

Low-Carbon Island Economy Conference, 27 October 2022

Energy transition – Introduction

Aalborg University – Wrote the ET book

Professor James Curran – IMPACT report

Simon Nicholas, KPMG – IoM Economic Strategy

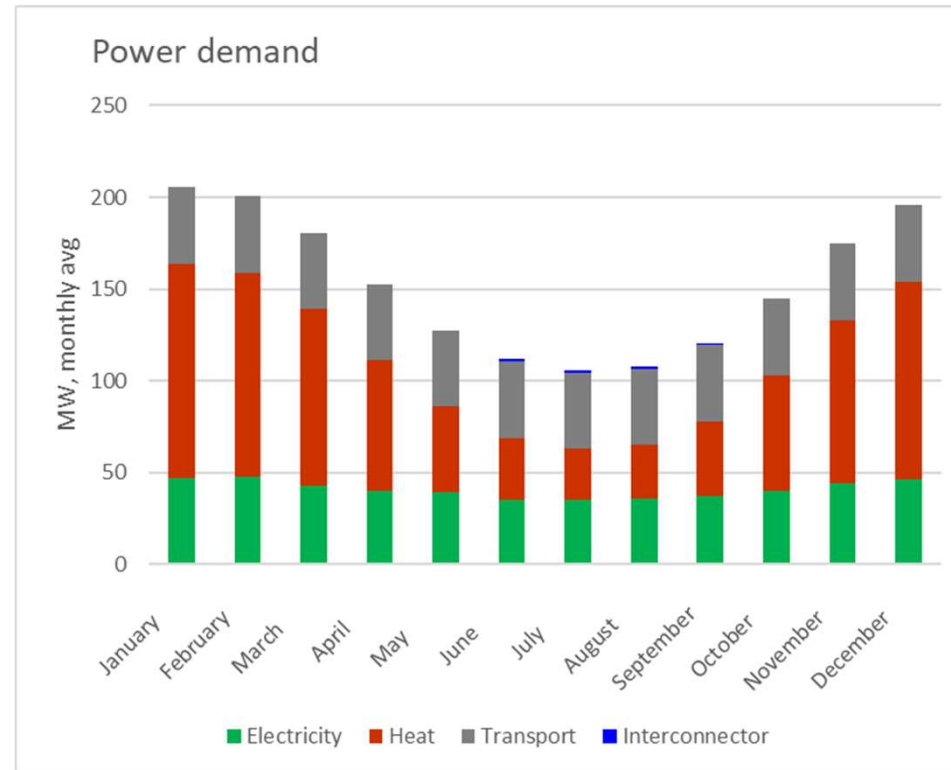
SEV, Faroes – 100% renewable electricity by 2030

ESC – Options for Sustainable Power on the Isle of Man

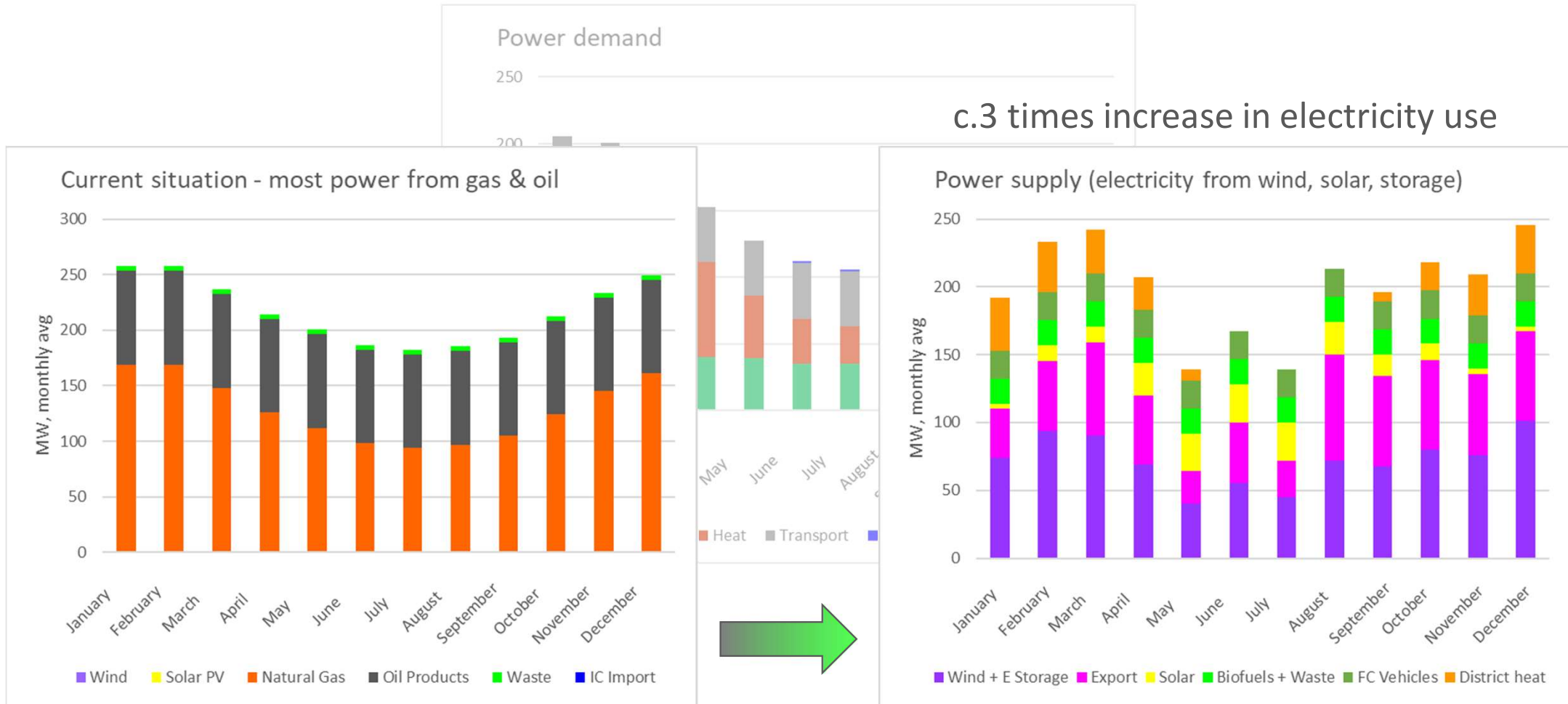
Summing up - Jane Poole-Wilson



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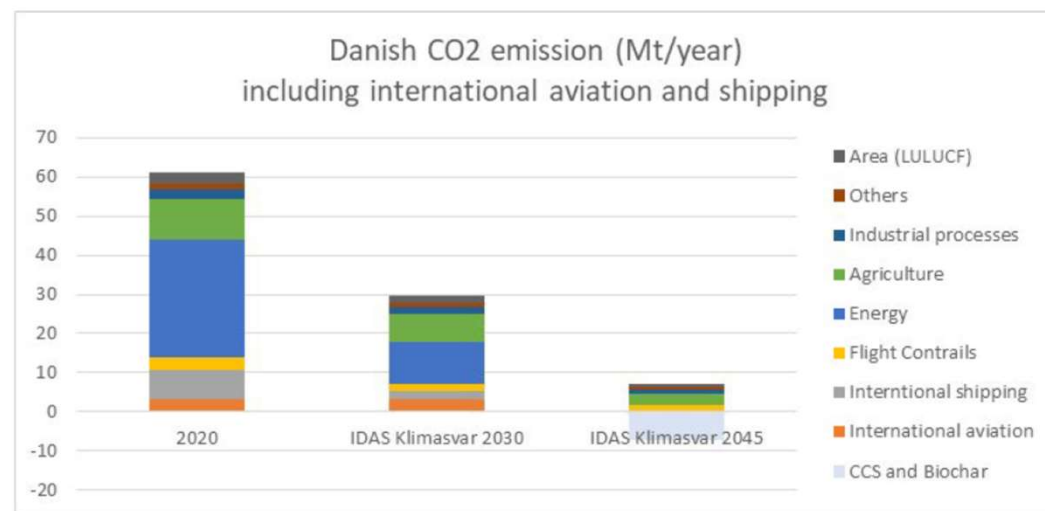
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A SMALL NATIONS' GUIDE TO THE ENERGY TRANSITION BENEFITS AND PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION OF DISTRICT HEATING

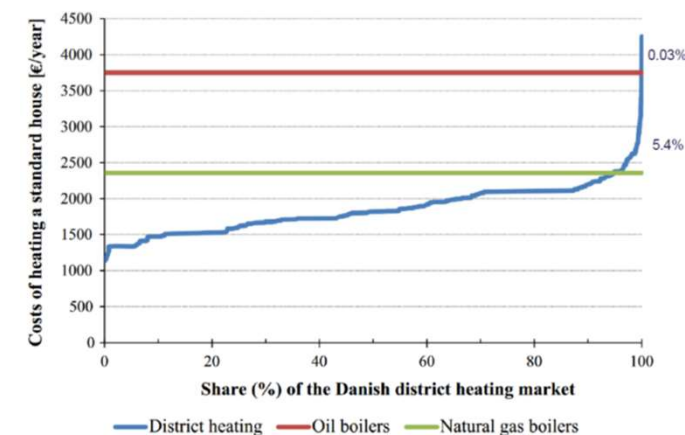
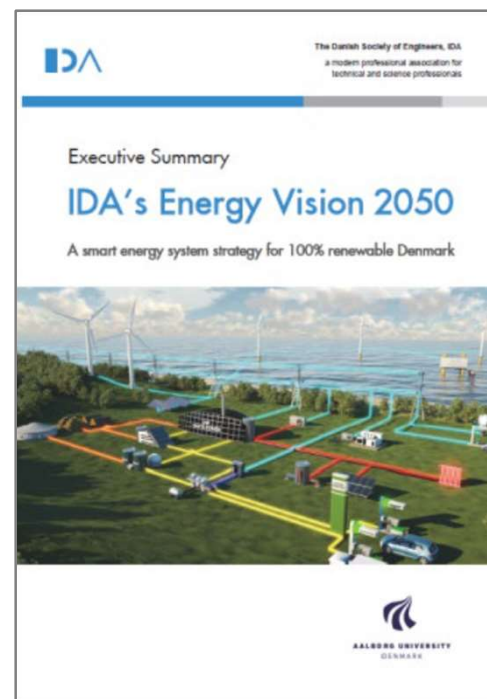
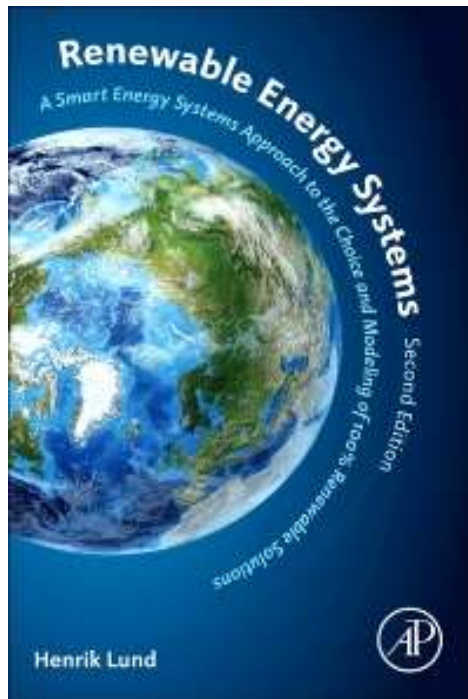
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A fully decarbonized Denmark 2045

