

# Strengthening User Pull: Thoughts from New York State Policy

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## **What slows down adoption of innovative clean energy?**

- Many markets are mature, served by entrenched competitors
- Markets aren't valuing externalities
- Costs are too high
- Sustainable solutions require large sums of capital
- Businesses often rely upon government policy

# **Evolving Government Policy: Old View**

- Costs of climate change solutions too high
- Need to invest in innovation, then deploy
- Fund demonstration, first of a kind projects
- Fret over valley of death

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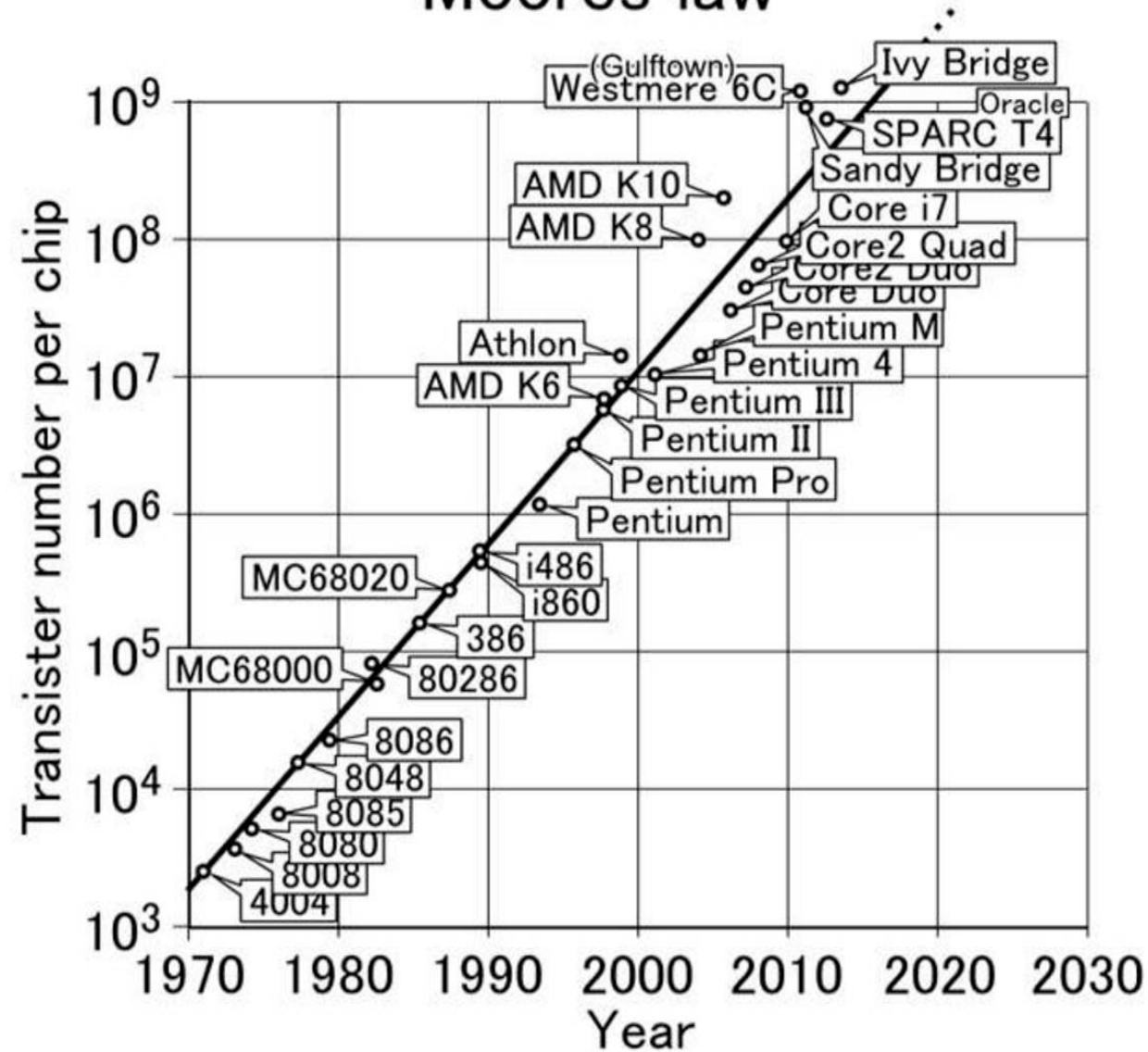
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- States can't control equipment costs, but can have big influence over soft costs

