



Wood Residue Green Energy

For SE Alaska

VENTEK/SEALASKA

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Overview

- Introduction and why are we here....
- Biomass overview
- ☐ Trends in Europe and N America
- Northern Examples Yukon, NWT, and BC
- Opportunities for Alaska





Introduction – Peter Brand

- 27 year career in the electrical business with **BC Hydro**, primarily distribution engineering, remote area and district management.
- 11 years with **Pinnacle Pellet** in Quesnel BC as Partner, Vice President, Marketing and Business Development.
- Instrumental in growing Pinnacle's annual sales from less that 20,000 tonnes in 1999 to over 700,000 tones in 2008. Increased production plants from one to five. Currently #2 in world production.
- Since retirement from Pinnacle, bioenergy consultant, with clients such as Yukon Government, Ventek Energy, Sealaska, NWT Government, Zilkha Bioenergy (Texas) and Prairie Green Renewable Energy (Sask).





Introduction

Ventek Energy Systems

Rod Graham and Markku Riionheimo

Viessmann North America

Simon Koeb

Sealaska Corp

Rick Harris, Wade Zammit, Ron Wolfe, Nathan Soboleff



Why are we here....



"Press Release, Dec. 2009

Sealaska to Convert Plaza to Biomass Fuel

Juneau, Alaska— In 2010, Sealaska Corporation's corporate headquarters in Juneau will become the first commercial building in Alaska to convert to renewable bio-energy. Sealaska will convert its corporate headquarters to a wood pellet fired boiler system. The Sealaska Plaza is currently heated by over **35,000 gallons** of heating oil per year. Sealaska's goal is to establish a green energy model that can be applied throughout Southeast Alaska. The effort is one element of Sealaska's green initiatives to build sustainable Southeast Alaska economies. We believe this project will show that conversion to biomass can save money, reduce hydrocarbon-based footprints and create anchor demand for resources that can be manufactured within the region."

Savings will be approx. 8400 tons CO2 over 25 yrs and over \$1m in energy costs.





Sealaska Energy Initiative

- Reduce CO²
- Reduce Energy Costs
- Create local jobs in SE Alaska
- Start by setting an example with Sealaska Plaza



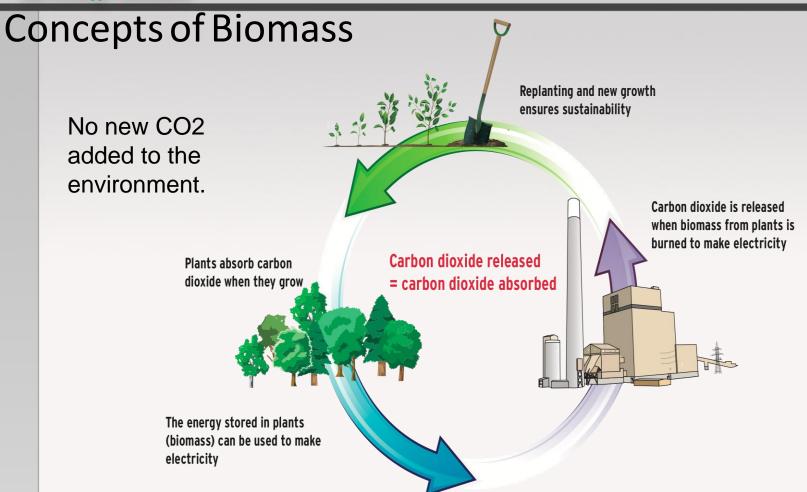
Why are we here...



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As plants grow they absorb carbon dioxide, a greenhouse gas that contributes to climate change, from the atmosphere. When they are used to make electricity the carbon dioxide stored by the biomass is released. No new net greenhouse gases are produced making biomass fuel 'carbon neutral' - better than fossil fuels which are major contributors to climate change





Concepts of Biomass

- Wood Pellets are "Carbon Neutral" and "Sustainable"
- Jobs and profits are local
- ☐ Energy savings are real, 30-50%
- ☐ Public is demanding reductions in carbon output
- Local impacts of climate change are very evident
- ☐ Europeans are much further ahead than N America

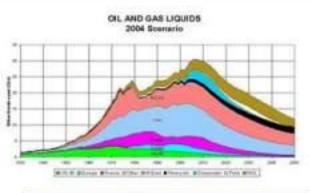




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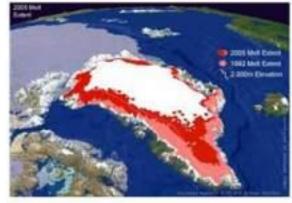
- ☐ Boiler technology is just recently being transferred from Europe
- Government incentives/penalties are just being launched
- There are many other proposed "green" solutions, such as:
 - Tidal, Micro (or small) Hydro
 - Wind and Solar
 - Geo Thermal
 - Ethanol
 - Other Biomass (Wood chips, olive pits, energy crops, etc.)
 - Controversial options such as nuclear and "clean" coal
 - Conservation.... Perhaps the biggest and most cost effective

