

## Managing Utility Price Risk

#### and

## Preserving Capital Budgets in Today's Volatile Energy Market

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## **Agenda**



#### **Volatility in Today's Utility Market**

- · Natural Gas & Electricity
- Transitioning Away From Rate Caps Within Semi-Deregulated Energy Markets
- PA PUC's Implementation of an Electric Market Portfolio Standard
- Energy Rate Escalations / Locking in Today's Rate

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## Minimizing Risk Exposure via Conservation

- Typical Approaches to Implementing Utility
  Conservation Measures
- Pros / Cons of Each Approach

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**Questions and Answers** 

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## **Volatility in Today's Utility Market**

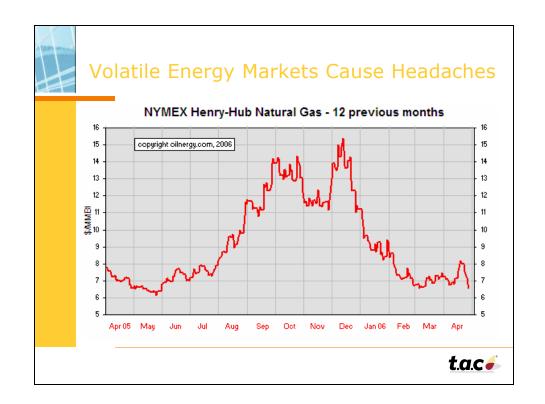
#### **Natural Gas**

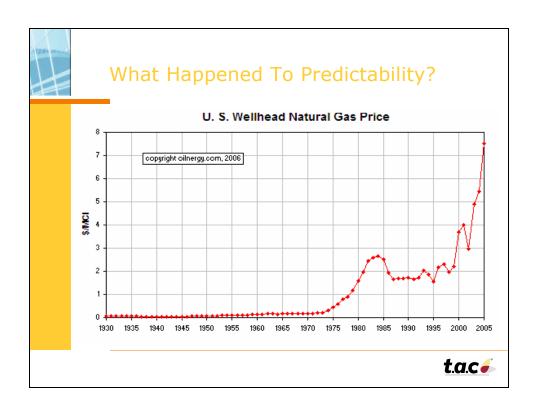
## **Fully Deregulated, Mature Market**

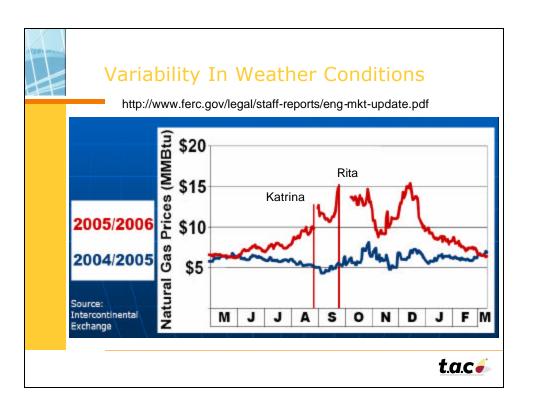
Many suppliers can provide natural gas commodity to meet your facilities needs.

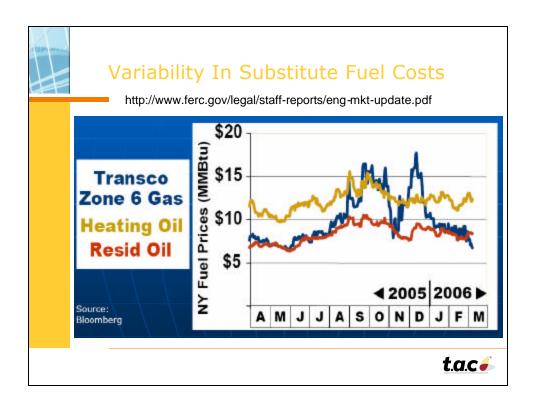
<u>Large Commercial Accounts</u>: Daily reconciliation <u>General Commercial Accounts</u>: Monthly reconciliation

