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# Demand Response A Long View

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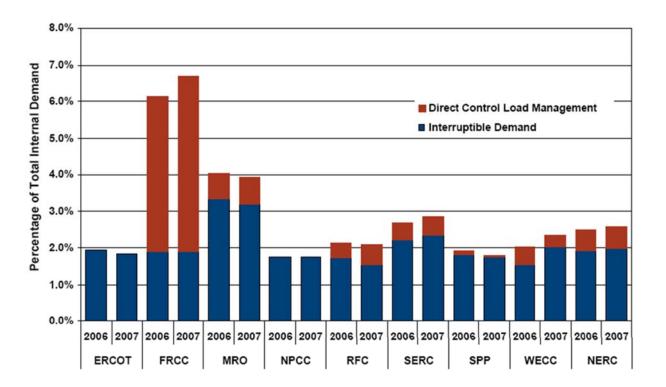


# **Today's demand response**

- Only invoked when brownouts and blackouts are imminent
  - Driven by reliability triggers
- Based largely on yesterday's conditions
  - Aging technology (direct load control)
  - Aging rate designs (curtailable and interruptible rates)
- Customers are paid cash for lowering peak usage against an elusive baseline

# The state of play

### **NERC Estimate of Existing DR by Region**

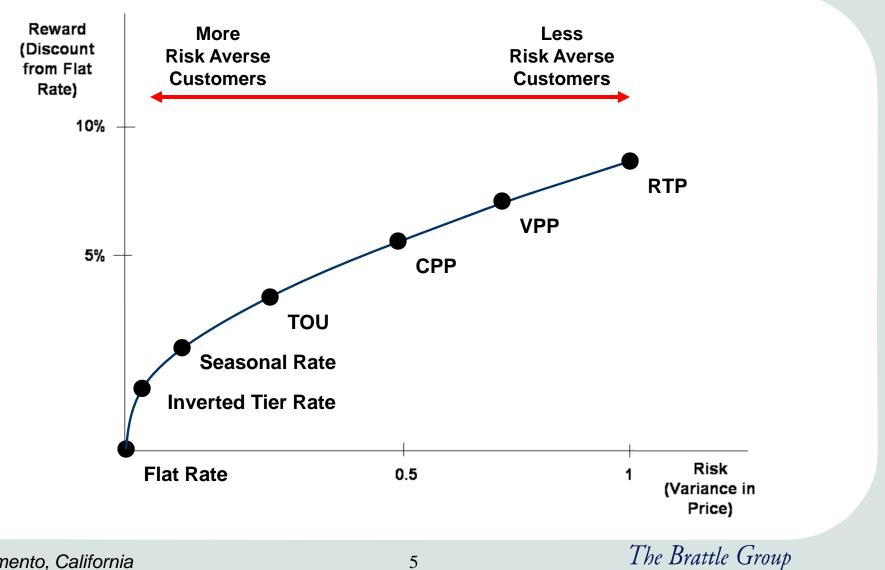


Source: 2007 NERC Summer Assessment, 2007 FERC Assessment of DR & Advanced Metering

