

### EPA Green Power Partnership REC Tracking System Webinar: All Gen Tracking Systems

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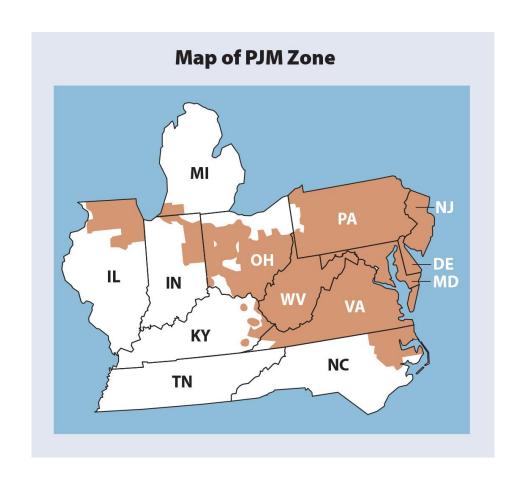
#### All Generation Tracking Systems--Overview

- Examples:
  - PJM's Generation Attribute Tracking System—GATS
  - NY ISO Generation Attribute Tracking System—NY GATS
  - New Eng. ISO's Generation Information System—GIS
- Basic Aspects of these Systems
  - What Gets Tracked
  - Determining Residual Mix
- Support reporting and verification requirements
  - Portfolio Standards
  - Energy Disclosure Requirements
- Integration with Cap-and-Trade Programs

#### **GATS** and **GIS**

- Initially developed to support:
  - State Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS),
  - Voluntary Renewables Programs, and
  - Power Source Disclosure Laws.
- GATS and GIS constitute important infrastructure with capacity to track the generation and consumption of electrical energy.
- Today, GATS and GIS are used primarily to track transactions associated with renewable energy, however several states use them for retail disclosure purposes.

#### PJM's GATS



### NY GATS—In Development



### New England ISO's GIS

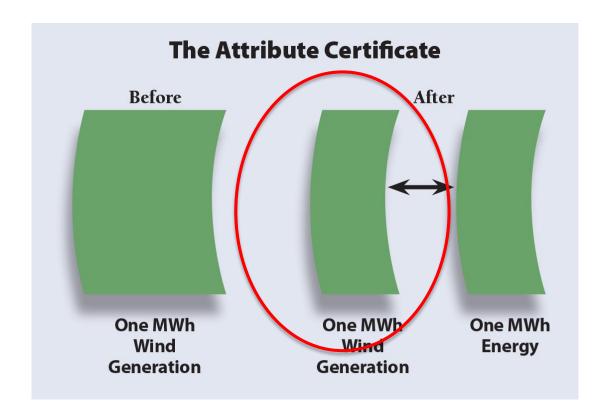


#### **Tracking Systems**

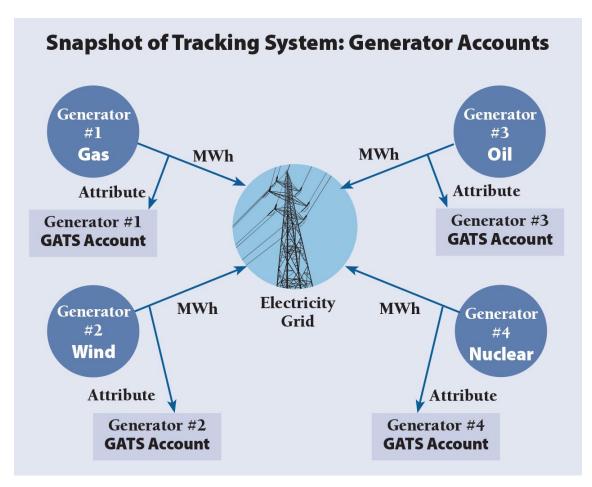
- Mint individual certificates for each MWh;
  not limited to RE MWhs
- Enable trading of attributes across state borders without physical constraints of electric system

