

# Technical Potential for Solar Photovoltaics in Illinois

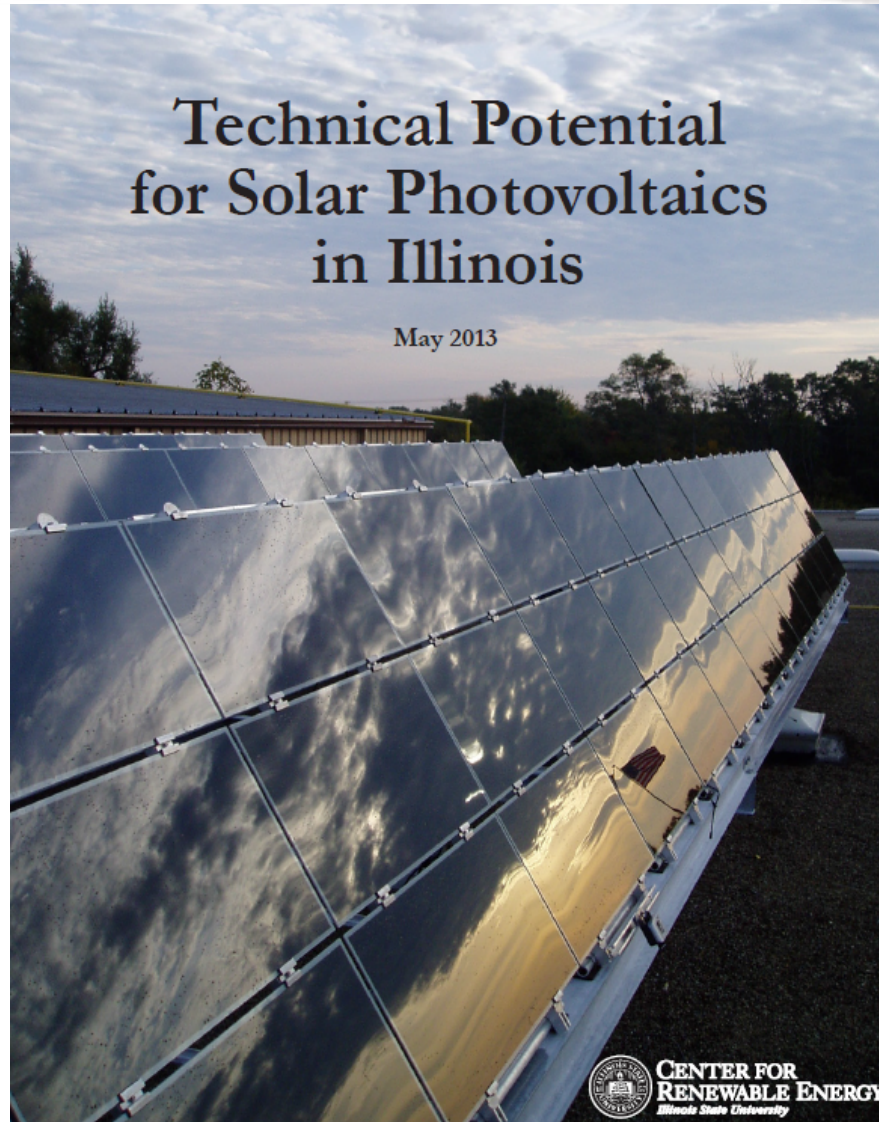
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# I. Project Overview



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## ***1) Acknowledgement***

- Funded by Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to promote and support the IL solar energy market and industry.
- This study is co-authored with Dr. Dave Loomis and Matt Aldeman.

