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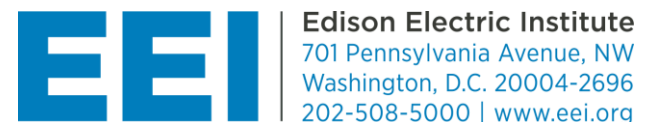
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Smarter Energy Infrastructure

DRIVERS



1

**Customer
Wants &
Needs**

2

**Environmental
Goals**

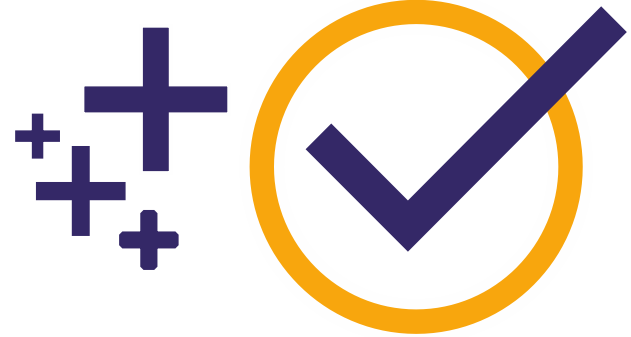
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**Growth in
Distributed
Energy Resources**

4

**New
Technologies**

BENEFITS



1

**Enhanced
Reliability**

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**Increased
Resiliency**

3

**Reduced Carbon
Emissions**

4

**Empowered
Customers**

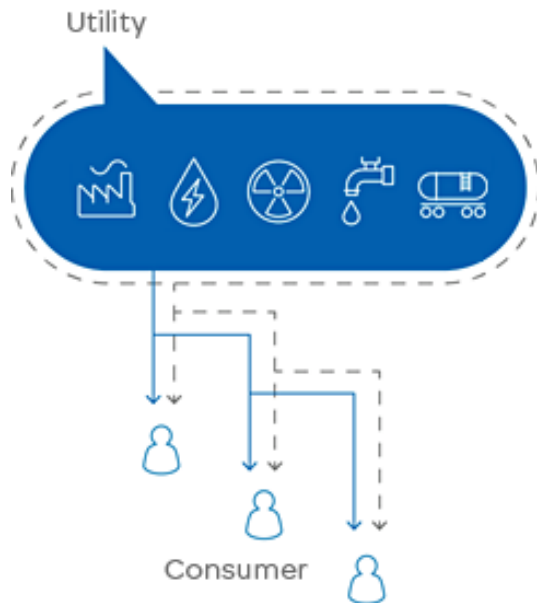
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**Flexible & Responsive
Energy Grid Platform**

