

An overview of the energy industry in the UK and EU

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The UK Energy Research Centre

- The centrepiece of the Research Councils' Energy Programme
- A world class centre for interdisciplinary whole systems energy research (70+ researchers at 18 Universities)
- A bridge between the UK energy research community and the wider world of business, policy and international energy research



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Energy Generation and Supply Knowledge Transfer Network

Steering Group



KTN Director



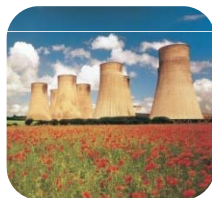
Delivery Partners



Offshore Wind



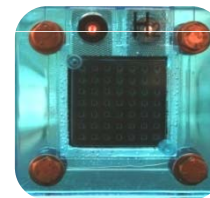
Wave and Tidal



Carbon Abatement Technology



Maximising Oil & Gas Resources

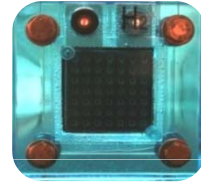


Hydrogen & Fuel Cells



Future & Emerging Opportunities

Facilitating Business Success



Dynamic
Information
Hub



_connect platform



Focused
Events



Ambitions for Power
Generation in the UK



(Special)
Interest
Groups



Call for EPSRC
Supergen Power
Networks Hub



Global
Outreach



International
Engagement Workshop



Advisory
Helpdesk



- Utilities/Operators
- Equipment Suppliers
- Trade Associations
- Site owners/planners/EPCs
- Universities
- Research Institutes
- Investment Firms
- Certification Bodies
- Regulators
- Gov Funding Bodies
- RDAs/DAs
- Other KTNs

<https://innovateuk.org/energyktn>

Energy systems and whole systems...

The UK energy system.....

“the set of technologies, physical infrastructure, institutions, policies and practices located in and associated with the UK which enable energy services to be delivered to UK consumers”.

also...

... the UK energy system's interconnections with the global energy system, the natural environment and wider society.

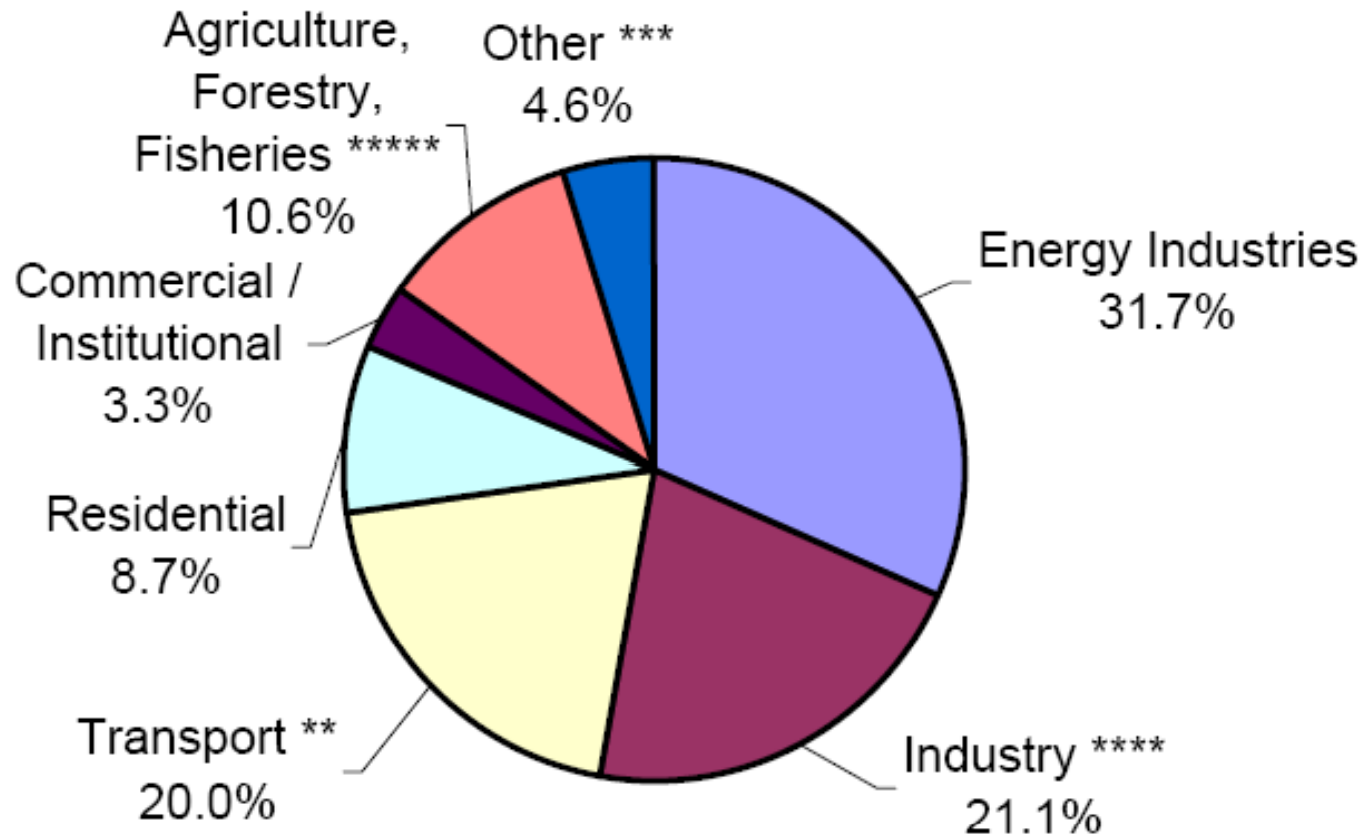
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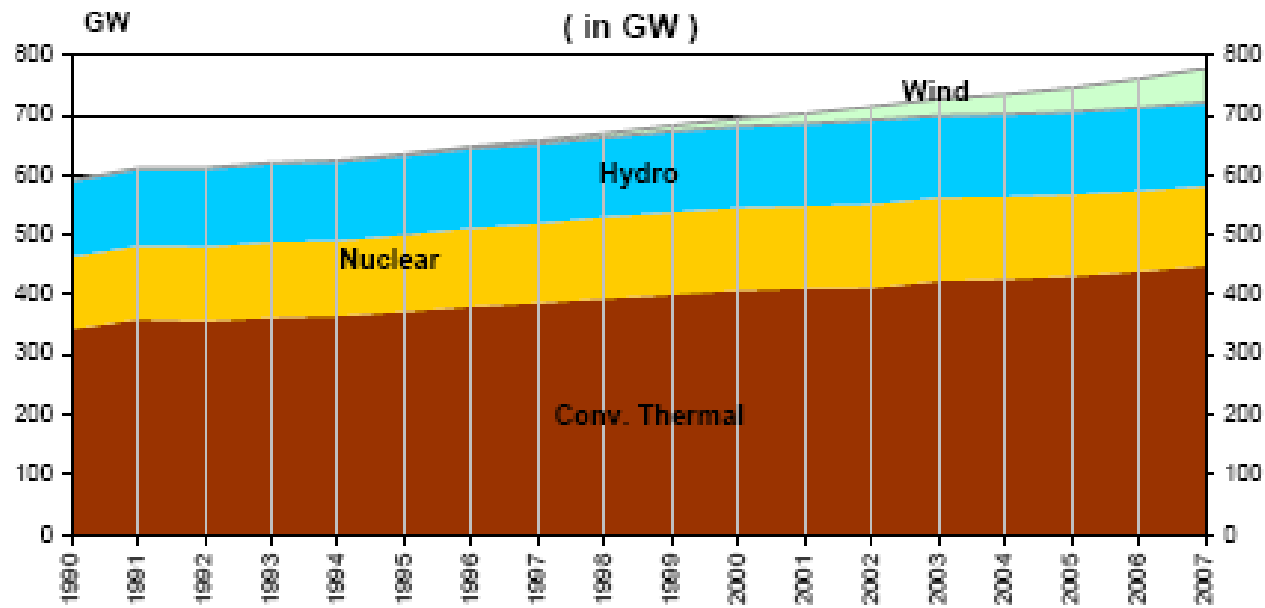
Greenhouse Gas Emissions (GHG)* by Sector: EU-25 (Shares of Total Emissions:)