#### **Tracking Systems**

Separate the attribute from the electricity

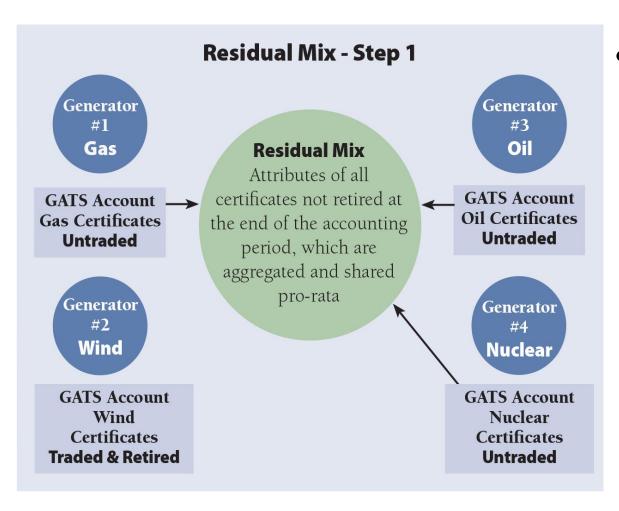


#### **All-Generation Systems**



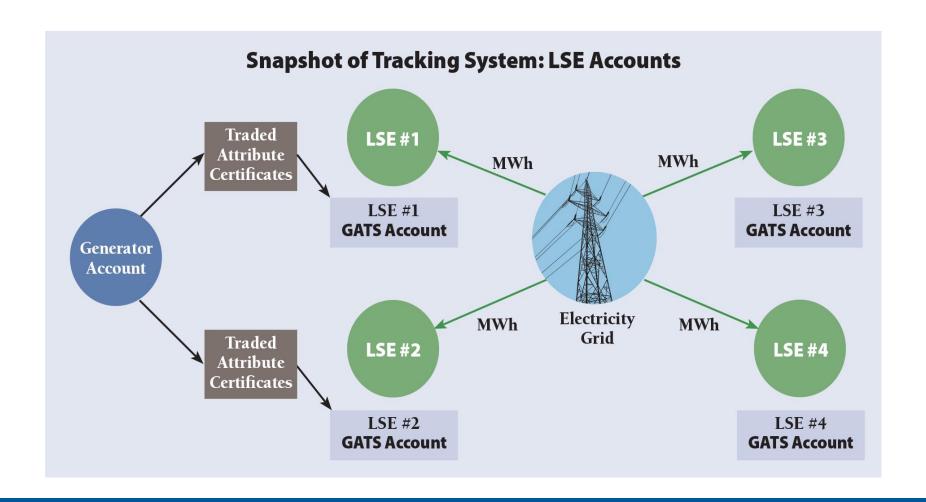
- Mint certificates for **every** MWh produced
- Certificates may or may not be traded

#### Residual Mix—Step 1

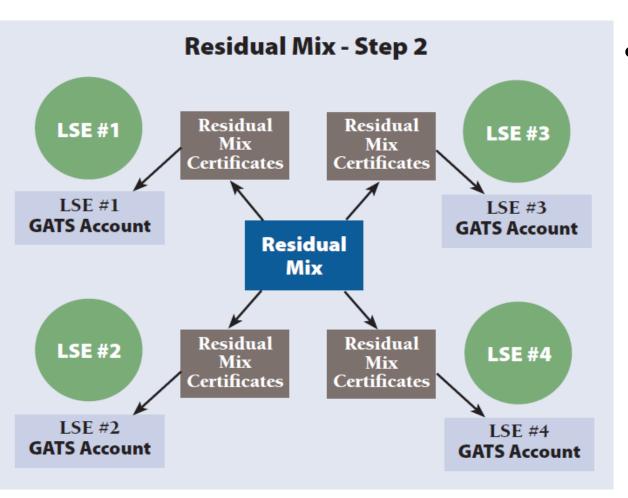


- All Energy Systems Track:
  - Traded attributes, and
  - Untraded attributes

#### **Attribute Certificates Traded**



#### Residual Mix Step 2



- After attribute certificates are traded:
  - Untraded certificates
  - Aggregated &
  - Shared prorata

## All-Gen Systems Support RPSs and Elec Disclosure Policies: **Delaware**

- Retail electricity suppliers file a quarterly report with the PUC using fuel-mix information.
- Suppliers are required to provide, among other things:
  - total amount of electricity (kWh or MWh) supplied to each retail customer class, and
  - Fuel resource mix by percentage for each resource.

#### **Maine** Disclosure

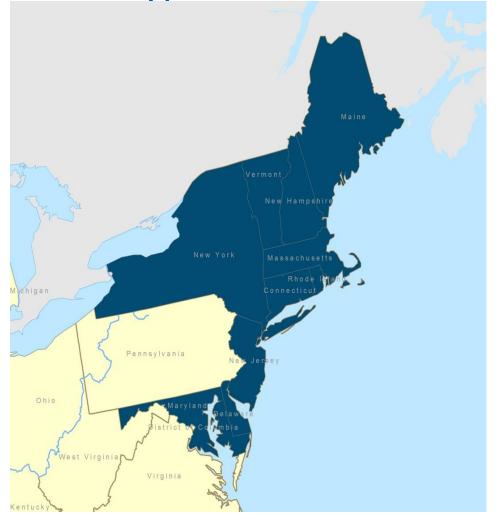
- Retail providers required to provide residential and small commercial consumers with a label containing:
  - fuel mix and
  - emissions characteristics.

• No less frequently than on a 12-month basis."

## Attribute Tracking Systems Integrated with Mass-Based CO2 Programs

- Mass-based CO2 programs:
  - RGGI (Northeast US)
  - -AB-32 (CA)

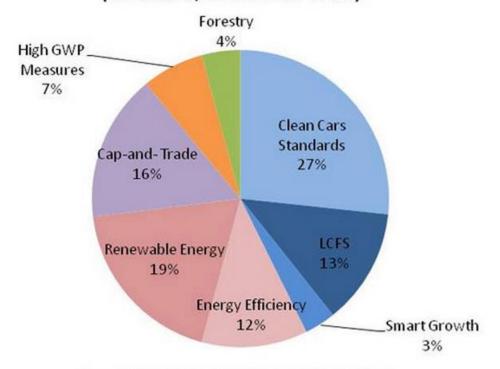
#### Integrating Vol. RE with Cap-and-Trade: The Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (2009)



- Voluntary RE setaside mechanisms enable vol. RE mkt. to integrate within the C&T program.
- Retire CO2
   allowances in an
   amount that
   corresponds to CO2
   displaced by RE

# Integrating Vol. RE with Cap-and-Trade AB32—California (2013)

AB 32 Emission Reduction Strategies (Measure, Percent of Total)



Sources: CARB, Scoping Plan; Emissions Reductions from Scoping Plan Measures (last updated Oct. 28, 2010); 2020 GHG Emissions Forecast (last updated Oct. 28, 2010). Like RGGI, CA
 Cap-and-Trade
 has a Set-Aside
 for Vol. RE

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