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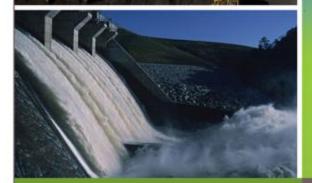
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### Federal Utility Partnership Working Group Combined Heat and Power

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## Agenda



- Southern Company
- Combined Heat and Power (CHP)
- Southern Company CHP
- Utility Partnerships

# **Southern Company Overview**

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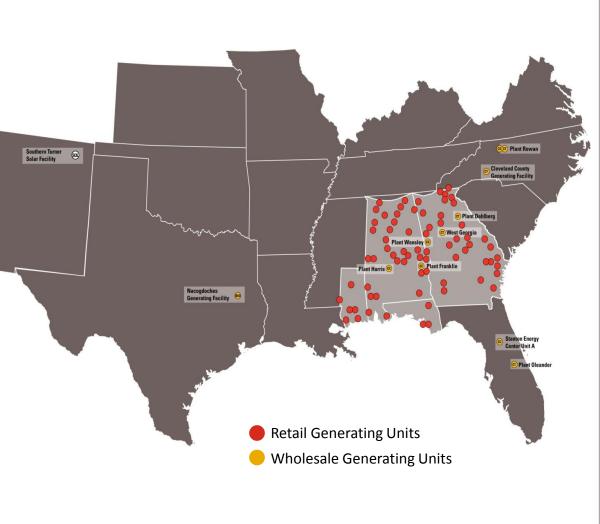
- Alabama Power
- Georgia Power
- Gulf Power
- Mississippi Power

#### Subsidiaries:

- Southern LINC
- Southern Nuclear
- Southern Power

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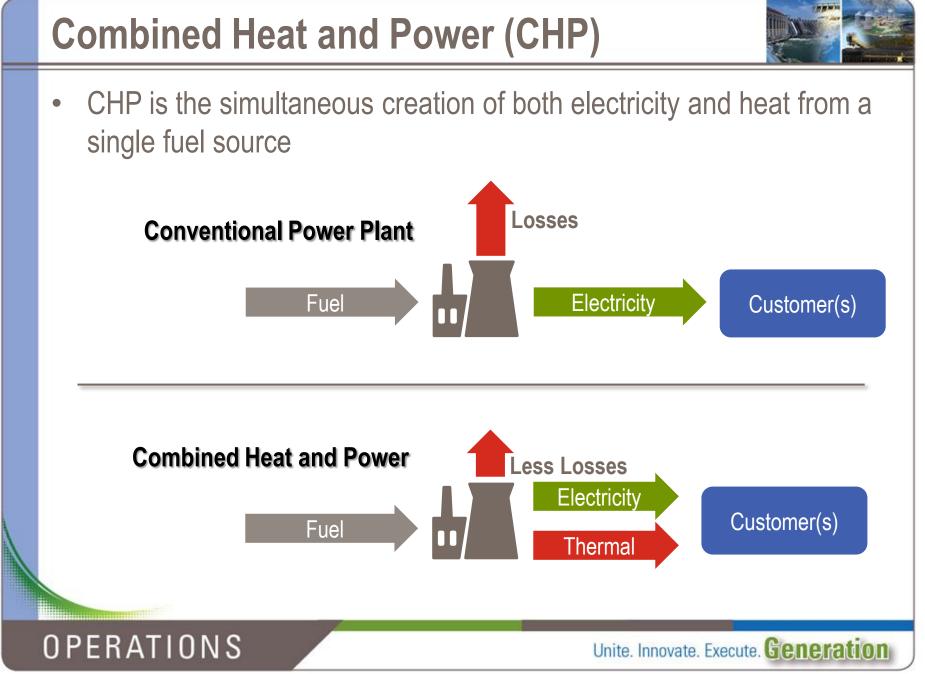
# **Southern Company Overview**



- 4.4 million customers
- 43,500+ MW
- 26,000+ employees
- 120,000 square miles of retail service territory
- 27,000 mi. of transmission lines \$13.5B annual op. expense

- 3,700 substations
- \$17.7B in operating revenue
- \$2.2B in net income
- \$39.2B in market cap
- \$59.3B in assets

#### **OPERATIONS**



# **CHP Uses**



- Two outputs: (1) Electricity and (2) Thermal energy
- Thermal energy used for
  - Space heating (steam or hot water loop)
  - Space cooling (absorption chiller)
  - Process heating and/or cooling
  - Dehumidification (desiccant regeneration)
- Heavily used in
  - Pulp & Paper
  - Chemical
  - Automotive

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# **CHP Configurations**

Technology alternatives

- Reciprocating engines
- Combustion turbines
- Steam Turbines

#### Fuel alternatives

Natural gas

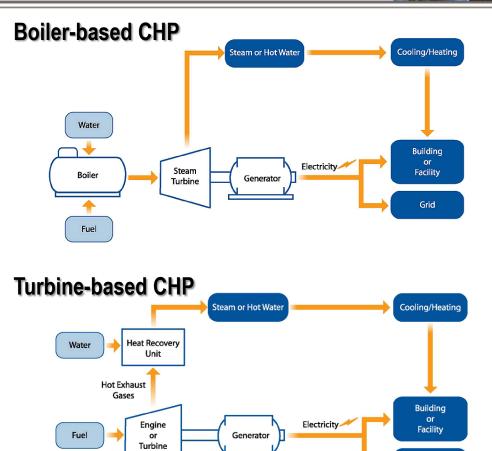
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- Fuel oil
- Diesel
- Coal
- Renewable (Biomass, Landfill Gas, etc.)