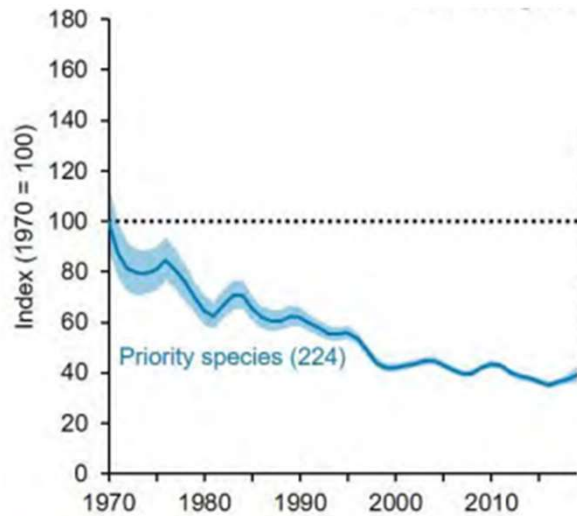


- Best to take holistic approach
- Integrated energy system is key
- For heating – much more efficient to store energy as heat than in batteries
- District heating much more efficient & convenient than individual (& empowers communities)



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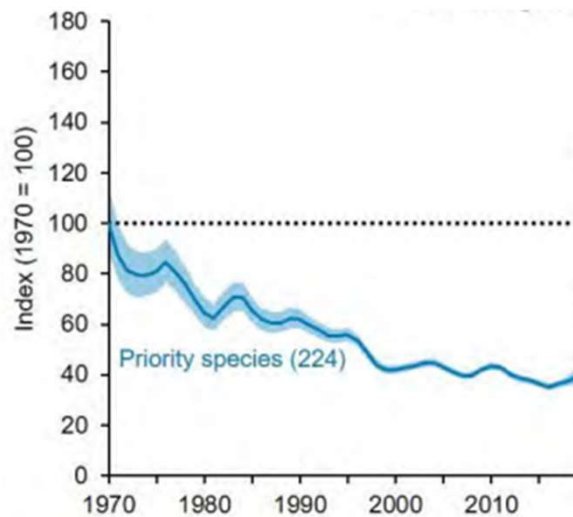
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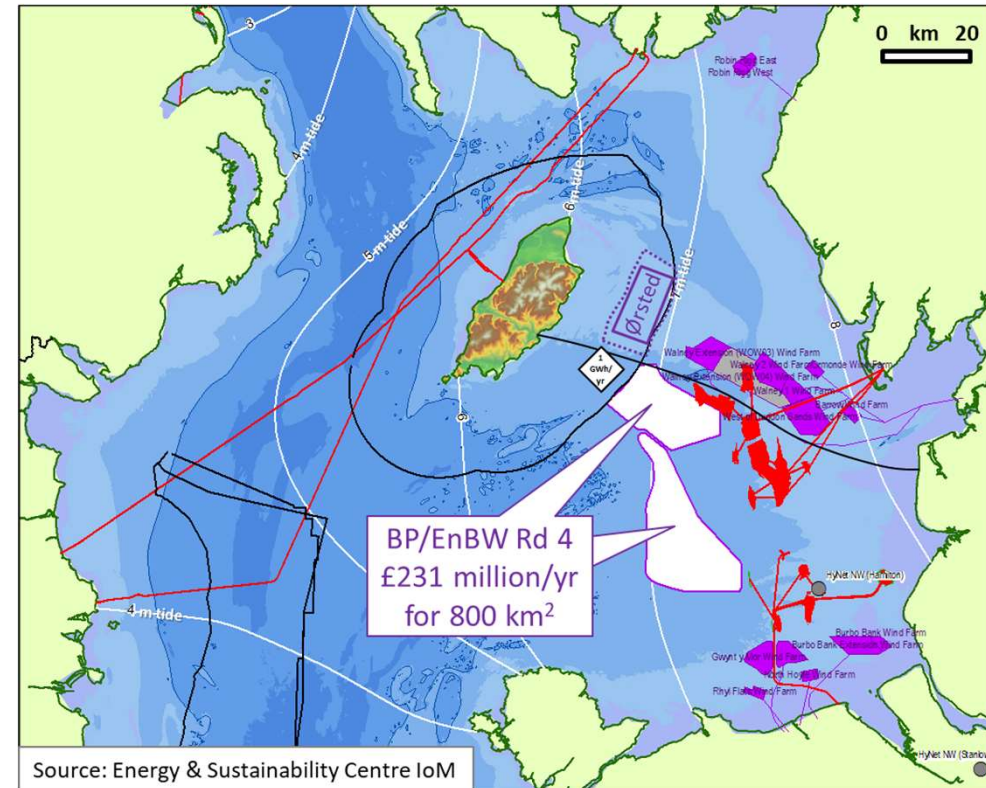
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- No economy if not a green economy
- Customers will embrace the green transition (& predictable prices are truly valuable)
- \$200 trillion available in private investment funds but not enough green projects...

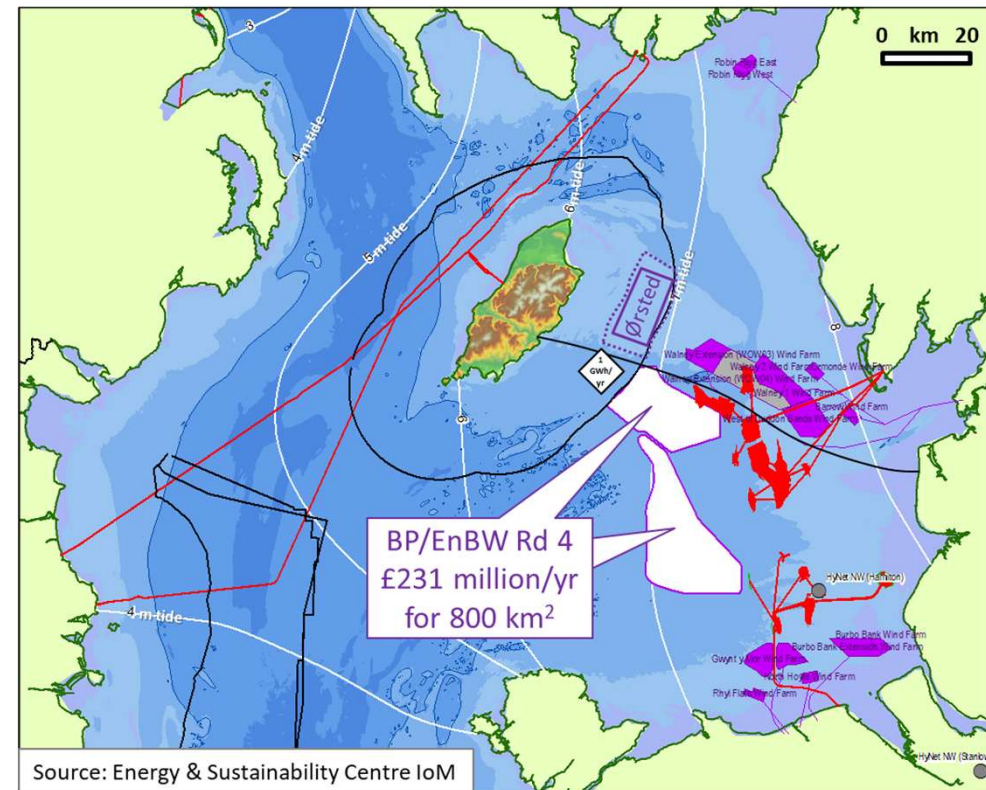
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- IoM as test bed for low-carbon technologies (*e.g. compact PHS, green H_2 for transport?*)
- IoM is missing carbon offsetting opportunities
- Sustainable data centres & green agriculture
- 1.1 t CO_2 /year per KPMG employee



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 - 1921 conventional hydro (40 km of tunnels)
 - 1970's heavy oil power plants
 - 2003 first onshore wind turbine
 - 2009 wind projects really kicked off (+ smart grid & batteries for stabilisation)
 - 2014 green vision announced – clear direction – independent from pipelines & cables
 - 2022 - 30% wind, 20% hydro, smart grid, 3 MW batteries (costly only for frequency)
- Renewable developments prioritized; industry & public incentivised (solar, EVs, heat pumps)



SEV, Faroes – Costs

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- Generation costs*
 - 3p/kWh wind (30% of supply)
 - 13p/kWh oil (£120 million/year)
 - 18p/kWh tidal (2x 100 kW pilot)
 - Customer price
 - 18p/kWh private
 - 14p/kWh businesses
 - Learnings, costs & efficiencies improving with time
- * IoM 3 month avg price of electricity generated from gas is c.15p/kWh