Grid Mod: Evolving Energy Grid

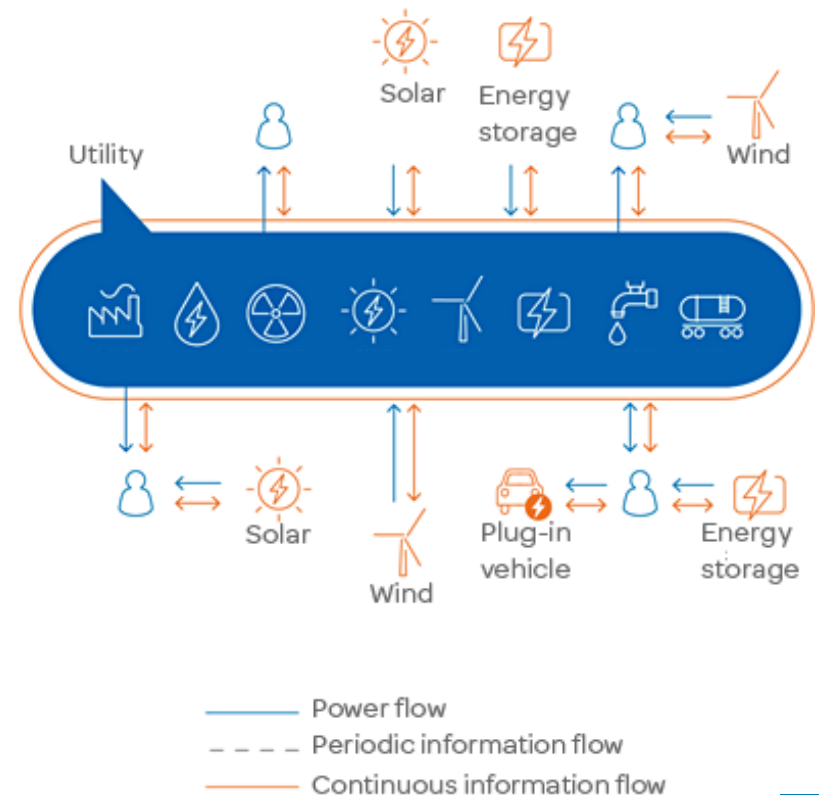
TRADITIONAL GRID

One-way power flow from generator to customer



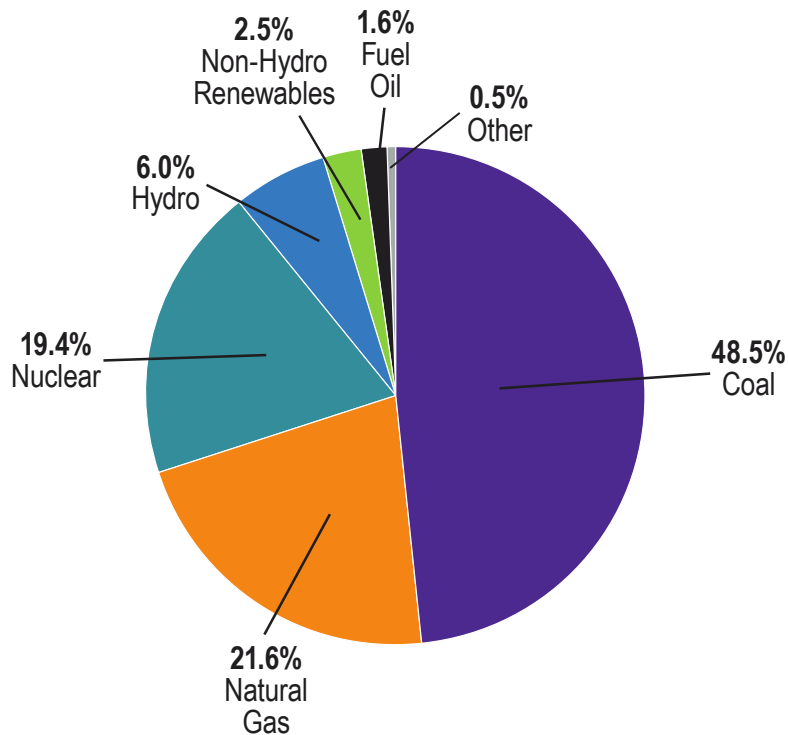
SMART GRID

Two-way power flow with multiple energy stakeholders that can produce and consume electricity