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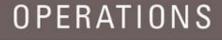
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# **CHP Objectives & Drivers**

- Operating cost reductions
- Facility efficiency increases
- Energy security enhancements
- Emission reductions
- Renewable energy
- Various Federal energy goals
  - Legislative Statutes, Executive Orders, and Branch specific directives







# **CHP Considerations**



- Every project is unique one size does <u>not</u> fit all
  - Require detailed evaluations
- Projects must benefit <u>all</u> parties and appropriately balance risk
  - Capital
  - Fuel
  - Operations
- Environmental rules and regulations
  - Mercury and Air Toxic Standards (MATS)
  - Industrial Boiler Maximum Achievable Control Technology (IBMACT)
  - National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) Attainment/Nonattainment

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# **Examples of CHP Evaluation Inputs**

- Power requirements
- Thermal requirements
- Customer load profile
  - Electricity and thermal
- Fuel
  - Туре
  - Availability
  - Flexibility (multi-fuel)
  - Price
- Back-up generation requirements
  - Need and cost

- Costs
  - Equipment
  - Installation
  - Financing
  - Interconnection
  - Permitting
  - Operating
- Utility rates

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- Incentives/mandates
  - Federal and State
- Site characteristics

#### OPERATIONS

# **Southern Company Owned CHP**

- Chevron Pascagoula, MPC 143 MW (CT)
- Gadsden Alabama, APC 120 MW (Coal)
- Pea Ridge, GULF 12 MW (CT)
- Washington County, APC 123 MW (CC)
- GE Plastics, APC 105 MW (CC)

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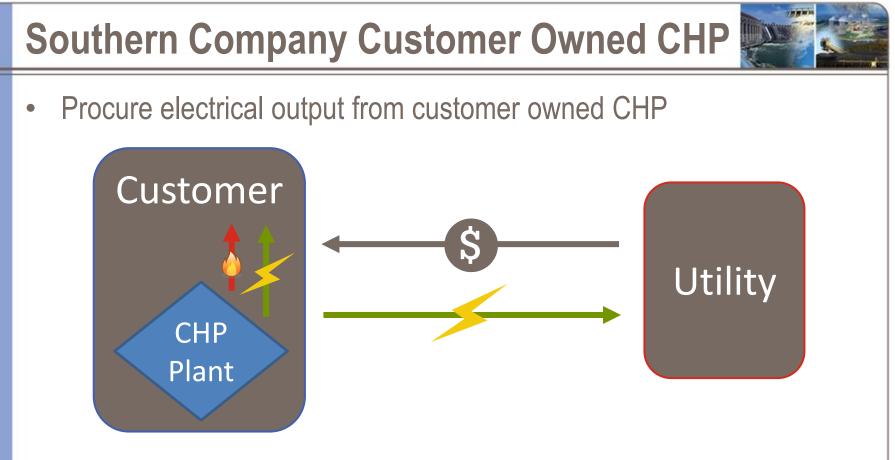
• Theodore Alabama, APC – 236 MW (CC)











- Over 15 CHP Facility evaluations in past 5 years
  - Industrial (Pulp & Paper, Chemical, Automotive, etc.)
  - Department of Defense (Air Force, Army, Navy, Marine Corps)
  - Federal and State agencies (NASA, Municipalities, Universities, etc.)

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# **CHP Utility Partnerships**



- CHP Facility evaluated as part of resource expansion plans
- Ownership and operational complexities borne by Utility
- Core competency for Utility
- Seeking win-win scenarios
  - Customer has reduced energy costs
  - Utility has increased efficiency
  - No harm to other customers
- Energy security
  - Generation assets located on customer facility

#### OPERATIONS

# **Southern Company Collaboration**



- Southern Company Federal Energy Initiative (SFEI)
- Ensure consistent coordination and strengthen partnerships across system with federal agencies
- Partner to help accomplish comprehensive energy goals and mandates for:
  - Energy Security (Military defined security vs. reliably served)
  - Renewable Energy (Biomass, bio-fuels, solar, wind, landfill gas)
  - Energy Efficiency (Energy Intensity & Fossil-fuel Reductions)
  - Greenhouse Gas Reductions
- Multi-phased energy project evaluations
- Mutually beneficial projects

#### OPERATIONS

# **SFEI Energy Project Evaluation**



- Evaluate potential energy project partnerships
  - Renewable (Biomass, Solar, etc.)
  - Traditional resources (Natural Gas, Diesel, Fuel-oil)
- Determine CHP opportunities
  - Thermal needs
  - Current costs
- Project requirements
  - Cannot adversely impact other customers
  - Regulatory approval

#### OPERATIONS

# Wrap-up



- Combined Heat and Power (CHP)
  - Provides potential for energy efficiencies and cost reductions
  - Every application is unique
- Southern Company CHP
  - Long history of CHP (Owned and PPA)
  - Continue to evaluate opportunities
- Utility Partnerships
  - SFEI
  - Potentials for win-win scenarios

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