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## IECA Renewable Energy Panel

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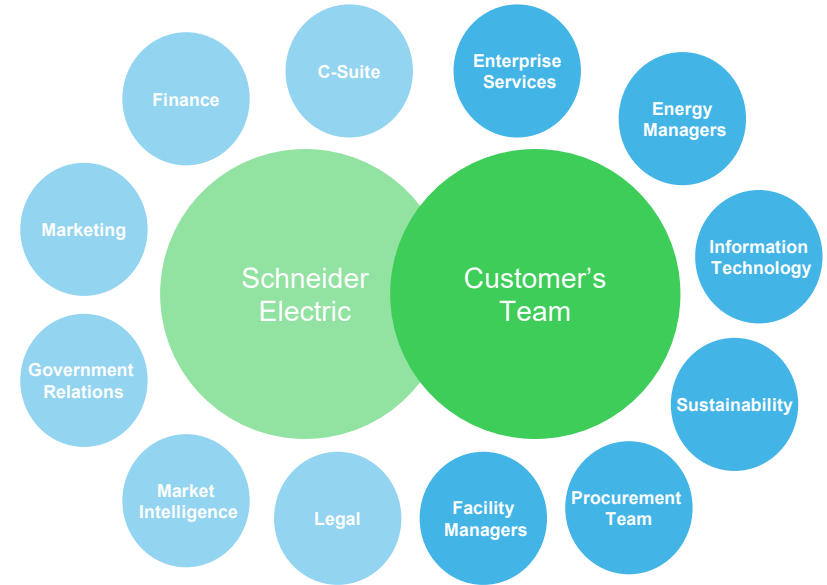
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Our mission is to enable organizations around the globe to embrace clean, renewable energy along their journey to active energy management

## Our Role

- Full-service, **independent** renewable energy **advisor** to global organizations - from initial engagement through operations.
- Not a developer, technology provider nor financier of projects
- No conflict-of-interest with developers, utilities or retail electric providers
- Not owned or affiliated with a Utility or Electricity Supplier





# Unparalleled Global Experience

Schneider Electric has advised on over 6,000 MW of global renewable energy PPAs...



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## Environmental Commodities

- The way clean energy use is tracked and traded
- **RECs**, GOs, I-RECs, LGCs, TIGRs, etc.
- Needed to make environmental claims
- Unbundled vs. bundled
- **Short-term Green Tariffs & Retail Options**

## Onsite/Distributed Generation

- Direct reduction of energy
- High visual appeal
- Hard to achieve scale
- Fixed to real estate portfolio
- Virtual Net Metering possible in certain markets
- Ownership, lease, or PPA

