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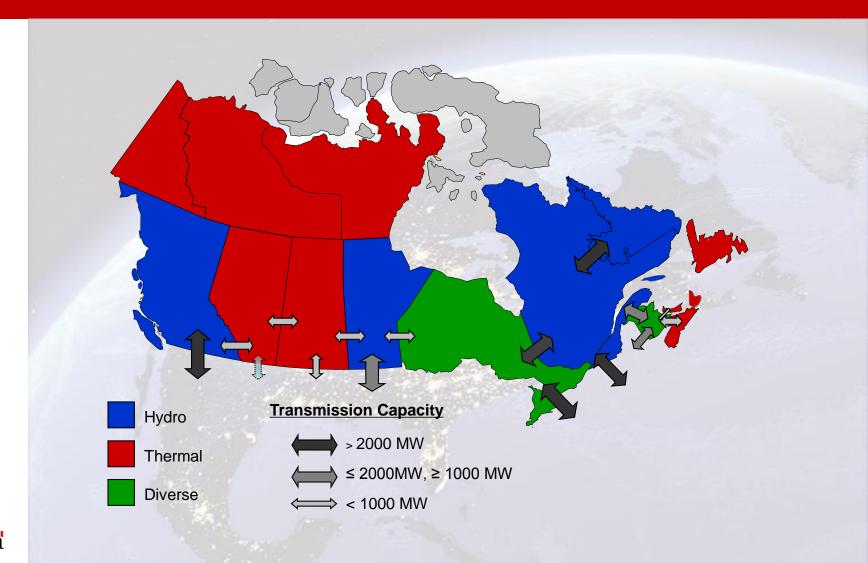
# Electricity Exports and the EPA's Proposed Clean Power Plan

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### Section 111 (d) of the Clean Air Act and the Clean Power Plan (CPP) - proposed rule

Clean Air Act Section 111(d) - EPA is required to develop regulations for significant sources of air pollution without regard to source location or existing air quality.

June 2014 draft Clean Power Plan Proposed Rule

- EPA proposed state-specific rules to cut carbon emissions from existing power plants (to be finalized in July 2015).
- EPA sought comments on the treatment of hydro electricity in general and specifically on the role of renewable energy imports from Canada
- New hydro is more valuable than existing hydro facilities to a state from a compliance perspective

Canadian Electricity Association comments on proposed rule focused on - "the treatment of renewable energy, demand-side energy efficiency and other new low- or non-emitting electricity generation across international boundaries in a state plan".

# Canadian HydroPower and the Clean Power Plan Report

- Report analysed the role that Canadian imports play and the potential effects of the CPP.
- Review of CPP comments:

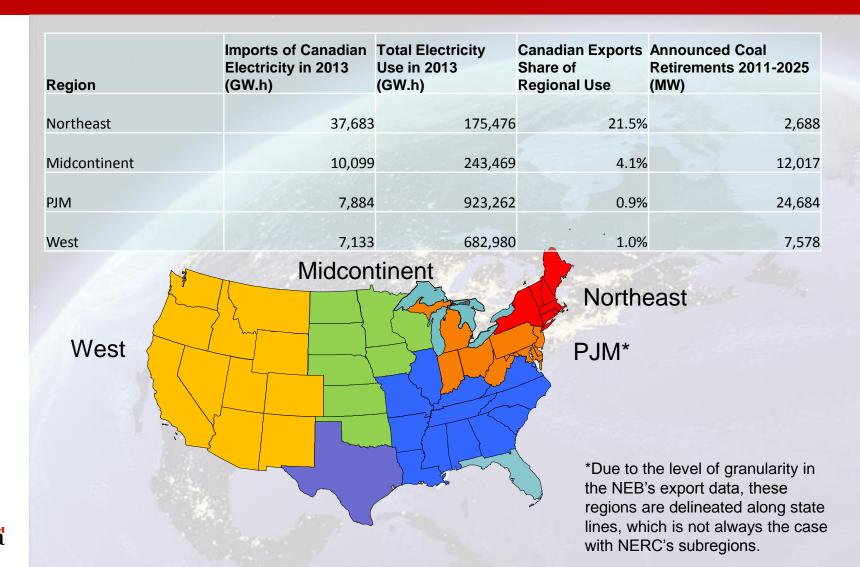
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- Generally recommended that Canadian imports be treated similarly to domestically produced electricity
- Handful of concerns included: double counting, assurance that Canadian RE would be offsetting domestic fossil generation, and the prevention of leakage.
- Report concluded three paths for electricity imports that the EPA could take:
  - Treat imported hydropower the same as interstate hydropower, including it as a qualifying resource when coming from new capacity, but not when coming from existing capacity;
  - Do not include internationally imported hydropower as a qualifying resource in any circumstance; or
  - Include internationally imported hydropower from both new capacity and existing capacity that had not previously been utilized.