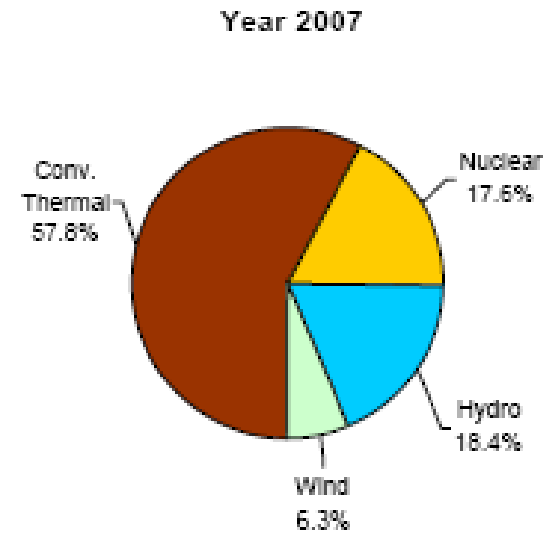
http://ec.europa.eu/energy/publications/doc/statistics/ext_greenhouse_gas_emissions_by_sector.pdf

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Electricity Production Capacity - EU27



Source: Eurostat, May 2009



http://ec.europa.eu/energy/publications/doc/statistics/part_2_energy_pocket_book_2010.pdf

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UK energy policy

- Low carbon
 - 34% 2020
 - 80% 2050
- Secure
- Affordable
- Promote competitive markets



