

Usibelli Coal Mine, Inc. Emerging Coal Markets and Technologies

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Lunch and Learn Program
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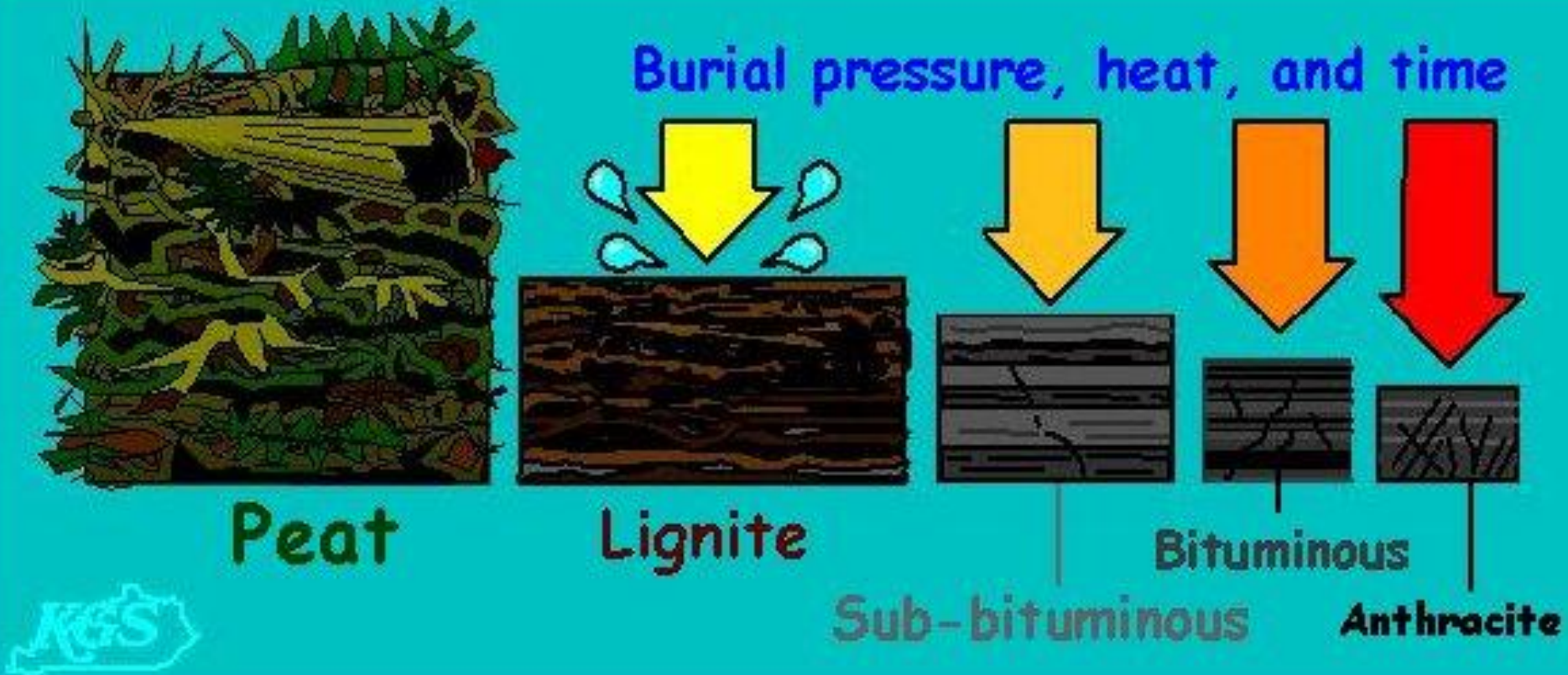
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Emerging Coal Markets and Technologies

- Coal Formation and Rank
- Alaska's Coal Resources & Markets
- Alaska's Export Infrastructure
- Export Markets
- Combustion Technologies
- Coal Gasification

Coal Rank



Today



300 million
Years

Usibelli Coal – Sub-bituminous
About 20 million years old

ALASKA'S MAJOR COAL FIELDS

Northern Alaska Basin

Hypothetical Resource (10 ⁶ tonnes)	Identified Resource (10 ⁶ tonnes)	Measured Reserves (10 ⁶ tonnes)
3,630,000	136,100	73

Nenana Province

Hypothetical Resource (10 ⁶ tonnes)	Identified Resource (10 ⁶ tonnes)	Measured Reserves (10 ⁶ tonnes)
13,320	7,800	227

