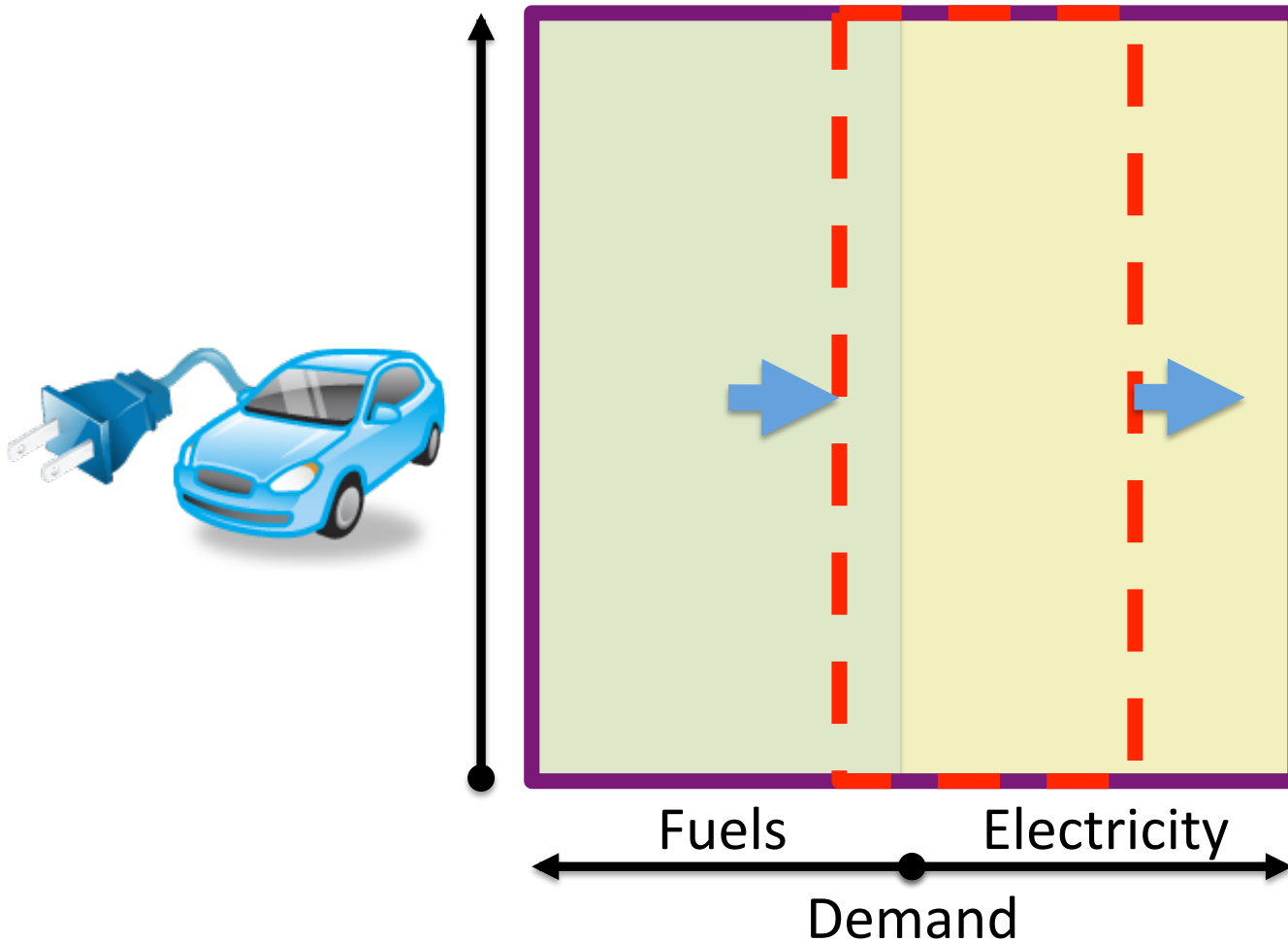


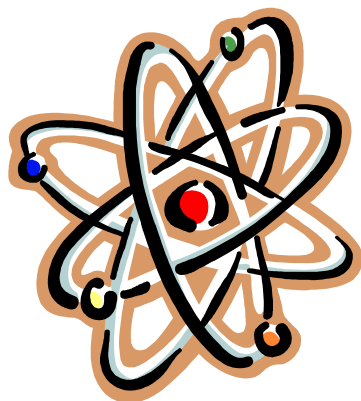
# Electrification



# The realistic potential of electricity supply technologies in California

- Nuclear: GENIII technology
  - Fossil fuel w/CCS: either coal or gas
  - Renewables : 80% intermittent
  - Load balancing: gas, storage, smart-grid
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- Any of these could supply all the electricity required – about 500TWh
  - **The primary issue is emissions**
  - Ancillary impacts, costs, barriers are issues too
  - We assume at least 33% renewables in all cases

# Low-Carbon Electricity Options



## **Nuclear**

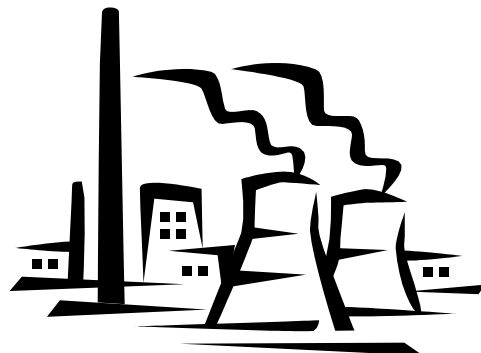
62% nuclear

43GW

33% renewable

5% natl gas

load following



## **Fossil/CCS**

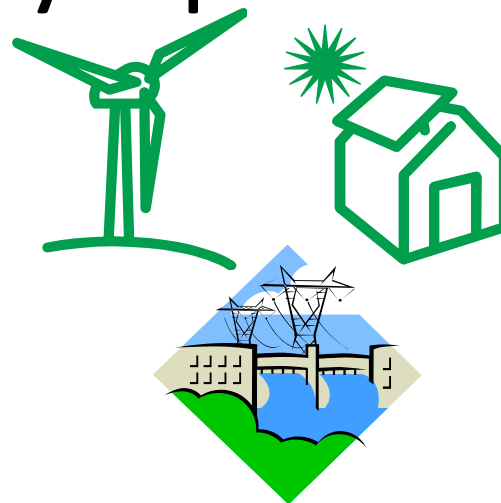
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48 GW

33% renewable

5% natl gas

load following



## **Renewables**

90% renewable

(70% intermittent)

150 GW

10% natl gas

following

Strategy	Assumed plant size	Total plant capacity needed in 2050	Build rate 2011-2050 (Plants/year)
<b>Nuclear</b>	1.5 GW	43 GW	0.7