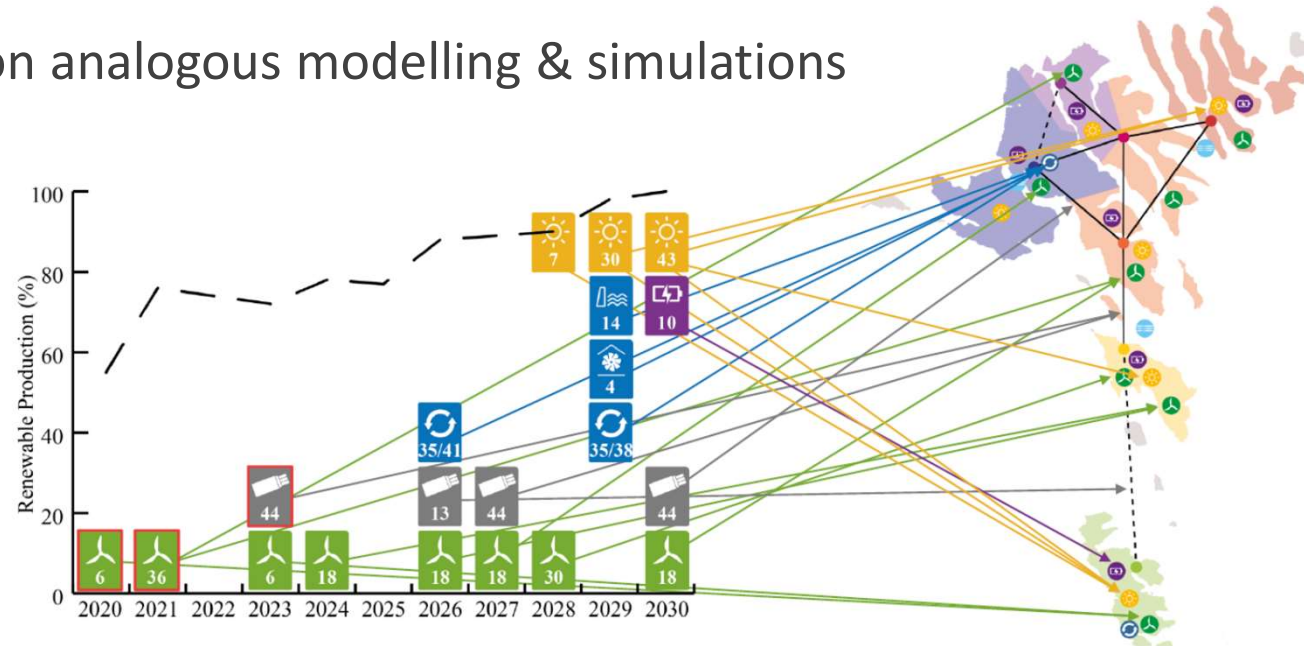
Pumped storage project in Vestmanna



SEV, Faroes – Roadmap

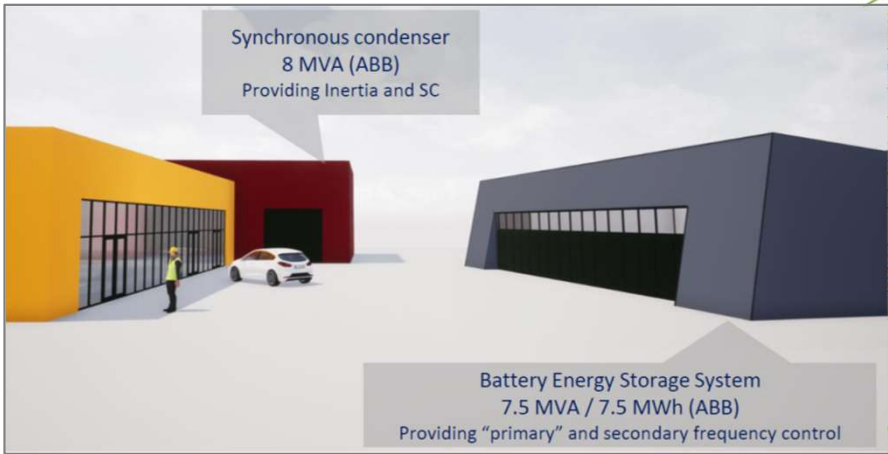
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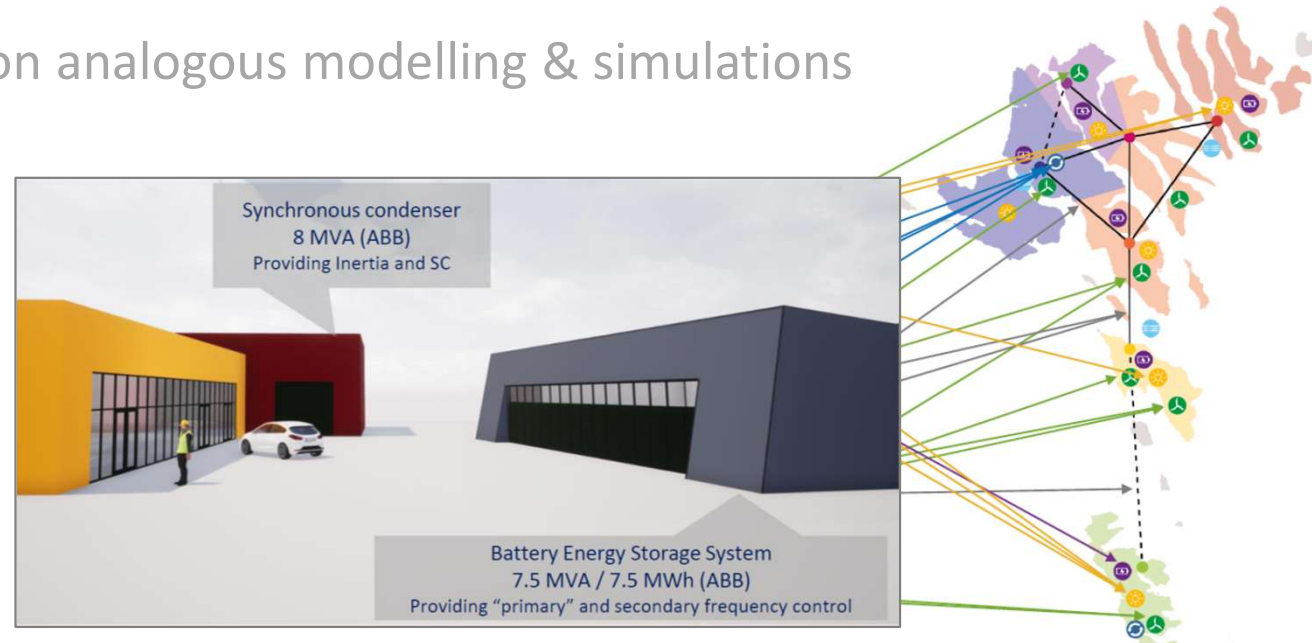
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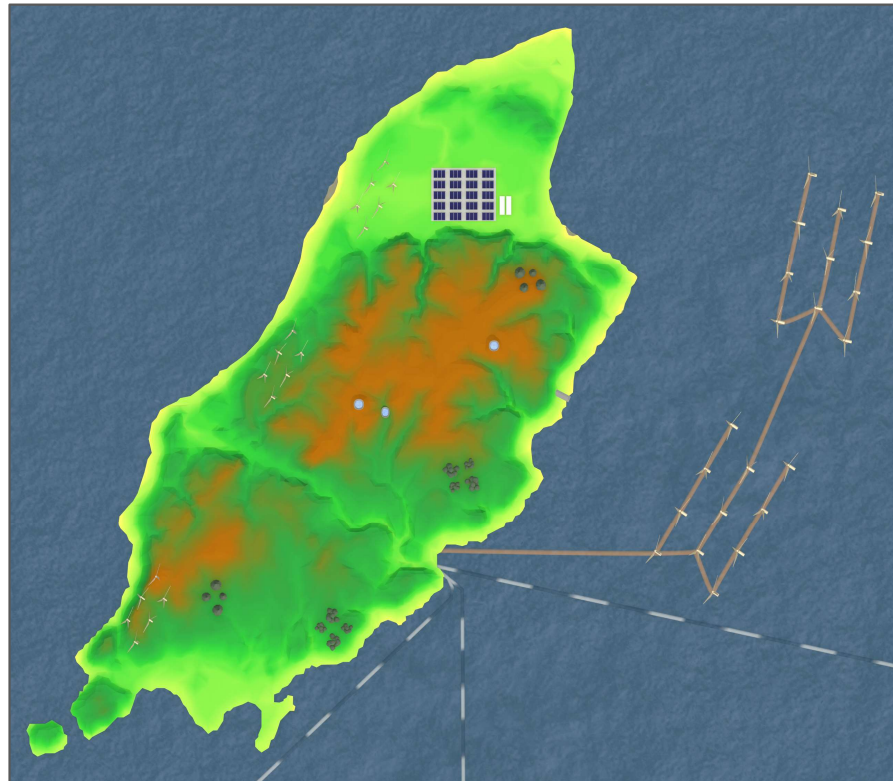
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 - Suduroy runs successfully on 100% wind (+ synchronous condenser)
 - Next tidal kite R&D is 1.2 MW - 20% more expensive than oil but could provide baseload
 - After 2030 will need green fuels for ships (fishing) convert power plant to methanol or NH_3
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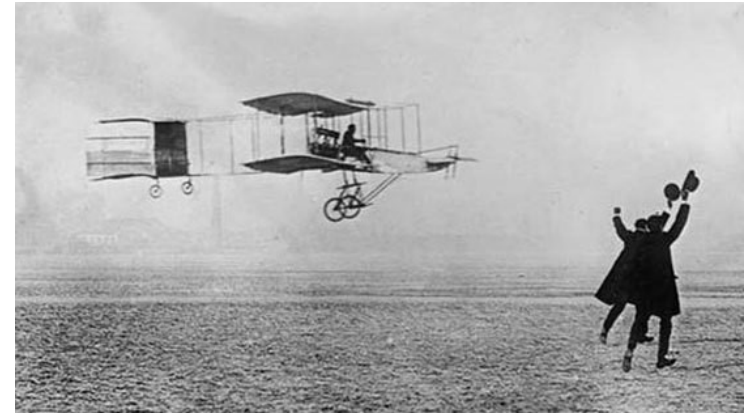
- IoM can be entirely self-sufficient in renewable power with net zero emissions
 - Envable combination of wind, mountains, water, sun



Green Energy Island videos released at www.energysustainabilitycentre.im/news

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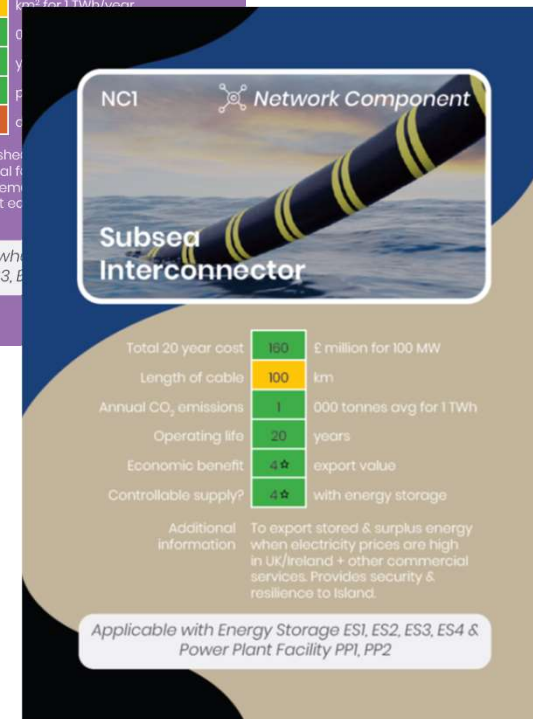


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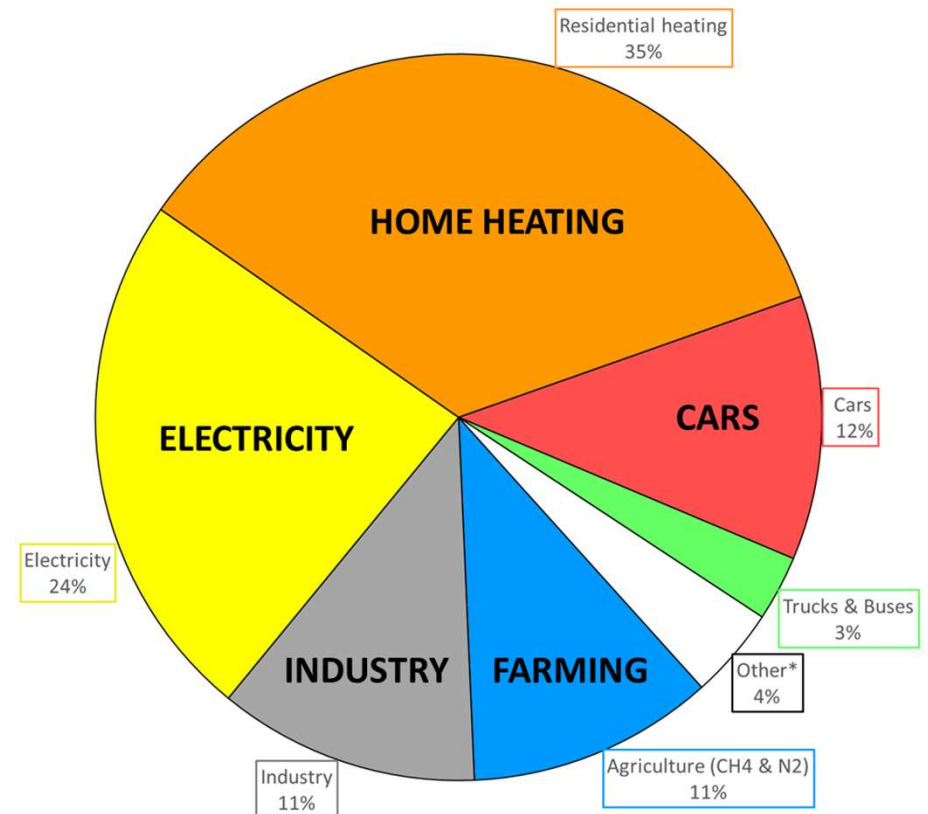
Lots of valid reasons why low-carbon power looks difficult
But changing perceptions of what is affordable & resilient

