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A photograph of a modern, single-story house with a large array of blue solar panels installed on the roof. The house has a light-colored exterior and a chimney. In the foreground, a family of four is enjoying a backyard with a swimming pool. A man is sitting in a striped armchair, reading a newspaper. A woman is sitting on the edge of the pool, and two children are playing nearby. The yard is landscaped with mulch, shrubs, and a stone path. A black banner with white text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

WHY IS SOLAR ATTRACTIVE?

RIGHT HERE IN CALIFORNIA

Residential home with 61 REC solar panels installed in Monterey, California. Annual capacity: 19 435 kWh
13.1 tons of CO₂ saved annually



The world needs more energy

Supply of different energy sources

Exajoule

2 500

2 000

1 500

1 000

500

0

Source: The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), SRES (Special Report on Emission Scenarios), Alt. 1

Definition: exajoule (EJ) is a unit of energy, 10^{18} joules, often used as unit of measure for world annual energy use

1990 2000 2010 2020 2030 2040 2050 2060 2070 2080 2090 2100

Nuclear

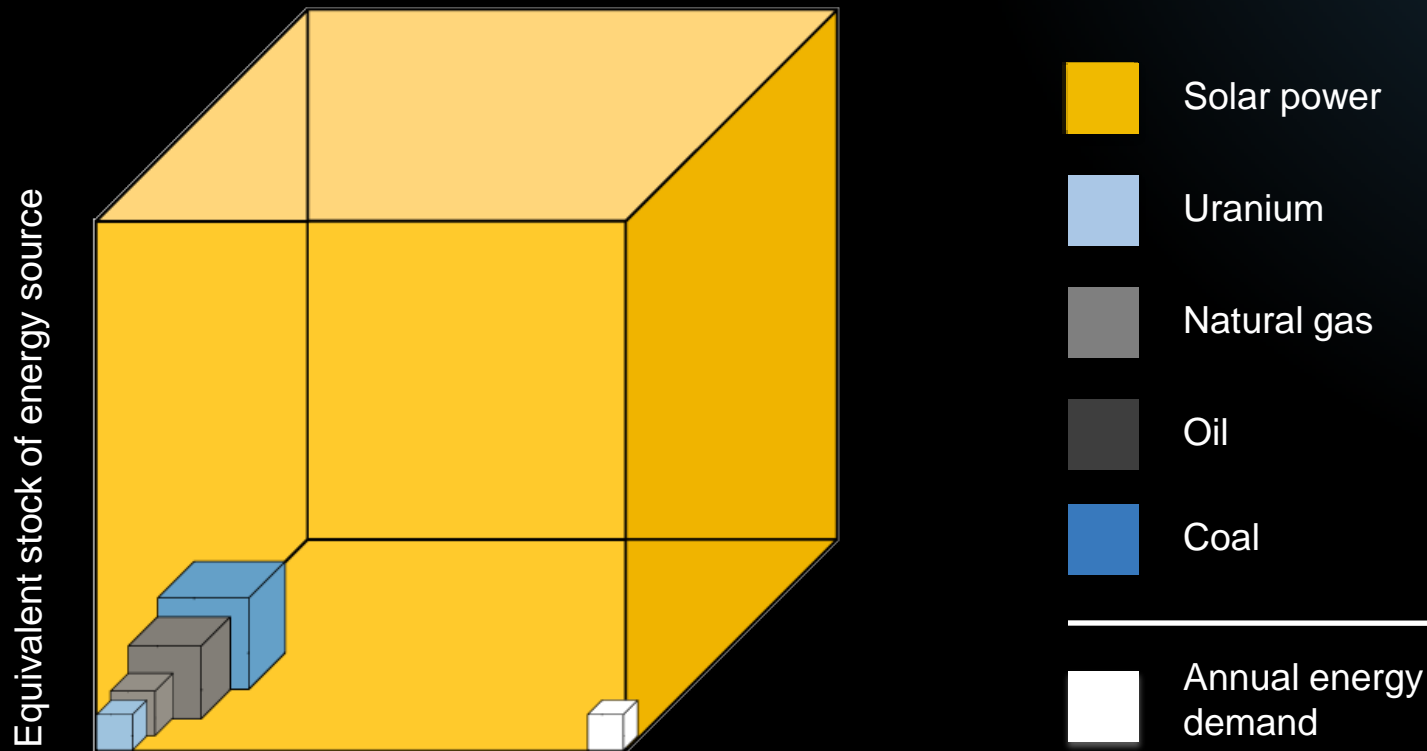
Renewables

Natural Gas

Oil

Coal

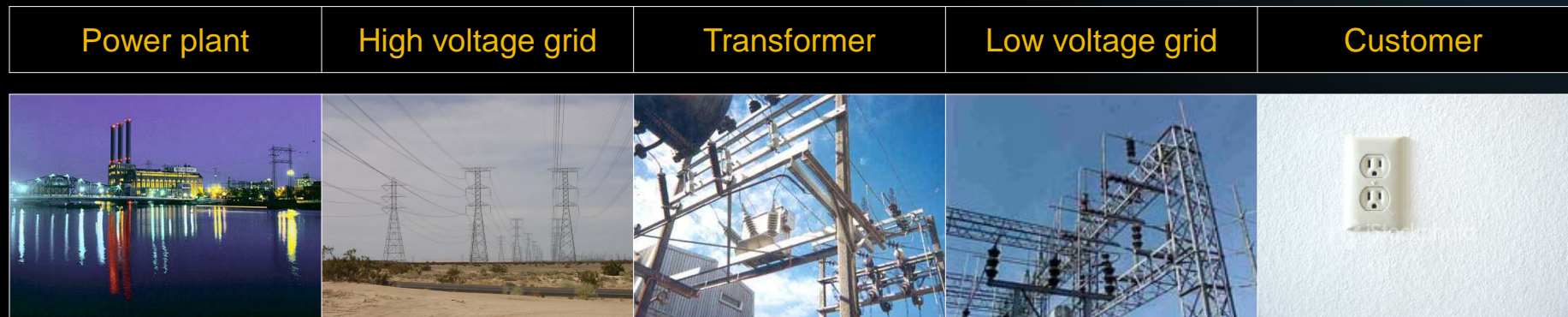
The sun supplies “virtually” unlimited energy



Fact: There is more energy delivered by the sun in one hour than what is consumed by the world's population in one year

