

# 100% Renewable Generation

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## A transition is underway

### Yesterday we heard:

- The global debate on climate change is shifting from targets to a transformation to a low carbon economy.
- Science and engineering are winning!
  New technologies are becoming available.
- > Policies are really important they drive the energy sector in certain directions.



## Some Reuters' headlines 2014



- > E.ON to close 13 GW of plants, Enel to mothball 8 GW
- > European power industry crisis to persist
- > E.ON cuts dividend to 0.60 euros/share, from 1.1 euros
- > Enel, E.ON expect core profits to fall further



## The global climate picture

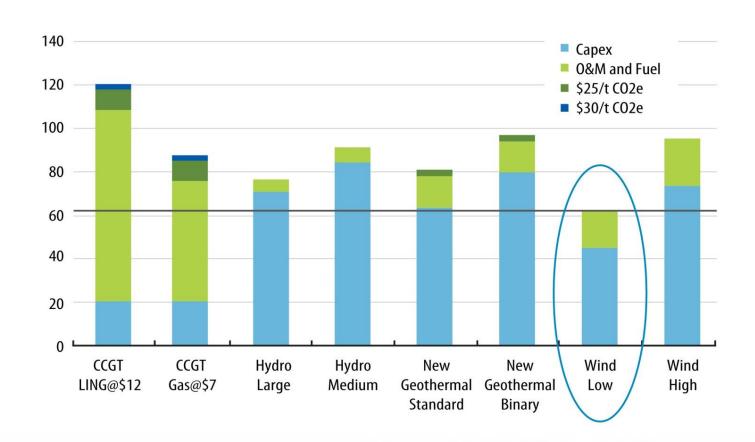
- > Ambitious (sensational?) plans.
- > Inconceivable that governments will not take action on climate change.
- > Coal use in China declining? Unbelievable? Yes, but look at the depressed coal industry.
- > IEA says global CO2 emissions plateauing 2015/6?
- > And New Zealand's policy...





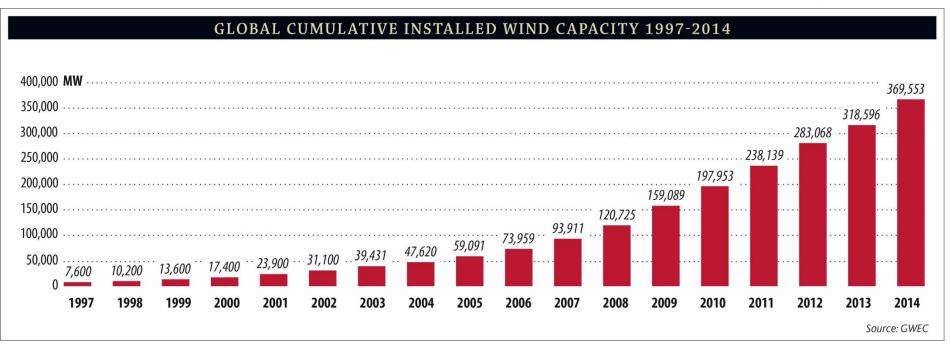
## The price picture for wind in NZ

#### LRMC - 2016 \$/MWh



## The global wind picture ctd





- 2015 wind generation growth = all wind generation installed end 2004.
- Total of 370GW installed by the end of 2014
- 370GW = 40X NZ's total installed generation fleet
- Amazingly positive US government wind report

# What will we cover today?



- At 75-80% renewable NZ has 4<sup>th</sup> highest renewables in OCED.
- But others are catching up; Portugal.
- Some developing countries also.
- All countries need to get to 100% renewables; advantages for those who get there first?
- How could we do it?
- What technologies are there?
- Does current policy help or hinder?
- Does the market favour existing technology versus new?



## **Purpose**

## Add to the debate about NZ's climate change position for Paris.

### **Explore**

- > the technical issues with 100%.
- > the policy issues.
- > The opportunities

The start of a discussion and a journey.