## ***2) Background***

- RPS in IL: 25% by 2025
- Solar carve-out : 6%
- Utility-scale solar projects in IL
  - a) West Pullman Exelon City Solar: 10MW
  - b) Streator, IL Invenergy Solar Project: 17MW

## ***3) Objectives***

- Determine the optimal solar penetration rate of large-scale deployment of grid-connected solar PV systems
- Evaluate the current RPS plan (solar carve-out)

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## ***4) Research Questions***

1. Given the current solar carve-out of 6% specified in the state's RPS, how many Megawatts of capacity must be installed by 2025?
2. Can Illinois fully utilize all of the solar energy that will be produced as a result of the 6% carve-out without wasting a portion of the generated electrical energy?

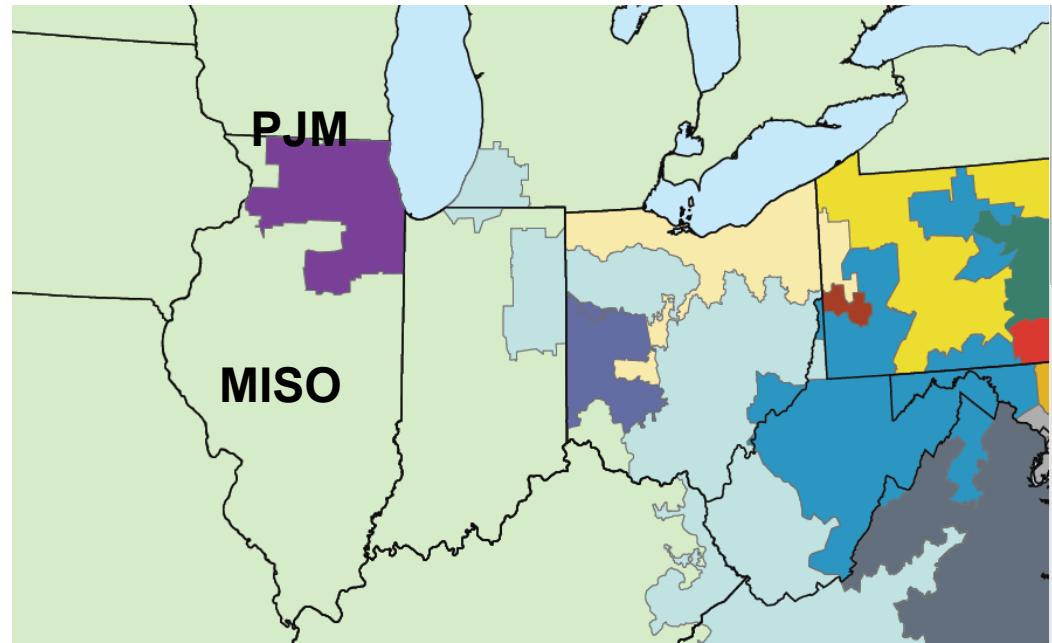
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3. How much of Illinois' electrical energy could PV supply if curtailment of the PV output is occasionally permitted?