<b>Fossil/CCS</b>	1.5 GW	48 GW	0.8
<b>Renewables Mix</b>			
- Wind	500 MW	57 GW	2.9
- Central Solar (CSP and PV)	500 MW	57 GW	2.9
- Distributed Solar PV	5 kW	25 GW	125,000
<b>Biomass/CCS</b>	500 MW	12 GW	0.6
<b>CA Biofuels</b>	50 Mgge/yr	6,500 Mgge/yr	3.2

# Nuclear Electricity

- Mature technology
- Assume 62% nuclear, 33% renewables (RPS)
- Required build rate 2020-2050: 1.4 GW per year
- Adequate land, fuel, safety
- Cooling water: use air cooling?
- Cost Estimates
  - Estimates range from 5-6 to 18 ¢/kWh (levelized)
  - Best estimate: 6-8 ¢/kWh, similar to fossil/CCS and renewables
- Challenges of Nuclear
  - Waste disposal (CA law)
  - Public acceptance

# Challenges of Fossil/CCS

- Massive new infrastructure
  - In-state: CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline network needed
  - Out-of-state (“coal by wire”): New transmission network throughout West
- Saline aquifer viability must be demonstrated
  - Oil/gas reservoir capacity alone severely limited
- Natural gas: Uncertainties in long-term production cost, competition from LNG imports
- Coal: Environmental impacts of mining remain