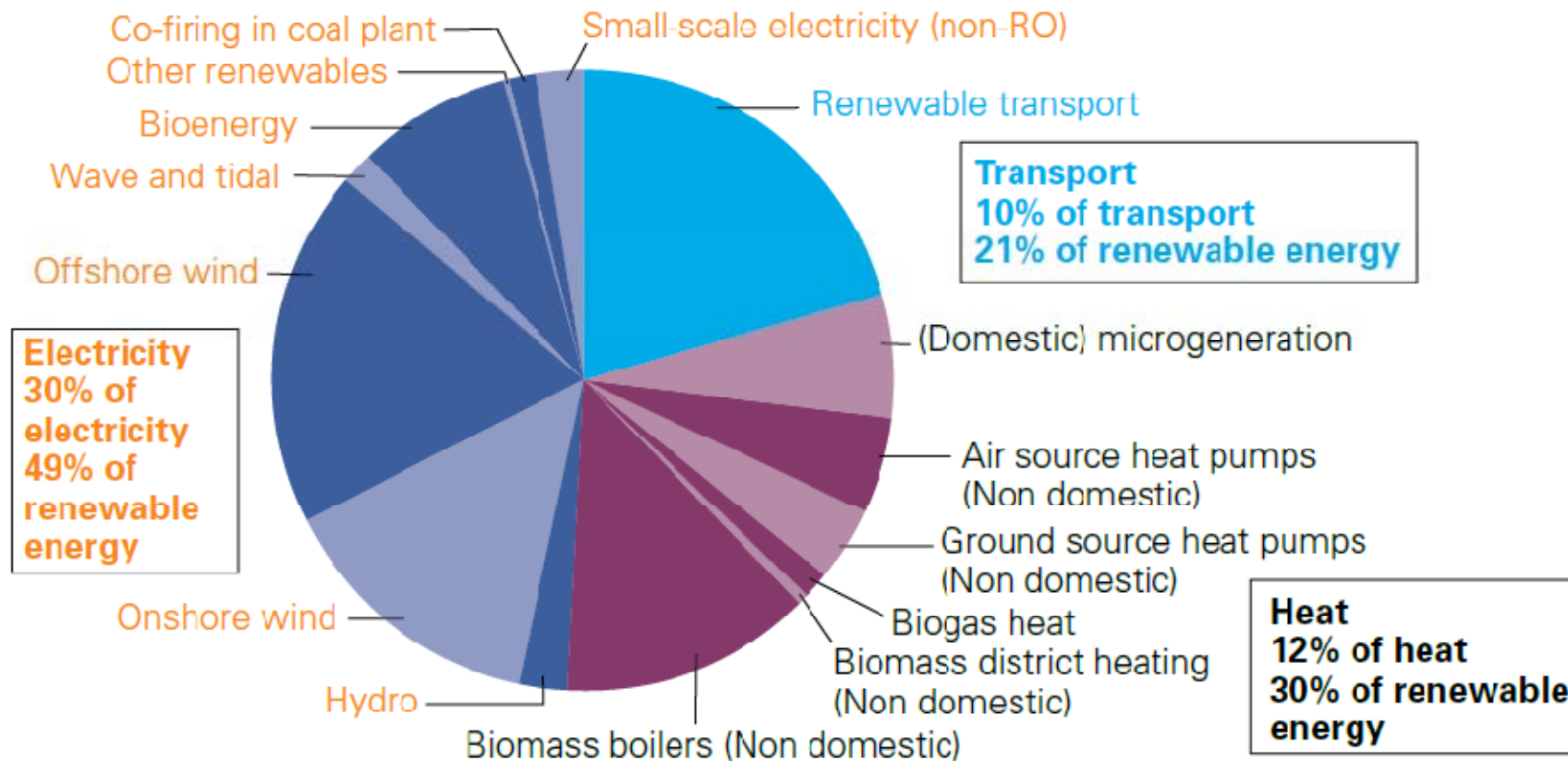
Energy Act 2008

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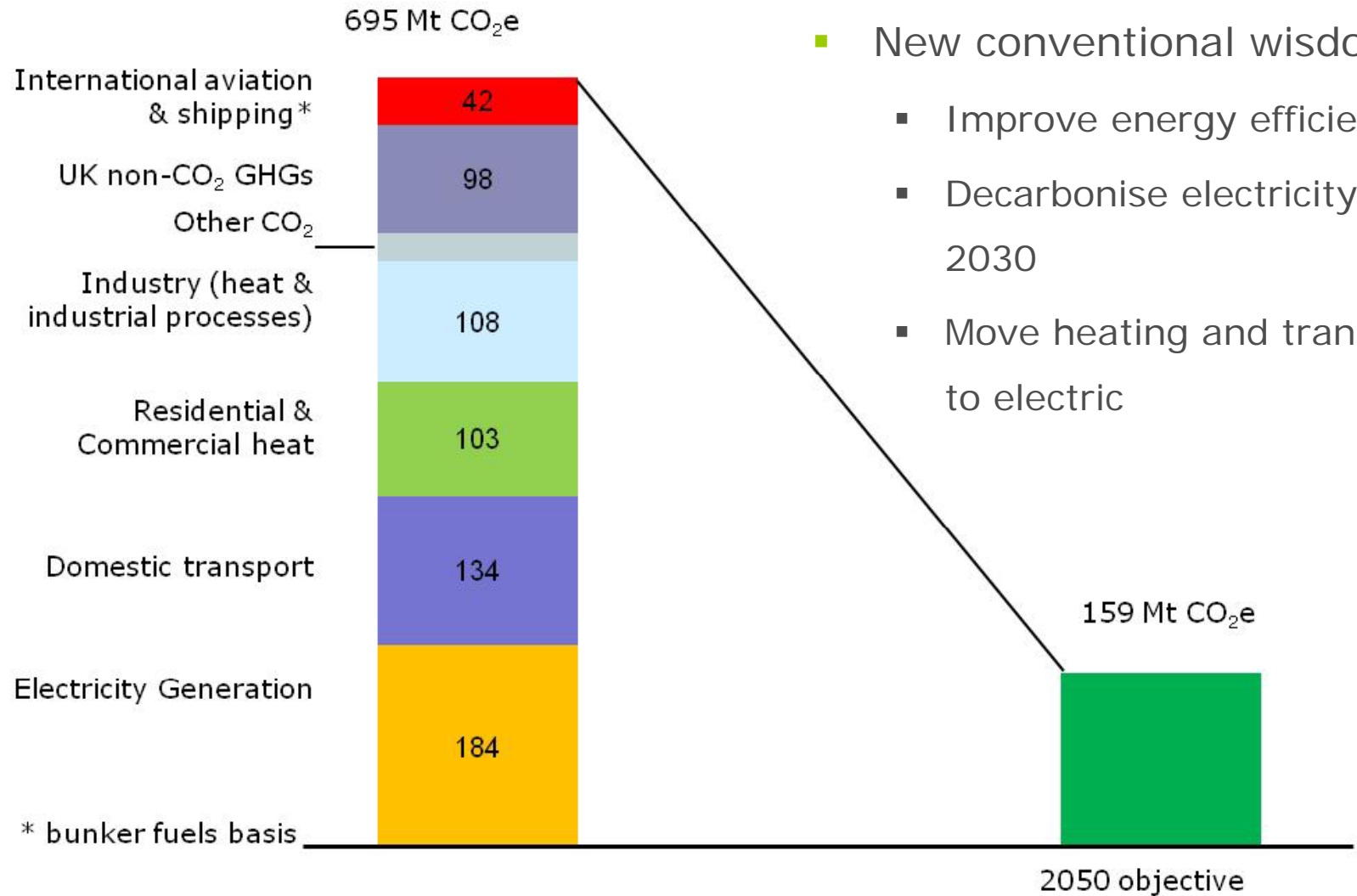
UK Renewable Energy Strategy