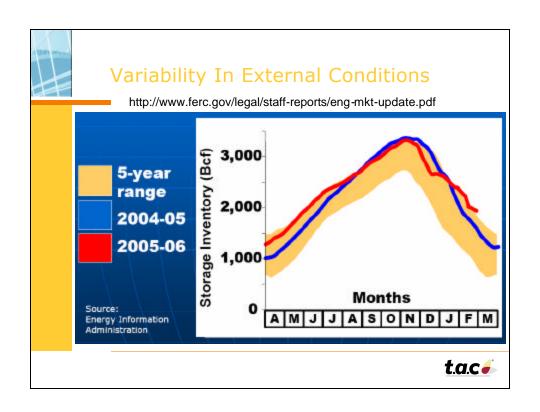
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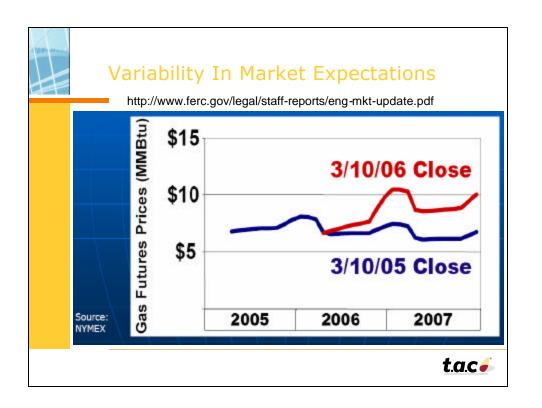










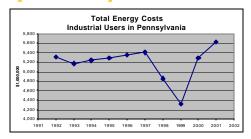




## **Volatility in Today's Utility Market**

## **Electricity**

Semi – Deregulated Rate Caps in Place



1998: Deregulation initiated by PA Legislature & PUC

2000: Wholesale prices exceed Price – to – Compare

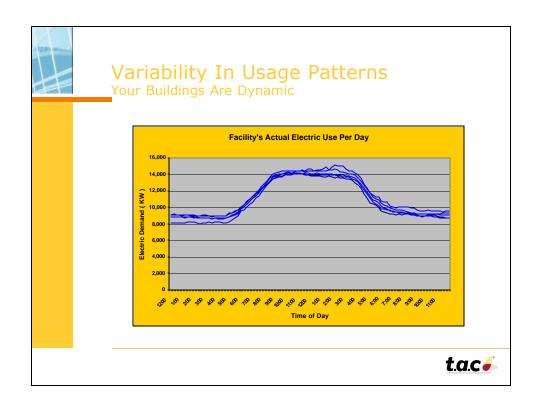
2002: Practically no retail shopping of accounts

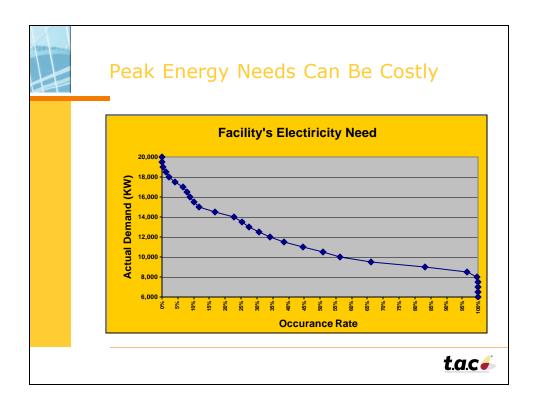
2004: Alternative Energy Portfolio Standard

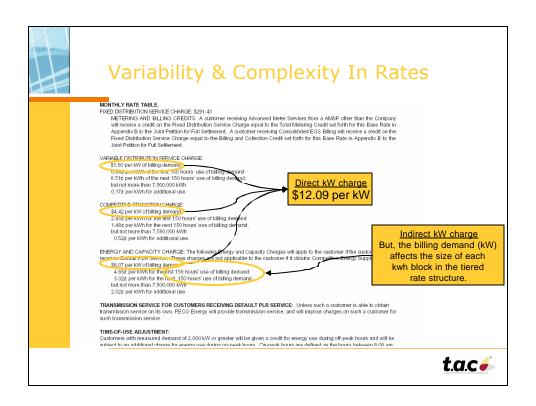
**Electric Utilities begin phase out of rate caps** 