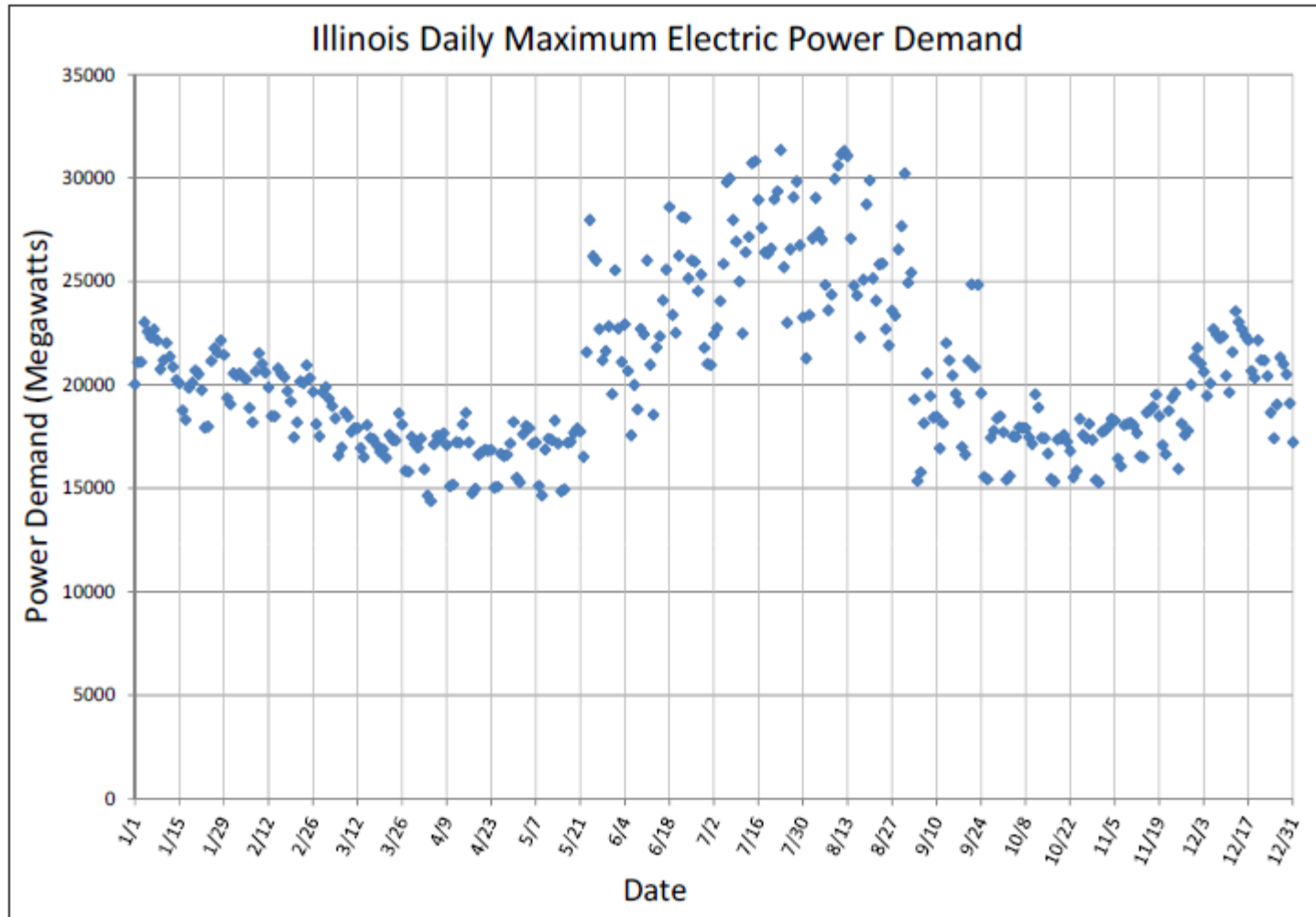
# II. Data Collection

## 3) Data Collection

- Weather Data
  - TMY3 (Typical Meteorological Year3:1991-2005)
  - Chicago O'Hare Intl AP & Springfield Capital AP
- Electrical Load (PJM & MISO) 2010
  - 8760 Data Points X 2