- Can Island's gas & oil power plants be replaced by renewables?
- No regret decision
 - Wind & solar power
 - Energy storage
 - Export facility



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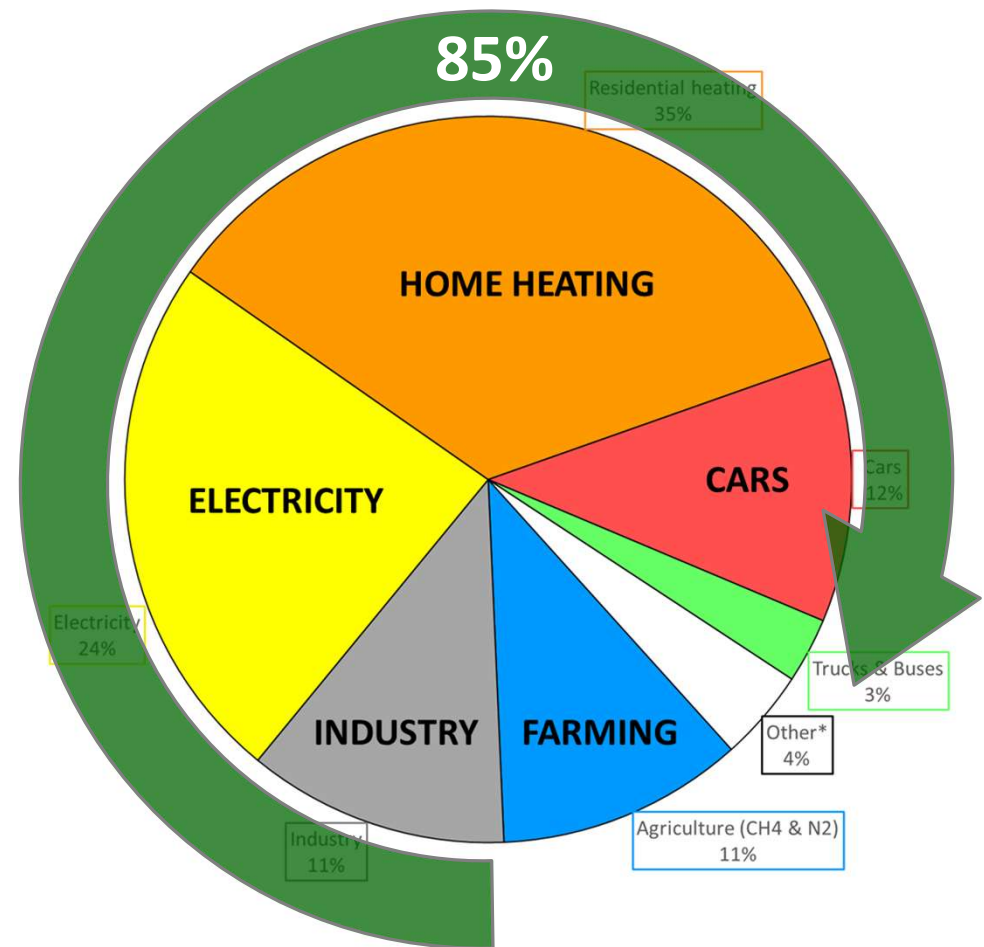
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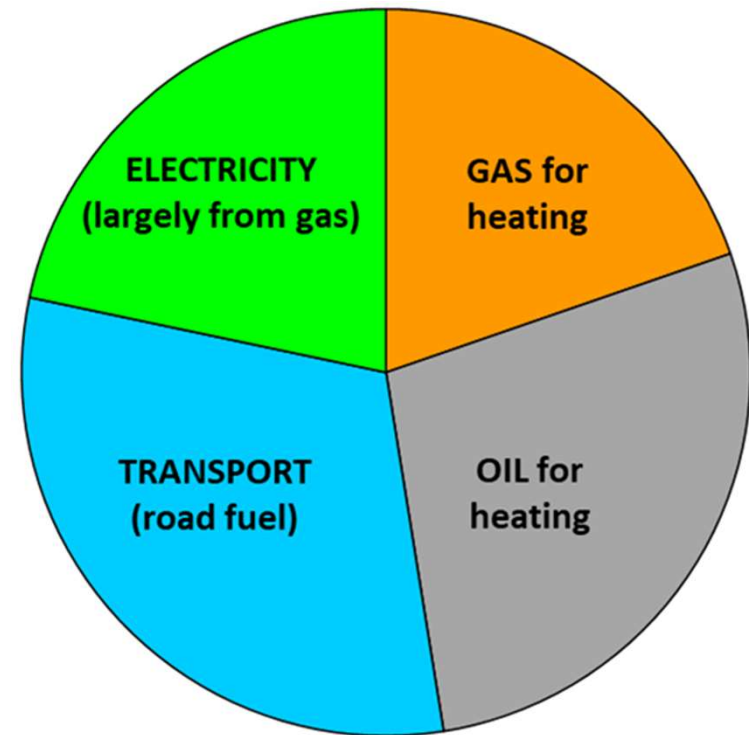


* Wind & solar is the cheapest generated power

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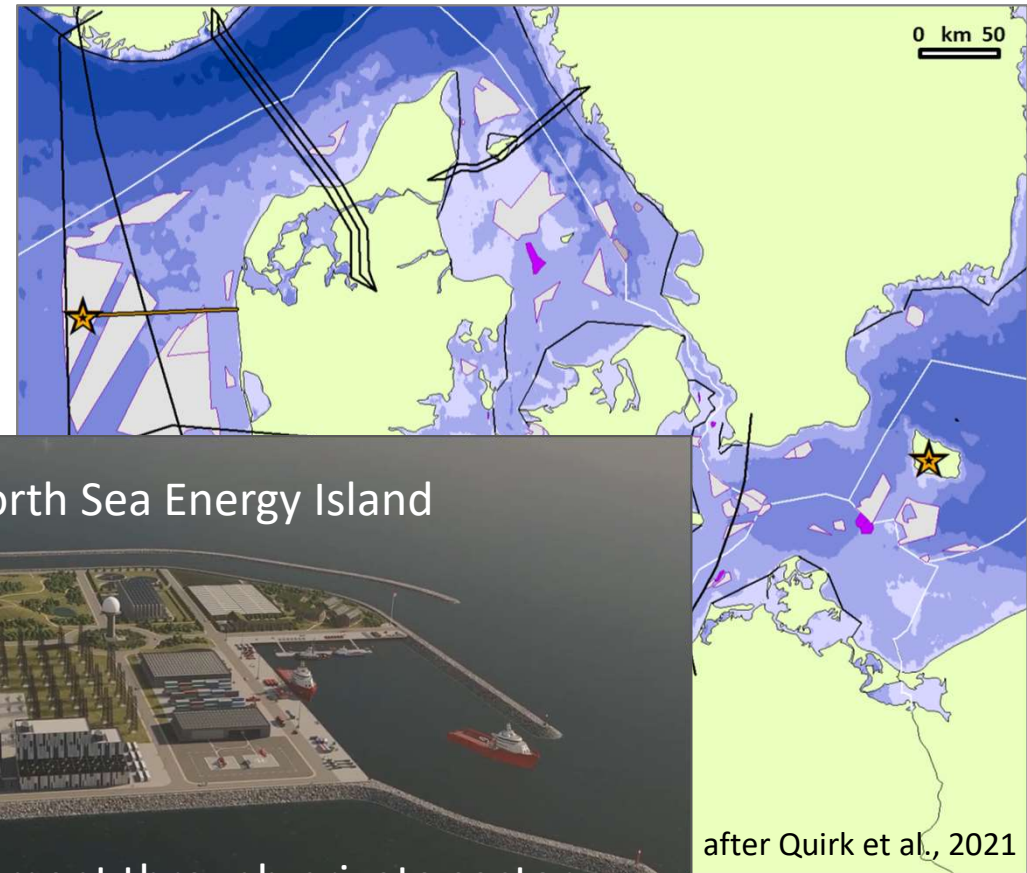
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**Manx renewable
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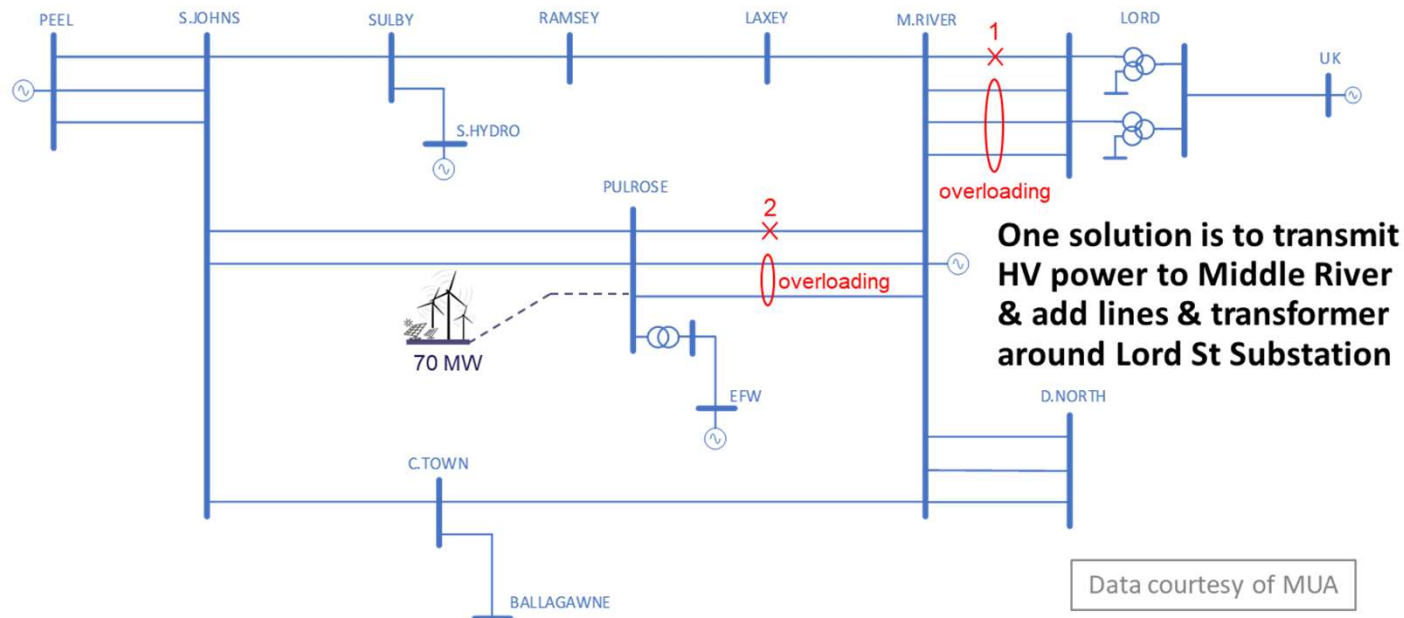
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- Value of Island's location



