

# ***U.S. Energy Policy: Mercury MACT Discussion***

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# ***U.S. ENERGY POLICY: MERCURY MACT DISCUSSION***

## **Assessing Goals, Needs and Resources**

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- America's energy policies must balance the needs of average Americans with the need for a:
  - Strong economy
  - Clean environment
  - Secure nation
- Events of recent years – terrorist acts, multiple energy crises, and a global focus on sustainable development – magnify these principles
- A reasoned review of America's energy and environmental policies should include our needs, our resources, and our capabilities

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## **Assessing our Needs and Resources**

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- America's coal is the most abundant domestic energy resource of any nation in the world
- Electricity is by far the fastest growing form of U.S. energy
- Coal fuels more than half of America's generation
- Natural gas is more limited than policymakers realize – The economy can not rely on gas as a preferred fuel source
- Expanding utilization of America's existing coal-fired plants and development of new coal-fired plants bring enormous benefits to 1) individuals, 2) the economy, 3) the environment and 4) national security

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## **NMA Core Issues**

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- The estimated amount of mercury emissions under a MACT rule should be between 30-33 tons per year from existing coal-fired power plants
- The less stringent of a lbs/trillion Btu or percent reduction standard
- Standard should not preclude emerging technologies and pre-combustion Hg reduction options
- Mercury control technology should be based on the following criteria:
  - Cost-effective
  - Verifiable public health benefits
  - Worst case fuel variability and operating scenarios should be taken into account in a manner consistent with Clean Air Act requirements

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## **Concerns of Unbalanced Mercury Regulations**

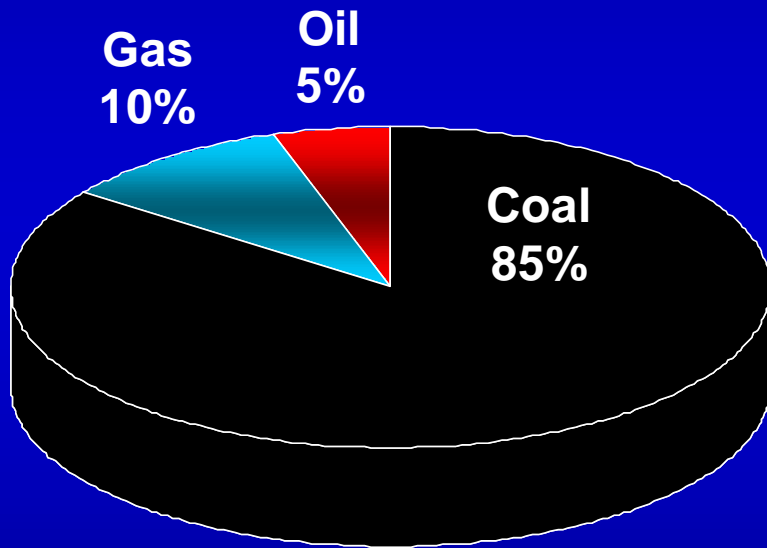
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- Loss of fuel diversity
- Fuel switching to high cost, higher use fuels (natural gas/imported oil)
- Higher energy prices and its health impacts on the poor
- Strain on electric reliability
- No measurable environmental benefit
- Cost to electric utility industry

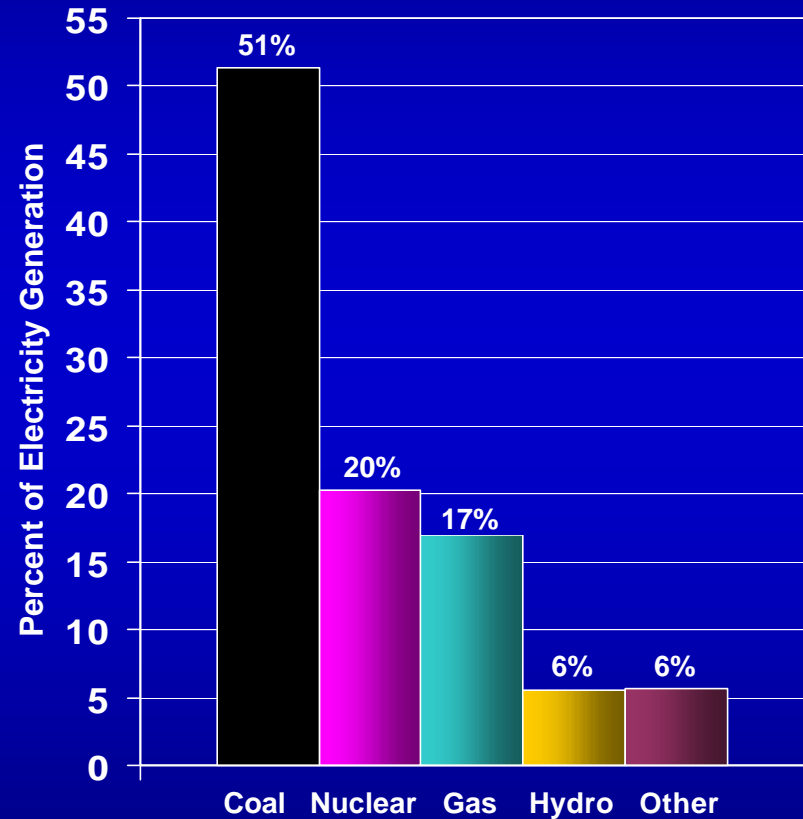
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## Coal Is America's Most Abundant Fuel