BERING SEA



ARCTIC OCEAN

Deadfall
Syncline

Key to Coal Rank

	Bituminous
	Subbituminous
	Lignite

 Major Basin Margins

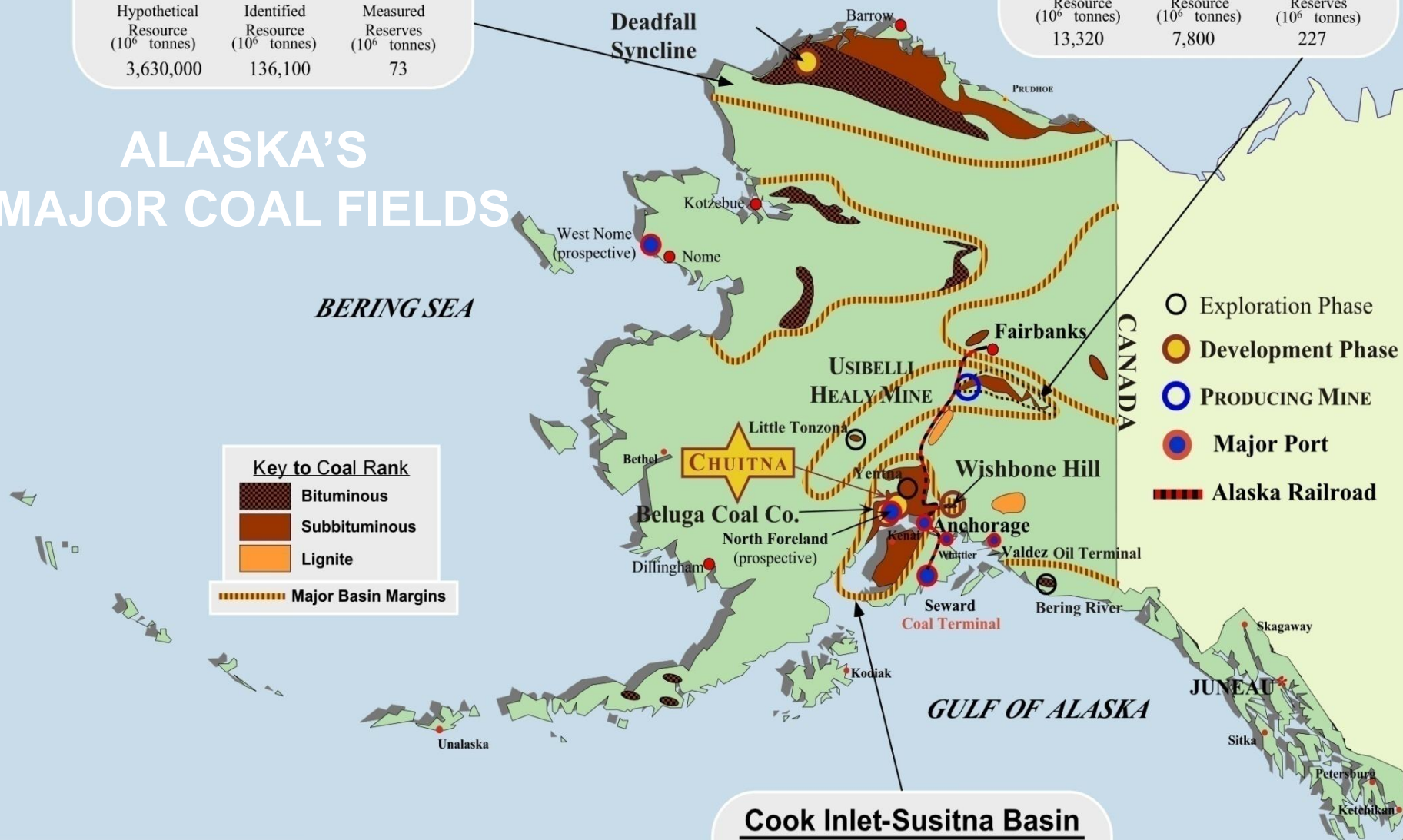
-  Exploration Phase
-  Development Phase
-  PRODUCING MINE
-  Major Port
-  Alaska Railroad

Cook Inlet-Susitna Basin

Hypothetical Resource (10 ⁶ tonnes)	Identified Resource (10 ⁶ tonnes)	Measured Reserves (10 ⁶ tonnes)
64,230	10,550	1,400

All Other Areas

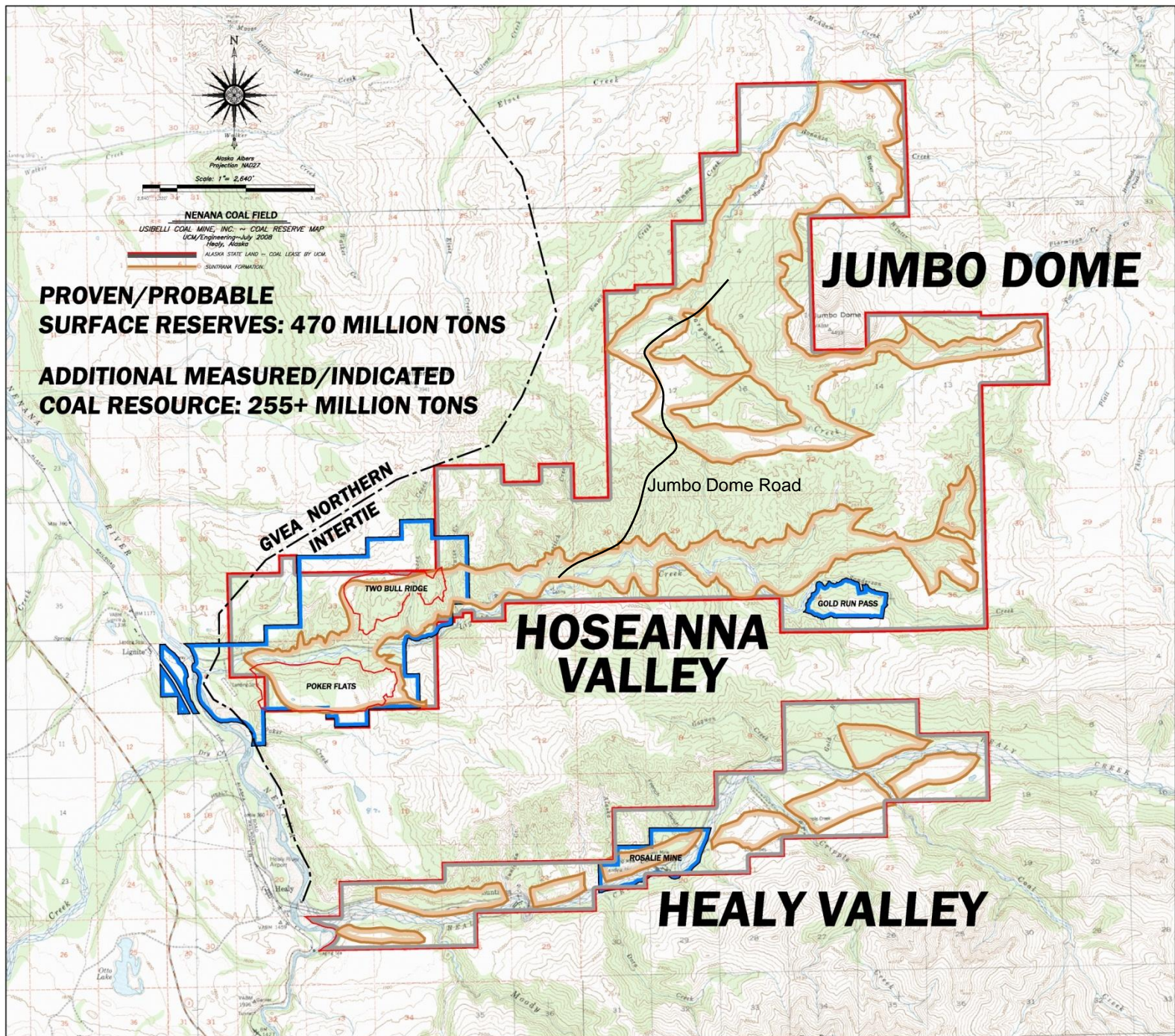
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8,660	520	0



