



Perspectives on Northeast Asian System Interconnection

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Introduction

■ South Korea

- Poor in natural resources : import 97% of primary energy
- Mountainous country : 70% territory covered with mountains

■ South Korean Power System

- Isolated in 1945 from North Korean System
- Limitations to expanding power system due to military and political tension between South and North Korea

■ Difficulties and uncertainties

- Restructuring power industry and so on

Power Demand and Supply

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■ Power demand, supply and reserve

- Increase rate of peak demand : 4.3%/year
- Peak demand : 1.65 times during the next 15years

	[GW]			
	'00	'05	'10	'15
<i>Peak</i>	40.9	51.7	60.7	67.5
<i>Cap.</i>	48.0	60.4	71.4	78.5
<i>Res.</i> (%)	7.1 (17.4)	8.7 (16.8)	10.7 (17.6)	11.0 (16.2)

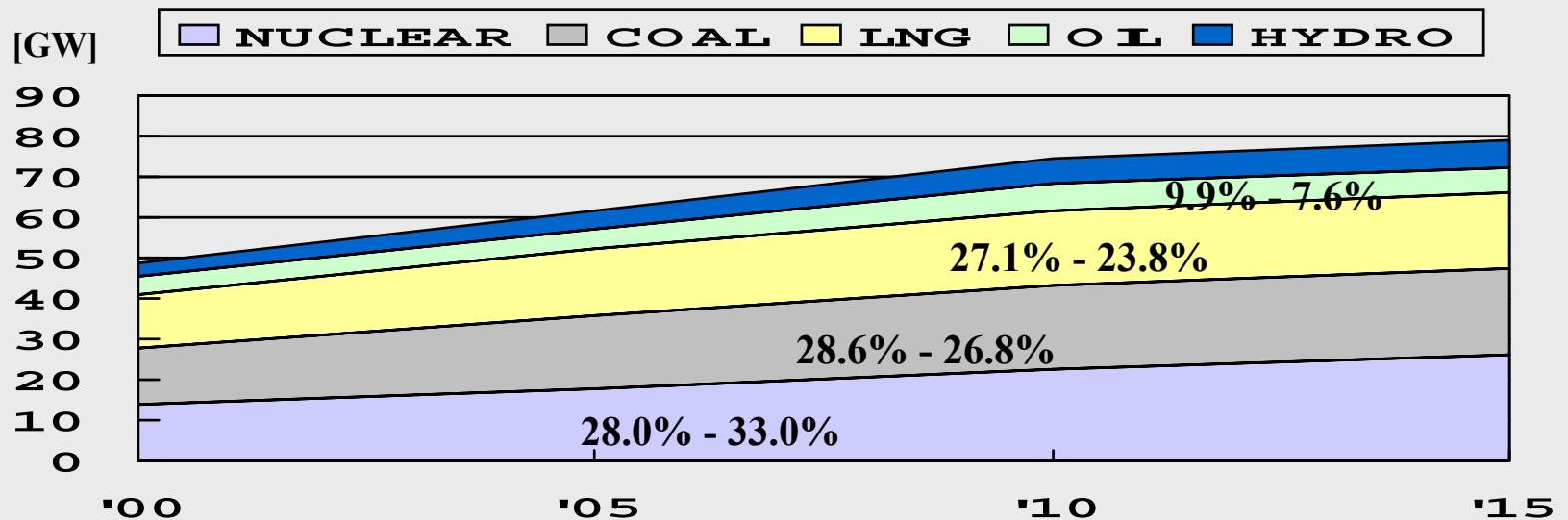
* 2015 DSM : 7.43[GW] (10%)

Generation Mix

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■ Generation Mix[GW]

- More dependent on nuclear
- Thermal more than 50%



Electrical Energy Consumption

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■ Annual consumption [kWh]

- Annual increase rate : 4.1%
- Much room for increase of consumption

		[kWh]			
		'00	'05	'10	'15
<i>Korea</i>	Total [* 10 ⁹]	224.2	294.7	343.2	381.8
	Per person	4,740	6,000	6,780	7,390
<i>Japan</i>		6,273 [kWh/person] in 1997			
<i>U.S.A</i>		12,434 [kWh/person] in 1997			

