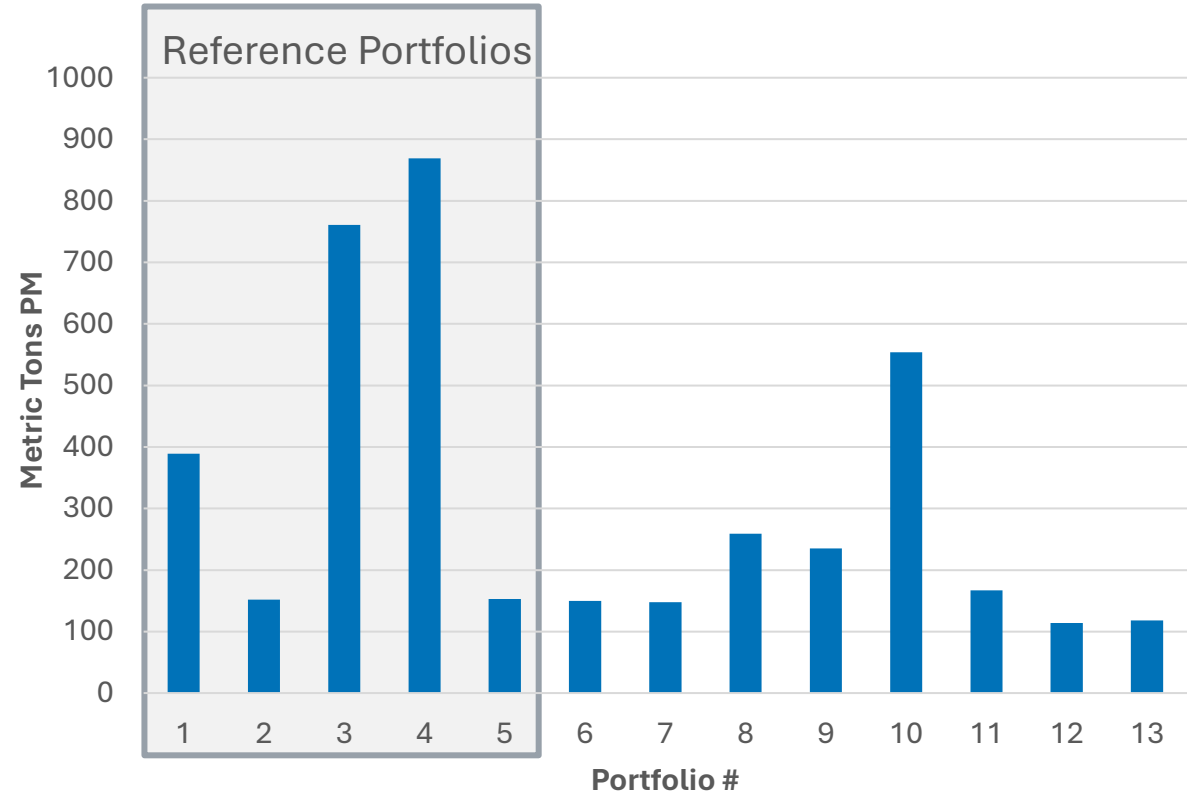


Emissions 2025-2035

Total SOx



Total Particulate Matter (PM)



Summary Tables with Overall Values and Rankings



Portfolio	Net Cost 20-yr NPV (\$MM)	2035 Bill Impact (\$/Month)	2035 Energy Burden (%)	Total Liquidity Need (\$MM)	2035 Reliability Risk Events 4+ Hours (Count)	2035 Reliability Risk Hours (Hours)	Total CO ₂ Emissions (Million Metric Tons)	Total NOx Emissions (Metric Tons)	Total SOx Emissions (Metric Tons)	Total PM Emissions (Metric Tons)
1	\$9,771	\$38	3.7%	\$1,291	9	165	14	1596	49	389
2	\$13,026	\$67	4.5%	\$1,685	17	2,204	6	589	8	152
3	\$8,659	\$33	3.5%	\$424	0	0	27	3016	88	761
4	\$7,336	\$21	3.2%	\$365	0	0	40	8978	1036	869
5	\$13,029	\$68	4.5%	\$1,657	20	2,115	6	599	7	153
6	\$12,913	\$68	4.5%	\$1,643	25	2,141	6	584	4	150
7	\$13,053	\$69	4.5%	\$1,445	24	2,136	6	573	4	148
8	\$10,629	\$43	3.8%	\$653	0	3	9	1730	20	259
9	\$11,665	\$55	4.1%	\$961	20	438	8	1355	17	235
10	\$12,155	\$56	4.1%	\$549	4	41	6	650	4	554
11	\$9,273	\$35	3.6%	\$359	0	0	25	5267	562	167
12	\$13,244	\$75	4.7%	\$1,111	55	1,369	4	440	0	114
13	\$14,315	\$81	4.9%	\$1,313	56	2,449	4	457	1	118



Portfolio	Net Cost 20-yr NPV	2035 Bill Impact	2035 Energy Burden	Total Liquidity Need	2035 Reliability Risk Events 4+ hours	2035 Reliability Risk Hours	Total CO ₂ Emissions	Total NOx Emissions	Total SOx Emissions	Total PM Emissions
1	4	4	4	8	6	6	10	9	10	10
2	9	8	8	13	7	12	5	5	7	5
3	2	2	2	3	1	1	12	11	11	12
4	1	1	1	2	1	1	13	13	13	13
5	10	10	10	12	8	9	6	6	6	6
6	8	9	9	11	11	11	4	4	3	4
7	11	11	11	10	10	10	3	3	3	3
8	5	5	5	5	1	4	9	10	9	9
9	6	6	6	6	8	7	8	8	8	8
10	7	7	7	4	5	5	7	7	3	11
11	3	3	3	1	1	1	11	12	12	7
12	12	12	12	7	12	8	1	1	1	1
13	13	13	13	9	13	13	2	2	2	2

Ranks each portfolio 1-13 (1 = best, 13 = worst) within each output metric column





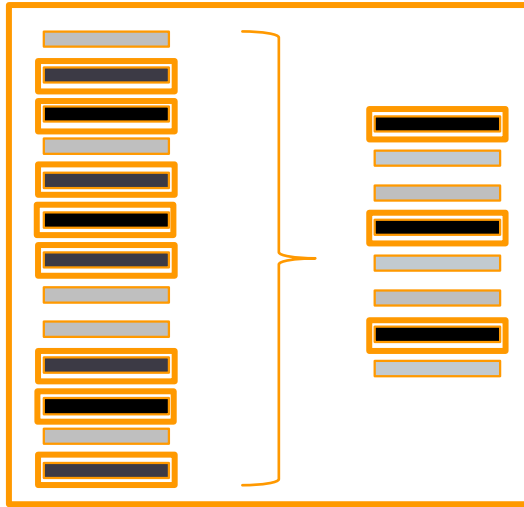
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Portfolio Modeling Overview

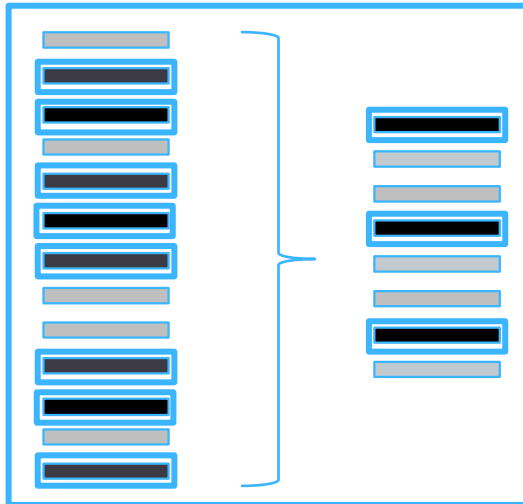
Austin Energy Modeling Process

Utilizing *UPLAN* and *PowerSIMM* modeling tools to evaluate the performance of multiple **human-made portfolios** across various scenarios.



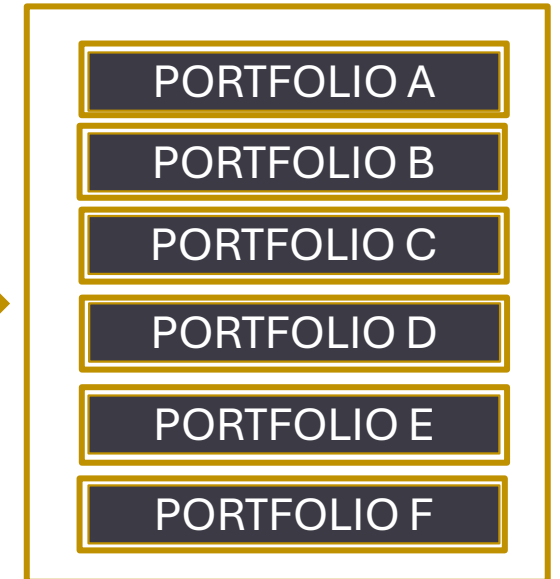
3rd Party Modeling Process

Ascend's resource planning methodology and modeling tools generate **optimized portfolios based on specified constraints**.



Portfolio Evaluation

All modeling results will be evaluated to select portfolios for further consideration.



Shortlist of Portfolios



EVALUATING OPTIONS FOR AUSTIN ENERGY'S PORTFOLIO THROUGH 2035

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Introduction

Introduction: Austin Energy's Resource, Generation and Climate Protection Plan to 2035

Analysis Goal:

Evaluate four generation portfolios that illustrate the tradeoffs between costs, emissions and reliability during the period of 2025-2035.

Purpose

Austin Energy commissioned Ascend Analytics to conduct this resource planning study. Results will supplement Austin Energy's Uplan analysis, to inform which portfolios are down-selected for further study. Ascend used the same cost and load assumptions as Austin Energy's Uplan analysis.

Methodology

Using its flagship PowerSIMM software, Ascend ran a capacity expansion model with different constraint sets to create four portfolios and ran these portfolios through production cost model to evaluate their costs, emissions, and reliability.

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Modeled Portfolios

Overview of the Portfolios

Portfolio A (Baseline)

- Meets emissions and renewable energy targets
- Builds sufficient local firm capacity to cover peak loads
- Least-cost path to meet the constraints

Portfolio B

- Meets same emissions, renewable, and local firm capacity targets as Portfolio A, but without any new gas or hydrogen-burning plants
- Provides a path to zero emissions not dependent on clean hydrogen availability

Portfolio C

- No emissions or renewable targets
- Builds sufficient local firm capacity to cover peak loads

Portfolio D

- Meets the same emissions and renewable targets as Portfolio A
- Builds sufficient local firm capacity to cover peak loads plus a 15% margin

Portfolios A, B, & D are carbon-free by 2035 and achieve 65% renewable energy from 2027 onwards.

The Portfolios must build local storage or gas/hydrogen-fueled power plants to satisfy the local firm capacity constraint.