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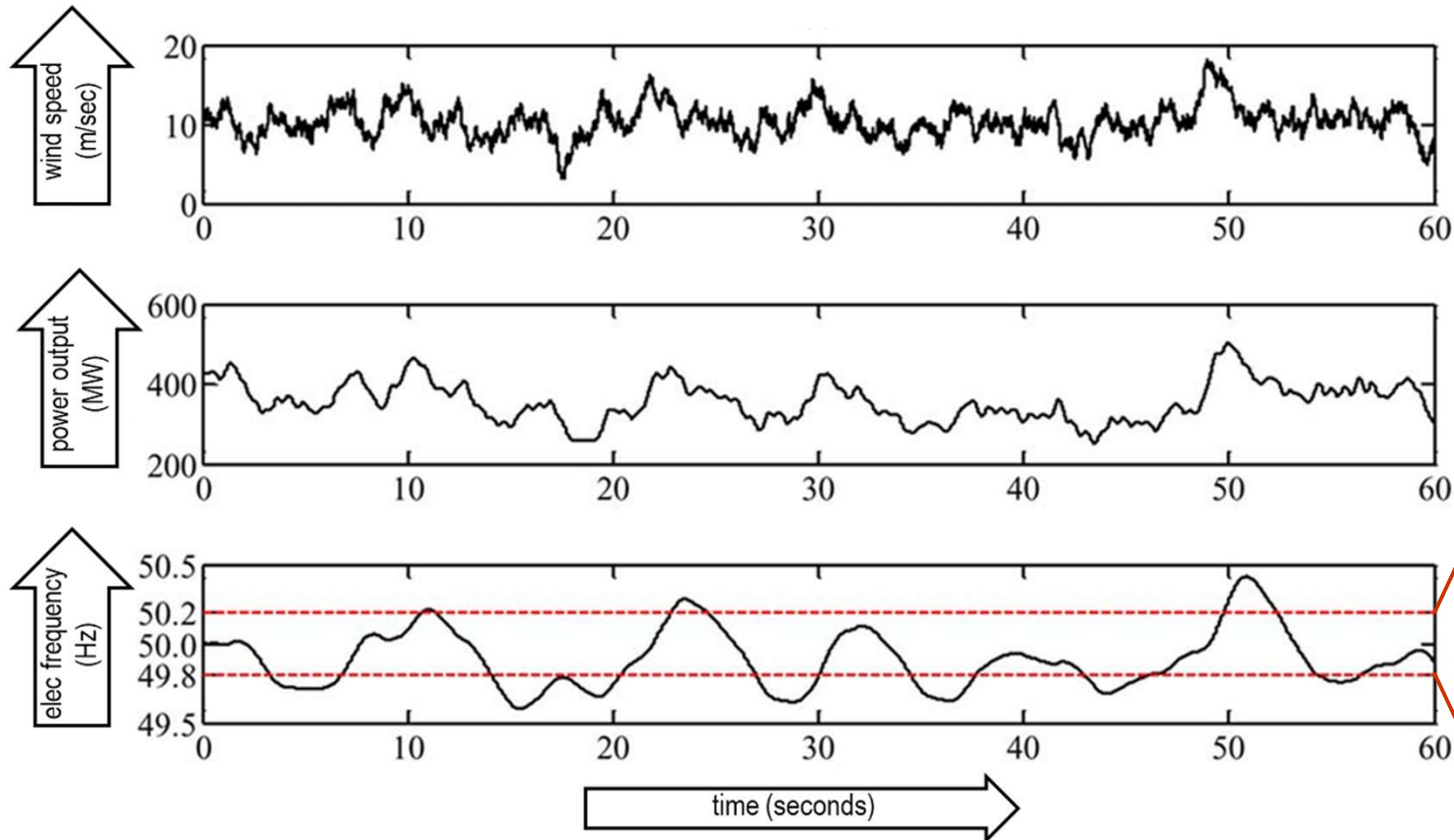
33 kV grid is rapidly overloaded by new supply... or rising demand



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Any variation in supply or demand can affect the stability of the grid



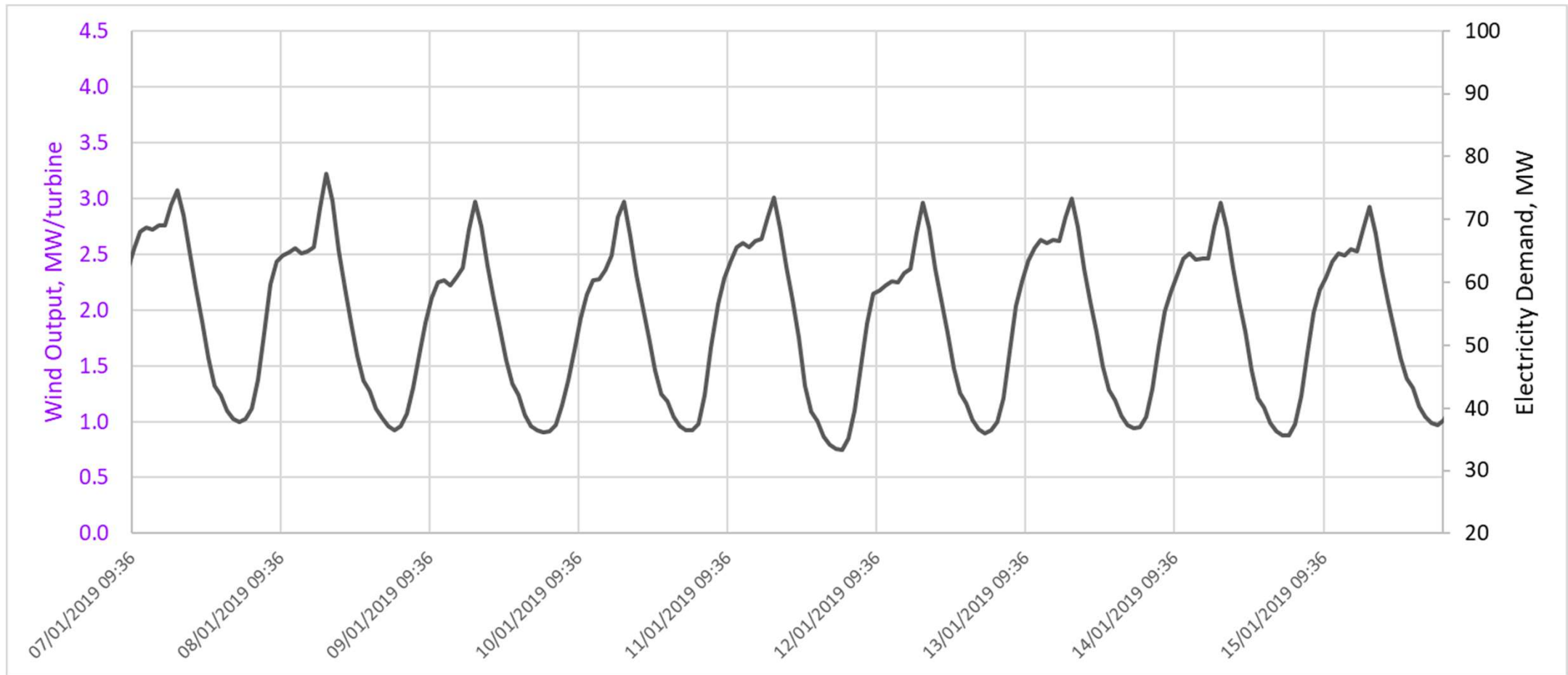
From www.energy.sustainabilitycentre.im
after Jiang et al., 2014

Ancillary services are used to avoid blackouts (batteries, synchronous condensers, power electronics, etc.)

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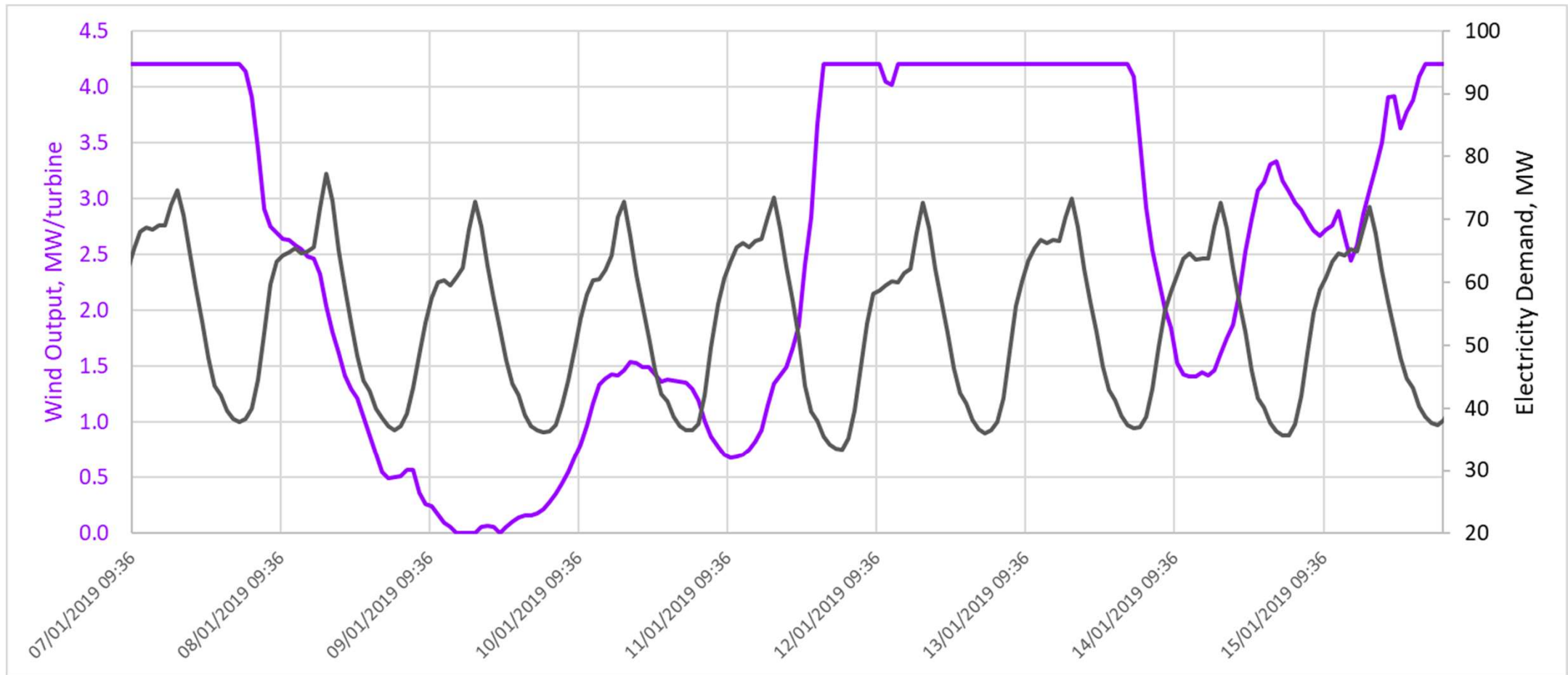
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- Electricity demand is variable