Electricity Tariff

statistics of power industry in 2000 by MOCIE

- **Tariff of neighboring countries [•/kWh]**
 - Nearly equal to Chinese and about 1/3 of Japanese

A(agriculture), S(street lighting), C(commercial), R(residential), I(industry) : [•]

	<i>Korea</i>	<i>Russia</i>	<i>China</i> ^{*1}	<i>Japan</i>	<i>U.S.A</i>
<i>Min</i>	A 44.04			S 118.92	I 52.23
<i>Max</i>	C 102.45			R 253.31	S 126.80
<i>Average</i>	71.59	?	69.55	211.69	78.57
<i>Exchange</i>			1 RMB= 163.67	1 ¥= 11.2184	1 US\$= 1145.4

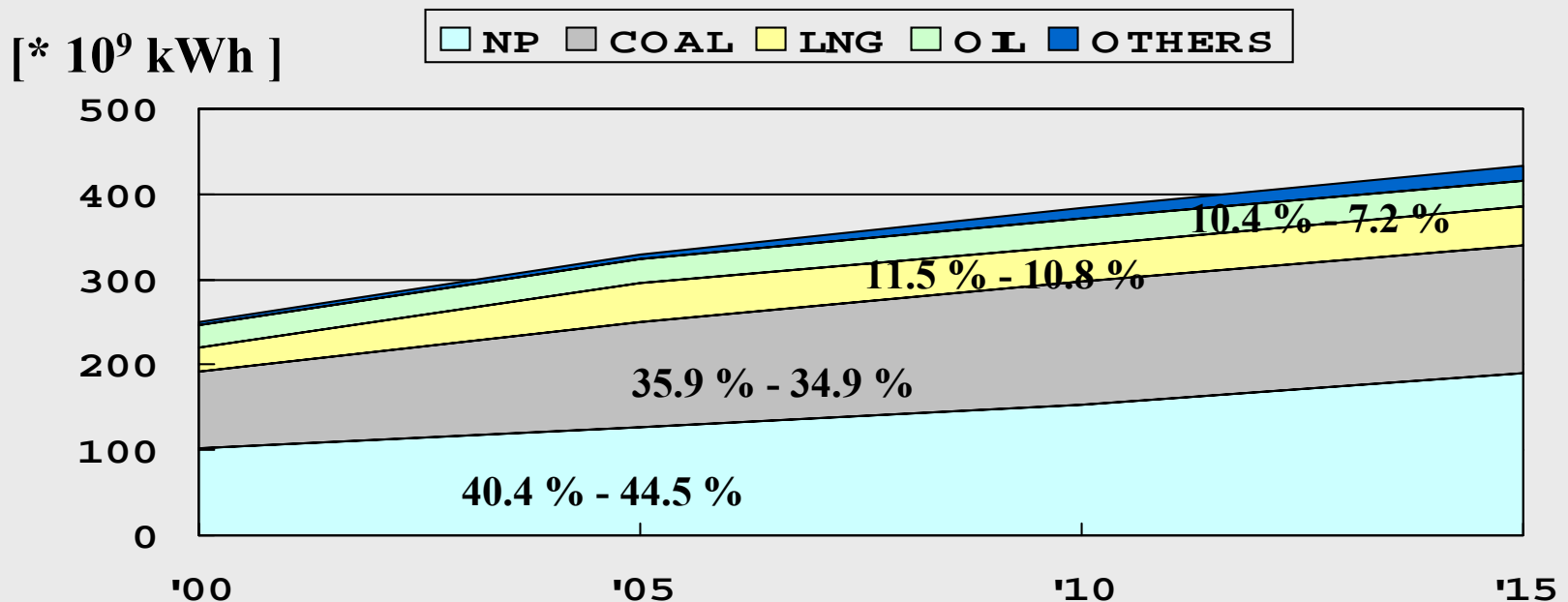
* 1 : Statistics of Chinese power industry, 1998

Production of Electricity

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■ Generation

- Increase the weight of N/P and slightly reduce the production of T/P



Electricity Fraction

Research report in 2001 by KEEI and statistics of power industry in 2000 by MOCIE

■ Primary energy for generation

- Import 97.4% of primary energy
- About 31% of total primary energy used for generation
- Electricity fraction likely to reach 35% in 2015

[10⁶ TOE]

