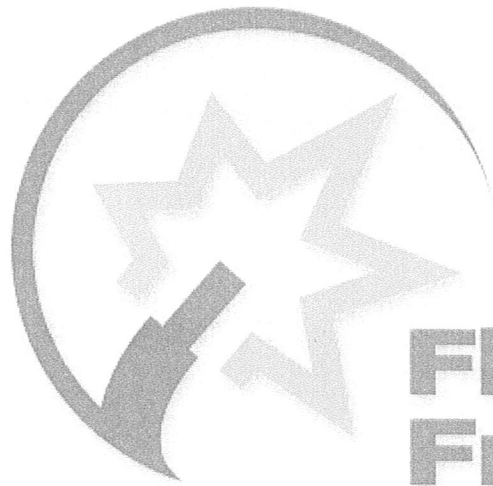
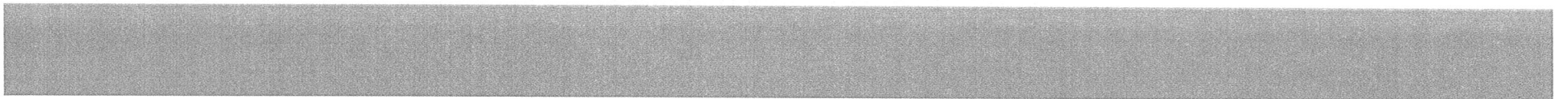


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What Can Restructuring Do for GRU?



# Here Is the Problem

- GRU paid \$66 million in principle and interest in 2012-2013
- GRU must pay GREC \$79 million in fixed costs whether biomass power is used or not
- This equals \$1,567/year per customer (based on 92,500 customers) whether any electricity is used or not.
- Conservation will help, but we can't conserve our way out of the problem



# Here Is the Problem

- GRU has 636 megawatts of generating capacity, including 102.5 megawatts of biomass
- Projected native load peak is 435 megawatts. (68% load factor on peak)
- Native load is projected at 219 megawatts/hour on average (34% load factor)

# Here Is the Problem

- To offset some of those fixed costs, GRU must attempt to sell its excess generation on the open market
- Currently little, if any, premium is paid by other utilities in Florida for renewable energy
- Because Florida is very long on generation, the market is very low. GRU has limited ability to offset much of its fixed costs
- All these factors cause a very high cost per megawatt to the GRU customer



# Here Is the Need

- GRU must sell its excess generation capacity at a premium to offset high fixed costs



# Here Is One Possible Solution:

- Electricity restructuring: opening the electricity market to competition.
- Not deregulation: PSC oversight would continue to protect consumers and enforce safety and reliability standards



# Expand GRU's Customer Base

- Currently has excess power, especially renewable power
- GRU has 92,000 customers v. more than 9.8 million electricity customers in the state
- Can sell renewable power at a premium throughout the state: up to 30-50% higher, based on TX data
- It is quite possible it could be higher in FL due to the inability of Florida to tap into other renewable choices such as wind power



# Expand GRU's Customer Base

- In all restructured markets, municipalities can opt out of the retail market but still sell retail power
- Would not lose any current customers





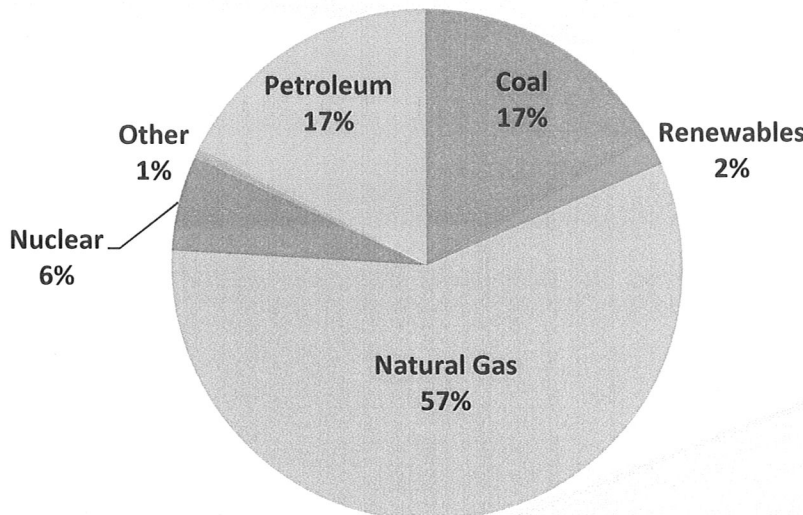
# Why the Comparison to TX?