## Offsite Generation

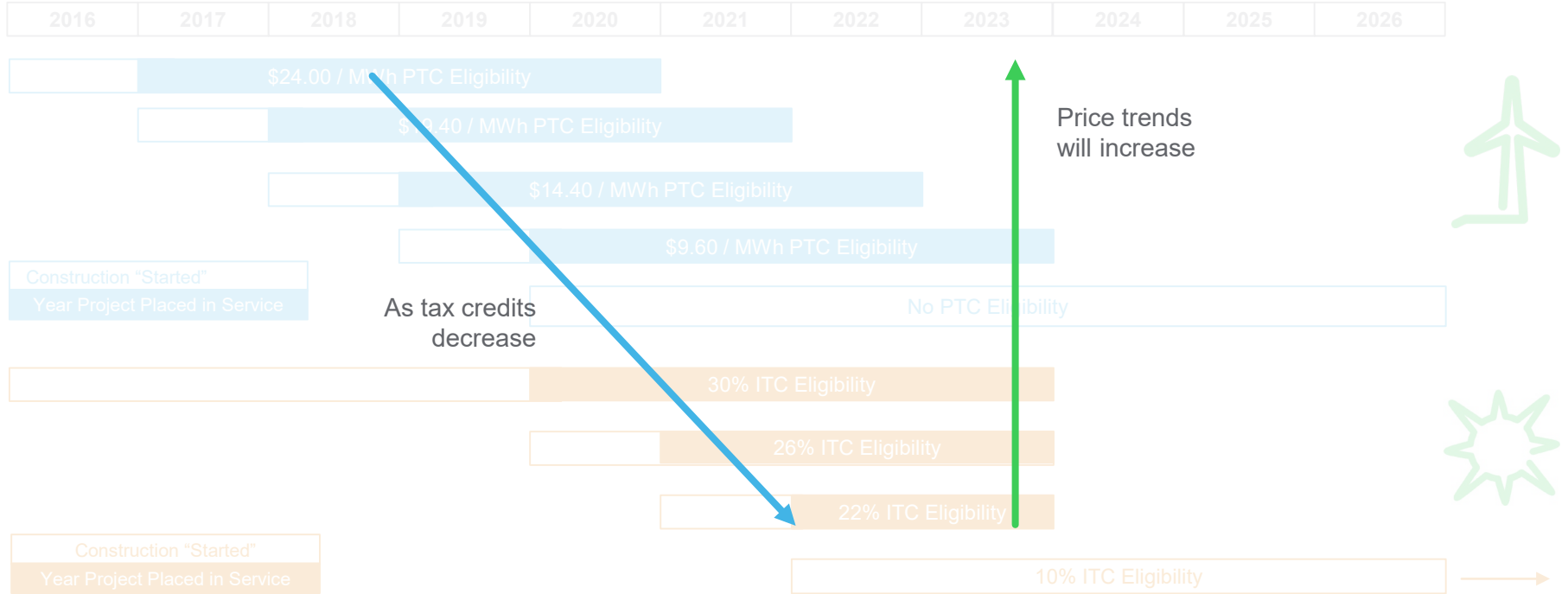
- Typically large scale purchases of utility-scale projects
- **Power Purchase Agreements** (Virtual, Direct, Retail)
- **Tax Equity Investments**
- Achieves additionality and scale
- Usually includes EACs
- **Long-term Green Tariffs & Retail Options**

# Three Ways to Procure Renewable Energy

# Renewables – The Fast Five

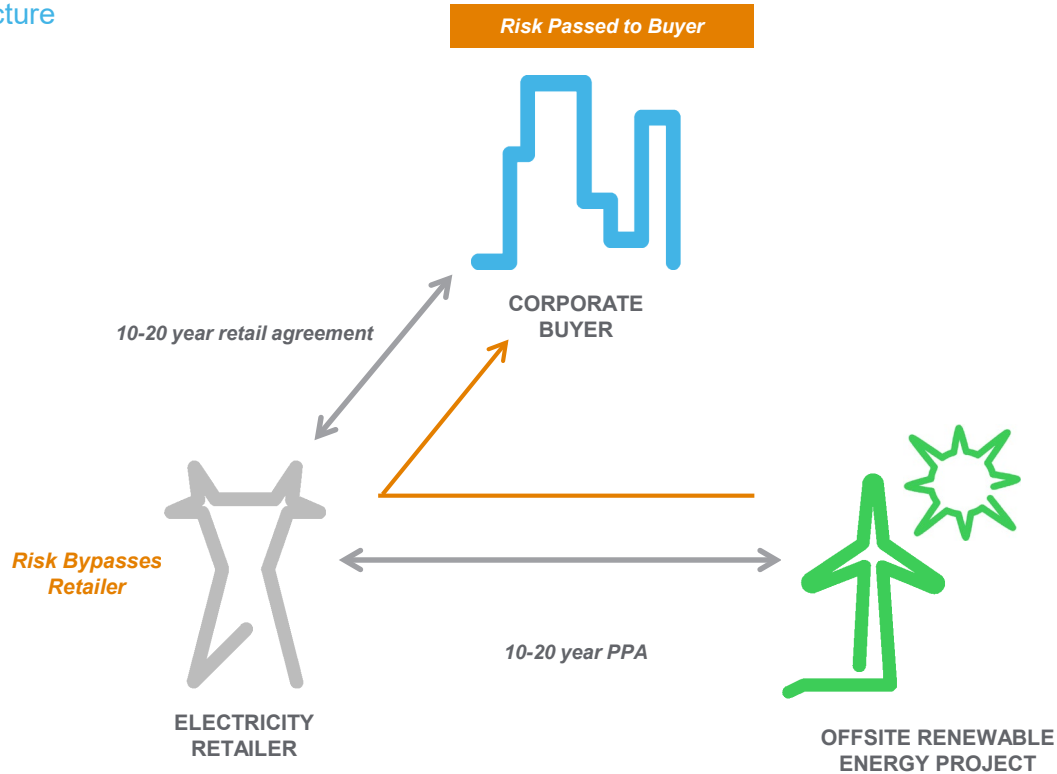
- ❑ Tax Credits Expiring
- ❑ New Players / Dynamics
- ❑ The Rise of Retail Options
- ❑ Supply/Value Chain Pressure
- ❑ Thermal Needs

