# Australian Energy & Utility Summit Unlocking Wind Energy in Australia

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- Overview of Infigen Energy
- Global Deployment of Wind Energy
- Availability of Wind Energy Resources in Australia
- Maintaining Government Support for Wind Energy
- Key Conclusions
- Questions

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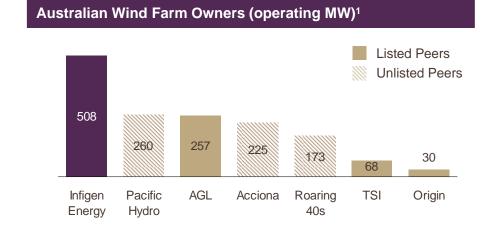
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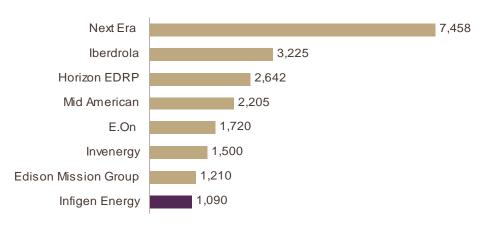
#### Infigen Energy Overview



- Operate over 2,100MW of wind energy generation globally
- Largest owner of wind energy capacity in Australia
- Development, asset management and energy markets capabilities in Australia
- Own & operate a top 8 business in US wind energy industry
- Highly experienced US Bluarc asset management team
- ASX listed (ASX:IFN) with market cap of \$A600m+



#### US - Top eight wind farm owners by installed capacity (MW)<sup>2</sup>



<sup>1.</sup> Clean Energy Council (2010) and company Websites. Excludes contracted capacity.

2. American Wind Energy Association: 2009 Annual Report



#### Major Australian Projects

#### Australia's leading specialist wind energy and renewable energy developer and operator



#### **LAKE BONNEY 1**

Location: South Australia
Status: Operational March 2005
Installed Capacity: 80.5MW
Turbine: 46 Vestas V66



#### **ALINTA**

Location: Western Australia
Status: Operational January 2006
Installed Capacity: 89.1MW
Turbine: 54 NEG Micon NM82



#### **LAKE BONNEY 2**

Location: South Australia

Status: Operational September 2008

Installed Capacity: 159.0MW

Turbine: 53 Vestas V90



#### **CAPITAL**

Location: Bungendore, NSW

Status: Operational November 2009

Installed Capacity: 140.7MW
Turbine: 67 Suzlon 2.1MW S88



#### **LAKE BONNEY 3**

**Location:** South Australia **Status:** Operational June 2010 **Installed Capacity:** 39.0MW

Turbine: 13 Vestas V90



#### **WOODLAWN**

Location: New South Wales
Status: Issued notice to proceed
Installed Capacity: 42.0MW
Turbine: Suzlon 2.1MW S88

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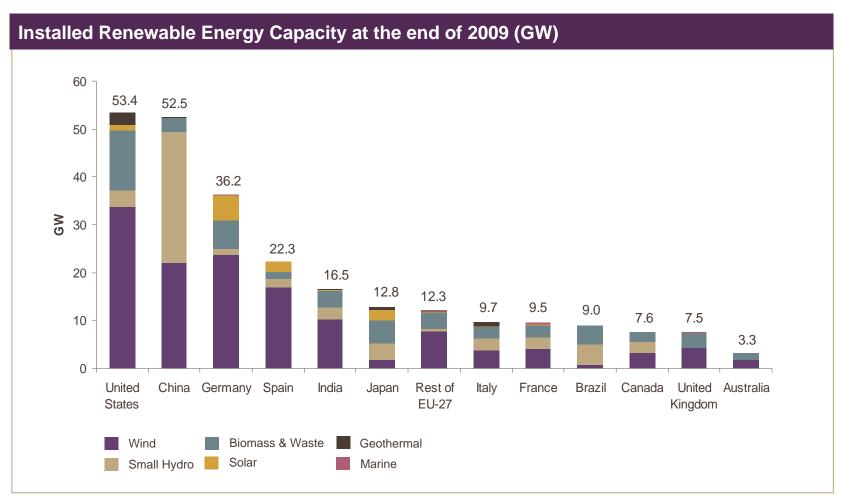