# Nuclear and CCS technology bins

Bin	Nuclear Technology	Coal or Natural Gas CO2 Capture	CO2 Storage
1	Generation III+ reactors	High-efficiency coal gasification, high-efficiency natural gas combined cycle, ultra-supercritical pulverized coal combustion, solid-oxide fuel cell (SOFC), solvent separation	Injection into oil/gas reservoirs
2	Small modular reactors (LWR)	Post-combustion CO2 capture technologies with 90% capture efficiency, integrated gasification systems with CCS, amine solvent separation	Saline aquifer injection
3	Generation IV (including small modular Na-cooled reactors)	New capture methods with >90% effectiveness, lower cost CO2 capture technologies of all kinds, metal-organic framework separations, membrane separation	Coal bed injection
4	None	None	Shale injection

# Renewable Electricity

Type	Share of Total Supply	Realistic Case Supply (GWh)	Capacity Factor	Generation Capacity Required in 2050 (GW)	CEC Resource Upper Limit (GW)	Fraction of Total Resource Consumed	Displaced land area (km <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Wind - onshore</b>	30%	159,000	40%	45.4	150	30%	11,470 (230)*
<b>Wind - offshore</b>	10%	53,000	40%	15.1	293	5%	3,820 (80)*
<b>Concentrated Solar Power (CSP)</b>	20%	106,000	27%	44.8	1061	4%	1,620
<b>Centralized Photovoltaic (PV)</b>	10%	53,000	27%	22.4	17,000	0.1%	1,960
<b>Distributed PV</b>	10%	53,000	27%	22.4	78	29%	1,960 (0)*
<b>Biomass</b>	5%	26,500	85%	3.6	10.7	33%	35,600 (0)*
<b>Hydroelectric</b>	5%	26,500	30%	10.1	24	42%	1,430
<b>Geothermal</b>	10%	53,000	90%	6.7	25	27%	400
<b>Total</b>	100%	530,100		170.5			58,250 (5,710)*