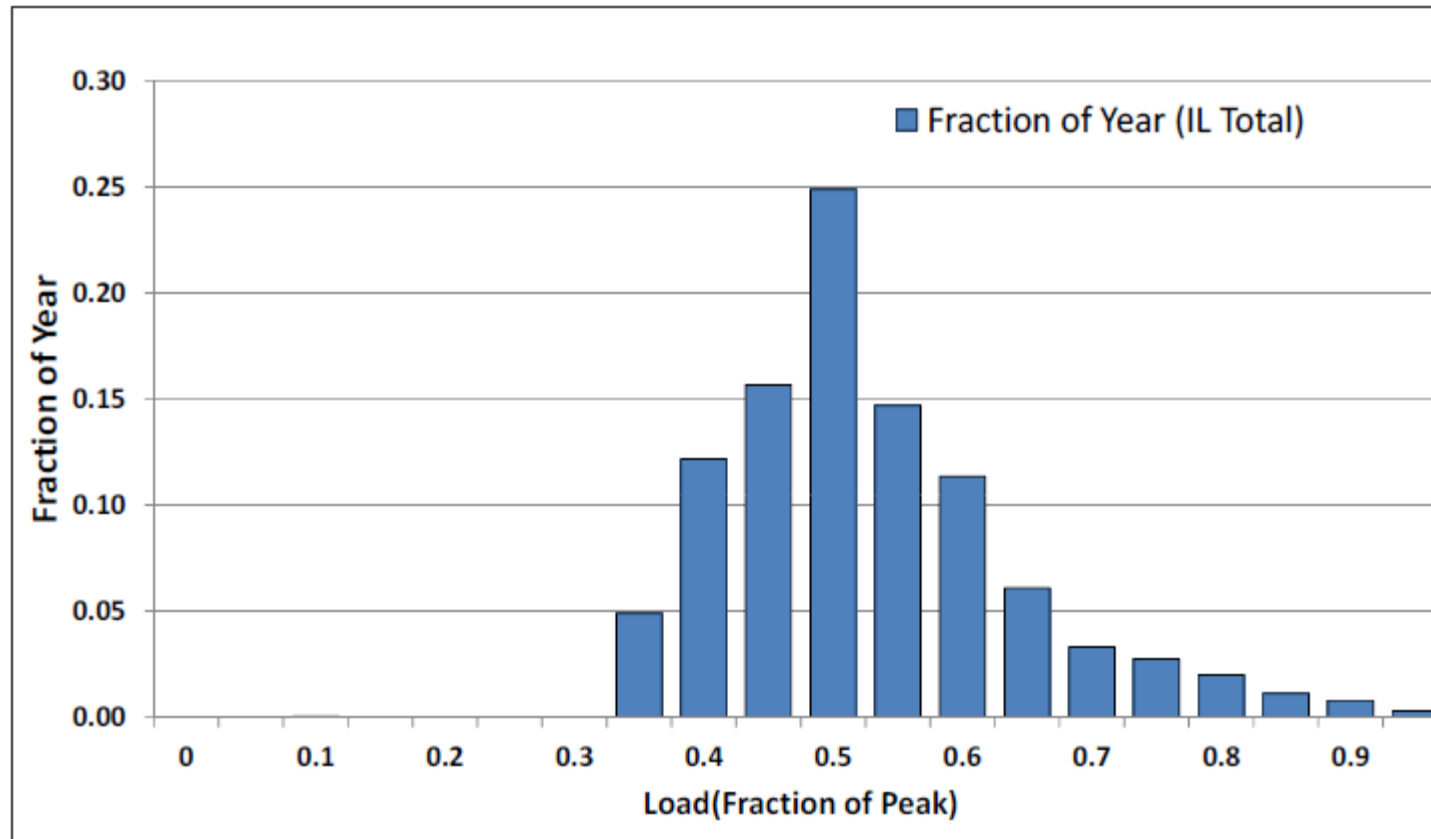
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(Jo et al., 2013)

