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# Recoverable EGS Resource Estimates

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# Energy from the Earth's Heat

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- Conductive heat energy
  - Greater than 3 km
  - Requires stimulation or other engineering to develop reservoir
- Convective heat energy
  - Hydrothermal systems
  - Impermeable or low permeability systems on the edges of hydrothermal systems
  - Fractured, but may require stimulation or engineering to develop
- Hot water co-produced with oil and gas

# Conductive Resource - Base vs. Reserves

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## ☐ Resource Base

- Total heat in place
- Between 3 km and 10 km

## ☐ Reserves

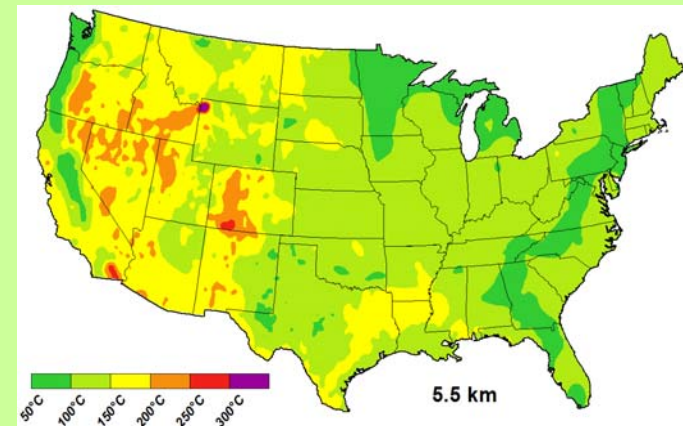
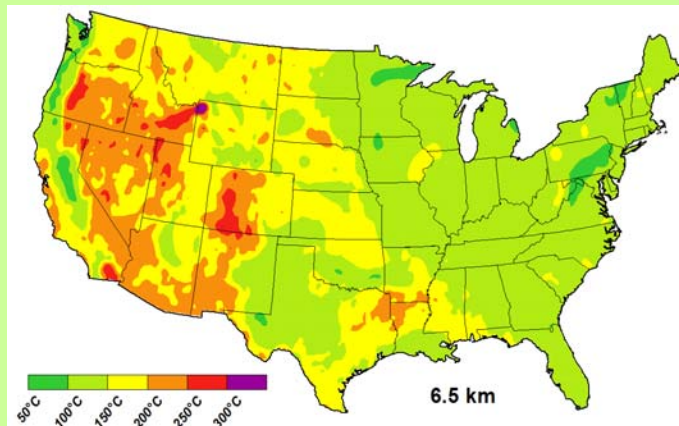
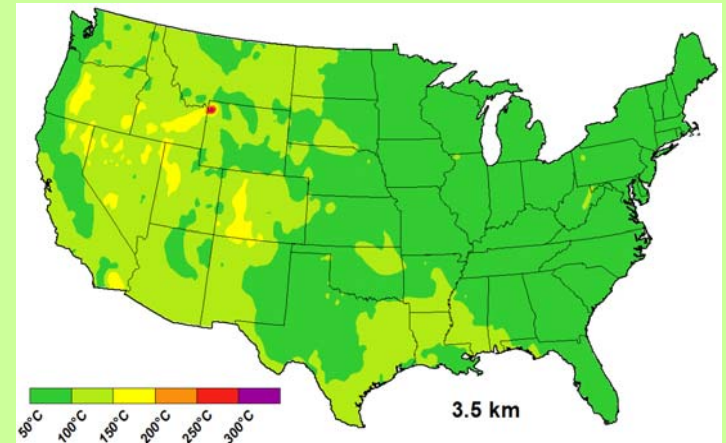
- Economic today
- Electric generation
- Direct use of heat
- EGS has no commercial projects as yet, so no reserves

## ☐ Recoverable Resource

- Extractable
- Conversion efficiency
- Recoverable fraction
- Accessible
- Economics of recovery

# Temperature at Depth

- ❑ Calculated by SMU
- ❑ Maps of temperature at depth at mid-point of 1km slices
- ❑ Area at each temperature in each depth slice
- ❑ Used to calculate heat in place



# Abandonment Temperature

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- ❑ Assume reservoir rock cooled 10°C
- ❑ Limit for conversion equipment at surface
- ❑ Leaves heat in place for future heat mining with different equipment
- ❑ Resource is sustainable due to enormous quantity of heat in place remaining, or available for recovery by heat mining,  $Q_{available}$

$$Q_{total} - Q_{abandonment} = Q_{available}$$

# Recovery Factor

□ How much of the available heat can we recover?

$$F_r \equiv \frac{Q_{rec}}{Q_{total}} = f[V_{active}, V_{total}, C_\gamma, T_{r,i}, T_{r,a}, T_o]$$

$$F_r = \frac{\rho V_{active} C_\gamma (T_{r,i} - T_{r,a})}{\rho V_{total} C_\gamma (T_{r,i} - T_o)}$$

$$F_r = \phi_v \frac{(T_{r,i} - T_{r,a})}{(T_{r,i} - T_o)}$$

$Q_{rec}$  = recoverable thermal energy content of the reservoir

$\phi_v$  = active reservoir volume/total reservoir volume

$\rho$  = rock density (kg/m<sup>3</sup>)

$V_{total}$  = total reservoir volume (m<sup>3</sup>)

$V_{active}$  = active or effective reservoir volume (m<sup>3</sup>)

$C_\gamma$  = rock-specific heat (kJ/kg °C)

$T_{r,i}$  = mean initial reservoir rock temperature (°C)

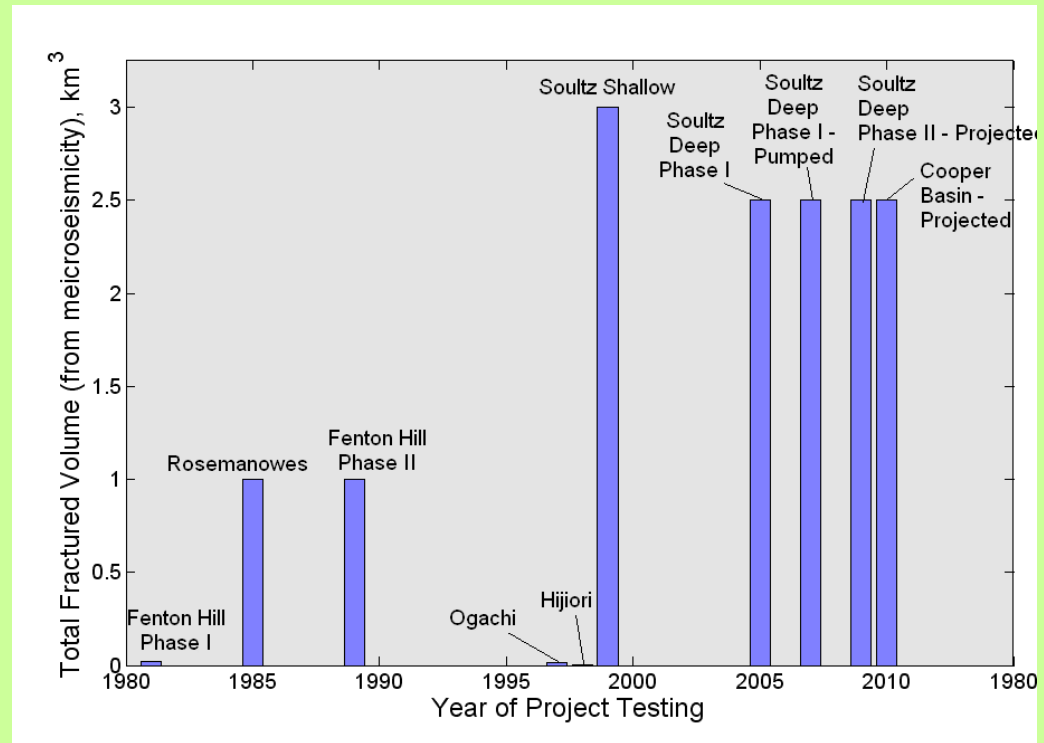
$T_o$  = mean ambient surface or “dead-state” temperature (°C)

$T_{r,a}$  = mean rock temperature at which reservoir is abandoned (°C).