Solar energy produced at point of consumption

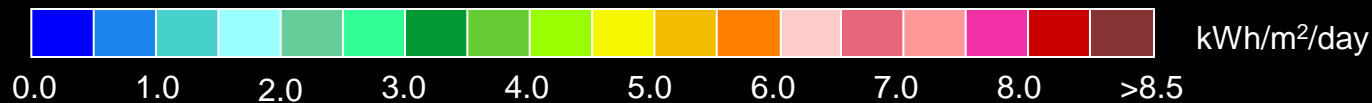
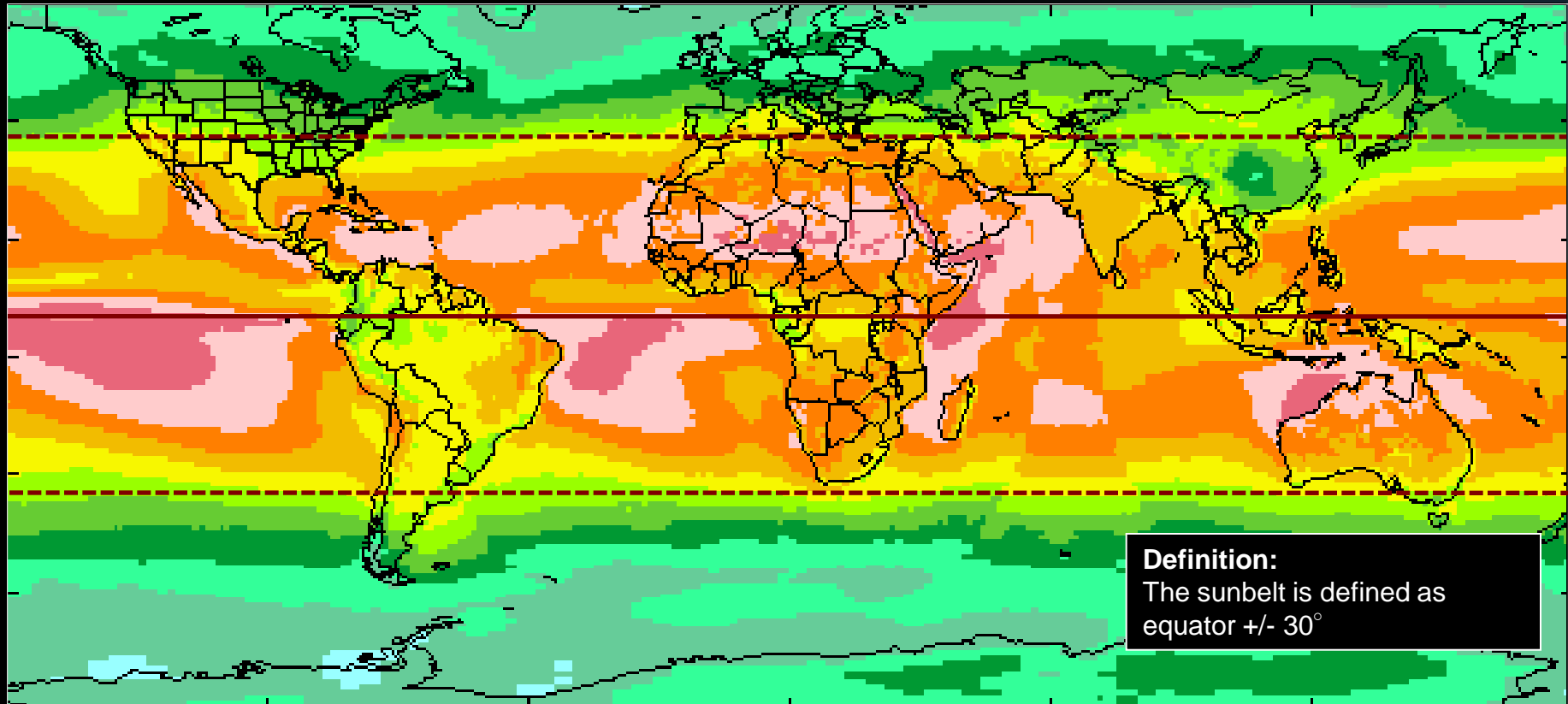
DISTRIBUTION



- The price of electricity includes generation cost as well as transmission cost
- Solar energy has the advantage that it can be produced near, or at the point of consumption
- Price comparisons should therefore be determined at the point of use

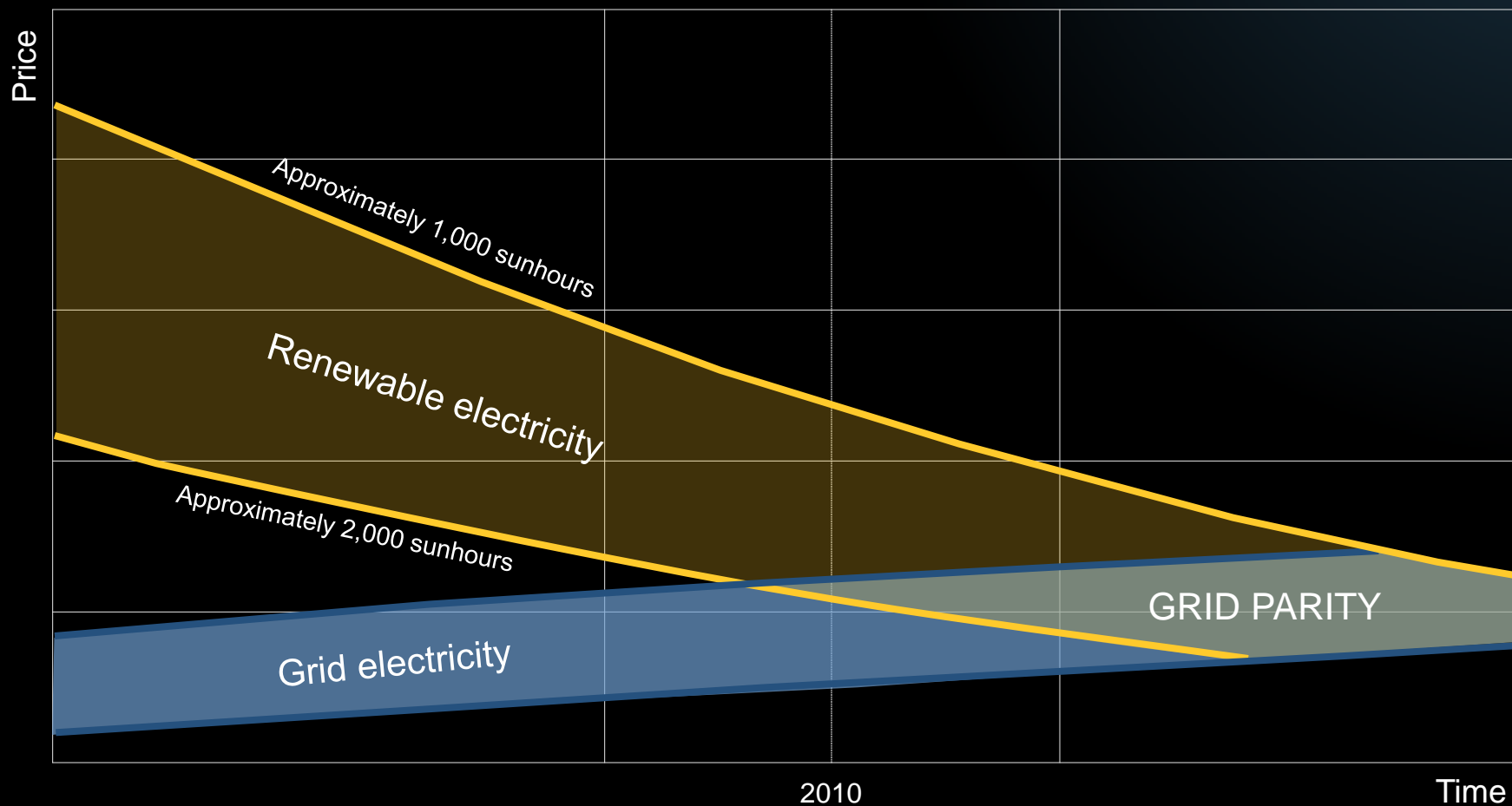
Majority of the world's population lives within the sunbelt