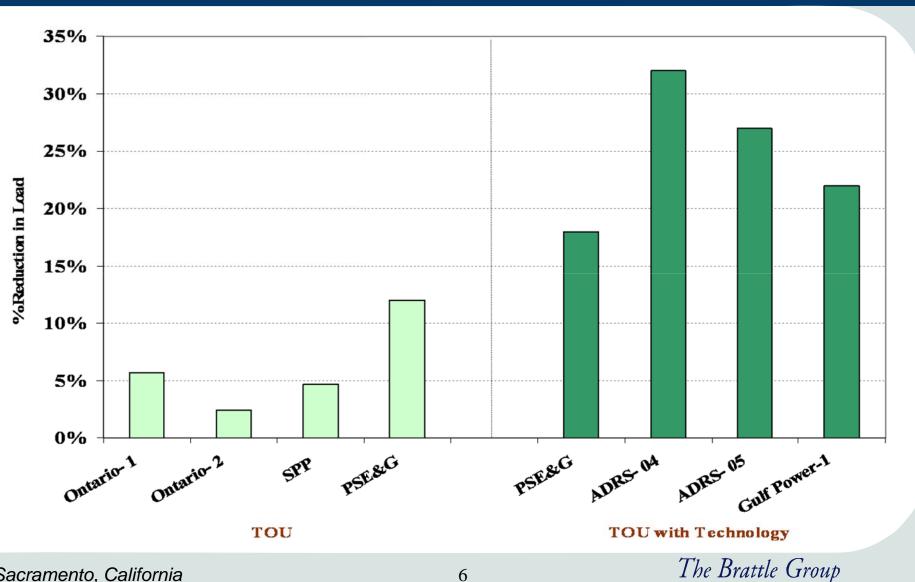
### **Tomorrow's demand response**

- Will be price-driven
  - Default dynamic pricing
- Digital technologies will play a decisive role
  - ► AMI
  - Smart Grid
  - Programmable thermostats and EMS
- No longer an option but a condition of service

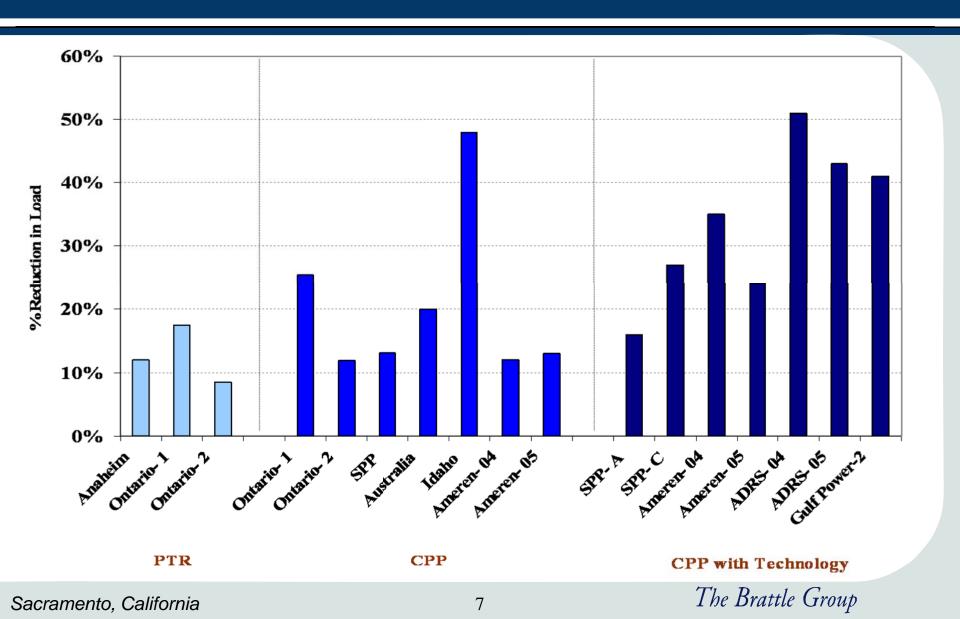
### The shape of prices to come



### **Customers respond to static time-of-use rates**



## They respond even more to dynamic pricing



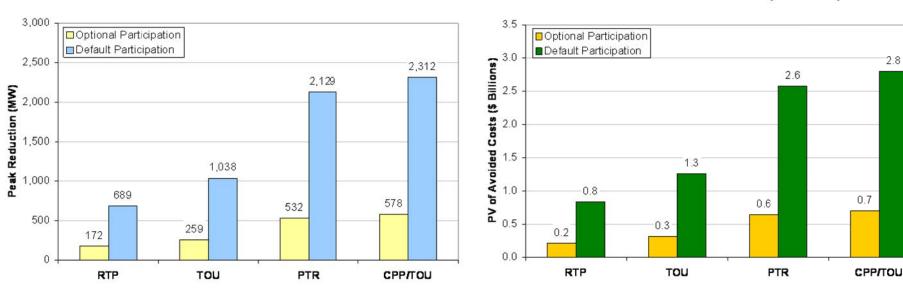
### Imagining the future in California

- The Demand Response Research Center has funded a project on advanced rate designs
- We have developed illustrative dynamic rate designs that show the range of possibilities by sector across a range of deployment scenarios