Illustrative mix of technologies in lead scenario, 2020 (TWh)



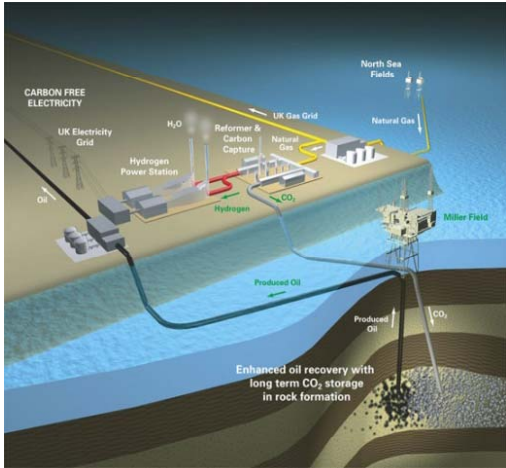
Source: DECC analysis based on Redpoint/Trilemma (2009), Element/Pöyry (2009) and Nera (2009) and DfT internal analysis

Meeting the UK 2050 target



Source: Committee on Climate Change

Key technologies



Carbon capture and storage



Electric vehicles



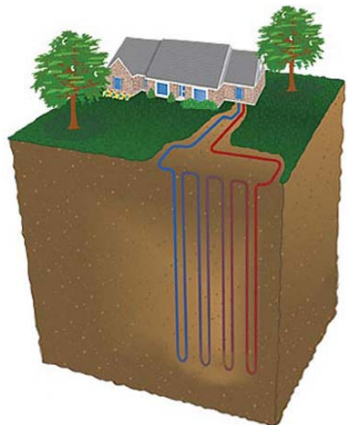
Efficiency



Nuclear



Biofuels



Heat pumps

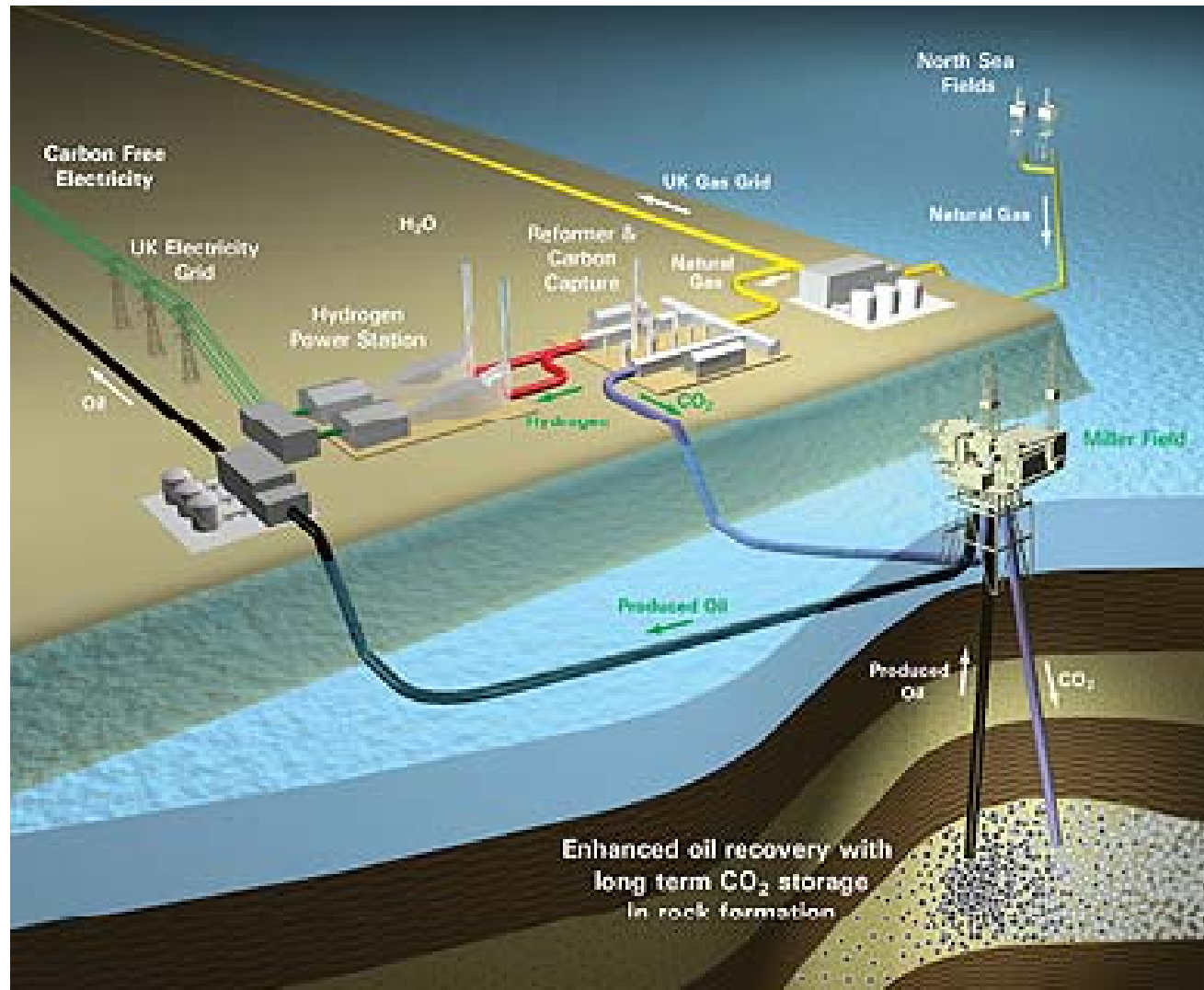


Solar power



Renewables