# Tax Credits for Wind & Solar Are Stepping Down



# Retail Sleeved PPA

## Common Contract Structure

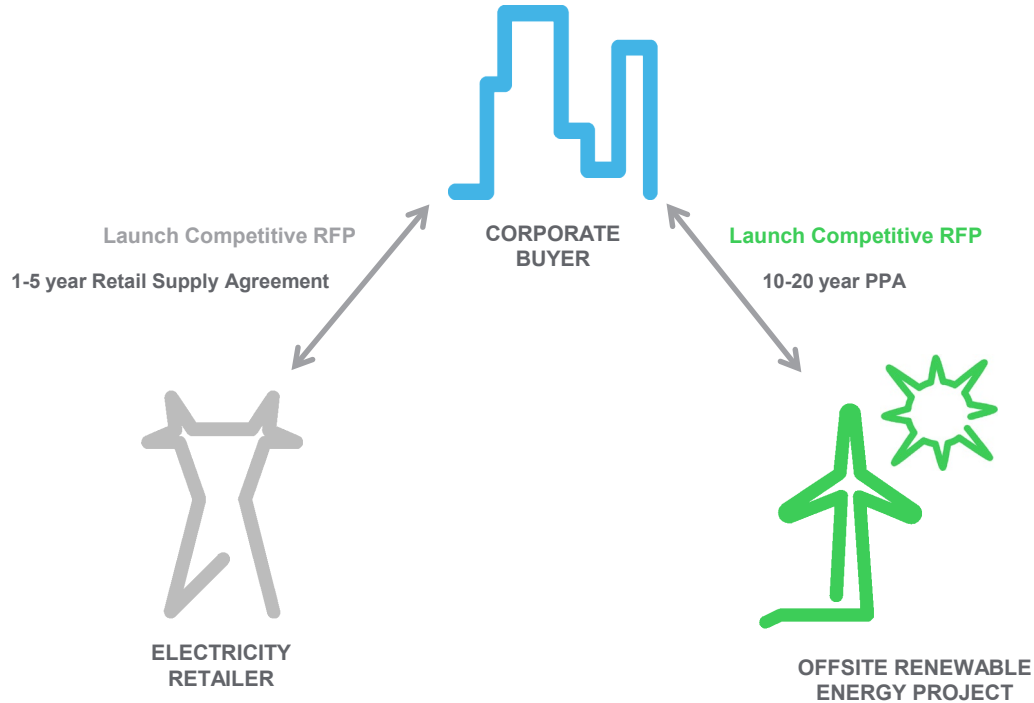


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# Bifurcated Retail Sleeved PPA

## Competitive Approach to Contract Structure



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# Ball Enhances the Can's Sustainability with Renewable Energy

## Purpose

- Reduce global Scope 2 greenhouse gas emissions
- Enhance the sustainability credentials of their packaging

## Path

- Assisted Ball in its renewable energy project selection and negotiations
- Expanded on Ball's success from 2015 when they built three wind turbines

## Solution

- Initiate a Virtual Power Purchase Agreement (VPPA)
- Include one wind and one solar for a total 388 megawatts

## Results

- 50% reduction of Scope 2 greenhouse gas emissions *equivalent to the carbon reduction of removing 180,000 passenger vehicles from the road annually*
- 100% of North American energy load will be replaced with solar and wind by the end of 2021

The Ball logo is displayed in white cursive script on a teal square background. The background of the entire right side of the slide features a large wind turbine and a solar panel array under a bright sky.