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## Global Deployment of Renewable Energy

Wind energy dominated installed renewable energy generation at the end of 2009

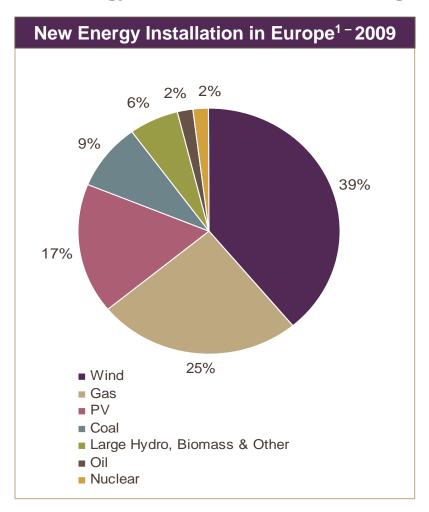


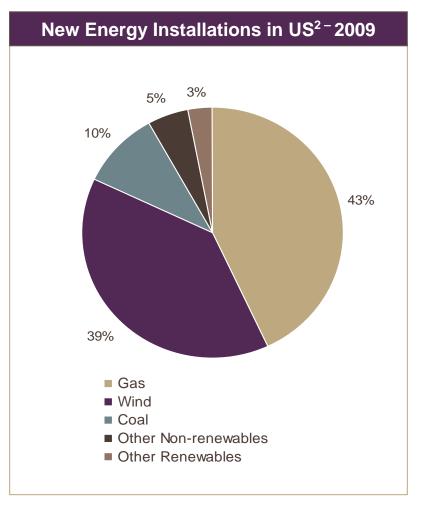
Source: PEW G20 Clean Energy Factbook (2009). Excludes large Hydro

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#### European and US New Energy Installations

Wind energy accounted for 39% of all new generation capacity in the US & Europe in 2009





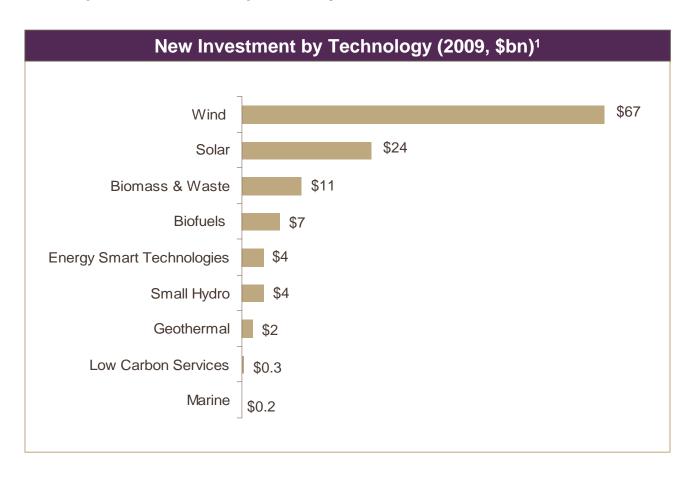
<sup>1.</sup> European Wind Energy Association: 2009 Industry Statistics

<sup>2.</sup> American Wind Energy Association: 2009 Annual report (% approximate)



## Global Investment By Renewable Energy Type

Global Wind Energy Investment accounted for 56% of total renewable energy investment in 2009, up from 45% in the previous year



<sup>1.</sup> United Nations Environment Program (ENEP), Global Trends in Sustainable Energy Investment (2010)