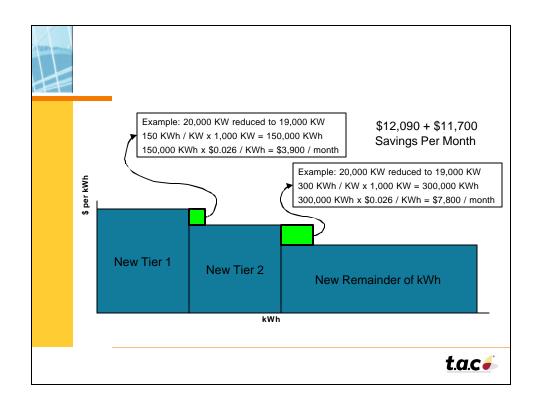
2012: Full Deregulation of all Electric Utility Companies

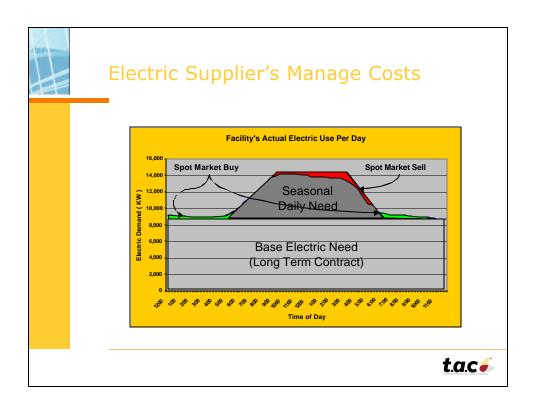
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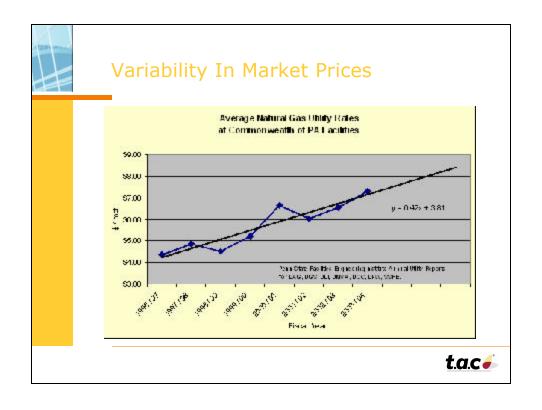