### U.S. Fuel Resources



### Electricity Fuel Sources

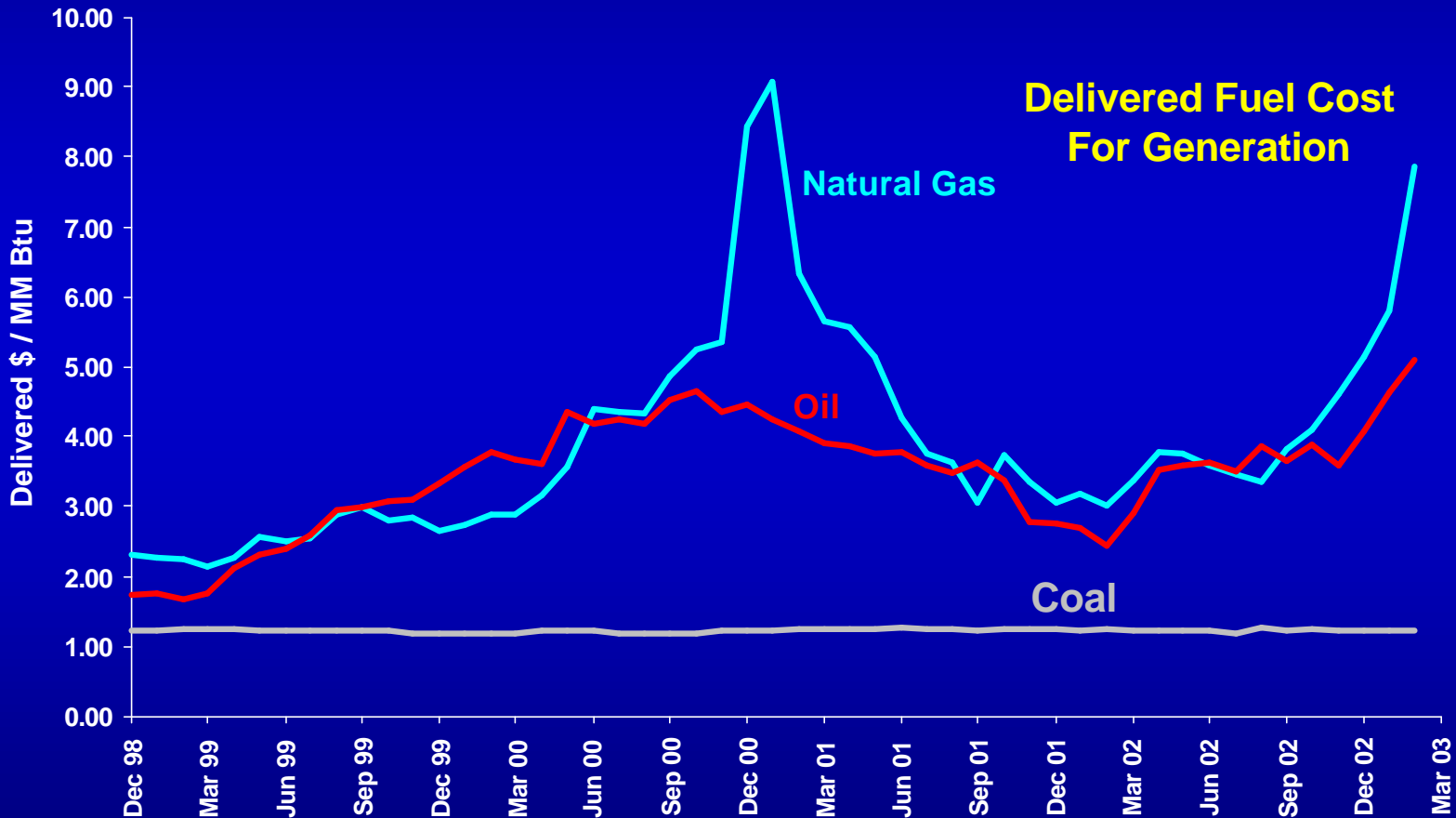


Ultimately recoverable demonstrated reserves on Btu basis.

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## Natural Gas Uncertain in Supply; Volatile in Price

### Coal's Stable Pricing Makes it Ideal for Generation



Delivered cost of fossil fuel at steam electric utility plants.

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## **Coal is Vital for a Healthy Economy & Environment**

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- Coal is the lowest cost fuel for electric generation
- A recent Penn State study shows that the average annual benefit of coal-fired electricity to the U.S. economy is \$411 billion per year
- The new Klein-Keeney study shows that removing coal from the U.S. energy mix would lead to at least 14,000 to 25,000 premature deaths a year, and perhaps as many as 100,000 if employment-related effects were counted

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## **High Energy Costs Threaten Lives and Lifestyles**

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- During the energy crisis of 2000-2001...
  - Middle-class Americans faced average energy costs equaling 4.6% of their incomes
  - Low-income Americans were forced to pay 19.5% of their income on home energy costs
- Those who used natural gas used 29% of their income for energy
- A 2002 winter survey of 19 states and the District of Columbia showed that 4.3 million low-income households were at risk of having power or gas shut off because they couldn't afford to pay

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## **America's Energy Needs Continue to Grow**

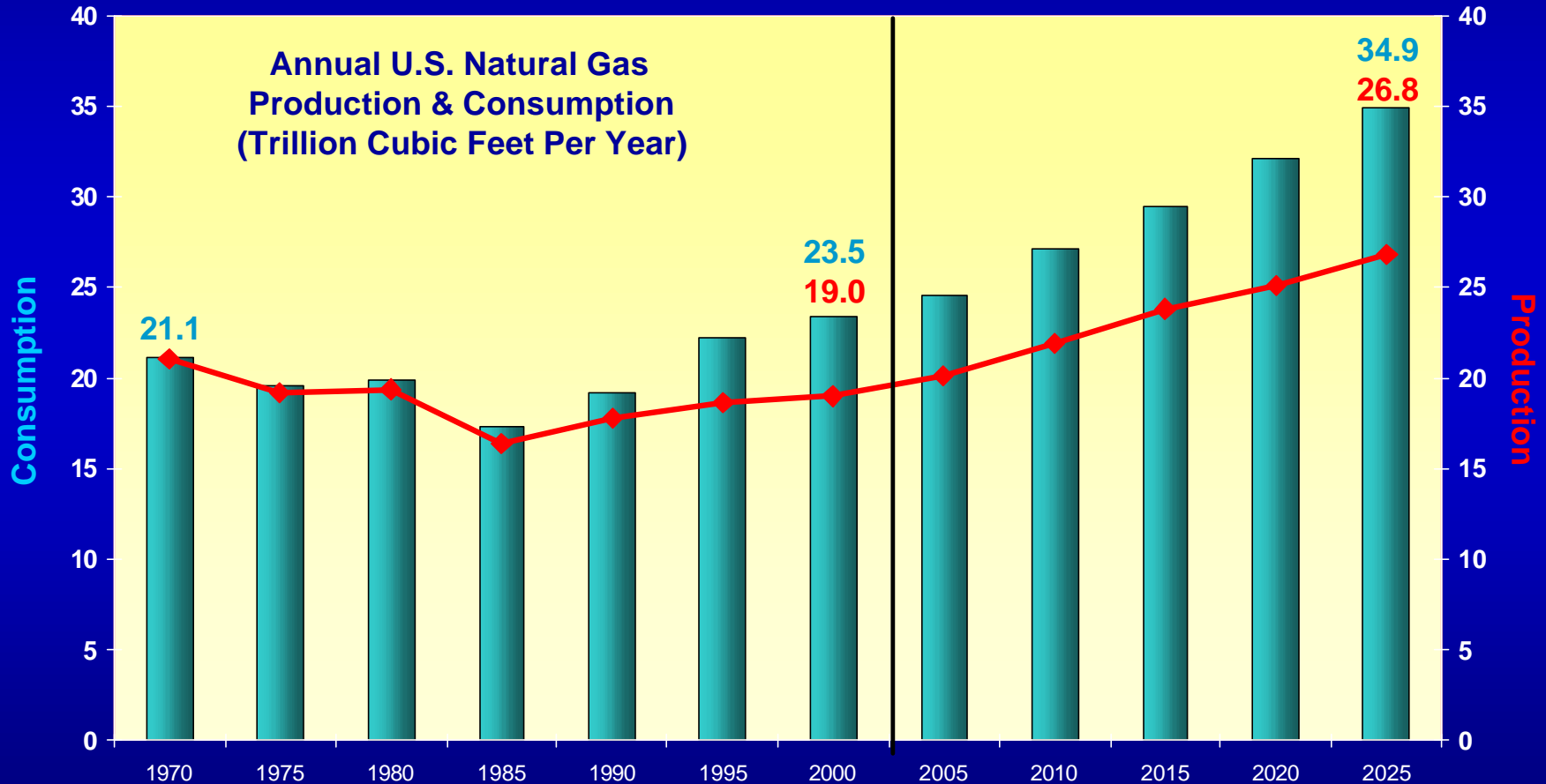
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- The U.S. Department of Energy projects a 45% increase of electricity consumption over the next 20 years
- All forms of energy are needed to meet these needs
  - Coal, hydrogen, natural gas, nuclear, hydroelectric and renewables
- Practical expectations are that coal and natural gas generation will be the primary new sources
- Natural gas faces enormous limitations in supply and price
  - This forces schools, homes and industries to compete with generators for natural gas supplies at unknown prices

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## Imbalance Forecasted in U.S. Gas Supply & Demand