\*About 1.4% of California land area



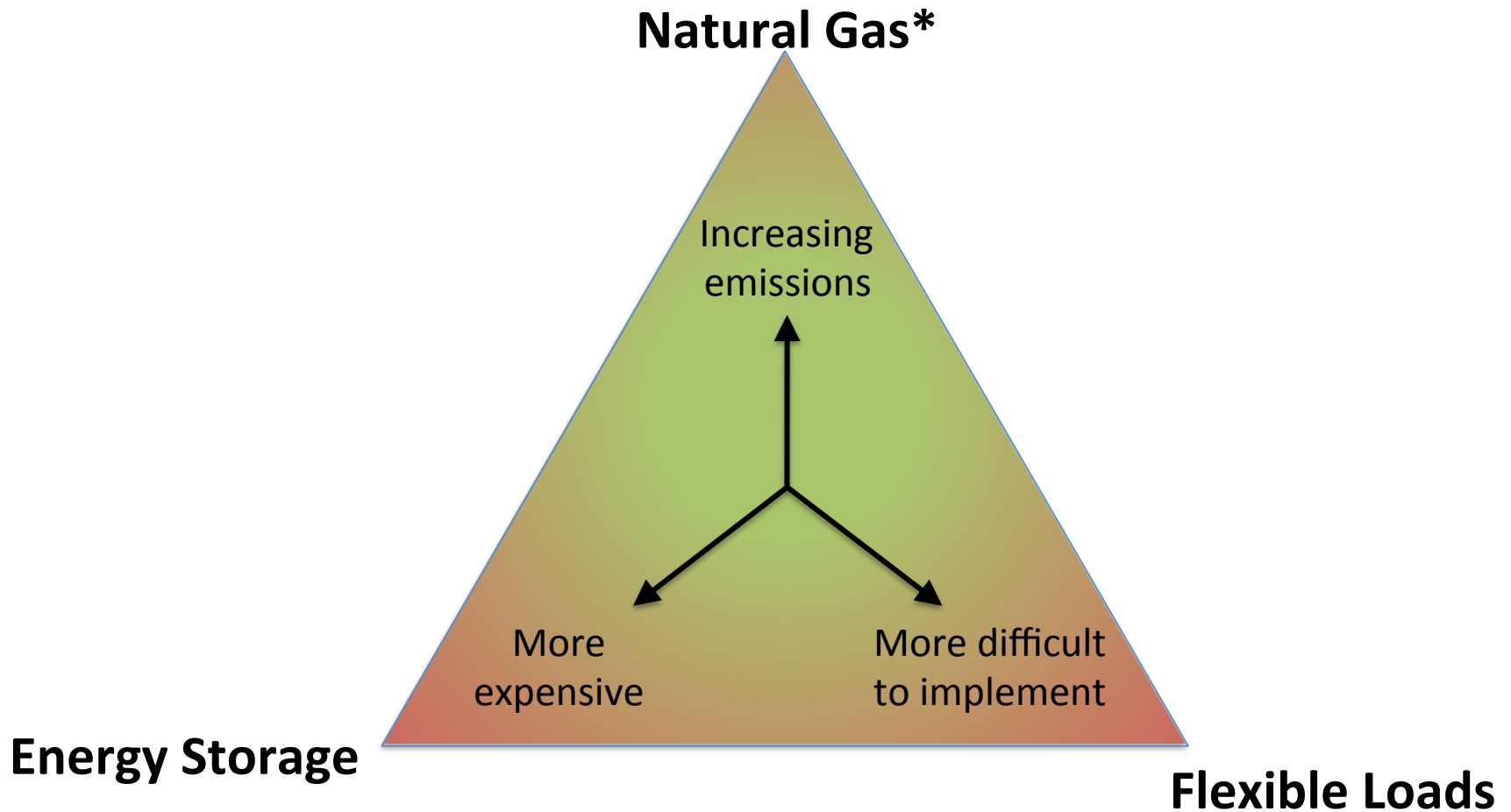
# What is required for Renewables

- Improved technology costs and performance
  - Conversion technology,
  - O&M,
  - environmental controls
- Grid flexibility to balance out variability, particularly for wind, solar
  - Controllable loads, storage, transmission, demand response, electric vehicles
- Water resources for thermal cooling
- Land use and availability

# Renewable technology bins

Bin	Wind	Concentrated Solar Power (CSP)	Solar Photovoltaic (PV)	Geothermal	Hydro and Ocean	Biomass
1	Onshore, shallow offshore turbines	Parabolic trough, central receiver	Silicon PV, Thin-film PV, Concentrating PV	Conventional geothermal	Conventional hydro	Coal/biomass co-firing, direct fired biomass
2		Dish Stirling				Biomass gasification
3	Floating (deepwater) offshore turbines		"Third generation" PV		Wave, tidal and river turbines	
4	High-altitude wind			Enhanced geothermal systems (EGS)		