All portfolios include max assumptions about demand-side management buildouts from the DNV study, including the following by 2035:

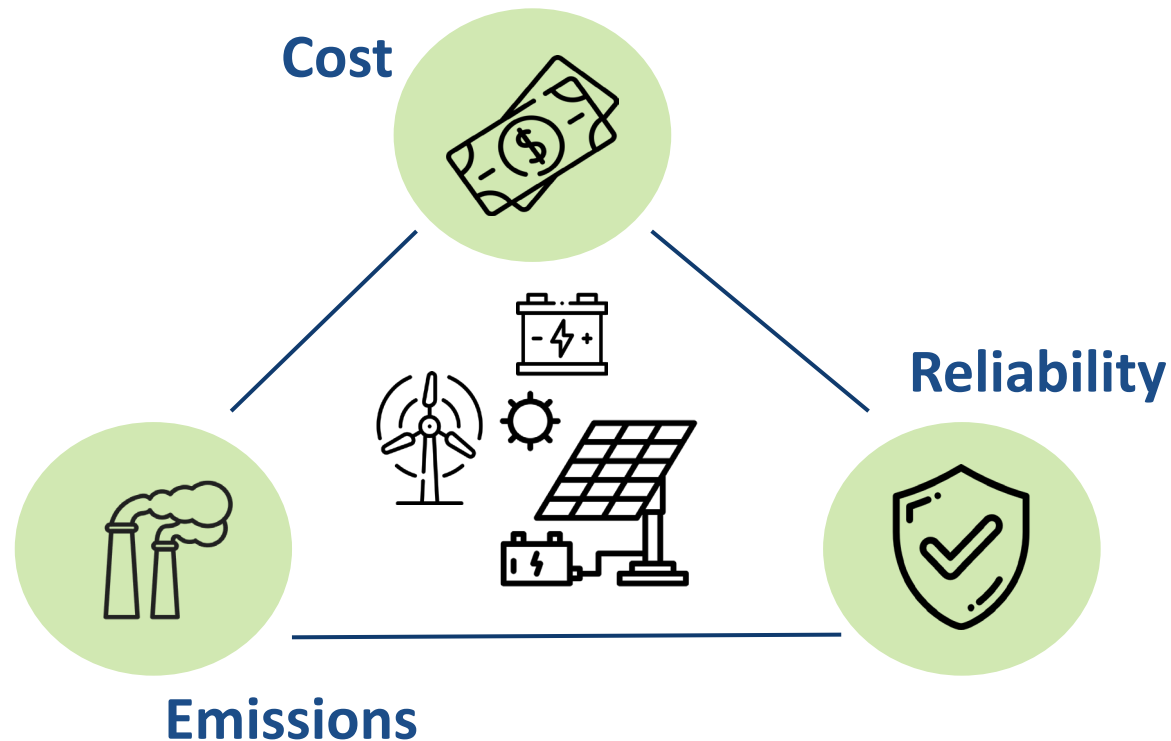
- 360 MW of energy efficiency
- 270 MW of demand response
- 371 MW of customer-sited solar
- 60 MW of community solar (Portfolio B builds additional)

Portfolio Constraints

	A	B	C	D
Coal-Free Portfolio: FPP is not included in the portfolio (assumes retirement 12/31/2024)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Carbon-Free (annual emissions requirement): Starting with 2023 carbon emissions, ramp down linearly to zero in 2035	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
65% Renewable (annual renewable energy requirement): Ensure renewable energy production is at least 65% of load in 2027 and beyond	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Green Hydrogen (conversion requirement): All new and existing natural gas plants convert to green hydrogen fuel in the 2030s	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Local Reliability: Ensure local firm capacity (ELCC adjusted) plus import capacity exceeds annual peak load	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Enhanced Local Reliability: Ensure local firm capacity (ELCC adjusted) plus import capacity exceeds annual peak load with 15% margin				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
No New Natural Gas or Hydrogen: Prevents new natural gas or hydrogen units from satisfying local reliability requirement		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Reduced Natural Gas Dispatch (REACH requirement): Applies a REACH adder to existing natural gas plants and retires the units at the end of 2034		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
No Fuel Restrictions: Allows continued operation of natural gas plants without hydrogen conversion			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Ascend's Capacity Expansion Model

Ascend's capacity expansion model takes forecasts of load, weather, and market prices as inputs. It receives a set of technologies that can be built, and constraints that it must meet (including emissions, renewables, and reliability targets). It finds the cost-optimal resource buildout that satisfies these constraints.



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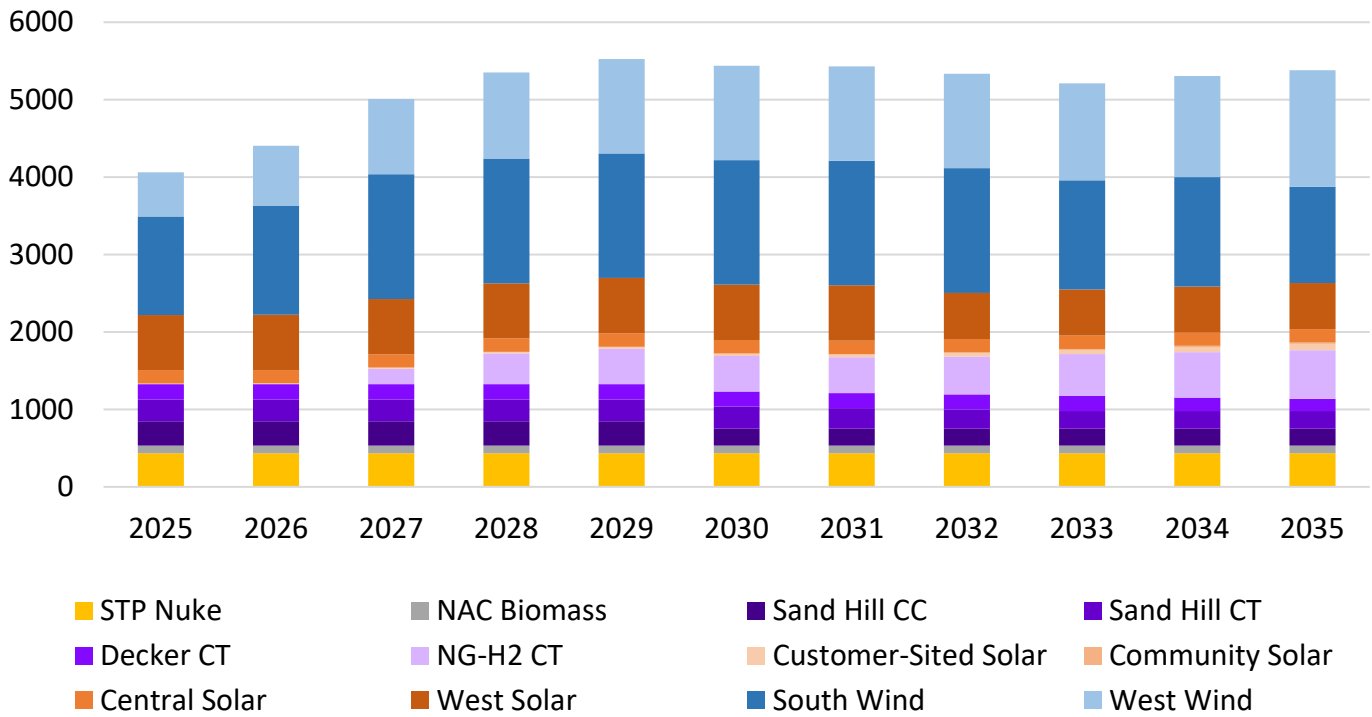
Portfolio Results

Portfolio A: Balancing Cost, Emissions, and Reliability

Buildouts: Wind PPA procurements, new gas buildouts, and conversion of both existing and new gas to hydrogen

- 1885 MW of wind PPAs are procured to satisfy the 65% renewable energy target
- 630 MW of new, local, hydrogen-capable peakers built for reliability
- Sand Hill, Decker, and new peakers are converted to burn hydrogen in the 2030s and achieve zero carbon emissions by 2035

Installed Capacity (MW)

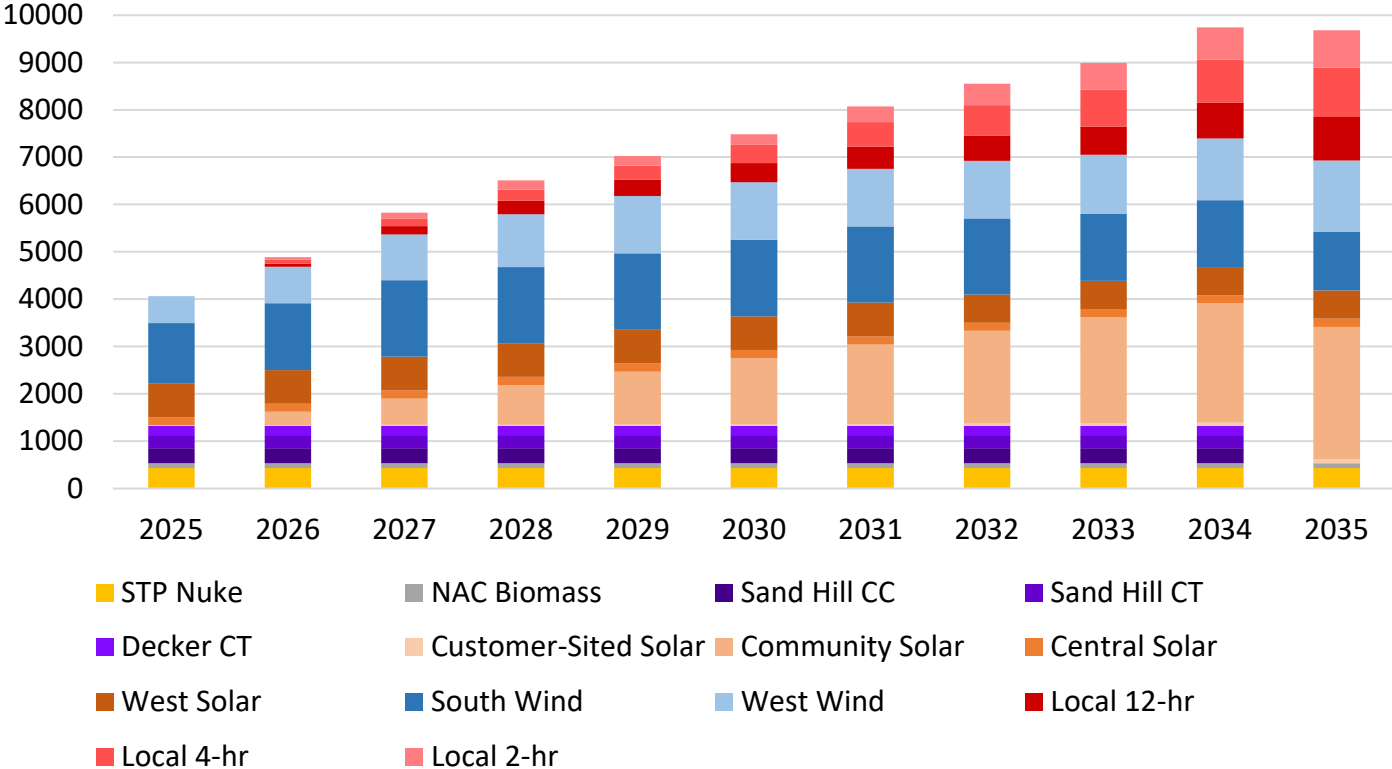


Portfolio B: Reaching Zero Emissions with Renewables and Batteries

Buildouts: Wind PPA procurements, local solar and storage buildouts, and the retirement of all gas-fired units provide a way to reach zero emissions without green hydrogen

- 1885 MW of wind PPAs are procured to satisfy the 65% renewable energy target
- 2750 MW of local storage, charged by 2800 MW of community solar, provides local energy and capacity
- REACH adders were added to Sand Hill and Decker. They reduce runtime, leading to lower emissions, and retire in 2034.

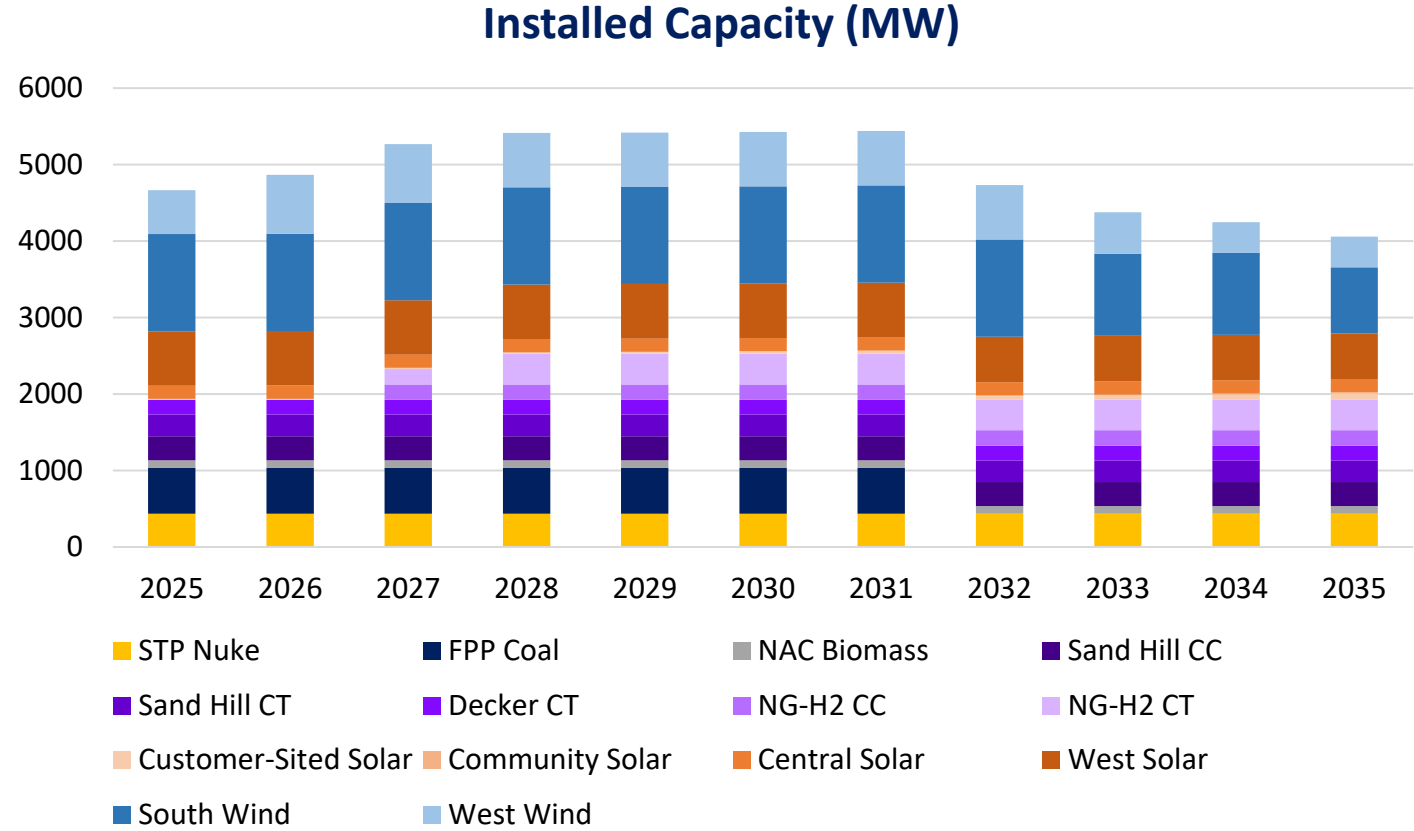
Installed Capacity (MW)