Variation electricity demand over 8 days in January

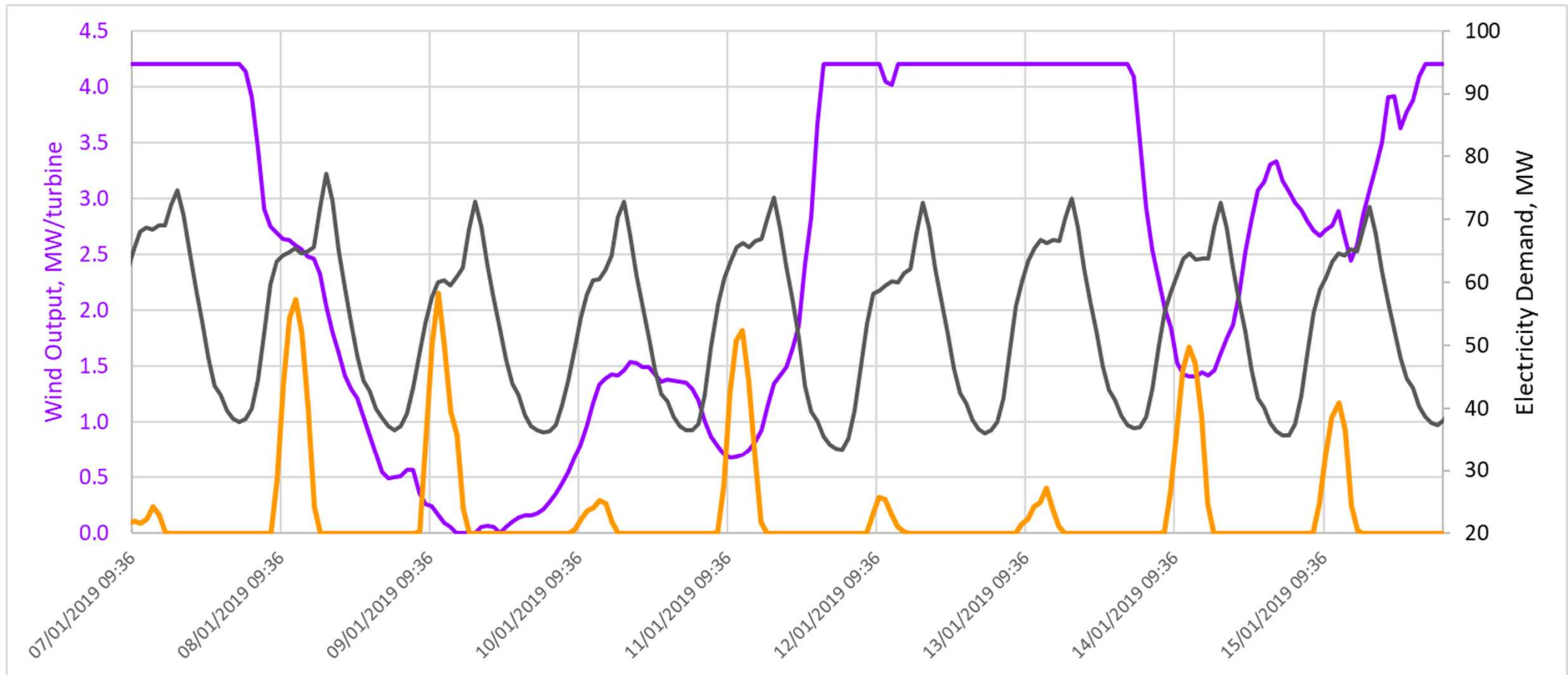


Data courtesy of MUA

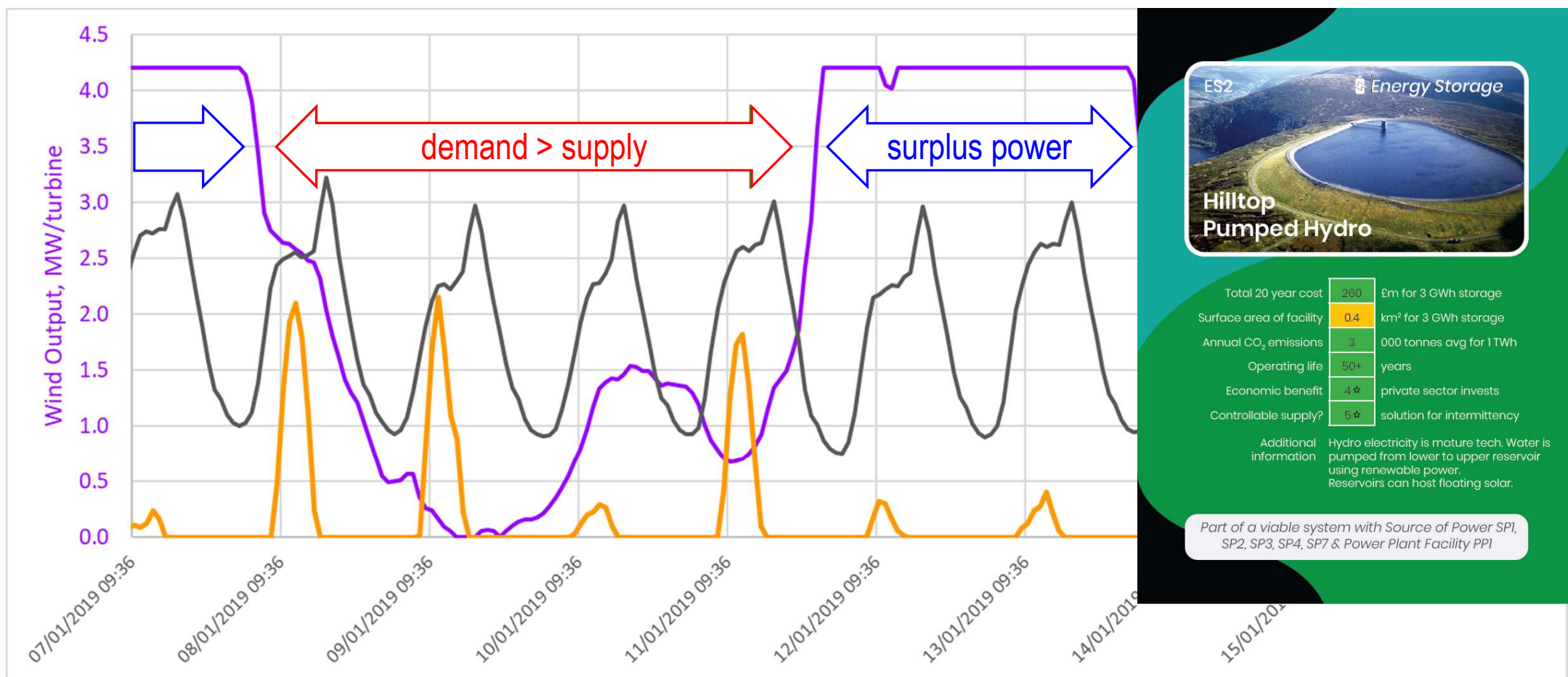
Variation in wind power over 8 days in January



Variation in solar power over 9 days in January

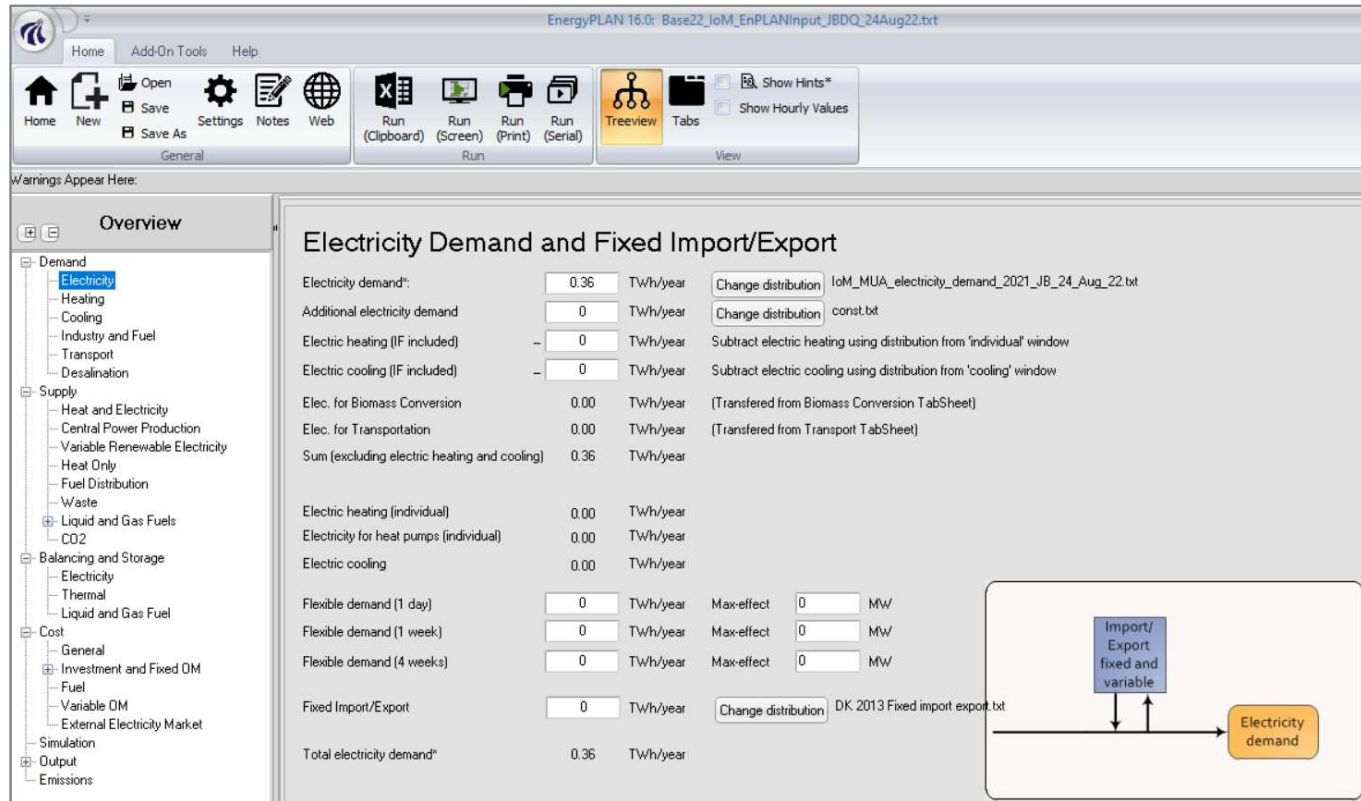


Turn on power plant, import electricity or build energy storage?