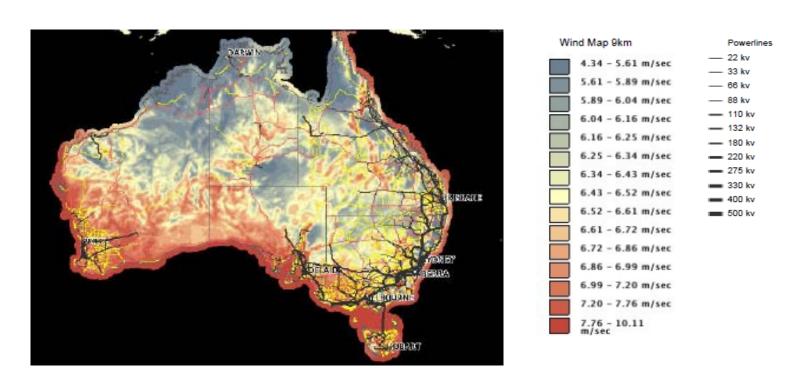


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#### Australian Wind Energy Resource

Straight forward connections in high wind resource areas are becoming scarce



Source: Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts

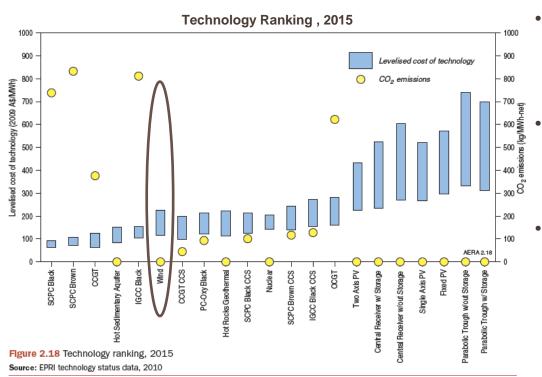
Augmentation of the grid will be required to efficiently satisfy LRET



## Comparative Energy Costs

Wind Energy is the most cost effective utility scale renewable technology

#### **Comparative Cost of Wind with Conventional & Renewable Energy Generation**



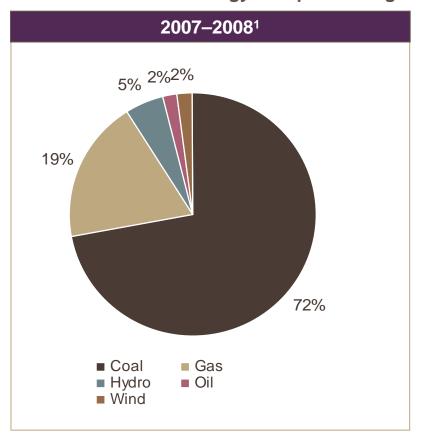
- Wind energy is the most cost effective utility scale technology under least cost, technology neutral incentives schemes
  - Hot rocks geothermal technologies are not proven in utility scale and are likely to suffer remote location disadvantages
- Utility scale solar technologies are still substantially more expensive than wind energy but costs are reducing for Solar PV

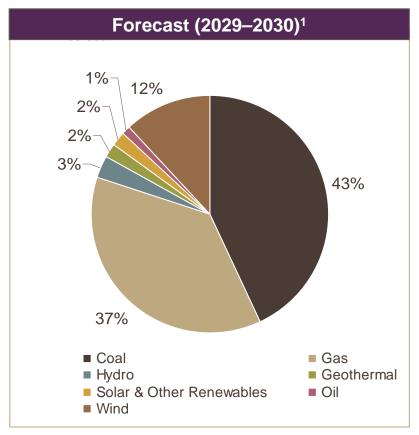
Source: Australian Energy Resource Assessment. EPRI technology status data 2010. Levelised cost of technology estimates based on simplified pro-forma costs. Levelised cost of technologies includes weighted cost of capital (8.4% real before tax); excludes financial support mechanisms, excludes grid connection, transmission and firming (standing reserve requirements); and includes a notional allowance of 7.5% for site specific costs.