Portfolio C: Economical and Reliable, but with High Emissions

Buildouts: Only economic wind PPAs are procured. A local CC and several peakers are built for reliability. Sand Hill and Decker don't retire or convert.

- 400 MW of economic wind PPAs are procured
- 400 MW of local peakers are built for reliability. A 200-MW, local CC is built for reliability.
- Sand Hill and Decker run on gas and don't retire
- FPP runs until end of 2031

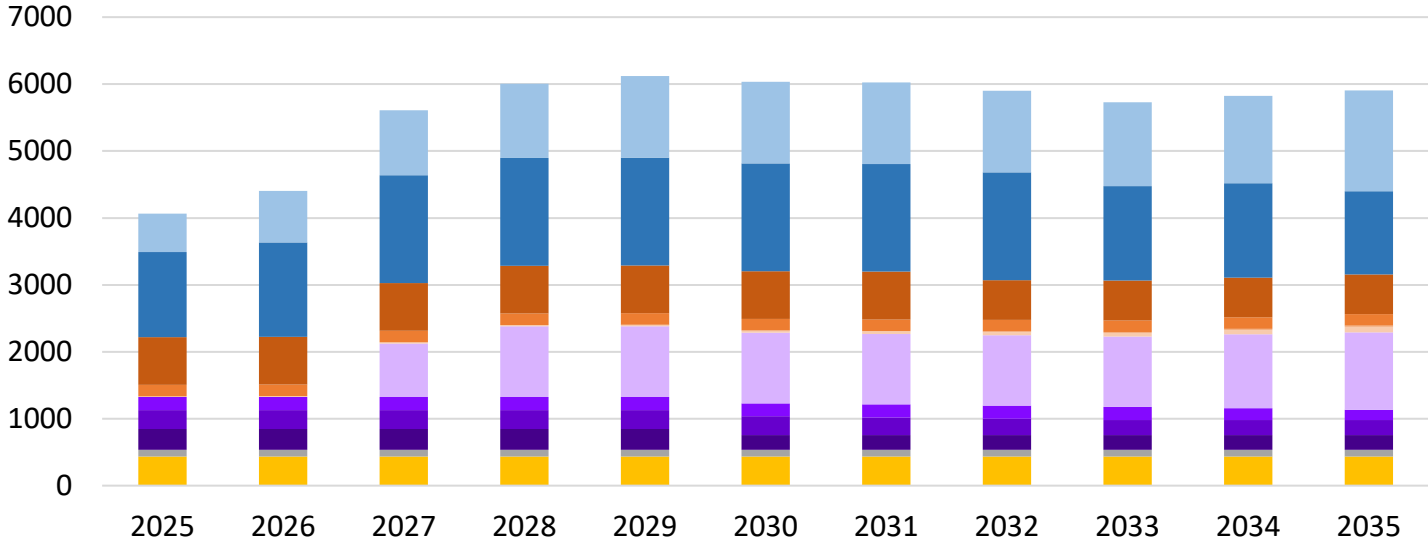


Portfolio D: Enhanced Reliability

Buildouts: Wind PPA procurements, increased new gas buildouts, and conversion of both existing and new gas to hydrogen provide a clean portfolio with enhanced reliability

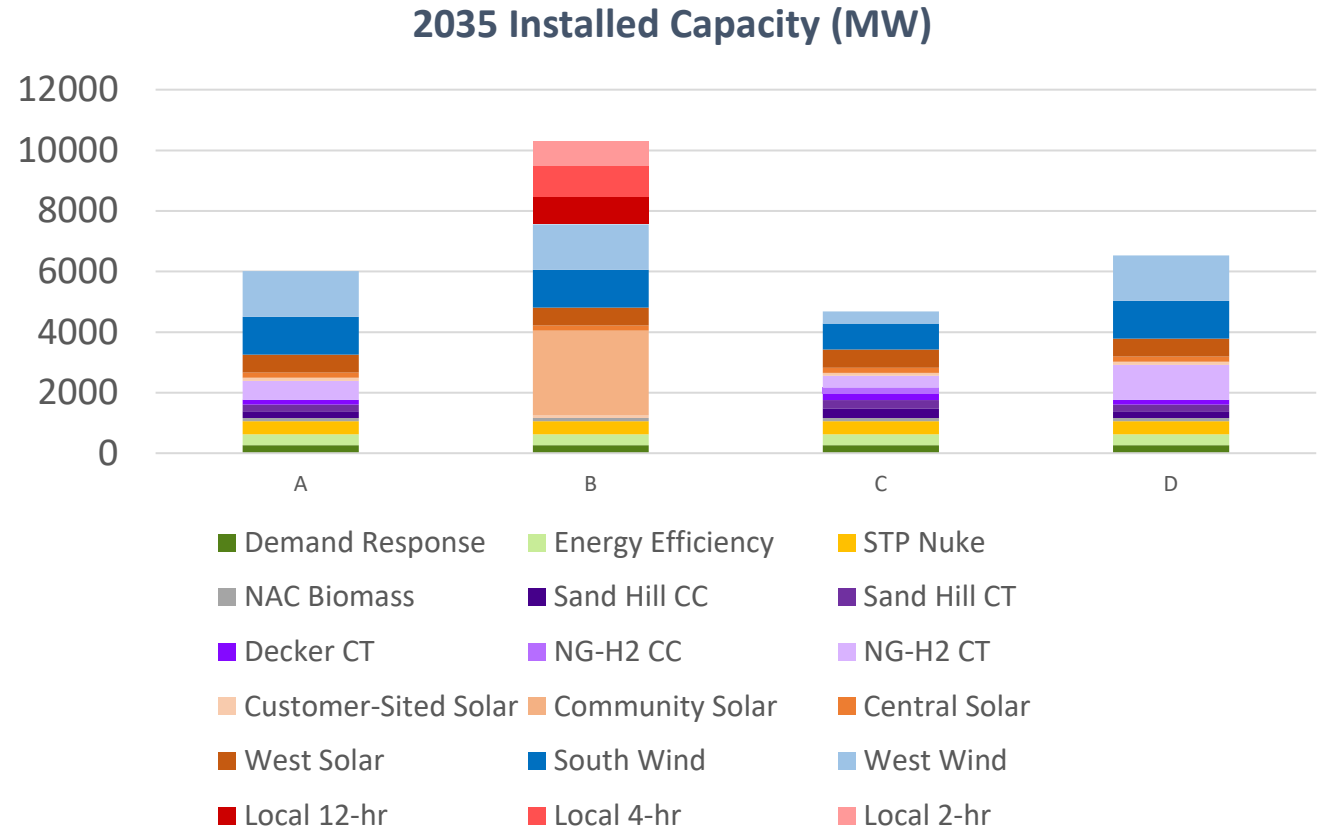
- 1885 MW of wind PPAs are procured to satisfy the 65% renewable energy target
- 1,155 MW of new, local, hydrogen-capable peakers built for enhanced reliability
- Sand Hill, Decker, and new peakers are converted to burn hydrogen in the 2030s and achieve zero carbon emissions by 2035

Installed Capacity (MW)



Portfolio Buildouts

- In Portfolios A, B, & D, wind and solar provide most of the energy by 2035
- West and South wind are the primary renewables selected due to their lower net costs.
- Portfolios A, C, & D build local peakers and CCs to provide reliability, whereas Portfolio B uses local storage and solar
- Portfolio A has 1,330 MW of local generation, whereas Portfolio B has 5,631 MW.
- Numbers for this graph are in a table in the Appendix



Portfolios A, B & D have more buildouts than Portfolio C to achieve the renewable energy target

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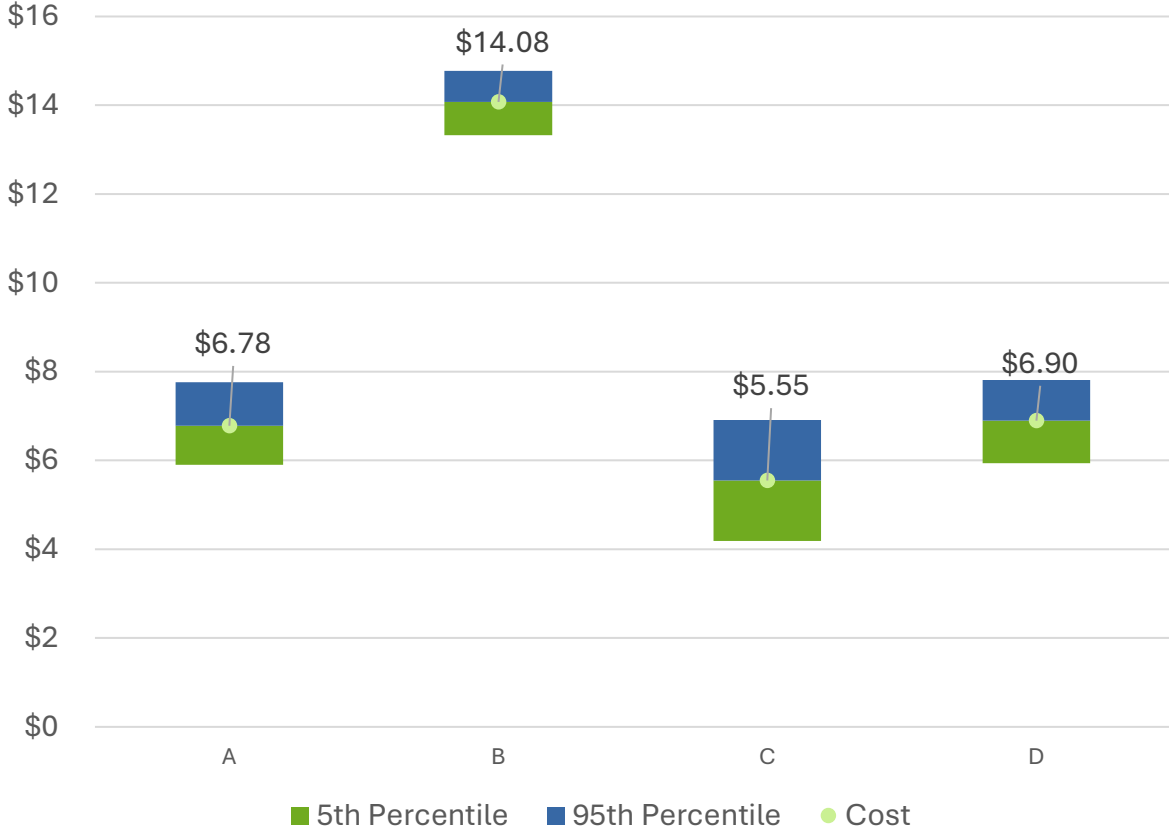
Costs, Emissions, & Reliability

Portfolio Costs

- **Portfolio A:** A steady increase in net costs from building new peakers, converting peakers and CCs to hydrogen, and procuring wind PPAs
- **Portfolio B:** Most expensive option, with most costs coming from battery tolls and community solar
- **Portfolio C:** Having plants burn gas and only procuring economical PPAs yields the lowest-cost portfolio, but is the only one with carbon and SO2 emissions in 2035
- **Portfolio D:** Similar to Portfolio A. Increased peaker buildout has roughly equal cost and revenue.