Strong Clean Energy Market Fundamentals



- Oil & Gas peak & price
- Energy security





Global warming & environment

Public awareness



Rush to benefit





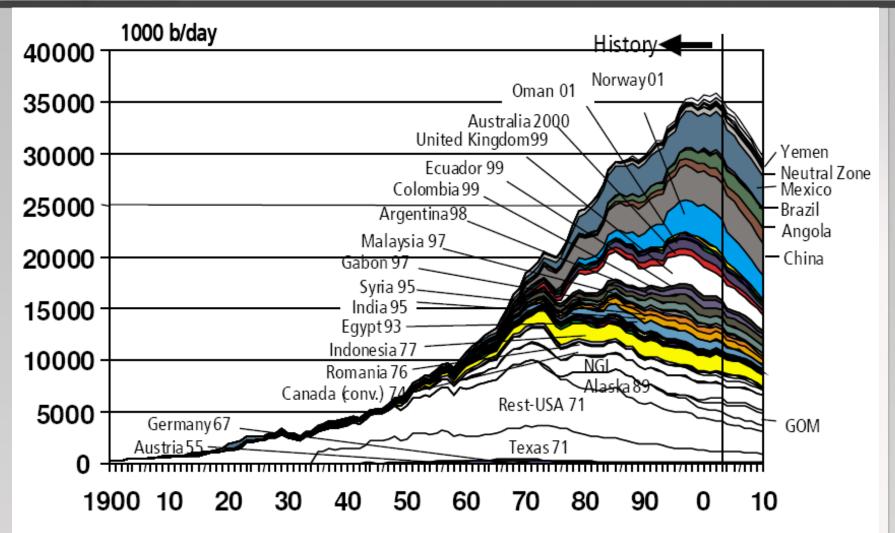
(GE sales of "green" products and services now \$12b/yr)





Concept of "Peak Oil", Hubbert Chart





Source: Industry database, 2003 (IHS 2003)

OGJ, 9 Feb 2004 (Jan-Nov 2003)



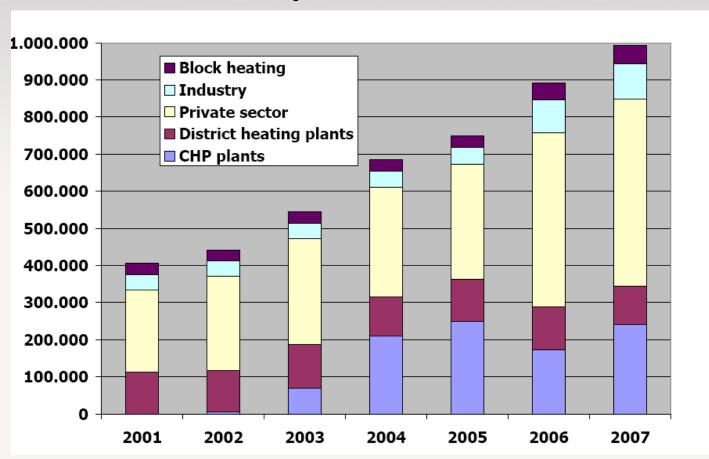








Danish pellet market



Source: Hansen, Force, Wels 2009





Future Pellet Market in Denmark

- Residential market: increase expected
- District heating market: decrease expected
- Large CHP market: large increase expected
 - DONG Energy
 - 400,000 tonnes at Avedøre II in 2009
 - Vattenfall
 - 100,000 tonnes straw pellets and 250,000 tonnes wood pellets at refurbished Amager plant
 - MaxBio plan on replacing 724,000 tonnes of coal with biomass





Danish pellet market could double in 5 years!

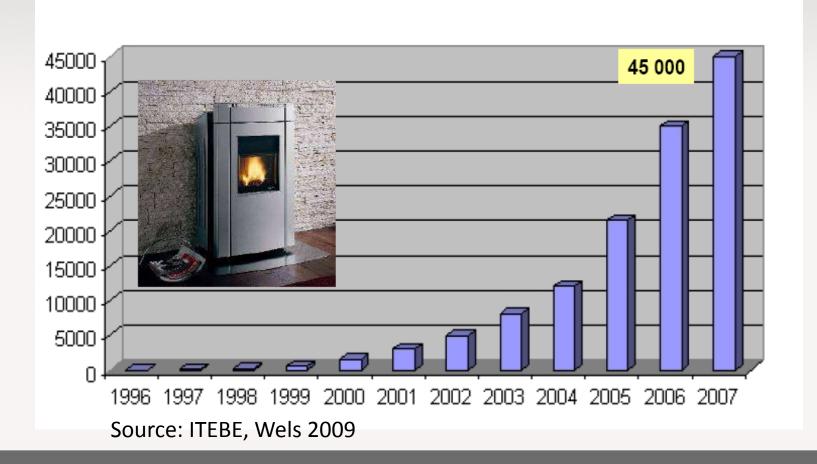
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Pellet stoves in France