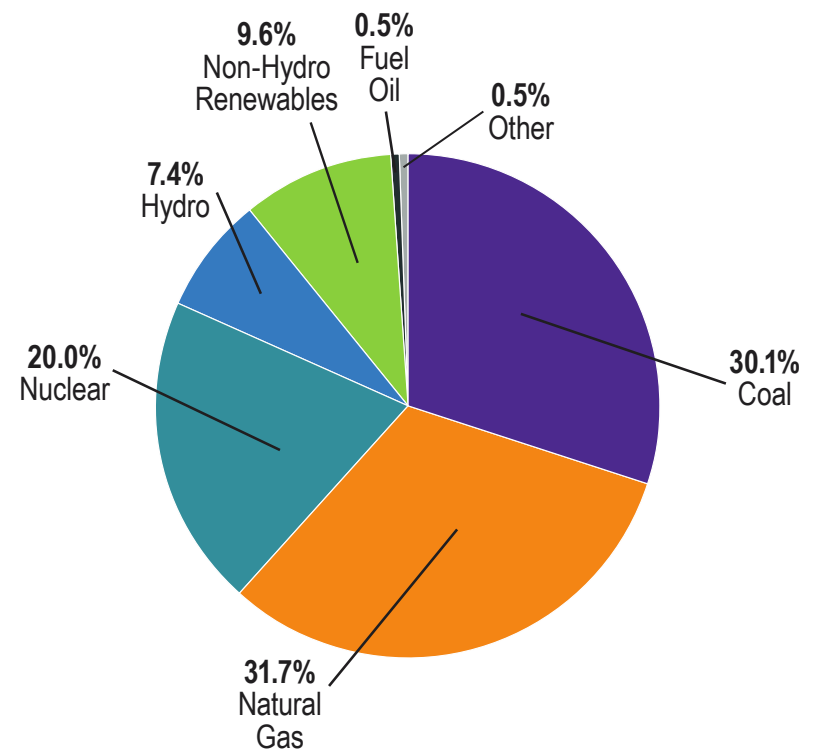


The Mix of Resources Used to Generate Electricity Is Changing Dramatically

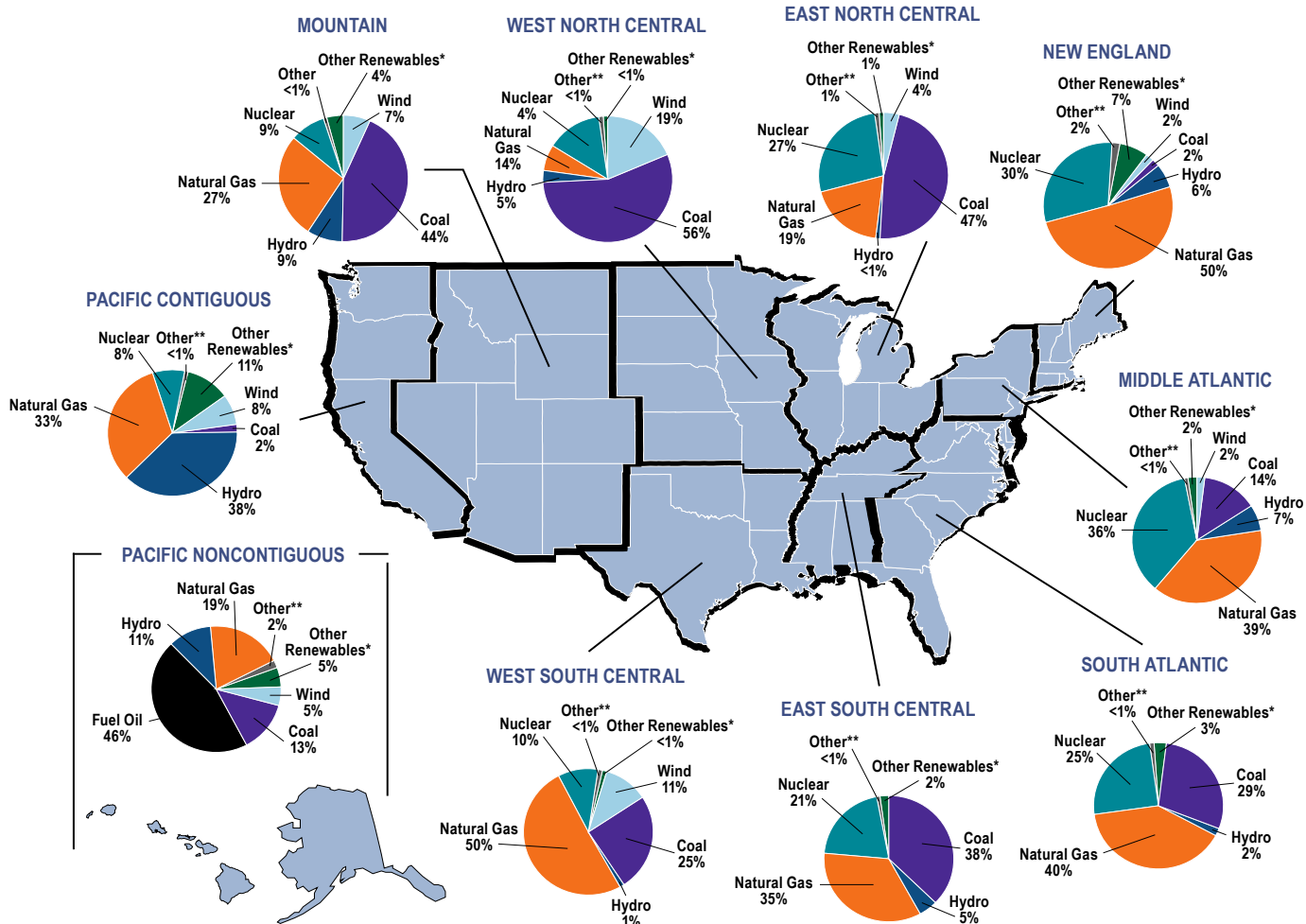
2007 National Energy Resource Mix



2017 National Energy Resource Mix (preliminary)



Electric Companies Use a Diverse Mix Of Resources to Generate Electricity



*Includes generation by agricultural waste, landfill gas recovery, municipal solid waste, wood, geothermal, non-wood waste, and solar.