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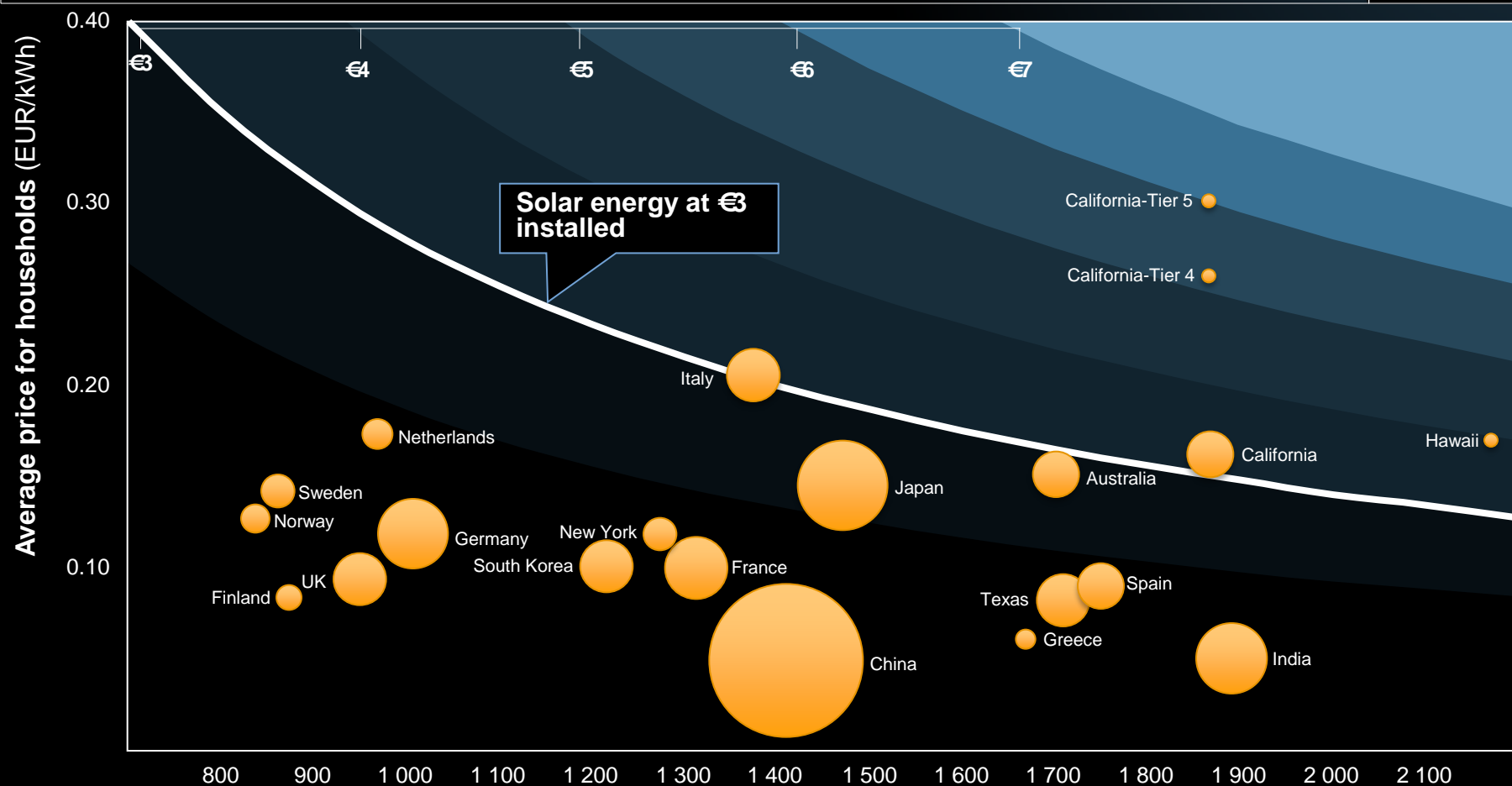
Source: NASA Surface meteorology

The concept of grid parity



Source: BP Solar

Grid parity status

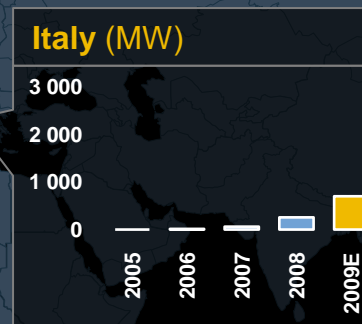
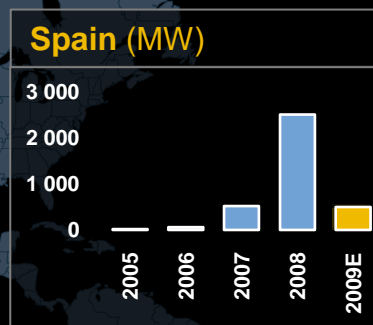
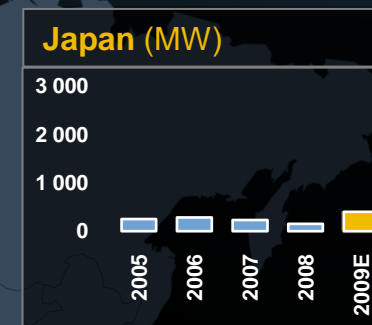
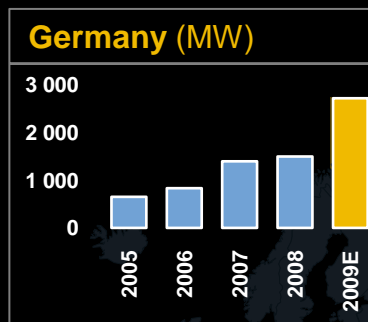
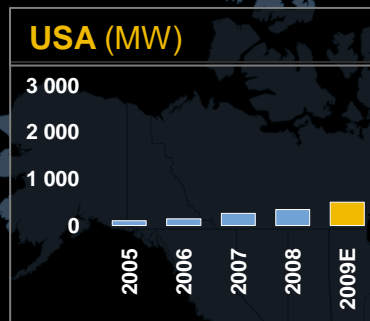


*Amount generated by a south-facing 1kWp module in 1 year (function of solar intensity)

Source: Eurostat; PV Policy group; PG&E; CIA country files; Public policy Institute New York; McKinsey&Company, REC

Assumptions: 2007 electricity prices

Current status in key solar markets



Source: Commerzbank Corporates & Markets

A man in a dark suit and blue tie is gesturing with his right hand towards a vast field of solar panels. He is standing on a dirt path between two long rows of photovoltaic modules. Two men wearing white hard hats and high-visibility yellow safety vests are looking at him. The background shows more solar panels stretching into the distance under a bright blue sky with scattered white clouds.

WHAT SOLAR CAN DELIVER

RIGHT HERE IN ALICANTE

REC panels installed in a power plant in Alicante, Spain. System size of 8 MW, powering 4 896 households



Set for 2020 "Solar Photovoltaic Electricity: A mainstream power source in Europe by 2020", EPIA

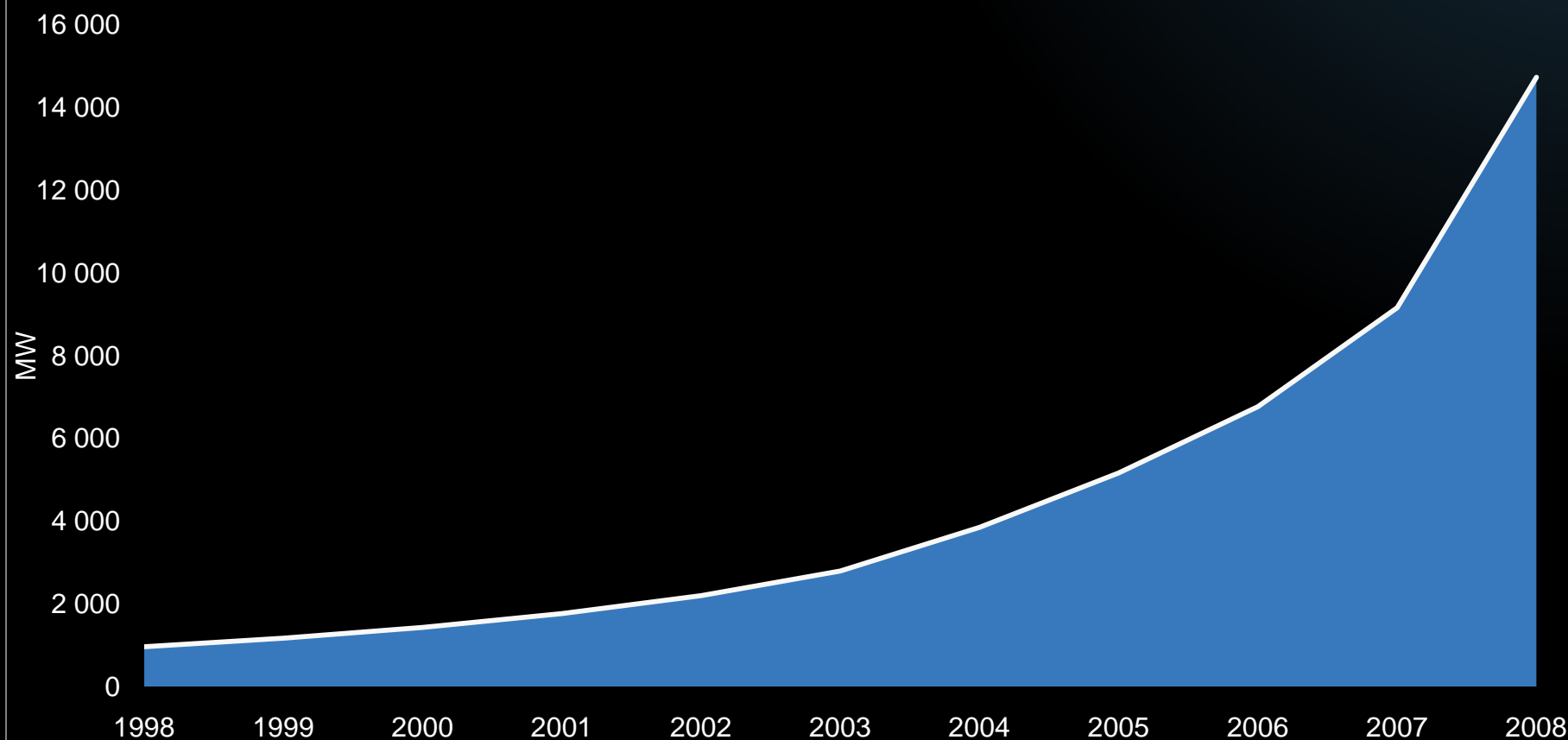
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"PV electricity can provide up to 12% of the EU electricity demand by 2020, from less than 1% today, provided the right conditions are created by EU policy makers, national governments and energy industry stakeholders, including the PV sector"