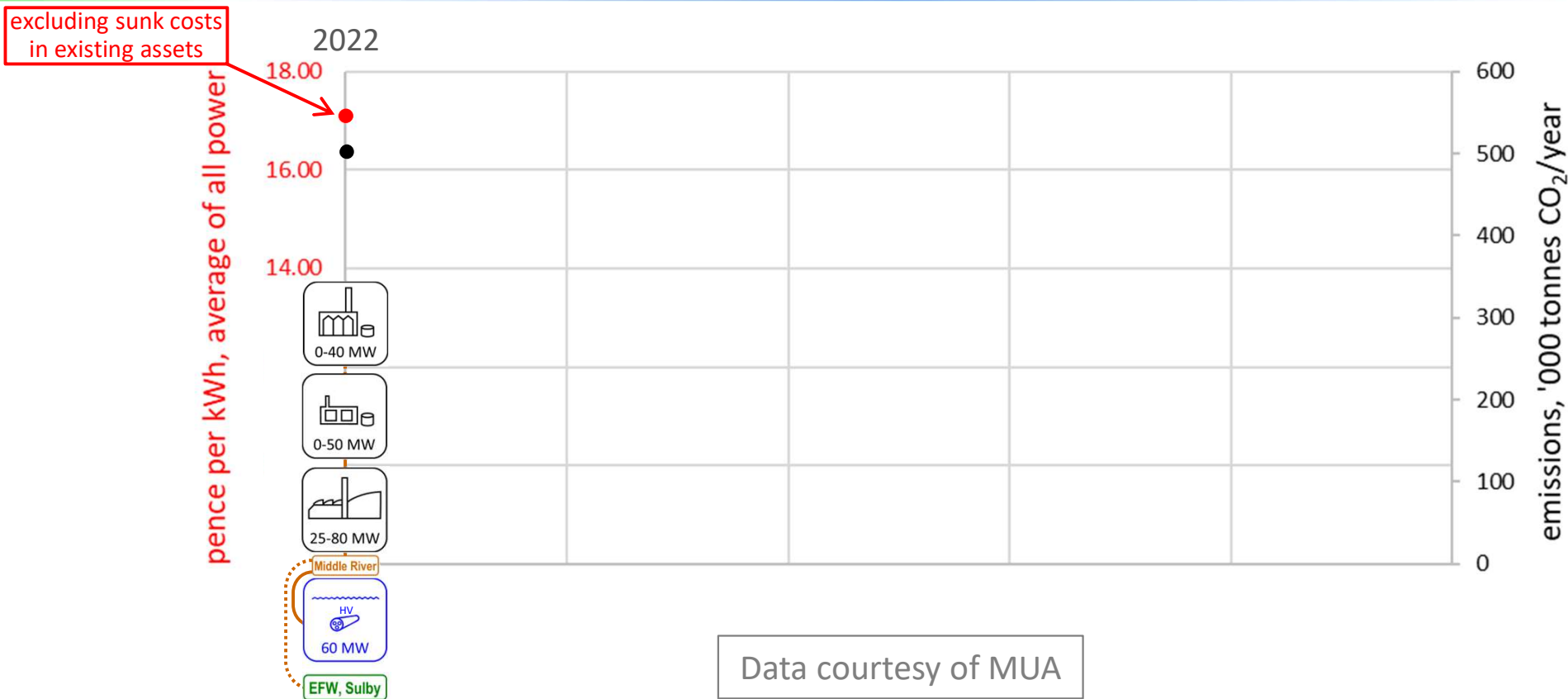
What we did

- Compiled data* on all energy transition options
 - generation, storage, costs
- Built digital models using state of the art software
 - EnergyPlan & PowerFactory
- Simulated & optimised paths to future energy systems
 - roadmap to low-carbon IoM