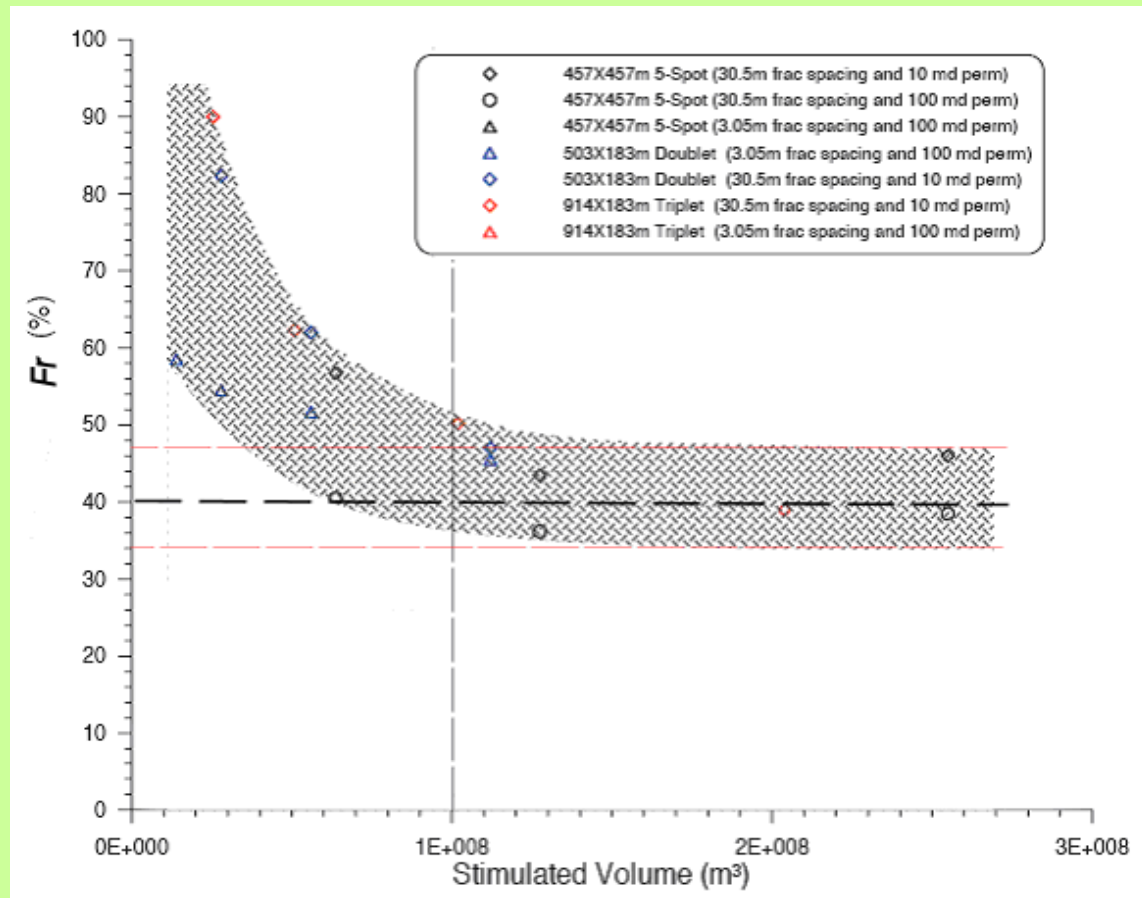
# Fractured Volume

## Fractured Volume for EGS Projects

- Recovery of heat depends largely on fractured volume
  - Active heat exchange area
  - Fracture spacing
  - Path length between wells
  - Injector/producer pattern



# Recoverable Heat



□ Sanyal and Butler, 2005.

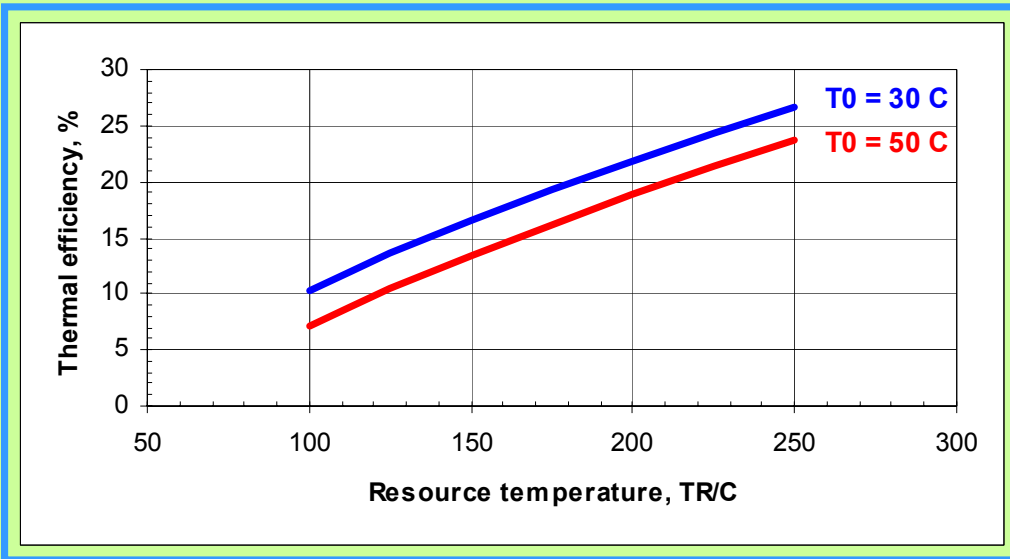


# Usable Energy – Converting Heat to Power

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- ❑ Heat alone is beneficial.
- ❑ Conversion of heat to power better justifies well cost
- ❑ Heat in kilojoules = heat in kiloWatt-sec
- ❑ Convert heat to electric power
  - kW-sec/1000 kW/MW = MWt-sec
  - MWt-sec/(30 yrs in seconds)
  - Conversion efficiency MWt x  $\eta_{th}$  → MWe

# Conversion to Electric Power - Cycle Efficiency



Temperature, °C	Cycle Thermal Efficiency $\eta_{th}$ , %
150	11
200	14
250	16
300	18
350	22

# Inaccessible Area

- Some areas are inaccessible for development:
  - Parks – State and National
  - Recreation Areas
  - National Monuments
  - Wilderness



Subtract inaccessible fraction

# Total Recoverable Power

## Total Recoverable Electric Power in Net MWe for 30 Years,

20% Recoverable Fraction of Thermal Energy from the Reservoir

Depth of Slice, km	Power available for slice, MWe	Amount at 150°C, MWe	Amount at 200°C, MWe	Amount at 250°C, MWe	Amount at 300°C, MWe	Amount at 350°C, MWe
3 to 4	122,000	120,000	800	700	400	
4 to 5	719,000	678,000	39,000	900	1,200	
5 to 6	1,536,000	1,241,000	284,000	11,000	600	
6 to 7	2,340,000	1,391,000	832,000	114,000	2,800	
7 to 8	3,245,000	1,543,000	1,238,000	415,000	48,000	1,200
8 to 10	4,524,000	1,875,000	1,195,000	1,100,000	302,000	54,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,486,000</b>					