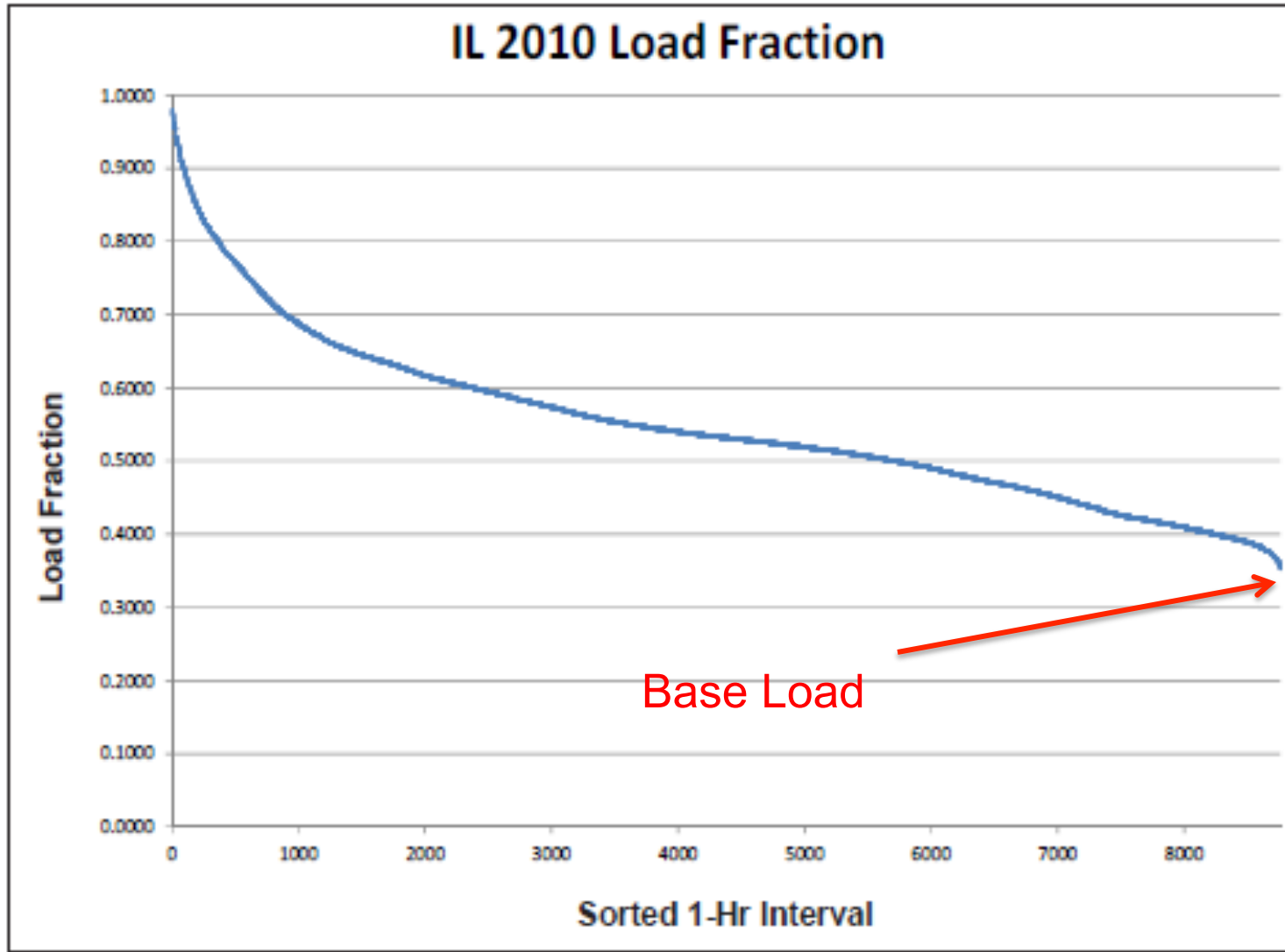
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Histogram of the system load fraction (2010)



(Jo et al., 2013)

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# III. Methodology

## 1. Renewable Energy Optimization Matrix

$$E_{T2010} = \sum_{i=1}^{8760} (P_i \times 1 \text{ hr}) \quad \text{Eq. 1}$$

$$E_{T2025} = E_{T2010} \times (1 + \alpha)^{15} \quad \text{Eq. 2}$$

$$P_B = (\text{Peak power}) \times 35\% \quad \text{Eq. 3}$$

$$P_{R_i} = P_i - P_B \quad \text{Eq. 4}$$

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## 1. Renewable Energy Optimization Matrix