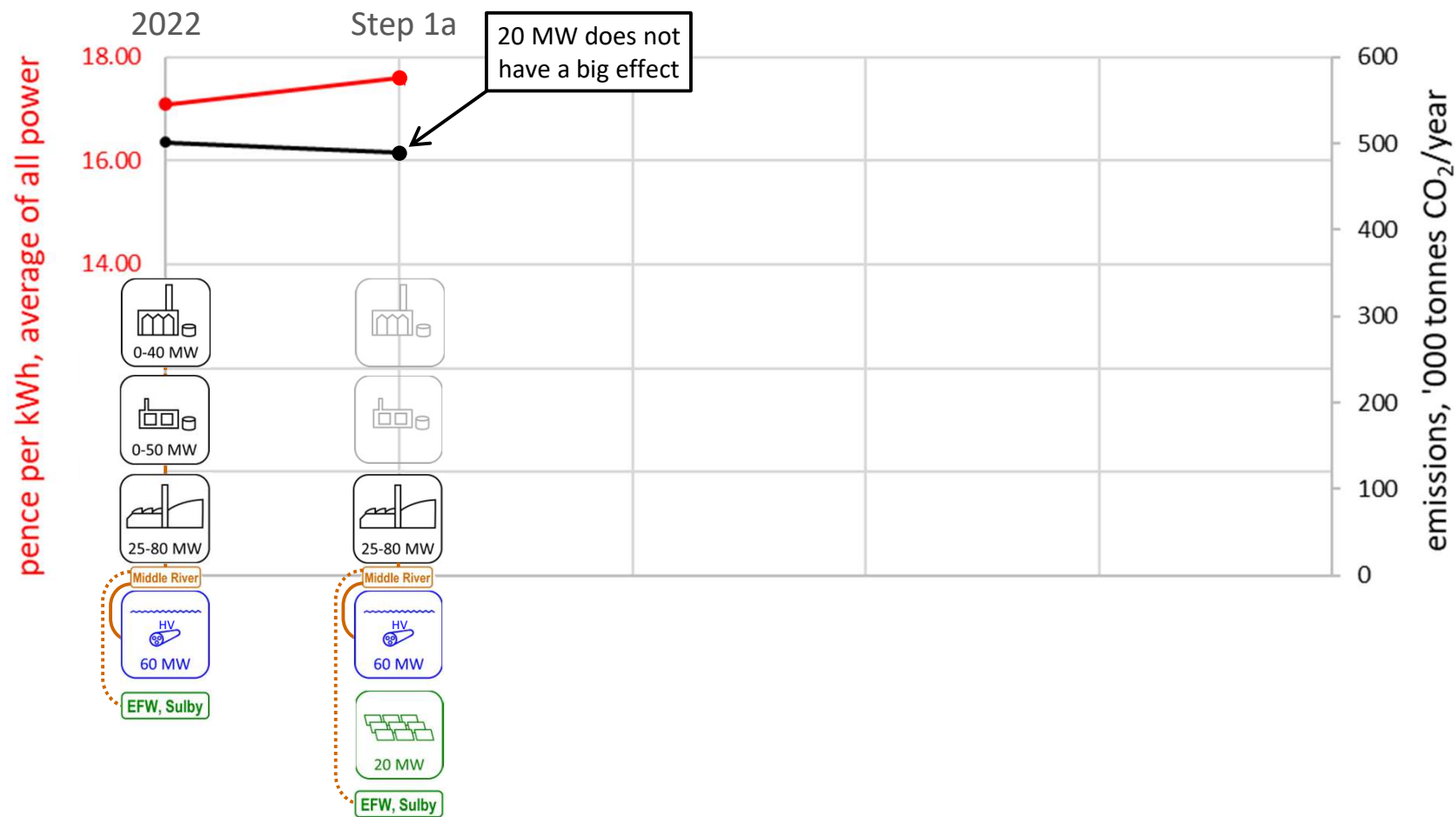


* Including generation, transmission, demand & cost data from MUA

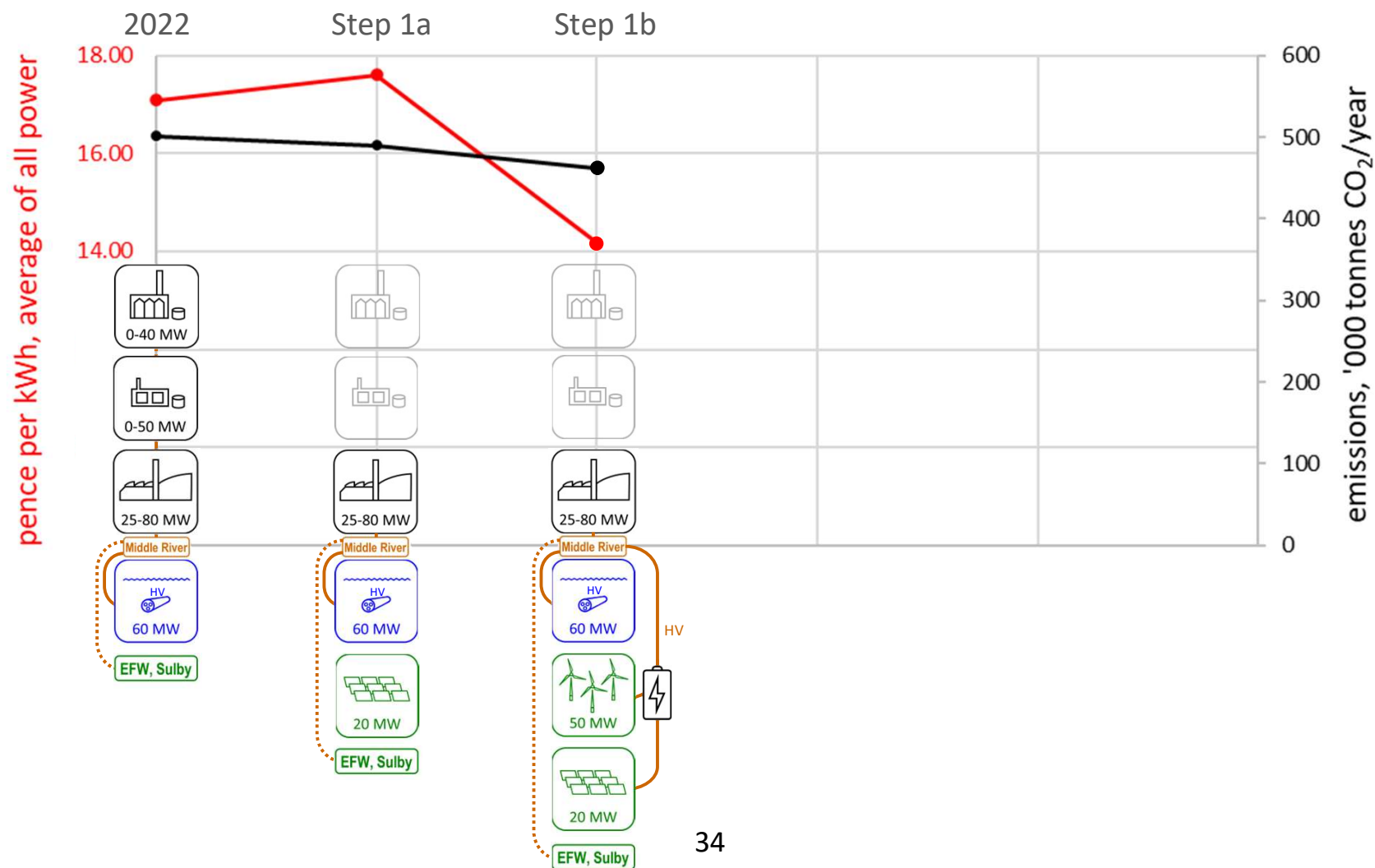
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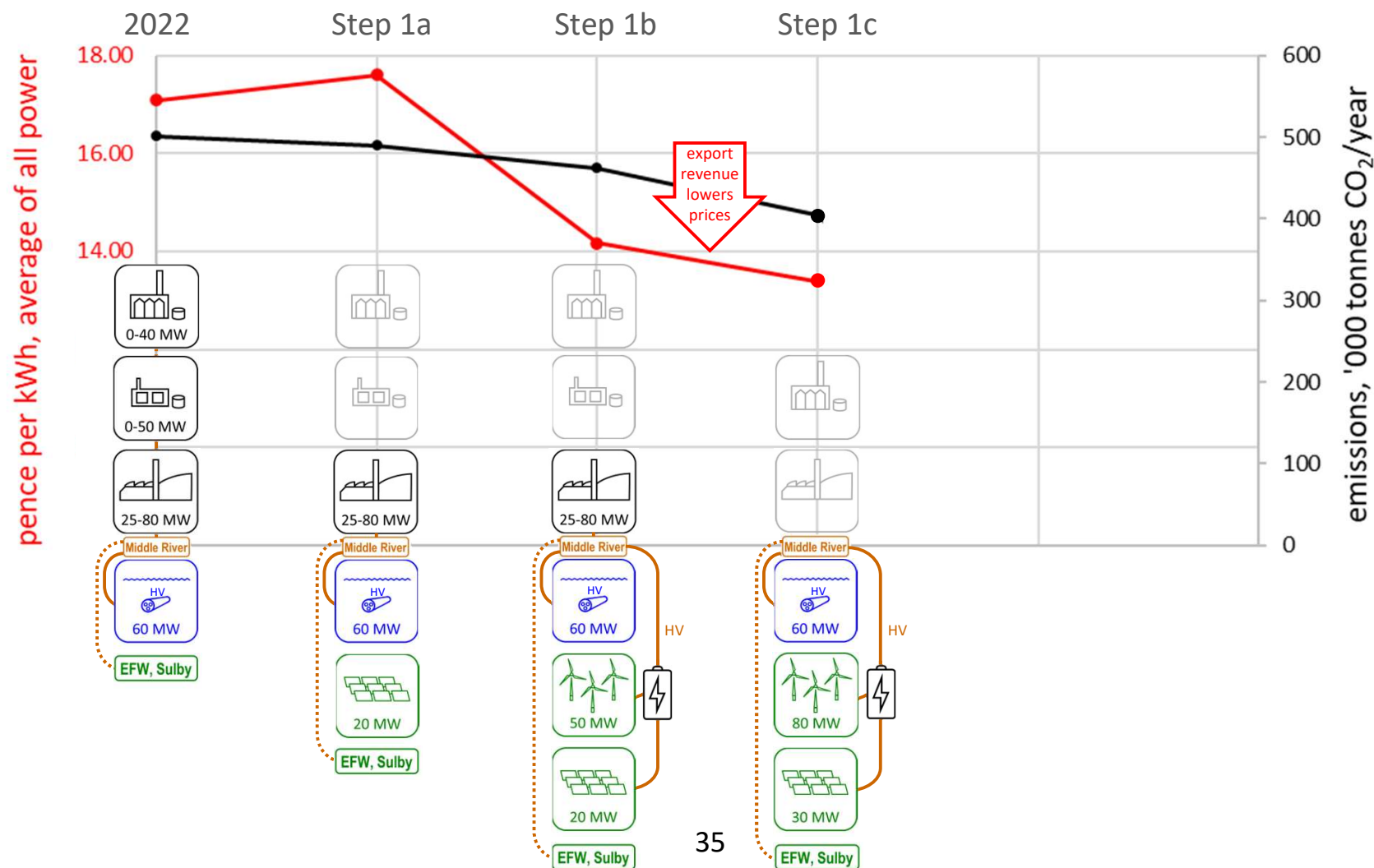
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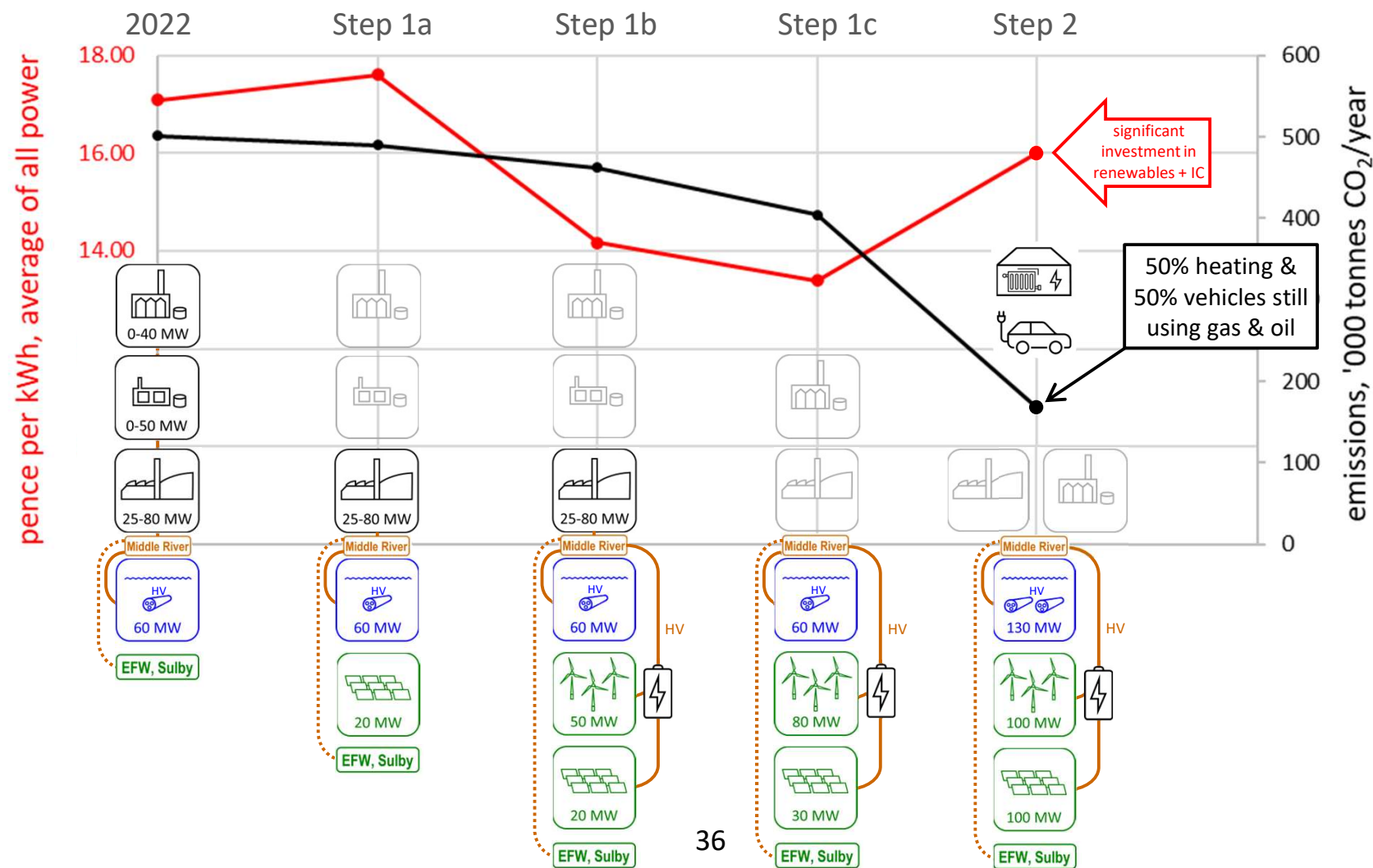
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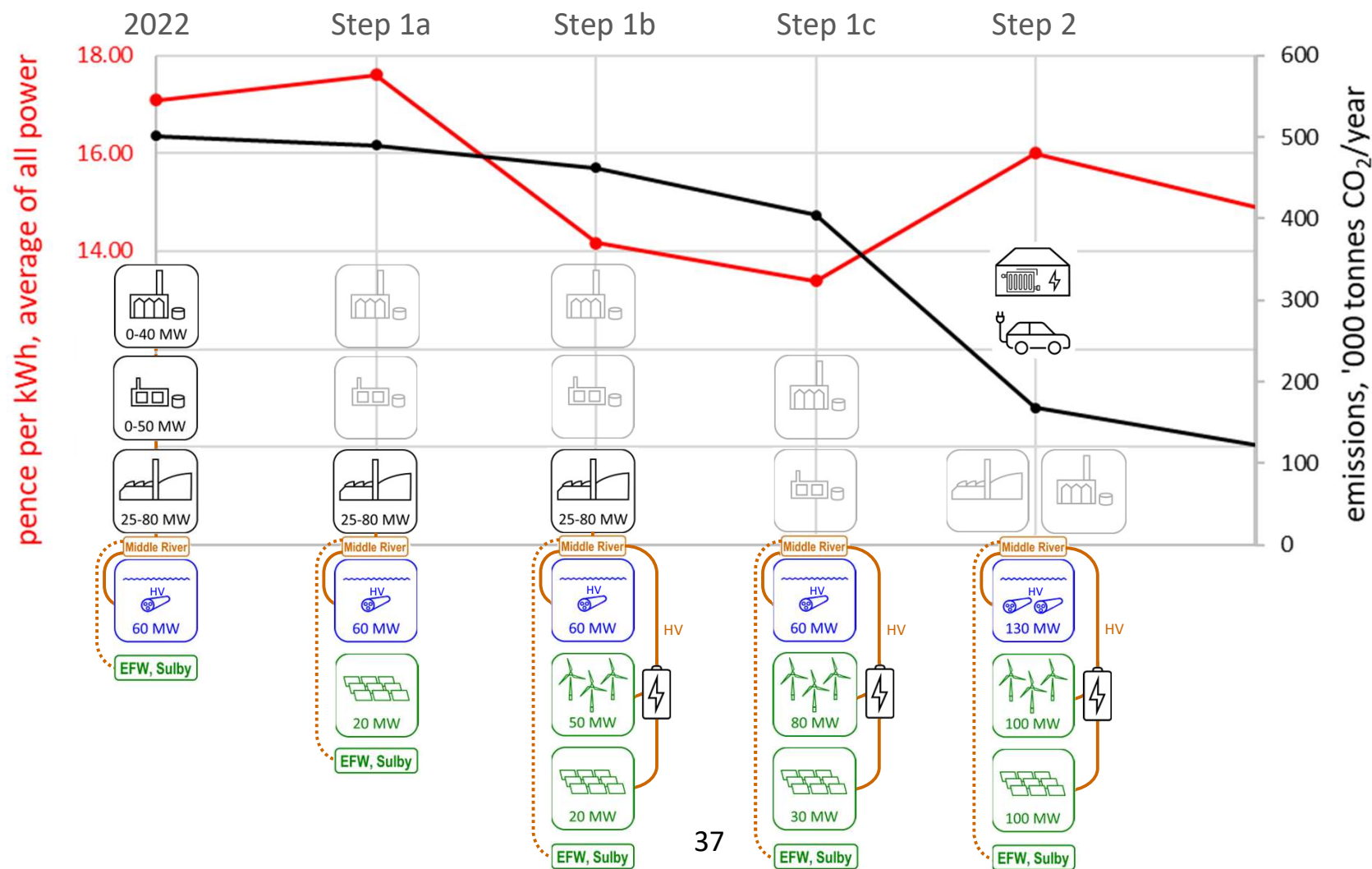
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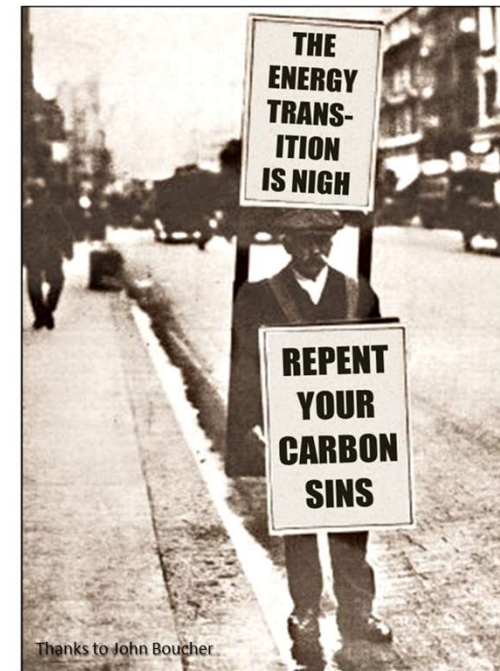


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Conclusions I

- Isle of Man committed to net zero emissions – most benefit in doing it now
- What fantastic assets we have
 - Just a question of choosing, facilitating & accommodating an optimum path
 - Need to move quickly to secure 1) affordable energy and 2) private funding
- Yes it is doable... even with a 33 kV grid at current demand
- Gas prices are unpredictable, unlike renewables
- At grid scale, renewable energy is economic
- A larger interconnector adds more value
- Energy storage improves value & export sales



Thanks to John Boucher

Conclusions II

- Risk of avoiding losing revenue & business
- All the technology is available & companies are ready to invest
- Permitting needs to be streamlined
- The grid will need to be reinforced, flexible & smart
- District heating, biofuels & H₂ should be added to our options
- Alignment is critical – time to collaborate
- Let's work this out this afternoon
- Please join us at the Energy Transition workshop on Friday
www.greenfutureisland.im



15 years since first iPhone

Conclusions - IoM can have global impact by example