**5,000%**

more renewable energy  
contributed to Ball's  
North American  
electricity portfolio

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# Cummins Commits to Wind Power

## Purpose

- Invest in renewable energy that best fits the company's goals
- Select a project that added real renewable energy capacity in the market
- Provide tangible environmental and community benefits

## Path

- Helped Cummins assess all the wind power opportunities to meet the manufacturer's goals
- Arranged a wind power VPPA for 75MW of the Meadow Lake Wind Farm with EDP Renewables in Indiana

## Solution

- Enter into a virtual power purchase agreement (VPPA)
- Evaluate the viable options for wind power to provide the greatest return

## Results

- Replace 100% of Cummins electricity use with wind power
- Generate wind power equivalent to the electric needed to power 20,000 average homes in the Hoosier State



**“At Cummins, our strategy is to provide clean, fuel-efficient and dependable power for our customers with the least environmental impact possible.”**

- Brian Mormino, Executive Director of Worldwide Environmental Strategy and Compliance, Cummins

# Australian Landmark Renewable PPA

## Purpose

- Meet financial goals through the adoption of renewable energy
- Reduce short-term costs and long-term volatility

## Path

- Performed a full energy portfolio review to build strategy
- Ran an RFP for a PPA in New South Wales and received 15 responses from 13 developers
- Signed 88MW bundled PPA with developer ESCO Pacific for 133MW Finley Solar Project

## Solution

- Invest in solar energy
- Sign a financially viable Power Purchase Agreement (PPA)
- Design an energy purchasing strategy

## Results

- Reduced greenhouse gas emissions by approximately 300,000 tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e each year  
*comparable to taking 90,000 cars off the road and enough to power 60,000 homes*
- BlueScope will offtake 66% of the 133 megawatts of energy generated from ESCO Pacific's Finley Solar Farm



**“The renewable PPA will help keep downward pressure on energy costs and support the gradual transition to renewable energy.”**

- John Knowlan, CEO, BlueScope

# Brown-Forman Invests in Renewable Energy

## Purpose

- Reduce absolute greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by 15% by 2023
- Be the first major U.S. spirits and wine producer to publicly commit to renewable energy

## Path

- Helped evaluate and arrange deal between Brown-Forman and Infinity Renewables, the developer of Solomon Forks Wind Project, for 30MW of wind power
- Assisted in securing a stable price for power over the length of the contract

## Solution

- Commit to a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA)
- Purchase wind power generated over the next 15 years to offset GHG emissions from electricity usage in the U.S. facilities

## Results

- Wind farm is expected to generate the equivalent of more than 90% of Brown-Forman's annual electricity usage in the United States
- Progresses ambitious target to reduce absolute GHG emissions by 15% in 2023



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**“It takes energy to distill and produce our high quality spirits and wines. This new wind project will add new renewable energy capacity to the grid and demonstrates our commitment to a lower carbon economy.”**

- Rob Frederick, VP of Corporate Responsibility, Brown-Forman

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# Signify Signs Poland's 1<sup>st</sup> Public VPPA

## Purpose

- Progress towards 2020 carbon neutrality goal
- Provide in-country renewable solution to offset largest global manufacturing footprint in a carbon heavy grid

## Path

- Ran a competitive solicitation for top renewable energy projects in Poland for a VPPA to provide greatest amount of operational flexibility
- Selected Green Investment Group because of its depth of experience in the PPA market

## Solution

- 10-year 42 MW Virtual Power Purchase Agreement in Poland with Green Investment Group's Kieselice onshore wind farm

## Results

- Addressed more than 25% of Signify's global electricity footprint
- Significant leadership with Poland's first publicly announced VPPA
- Major milestone towards carbon neutrality targets

A large white wind turbine is shown against a clear blue sky. The turbine is positioned on the right side of the slide, with its blades extending towards the top right corner. The background of the right side of the slide is a dark, gradient image of the turbine and sky.

Signify

"This VPPA is a major milestone on our journey to become carbon neutral in 2020. It's crucial for our transition to 100% renewable electricity next year, as well as supporting Poland's energy transition."