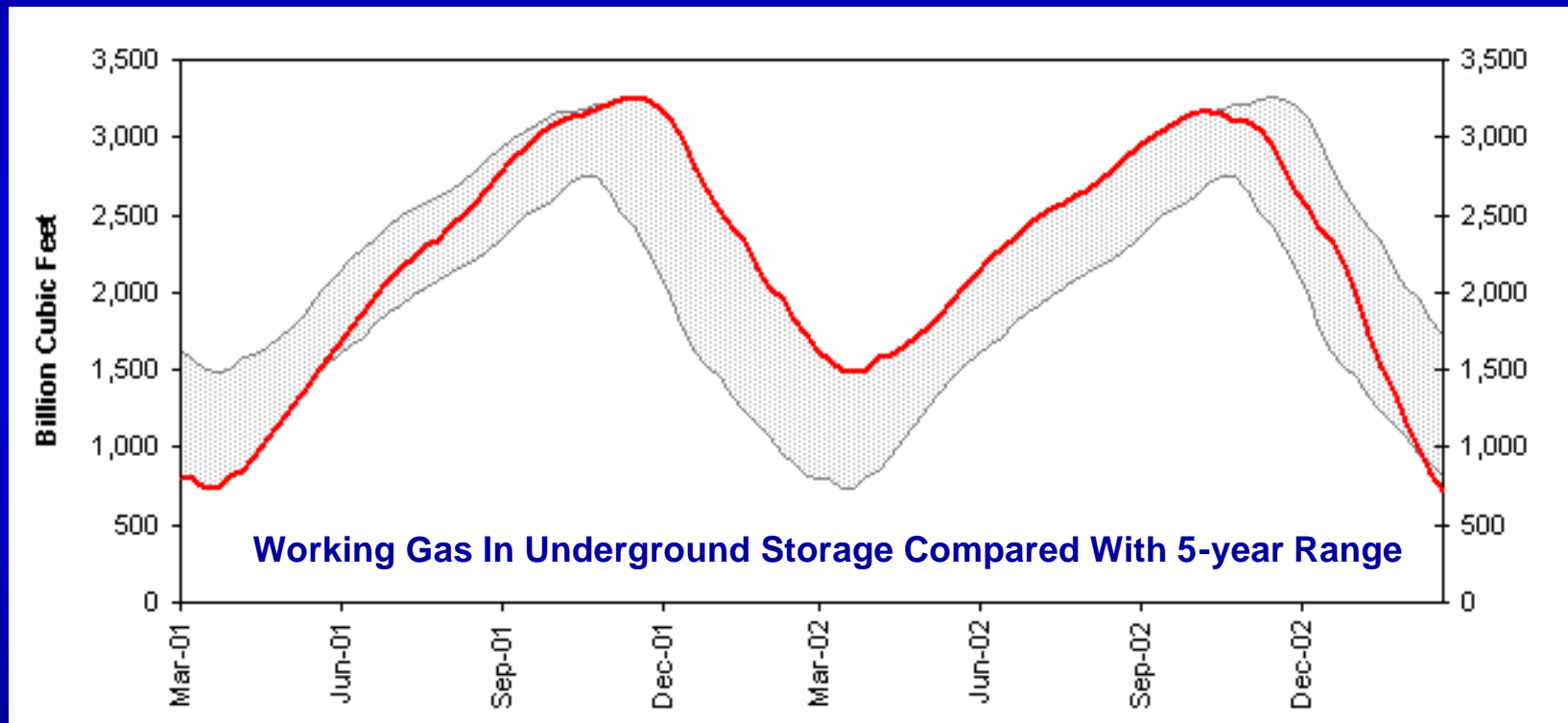
### EIA Projects Alarming Consumption Shift From 23 to 35 TCF



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## Gas Storage Capacity is Stretched

### Current Gas Storage at Record Low Levels



**Natural Gas in storage at the end of the first week in March 2002: 1.728 Tcf**  
**Natural Gas in storage at the end of the first week in March 2003: 0.721 Tcf**

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## **Record Low Storage Threatens U.S. Energy Future**

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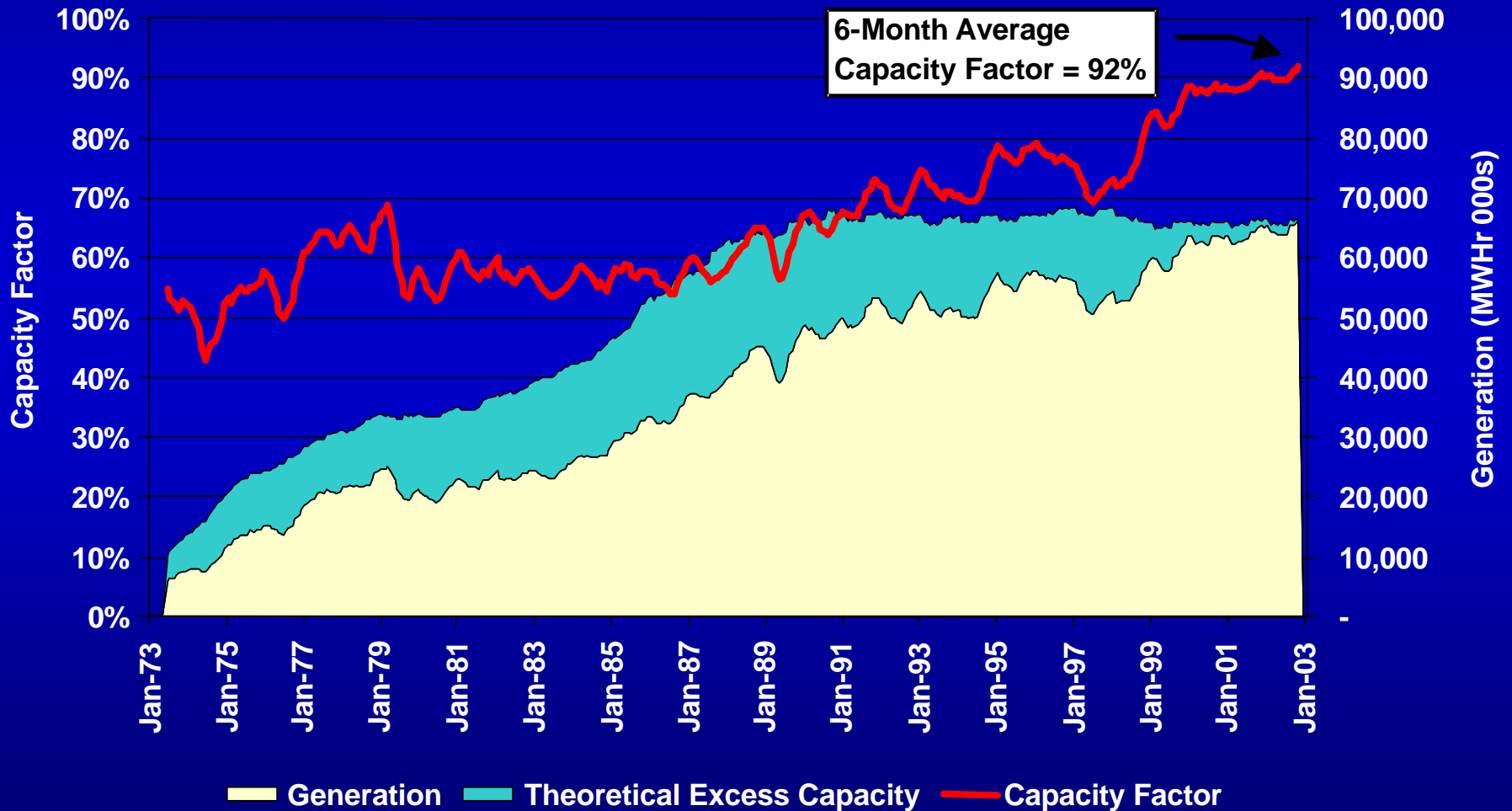
<b>Gas in Storage (3/31/03)</b>	<b>700 Bcf</b>	
<b>Likely Summer Injections</b>	<b>1,435 Bcf</b>	
<b>10/31/03 Ending Storage</b>	<b>2,135 Bcf</b>	
<b>10/31/02 Ending Storage</b>	<b>3,200 Bcf</b>	
<b>Summer-to-Summer Shortfall</b>		<b>(1,065) Bcf</b>