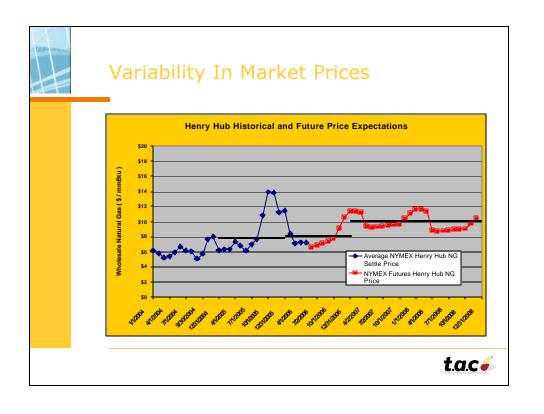


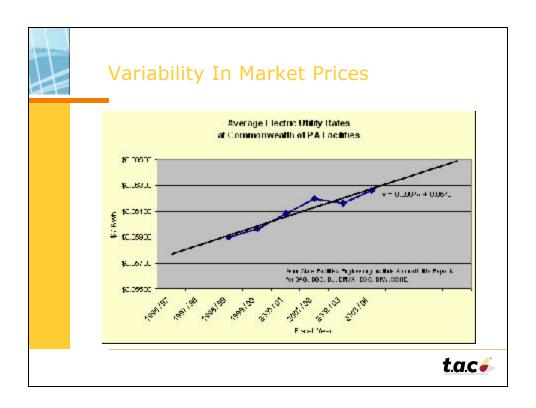


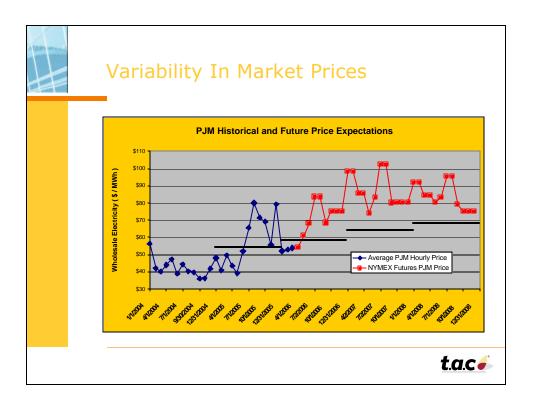








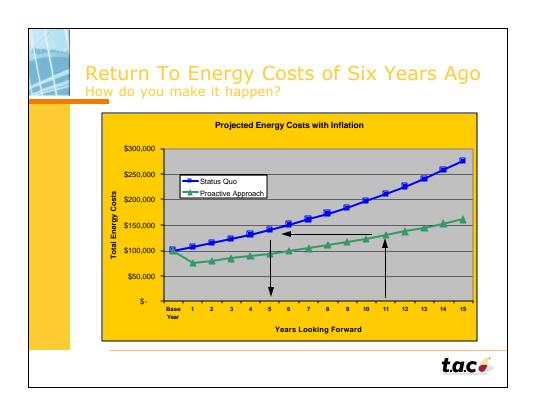






## Variability In Market Prices – All Energy

	Units	2000-2001	2001-2002	2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005
Unit Fuel Costs	•	·	·			
Anthracite Coal	\$ / ton	\$ 58.66	\$ 58.96	\$ 70.37	\$ 78.41	\$92.89
Bituminous Coal	\$ / ton	\$41.96	\$ 47.09	\$ 47.10	\$ 46.23	\$85.95
Gas (1)	\$ / mcf	\$ 7.47	\$ 6.10	\$ 5.82	\$ 6.56	\$ 7.44
Oil (1)	\$ / gal	\$ 1.02	\$ 1.08	\$ 0.88	\$ 0.95	\$ 1.55
Electric (2)	cts / kwh	6.11¢	5.87¢	5.81 ¢	5.97¢	6.02 ¢
Unit Energy Costs						
Anthracite Coal	\$ / mmBtu	\$ 2.32	\$ 2.33	\$ 2.79	\$ 3.10	\$ 3.68
Bituminous Coal	\$ / mmBtu	\$ 1.58	\$ 1.77	\$ 1.77	\$ 1.74	\$ 3.23
Gas (1)	\$ / mmBtu	\$ 6.30	\$ 5.96	\$ 5.69	\$ 6.41	\$ 7.29
Oil (1)	\$ / mmBtu	\$ 7.30	\$ 7.70	\$ 6.27	\$ 6.80	\$11.09
Electric (2)	\$ / mmBtu	\$ 15.88	\$ 15.26	\$ 15.18	\$ 15.61	\$ 17.65
Weighted Average	\$ / mmBtu	\$ 8.26	\$ 8.09	\$ 7.89	\$ 8.45	\$ 9.37