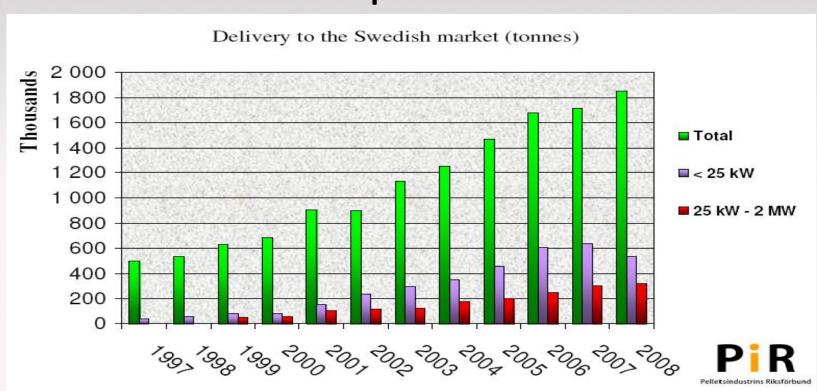








Swedish pellet market

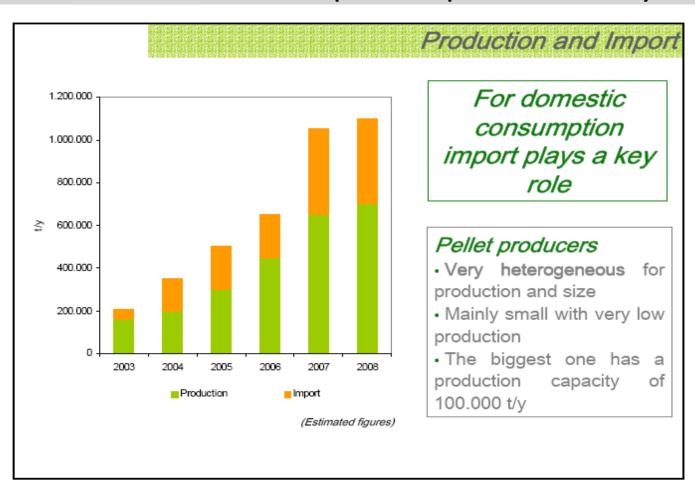


Source: Höglund, PiR, Wels 2009





Production and import of pellets in Italy

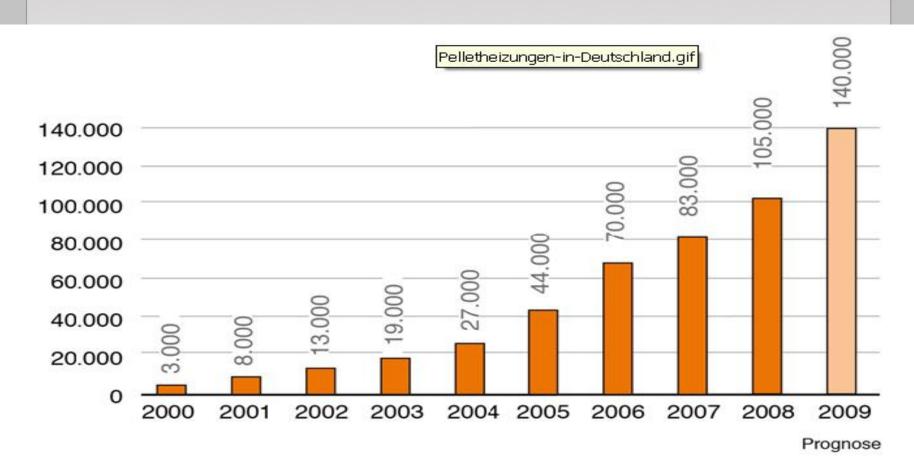


Source: Paniz, AIEL, Wels 2009





Residential pellet boilers in Germany



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Quelle: *BAFA-Zahlen, geförderte Heizkessel und wassergeführte Öfen

Source: Proske, DEPI, Wels 2009



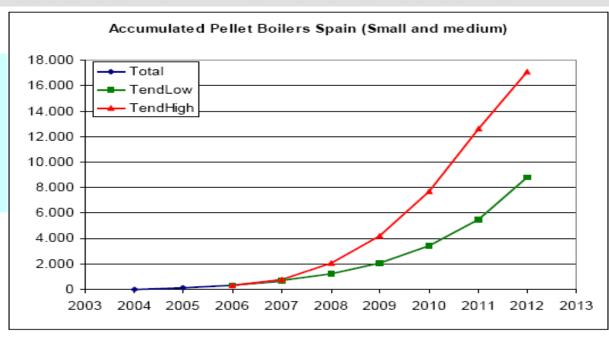


Projected sales of pellet boilers in Spain

Total pellet boilers installed:

1.000 Units

54 MWt



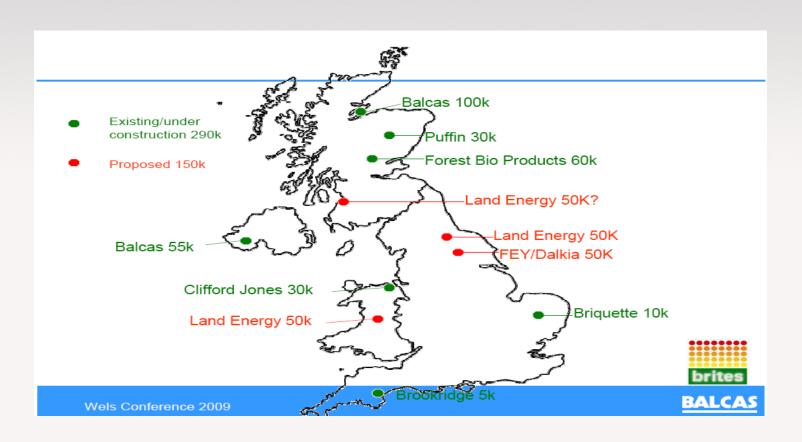
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Source: Puente-Salve, Escan, Wels 2009





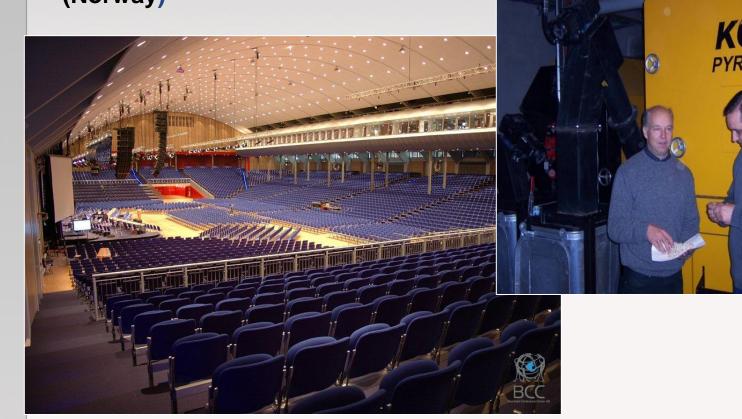
Development of pellet production in the UK







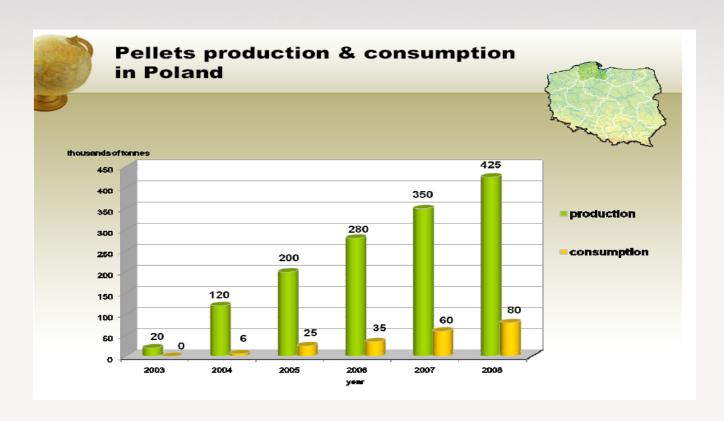
Two boiler KOB system Brunstad Congress center (Norway)







Pellet production and consumption in Poland



Wach, Energy and Environmental Conservation, Wels 2009





KOB heated Hotel Lagorai Cavalese (Italy)







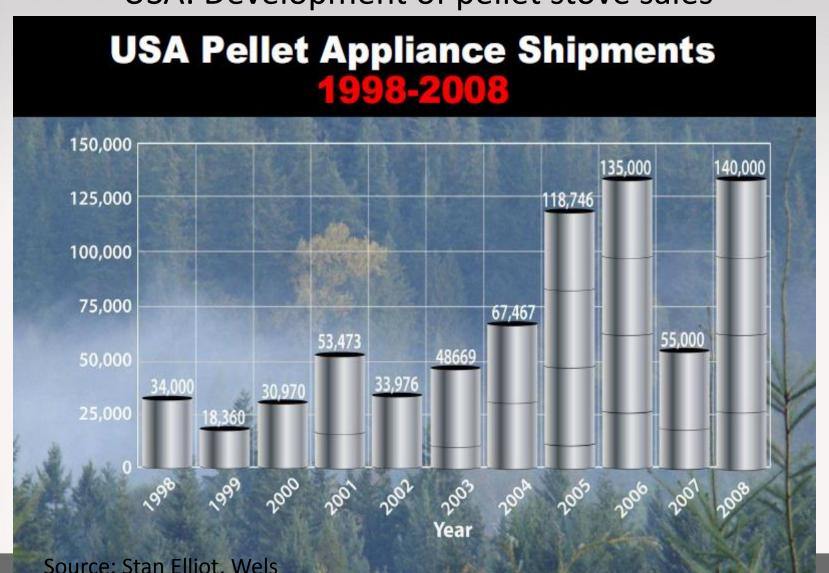
KOB heated 3 Apartment Buildings Skien, Norway