Rates* increase marginally from 9.5c/kWh in 2025 to 12-13c/kWh in 2035, for Portfolios A, C, & D. Portfolio B has much higher rates: 20c/kWh in 2035.

Net Portfolio Cost NPV, 2025-2045 (\$B)



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Portfolio Costs Continued

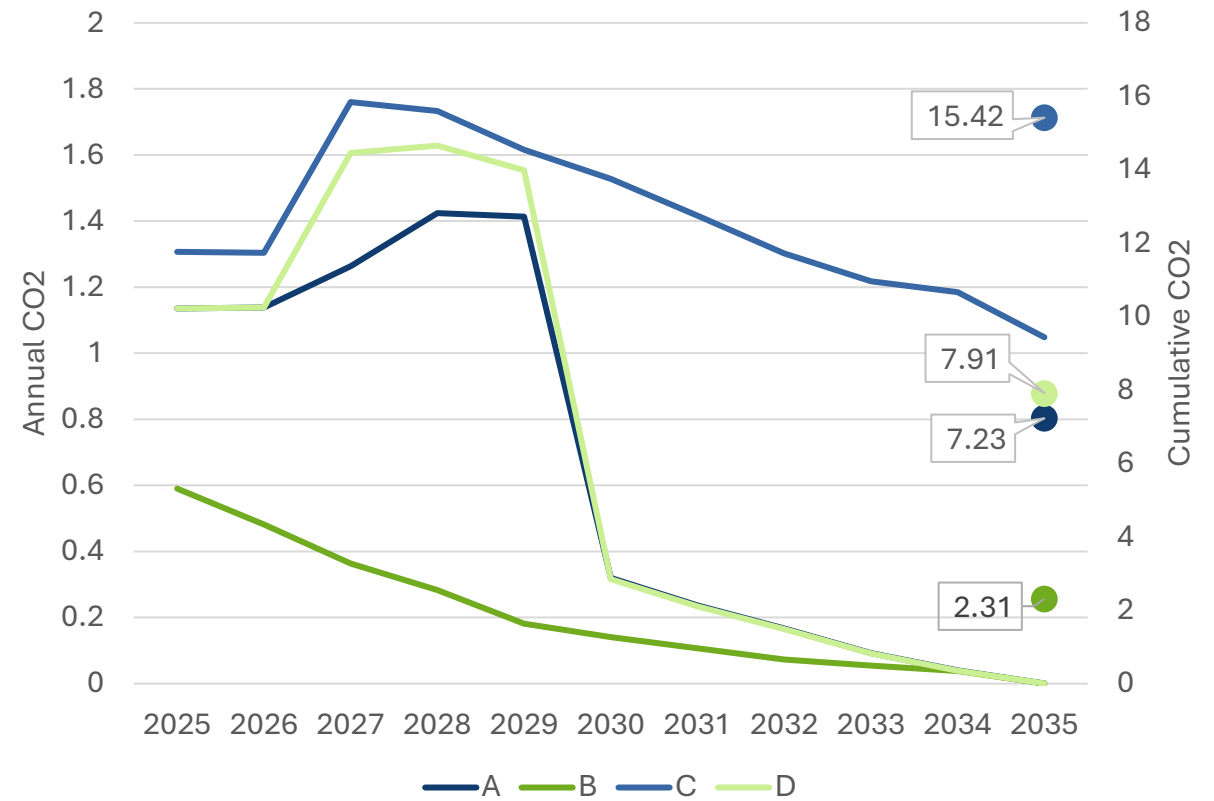
Cost Metric	Portfolio A	Portfolio B	Portfolio C	Portfolio D
2035 Rates (\$/kWh)	0.132	0.202	0.121	0.133
2025-2045 NPV (\$B)				
Net Costs Mean	\$6.78	\$14.08	\$5.55	\$6.90
Net Costs P5	\$5.90	\$13.33	\$4.18	\$5.94
Net Costs P95	\$7.76	\$14.77	\$6.91	\$7.81
Load Costs	\$6.70	\$6.70	\$6.70	\$6.70
Levelized Capital Costs	\$0.36	\$4.37	\$0.34	\$0.61
O&M costs	\$6.15	\$10.55	\$4.07	\$6.25
Revenue	\$6.43	\$7.55	\$5.56	\$6.66

Portfolio Emissions

- Emissions are significantly reduced by 2030 in Portfolios A, B, & D, as gas plants convert to hydrogen or operate at low capacity factors
- Compared to Portfolio A, cumulative emissions decrease 68% in B, more than double in C, and increase 9% in D
- In 2035, only Portfolio C has carbon emissions
- Portfolio B is the only portfolio that does not emit NOx in 2035, because it retires all its thermal assets in 2034

Zero carbon emissions can be achieved either by converting gas-burning plants to hydrogen, or by retiring & replacing them with local solar and storage.

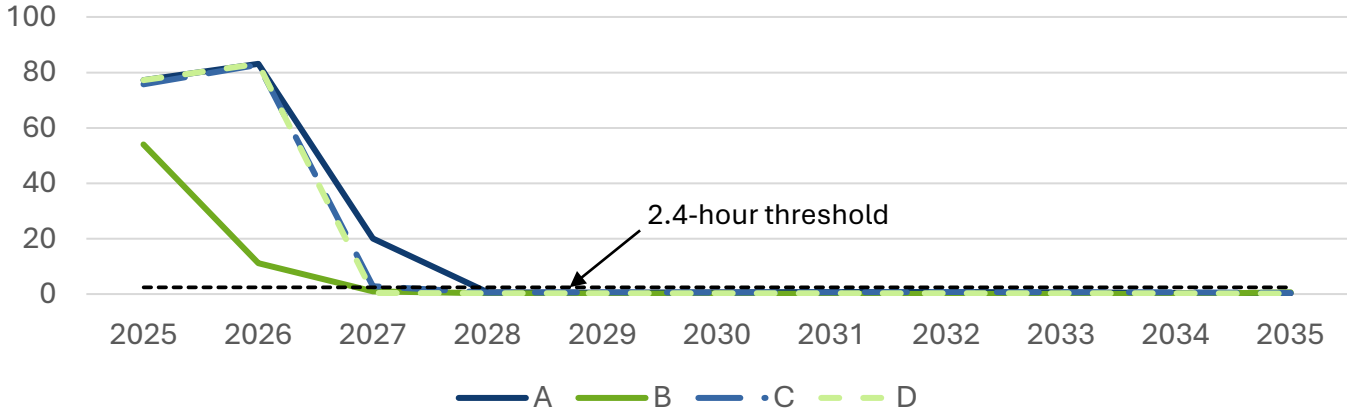
Annual and Cumulative CO2 Emissions (Million Tons)



Portfolio Reliability

- Reliability improves over time, with all portfolios far more reliable in 2035 than in 2025 as more local resources are built to serve high load periods. All are below a typical 2.4-hour threshold used in reliability analysis.
- Portfolios start with ~70 hours at risk of load loss, decreasing to under one hour by 2035
- Extra local, firm peaker capacity enables Portfolio D to handle extreme load events and contingencies
- Reliant solely on transmission, local solar, & local storage for energy and capacity in 2035, Portfolio B has the highest risk of load loss

Annual Hours at Risk of Load Loss



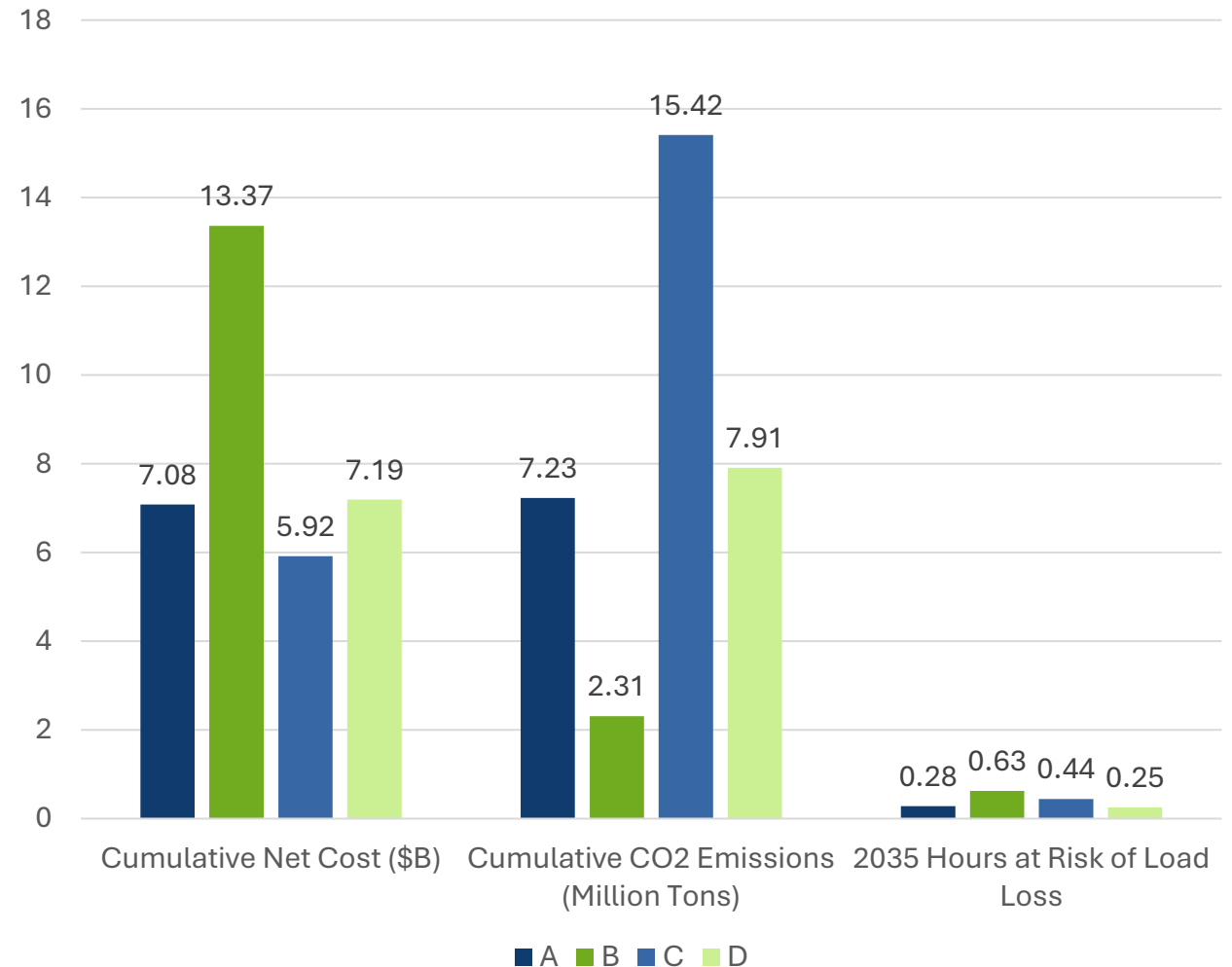
2035 Hours at Risk of Load Loss	Portfolio A	Portfolio B	Portfolio C	Portfolio D
P5	0.16	0	0.14	0.15
MEAN	0.28	0.63	0.44	0.25
P95	0.63	4.76	0.89	0.40

The background image shows a large-scale renewable energy facility. In the foreground, there are several rows of solar panels tilted towards the sun. Behind them, a long row of white energy storage containers is visible, with the words "ENERGY STORAGE" printed on their sides. In the distance, a line of wind turbines stretches across the horizon under a clear sky.