### Canadian Electricity Exports by Region

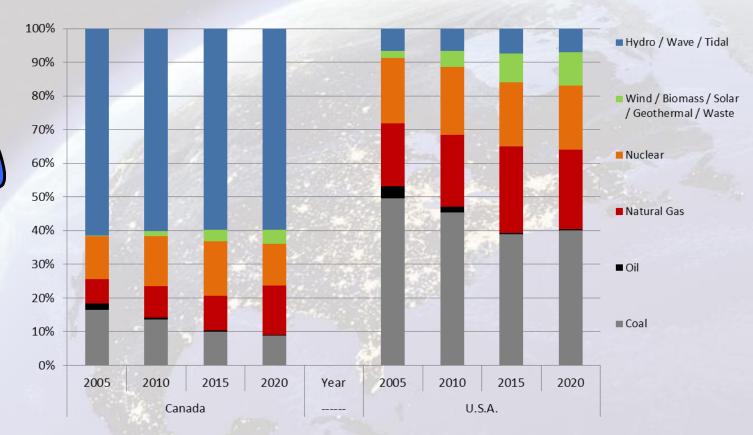




# Electricity Generation: Canada and U.S.

#### Canada -- U.S.A. Electricity Generation by Fuel: 2005-2020

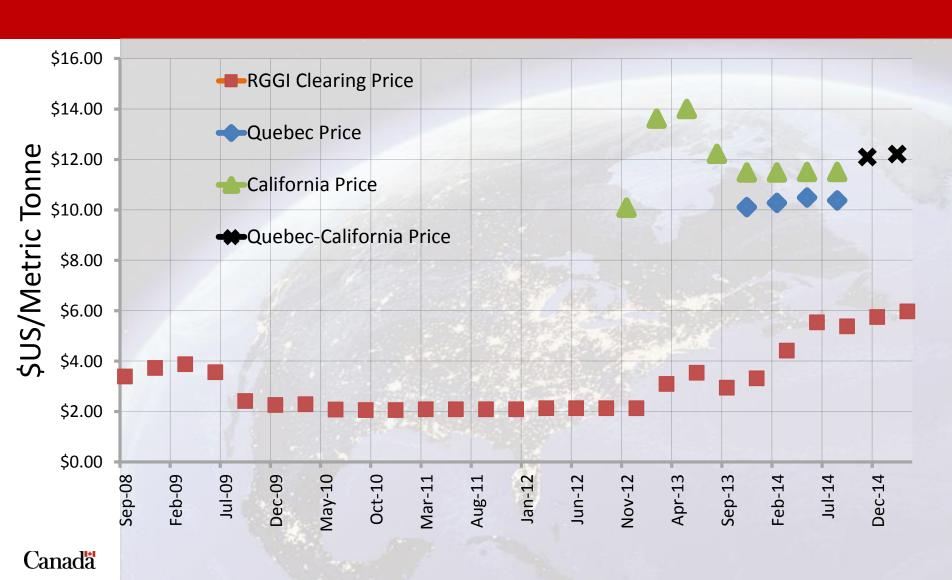
Source: Statistics Canada, National Energy Board, Energy Information Agency





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#### **Carbon Market Prices**





### Integration of Cleaner Energy in North America