A 12% market share for PV is a demanding, but achievable and desirable objective, not only for Europe but for the world as a whole

Exeptional growth in installed capacity

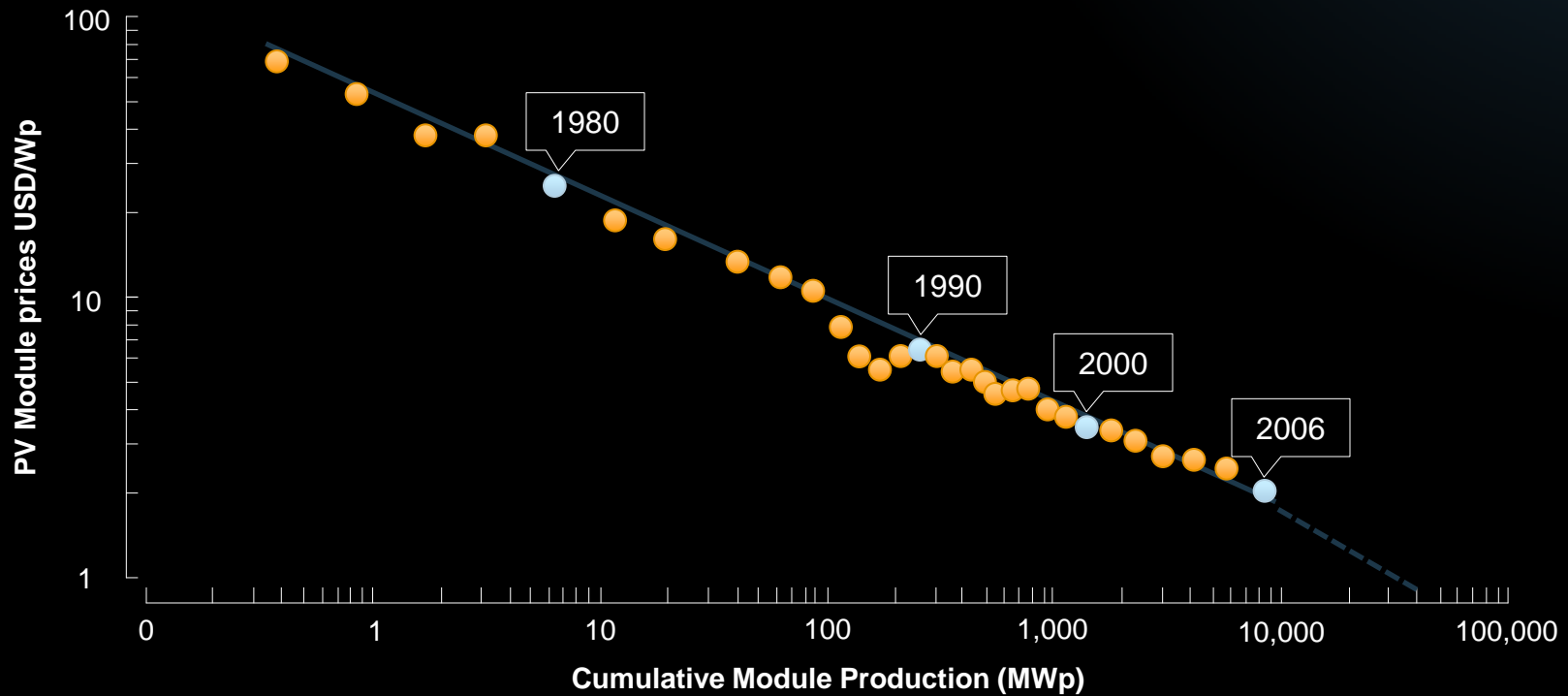
Historical development of Global cumulative PV power installed



Source: Global market outlook for photovoltaics until 2013, EPIA

The cost of solar energy is consistently decreasing

Historical module learning curve



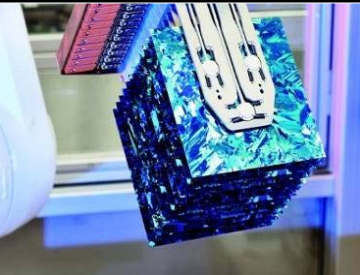




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DEVELOPMENT OF REC



An integrated PV company originating in Norway

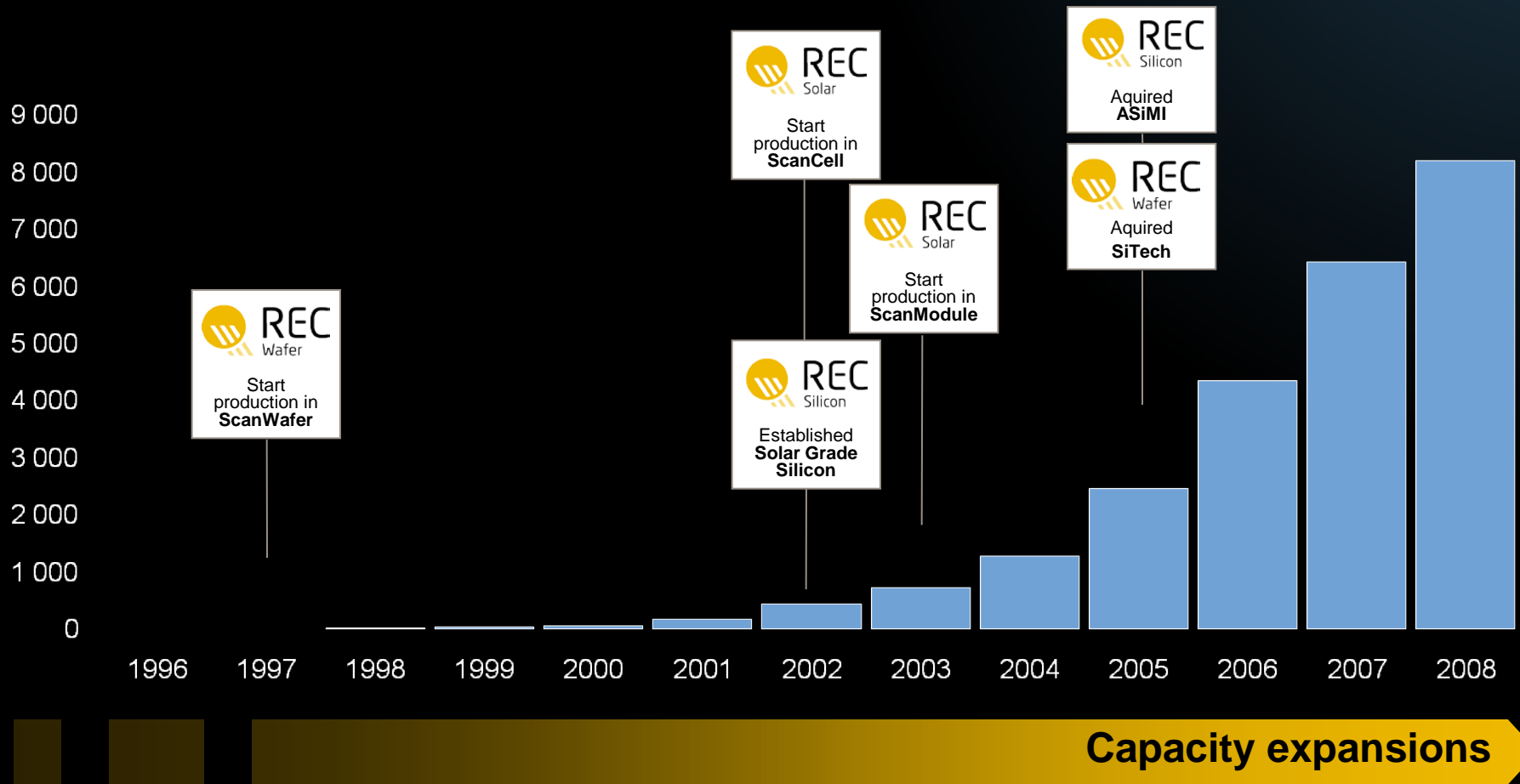
REC Silicon	REC Wafer	REC Solar		
		Cells	Modules	Systems
				