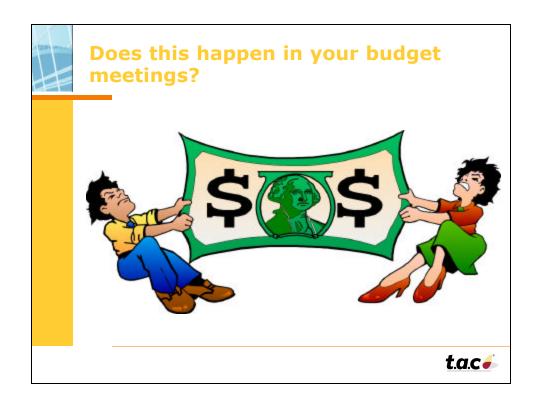


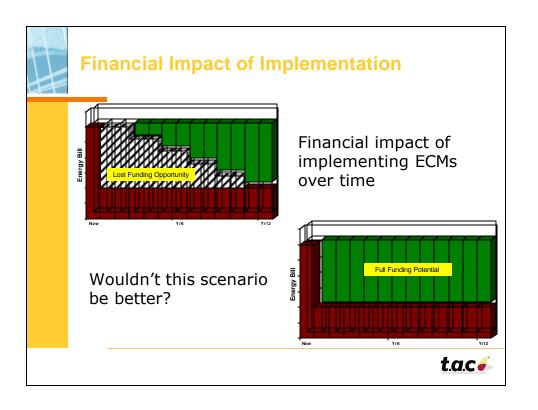
## The Ugly Truth - This is Where We Are

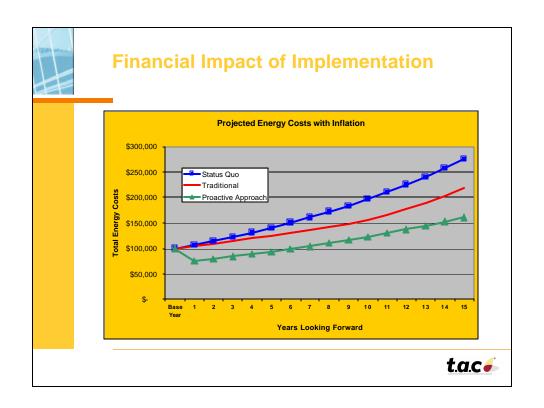
- ➤ Infrastructure is aging
- Growth is challenging capacity
- > Funding is decreasing
- > Expectations are increasing
- Systems are more complex

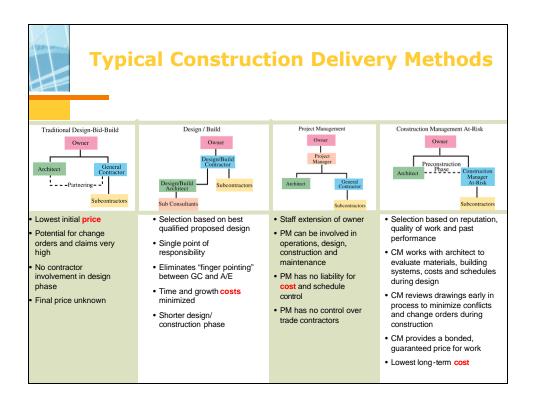
Are we doomed to fail?

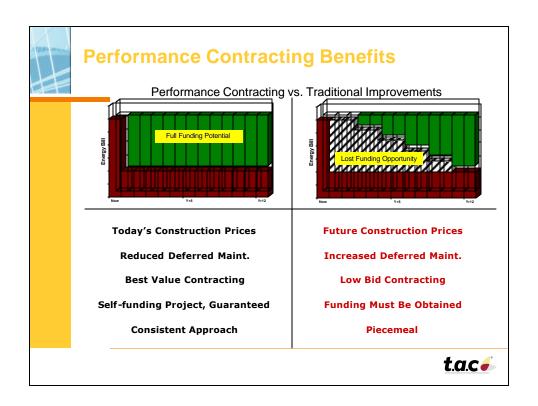
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## **Where does Performance Contracting fit?**



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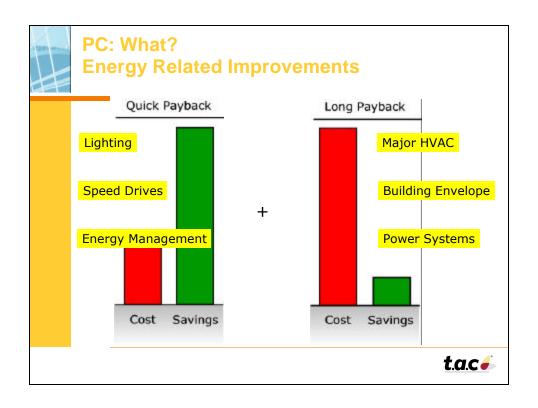
## What is Performance Contracting (PC)?