### **Residential class impacts**

**Residential Peak Reductions in First Year** 

- Annual peak reductions range from 170 MW to 2,300 MW
- This translates into \$ 0.2 2.8 billion in avoided costs •



#### Present Value of Avoided Costs (Residential)

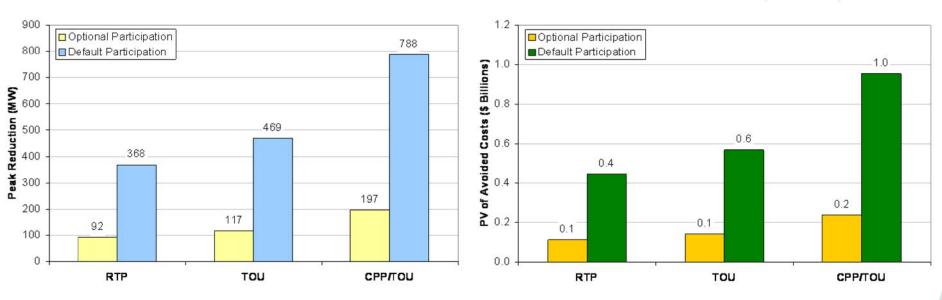
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### **Medium C&I class impacts**

Medium C&I Peak Reductions in First Year

- Annual peak reductions range from 90 MW to 790 MW
- This translates into \$ 0.1 1.0 billion in avoided costs



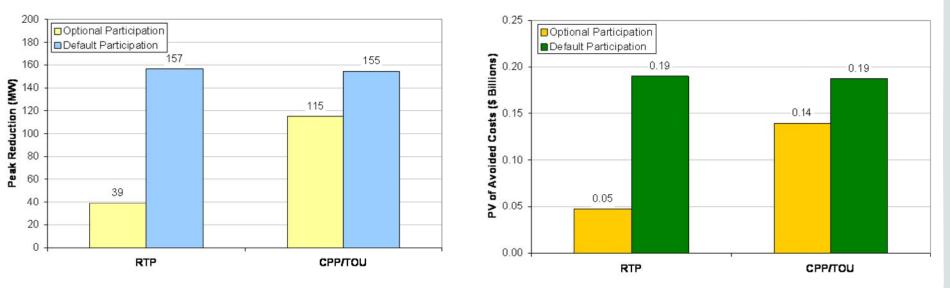
#### Present Value of Avoided Costs (Medium C&I)

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### Large commercial class impacts

- Annual peak reductions range from 40 MW to 160 MW
- This translates into \$ 50 200 million in avoided costs

Large Commercial Peak Reductions in First Year



Present Value of Avoided Costs (Large Commercial)

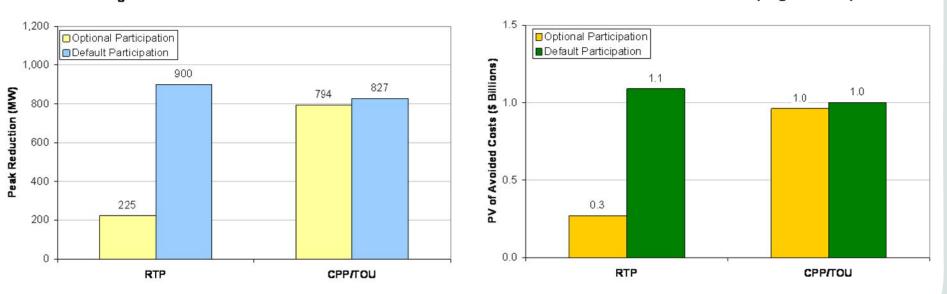
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Note: In calculating the CPP/TOU impacts, "high" elasticities are used for the optional participation scenario and "low" elasticities are used for the default participation scenario

### Large industrial class impacts

Large Industrial Peak Reductions in First Year

- Annual peak reductions range from 230 MW to 900 MW
- This translates into between \$ 0.3 1.1 billion in avoided costs