Alaska Coal Deposits With Export Potential

Deposit	Coal Rank	Million Short Tons	
		Reserves	Resources
Nenana (Healy)	Sub-Bituminous	500	7,000
Wishbone Hill	HV Bituminous	20	52
Cook Inlet	Sub-Bituminous	1,400	10,000
Deadfall Syncline	HV Bituminous	30	100+
Bering River	LV Bituminous	35	60

1 billion tons coal ~ 15 – 25 tcf natural gas



**PROVEN/PROBABLE
SURFACE RESERVES: 470 MILLION TONS**

**ADDITIONAL MEASURED/INDICATED
COAL RESOURCE: 255+ MILLION TONS**

JUMBO DOME

**GVEA NORTHERN
INTERTIE**

**HOSEANNA
VALLEY**

HEALY VALLEY

NENANA COAL FIELD
USIBELLI COAL MINE, INC. -- COAL RESERVE MAP
UCM/Engineering--July 2008
Healy, Alaska
ALASKA STATE LAND -- COAL LEASE BY UCM
SUNTRAM FORMATION

TWO BULL RIDGE

POKER FLATS

GOLD RUN PASS

ROSALIE MINE

Jumbo Dome Road

Alaska Coal Markets

- 2009 Alaska consumption – 975,578 tons
Total for 2009 – 1,861,714 tons.
- Existing Customers
 - 5 cogeneration plants, Clear, Wainwright, Eielson, Aurora, University
 - GVEA Unit 1 mine mouth plant in Healy
 - North Pole Coal, residential/commercial space heating
 - Seward Terminal, residential/commercial space heating
- Potential new markets.
 - Healy Clean Coal Project
 - Railbelt power generation
 - Synthetic fuel production

Alaska Railroad Corporation

- Owned by State of Alaska
- Fairbanks to Seward – 470 miles
- Healy to Seward – 358 miles
- Mostly single line
- Severe grades and corner radius areas
- Summer traffic congestion
- Maximum 80 car unit train to Seward

Seward Coal Terminal



SEWARD COAL TERMINAL

- 1.5 million mt/year capacity
- 12,000 to 16,000 mt/day loading rate
- 120,000 mt stockpile capacity
- 16 meter draft (53 feet)
- 90,000 ton maximum ship size
- Owned by the Alaska Railroad Corp.
- Operated by Aurora Energy Services, LLC, affiliate of Usibelli Coal Mine, Inc.



Stacker/Reclaimer

- Bucket wheel reclaimer
- 1000 tons/hour reclaim



Ship Loader

- Fixed position, slewing and luffing
- Maximum reach 160'
- 3 hatches from one ship position

Ship Capabilities

- Dolphin Mooring System
- Max length approx. 900'
- Max. beam 140 feet'
- Max. draft 53'
- Max air draft 90'



Port MacKenzie Bulk Terminal



Port MacKenzie

- Located about 150 miles closer by rail, 2-3 days longer for bulk carriers.
- Currently no rail service, 43 miles new track required.
- Cape class draft, high tide departure due to shoals.
- Extreme tide range – 35 feet
- Currents to 5 knots at angle to dock
- 9 – 10 month ice free season
- Fixed loading arm
- Currently loading wood chips and gravel

World Coal Production

EIA Preliminary 2007 Data
(million short tons)

North America	1,234
Central/South America	92
Europe	814
Eurasia	537
Middle East	1.4
Africa	289
Asia & Oceania	4,069
Total	7,036

PacRim Coal Importers

EIA Preliminary 2007 Data
(million short tons)

	Production	Consumption	Imports
Japan	0	207	207
South Korea	3	106	103
China/Hong Kong	2,804	2,904	100
India	528	579	51
Taiwan	0	73	73
Thailand	20	36	16
Malaysia	1	12	11
Mexico	12	19	7
Chile	1	6	5