**Includes generation by tires, batteries, chemicals, hydrogen, pitch, purchased steam, sulfur, and miscellaneous technologies.

Sum of components may not add to 100% due to independent rounding.

Source: U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration, Power Plant Operations Report (EIA-923); 2016 final generation data.

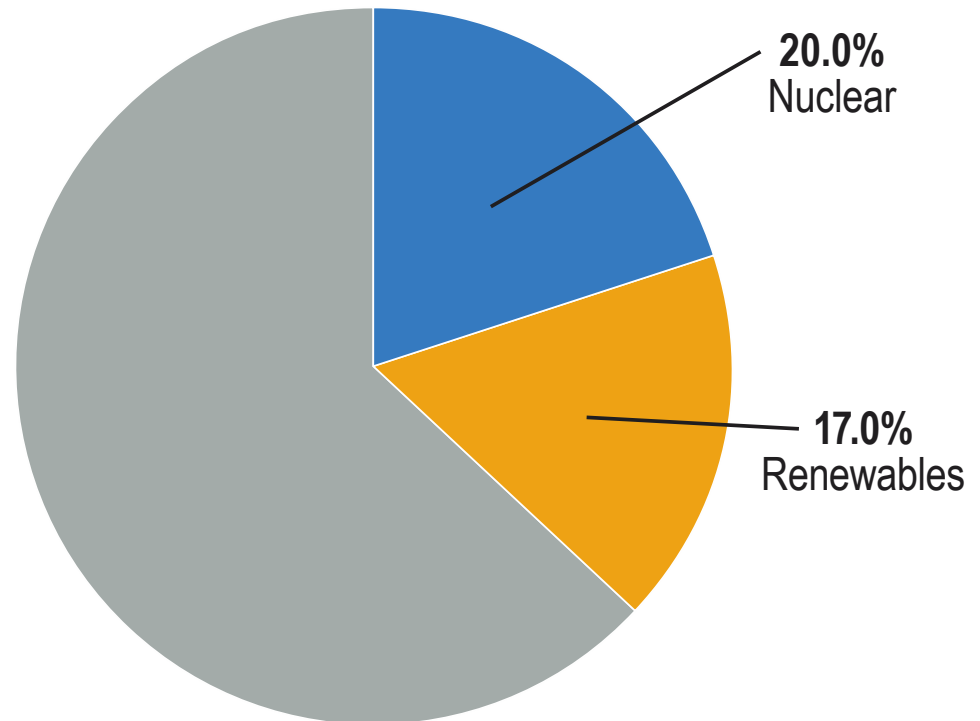
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of U.S. Power Generation Comes From Zero-Emissions Sources