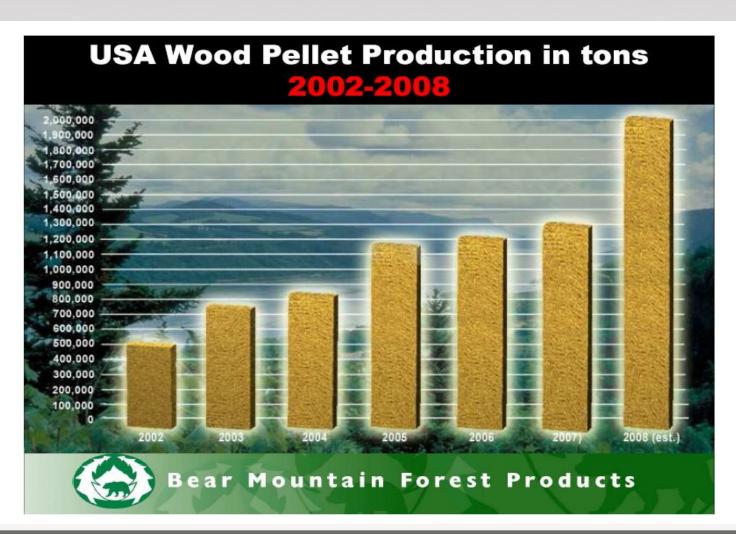
USA: Development of pellet stove sales







USA Wood Pellet Production

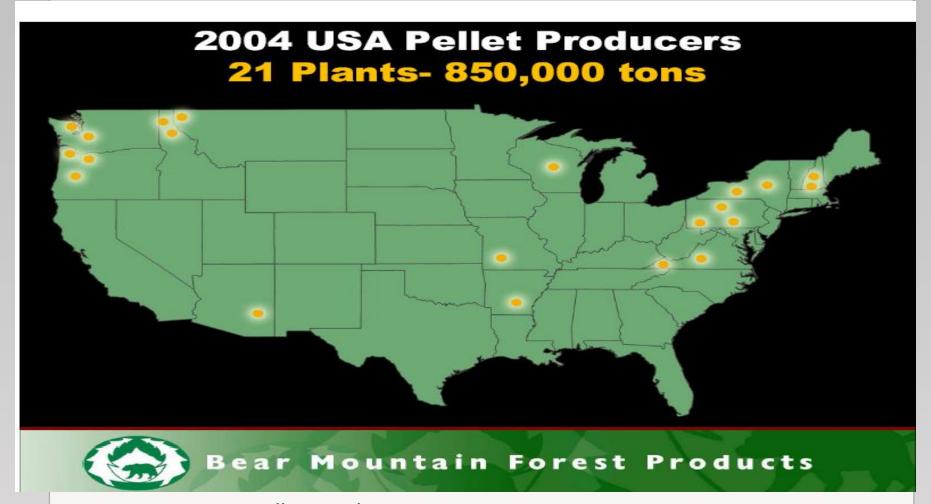


Source: Stan Elliot. Wels 2009





2004 US Pellet Producers

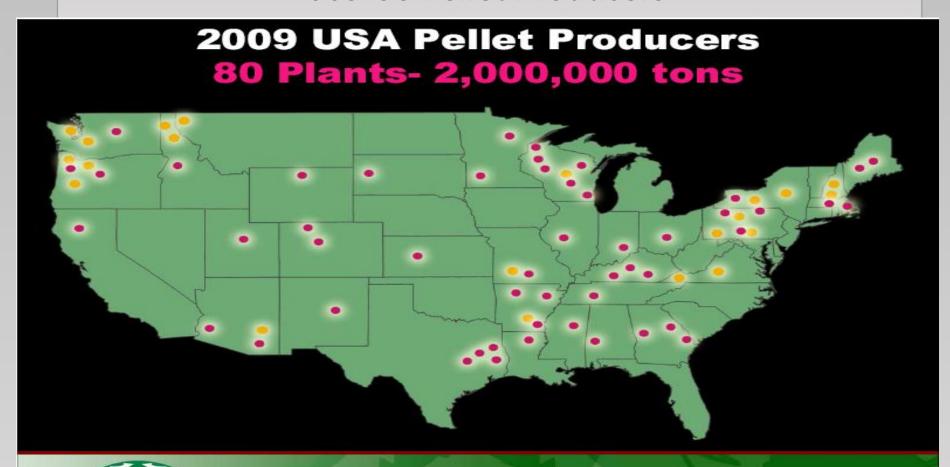


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2009 US Pellet Producers



Bear Mountain Forest Products

ce: Stan Elliot, Wels 2009





Approx. 30 Viessmann/KOB Boiler systems now installed in N America



Harney District Hospital, Burns OR Container System

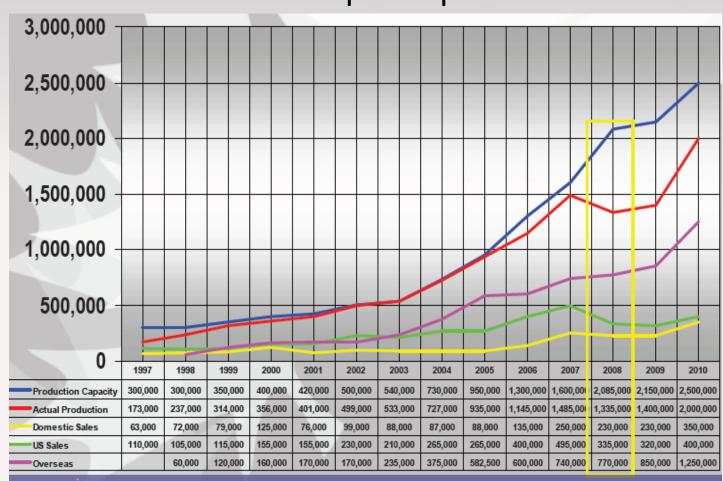








Canadian pellet production





Actual to 2008 – Projection to 2010

Updated Jan. 15, 2009

Source: John Swaan, Wels 2009













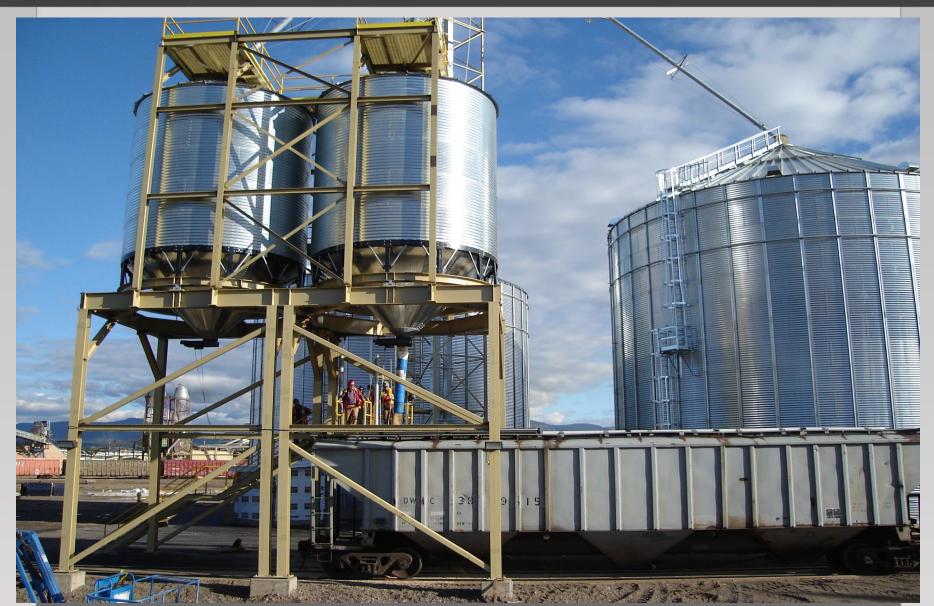


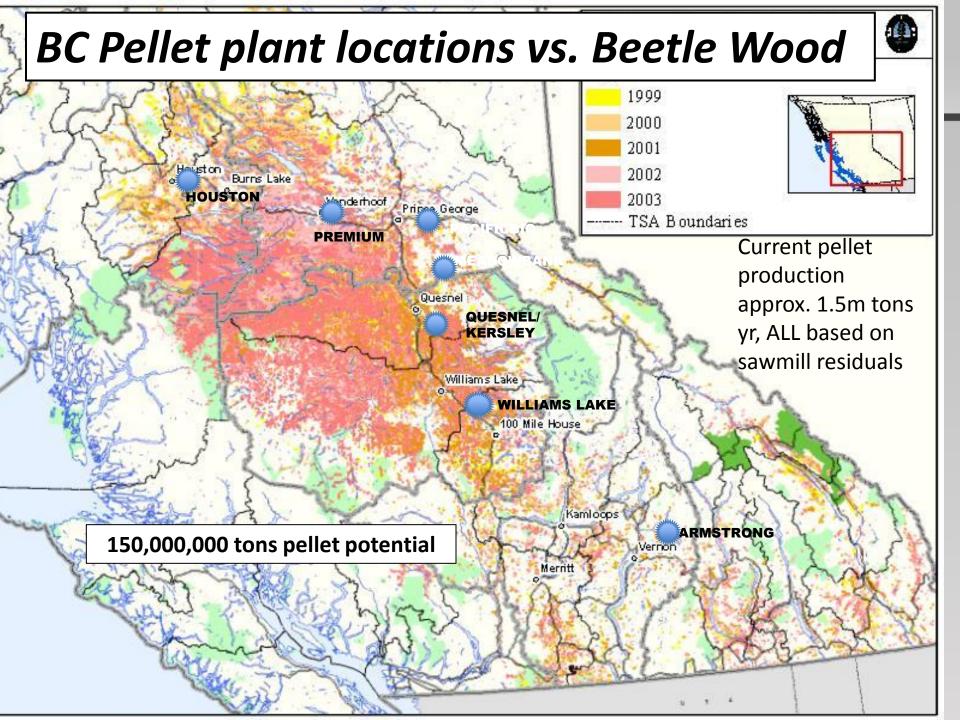
































Type of Fuel	Rate as of July 1, 2008	Rate as of July 1, 2012
Gasoline	2.41 cents/litre	7.24 cents/litre (USD 0.26/Gal)
Diesel Fuel	2.76 cents/litre	8.27 cents/litre (\$0.30/Gal)
Natural Gas	49.88 cents/GJ	149.64 cents/GJ (\$141.84 per MMBH)
Light Fuel Oil	2.76 cents/litre	8.27 cents/litre (\$0.30/Gal)
Canadian bituminous coal	\$20.79/tonne	\$62.36/tonne (\$53.85/Ton)
Sub-bituminous coal	\$17.72/tonne	\$53.15/tonne (\$45.90/Ton)
Propane	1.54 cents/litre	4.62 cents/litre (\$0.17/Gal)









Nazko School Summary



