

## Item 5: CEO Update – REVISED\*

Pablo Vegas
President and Chief Executive Officer

Board of Directors meeting

ERCOT Public June 18, 2024

## **Overview**

#### Purpose

This presentation highlights ERCOT's recent Operations activity and highlights strategic areas of focus

#### Voting Items / Requests

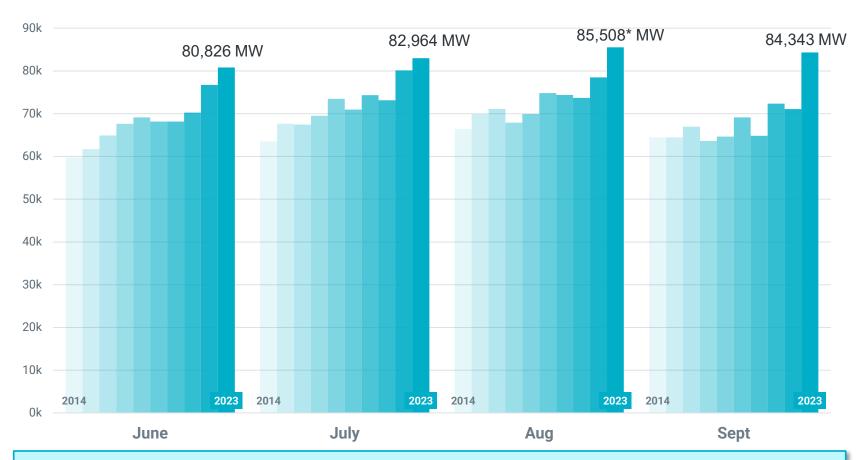
No action is requested of the Board; for discussion only

#### Key Takeaways

- ERCOT is working with Market Participants in advance of summer with hurricane preparedness and summer weatherization inspections.
- ERCOT lays out the Reliability Roadmap for the rest of 2024 and beyond.
- EPA's new rules threaten ERCOT's dispatchable generation fleet, raising a reliability risk. ERCOT will continue to support Texas's litigation efforts as requested.



### **Summer Demand Over Last 10 Years**



**Key Takeaway:** Growth over the last 10 years is clear, and demand is expected to continue growing.



<sup>\*</sup> Current all-time demand record

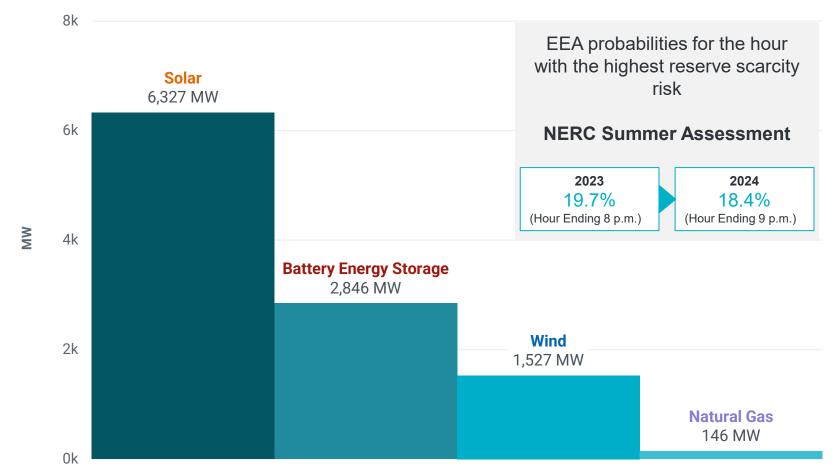
#### **Summer Items of Note**

- The Monthly Outlook for Resource Adequacy (MORA) replaces the Seasonal Assessment of Resource Adequacy (SARA).
  - Prior to the MORA, ERCOT had not shared a resource adequacy view of the grid specific to August.
  - Both reports look at the grid in terms of riskiest/tightest hours, but the MORA provides a more frequent assessment, specific to each month.
  - For the majority of the day, ERCOT has little to no risk of entering emergency operations and declaring an EEA.
  - The tightest time to manage the grid during summer is from 7 10 p.m. CDT as solar generation declines.
  - August is expected to see a higher risk of tighter conditions in the evening hours (8-10 p.m.) relative to June and July due to:
    - Higher temperatures and higher loads forecasted for August.
    - Typical August wind generation is lower relative to July.
    - Solar generation is lower for the late afternoon into evening hours due to slightly shorter days.
- Summer weatherization and inspections are underway.
- ERCOT is conducting hurricane preparation with Market Participants.