**A repeat of this winter's economy and weather next year =**

- Extremely tight gas supplies by February and**
- Soaring gas prices**

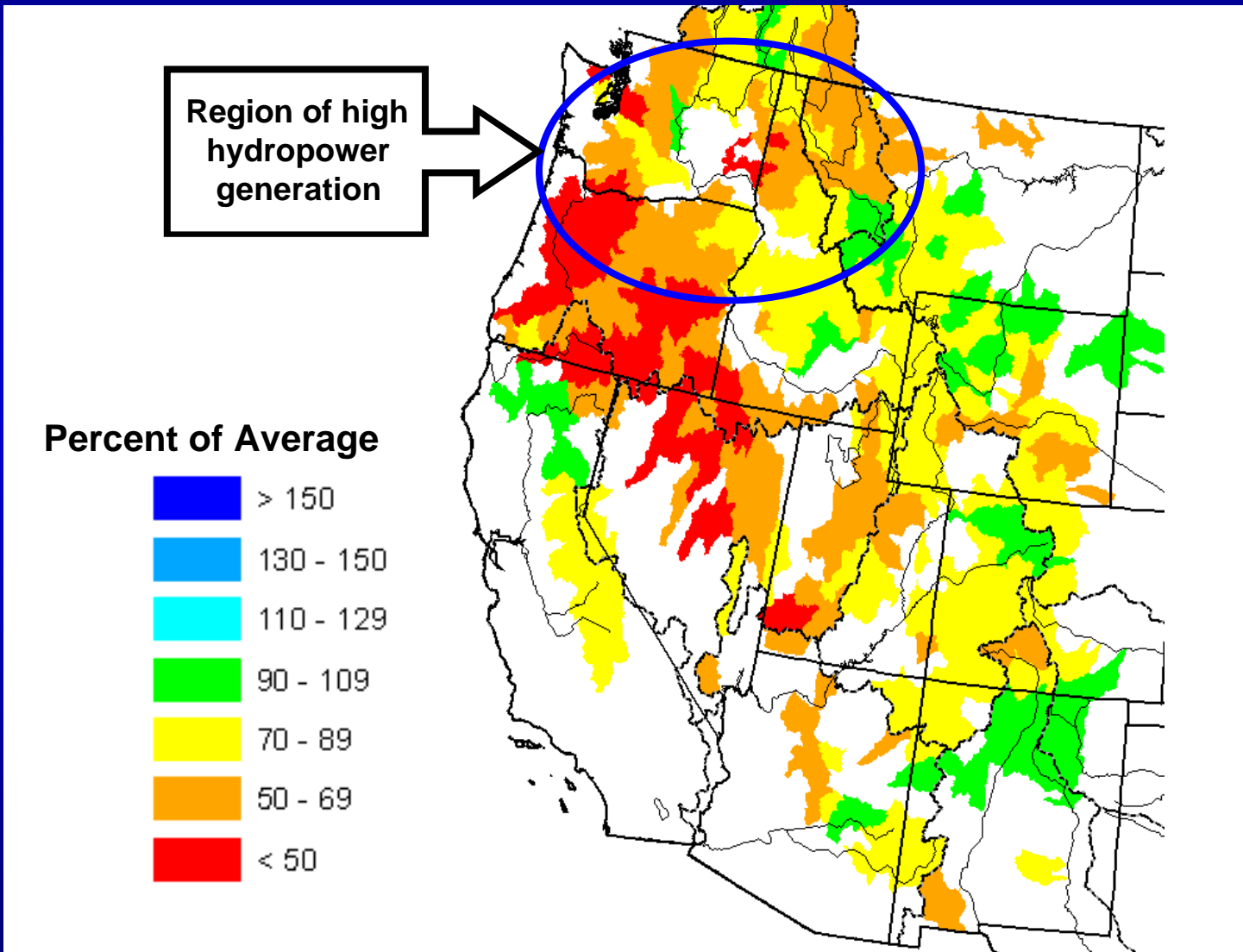
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## Nuclear Generation is Reaching its Peak



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## Variability in Hydro Generation Leads to Gas Volatility



***Mercury MACT  
Policy***

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## **Mercury Regulation Criteria**

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- Mercury control technology should be based on the following criteria:
  - Cost-effective
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  - The estimated mercury emissions under a MACT rule should be between 30-33 tons per year from existing coal-fired power plants

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## **Challenges facing Mercury Control Regulation**

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- No continuous monitoring systems have been commercially demonstrated
- No effective control technology is available for all types of coal
- Co-benefit removal is highly variable based on individual plant design and coal source

***Mercury MACT  
ICR Data Discussion***

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## **Statistical Analysis of ICR Data**

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- Methods used for analysis:
  - ASTM Method D 6722-01 – Coal Analysis
  - US EPA – Standard Test Method for Elemental, Oxidized, Particle-bound, and Total Mercury in Flue Gas Generated from Coal-fired Stationary Sources

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## **Statistical Analysis of ICR Data**

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- Evaluated four criteria
  - Negative Removals
  - Missing Critical Data
  - Mercury Material Balance
  - Data Precision
- Only 15 plants passed all four criteria
- No lignite plants in remaining 15 plants
- Removal rates was as high as negative 200%

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## **Negative Removals**

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- Negative Removals are found in:
  - 20 test reports
  - Twelve units between 0 and –25.3%
  - Eight units greater than –25.3%

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## **List of units with > than 25.3% negative removal**

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<b>Plant Name</b>	<b>Unit No.</b>	<b>Fuel in test</b>	<b>% Hg Removal coal-stack</b>
Bay Front Plant Generating	5	Bituminous	-47.37
Clifty Creek	6	Subbituminous / Bituminous	-30.49
Gaston	1	Bituminous	-39.98
Gibson Generating Station (0300)	3	Bituminous	-201.04
Platte	1	Subbituminous	-67.53
Rawhide	101	Subbituminous	-25.64
Valley	2	Bituminous / Petcoke	-108.60
Wyodak	BW 91	Subbituminous	-144.00

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## **Missing Critical Data**

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- The ICR Database has missing critical data in the following categories:
  - Coal-feed rate
  - Coal mercury content
  - Gas flow
  - No inlet mercury data

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## **List of Units Missing Critical Data**

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<b>Plant Name</b>	<b>Unit No.</b>	<b>Fuel Type</b>	<b>Data Deficiency</b>
Dwayne Collier Battle Cogen Facility	2B	Bituminous	(1)
Jim Bridger	BW 74	Subbituminous	(2)
La Cygne	1	Subbituminous	(3)
Leland Olds Station	2	Lignite	(4)
Polk Power	1	Bituminous	(1), (3), (5)
R. D. Morrow Sr. Generating plant	2	Bituminous	(1)
Wabash River Generating Station	1 + 1A	Bituminous	(3), (5)

### **Note:**

- (1) No Hg-in-coal data
- (2) No data on coal feed rate into the boiler
- (3) No data on inlet gas flow rate
- (4) No Hg-in-coal data for Runs 1 and 3
- (5) No data on inlet Hg.

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## Hg Material Balance

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- Inlet total Hg (OH) / Inlet total Hg (from coal)
- $1 \pm 2s$  (95% confidence)
- Statistical Method

$$\text{Var}(Y/Z) \approx (1/m_Z)^2 \text{Var}(Y) + (1/m_Z)^4 (m_Y)^2 \text{Var}(Z)$$

$\text{Var}(Y/Z)$  = variance of the ratio Y to Z

$\text{Var}(Y)$  = variance of Y

$\text{Var}(Z)$  = variance of Z

$m_Z, m_Y$  = mean values for Z and Y, respectively

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## **Precision Criterion**

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OH – RSD = 11% if  $\geq 3\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  for elemental and oxidized  
RSD = 34% if  $< 3\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  for elemental and oxidized

ASTM –  $\pm 0.019$  ppm of mean for coal Hg

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## **List of Plants That Are Outside 2S**

<b>Plant name</b>	<b>Unit No.</b>	<b>No. of Runs failed</b>
Antelope Valley Station	B1	1
Big Bend	BB03	1
Big Brown	1	2
Charles R. Lowman	2	3
Cholla	3	3
Clay Boswell	4	1
Clover Power Station	2	3
Columbia	1	1
George Neal south	4	1
Gibson Generating Station (10/99 testing)	3	1
Gibson Generating Station (03/00 testing)	3	3
Kline Township Cogen Facility	GEN1	3
Laramie River Station	1	2
Laramie River Station	3	2

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## **List of Plants That Are Outside 2S (CONT.)**

<b>Plant name</b>	<b>Unit No.</b>	<b>No. of Runs failed</b>
Lewis & Clark	B1	1
Limestone	LIM1	3
Mecklenburg Cogeneration Facility	GEN 1	1
Monticello	3	3
Montrose	1	3
Nelson Dewey	1	2
Platte	1	1
Port Washington	4	3
R.M. Heskett Station	B2	1
Rawhide	101	1
Sam Seymour	3	3
Scrubgrass Generating Company L. P.	GEN1	2
Stanton Station	1	3
W. H. Sammis	1	3

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## Precision Criterion for Inlet & Outlet Hg

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Method to calculate variance

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \sum_{i=1}^3 \text{Var}(Y_i) = \sum [(Y_i \times \text{RSD})^2]$$