■ One of the first schools in Canada with 100% biomass heating – virtually 100% carbon neutral ■ Net CO2 savings of 60 tons per year ☐ Displaces 8500 gallons of propane/yr. ☐ Fuel cost savings starting at \$10,000/yr - year one ☐ A model for the community, staff and students ☐ Local resource, local jobs, local suppliers (Pinnacle, Ventek) ☐ Eliminates \$1500/yr BC Carbon Tax (2012 onward)













Chief Jimmy Bruneau School, Behchoko

Expected fuel oil reduction of 155,000 litres per year

Expected GHG reduction of 410 tonnes per year

One KOB 750 kW wood pellet boiler

Installation completed in October 2009

Highways Maintenance Garage, Hay River

Princess Alexandra School

One KOB 260 kW wood pellet boiler

Fuel oil reduction of 100,000 litres per year

Central Heating Plant Serving Four Schools, Hay River

Expected GHG reduction of 270 tonnes per year Installation to be completed in 2010

BIOMASS HEATING SYSTEMS FOR GNWT BUILDINGS



INSTALLED AND PLANNED WOOD PELLET BOILERS

OCTOBER 2009



Kalemi Dene School, N'Dilo

Three Bosch MESys 23 kW wood pellet boilers Expected fuel oil reduction of 30,000 litres per year Expected GHG reduction of 80 tonnes Installation completed in September 2009

North Slave Correctional Facility, Yellowknif

Two BINDER 750 kW wood pellet boilers

Fuel oil reduction of 587,000 litres in 2008 GHG reduction of 1.560 tonnes in 2008 Installation completed in November 2006



Legislative Assembly Building, Yellowknife

One BINDER 300 kW wood pellet boiler Expected fuel oil reduction of 83,000 litres per year Expected GHG reduction of 220 tonnes per year Installation to be completed in 2009/10



École St Joseph School, Yellowknife

One KOB 540 kW wood pellet boiler Expected fuel reduction of 102,000 litres per year Expected GHG reduction of 270 tonnes per year Installation completed in October 2009



Sir John Franklin School, Yellowknife

One BINDER 750 kW wood pellet boiler Expected fuel reduction of 142,900 litres per year Expected GHG reduction of 380 tonnes per year Installation completed in February 2008



One KOB 1 MW wood pellet boiler Expected fuel oil and propane reduction equivalent to 318,000 litres of fuel oil per year Expected GHG reduction of 850 tonnes per year Installation to be completed in 2010 Diamond Jenness School & new Tradeshop Harry Camsell School Ecole Boreale



The first wood pellet boilers for a Territorial Government

building were installed at the North Slave Correctional Centre in 2006. Arctic Green Energy (AGE) owns and installed the boiler, and sells heat to the Government of the NWT (GNWT). Thanks to the success of that project, the GNWT is now investing in its own wood pellet boilers for other facilities, where economically viable.