	'99	'05	'10	'15
<i>TOTAL</i> "T"	181.3	235.7	275.0	307.1
<i>Generation</i> "E"	56.2	78.6	92.9	100.5
T/E * 100 [%]	31.0	33.3	33.8	? 32.7

* Except for non-utility generation in common use(10%)

Air Pollution

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- **Statistics of air pollution in '99 : regarding CO₂**
 - About 22.6% emitted by generation
 - Estimated price : about 600 million \$US based on \$25/ton
- **Kyoto Protocol : to reduce 20 ~ 40% of the total emission expected in 2010 or 2020**

	<i>SO_x</i> [k-ton]	<i>NO_x</i> [k-ton]	<i>Dust</i> [k-ton]	<i>CO₂</i> [k-ton]
<i>Total "T"</i>	1,320	1,230	430	103,820
<i>KEPCO "E"</i>	217	153	11	23,460
<i>E/T * 100[%]</i>	16.5	12.5	2.6	22.6

* CO₂ [kg-C/kWh] : 0.1185 in 2000 and 0.1145 in 2010

Development of Generating Plants

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- **Construct 106 units by 2015**
 - 67 units by 2010
 - 43 units under construction
- **Need to site 24 units**
 - 9 sites for 18 units decided and 2 more sites needed
- **Difficulty in siting, now**
 - Become more and more difficult in the future
 - Need more construction cost

Reinforcement of Network

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■ Transmission lines

- **Construct about 10,000[C-km] T/L during the next 15 years including 1,335[C-km] of 765[kV] T/L**
- **Totally 35,165[C-km] T/L in 2015**

■ Substations

- **Construct about 200 substations during the next 15years including six 765[kV] substations**
- **Totally 756 substations in 2015**

Financial Costs

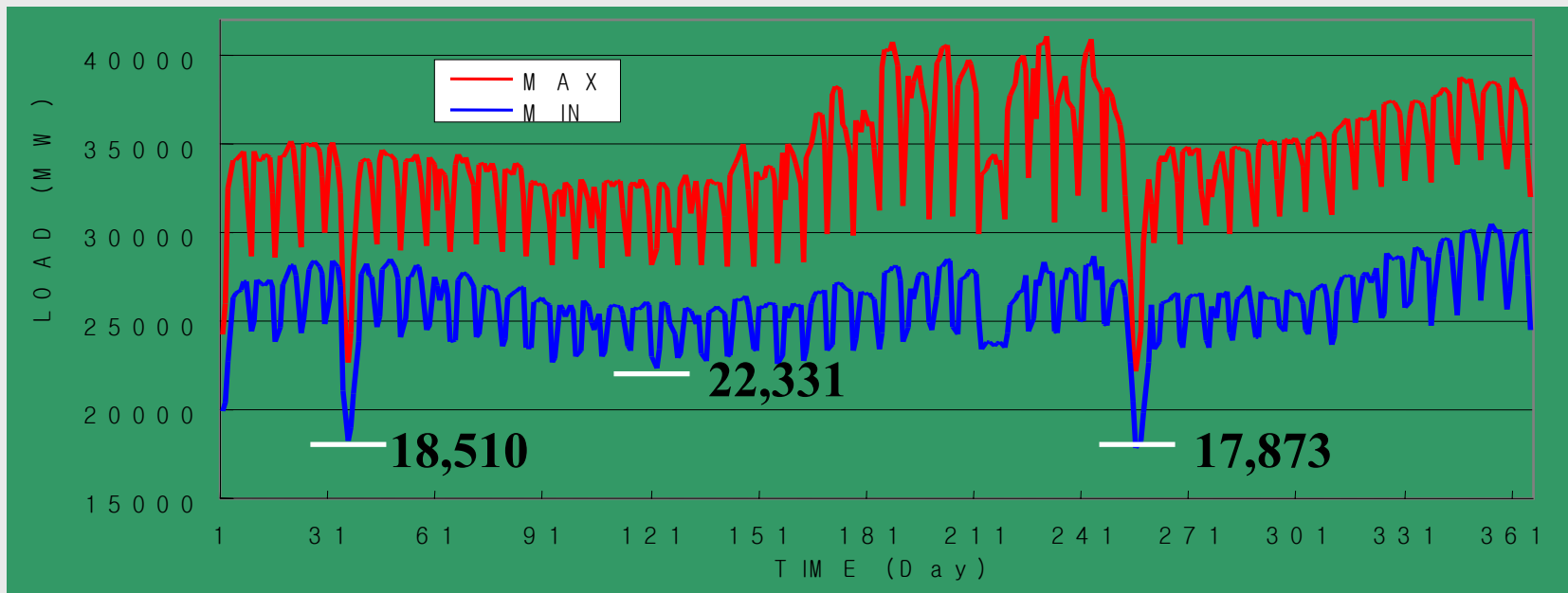
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- **Costs for the next 15years**
 - **Based on fixed price at 1999**
 - **Generation : 32.6 billion \$ US**
 - **Transmission and substation : 14.1 billion \$ US**
 - **Total : 46.7 billion \$ US**