# Total Recoverable Power

## Total Recoverable Energy in Net MWe for 30 Years

2% Recoverable Fraction of Thermal Energy from the Reservoir

Depth of Slice, km	Power available for slice, MWe	Amount at 150°C, MWe	Amount at 200°C, MWe	Amount at 250°C, MWe	Amount at 300°C, MWe	Amount at 350°C, MWe
3 to 4	12,000	12,000	80	70	40	
4 to 5	72,000	68,000	4,000	90	120	
5 to 6	154,000	124,000	28,000	1,100	60	
6 to 7	234,000	139,000	83,000	11,000	300	
7 to 8	324,000	154,000	124,000	41,000	5,000	120
8 to 10	452,000	187,000	119,000	110,000	30,000	5,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,249,000</b>					

# Economic Modeling

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## □ Two models used:

### – GETEM – Geothermal Electricity Technology Evaluation Model

- U.S. DOE developed new cost of power modeling tool
- GETEM allows comparing cost of power with current technology to cost with improved technology.

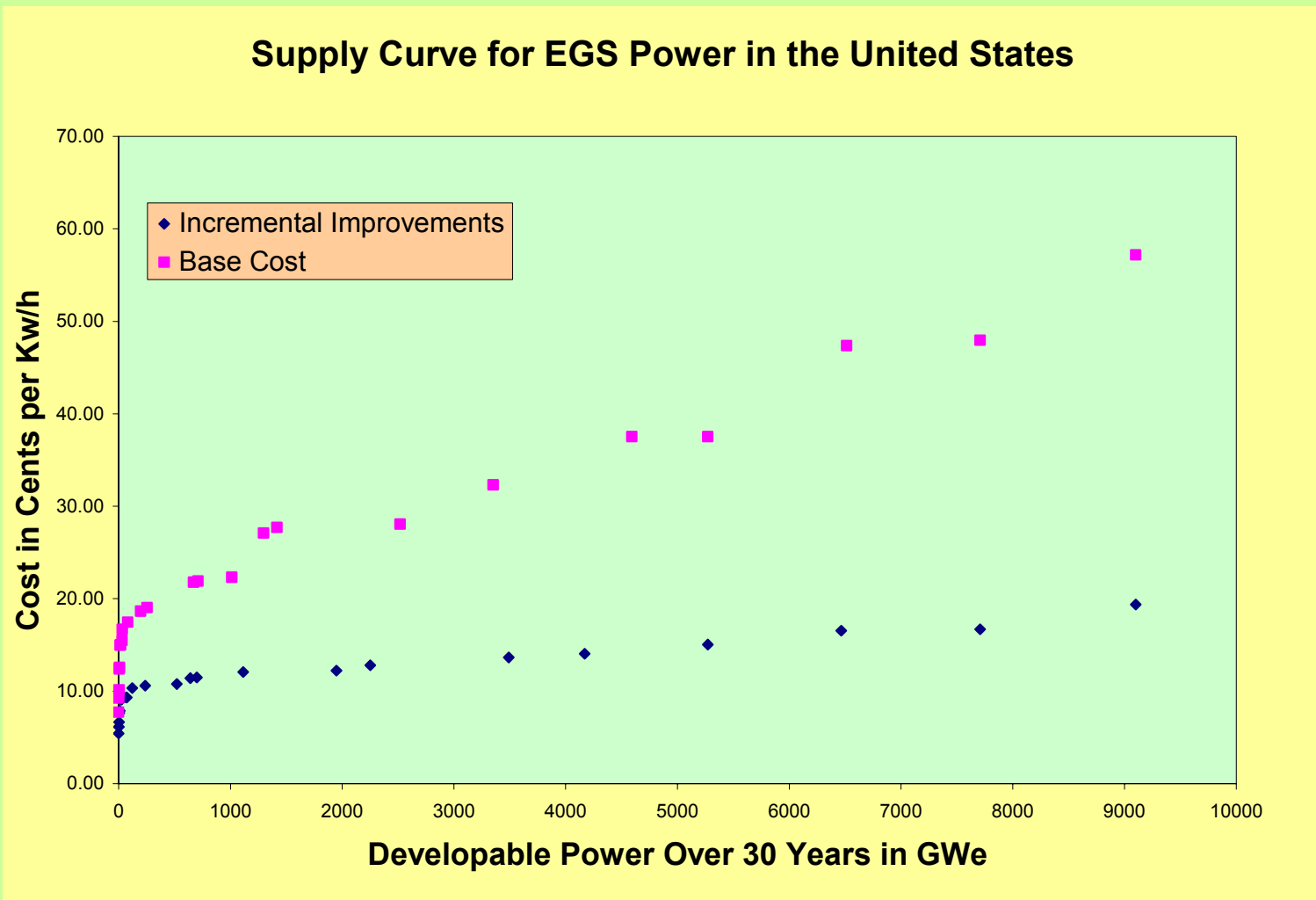
### – MIT EGS model

- Updated for 2004 costs
- Similar costs to GETEM for all but the highest cost resources
- Can optimize costs for depth and temperature