Conclusion

Key Takeaways

- Using renewables and storage instead of peakers is very expensive:** In Portfolio B, costs nearly double and 28,000 acres in Austin are required to site solar and storage (10% of Austin Energy's service area). However, B is the only Portfolio with no NOx emissions in 2035.
- There is increasing marginal cost to remove emissions:** Reducing cumulative carbon emissions from 15 to 7 Million tons increases total net costs by \$1 Billion. Further reducing emissions from 7 to 2 million tons increases costs by \$6 Billion.
- All Portfolios are reliable by 2035:** Portfolio D adds 525 MW more local peakers than A does. This improves reliability and increases emissions by about 10% each and has a negligible cost impact.



Moving Forward...



There is more than one way to get to zero supply stack emissions by 2035



In finding a balance between cost and emissions over the next decade, there is increasing marginal cost to remove emissions



To achieve zero carbon and local reliability, limiting which dispatchable technologies can be chosen has the potential to greatly increase cost and siting needs.



Building local peakers increases reliability with a negligible increase in cost and a marginal increase in emissions.

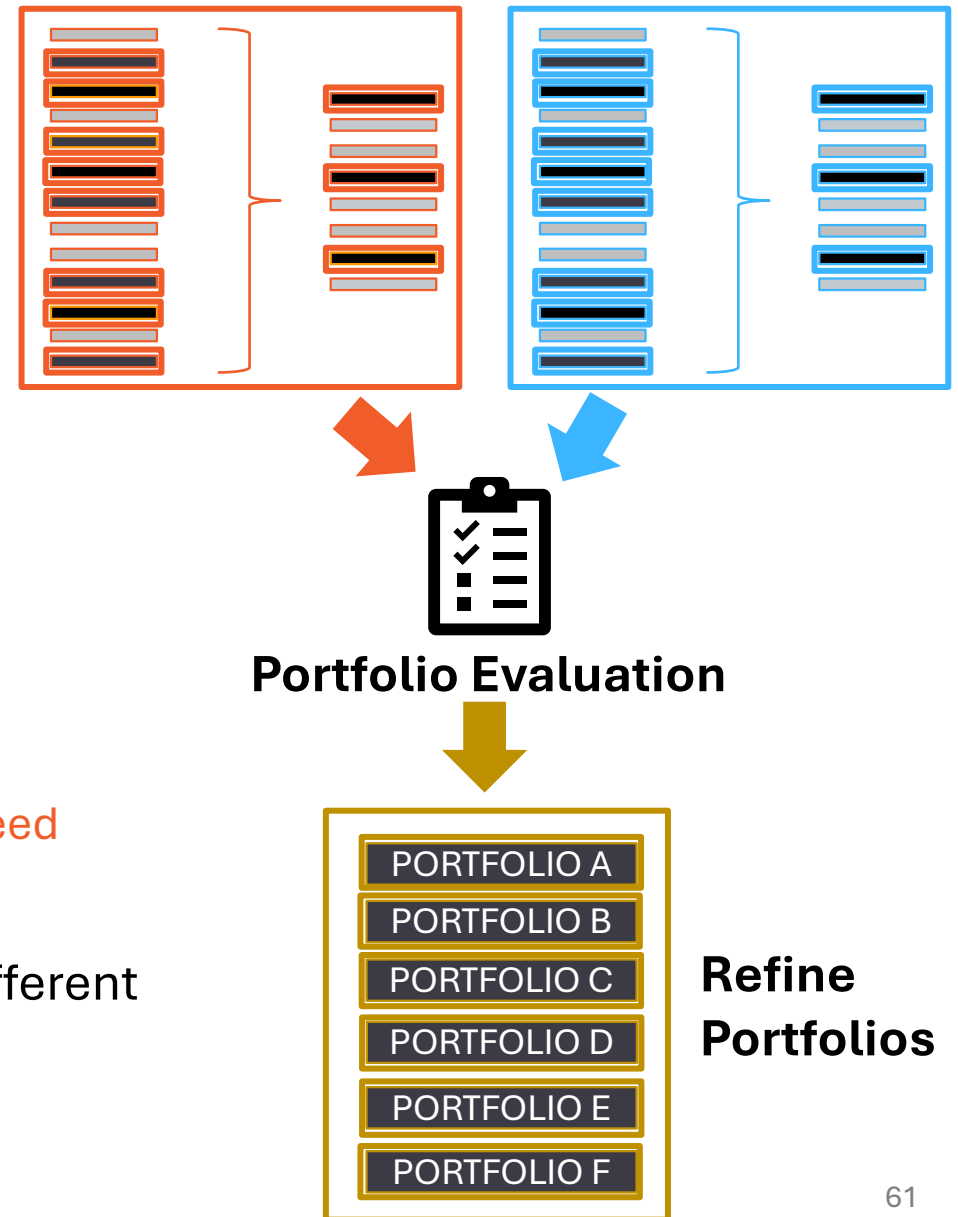


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General Reminders

- 17 portfolios studied to date
 - 13 Austin Energy & EUC-defined portfolios
 - 4 Ascend Analytics (software-optimized) portfolios
- Several portfolios included for reference only
 - Edge cases, purposefully defined to help understand the boundaries
- Slides show raw data for comparison across portfolios
- We're not drawing conclusions
 - With these portfolios, tradeoffs are significant
 - With the information gained from these portfolios, we will need to refine
- Next step: Ask "what if?" and refine portfolios by mixing different technologies, seeking a more acceptable set of tradeoffs



Discussion & Collaboration



What did you observe?



What surprised you?



What questions do you have?

If you could change something and then re-run the model, what would it be?



EUC Office Hours

- Tuesday, Oct. 1 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.
- Wednesday, Oct. 2 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Thursday, Oct. 3 2:30 p.m. – 4 p.m.
- Friday, Oct. 4 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

If none of the above times work, please let us know so we can find a time to collaborate.

Office Hours Objectives:

- Review detailed results
- Ask questions
- Determine takeaways
- Refine portfolios

By Friday, Oct. 4 – Define a small set of portfolios for further analysis





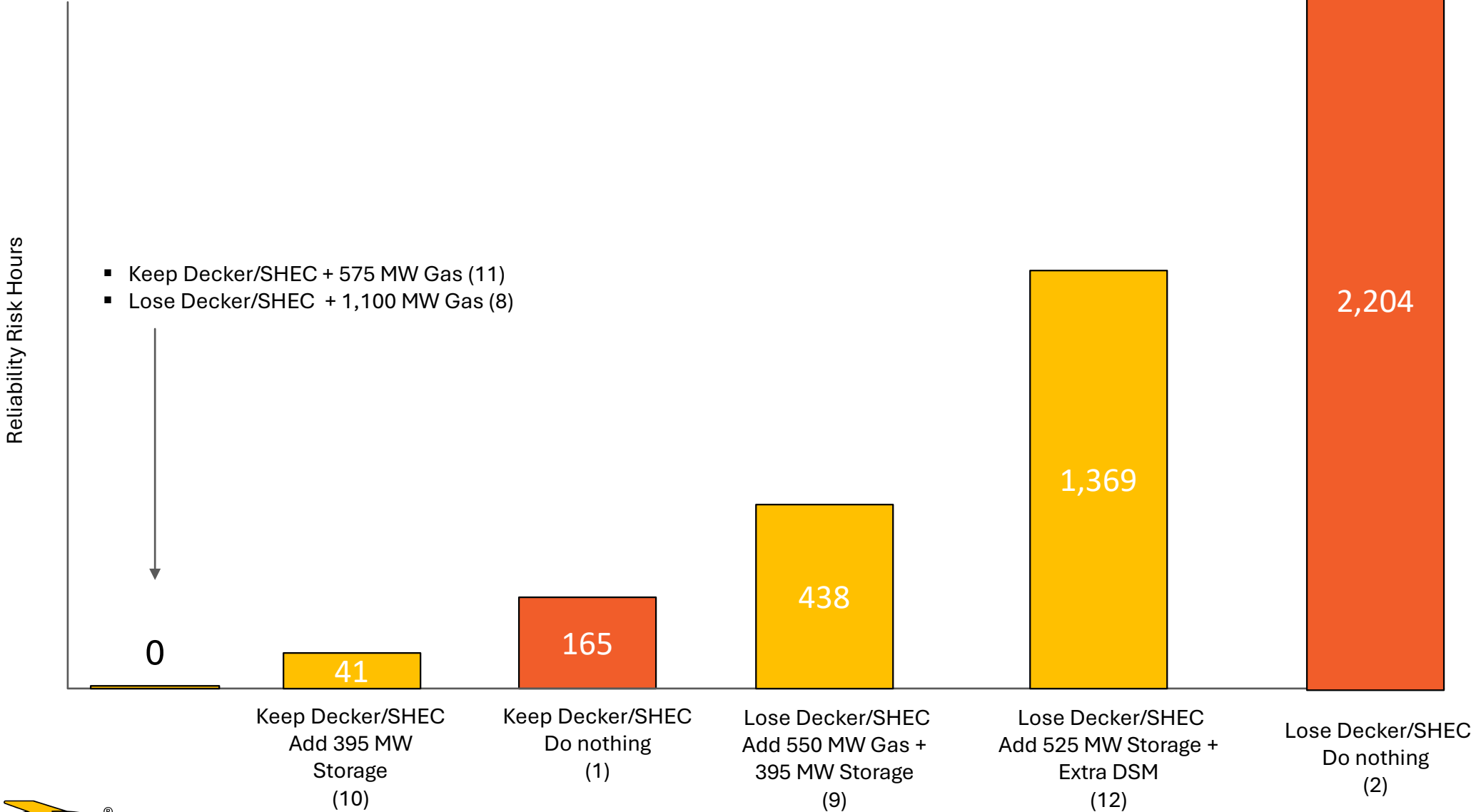
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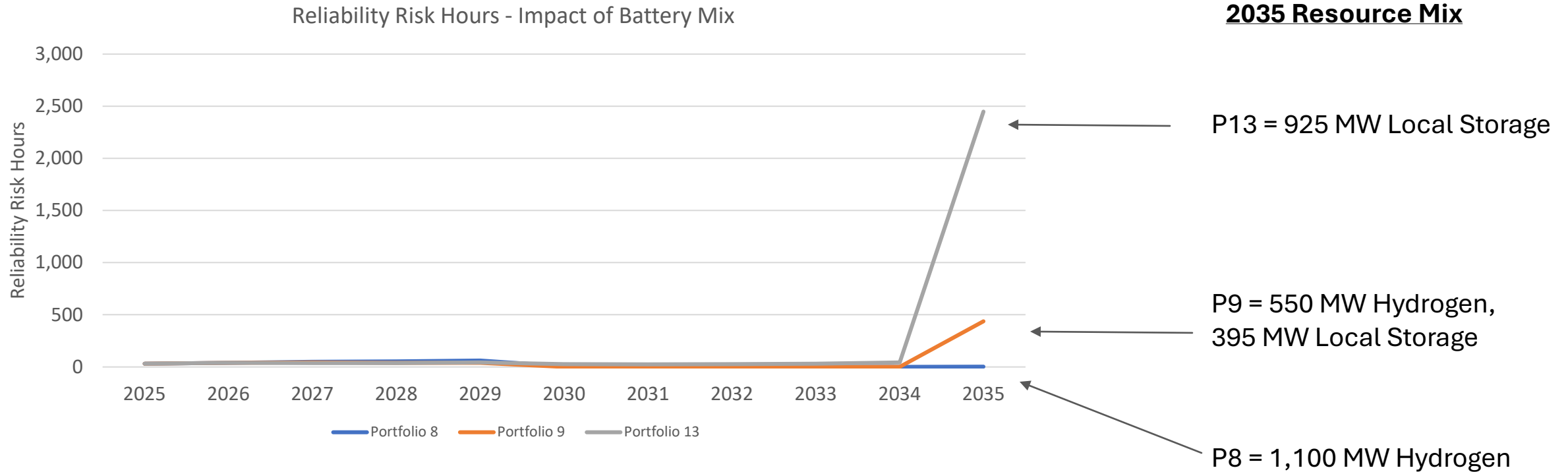
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Reliability Risk Hours – Impact of Battery Mix