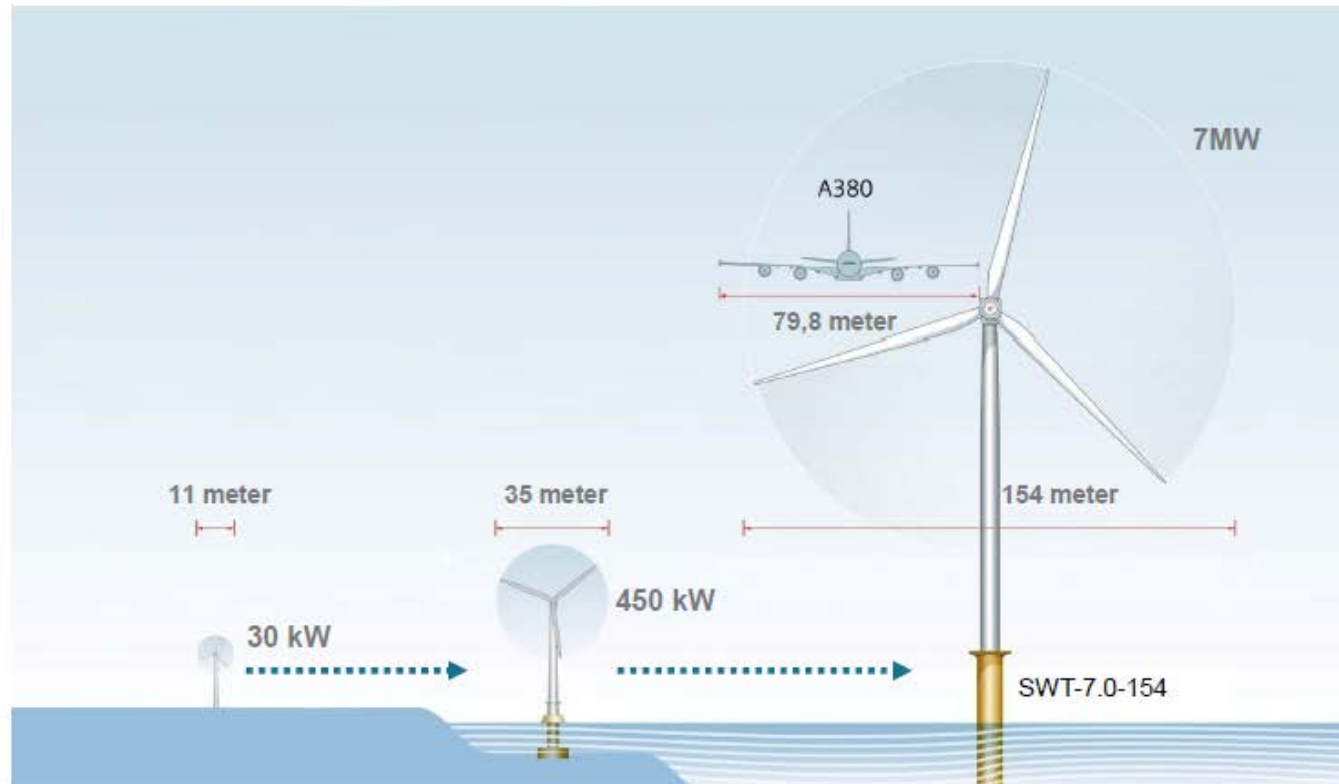
# A law of markets, not physics

## Moore's law



## Technology Development of Siemens Wind Power From 