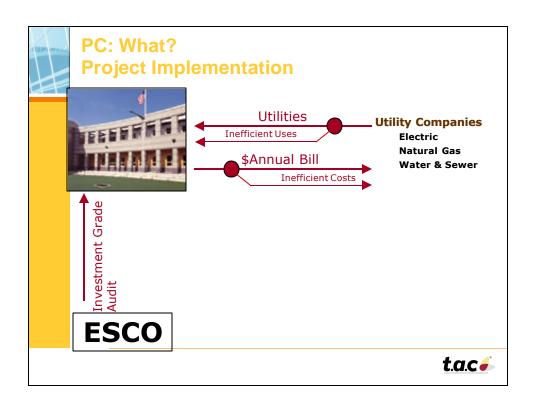
A procurement method used to obtain facility improvements without the requirement of upfront capital.

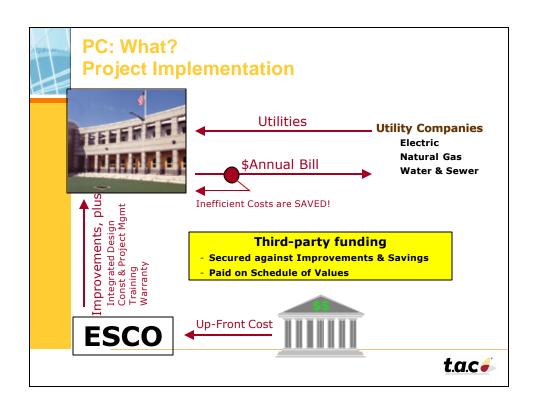
Project (maximum of 15 years) is funded through **GUARANTEED** energy savings.

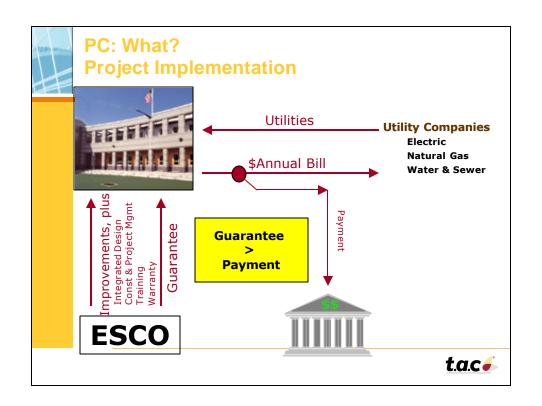
Guaranteed Energy Savings Act: Act 77 of 2004

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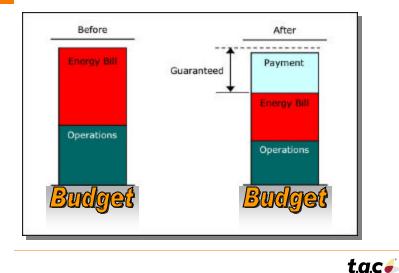








#### **PC** Overview







## There is hope!

- Leverage inefficiencies (create money out of your problems)
- Long-term performance guaranteed
- Long-term savings guaranteed
- Single-point of accountability for project performance
- Funded with O&M savings
- Guaranteed energy savings projects are being implemented throughout facilities in Pennsylvania





#### Conclusion

# Single Most Important Factor in the Success of a Project is Selecting the Right Partner!





## **Selecting The Right Partner**

- Independent and objective
- Solution focused
- Comprehensive longterm approach
- Organizational depth/expertise
- Financially stable: require bonding reference

- Professional disciplines on staff
- > Similar experience
- Can you maintain a relationship over time
- Commitment to Pennsylvania

References validate selection criteria.

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