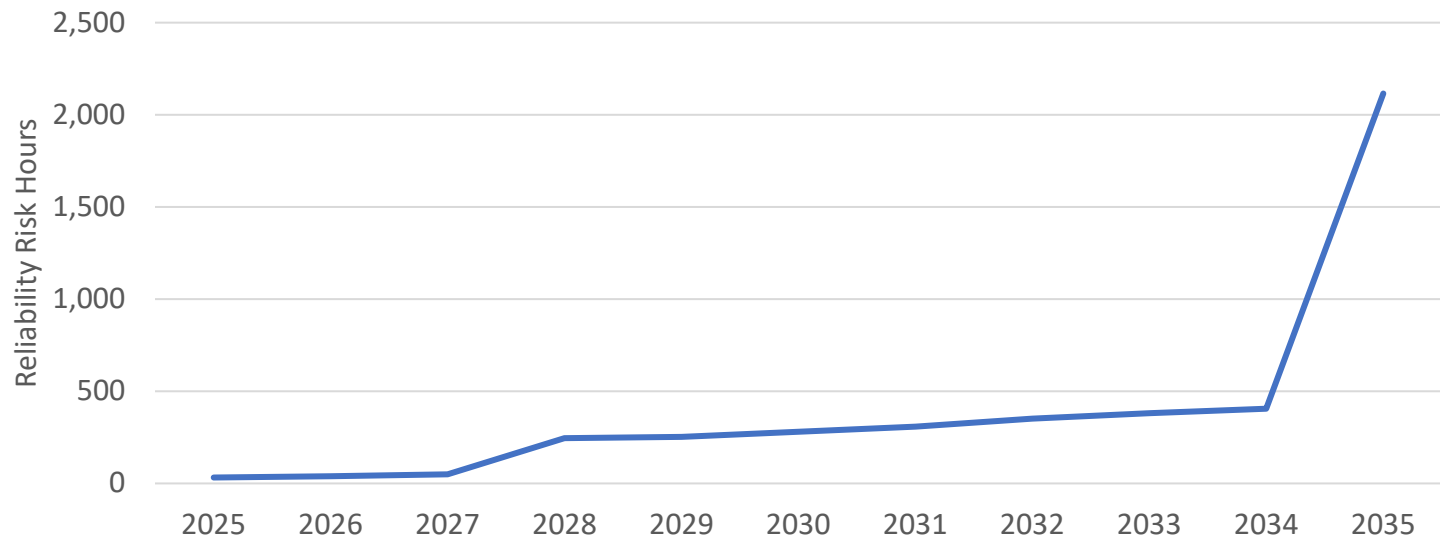


Reliability Risk Hours – Importance of Local Resources

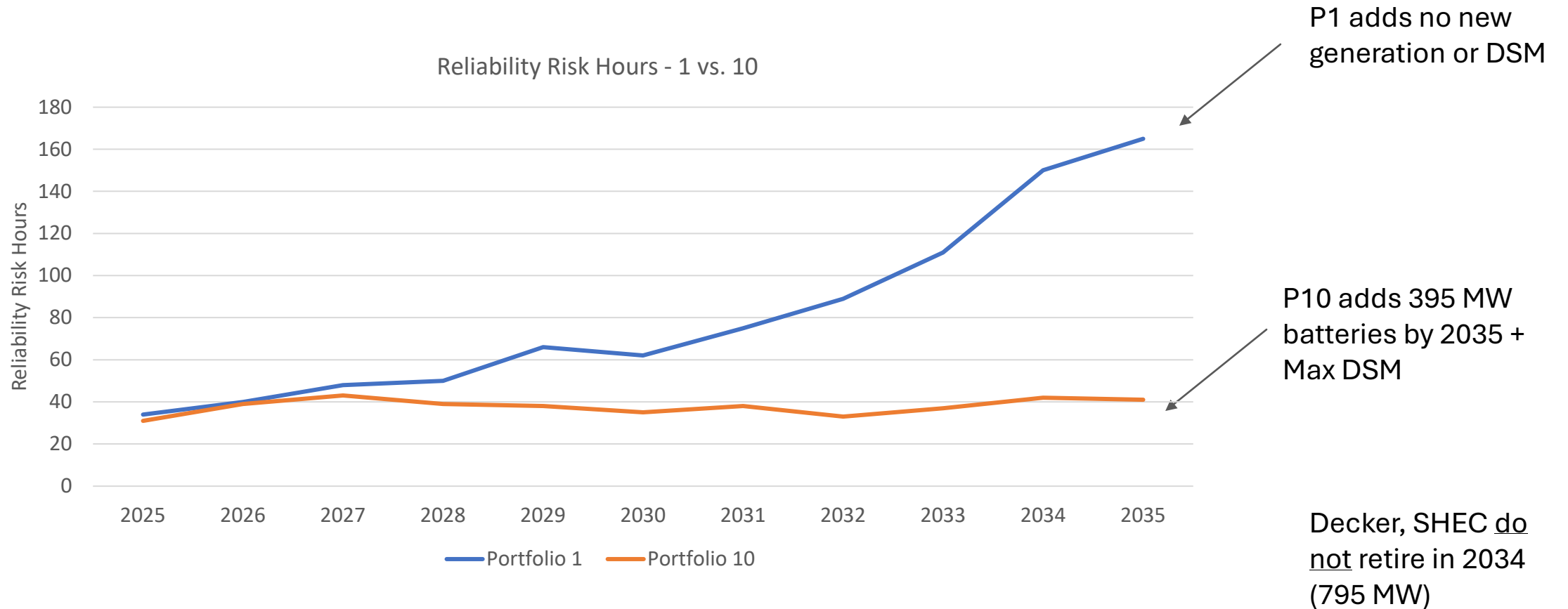
Portfolio 5

- Decker CTs shut down in 2027 (200 MW)
- SHEC shuts down in 2034 (795 MW)
- No new local storage or gas