# Economic Modeling-GETEM

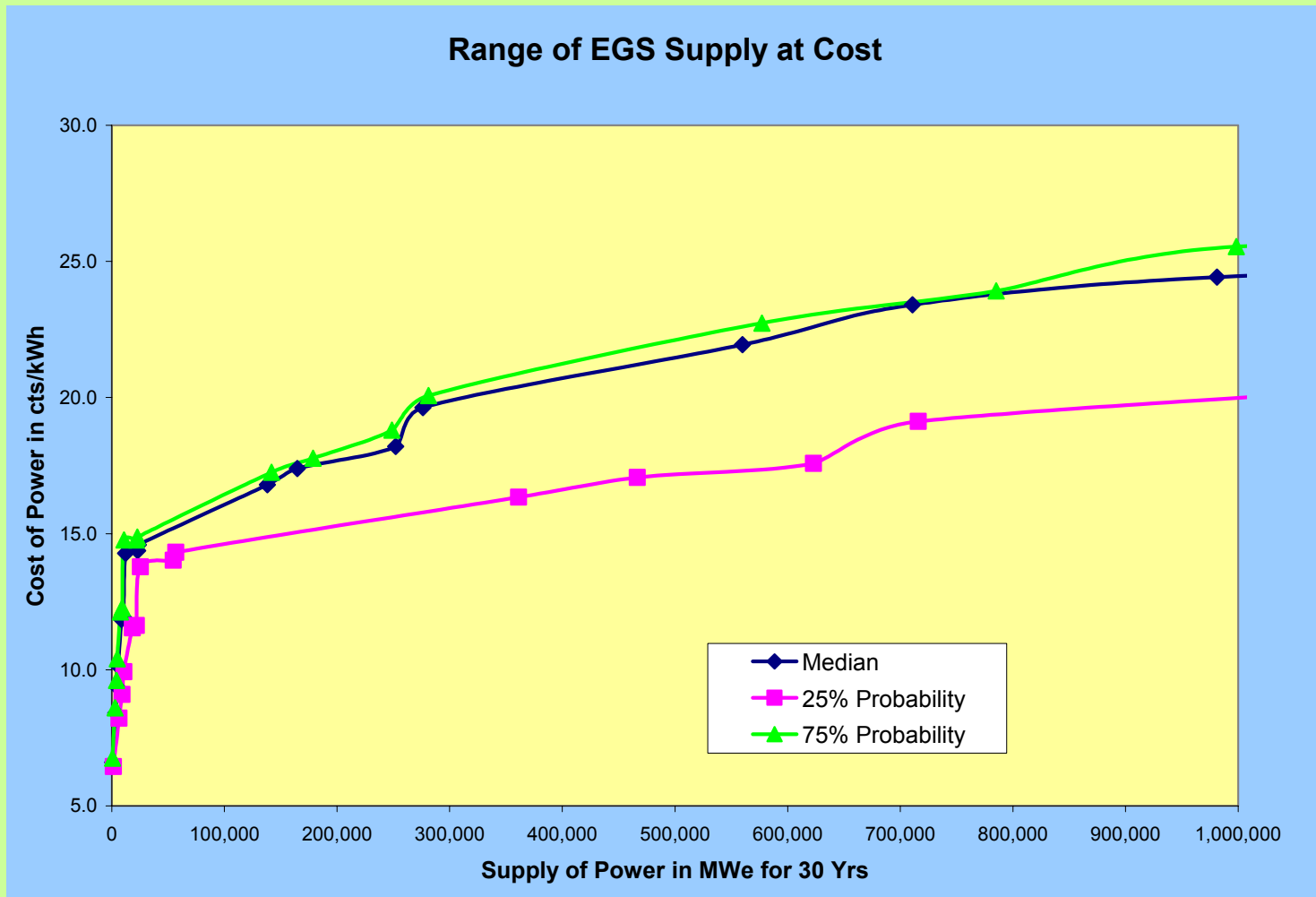
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File Name:	GETEM-2005-EGS- 150C 2015-sp-1C-July 18 05			
Case Date:	1/8/2007	Baseline 2005	Change	Improved 2015
<b>Cost of Electricity, cent/kWh</b>		<b>17.32</b>	<b>-63%</b>	<b>6.44</b>
<b>Input</b>		<b>Baseline</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Improved</b>
<b>Global Economic Parameters</b>				
Fixed.Charge.Rate	Ratio	0.128	1.00	0.128
Utiliz.Factor	Ratio	0.95	1.00	0.95
Contingency	%	5%	1.00	0.05
<b>Input parameters</b>				
Temperature of GT Fluid in Reservoir	Deg-C	200	1.00	200
Plant Size (Exclusive of Brine Pumping)	MW(e)	500.0	1.00	500.00
Number of independent power units		10	0.50	5.00
Brine Effectiveness (exclusive of brine pumping)	Calculate Y or N	Y		Y
If N (no), enter value in cell C19 and/or E19	W-h/lb	8.00	1.00	8.00
Calculated Brine Effectiveness	W-h/lb	10.86	1.25	13.57
Brine Effectiveness	W-h/lb	10.86		13.57
Apply improvement to reducing flow requirement or increasing power output	F - flow or P power		F	
Plant Cost	Calculate Y or N	Y		Y
If N (no), enter value in cell C24 and/or E24	\$/kW	\$ 1,800	1.00	\$ 1,800
Calculated Plant Cost	\$/kW	\$ 1,551	0.75	\$ 1,006
Plant Cost	\$/kW	\$ 1,551		\$ 1,006
Wells Cost Curve: 1=Low, 2=Med, 3=High		4	1.00	3
<b>PRODUCTION WELL Depth</b>	Feet	13,123	1.00	13,123
Estimated Cost, from SNL Curve	\$/kW	\$6,955	---	\$6,955
User's Cost Curve Multiplier	ratio	1.000	TIO ↓	1.000
Producer, Final Cost	\$/kW	\$6,955	0.75	\$5,216
<b>INJECTION WELL Depth</b>	Feet	13,123	1.00	13,123
Estimated Cost, from SNL Curve	\$/kW	\$6,955	TIO ↓	\$6,955
Injector, Final Cost	\$/kW	\$6,955	0.75	\$5,216

# Supply Curve for U.S. Conductive EGS

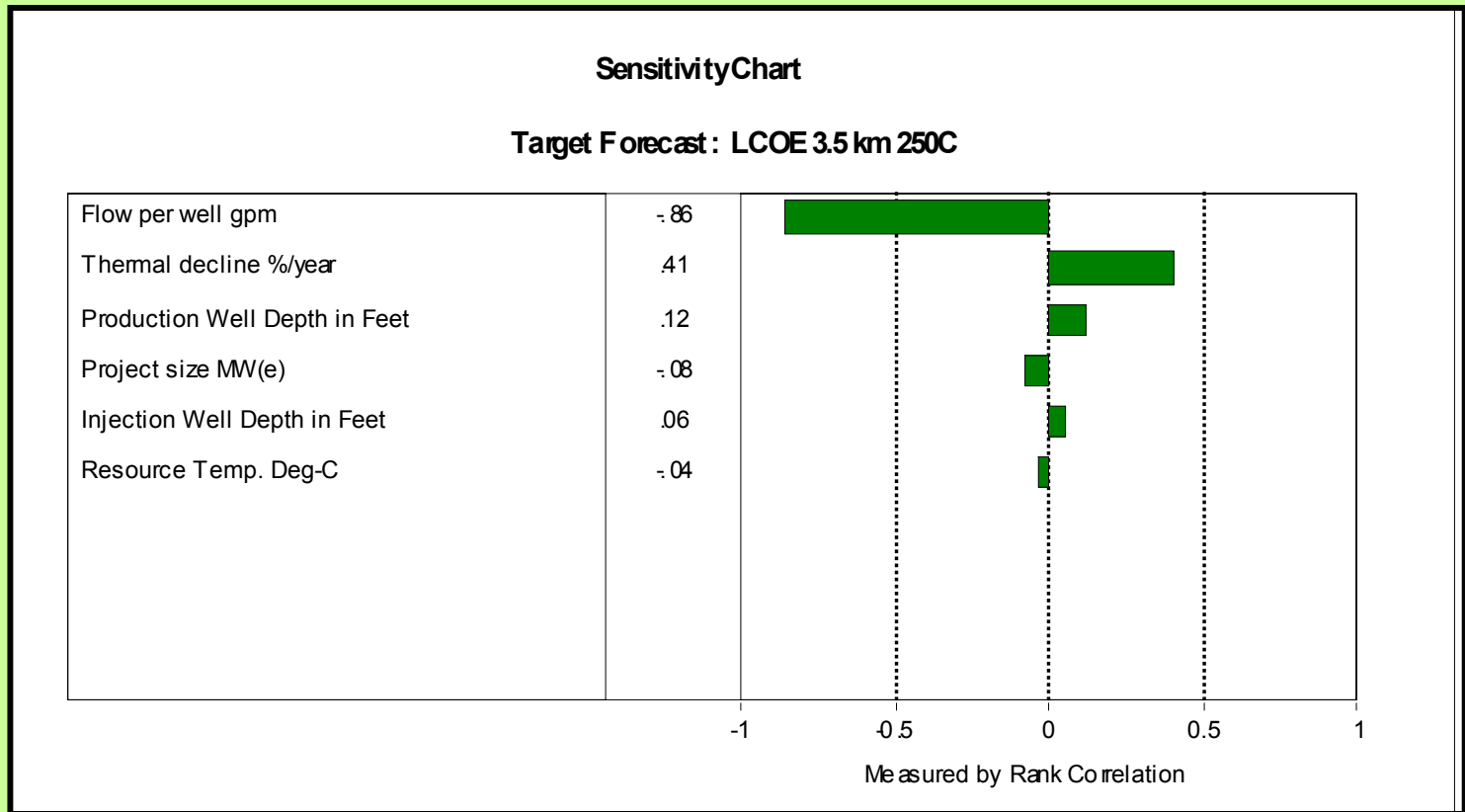




# Supply Curve for EGS Power



# Cost - Sensitivity to Resource Variables



# Convective vs. Conductive Resource

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## □ Above 3 km

- High temperature fluids
- Permeability often controlled by faults and fractures
- Rock heated by convection of hot water