→ Chemical process	→ Casting and cutting	→ Surface treatment	→ Assembly	→ Project development

→ Presence across the solar value chain creates strategic opportunities

→ Cost reductions continue to be realized through:

- Transparent cost structure
- Technology development and synergies
- Applying best practices

REC Group has grown with the industry



Close to NOK 30 billion in expansions

REC Silicon

- + Moses Lake (Silicon III)
- + Moses Lake (Silicon IV)*
- = **Sum**

Capacity increase

6,500 MT
4,000 MT
10,500 MT

Ramp-up

2H'09
2H'10

REC Wafer

- + Herøya III + IV
- + Glomfjord (multi)
- + Glomfjord (mono)
- + Singapore (Phase I)
- = **Sum**

650 MW
100 MW
275 MW
740 MW
1,875 MW

Q4'08-Q1'10
Q2'08-Q4'08
Q2'08-Q3'10
Q2'10-Q2'11

REC Solar

- + Singapore (Phase I) (cell)
- + Singapore (Phase I) (module)
- = **Sum**

550 MW
590 MW
550+590 MW

Q1'10-Q1'11
Q1'10-Q1'11

* In addition: 2,300 MT silane gas allocated to the merchant market

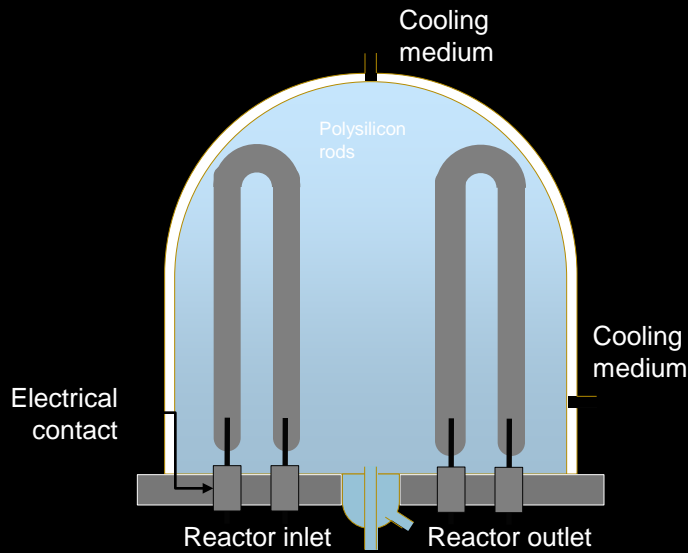
Polysilicon: Total investment budget of USD >2 billion



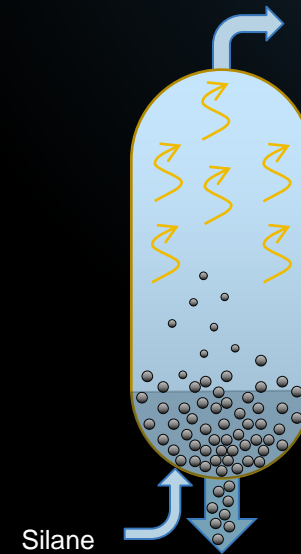
Photo: Moses Lake Silane Gas factory, Moses Lake, Washington, USA

Two alternative production technologies

Siemens Reactor Schematic



FBR Reactor Schematic



Siemens Reactors:

- + Silane based proven technology
- + Produces ultra-pure polysilicon
- + Meets a specific set of market needs
- Higher energy consumption
- Batch process
- Needs additional product finishing to be usable

FBR Technology:

- + Proprietary REC technology
- + Energy efficient
- + Continuous production
- + Lower cost
- + Granular poly is easy to handle
- Ramping to commercial scale

Singapore: Total investment budget of USD >2 billion

Wafer

Cell

Module



Photo: Singapore plant under construction



REC ENVIRONMENTAL FOOTPRINT

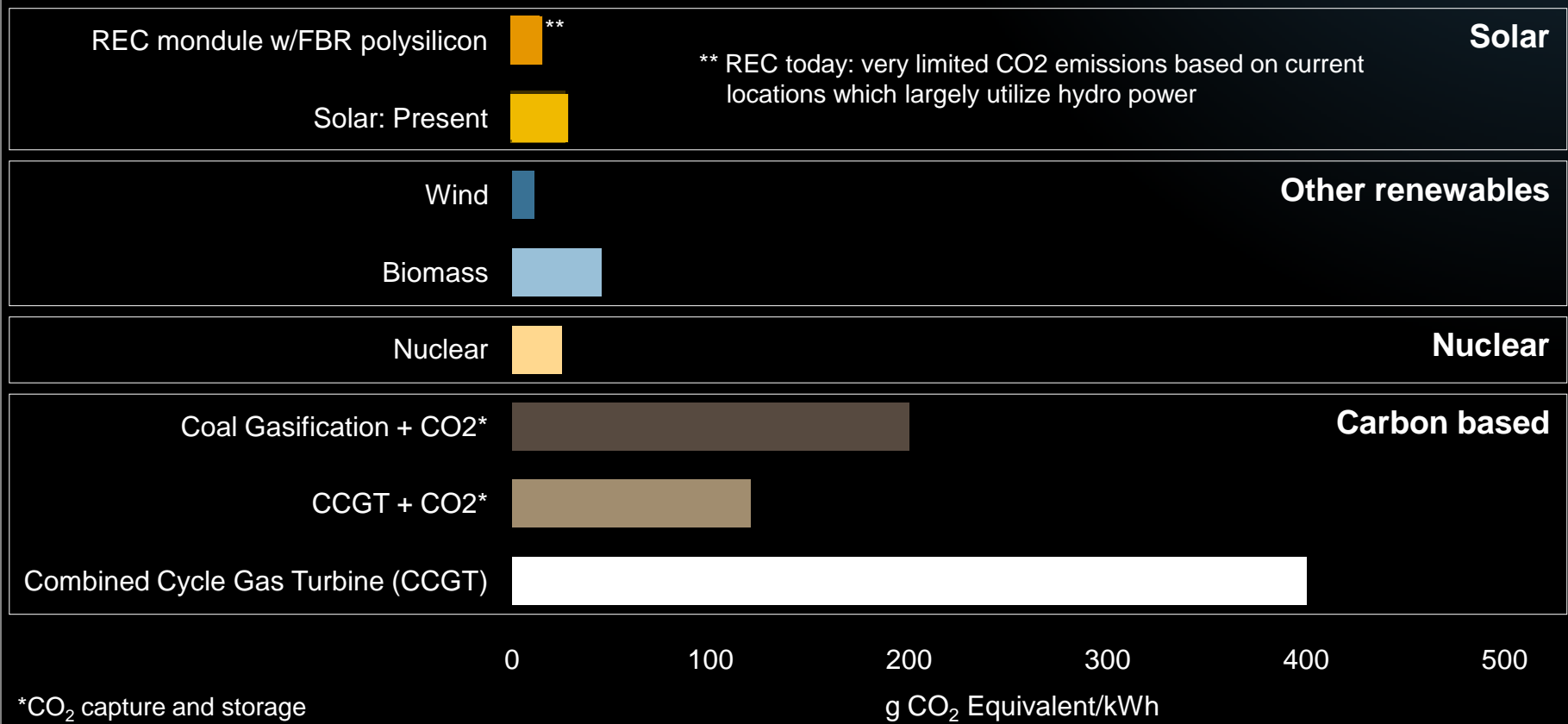
RIGHT HERE IN ITALY

Winery with 228 REC solar panels installed in Barbaresco, Italy. Annual capacity 54 000 kWh
26 tons of CO₂ saved annually