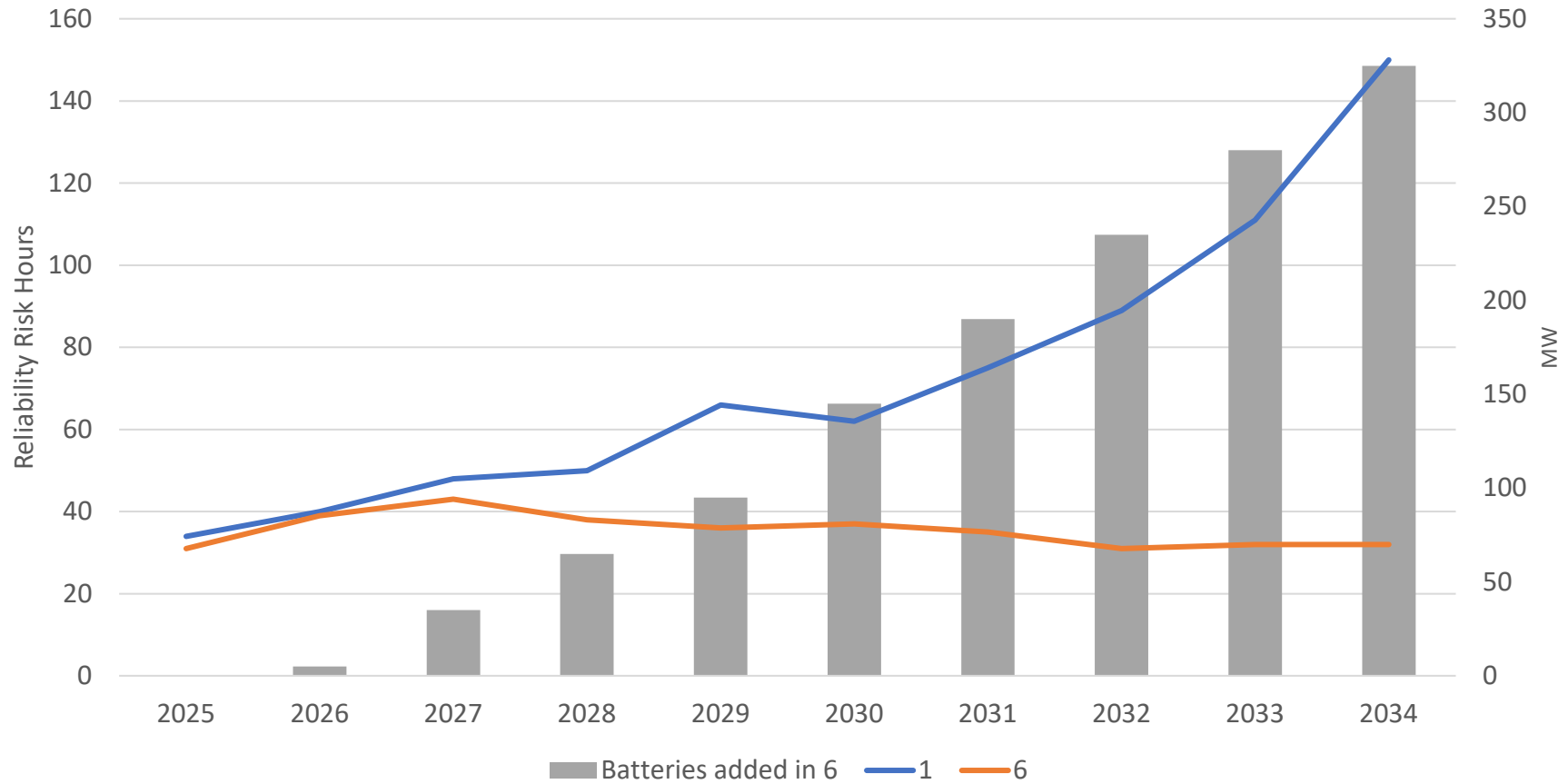
Reliability Risk Hours - Portfolio 5



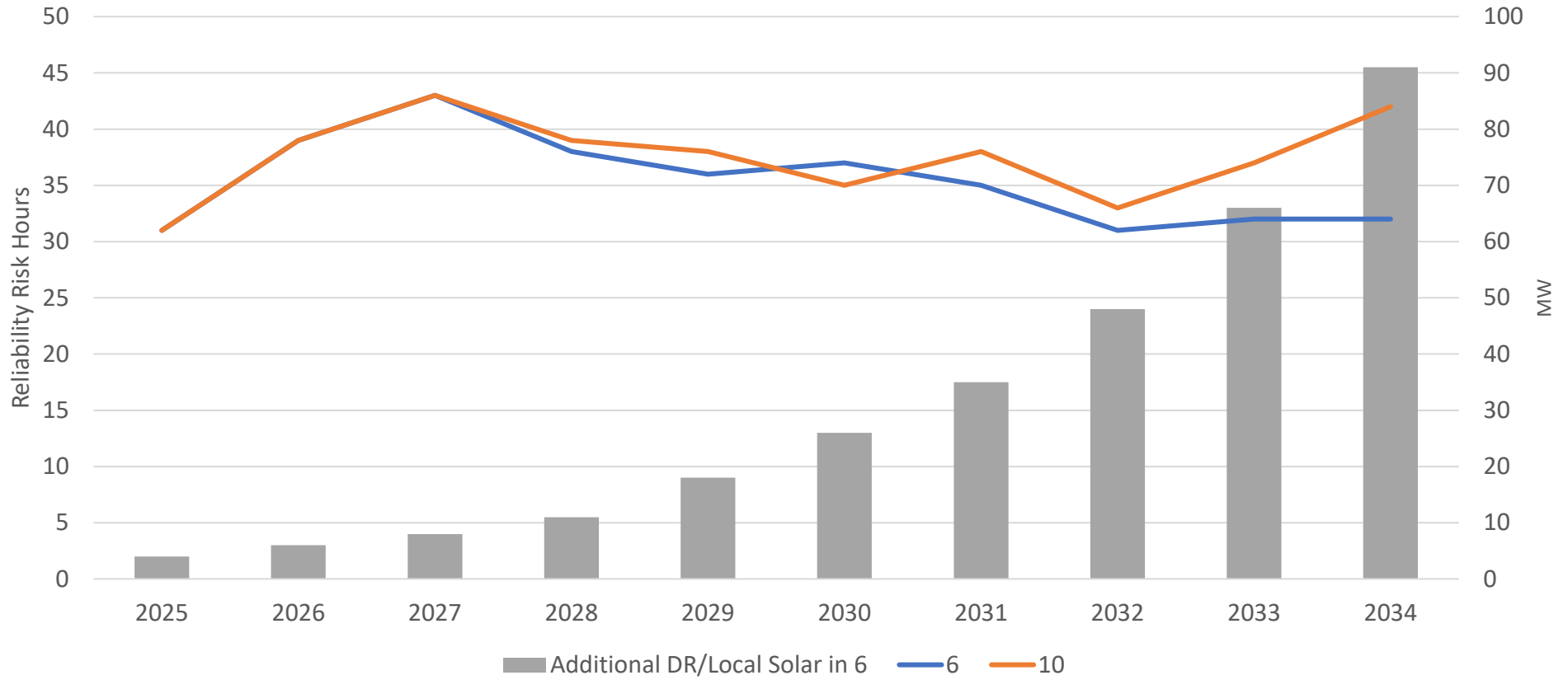
Reliability Risk Hours – 1 vs. 10



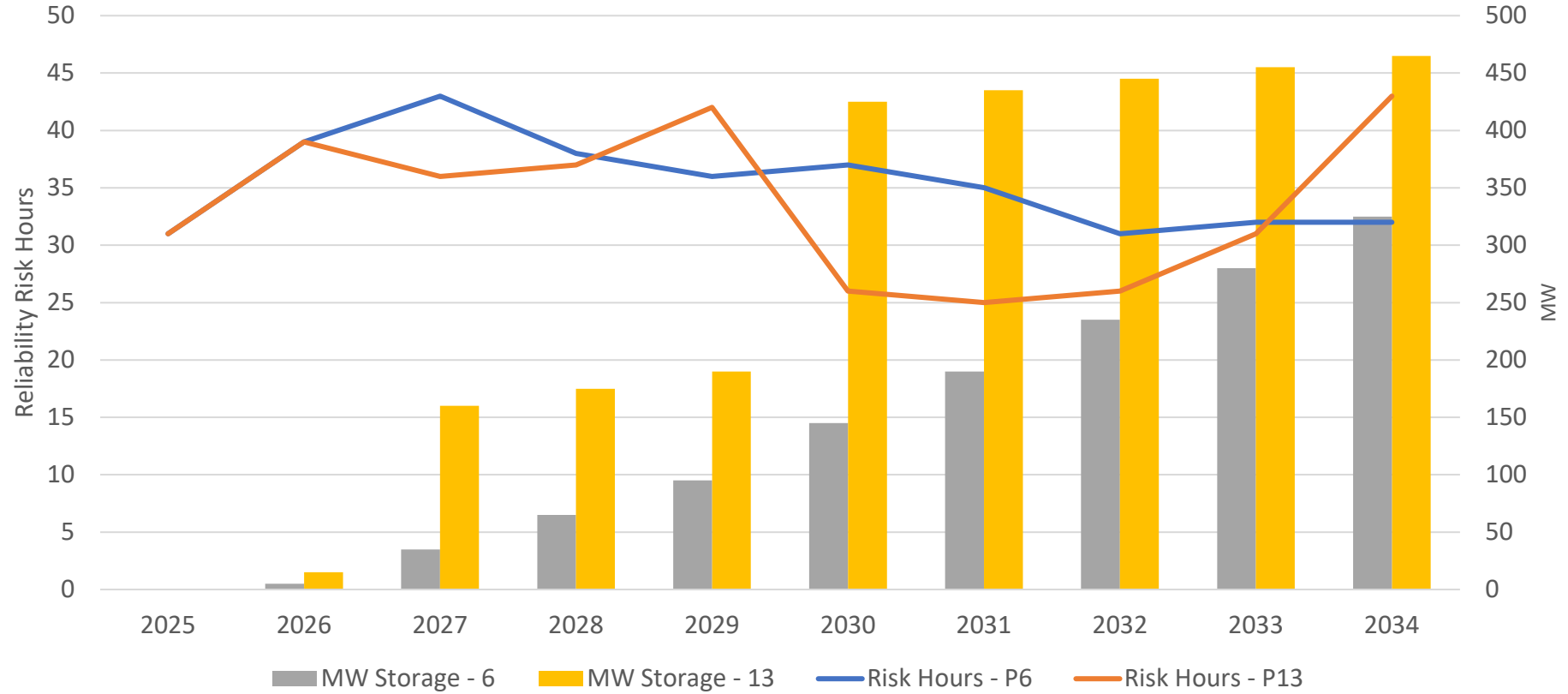
1 vs 6 - Reliability Support from Batteries



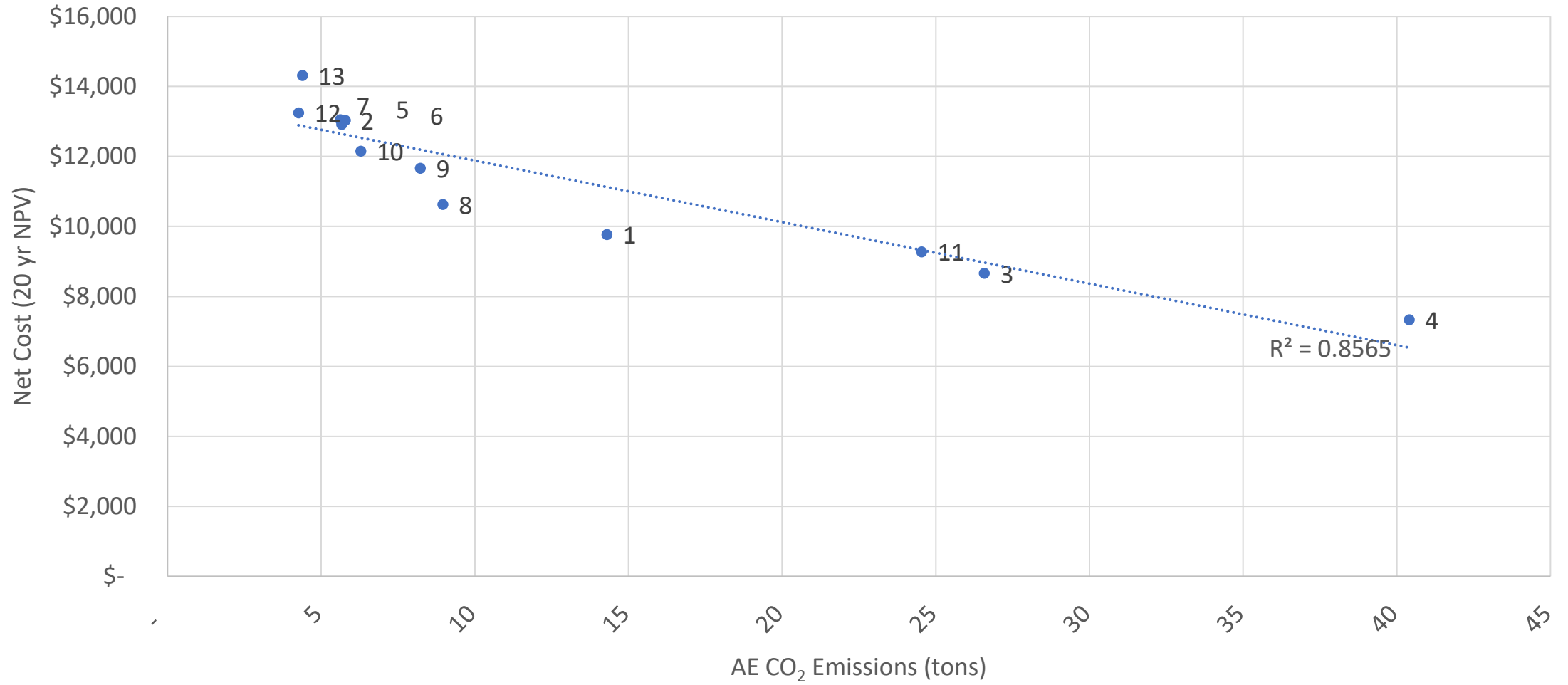
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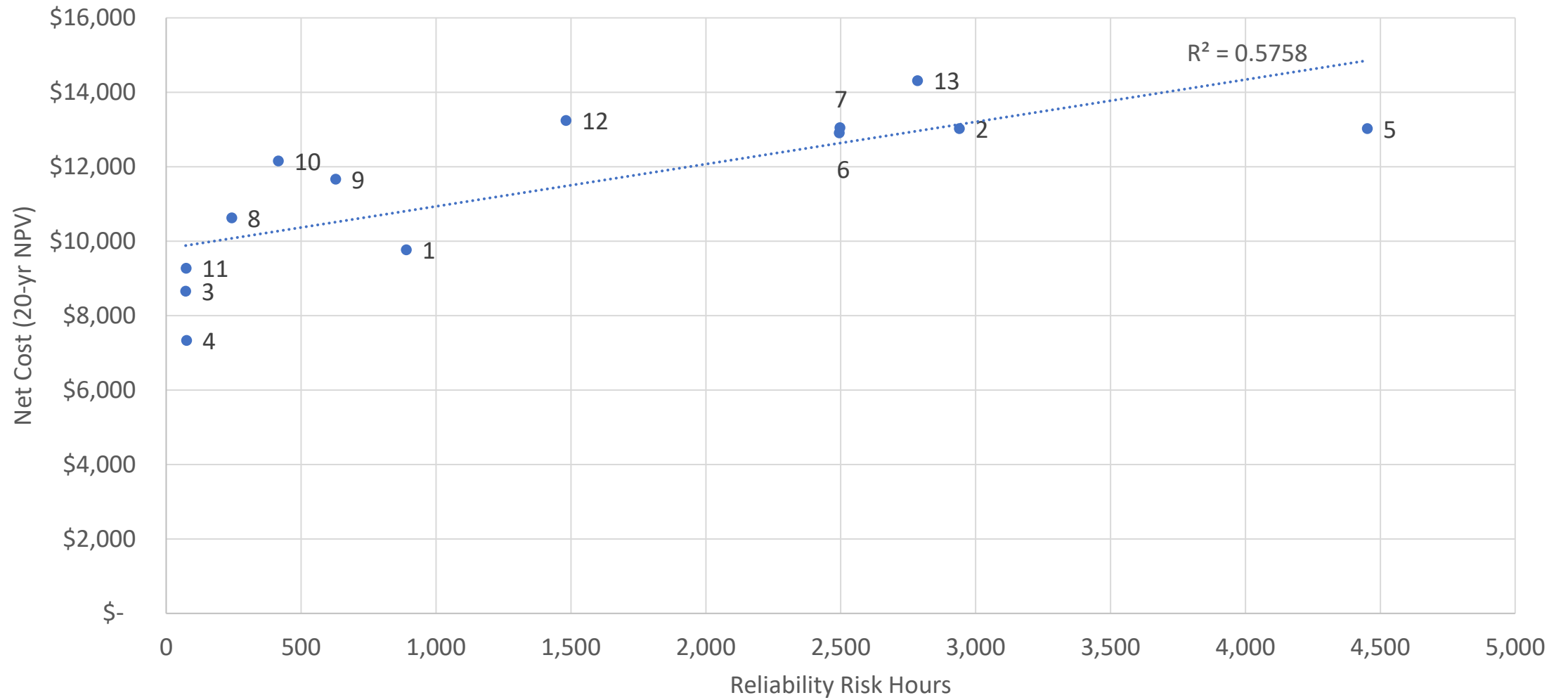
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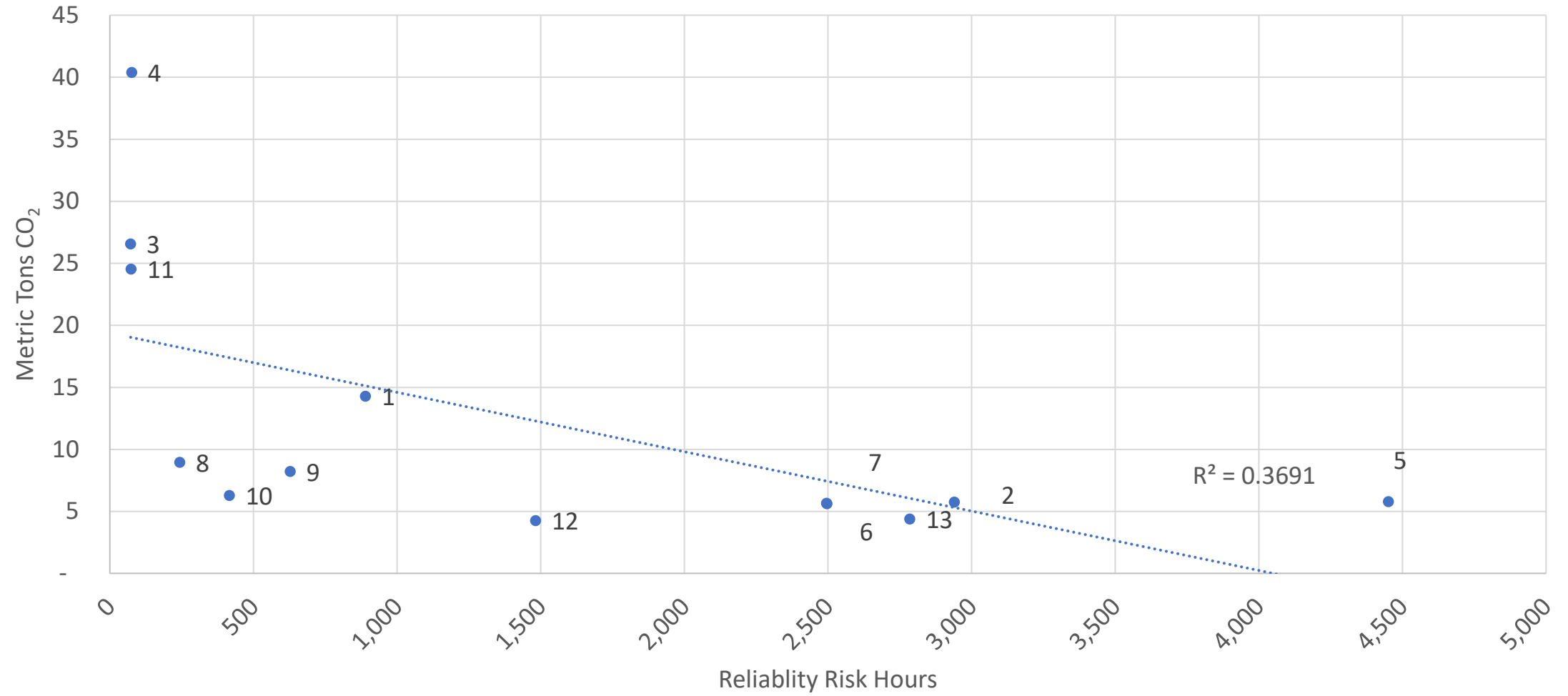
Net Cost vs. CO₂