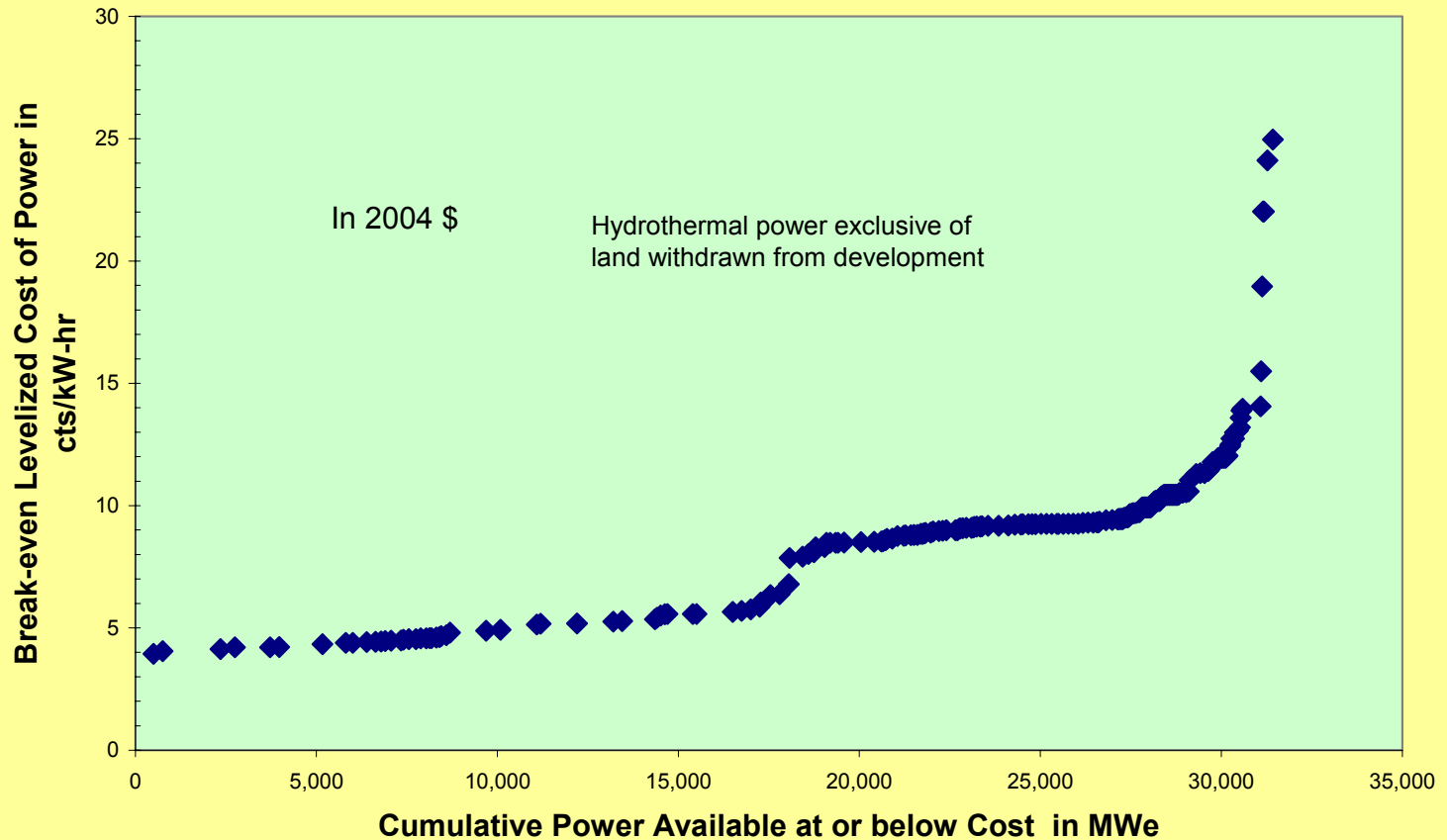
## □ Hydrothermal resource – very high permeability

## □ Shallow EGS resource

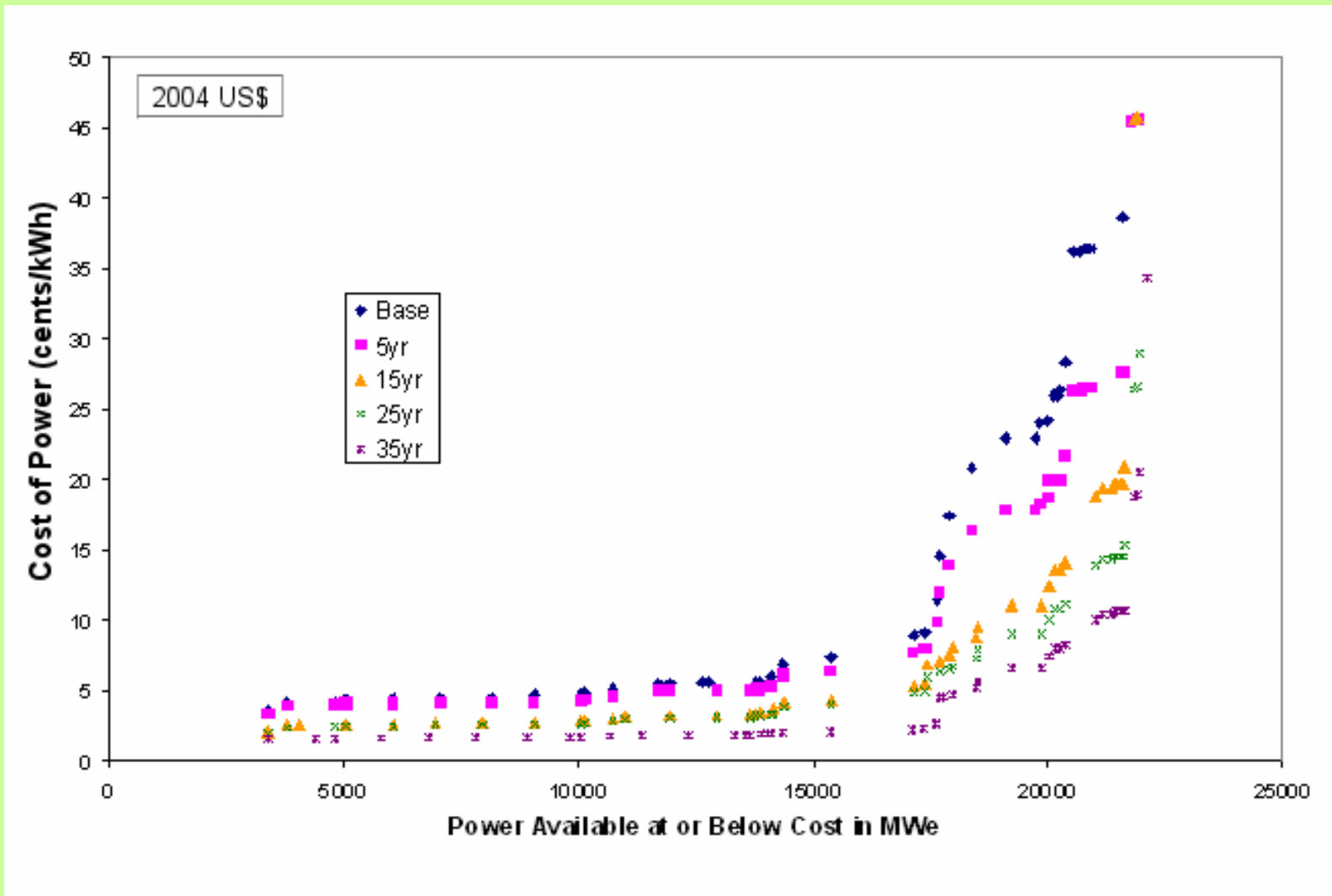
- On margins of hydrothermal systems
- Volcanic heating