Twenty-eight units fail precision criterion for 2 or more Hg species.

$$\text{RSD} = 11\% \text{ if } \geq 3\mu\text{g}/\text{n}^3$$

$$\text{RSD} = 34\% \text{ if } < 3\mu\text{g}/\text{n}^3$$

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## **List of Plants Failing Precision Criterion-Inlet Hg**

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<b>Plant Name</b>	<b>Unit No.</b>	<b>Fuel Type</b>
Big Brown	1	Lignite
Brayton Point	3	Bituminous
Cholla	3	Subbituminous
Clay Boswell	3	Subbituminous
Clay Boswell	4	Subbituminous
Cliffside	1	Bituminous
Comanche	2	Subbituminous
Dwayne Collier Battle Cogeneration Facility	2B	Bituminous
Gaston	1	Bituminous
George Neal South	4	Subbituminous
Gibson Generating Station (10/99 testing)	3	Bituminous
Gibson Generating Station (03/00 testing)	3	Bituminous
GRDA	2	Subbituminous/Bituminous

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## **List of Plants Failing Precision Criterion-Inlet Hg Cont.**

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<b>Plant Name</b>	<b>Unit No.</b>	<b>Fuel Type</b>
Jack Watson	4	Bituminous
Jim Bridger	BW 74	Subbituminous
Laramie River Station	3	Subbituminous
Leland Olds Station	2	Lignite
Lewis & Clark	B1	Lignite
Logan Generating Plant	Gen 1	Bituminous
Mecklenburg Cogeneration Facility	GEN 1	Bituminous
Meramec	4	Subbituminous/Bituminous
Monticello	1	Lignite
Newton	2	Subbituminous
Platte	1	Subbituminous
Port Washington	4	Bituminous
Presque Isle	5	Bituminous/Petroleum Coke

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## **List of Plants Failing Precision Criterion-Inlet Hg Cont.**

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<b>Plant Name</b>	<b>Unit No.</b>	<b>Fuel Type</b>
Presque Isle	6	Bituminous/Petroleum Coke
R. D. Morrow Sr. Generating plant	2	Bituminous
R.M. Heskett Station	B2	Lignite
Rawhide	101	Subbituminous
Salem Harbor	3	Bituminous
Sam Seymour	3	Subbituminous
San Juan	2	Subbituminous
Scrubgrass Generating Company L. P.	GEN1	Waste Bituminous
St Clair Power Plant	4	Subbituminous/Bituminous
Stanton Station	1	Lignite
Stanton Station	10	Lignite
TNP-One	U2	Lignite

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## **Plants Failing Precision Criterion-Outlet Hg**

<b>Plant Name</b>	<b>Unit No.</b>	<b>Fuel Type</b>
AES Cayuga (NY) (formerly NYSEG Milliken)	2	Bituminous
Antelope Valley Station	B1	Lignite
Bay Front Plant Generating	5	Bituminous
Clay Boswell	2	Subbituminous
Clay Boswell	4	Subbituminous
Cliffside	1	Bituminous
Clifty Creek	6	Subbituminous/Bituminous
Clover Power Station	2	Bituminous
Coronado	U1B	Subbituminous
Coyote	1	Lignite
Dunkirk	2	Bituminous
Gaston	1	Bituminous
George Neal south	4	Subbituminous

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## **Plants Failing Precision Criterion-Outlet Hg (Cont.)**

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<b>Plant Name</b>	<b>Unit No.</b>	<b>Fuel Type</b>
Gibson Generating Station (10/99 testing)	3	Bituminous
GRDA	2	Subbituminous/Bituminous
Jack Watson	4	Bituminous
Limestone	LIM1	Lignite
Logan Generating Plant	Gen 1	Bituminous
Monticello	1	Lignite
Northern States Power - Sherburne County Generating Plant	#3	Subbituminous
Presque Isle	5	Bituminous/Petroleum Coke
R.M. Heskett Station	B2	Lignite
Salem Harbor	3	Bituminous

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## **Plants That Fail at Least One Quality Criterion**

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Bay Front Plant Generating	5	Bituminous
Big Bend	BB03	Bituminous
Big Brown	1	Lignite
Brayton Point	3	Bituminous
Charles R. Lowman	2	Bituminous
Cholla	3	Subbituminous
Clay Boswell	2	Subbituminous
Clay Boswell	3	Subbituminous
Clay Boswell	4	Subbituminous
Cliffside	1	Bituminous
Clifty Creek	6	Subbituminous/Bituminous

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## **Plants That Fail at Least One Quality Criterion (Cont.)**

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<b>Plant Name</b>	<b>Unit No.</b>	<b>Fuel Type</b>
Clover Power Station	2	Bituminous
Columbia	1	Subbituminous
Comanche	2	Subbituminous
Coronado	U1B	Subbituminous
Coyote	1	Lignite
Dunkirk	2	Subbituminous
Dwayne Collier Battle Cogeneration Facility	2B	Bituminous
Gaston	1	Bituminous
George Neal south	4	Subbituminous
Gibson Generating Station (10/99 testing)	3	Bituminous
Gibson Generating Station (03/00 testing)	3	Bituminous
GRDA	2	Subbituminous/Bituminous
Jack Watson	4	Bituminous

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## **Plants That Fail at Least One Quality Criterion (Cont.)**

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<b>Plant Name</b>	<b>Unit No.</b>	<b>Fuel Type</b>
Jim Bridger	BW 74	Subbituminous
Kline Township Cogen Facility	GEN1	Waste Anthracite
La Cygne	1	Subbituminous
Laramie River Station	1	Subbituminous
Laramie River Station	3	Subbituminous
Leland Olds Station	2	Lignite
Lewis & Clark	B1	Lignite
Limestone	LIM1	Lignite
Logan Generating Plant	Gen 1	Bituminous
Mecklenburg Cogeneration Facility	GEN 1	Bituminous
Meramec	4	Subbituminous/Bituminous
Monticello	1	Lignite

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## **Plants That Fail at Least One Quality Criterion (Cont.)**

<b>Plant Name</b>	<b>Unit No.</b>	<b>Fuel Type</b>
Monticello	3	Lignite
Montrose	1	Subbituminous
Nelson Dewey	1	Subbituminous/Petroleum Coke
Newton	2	Subbituminous
Northern States Power - Sherburne County Generating Plant	#3	Subbituminous
Platte	1	Subbituminous
Polk Power	1	Bituminous
Port Washington	4	Bituminous
Presque Isle	5	Bituminous/Petroleum Coke
Presque Isle	6	Bituminous/Petroleum Coke
R. D. Morrow Sr. Generating plant	2	Bituminous
R.M. Heskett Station	B2	Lignite

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## **Plants That Fail at Least One Quality Criterion (Cont.)**

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<b>Plant Name</b>	<b>Unit No.</b>	<b>Fuel Type</b>
Rawhide	101	Subbituminous
Salem Harbor	3	Bituminous
Sam Seymour	3	Subbituminous
San Juan	2	Subbituminous
Scrubgrass Generating Company L. P.	GEN1	Waste Bituminous
St Clair Power Plant	4	Subbituminous/Bituminous
Stanton Station	1	Lignite
Stanton Station	10	Lignite
TNP-One	U2	Lignite
Valley	2	Bituminous/Petroleum Coke
W. H. Sammis	1	Bituminous
Wabash River Generating Station	1 + 1A	Bituminous
Wyodak	BW 91	Subbituminous

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## **Plants That Pass All Criteria**