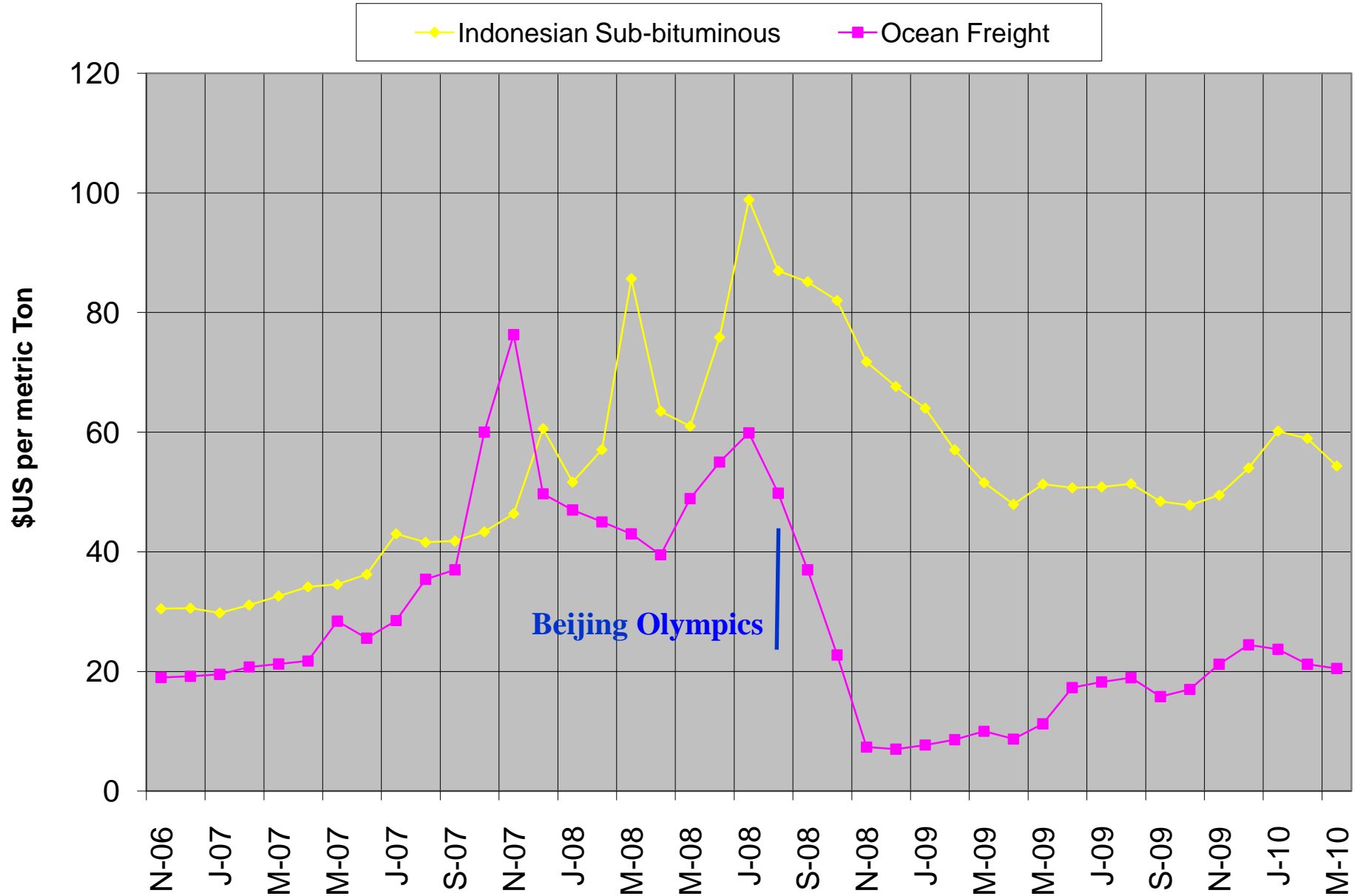
PacRim Coal Exporters

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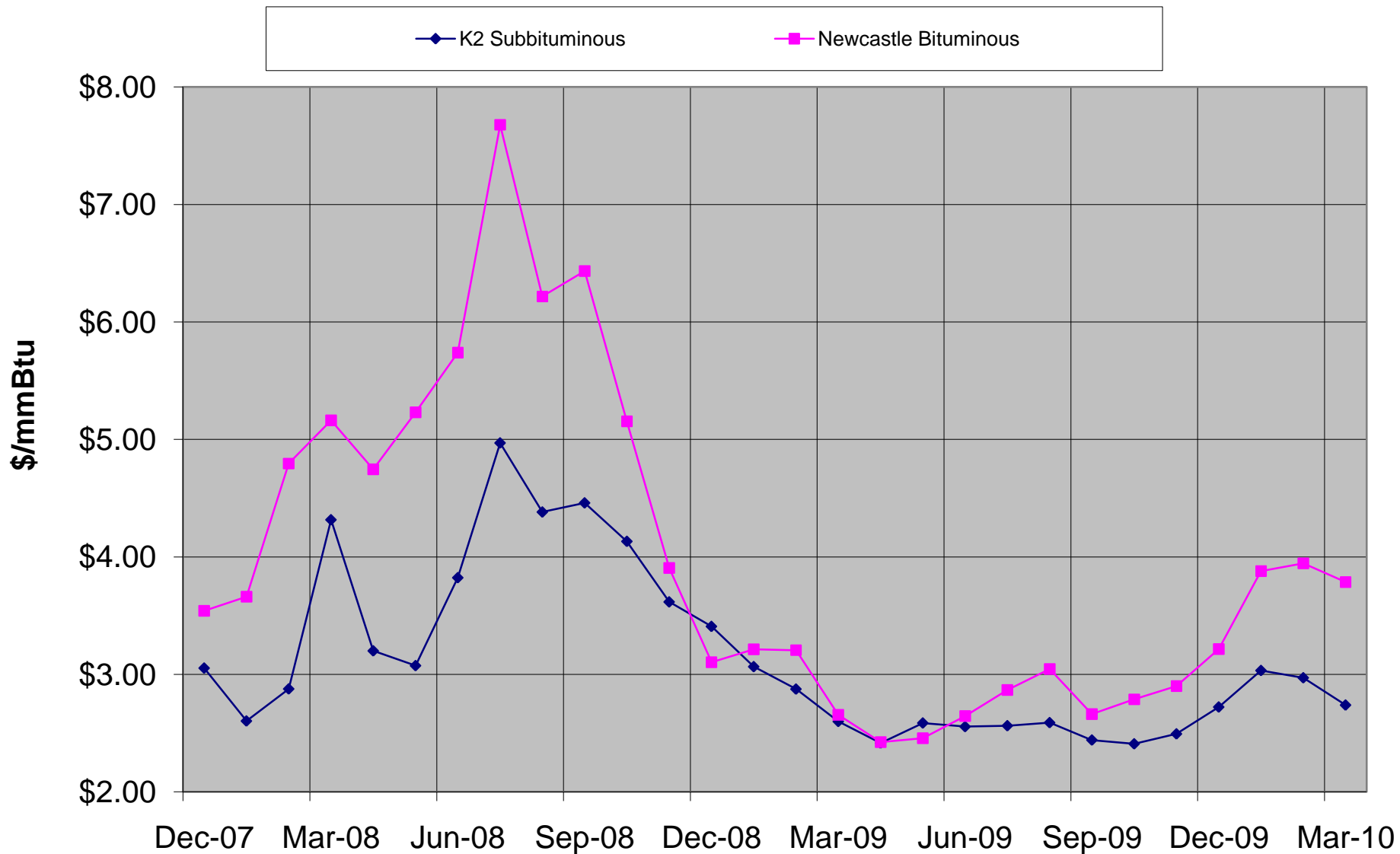
	Production	Consumption	Net Export
Australia	428	146	282
Indonesia	180	50	130
Russia	347	261	86
South Africa	283	203	80
Vietnam	44	19	25
USA	1,146	1,129	17
Canada	76	62	14