The CO₂ emission from solar energy is very low

Life-cycle greenhouse gas emissions



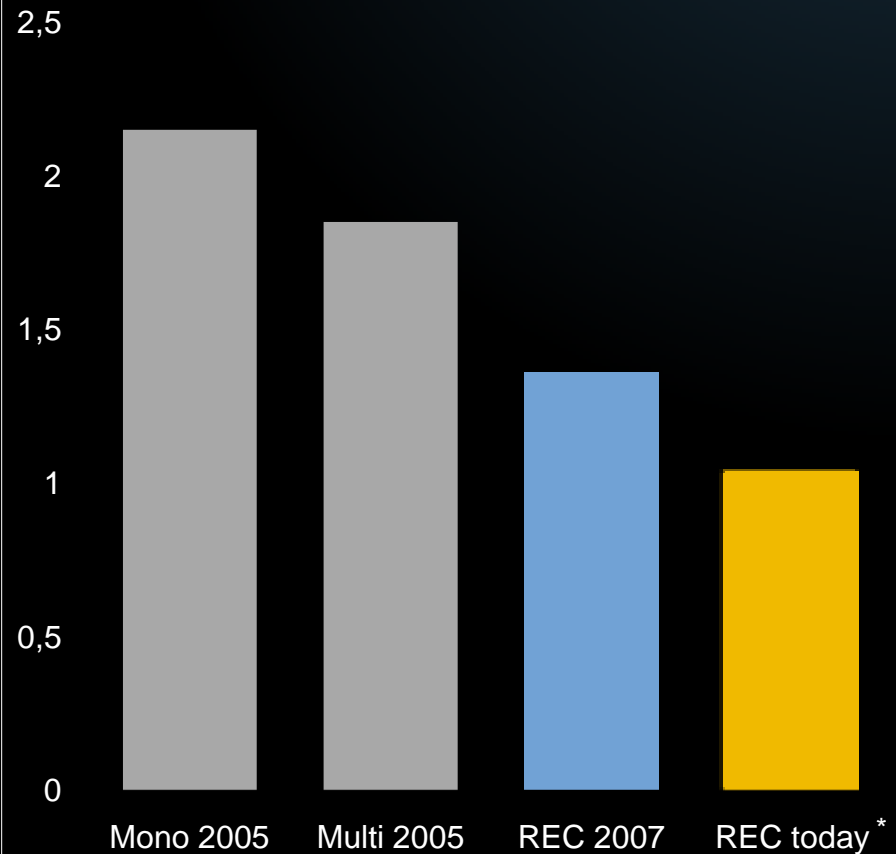
Source: Annual Energy Review, U.S. Energy Information Administration

Solar energy payback time

- Payback time of around one year
 - Energy payback is the time it takes a solar panel to generate the same amount of energy that was used to produce it
- For the remaining 24 years of its guaranteed lifetime, a solar panel will be 'energy positive'

Energy payback time

Number of Years



* With REC's FBR polysilicon technology

Source: Alsema et al. (EU Crystal Clear project), 21st European PV Conference, Dresden, 2006



MAIN FOCUS AREAS OF THE REC GROUP

RIGHT HERE IN HAMBURG

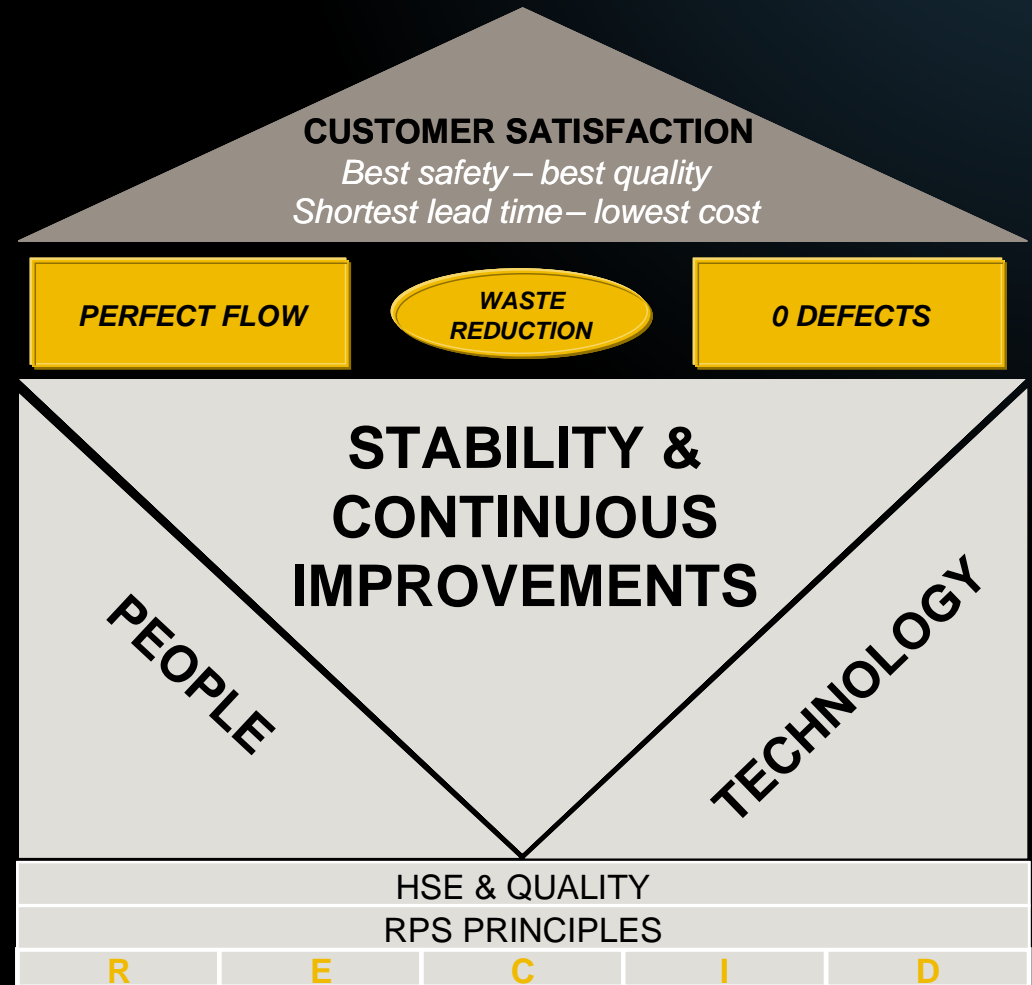
Residential home with 32 REC solar panels installed in Hamburg, Germany. Annual capacity: 6 200 kWh
4 tons of CO₂ saved annually



A fast growing company like REC require significant efforts in building: competence and systems...