- Texas has a completely restructured energy Market
- Comparable fuel sources, mainly natural gas
- Similar number of customers

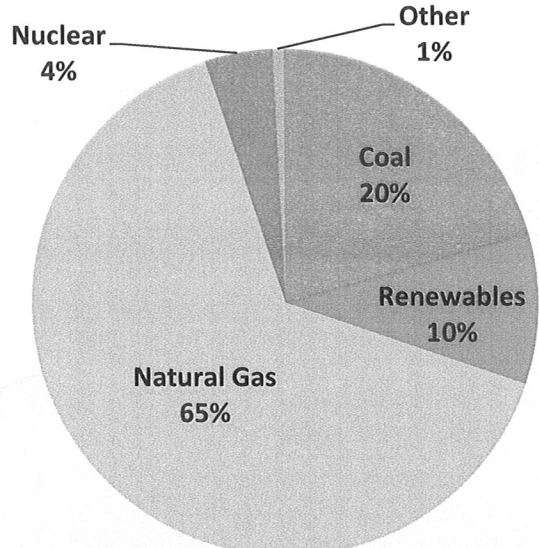


# Installed Capacity by Fuel Type FL and TX, 2011

FL Installed Capacity 2011



TX Installed Capacity 2011



<http://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/state/>



# EIA 2012 Total Electric Industry Customers

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State	Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Transportation	Total
Florida	8,645,207	1,160,572	17,414	2	9,823,195
Texas	9,802,110	1,355,155	92,377	2	11,249,644

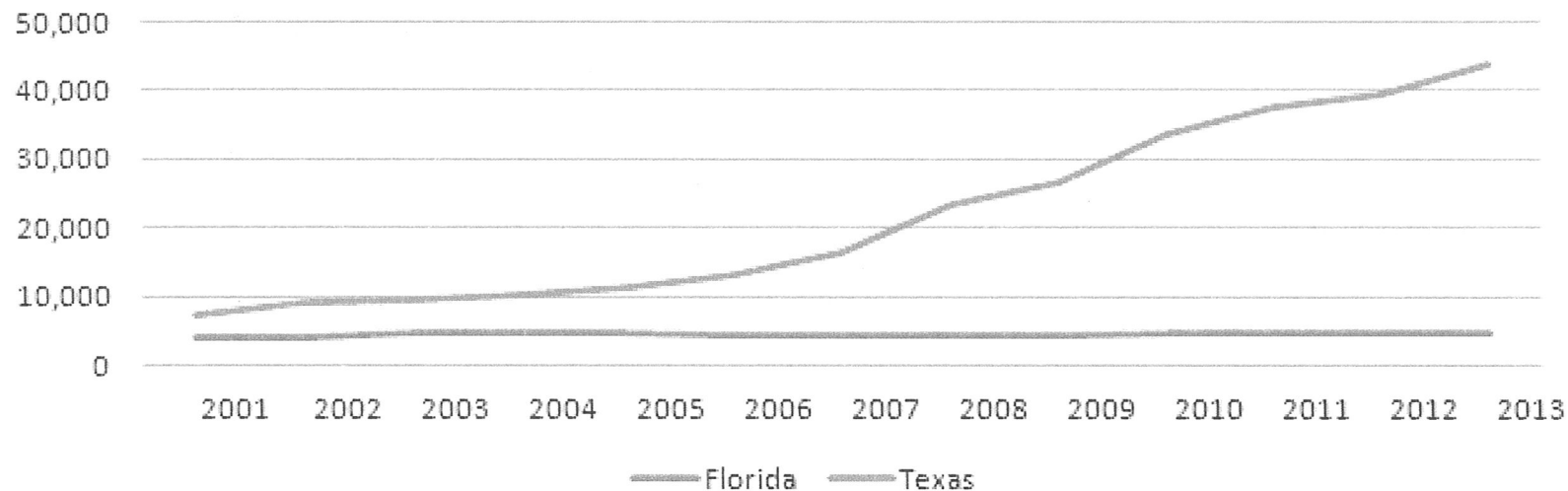
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# Renewable Energy by State (Net Generation in Thousands of Megawatt Hours)

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# Q & A