30 kw to 7 MW in 30 years

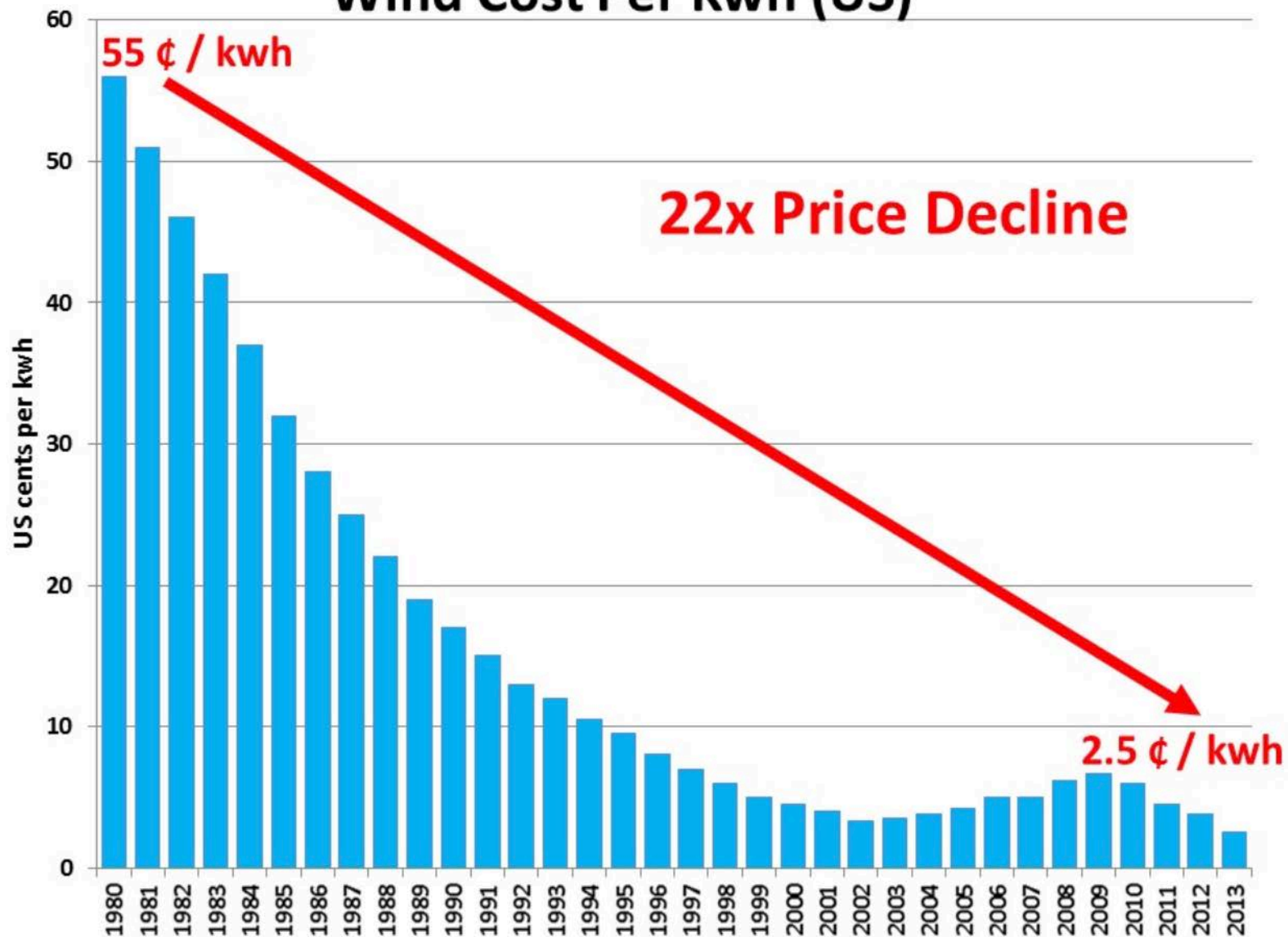
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## Wind Cost Per Kwh (US)