# Hydrothermal and EGS Associated with Hydrothermal

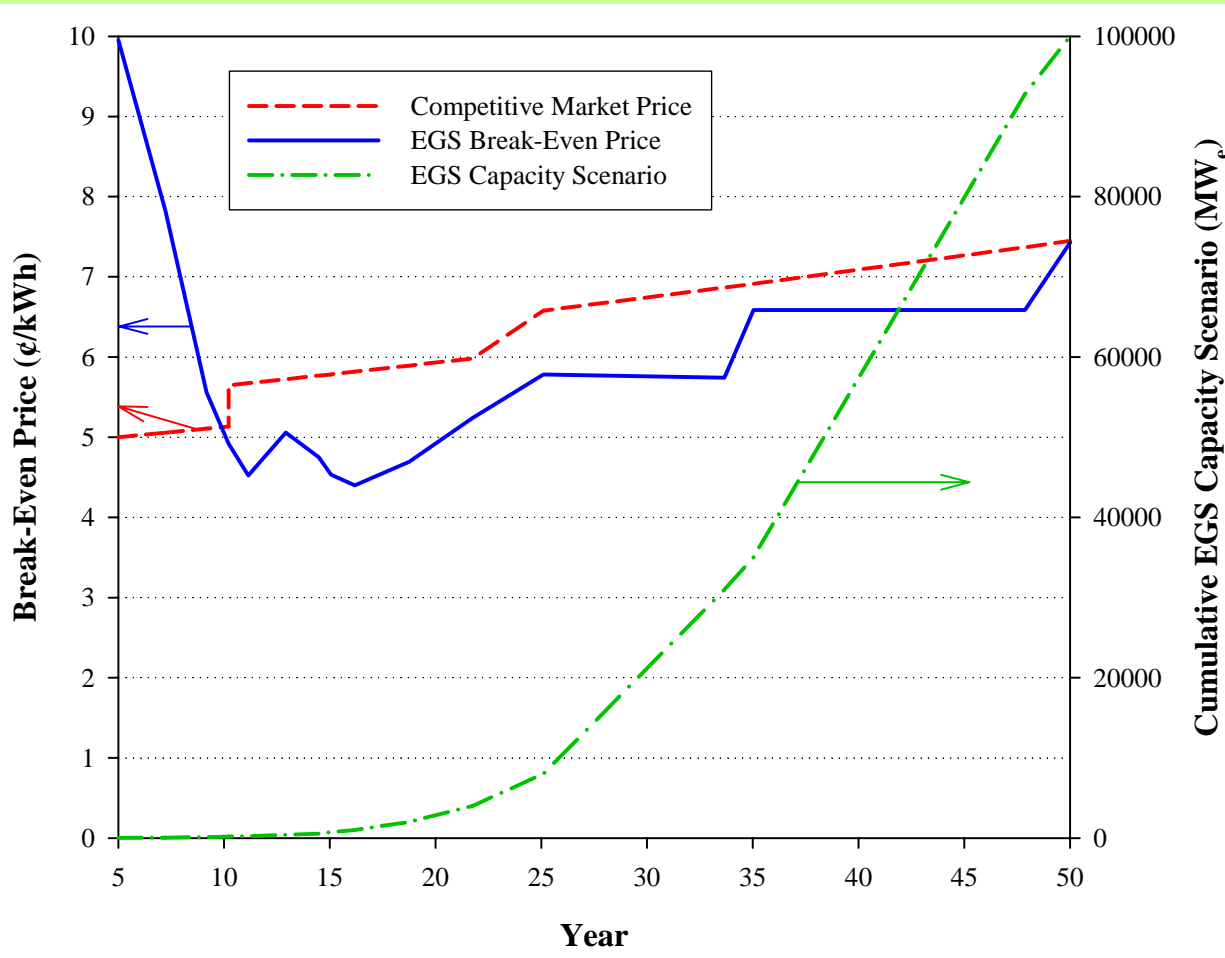
## Supply of Geothermal Power Available at Cost



# Technology Improvement Impact on Cost of Power



# Market Penetration of EGS Power



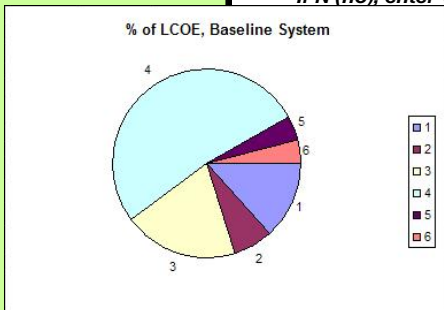
Assumes:

- Learning curves starting from 60 kg/s/prod.
- Technology improvement based on US Federal spending of \$216 million.
- Uses MIT model and assumptions for learning curves

# Cost of Power from Co-Produced Fluids

## Wells of Opportunity

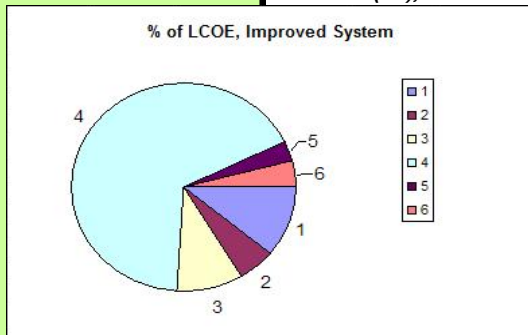
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BINARY Case Name:		BINARY Poplar Dome Wells of Opportunity		
File Name:		EGS METEG- Poplar EGS Wells of Opp Jan 07		
Case Date:		1/4/2007	2005	2010
<b>Cost of Electricity, cent/kWh</b>		<b>15.02</b>	<b>-61%</b>	<b>5.86</b>
<b>Input</b>		<b>Baseline</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Improved</b>
<b>Global Economic Parameters</b>				
Fixed.Charge.Rate	Ratio	0.080	1.00	0.080
Utiliz.Factor	Ratio	0.95	1.00	0.95
Contingency	%	5%	1.00	0.05
<b>Input parameters</b>				
Temperature of GT Fluid in Reservoir	Deg-C	135	1.00	135
Plant Size (Exclusive of Brine Pumping)	MW(e)	5.0	2.00	10.00
Number of independent power units		10	0.20	2.00
Brine Effectiveness (exclusive of brine pumping)	Calculate Y or N	Y		Y
If N (no), enter value in cell C19 and/or E19	W-h/lb	5.00	1.00	5.00
Calculated Brine Effectiveness	W-h/lb	3.12	1.20	3.74
Brine Effectiveness	W-h/lb	3.12		3.74
Apply improvement to reducing flow requirement or increasing power output	F - flow or power		P	
Plant Cost	Calculate Y or N	N		N
If N (no), enter value in cell C24 and/or E24	\$/kW	\$ 2,150	0.85	\$ 1,828
Calculated Plant Cost	\$/kW	\$ 5,038	0.85	\$ 2,992
Plant Cost	\$/kW	\$ 2,150		\$ 1,828



Legend for Pie Chart Sectors:	
1.	Exploration and Confirmation
2.	Wells in Field, after Confirmation phase
3.	Field, Other (Pipes, Pumps, Well Stimulation, Make Up Costs)
4.	Power plant
5.	Royalty
6.	Contingency

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BINARY Case Name:		BINARY Poplar Dome Enhanced Wells of Opportunity		
File Name:		EGS METEG- Poplar EGS Wells of Opp Jan 07		
Case Date:		1/4/2007	Baseline	Improved
		2005	Change	2010
<b>Cost of Electricity, cent/kWh</b>		<b>8.12</b>	<b>-56%</b>	<b>3.54</b>
<b>Input</b>		<b>Baseline</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Improved</b>
<b>Global Economic Parameters</b>				
Fixed.Charge.Rate	Ratio	0.080	1.00	0.080
Utiliz.Factor	Ratio	0.95	1.00	0.95
Contingency	%	5%	1.00	0.05
<b>Input parameters</b>				
Temperature of GT Fluid in Reservoir	Deg-C	135	1.00	135
Plant Size (Exclusive of Brine Pumping)	MW(e)	50.0	3.00	150.00
Number of independent power units		10	0.20	2.00
Brine Effectiveness (exclusive of brine pumping)	Calculate Y or N	Y		Y
If N (no), enter value in cell C19 and/or E19	W-h/lb	5.00	1.00	5.00
Calculated Brine Effectiveness	W-h/lb	3.12	1.20	3.74
Brine Effectiveness	W-h/lb	3.12		3.74
Apply improvement to reducing flow requirement or increasing power output	F - flow or P power		P	
Plant Cost	Calculate Y or N	N		N
If N (no), enter value in cell C24 and/or E24	\$/kW	2,150	0.85	1,828
Calculated Plant Cost	\$/kW	3,179	0.84	1,866
Plant Cost	\$/kW	2,150		1,828



Sector	Description
1	Exploration and Confirmation
2	Wells in Field, after Confirmation phase
3	Field, Other (Pipes, Pumps, Well Stimulation, Make Up Costs)
4	Power plant
5	Royalty
6	Contingency



# Geothermal Energy from Oilfields

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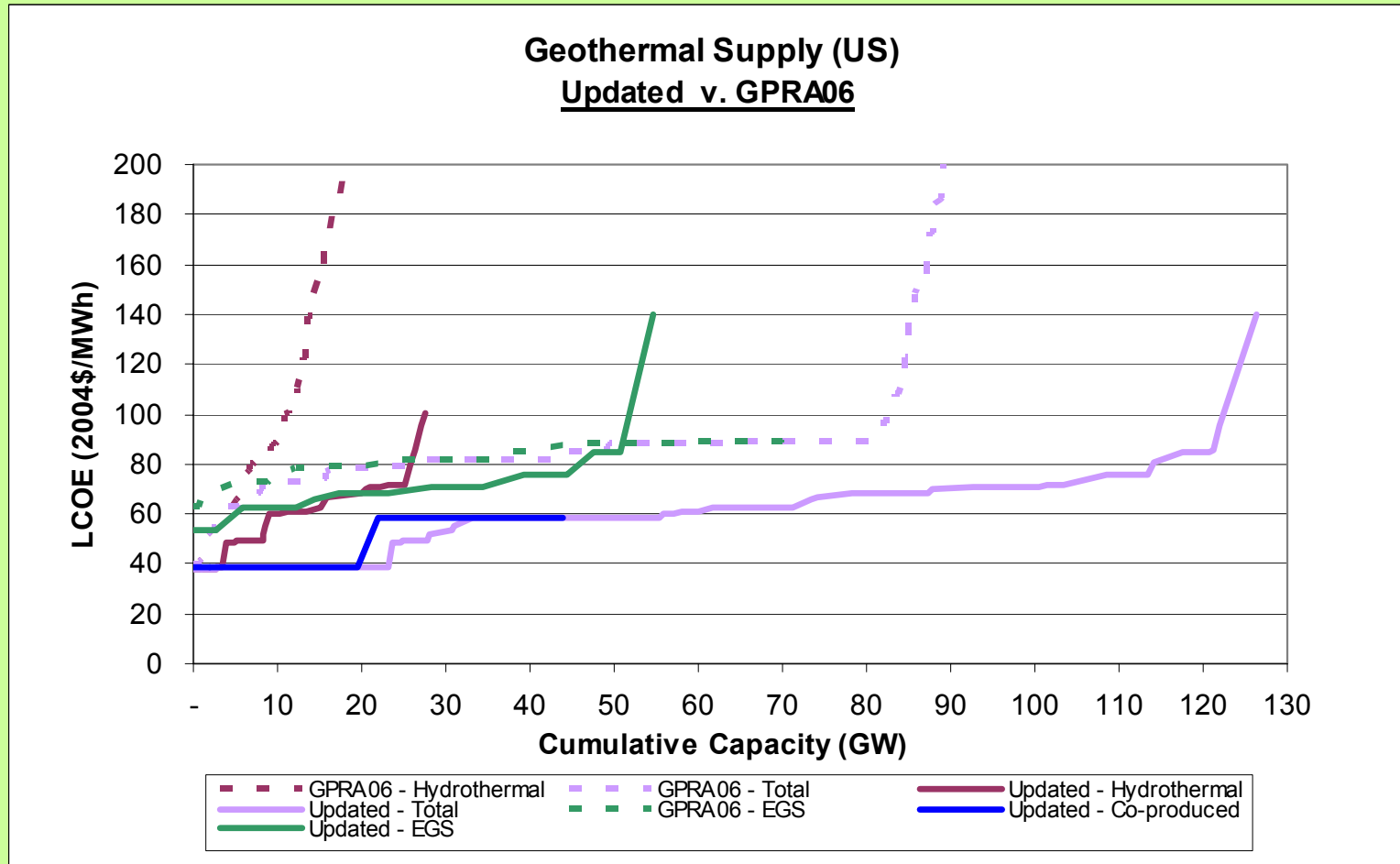
- Heat included in conductive resource if deeper than 3 km.
  - Dissolved methane not calculated
  - Geopressured resource – kinetic energy not included
- Deep sedimentary basins
- Co-produced hot water with oil and gas
- Large amounts of available data
- Wells of opportunity