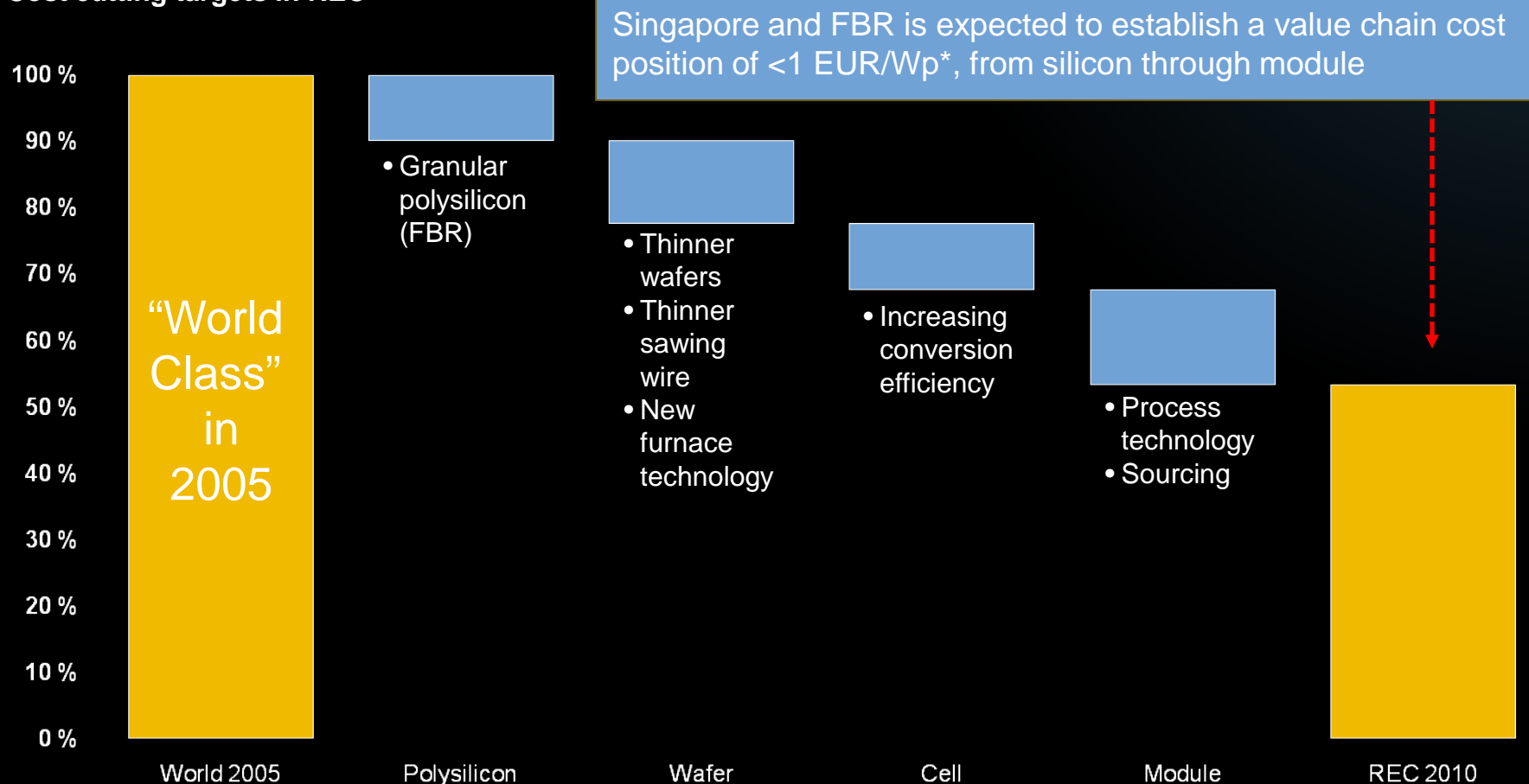
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...this should over time
enable operational
excellence to get the
maximum cost
potential out of our
plants



Cutting costs with technology

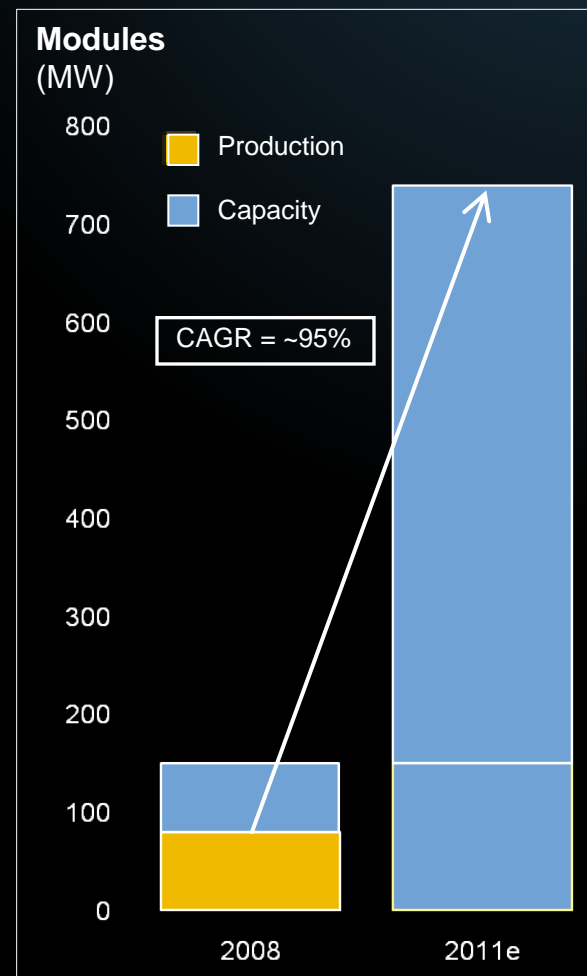
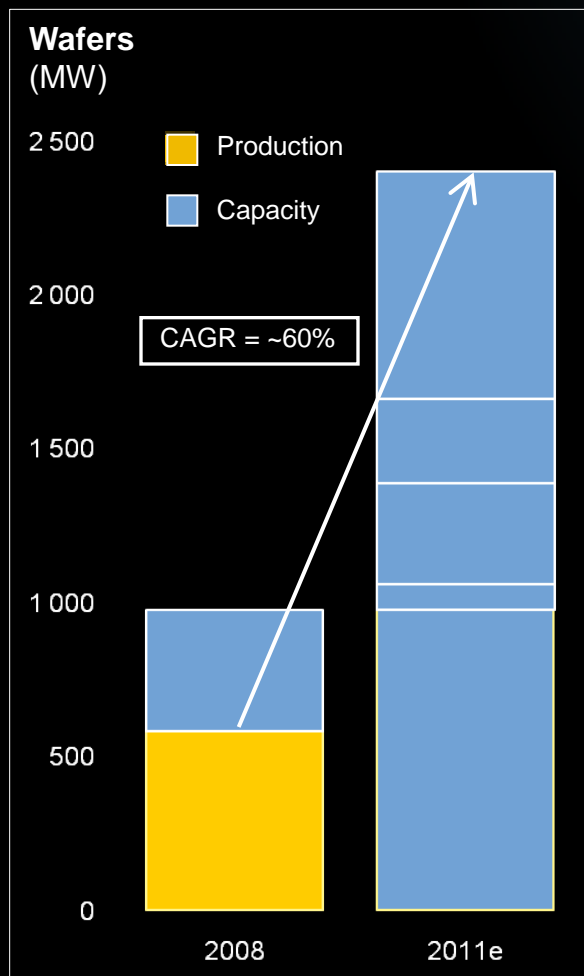
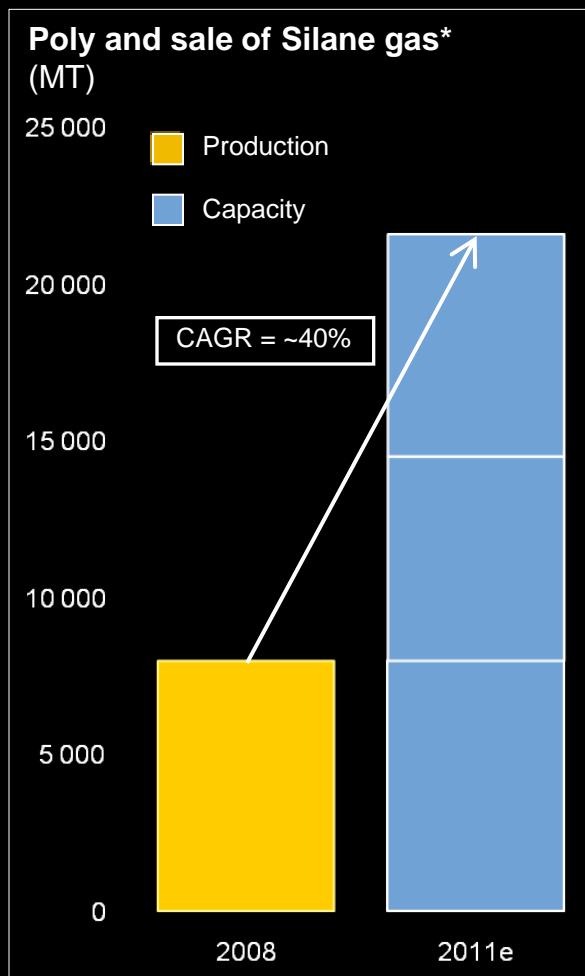
Cost cutting targets in REC



* Definition: Watt-peak (Wp) is a measure of power output, most often used in relation to photovoltaic solar energy devices

Cutting cost through scale and technology (growth in year-end capacity)

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* Silane gas allocated for sale in the merchant market