Approximate Total Seaborne Coal Trade – 750 million metric tons

Pacific Rim Coal Price History



Price by Coal Rank



Expanding Coal Demand

Platts International Coal Report, March 22, 2010

- Seaborne demand up by 300 million tons by 2015
 - India – 125 million
 - China – 45 million
 - Japan – 25 million
 - S. Korea – 15 million
 - Taiwan – 10 million
 - Remaining Pacific – 30 million
 - Atlantic – 45 million
- New power plant construction
 - India – 55,000 megawatts under construction
 - China – 55,000 megawatts in 2010
 - Around 1 billion tons new demand by 2015

Key Players - Demand

- India
 - Swing buyer –both Pacific and Atlantic sources
 - Committed to major coal generation expansion
 - Supply shortages from domestic producers
- China
 - Continued high growth rate.
 - Internal transportation infrastructure challenged
 - Large coal reserves
- South East Asia
 - High growth rate and internal consumption
 - Primarily Australia/Indonesia sources

Key Players - Supply

- Australia -Largest export supplier
 - Port and Rail limitations (50+ queue at Newcastle)
 - Large bituminous reserves
- Indonesia
 - Predominant supplier of sub-bituminous
 - High internal demand growth
- South Africa - Pacific and Atlantic supply source
- Colombia
 - Potential source for India
 - Aggressive expansion plans
- Russia
 - Both Atlantic and Pacific ports
 - Long rail transport distances

Alaska Export Opportunities

- Currently approximately 5,000 megawatts of generation can use 10 - 50% Alaska coal.
- Chile – Plans to add approximately 7000 megawatts by 2017, mostly coal.
- Japan /China/Korea – High demand growth from India and South East Asia will stress supply for North Pacific consumers.
- South Africa– Increased demand from India and SE Asia will create increased demand for Colombian coal in Europe.
- Colombia – Less attractive source for Chile due to high Europe demand.

Usibelli Coal Exports

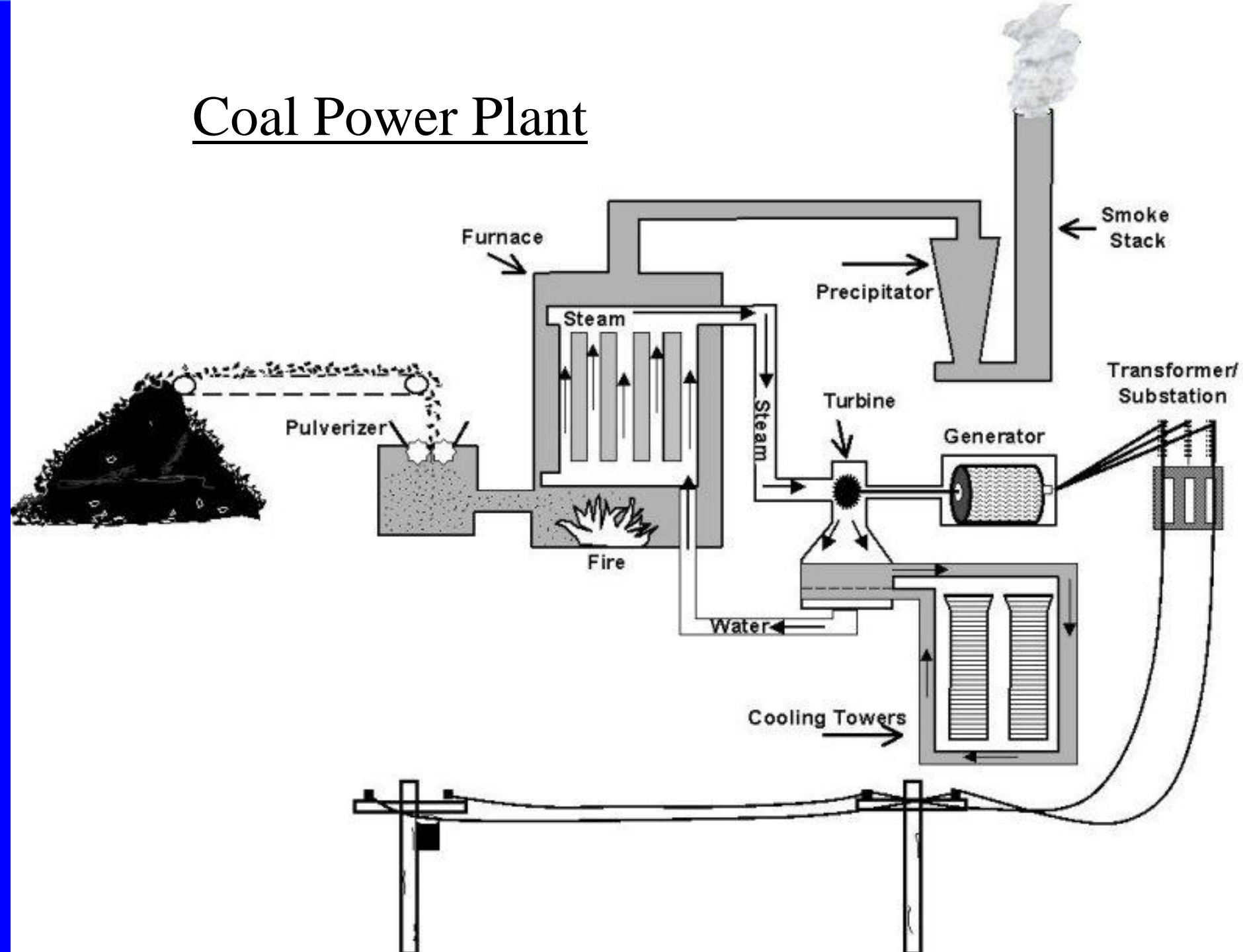
- Up to 723,000 mt to Asia 1985 - 2003
- Recent years (metric tons):