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<b>Plant Name</b>	<b>Unit No.</b>	<b>Fuel Type</b>	<b>Air Pollution Control Device</b>	<b>% Hg Removal coal-stack</b>
Bailly	7 and 8	Bituminous	SO <sub>2</sub> /Wet Scrubber	58.61
Intermountain	2SGA	Bituminous	SO <sub>2</sub> /Wet Scrubber	83.84
Brayton Point	1	Bituminous	PM/ESP- CS	24.56
Bruce Mansfield	1	Bituminous	PM/Part. Scrubber	7.99
SEI - Birchwood Power Facility	1	Bituminous	SO <sub>2</sub> /SDA	97.2
Valmont	5	Bituminous	PM/Baghouse	77.33
Widows Creek Fossil Plant	6	Bituminous	PM/ESP- CS	29.91
AES Hawaii, Inc.	A	Subbituminous	PM/Baghouse	78.80
Cholla	2	Subbituminous	PM/Mech/Part. Scrubber	24.36
Colstrip	3	Subbituminous	PM/Part. Scrubber	14.72
Craig	C1	Subbituminous	SO <sub>2</sub> /Wet Scrubber	23.67
Craig	C3	Subbituminous	SO <sub>2</sub> /SDA	12.81
Presque Isle	9	Subbituminous	PM/ESP- HS	9.93
Shawnee Fossil Plant	3	Bituminous/Subbituminous	PM/Baghouse	49.74
Stockton Cogen Company	GEN1	Bituminous/Petcoke	PM/Baghouse	89.27

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## Plants Additional Data

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Additional Facilities  
Hg Removal & Material Balance  
Cold Side ESP – Wet FGD

Plant	% Removal $\pm$ s	Material Balance Closure
"1"	66 $\pm$ 3	103%
"2"	56 $\pm$ 6	92%
"3"	72 $\pm$ 9	116%
"4"	75 $\pm$ 6	97%
"5"	67 $\pm$ 3	104%
"6"	63 $\pm$ 4	104%



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## Additional Data

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### Activated Carbon Injection

Plant Name	% Removal (one-week test)	# carbon/mmcf
Gaston	60%	1-1.5
Bituminous (COPAC)	80%	2-2.5
	mid-90's	3.5-4.0
Pleasant Prairie	40%	2-3
Sub-Bituminous	60%	10-11
	61-62	30
Brayton Point	42%	7
Bituminous	60-61%	10
	82-83%	20



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## 2003 Mercury Emissions Testing

	Hg Species	2003.00 Inlet	2003.00 Outlet	Percent Removal	Hg Species	ICR Inlet	ICR Outlet	Percent Removal
<b><u>Laramie River Unit 1</u></b>	Hg <sub>p</sub>	2.51	0.10	96.0%	Hg <sub>p</sub>	0.15	0.02	86.7%
<b>WFGD-ESP</b>	Hg <sup>0</sup>	4.72	2.77	41.3%	Hg <sup>0</sup>	11.33	7.63	32.7%
Coal Hg - 0.12 ppm	Hg <sup>2+</sup>	1.07	0.42	60.7%	Hg <sup>2+</sup>	4.07	0.21	94.8%
	Hg <sub>total</sub>	8.30	3.29	<b>60.4%</b>	Hg <sub>total</sub>	15.55	7.86	<b>49.5%</b>
<b><u>Laramie River Unit 3</u></b>	Hg <sub>p</sub>	0.91	0.15	84.1%	Hg <sub>p</sub>	2.28	0.04	98.4%
<b>DFGD-ESP</b>	Hg <sup>0</sup>	6.80	8.50	-25.0%	Hg <sup>0</sup>	6.77	5.80	14.3%
Coal Hg - 0.11 ppm	Hg <sup>2+</sup>	1.06	0.10	90.6%	Hg <sup>2+</sup>	0.44	0.07	84.1%
	Hg <sub>total</sub>	8.77	8.78	<b>-0.1%</b>	Hg <sub>total</sub>	9.48	5.91	<b>37.7%</b>
<b><u>Dave Johnston Unit 2</u></b>	Hg <sub>p</sub>	9.10	0.13	98.6%	Hg <sub>p</sub>			
<b>ESP-CS</b>	Hg <sup>0</sup>	1.40	1.38	1.4%	Hg <sup>0</sup>		No Data	
Coal Hg - 0.13 ppm	Hg <sup>2+</sup>	0.20	1.20	-500.0%	Hg <sup>2+</sup>		Not ICR	
	Hg <sub>total</sub>	10.70	2.70	<b>74.8%</b>	Hg <sub>total</sub>			
<b><u>Grand Island</u></b>	Hg <sub>p</sub>	0.54	0.12	77.8%	Hg <sub>p</sub>	0.03	0.02	33.3%
<b>ESP-HS</b>	Hg <sup>0</sup>	7.00	7.03	-0.4%	Hg <sup>0</sup>	10.42	11.39	-9.3%
Coal Hg - 0.09 ppm	Hg <sup>2+</sup>	1.27	0.70	44.9%	Hg <sup>2+</sup>	3.33	1.05	68.5%
	Hg <sub>total</sub>	8.80	7.89	<b>10.3%</b>	Hg <sub>total</sub>	13.78	12.46	<b>9.6%</b>
<b><u>Sheldon Unit 2</u></b>	Hg <sub>p</sub>	4.90	0.03	99.4%	Hg <sub>p</sub>			
<b>FF</b>	Hg <sup>0</sup>	1.80	1.16	35.6%	Hg <sup>0</sup>		No Data	
Coal Hg - 0.13 ppm	Hg <sup>2+</sup>	0.07	0.15	-114.3%	Hg <sup>2+</sup>		Not ICR	
	Hg <sub>total</sub>	6.78	1.30	<b>80.8%</b>	Hg <sub>total</sub>			

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## 2003 Mercury Emissions Testing Cont'd

	Hg Species	2003.00 Inlet	2003.00 Outlet	Percent Hg Removal	Hg Species	ICR Inlet	ICR Outlet	Percent Removal
<b><u>Pawnee</u></b>	Hg <sub>p</sub>				Hg <sub>p</sub>			
<b><i>FF</i></b>	Hg <sup>0</sup>		Data being		Hg <sup>0</sup>		No Data	
	Hg <sup>2+</sup>		Re-checked		Hg <sup>2+</sup>		Not ICR	
	Hg <sub>total</sub>				Hg <sub>total</sub>			
<b><u>Rawhide Unit 101</u></b>	Hg <sub>p</sub>	0.27	0.00	100.0%	Hg <sub>p</sub>	1.74	0.09	94.8%
<b><i>DFGD - FF</i></b>	Hg <sup>0</sup>	5.94	4.83	18.7%	Hg <sup>0</sup>	11.89	8.35	29.8%
Coal Hg- 0.06 ppm	Hg <sup>2+</sup>	1.68	1.55	7.7%	Hg <sup>2+</sup>	0.79	0.68	13.9%
	Hg <sub>total</sub>	7.90	6.38	<b>19.2%</b>	Hg <sub>total</sub>	14.42	9.11	<b>36.8%</b>
<b><u>Bridger Unit 4</u></b>	Hg <sub>p</sub>				Hg <sub>p</sub>	0.16	5.40	-3275.0%
<b><i>WFGD</i></b>	Hg <sup>0</sup>		Scheduled		Hg <sup>0</sup>	4.30	0.04	99.1%
Sched-April 3/4	Hg <sup>2+</sup>		for 4-3&4-03		Hg <sup>2+</sup>	1.80	0.21	88.4%
	Hg <sub>total</sub>				Hg <sub>total</sub>	6.30	5.60	<b>11.1%</b>
<b><u>Columbia Unit 1</u></b>	Hg <sub>p</sub>				Hg <sub>p</sub>	0.01	0.00	100.0%
<b><i>ESP-HS-Sburn</i></b>	Hg <sup>0</sup>		Delayed		Hg <sup>0</sup>	13.32	10.10	24.2%
(delayed till late April	Hg <sup>2+</sup>				Hg <sup>2+</sup>	2.27	2.10	7.5%
	Hg <sub>total</sub>				Hg <sub>total</sub>	15.60	12.21	<b>21.7%</b>
<b><u>Nelson Dewey</u></b>	Hg <sub>p</sub>				Hg <sub>p</sub>	0.00	0.00	100.0%
<b><i>ESP-HS</i></b>	Hg <sup>0</sup>		Delayed until		Hg <sup>0</sup>	2.31	2.56	-10.8%
(delayed till late April	Hg <sup>2+</sup>		Late April		Hg <sup>2+</sup>	0.26	0.21	19.2%
	Hg <sub>total</sub>				Hg <sub>total</sub>	2.57	2.77	<b>-7.8%</b>

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## **Mercury Emissions Testing Cont'd**

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Retest of FirstEnergy Sammis Unit #1