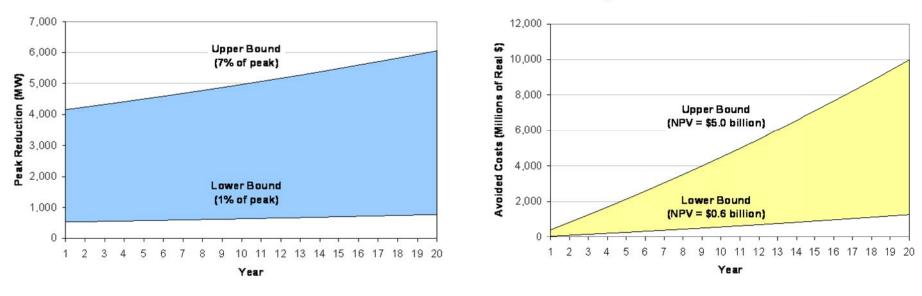
Present Value of Avoided Costs (Large Industrial)

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### **Benefits summary**

- The largest impacts are produced by a **default CPP/TOU** for residential and medium C&I customers, and **default RTP** for large C&I customers
- The smallest impacts are produced by an **optional RTP** for all customers

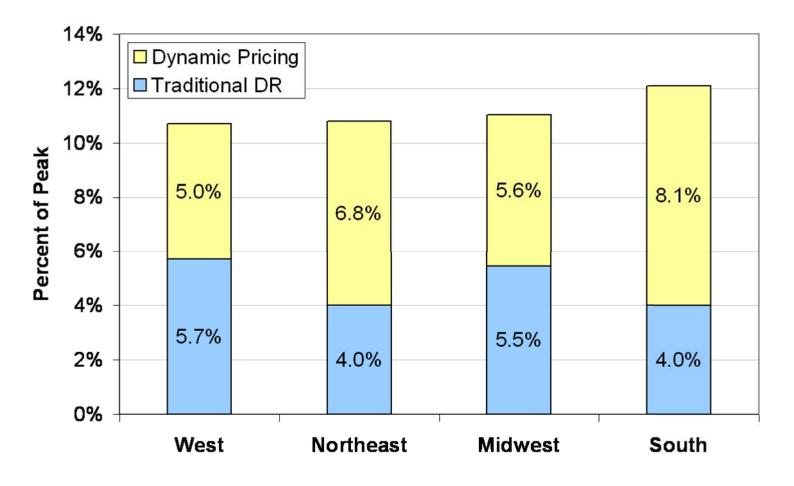


#### Range of Annual Peak Reduction Forecasts

#### Range of Cumulative Avoided Cost Forecasts

# Similar assessments have been made for other regions

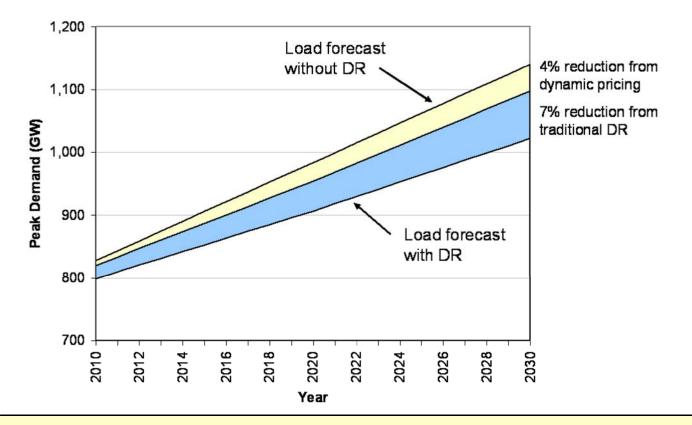
**Regional DR Achievable Potential by 2030** 



Sacramento, California

### Nationally, DR may offset 11% of peak demand





Additional peak savings would be achieved through energy efficiency

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### So why is there so much resistance?

- To quote Arthur C. Clarke, any radical new idea will generate three reactions
  - "It is completely impossible"
  - "It's possible but not worth doing"
  - "I said it was a good idea all along"

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