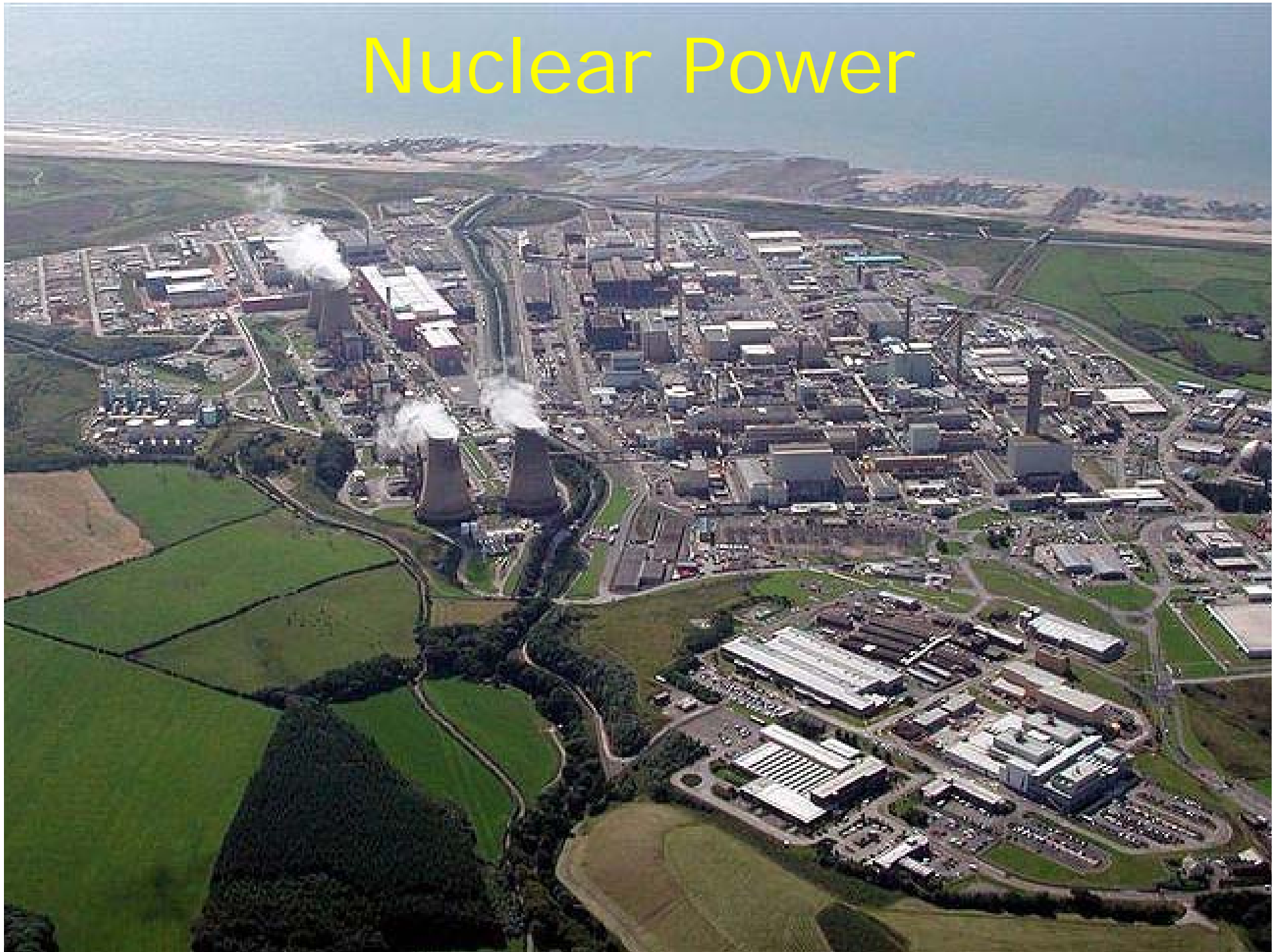
Carbon capture and storage



Peterhead power station, Scotland

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Nuclear Power



Nuclear waste management

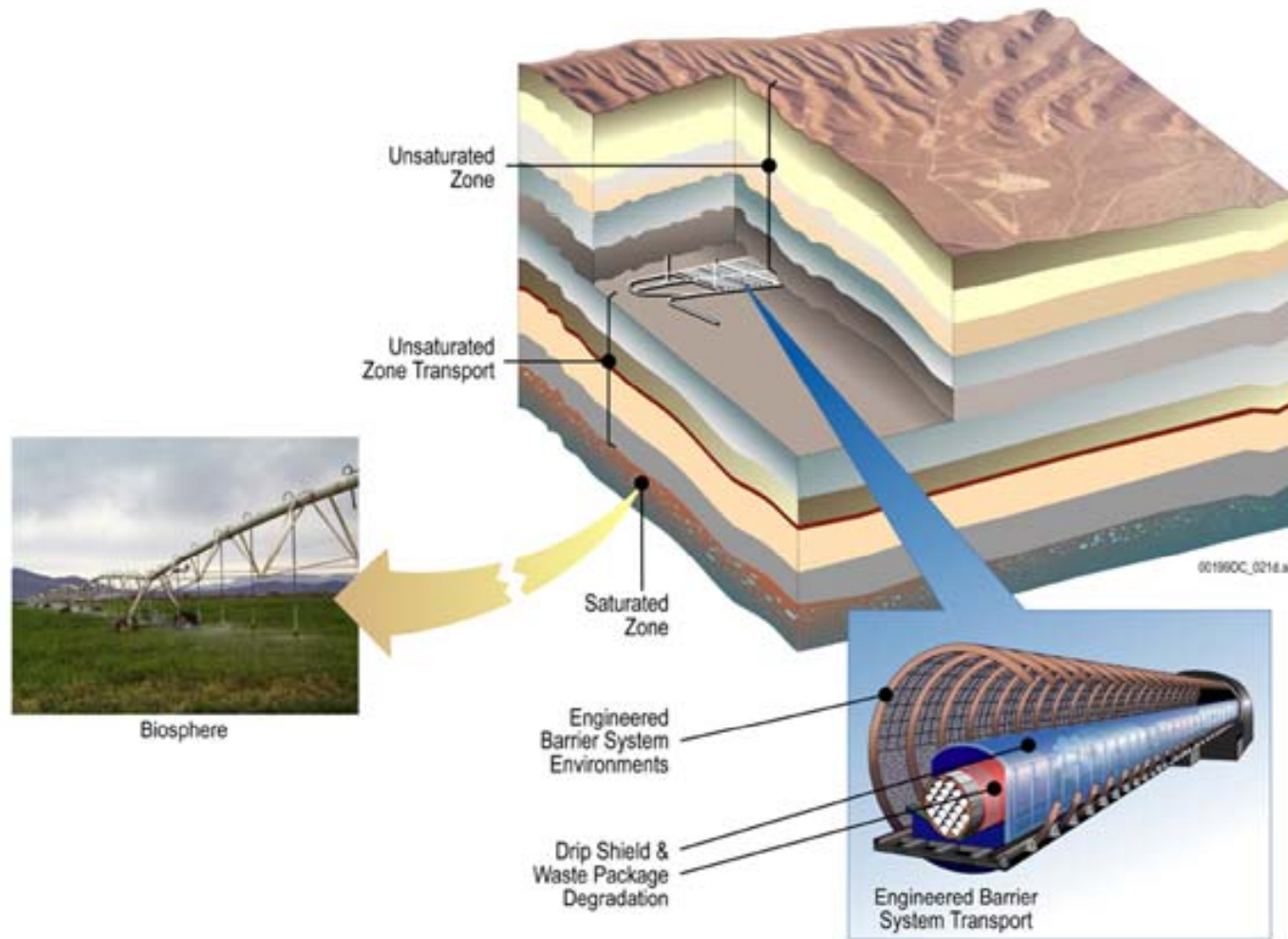
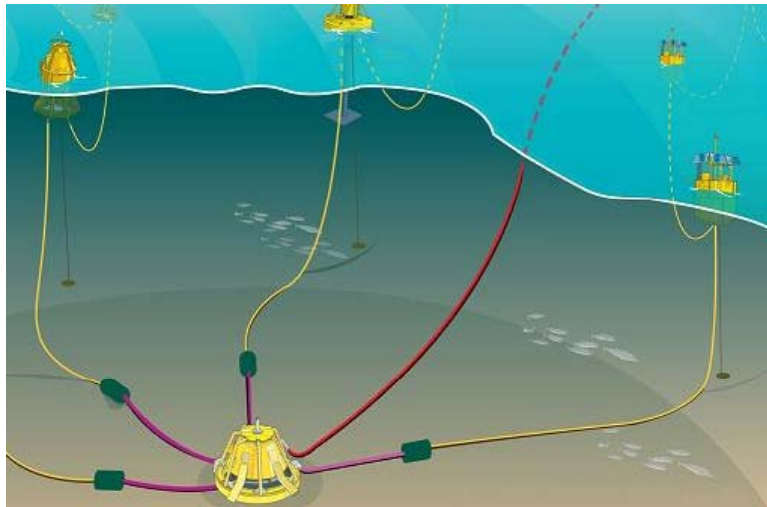