**Nicola Kimm, Head of Sustainability**



# Why Organizations Source Renewable Energy

## Economics

Make/save money while achieving environmental goals, tax advantages of incentives & subsidies

## Manage Power Prices

Hedge existing short position, secure fixed price at a discount, mitigate risk of future electricity cost increases

## Resilience


Back-up power, islanding, protect against extreme weather and events

## Environmental

Reduce impact & climate risk, stated environmental goals gain brand leadership, claims & reporting

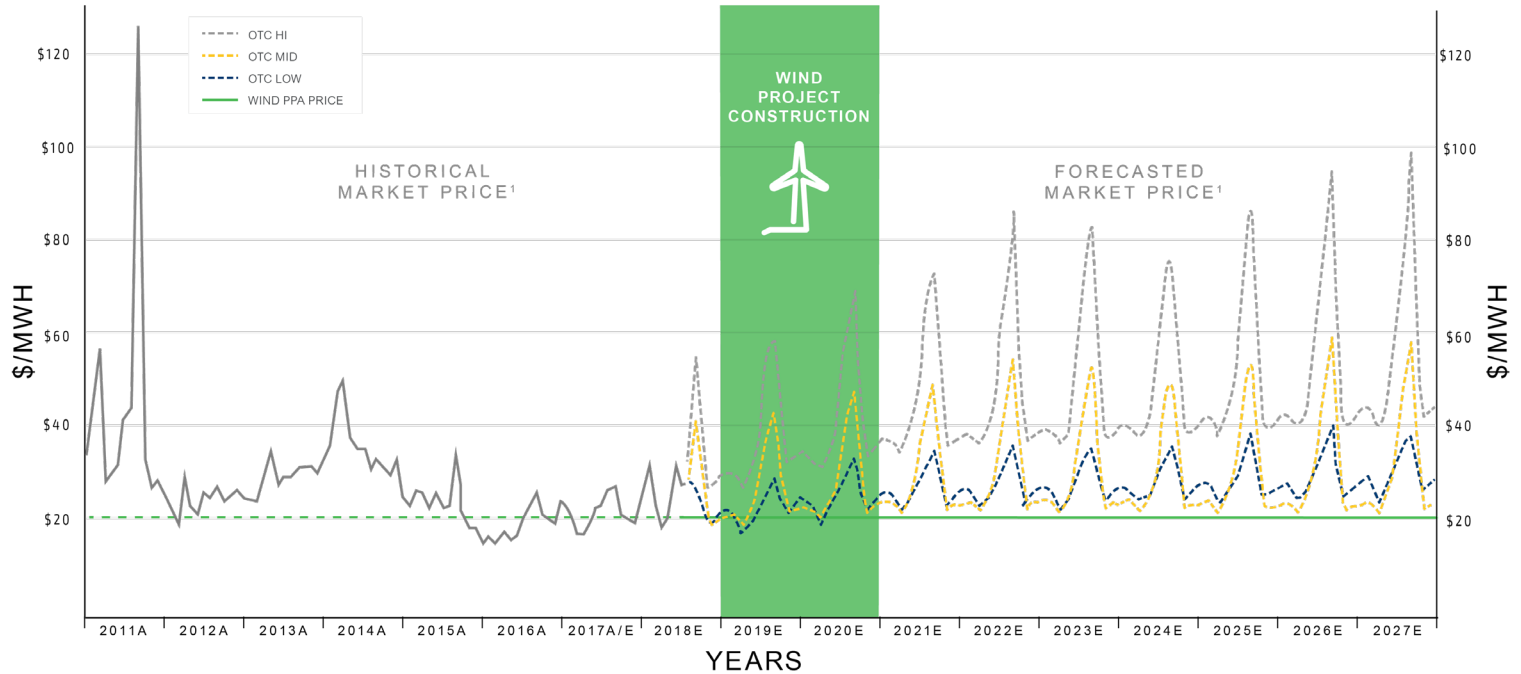
## Reputational

Increasing stakeholder pressures: customers, investors, value chain partners, employees, competitors, etc.

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- A Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) is a long-term contract for fixed-price wind/solar energy and Energy Attribute Certificates (EACs)
    - These are generally used to finance and build new projects
  - Developers need long-term offtake agreements from creditworthy counterparties to secure financing, and there is competition among them to offer the best pricing to corporate clients
  - PPA Prices can be below local market electricity prices: tied to cost of finance, construction and maintenance - not market or fuel
  - