Montpelier's Energy Future

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Energy and CO2 Data

Electricity

In 2004, we estimated that residents use 31.1 million KWH per year of electricity, representing 12,158 tons of CO2

 Businesses used an additional 16.5 million KWH, representing 6,410 tons of CO2

Local Government used 3.5 million KWH

Current Energy and CO2

Heating Fuel

- 2004: Residential light fuel oil 289,937
 MMBtus, representing 23,988 tons CO2
- Natural gas: 5,376 MMBtu, 332 tons CO2
- Wood: 15,118 MMBtu, 132 tons CO2

Current Energy and CO2

Transportation

- Diesel: 37,756 MMBtu, 3,275 tons CO2
- Gasoline: 381,285 MMBtu, 32,623 tons CO2
- Waste (food, paper, wood)3,654 tons CO2

Energy Goal

Energy efficiency in Montpelier is maximized. Montpelier's energy is generated by renewable resources of local origin. The delivery of energy is structured to encourage efficient use and affordability.

By 2013, Montpelier achieves a 50,000 ton annual reduction in greenhouse gas emissions, the equivalent of \$15 million of fuel oil annually and with an investment in the local economy of approximately \$100 million.

Have we met the target? No.

But it's not for lack of effort.
District Energy Plant
Vermontivate
Energy Challenge
Net Zero State Capital

- By 2030, Montpelier achieves a city-wide 80% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions and fossil fuel use.
- By 2040, the use of low-impact renewable energy increases by 30 percent as a percentage of total energy use.

By 2040, all new and retro-fitted developments, buildings, vehicles, and equipment are built to be within five percent of the highest energy-efficient design available out of all economically competitive products, as measured on a life cycle basis.

By 2015, 1,000 Montpelier homes will be weatherized and switch to a carbon neutral fuel source.

Carbon neutral refers to achieving net zero carbon emissions by balancing a measured amount of carbon released with an equivalent amount sequestered or offset.

District Energy in Montpelier



State Heating Plant





District Energy

Heating system type Hot water Hot water & steam Hot water & air Hot water & other Steam Air



District Energy

Building Fuel Type:

- Gas
- Electric
- Gas/Electric
- Oil/Electric
- Oil/Gas
- Wood/Oil















- 4 Tons

Total Emissions Reduction 11 Tons

PACE District

- \$3 million fund for renewables and energy efficiency measures outside of the area served by the plant
- Half for efficiency 100 properties with approximately 20% savings
- Half for renewables 50 renewable facilities displacing 25% of energy demand

Smart Jitneys

Real time car pooling Cell phone enabled ride share



Electric Car Parking





Future Cost of Fuel Oil





Source: Energy Information Administration, Petroleum Marketing Monthly (January 1995 to present).





EIA Produces Annual Energy Outlook;

AEO 2011



What does this mean to the case at hand?

We can translate the AEO forecasts of Crude oil to refined product, and present it as the three cases



Can overlay the fuel price forecast using in analysis of District Heat Project





The Wood Fuel Situation in Vermont

Vermont Wood and Oil Energy Price History



Schools paid an average of:

- 2003-04: Wood \$32/green ton. #2 oil \$1.01/gal.
- 2004-05: Wood \$36/green ton. #2 oil \$1.40/gal.
- 2005-06: Wood \$40/green ton #2 oil \$1.96/gal.
- 2006-07: Wood \$44/green ton. #2 oil \$2.31/gal.
- 2007-08: Wood \$49/green ton. #2 oil \$2.94/gal.

Paul Frederick , 2009 VT School Wood Chip Users Conference, February, 2008







