

MIDTERM PRESENTATION

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Statement of Problem

Due to the effects of climate change, carbonfree energy technologies are needed to reduce green house gas emissions

 Determine specifications of a carbon-free system to meet expected electricity demands for Chicago





What Storage Technology Should We Use?

Goals of the Project

- Propose solution that would supply Chicago's electricity needs without producing carbon
- Determine the electricity demanded by Chicago as well as the electricity generated by wind turbines and nuclear plants
- Rank current storage technologies
- Determine the most cost efficient combination of power production and storage technologies to meet the expected electricity demands for Chicago

Organization of the Team



Extensive Research

Technology Research









Integration/Communication



Progress Toward Goals: Location/Environment

Identified net generation of electricity in Northern Illinois, the percent of electricity generated by nuclear, and Chicago's total electricity demand

Produced data regarding the annual wind speeds/patterns and Northern Illinois' electricity demand on a daily, weekly, and yearly basis

Progress Towards Goals: Technology Research



Compressed Air 🛹



🖛 Pump Hydro System



🕶 Batteries

Major Obstacles Encountered

Identifying the scope of the project

Understanding the demand of the project
Integrating the technical and power demand data

A lack of familiarity with technical terminology

Scheduling wind farm tour

 Work has been done, but little progress has been made due to lack of contact from wind farms

Anticipated Major Challenges

- Making sure that research progress keeps up with timeline
- Narrowing down storage technologies
- Assumptions
- Static vs. dynamic data
- Evaluating data to form a simplified model