Image from NEI website



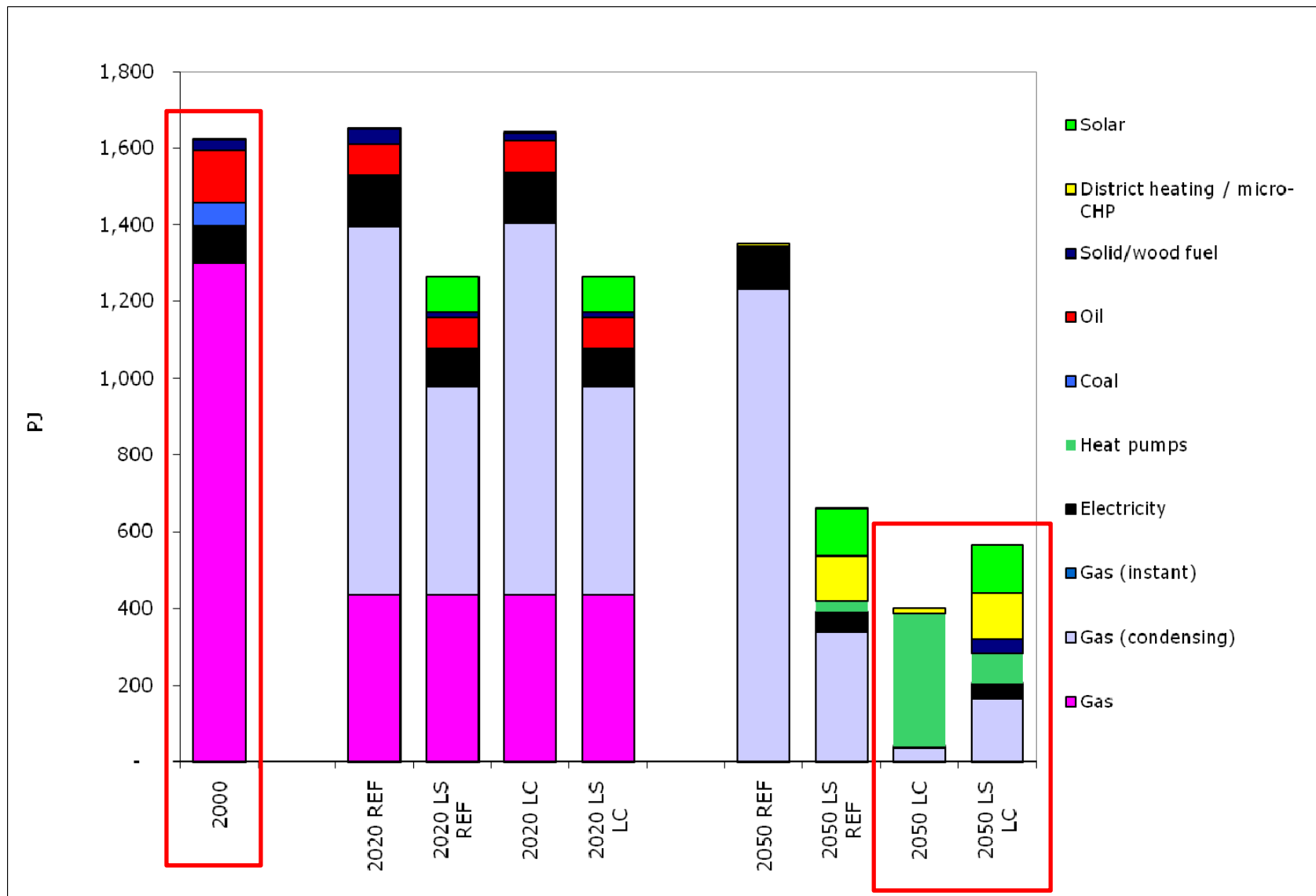
Renewables



Concentrating Solar Power



Residential heating to 2050



Source: UKERC 2050

Biofuels



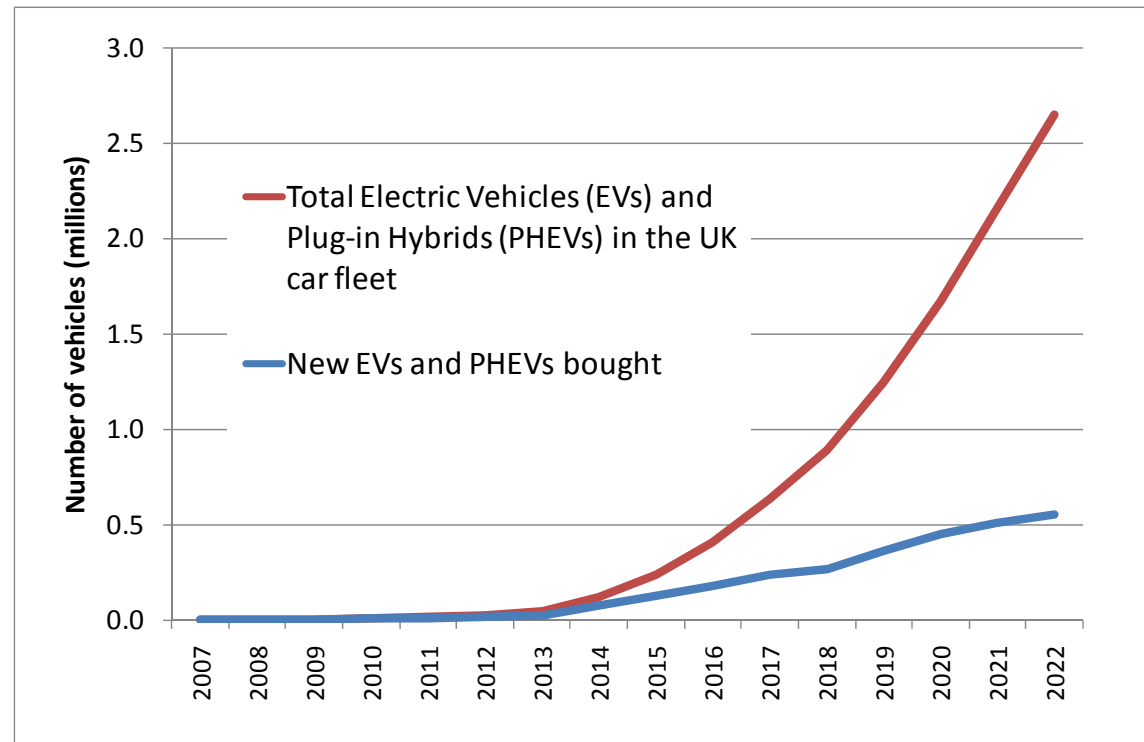
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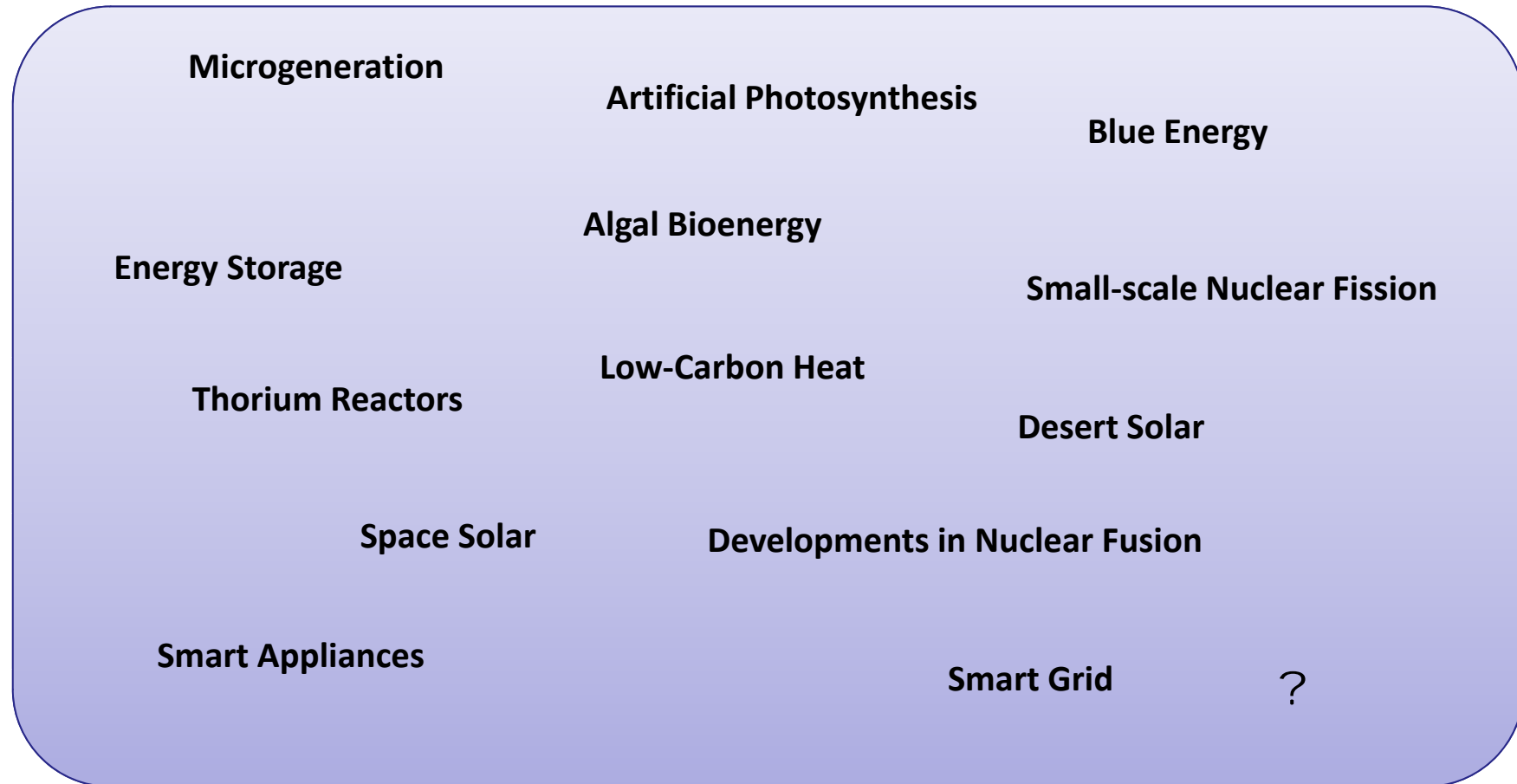
Electric car policies



- Models expected to come to market in next few years.
- Scope for substantial **battery cost reduction**.
- Government has committed price support of £2,000-5,000 per car totalling £230 million; CCC analysis suggests up to £800 million may be required.
- Government support for development of charging infrastructure is required.
- Pilot projects targeting 240,000 cars in 2015, on way to **1.7 million in 2020**.
- Limited impacts on power networks to 2020.



Future and emerging opportunities



Questions for the meeting

- To what extent will groundwater issues present a barrier to the low carbon transition?
- Is deep geothermal energy an opportunity for the UK?
- Emerging technologies may require exotic materials – is anyone researching the effects on groundwater of mining operations?



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