	Asia	Chile	Total
2004	408,840	86,110	494,950
2005	362,660	93,360	456,020
2006	319,610	73,170	392,780
2007	0	279,624	279,624
2008	157,582	364,994	521,000
2009	336,843	466,908	803,751

Power Generation Options

- Traveling Grate Stoker - Fairbanks
- Conventional PC Power Plant – Healy 1
- Circulating Fluid Bed – fuel diversity
- Super and Ultra Supercritical PC
 - Better efficiency and modest cost
- IGCC – high cost and high efficiency
- Gasification for polygeneration
 - Electricity plus liquid fuel or chemicals

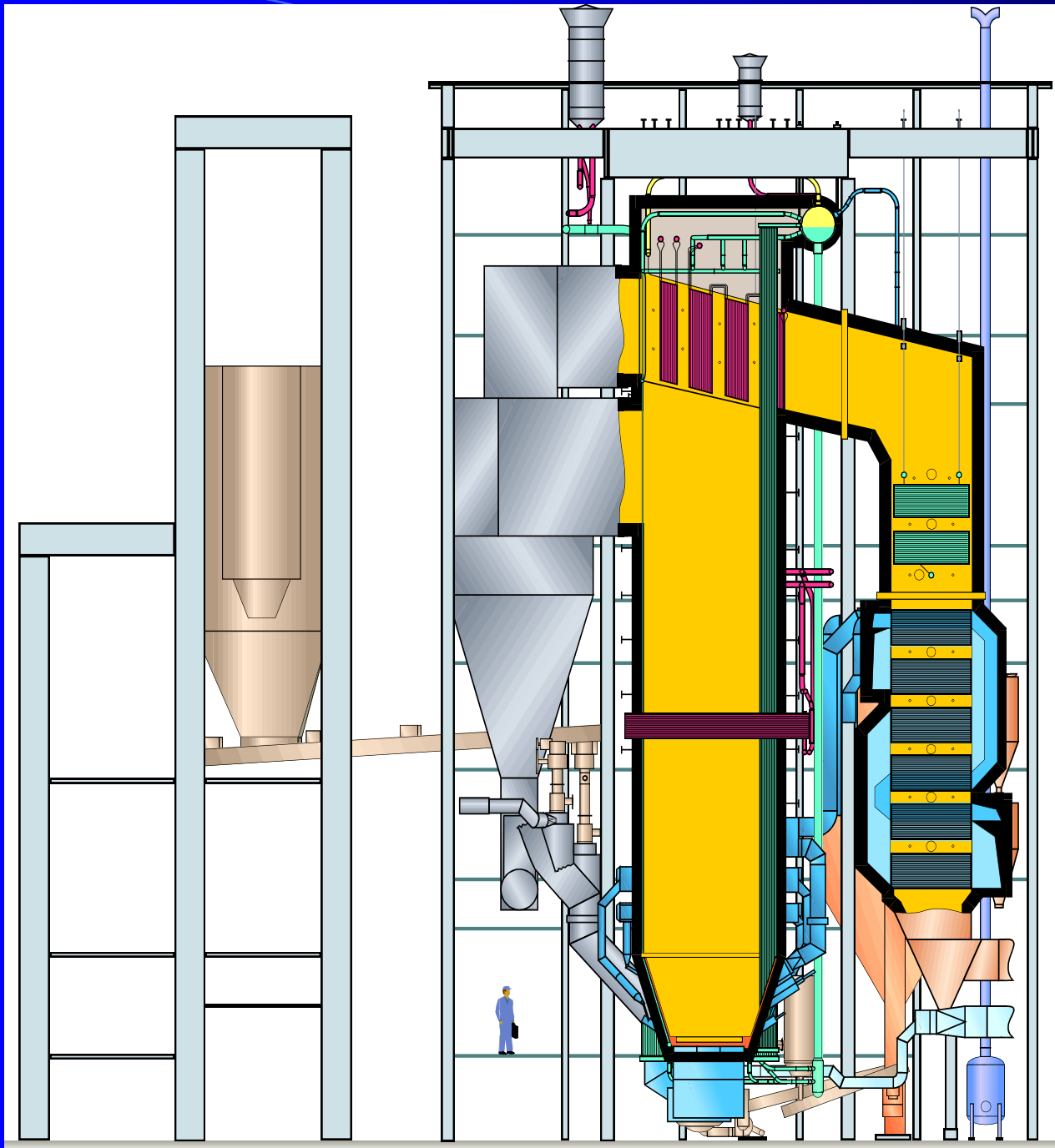
Coal Power Plant



Healy Unit 1 Power Plant



Circulating Fluidized Bed Boiler



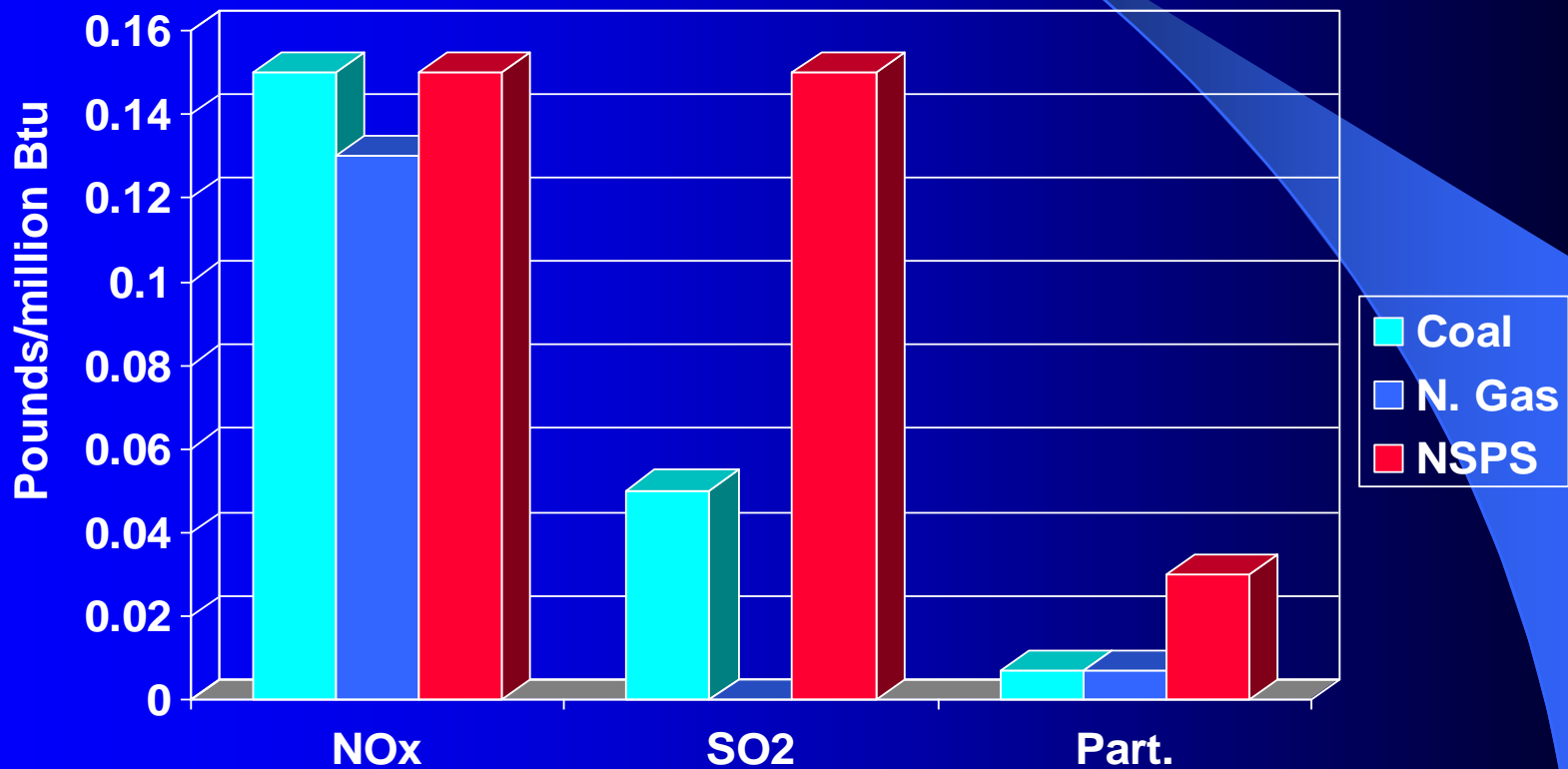
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Coal