<b>Test</b>	<b>Hg % Reduction From Coal</b>
ICR Results	87%
Retest (6/6/02 – 6/27/02)	49% - 75%

# ***U.S. ENERGY: MERCURY MACT DISCUSSION***

## **Mercury ICR data**

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- Extent to which the mercury removal is achievable by coal varies by:
  - Degree of speciation
  - Chlorine content
  - Loss of ignition (LOI)
  - Boiler type
  - Control technology
  - Plant configuration

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## Coal Variability

Coal Type		Hg (ppm)	Cl (ppm)
Bituminous	Mecklenburg (VA - 132 mw)	0.097	1893
	Dwayne Collier Battle Cogen 2B (NC - 115 mw)	0.03	1700
	Valmont 5 (CO - 166 mw)	0.008	39
	<i>ICR CO Average</i>	<b>0.042</b>	<b>209</b>
	SEI - Birchwood Power Facility 1 (VA - 240 mw)	0.11	917
	Intermountain 2SGA (UT - 820 mw)	0.023	200
	<i>ICR UT Average</i>	<b>0.057</b>	<b>219</b>
	<b>Averages</b>	<b>0.054</b>	<b>950</b>
	Subbituminous		
Clay Boswell 2 (MN - 75 mw )		0.057	50
Craig C3 (CO - 420 mw)		0.01	117
Cholla 3 (AZ - 290 mw)		0.037	50
Craig C1 (CO - 420 mw)		0.023	267
Coronado U1B (AZ - 395 mw)		0.035	117
<b>Averages</b>		<b>0.032</b>	<b>120</b>
<b>ICR Average</b>		<b>0.0695</b>	<b>127</b>
Lignite			
	Antelope Valley Station B1 (ND - 435 mw)	0.062	107
	Leland Olds Station 2 (ND - 440 mw)	0.041	91
	Stanton Station 10 (ND - 60 mw)	0.084	28
	Stanton Station 1 (ND - 140 mw)	0.082	50
	Coyote 1 (ND - 450 mw)	0.111	100
	<b>Average</b>	<b>0.076</b>	<b>75</b>
	<b>ICR Average</b>	<b>0.089</b>	<b>134</b>

# ***U.S. ENERGY: MERCURY MACT DISCUSSION***

## **West Reported Observations on ICR data**

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- Only North Dakota lignite units in the top 5 of the lignite group
- ICR tests used coals that contained less mercury than the average.
- There are multiple factors involving coal chemistry and unit configuration that contribute to the ICR data

# U.S. ENERGY: MERCURY MACT DISCUSSION

## ICR Data Summary (95<sup>th</sup> Percentile)

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		Hg (ppm)
Lignite	Texas	0.35
	North Dakota	0.15
Subbituminous	Wyoming	0.15
	Montana	0.11
Western Bituminous	Colorado	0.09
	Utah	0.13
Eastern Bituminous	Kentucky	0.18
	West Virginia	0.27
	Pennsylvania	0.49
	Illinois	0.15

# **U.S. ENERGY: MERCURY MACT DISCUSSION**

## **ICR Data 95<sup>th</sup> Percentile**

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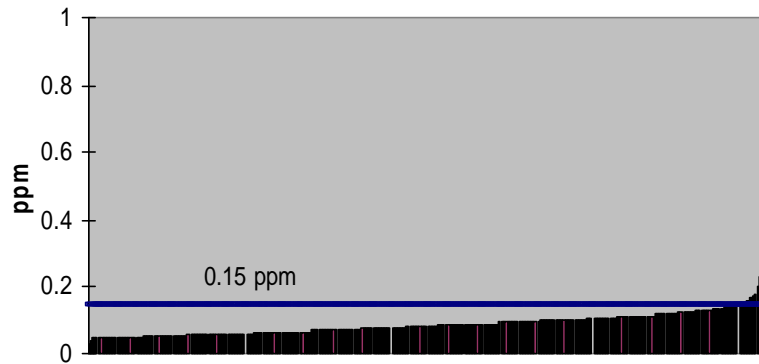
		<b>lb Hg/Tbtu in Coal</b>
<b>Lignite</b>	<b>Texas</b>	20
	<b>North Dakota</b>	13
<b>Subbituminous</b>	<b>Wyoming</b>	8
	<b>Montana</b>	7
<b>Western Bituminous</b>	<b>Colorado</b>	4
	<b>Utah</b>	5
<b>Eastern Bituminous</b>	<b>Kentucky</b>	16
	<b>West Virginia</b>	9
	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	15
	<b>Illinois</b>	8

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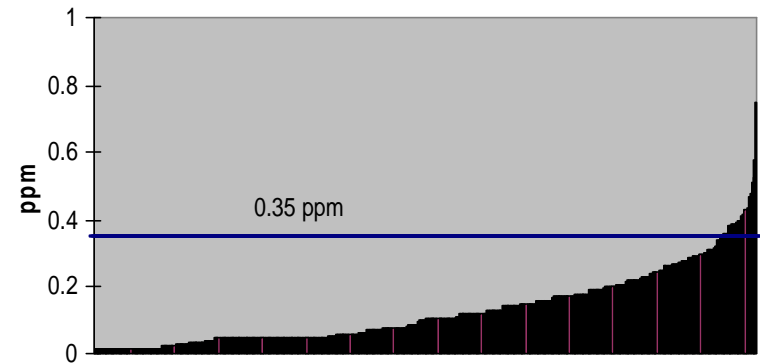
## ICR Data 95<sup>th</sup> Percentile – Lignite

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North Dakota Lignite Hg vs 95th Percentile



Texas Lignite Hg vs. 95th Percentile

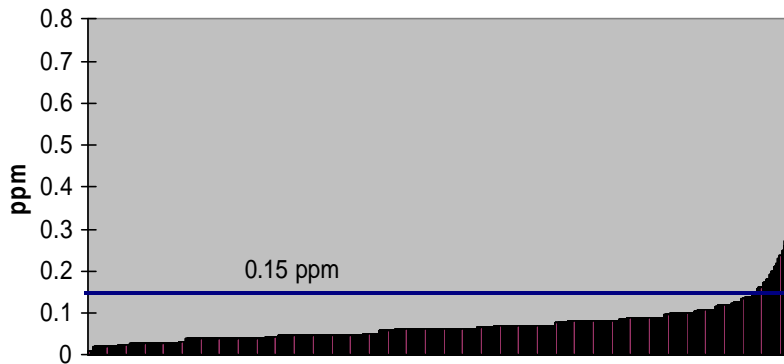


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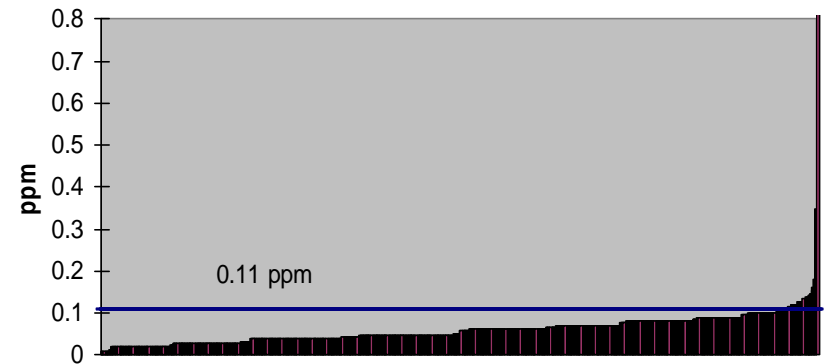
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Wyoming Subbituminous Hg vs 95th Percentile