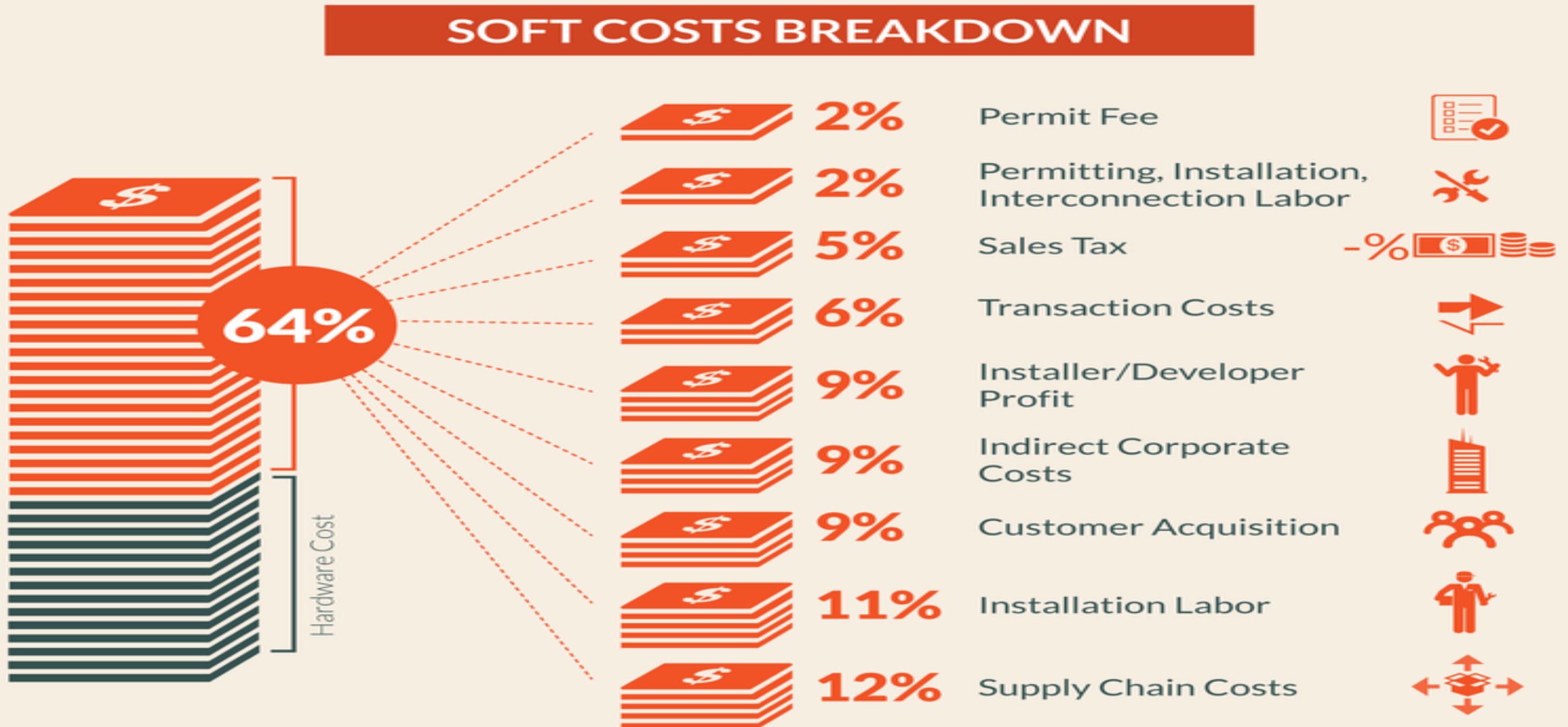




# States Funded One Project at a Time



# Solar “Soft” Costs Greater than Panel Costs





# Funding a Community Meeting on Solar: Reducing Customer Acquisition and Installation Costs





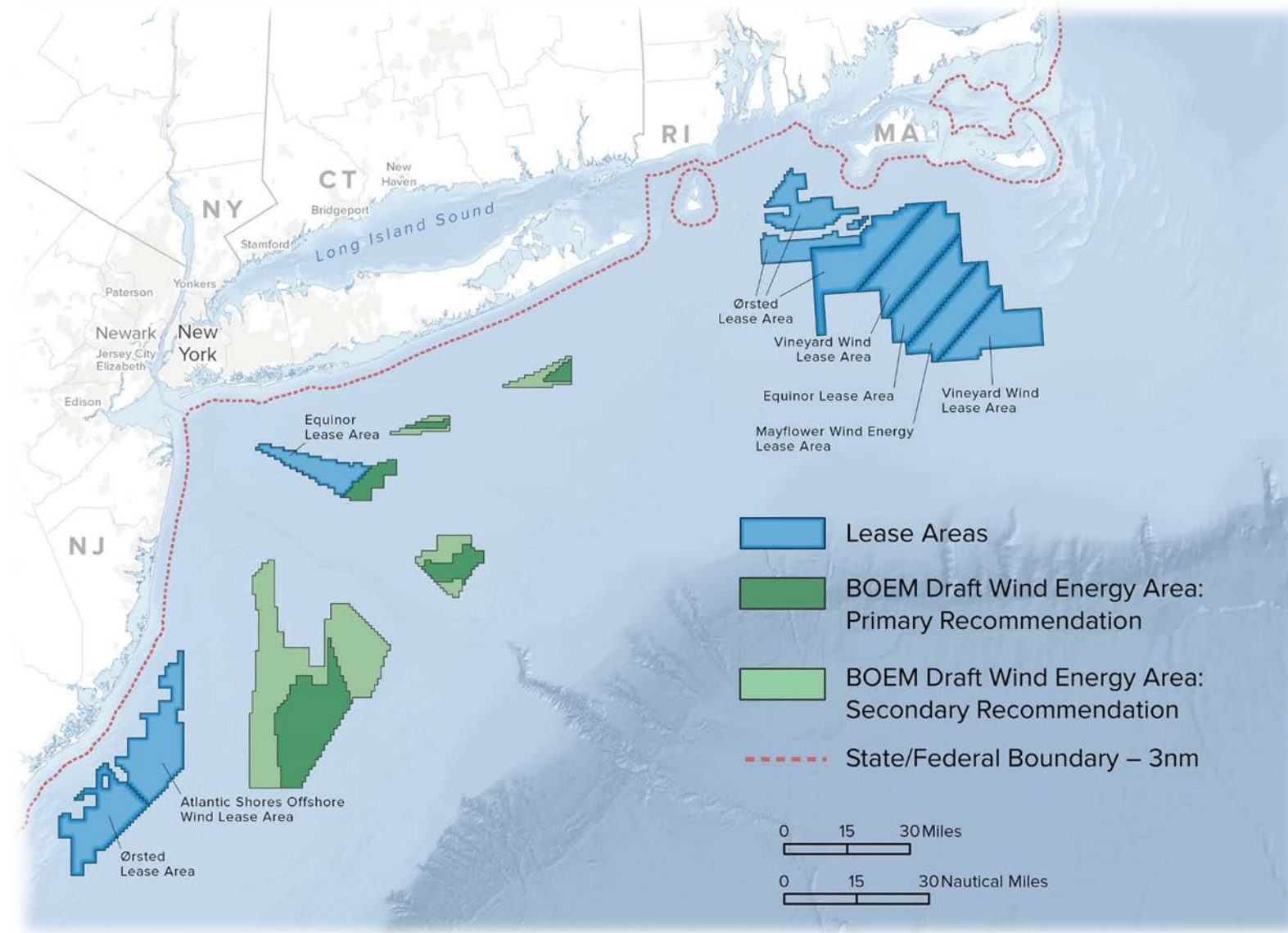
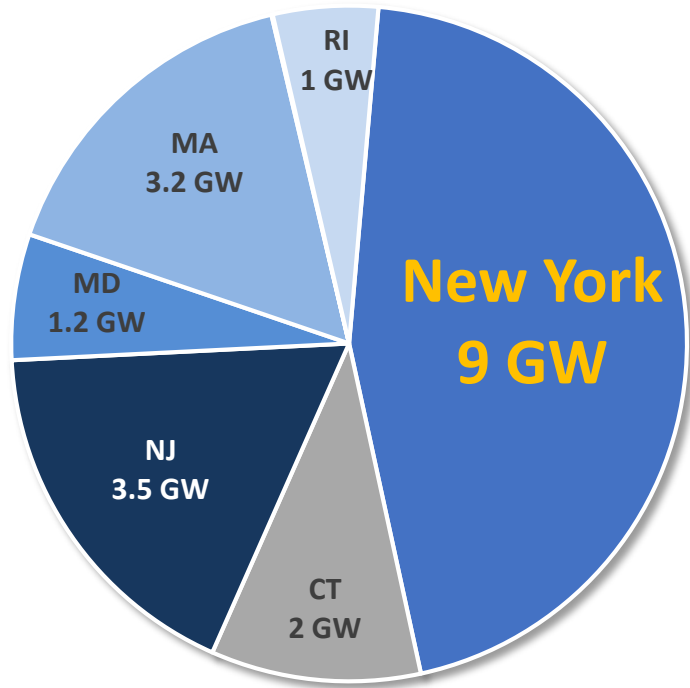
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  - DOE helped fund this collaboration



# Regional Market Potential, 20 GW

Offshore Wind Goals by State



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# Master Plan Supporting Studies and Surveys

## Social and Regulatory

- Aviation and Radar Assets
- Health and Safety
- Shipping and Navigation
- Cultural Resources
- Cable Landfall Permitting
- Marine Recreational Uses
- Visual Threshold Study

## Environmental

- Marine Wildlife Survey
- Analysis of Multibeam Echo Sounder and Benthic Survey
- Birds and Bats
- Environmental Sensitivity Analysis
- Fish and Fisheries
- Marine Mammals and Sea Turtles
- Preliminary Wind Resource Assessment
- Sand and Gravel Resources
- Consideration of Potential Cumulative Effects

## Economic and Infrastructure

- Pipelines, Cable, and Other Infrastructure
- Ports and Supply Chain
- Workforce Opportunities in New York
- Jones Act Compliant Vessels
- Project Cost Projections
- Offshore Wind Injection Assessment

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- **Reduced Development Costs and Time Through Community Engagement Activities**
- Mobilized Potential Supply Chain

# And Cost?

**Cost-effectiveness:** The Empire Wind and Sunrise Wind projects have an average all-in development cost of \$83.36 per megawatt hour (2018 dollars) with an expected average OREC cost of \$25.14 per megawatt hour. The average bill impact for residential customers will be less than a dollar per month per customer – approximately \$0.73. These prices are approximately 40 percent less than projected by NYSERDA's 2018 analysis, signaling that offshore wind is an increasingly competitively priced renewable energy resource.

# The Cycle can Accelerate

- DOE has funded an OSW R&D center in NYS
- NYS just announced the next solicitation of 2,500 MW of OSW