Net Cost vs. Reliability Risk Hours

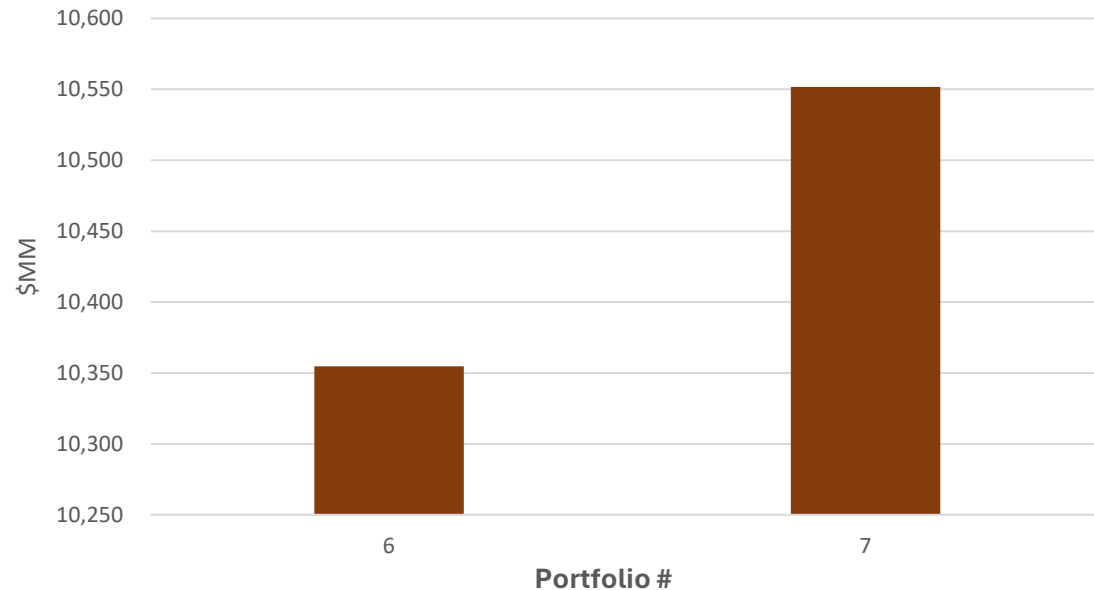


Reliability Risk Hours vs. CO₂



Net Cost of Non-Local Wind and Solar

Cost Comparison Portfolio 6 vs. 7



Only difference between Portfolios 6 and 7 is the amount of non-local wind and solar PPAs added

P6 just replaces existing PPAs

P7 adds enough new to meet 65% RE goal

\$197M net cost difference (\$18M/year)



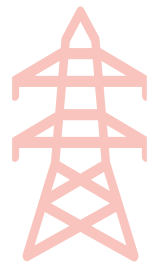
Scenarios

Future states (2025-2035) through which portfolios are stress-tested to measure risk to customers



Extreme grid-wide events

(extreme summer heat, Uri-like winter freeze, extreme low wind)



Local congestion

(simulates local generation and/or transmission outages)



New market regulations

(models impact of potential new PUCT rules on generation capacity)



Note: Extreme grid-wide events and new market regulations scenarios are based on data and assumptions published by ERCOT.

Sensitivity Analysis

- Adjust certain model variables between model runs to measure impact to output metrics
- Expected to be conducted only on short-list portfolios

Austin Energy Load:

Uses higher load growth projection from Webber Energy Group study

Fuel Prices:

Increased prices ERCOT-wide over modeling horizon

Import/Export Capacity:

Changes import capacity to Austin Energy Load Zone

ERCOT Resource Retirements:

Accelerates coal plant shutdowns across ERCOT due to new EPA regulations



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Increased Cost from Removing Thermal Generation (A vs B)

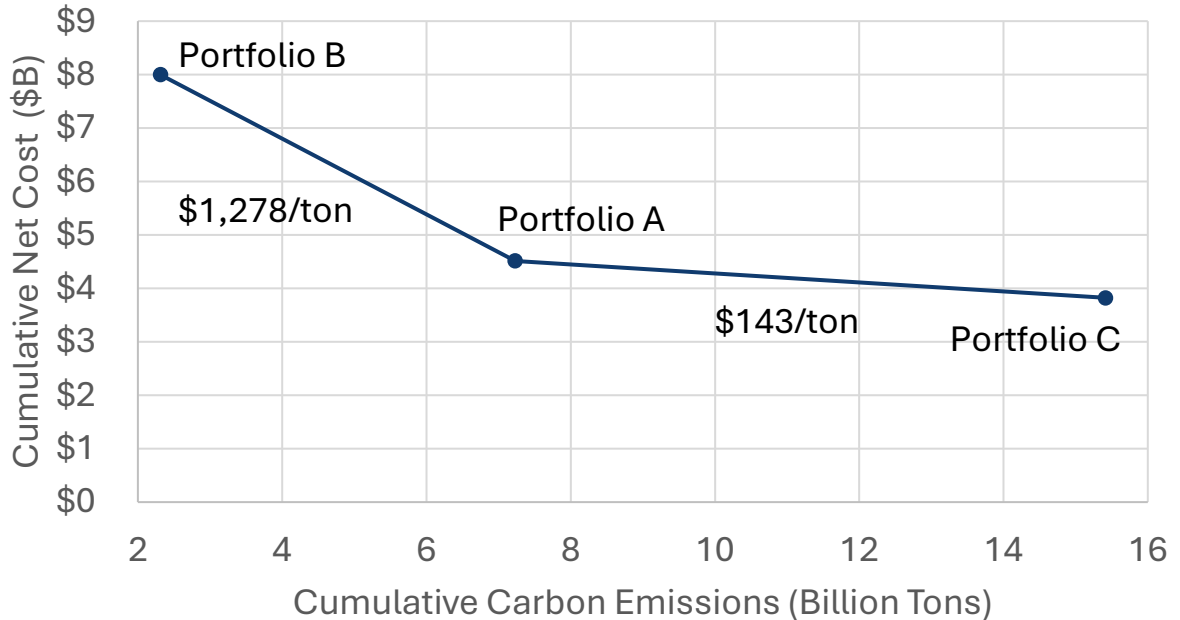
- Portfolio A serves as a baseline because it meets carbon emissions, renewables, and reliability targets at the lowest cost
- Portfolio B cannot build new peakers and retires existing gas-burning peakers in 2034. To maintain a reliable system, it must build out 2800 MW of community solar and 2750 MW of local storage by 2035.
- This buildout needs about 28,000 acres of land
- B is the only Portfolio with no NOx emissions in 2035
- Cumulative CO2 emissions are the lowest, down 68% from Portfolio A, due to a REACH adder on gas-burning plants and no new gas plants built
- **If renewables and storage are used instead of new peakers, costs double and massive amounts of land are required to maintain a reliable system**

	Portfolio A	Portfolio B	Difference (B-A)
Net Cost NPV (\$B)	\$6.8	\$14.1	\$7.3
Cumulative CO2 emissions (Million Tons)	7.2	2.3	-4.9
2035 NOx Emissions (Ton)	120	0	-120

The Cost of Reducing Cumulative Emissions through 2035

- Portfolio A converts all gas to hydrogen by 2035, achieving zero emissions
- Portfolio B retires all gas and builds solar + storage by 2035, achieving zero emissions
- Portfolio C keeps gas plants online through 2035
- B has only 1/3 the cumulative carbon emissions, but double the cost, of A
- C has over double the cumulative emissions, but 18% lower cost, than A
- Comparing A and C's cumulative costs and emissions: from 2025-2035, it costs \$143/ton CO2 saved
- This cost is similar to an estimated levelized cost to add 95% carbon capture and sequestration to the Sand Hill CC. (\$138/ton), and on the lower end of an estimated cost range for direct air capture (\$100-340/ton).
- Comparing A and B's cumulative costs and emissions: from 2025-2035, it costs \$1,278/ton CO2 saved
- Comparing A and C's 2035 cost and emissions: it costs \$174/ton CO2 saved

	Portfolio A	Portfolio B	Portfolio C
Cumulative Net Cost (\$B)	\$7.1	\$14.1	\$5.9
Cumulative CO2 emissions (Million Tons)	7.2	2.3	15.4
2035 Net Cost (\$M)	767	2,050	584
2035 CO2 Emissions	0	0	1,048



There is increasing marginal cost to remove cumulative emissions beyond Portfolio A's levels

Building Local Peakers for Reliability (A vs D)

- Portfolio D is identical to Portfolio A, but with increased local peaker buildout
- In both portfolios, new local peakers switch from gas to hydrogen in 2030
- Both portfolios are reliable, but D will be more resilient in the face of extreme weather events and contingencies, with less price separation
- Portfolio D has 9% more cumulative emissions (occurring before 2030)
- The revenue and costs of the peakers are roughly equal
- **Local peakers increase reliability with minimal emissions or cost penalties**

	Portfolio A	Portfolio D	Difference (D-A)
2035 peakers (MW)	630	1,155	525
2035 HatR P5	0.16	0.15	-0.01
2035 HatR Mean	0.28	0.25	-0.03
2035 HatR P95	0.63	0.40	-0.23
Net Cost NPV (\$B)	\$6.78	\$6.90	\$0.11
Cumulative CO2 emissions (Million Tons)	7.2	7.9	0.68

HatR: Hours at Risk

High Level Comparison

2035 Electric Rates (\$/kWh)	Portfolio A	Portfolio B	Portfolio C	Portfolio D
P5	0.126	0.198	0.112	0.127
MEAN	0.132	0.202	0.121	0.133
P95	0.137	0.206	0.132	0.138

Cumulative CO2 Emissions (Million Tons)	Portfolio A	Portfolio B	Portfolio C	Portfolio D
P5	5.9	1.4	11.3	6.2
MEAN	7.2	23.1	15.4	7.9
P95	8.8	3.8	22.6	10.1

2035 Installed Capacity (MW)

2035 Installed capacity (MW)	A	B	C	D
STP Nuclear	435	435	435	435
NAC Biomass	100	100	100	100
Sand Hill CC	220	0	314	220
Sand Hill peaker	226	0	282	226
Decker peaker	156	0	195	156
NG-H2 CC	0	0	200	0
NG-H2 peaker	630	0	400	1155
Customer-Sited Solar	81	81	81	81
Community Solar	18	2800	18	18
Central Solar	173	173	173	173
West Solar	595	595	595	595
South Wind	1244	1244	864	1244
West Wind	1505	1505	400	1505
Local 12-hr	0	915	0	0
Local 4-hr	0	1040	0	0
Local 2-hr	0	795	0	0
Demand Response	270	270	270	270
Energy Efficiency	360	360	360	360