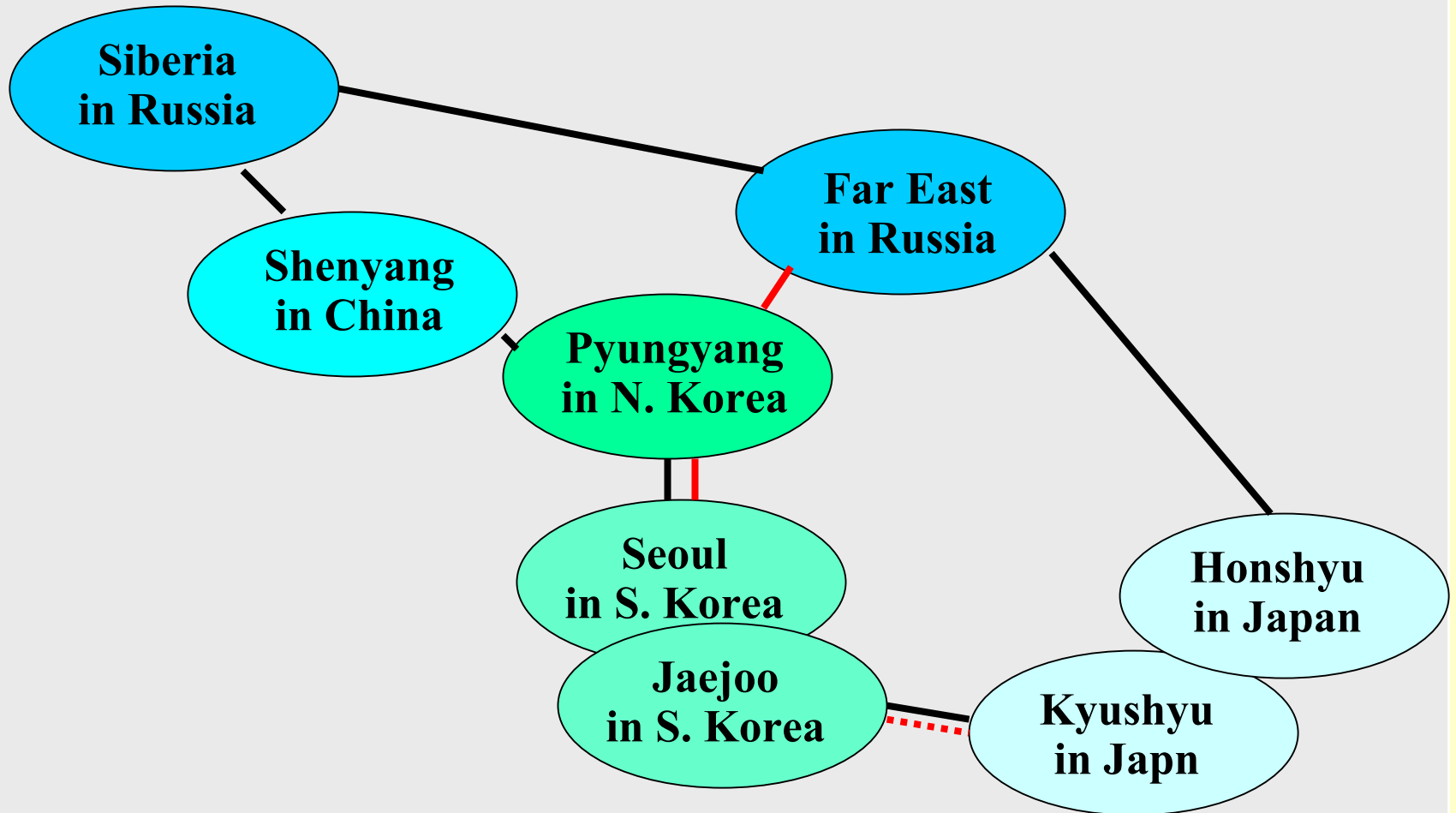
Load Curve

■ Daily load variation in 2000 : max and min

- Annually minimum load : about 18[GW] on New Year's Day and Thanks Given Day
- Minimum load on average : about 25[GW]



System Interconnection



National Energy Security

- **Nearly not source but load**
- **Max continuous power inflow**
 - **2 ~ 3[GW] in 2000 and 3 ~ 4 in 2015**
 - **Considering min load on average, capacity of nuclear power plants, stability and reliability**
- **Little impact on energy security until 2015**
 - **Not so much difficulty in developing additional power plants**
 - **Power inflow is about 10% of additional generating capacity**

Economic Impacts

statistics of power industry by MOCIE

- **New projects**
 - **Expected to cost 6 or more billion \$ US**
- **Effects of the tariff : in the case of 1% increase**
 - **Price**
 - **Consumer's price : 0.0142% increase**
 - **Producer's price : 0.0259% increase**
 - **Production costs**
 - **Steel companies : 3.6% increase**
 - **Manufacturing industry : 1.7% increase**

Economic Impacts - cont'

- **Difficulty in estimating its effects on the tariff**
 - Due to being at the beginning stage of deregulation
 - Expected to reduce the tariff : 1% or more(?)
 - import of electricity : $2 \text{ [GW]} * 8760 \text{ [hr]} = 17,520 \text{ [GWh]}$
 - expected margins : $10 \text{ [•/kWh]} * 17,520 * 10^6 \text{ [kWh]} = 175.2 \text{ billion[•]}$
 - total sales of electricity in 2000 : 17,220 billion[•]
 - reduction of operation cost in UCPTE : 3%
- **Reduction of environmental costs**
 - Reduction of CO₂ emission : 85 billion[•]
 - $23,460 \text{ [k-ton]} * 17,520 / 144,990 \text{ [GWh]} * 25,000 \text{ [$/k-ton]}$
 - Development of renewable energy in neighboring countries

Environmental Impacts

- **To reduce air pollution**
- **To protect the coast and countryside being destroyed by siting new plants**
- **To increase opportunity to develop renewable energy**