A Safe & Clean Energy Choice

- Safe to transport. Non-toxic if spilled
- Low combustion potential.
- Useful by products from ash.
- Clean burning with modern technology.
- New plants will employ pollution controls for all pollutants, including mercury.
- Mine lands reclaimed and returned to productive use.

Coal and Natural Gas Emission Comparison



Gasification Coal's Future?

New Life For An Old Technology

- Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle (IGCC)
- Fischer-Tropsch (FT) Fuel
- Fertilizer/Ammonia
- Petrochemicals

Gasification Process

Organic material (C + H) + Water + *Not Enough* (O₂)
+ little heat

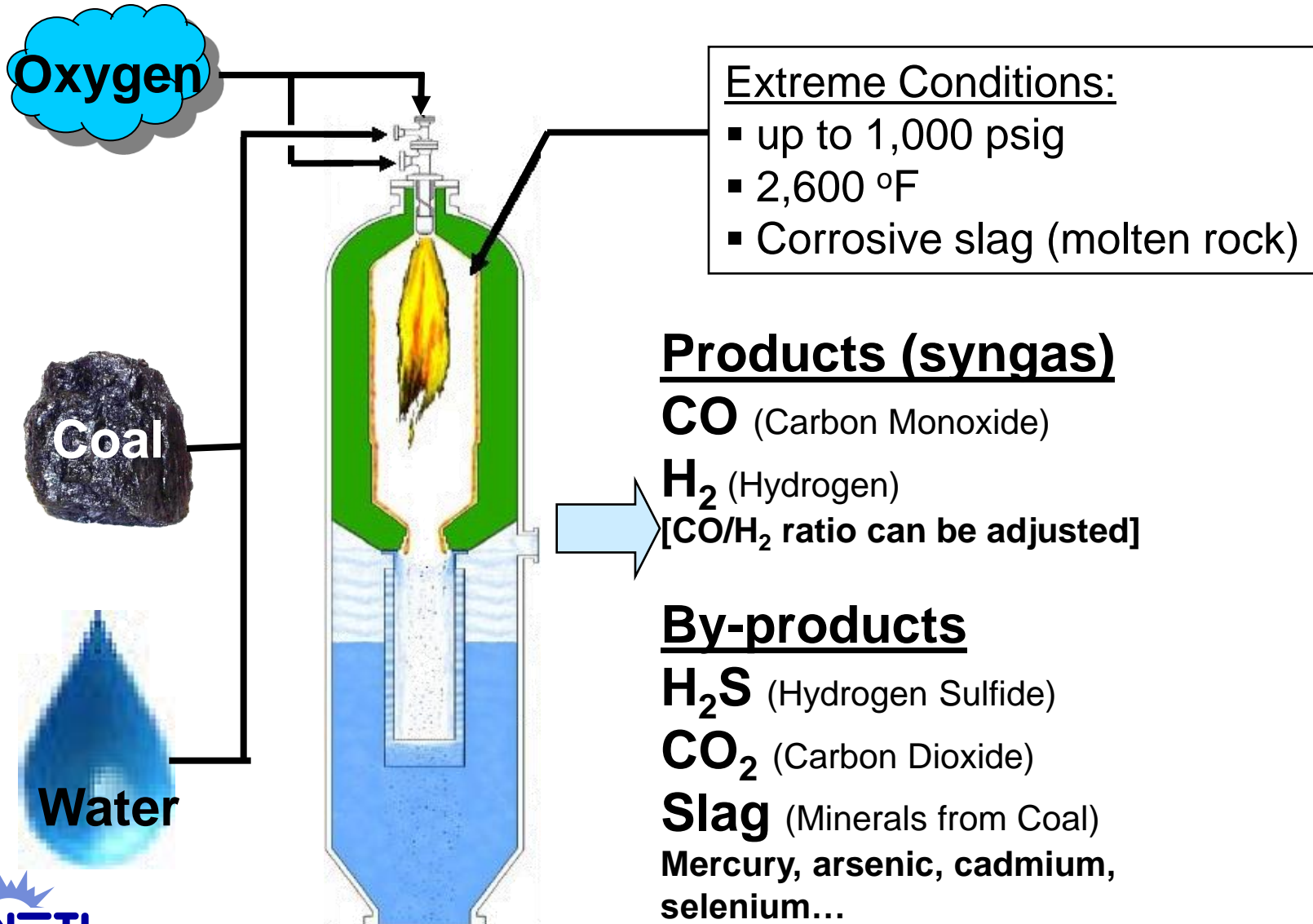
Results in gasification:

Some Heat + Carbon Monoxide (CO)
+ Hydrogen (H₂) + ash + pollutants

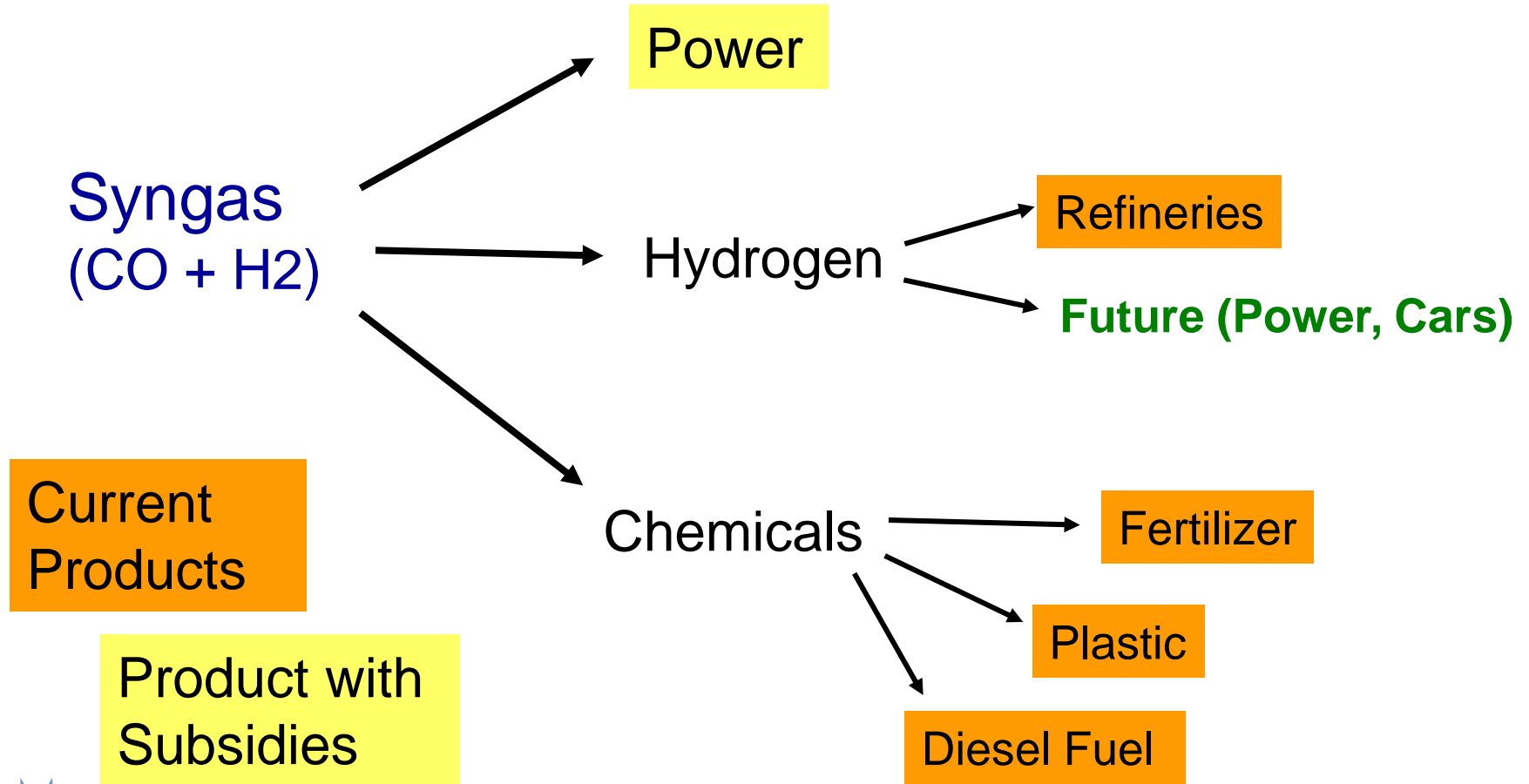
- Can convert almost any organic material into heat and a combustible gas
- Typically the organic material is coal or pet coke, but biomass, municipal waste, natural gas, etc. will all work (pet coke is refinery waste)



Gasification Process #2



Gasification Syngas Possibilities



Rika Says Thank You
Any Questions?



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Useful Web Sites

- www.eia.doe.gov
 - Extensive data on all types of energy
- www.teachcoal.org
 - American Coal Foundation site with lots of information for those wanting to teach or learn about coal.
- www.uky.edu/KGS/coal
 - University of Kentucky – Kentucky Geological Survey web site.