INCORPORATING MORE
RENEWABLE ENERGY AND
MAINTAINING A RELIABLE,
DURABLE, AND
AFFORDABLE GRID SYSTEM

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WHAT DO WE NEED TO DO?



SUPPLY SIDE

MAKE OUR GRID FLEXIBLE & RESILIENT

Opportunity to adjust utility scale investments and grid operation to reliably and affordably incorporate more renewable energy



INVEST IN RENEWABLE RESOURCES THAT COMPLEMENT EACH OTHER

- ✓ Wind farms
- √ Solar energy
- √ Geothermal
- ✓ Hydro
- √ Storage





PRIORITIZE GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY

The more, the better, supported by transmission expansion

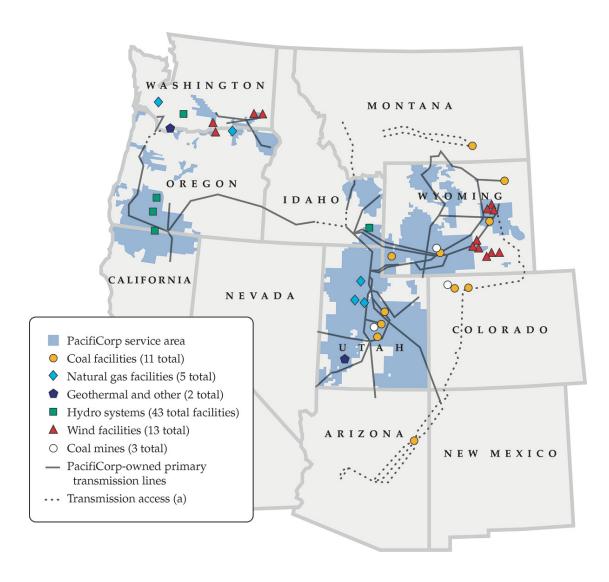


Image source: PacifiCorp filing to SEC, Form 10-K

EXPLORE A REGIONAL ELECTRICITY MARKET

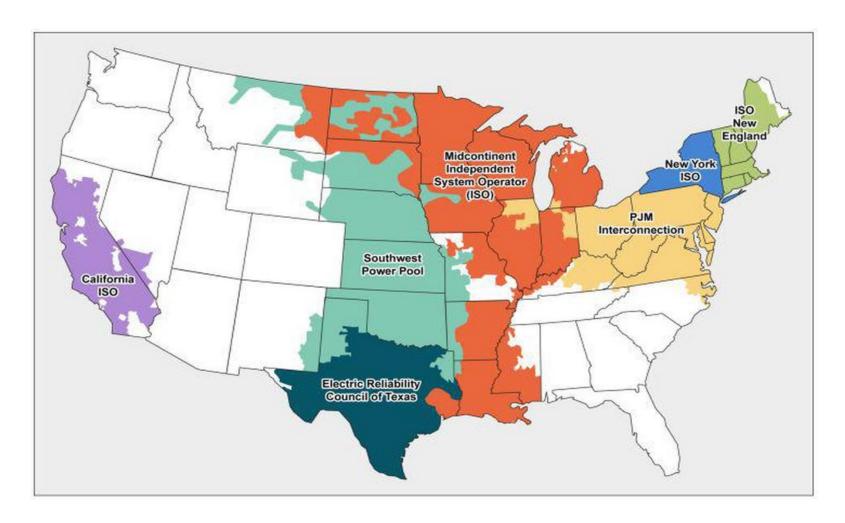


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UTILIZE CUSTOMER-SIDE MEASURES

New control technologies and other distributed energy resources can help us to integrate more renewable energy while enhancing the resiliency and reliability of our grid.





HARNESSING FLEXIBLE DEMAND-SOLEIL LOFTS EXAMPLE



Image Source: Rocky Mountain Power

WHAT WE NEED TO DO

KEY TAKEAWAYS

Harness renewable resource diversity and geographic diversity

Investments in transmission will open new opportunities

Evaluate participation in a regional market

Take full advantage of customer sited renewable energy, storage and controlled loads

THANK YOU!

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