When  $P_{R_i} \geq P_{PV_i}$  :

$$P_{PV\ utilized_i} = P_{PV_i} \quad \text{Eq. 5}$$

$$P_{PV\ rejected_i} = 0 \quad \text{Eq. 6}$$

When  $P_{R_i} < P_{PV_i}$  :

$$P_{PV\ utilized_i} = P_{R_i} \quad \text{Eq. 7}$$

$$P_{PV\ rejected_i} = P_{PV_i} - P_{R_i} \quad \text{Eq. 8}$$

# III. Methodology

## 1. Renewable Energy Optimization Matrix

$$E_{PV} = \sum_{i=1}^{8760} (P_{PV_i} \times 1 \text{ hr}) \quad \text{Eq. 9}$$

$$E_{PV \text{ utilized}} = \sum_{i=1}^{8760} (P_{PV \text{ utilized}_i} \times 1 \text{ hr}) \quad \text{Eq. 10}$$

$$E_{PV \text{ rejected}} = \sum_{i=1}^{8760} (P_{PV \text{ rejected}_i} \times 1 \text{ hr}) \quad \text{Eq. 11}$$

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$$PV \text{ Utilization Rate} = \frac{E_{PV \text{ utilized}}}{E_{PV}} \quad \text{Eq. 12}$$

$$IL \text{ Load from PV} = \frac{E_{PV \text{ utilized}}}{E_{T 2025}} \quad \text{Eq. 13}$$

$$IL \text{ RPS from PV} = \frac{E_{PV \text{ utilized}}}{0.25 \times E_{T 2025}} \quad \text{Eq. 14}$$

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## 2. Energy Performance Model

### Energy Performance Model

- System Advisor Model (NREL)

### Reference PV system

- Efficiency: 15.57% (2009)
- Penetration (1-30% of peak load)
- PJM Area 1%-219MW
- MISO Area 1%-100MW
- Delivered vs. Wasted

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# IV. Findings

RQ1. Given the current solar carve-out of 6% specified in the state's RPS, how many Megawatts of capacity must be installed by 2025?

	<b>PJM</b>	<b>MISO</b>
System Capacity	1577MW	715MW
IL PJM Load met by PV	1.5%	1.5%

# IV. Findings

RQ2. Can Illinois fully utilize all of the solar energy that will be produced as a result of the 6% carve-out without wasting a portion of the generated electrical energy?

**YES!**

6% Carve-Out	PJM	MISO
System Capacity	1,577MW	715MW
Utilized Elec. from PV	99.9%	100%