#### Australian Generation by Fuel Type

Penetration of wind energy is expected to grow by a factor of over five times to 12% by 2020





Australian new build electricity generation capacity will be dominated by wind energy and gas fired generation

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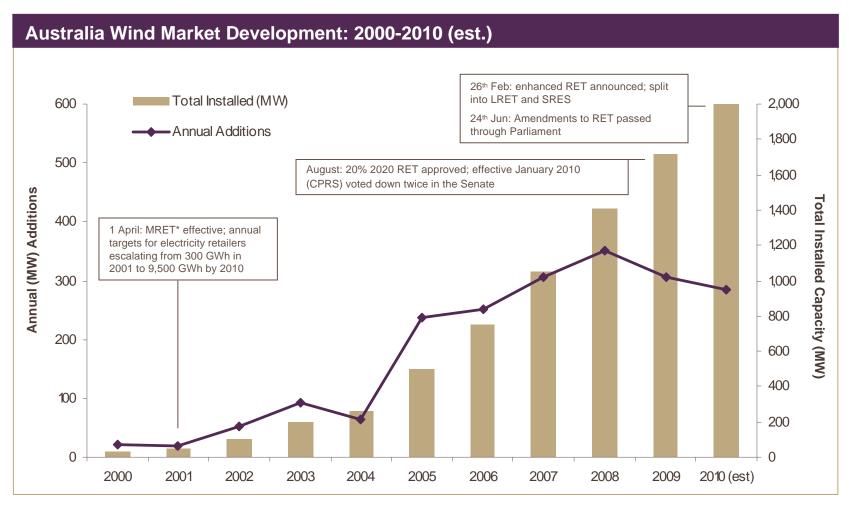


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## Wind Energy and Policy Frameworks in Australia

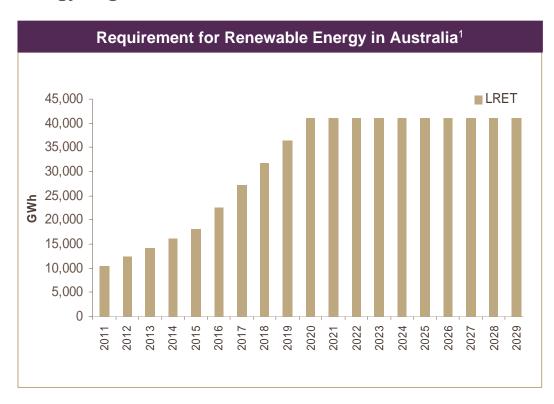
Government commitments have contributed to a steady increase in wind energy since 2005





#### **Evolution of LRET**

Implementation of LRET will improve the prospect of achieving the 20% by 2020 renewable energy target



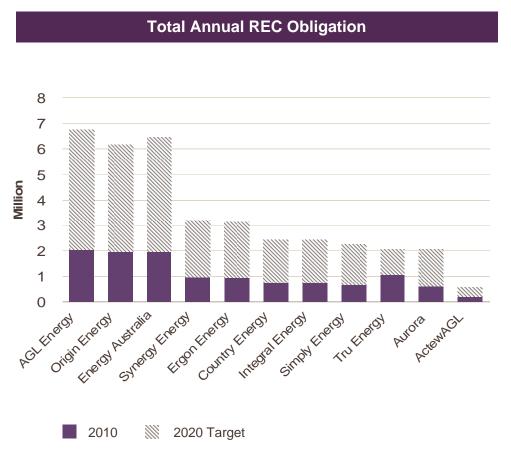
- Recent amendments to the legislation and the implementation of LRET from January 2011 will provide for over 90% of the expanded RET target to be met by large scale renewable energy projects
- The LRET surplus is a critical element in determining short to medium term investment
  - Provision to temporarily increase the targets in 2012 and 2013
  - Offset by a reduction of the targets by the same amount of RECs between 2016 and 2019

<sup>1.</sup> Enhanced Renewable Energy Target: Fact sheet July 2010



## LRET Obligations for Electricity Retailers

With annual LRET obligations increasing from 12,500GWh in 2010 to 41,000GWh in 2020, leading retailers will need to expand their Renewable Energy portfolios