**Key Takeaway:** ERCOT is working with Market Participants to conduct hurricane and summer preparedness.



### **New Generation Since Last Summer**



**Key Takeaway:** While demand continues to grow at record pace, new generation is coming onto the ERCOT grid.



## **Reliability Roadmap**

Contracts for Capacity for Summer 2024 (South Texas IROLs) Summer 2024

ECRS Changes NPRR1224 & NPRR1232 *Ongoing* 

CUPRENT OPERATIONS

MARKET CHANGES

Shadow Price Changes for Interconnection Reliability Operating Limits (IROLs) NPRR1230 *Ongoing* 

Performance Credit Mechanism Market Development **Ongoing** 

Real-Time Co-optimization + Batteries (RTC+B) Development 2026

Dispatchable Reliability Reserve Service Refinement NPRR1235 Implemented after RTC+B Reliability Standard Development August 2024

Regional Reliability Report -Permian Basin Plan **Summer 2024** 

Demand Response & Energy Efficiency Study **Summer 2024** 

2024 Regional Transmission Plan **December 2024** 

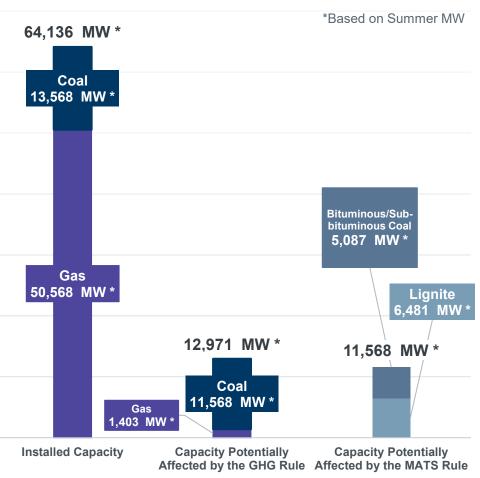
EHV Plan Development **December 2024** 

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## Impact on ERCOT Capacity from EPA Rules

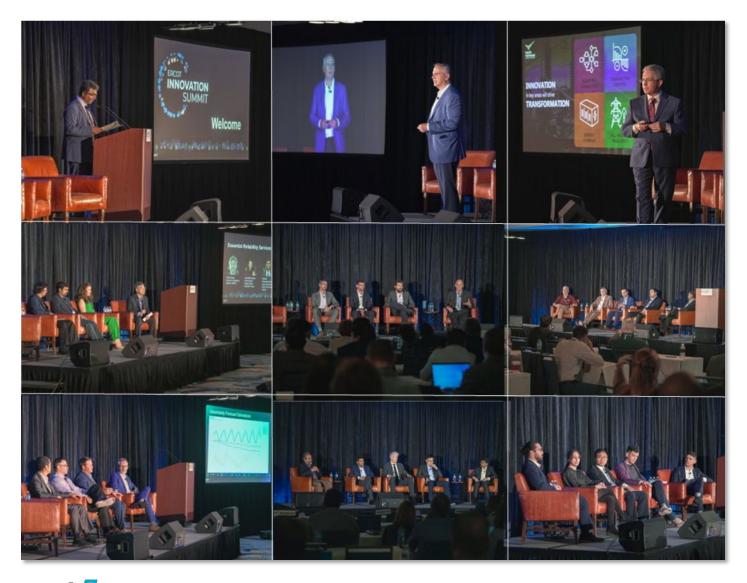
- On April 25, EPA finalized four new rules impacting coal and gas plants, including the Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Rule and a new Mercury and Air Toxics Standards (MATS) Rule.
- Greenhouse Gas Rule imposes significantly lower CO2 emissions limits on coal and gas-steam units and new baseload gas units.
- MATS rule establishes significantly lower mercury emissions limits for lignite plants and filterable particulate matter (fPM) limits for coal plants.
- In support of Texas' suit challenging the two rules, ERCOT provided a declaration noting concern of significant reliability impacts if coal units retire as a consequence of these rules.



**Key Takeaway**: EPA's new rules threaten ERCOT's dispatchable generation fleet, raising a reliability risk.



# **2024 Innovation Summit**





## **Employee Recognition: Innovation Summit**

#### **Keynote & Panels**

- Dr. Steven Ashby
- Guillermo Bautista Alderete
- Kamran Ali
- Jesse Aragon de Galvez
- Maria Belenky
- Dag Bøye
   Casey Cathey
- Sirajul Chowdhury
- Garrett Crowson
- Erik Ela
- Jason Houck
- Daniel Johnson
- Jason Howard
- Michael Lee
- Julia Matevosyan
- Eithar Nashawati
- Dr. Thomas Overbye
- Achalesh Pandey
- Ravi Pradhan
- Deepak Ramasubramanian
- Xing Wang
- Dr. Le Xie

#### **Moderators**

- Venkat Tirupati
- Jeff Billo
- Prabhu Gnanam
- Fred Huang
- Dave Maggio
- Ajay Mannepalli
- Kenneth Ragsdale

#### **Behind-the-Scenes**

- Michael Alexander
- David Bailey
- Doug Basinger
- Marcos Benavides
- Robert Black
- Caleb Carroll
- Shad Chancey
- Penney Christian
- Scotty Clifton
- Bernie Corpus
- Oscar Garza
- Jose Hernandez Fierro
- Bryan Hanley
- Paul Huehlefeld

- Amy Lofton
- Olha Lyakhovets
- Mark Miner
- Jimmy Mizell
- Sam Mogerman
- Josh Neel
- Bharati Nepal
- Rachael Overbay
- Jayapal Parakkuth
- Christy Penders
- Jimmy Ramirez
- Emanuelle Romero
- Charlotte Schuster
- Jason Terrell
- Venkat Tirupati
- Zach Tufenkjian
- Trudi Webster
- Bradley Widner
- Gates Yager