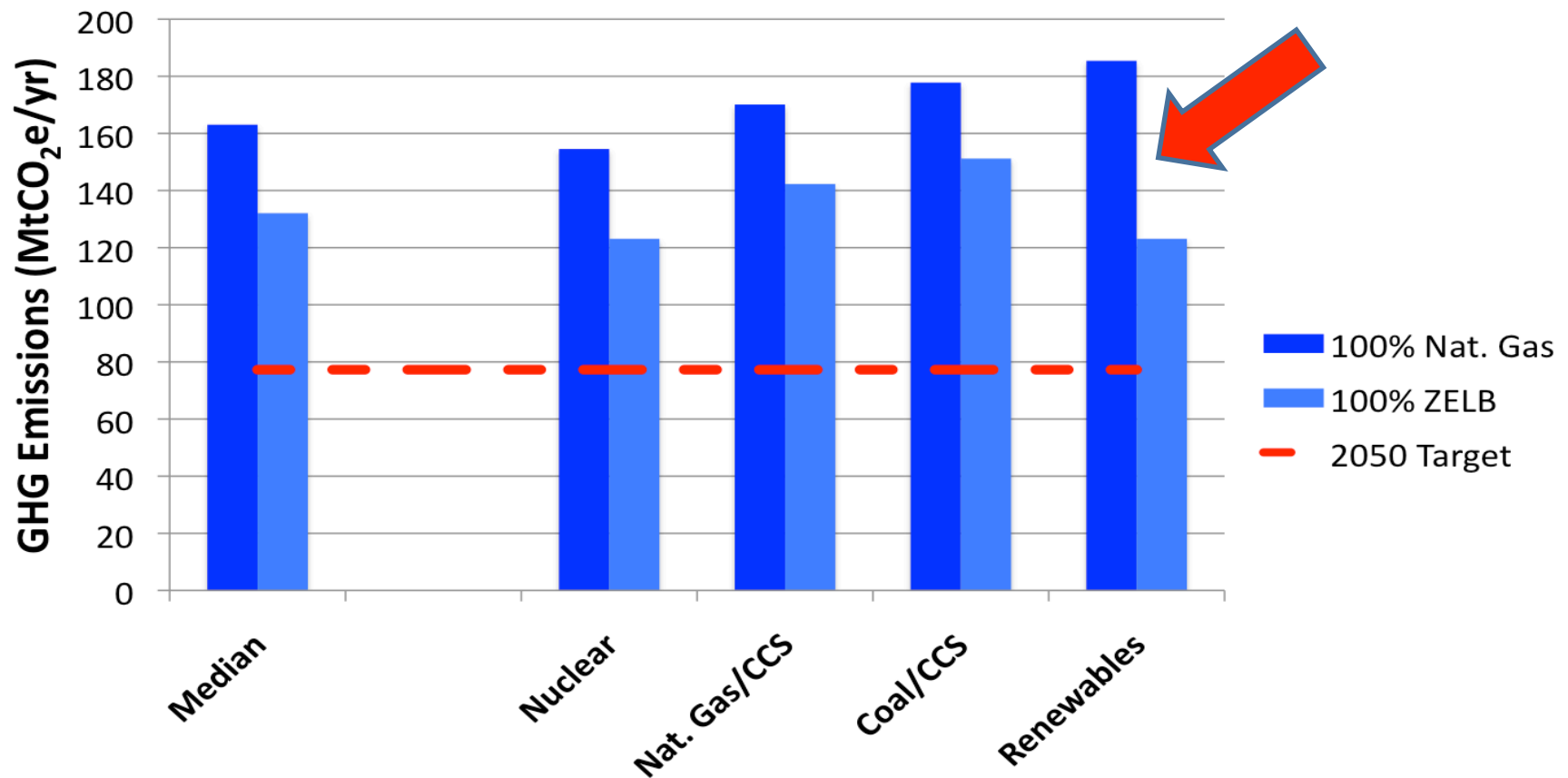
# The load following triangle



*\* May be possible with CCS in future*

# Zero-Emission Load Balancing (ZELB)

## GHG Impact of Zero-Emissions Load Balancing (ZELB)



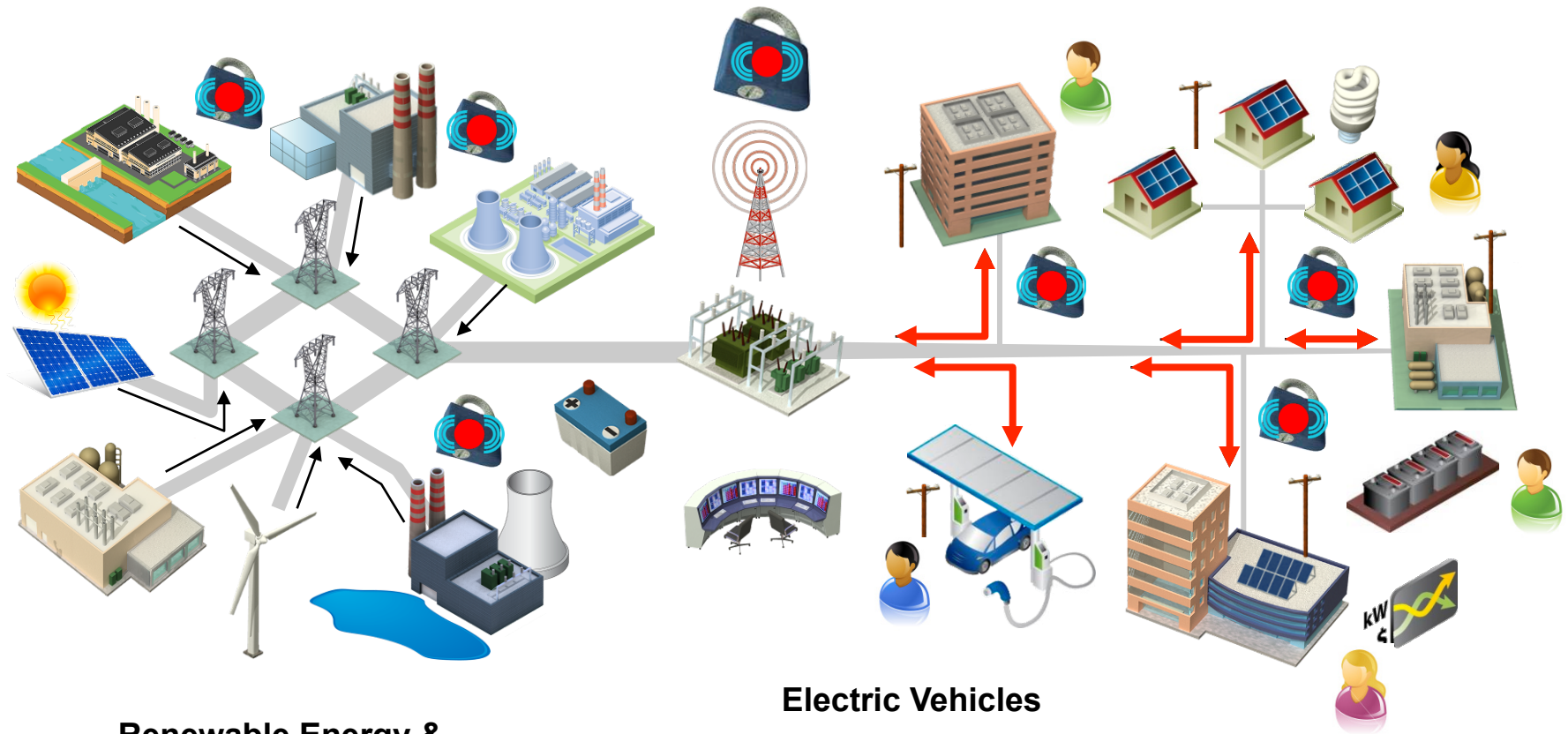
# Load following technology bins

Bin	Natural Gas	Storage*	Demand Side Management
1	Combustion turbine	Pumped hydro	Commercial-scale critical peak demand response
2		“First generation” compressed air energy storage (CAES), battery technologies (Na/S, advanced Pb/Acid, Ni/Cd, Li ion as found in electric vehicles)	Commercial time-of-use demand-side management
3	Variable fossil generation with CCS	Battery technologies (some advanced Pb/Acid, Vanadium redox, Vanadium flow, Zn/Br redox, Zn/Br flow, Fe/Cr redox, some Li ion), flywheel, “second generation” CAES	Residential time-of-use demand-side management

# The median electricity portrait

- For the sake of examining the whole energy system (ie adding in an understanding of fuels) these three electricity portraits are not exactly equal.
  - If we have 100% renewables, the requirement for ZELB increases
  - ZELB could be accomplished with carbon neutral fuel.
  - So this scenario increases the demand for carbon neutral fuel – which we will see is already in short supply.
- Two electricity portraits:
  - Median case
    - 33% renewables
    - 31% CCS
    - 31% nuclear
    - 5% gas for load following
  - 90% renewables + 10% natl gas for load following

# The Power System of Tomorrow



**Renewable Energy & Integration**

**Near-Zero Emissions**

**Long-Term Operations**

**Water Management**

**Electric Vehicles**

**Demand Response & Efficiency**

**Distributed Energy Resources**

**Energy Storage**

**Sensors, Controls & Cyber Security**