Since the cost to transport wood pellets is higher than that of other fuels, the most viable locations for wood pellet boilers are those closest to the source of wood pellets. Currently, that source is in La Crete in northern Alberta. Therefore, the GNWT is investing in wood pellet boilers in communities on the road network in the South and North Slave regions.

PWK School & Recreation Complex, Fort Smith

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Yellowknife Apartment System

























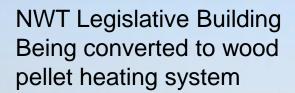


New School Installation being completed in Yellowknife















Northwest Territory Summary:

425,000 sq/mi – 35,000 residents

(vs Alaska 586,000 sq/mi, +/- 600,000 residents)

- Approx. 15 commercial biomass boiler installations
- Many residential wood pellet stoves (up to 50% fuel savings vs oil/propane).
- 12,000 tons/yr of pellet consumption, for a population base of 35,000, in just 4 years!



Yukon Summary:

186,000 sq/mi – 33,500 residents

(vs Alaska 586,000 sq/mi, +/- 600,000 residents)

Enough dead trees from forest wild fires annually to supply 600,000 tons of wood pellets/yr (10% would supply the entire thermal needs of every Yukon building!

- Approx. 6 commercial biomass boiler installations in planning stage, including Dawson City and Yukon Corrections Facility
- Growing number of residential wood pellet stoves, up to 50% fuel savings vs oil/propane.
- 1,000 tons/yr of pellet consumption, (want to catch-up to NWT!)













Typical Pellet Stove, Residential Installation Harman Stove

Current US Federal Tax Credit, 30% up to \$1500 per installation





New Superior Pellet Plant, Fairbanks 10,000 tons production, up to 60,000 Start-up, summer 2010







Pellet Opportunity for SE...

Wood pellet fuel = 30% saving for the average heating bill, based on today's price of oil

(does anyone expect oil prices to decrease?)





Pellet Opportunity for SE...

30% saving for the average heating bill, based on import wood pellets

Viking Lumber planning 15,000 ton/yr pellet plant, currently seeking equipment and funding.

Viking Lumber currently has approx. 10,000 tons/yr of residual waste





Pellet Opportunity for SE...

Wood pellet stoves, commercial sized boilers and distribution is now readily available.

There is no plan to harvest the Tongass for biomass – thinning and residuals would provide enough feedstock.

Imports will continue to be available as necessary.



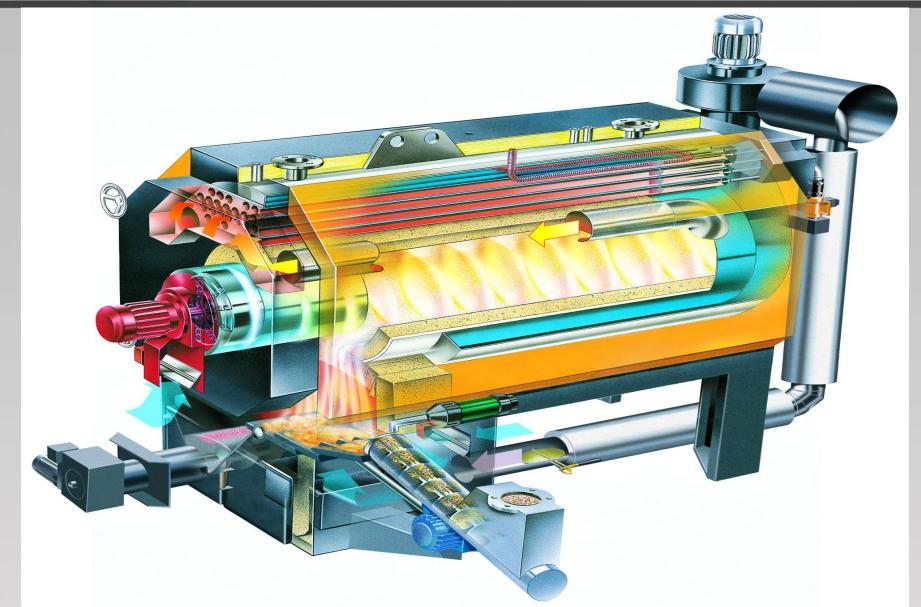
- KOB Boilers 30
 years in Austria
- Now part of
 Viessmann, excellent
 reputation globally
 (33 countries, 6800
 employees)







KOB/Viessmann Boiler







SUMMARY

☐ Wood pellet demand, as a preferred "green" fuel in N America, is expected to grow dramatically in the future.
☐ Prices will remain stable as the market matures, compared to the volatility of fossil fuels.
☐ There is an abundance of raw material in N America.
☐ Developing wood pellet applications in Alaska will create jobs, reduce carbon emissions, save money, and

"It's the right thing to do!"