# Modeling Geothermal Market Penetration

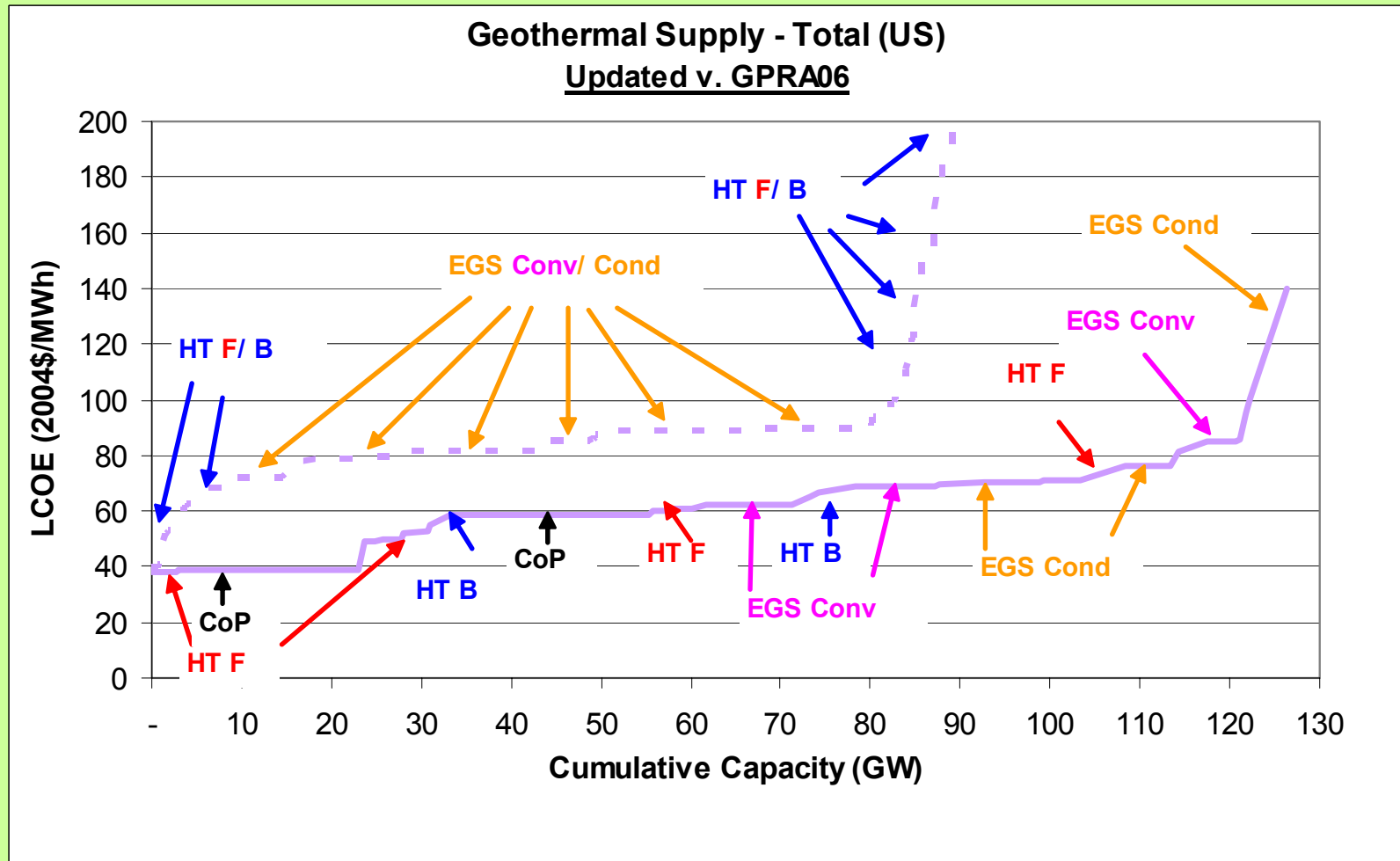
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- ❑ Uses National Energy Modeling System – NEMS
- ❑ NEMS makes assumptions about technology learning curves, cost escalation.
- ❑ Demand based on projections from utilities in each of the federal regions.
- ❑ Each technology, ie, pulverized coal, solar thermal, PV, wind, geothermal, etc. has it's own submodule to provide supply input and predict technology improvement

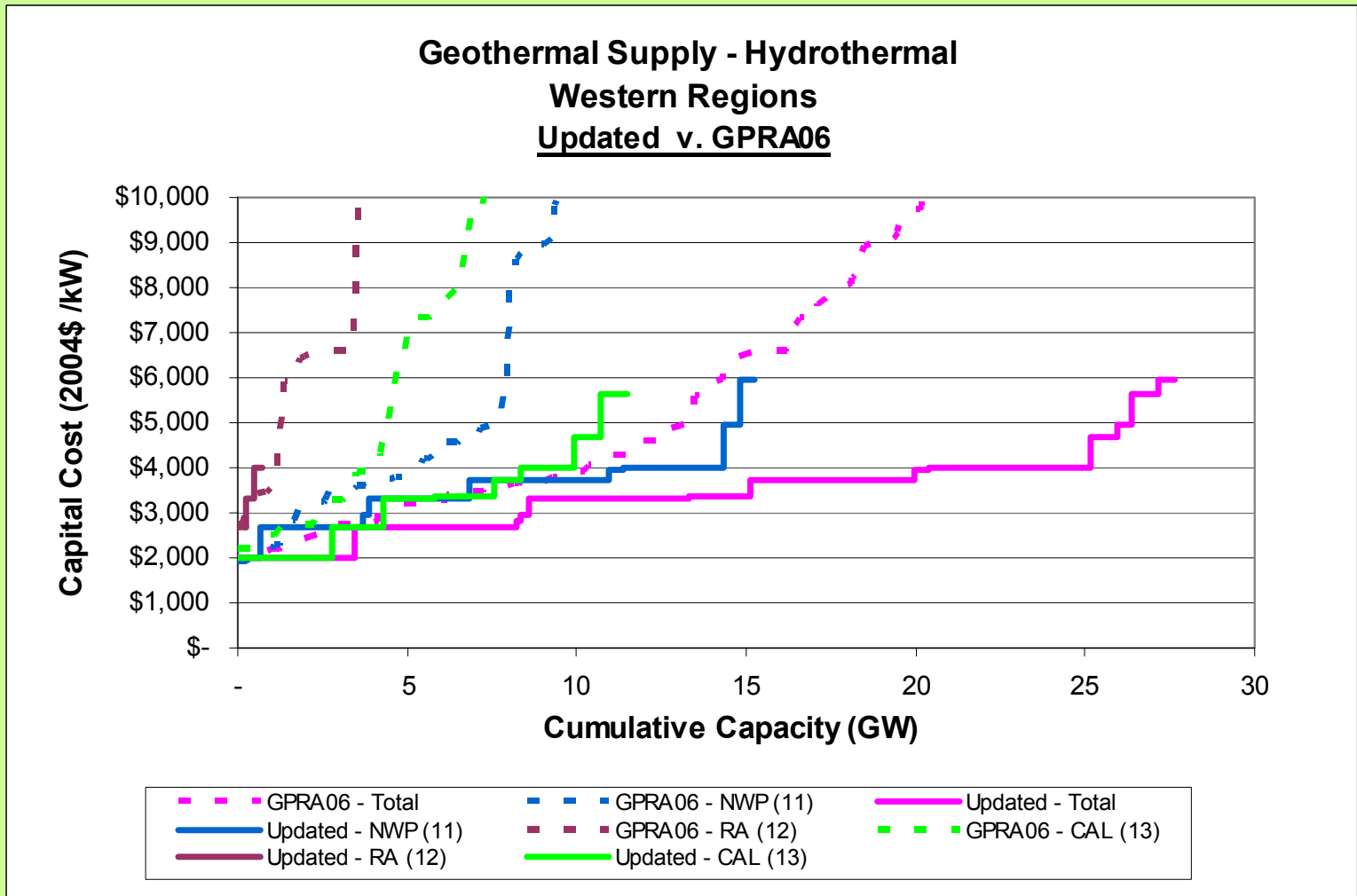
# Supply Input for Geothermal Submodule of NEMS



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# Forecast Geothermal Capacity from NEMS