- **Too dependent on each other country : increase of pollutant inflow from neighboring country**

Barriers

■ Political

- **Extremely sensitive to the political relationship, between North and South Korea, of great uncertainty**
- **Weak trust in each other's country resulting in considerable concern for national energy security**

■ Institutional, or other barriers

- **Lack of ?**

Impacts of Deregulation

■ Negative impacts

- Many companies pursuing for their own interests
- Many different views difficult to reach an agreement

■ Positive views

- **GENCO's** : opportunity to develop generating resources in the neighboring countries
- **TRANCO** : opportunity to enlarge the business
- **Consumers** : possibility to lower the tariff

Countermeasures

- **Periodical meeting of the government officials**
 - Reinforce the role or function of APEC
- **Start a feasibility study sponsored by**
 - International organization such as ADB and WB
 - Neighboring countries

Mechanism for Financing

- **Funded by an international consortium**
 - Include ABRD, WB..
 - Require the investment of the member countries
- **Multilateral guarantee agreement or guarantee of international organization**
 - in order to hedge against risk

Decision Making Body

■ State Council

- Likely to be decided politically due to its extreme sensitivity to political situation in the Korean peninsula

■ Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Energy

- Decide long term plan for power supply
- Biggest stockholder of network company[TRANCO]
- Director general of energy policy officer

■ Electricity Council and TRANCO

Suggestions

■ Start a feasibility study

- Carried out by international consortium
- Funded by every member country or international organization such ABRD, WB..
- Managed by international steering committee

■ Join pre-feasibility study

- Each member organization should fund
- KERI in Korea is likely to get sponsorship from the government