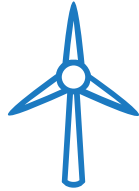
(Nuclear and Renewables)



Source: U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration.
Chart percentages are based on net generation data, 2017 (preliminary).

ELECTRIC COMPANIES ARE

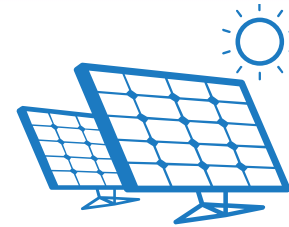
Leading on Clean Energy



Providing

virtually all

**GEOHERMAL, HYDROPOWER,
AND WIND ENERGY**



Providing

69%

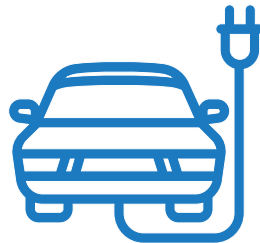
SOLAR ENERGY



Increasing Investments

\$100 Billion+

**PER YEAR IN SMARTER
ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE**



Expanding Access to EVs

20,000+

**CHARGING STATIONS
NATIONWIDE**



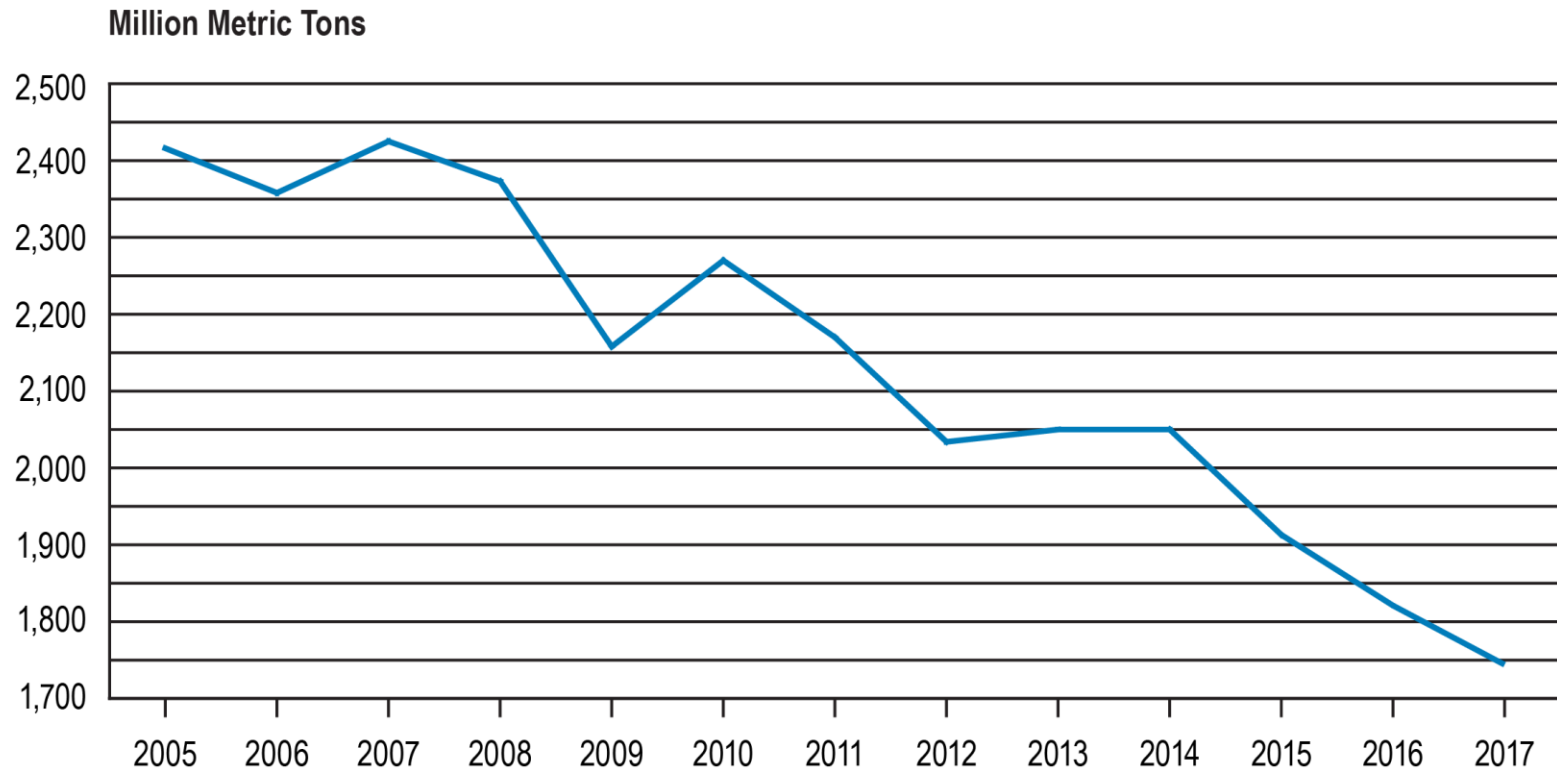
Using Energy Storage

90%+

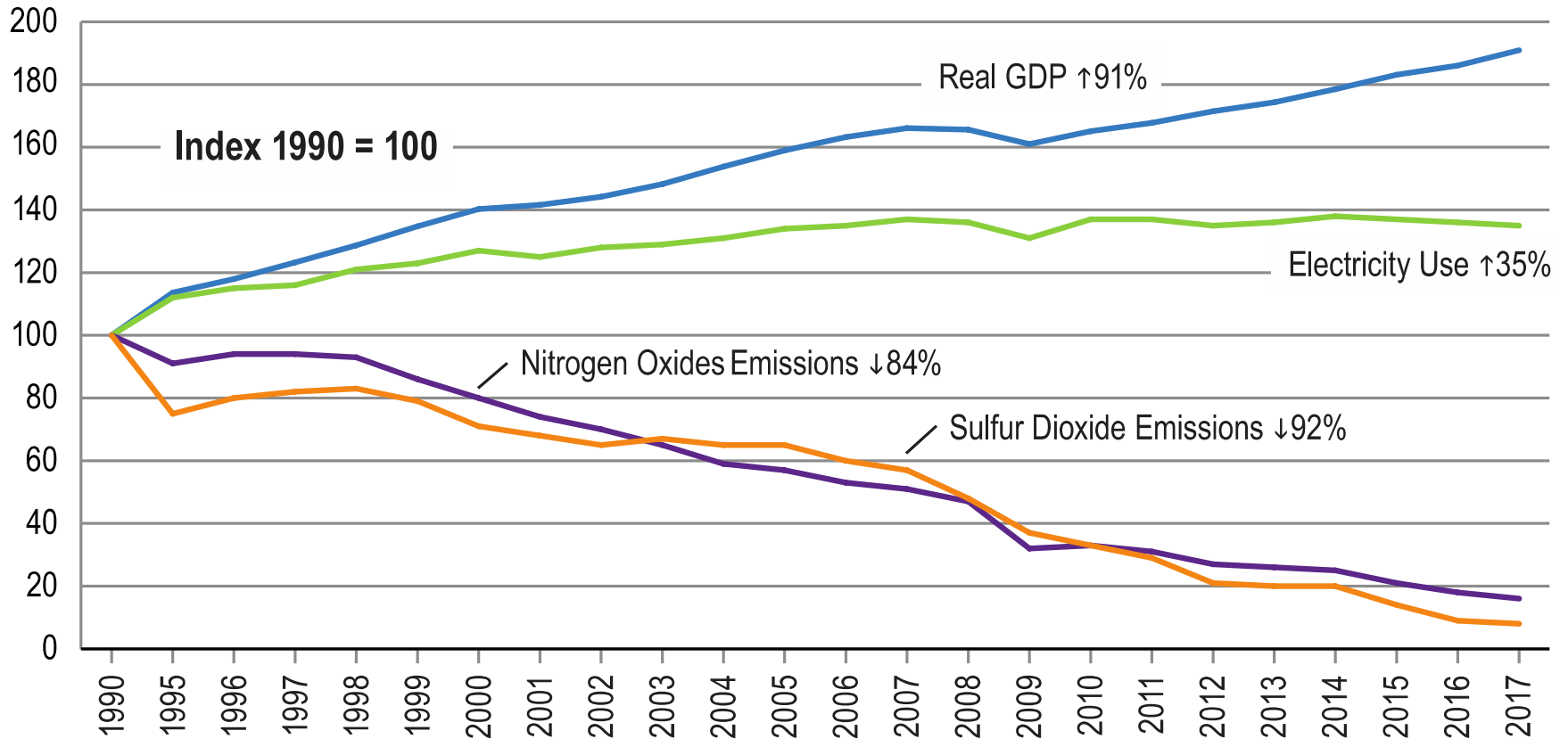
NATIONWIDE

U.S. Power Sector Carbon Dioxide Emissions Declining (2005–2017)

- More than 1/3 of U.S. power generation comes from zero-emissions sources
- By the end of 2017, industry CO₂ emissions were 28 percent below 2005 levels
- Trajectory is expected to continue based on current trends



Power Plant Emissions Drop Significantly Since 1990