# IV. Findings

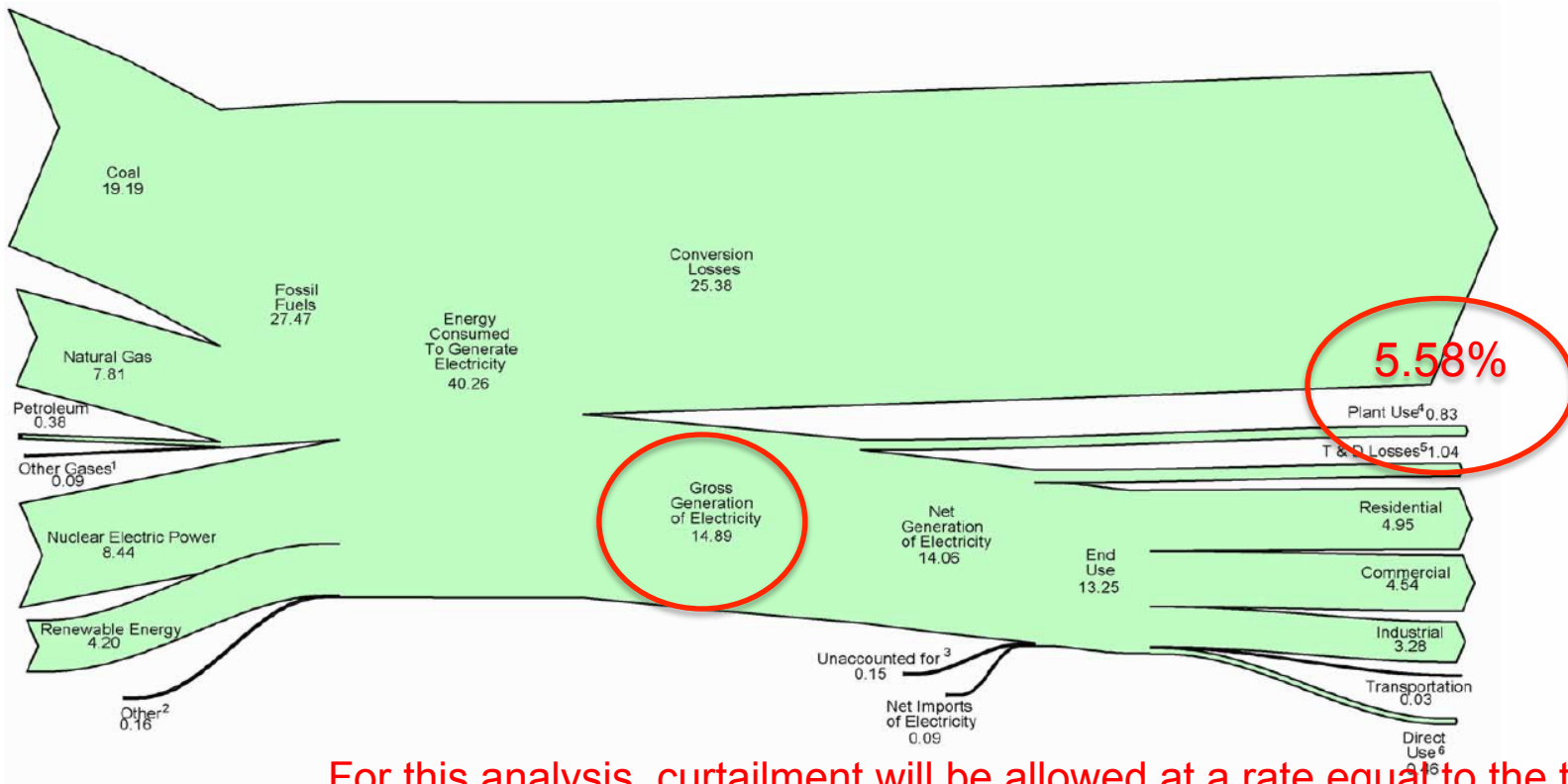
RQ2 (Continued). If so, how much PV could be installed in Illinois while maintaining 100% utilization of the energy that is produced by the systems?

100% Utilization	<b>PJM</b>	<b>MISO</b>
System Capacity	1,314MW	1,400MW
Utilized Elec. from PV	100%	100%



# IV. Findings

RQ3. How much of Illinois' electrical energy could PV supply if curtailment of the PV output is occasionally permitted?



(DOE, 2011)

For this analysis, curtailment will be allowed at a rate equal to the typical internal energy consumption at thermal generation facilities.

# IV. Findings

RQ3. How much of Illinois' electrical energy could PV supply if curtailment of the PV output is occasionally permitted?

94.4% Utilization	<b>PJM</b>	<b>MISO</b>
System Capacity	7,665MW	3,660MW
Utilized Elec. from PV	94.4%	94.4%
Load Demand met	6.9%	7.2%

# IV. Findings

		6% Carve-Out	100% Utilization (None Wasted)	94.4% Utilization (Thermal Plant Use Match)
Total	System Capacity (MW)	2,292	2,714	11,265
	Electricity Delivered (MWh)	2,685,763	3,234,147	13,209,754
	Load Demand met in IL (%)	1.5	1.8	7.5
	RPS met in IL (%)	6.0	7.3	29.8

# Questions?

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