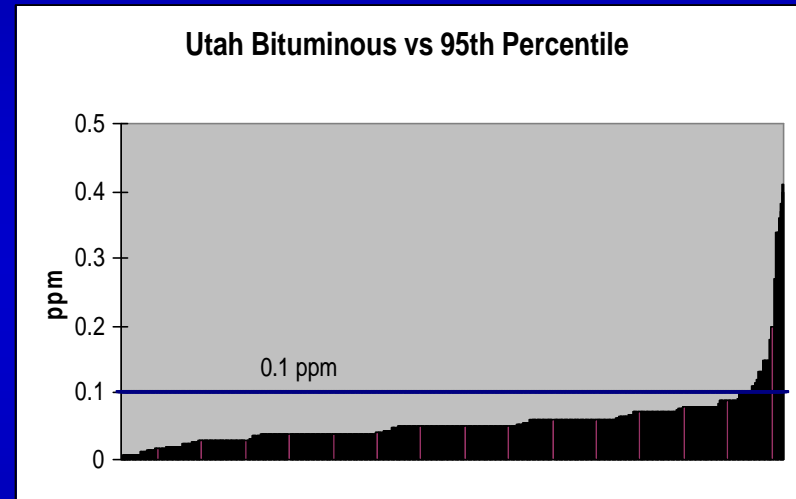
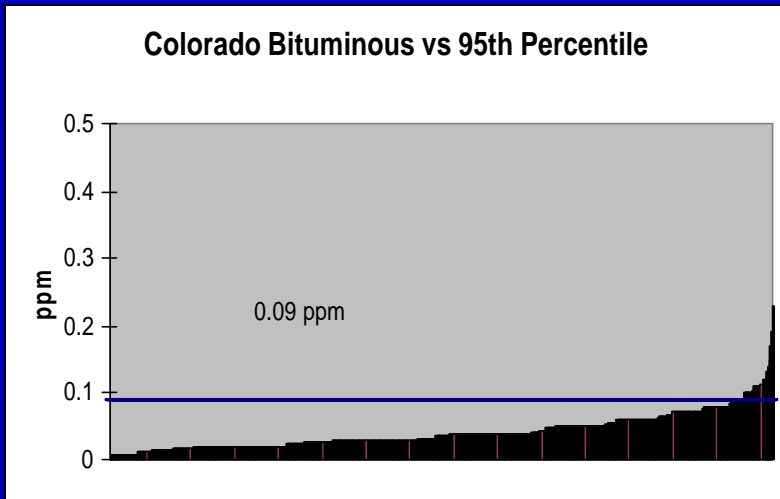
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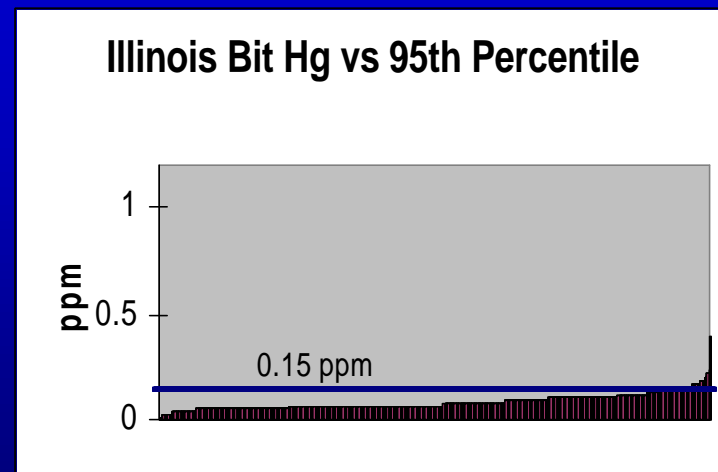
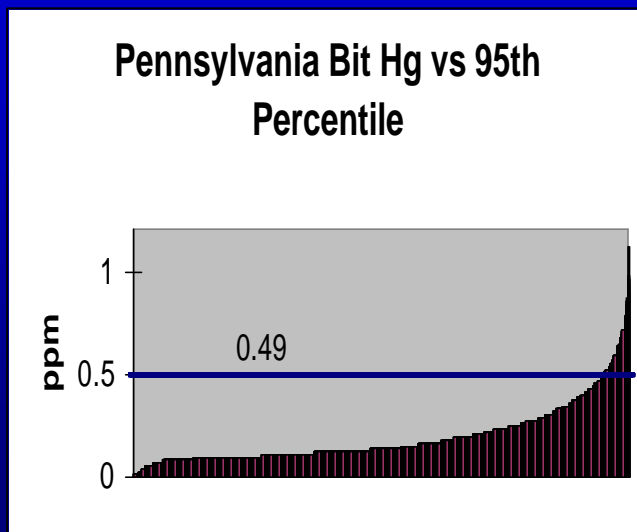
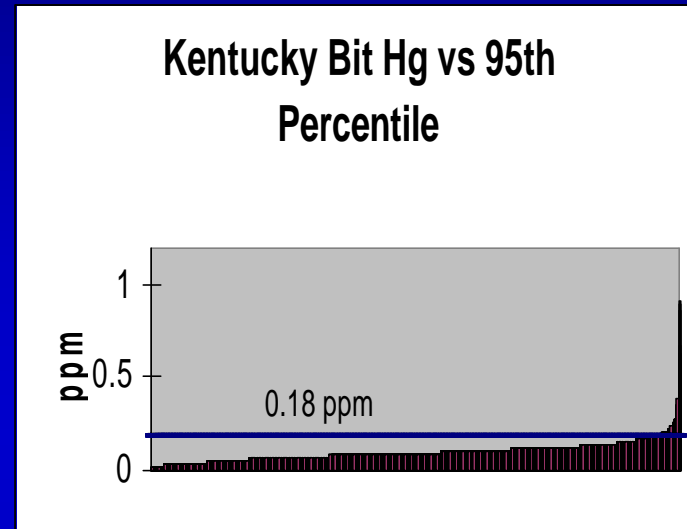
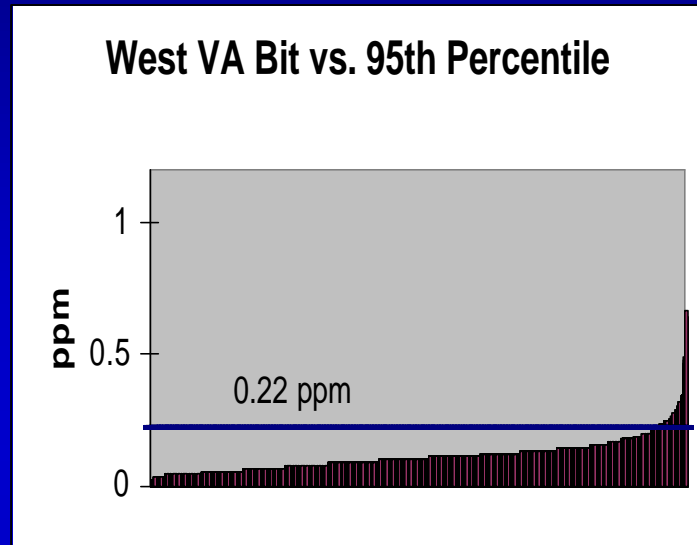
## ICR Data 95<sup>th</sup> Percentile – Western Bituminous Coals

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## ICR Data 95<sup>th</sup> Percentile-Midwest/Eastern Bit. Coals



***Mercury MACT  
Summary***

# ***U.S. ENERGY: MERCURY MACT DISCUSSION***

## **NMA Core Issues**

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- The estimated amount of mercury emissions under a MACT rule should be between 30-33 tons per year from existing coal-fired power plants
- The less stringent of a lbs/trillion Btu or percent reduction standard
- Standard should not preclude emerging technologies and pre-combustion Hg reduction options
- Mercury control technology should be based on the following criteria:
  - Cost-effective
  - Verifiable public health benefits
  - Worst case fuel variability and operating scenarios should be taken into account in a manner consistent with Clean Air Act requirements

# ***U.S. ENERGY: MERCURY MACT DISCUSSION***

## **Concerns of Unbalanced Mercury Regulations**

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- **Loss of fuel diversity**
- **Fuel switching to high cost, higher use fuels (natural gas/imported oil)**
- **Higher energy prices and its health impacts on the poor**
- **Strain on electric reliability**
- **No measurable environmental benefit**
- **Cost to electric utility industry**

# ***U.S. ENERGY: MERCURY MACT DISCUSSION***

## **Mercury Regulation Criteria**

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- **Mercury control technology should be based on the following criteria:**
  - **Cost-effective**
  - **Verifiable public health benefits**
  - **Worst case fuel variability and operating scenarios should be taken into account in a manner consistent with Clean Air Act requirements**

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