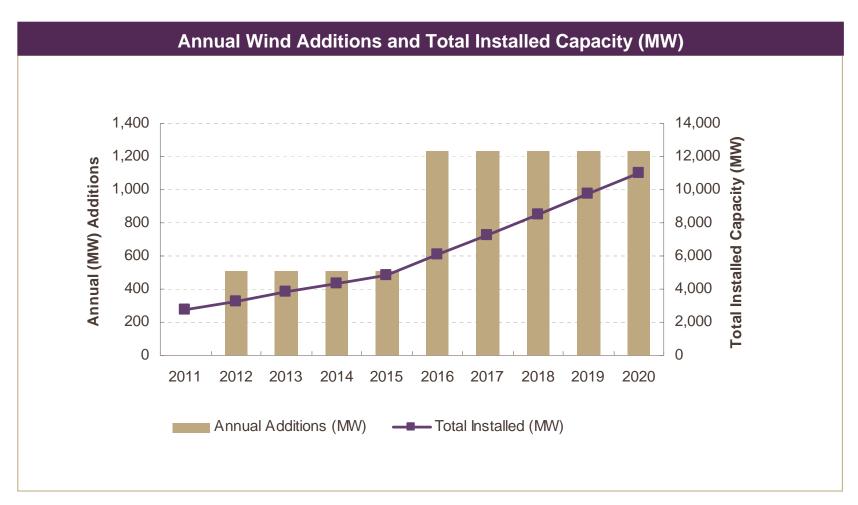


Projected Wind Demand Through 2020		
Obligated Retailer	Wind-Derived GWh Obligation per Retailer <sup>1</sup>	Projected MW Wind Demand per Retailer <sup>1</sup>
AGL Energy	5,047	1,800
Origin Energy	4,606	1,643
Energy Australia	4,829	1,723
Synergy Energy	2,392	853
Ergon Energy	2,347	837
Country Energy	1,828	652
Integral Energy	1,816	648
Simply Energy	1,709	610
TRU Energy	1,560	557
Aurora Energy	1,553	554
ActewAGL	477	160
Other	2,618	934
Total	30,750	10,970



## Australia Wind Energy Capacity Forecast

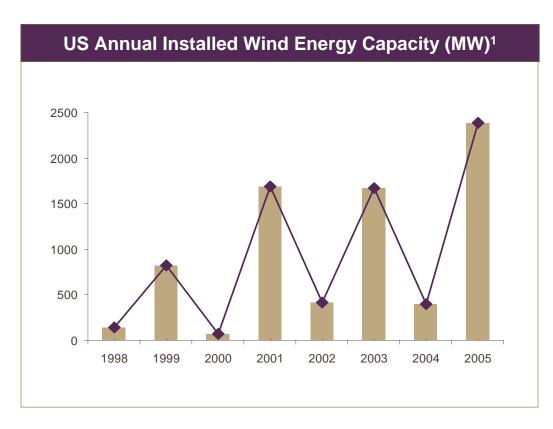
Wind energy expected to increase to >11 GW following implementation of the LRET





## US PTC Renewable Energy Incentive

Expirations of the federal PTC in 1999, 2001 & 2003 caused a "boom bust" cycle in the US



- The production tax credit (PTC) is the primary renewable energy incentive
- First Federal PTC passed in the 1992 Energy Policy Act
- Provides a US\$21 per MWh tax credit for the first ten years of operation
- PTC allowed to lapse three times
- Since 2005, the PTC has been consistently extended to provide more even growth

<sup>1.</sup> American Wind Energy Association Annual Market Report: Year Ending 2009

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## **Key Conclusions**

Wind Energy	<ul> <li>Potential to satisfy a significant proportion of LRET</li> <li>Likely to dominate new build energy installation</li> <li>Expansion of the grid will be required to efficiently satisfy LRET</li> </ul>
Policy Landscape	<ul> <li>LRET improves the prospect of achieving the 20% by 2020 renewable energy target</li> <li>The LRET surplus is a critical element in determining investment</li> <li>ETS would prove further uplift to renewable energy investment</li> </ul>
Market Dynamics	<ul> <li>Limited in-house capacity of REC liable parties to deliver their mandated requirements</li> <li>Steep ramp up profile of LRET and significant lead time to complete renewable energy plants requires commencement of projects now</li> </ul>

## Questions









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