1990 represents the base year. Graph depicts increases or decreases from the base year.

Sources: U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration (EIA), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Energy Infrastructure Issues

- One of the most significant obstacles to facilitating energy infrastructure investment continues to be obtaining permits from federal agencies.
- This applies to permits for the renewal and O&M of existing infrastructure as well.
- The current permitting process involves multiple federal and state agencies engaging in uncoordinated and sequential project reviews.
- Lack of interagency cooperation, the absence of deadlines, scarce federal resources, and extensive permit and environmental requirements have resulted in lengthy timeframes and costly processes for project proponents.
- For example, the average timeframe for permitting and siting an interstate transmission line is on the order of 7 to 10 years.

Energy Infrastructure Efforts

- Electric industry extensively involved in efforts to develop new national policies to enhance energy infrastructure and modernize grid
 - T&D lines, pipelines, renewables and energy storage
 - Operations & maintenance/vegetation management
 - Grid hardening is now a safety and reliability issue—primarily arising from increasing natural disasters (ex. wildfire and hurricane risk)

- EEI pursuing both legislative and regulatory pathways

- Executive Order 13807: *Establishing Discipline and Accountability in the Environmental Review and Permitting Process for Infrastructure Projects*
 - Created *One Federal Decision*
 - Department of Interior Secretarial Order No. 3355 on streamlining NEPA reviews

Energy Infrastructure Priorities

- Federal Siting and Permitting Reform Remains Key Priority
 - Focusing on Regulatory Pathways to:
 - Streamline and expedite the federal environmental review and permitting processes
 - Improve underlying implementing federal regulations for key statutes (e.g., NEPA, ESA, MBTA, BGEPA, CWA, CAA)
 - Create NEPA categorical exclusions for linear energy projects, vegetation management (ex. for wildfire prevention)
 - Enhance cooperation and coordination within government at all levels
 - Intra-agency/Inter-agency/Federal – state