OUTLOOK

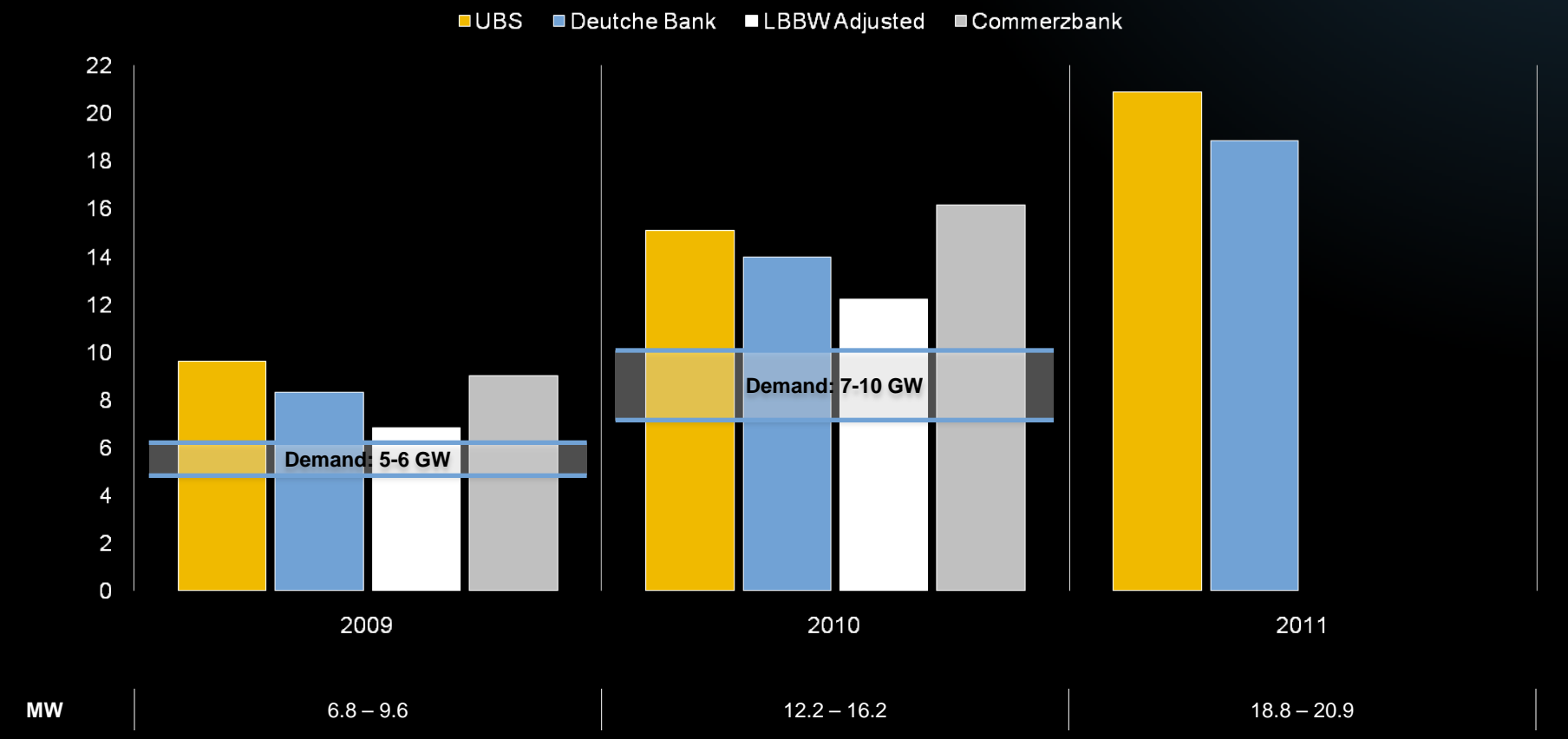
RIGHT HERE IN GADENDORF

Pig farm with 434 REC panels installed in Gadendorf, Germany. Annual capacity 78 000 kWh
51 tons of CO₂ saved annually

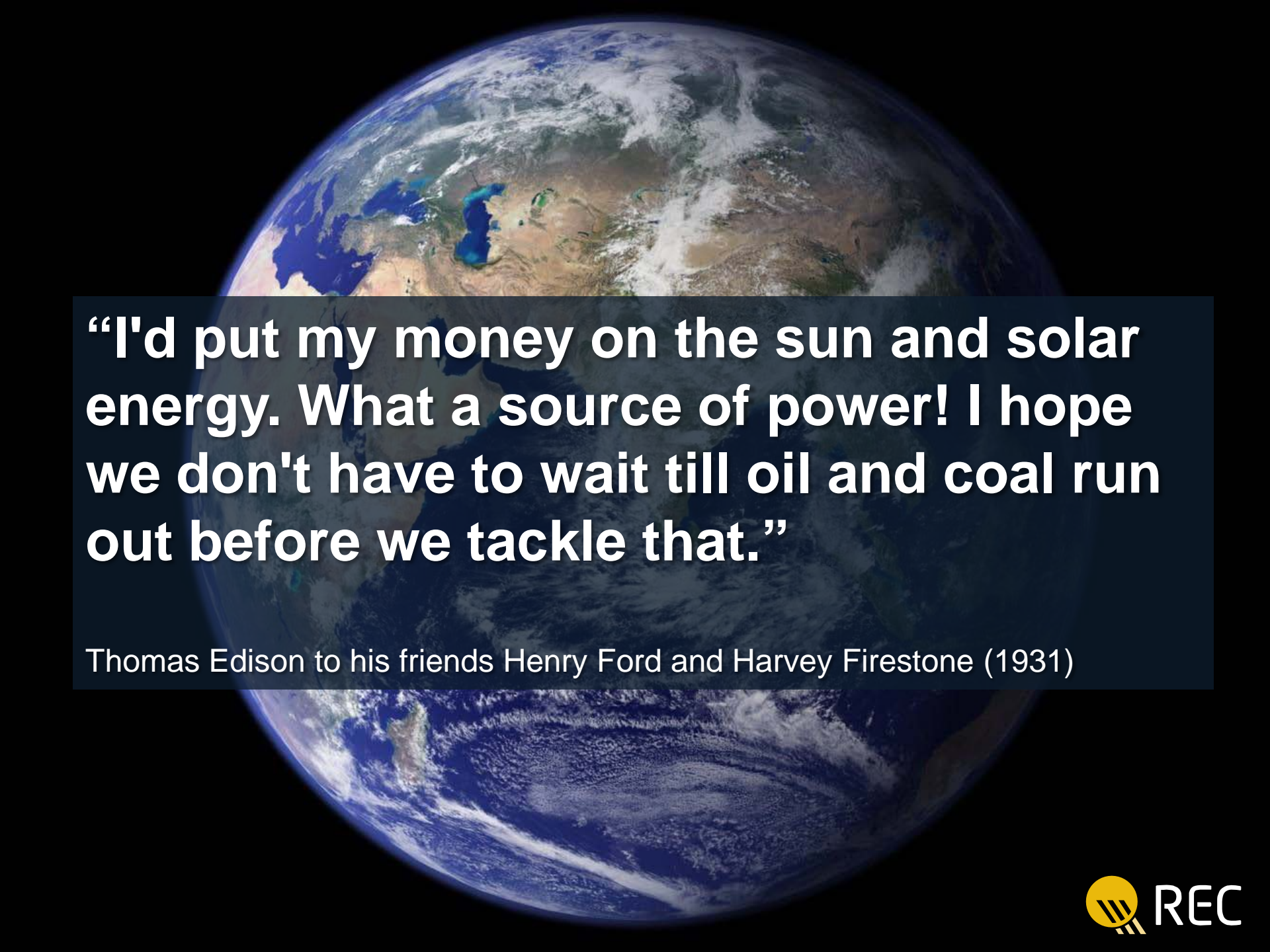


Over capacity and continued price pressure in 2010

Possible module supply based on Si-availability including thin-film
GW



* LBBW adjusted implies supply estimates adjusted for inventory requirements in value chain



“I'd put my money on the sun and solar energy. What a source of power! I hope we don't have to wait till oil and coal run out before we tackle that.”

Thomas Edison to his friends Henry Ford and Harvey Firestone (1931)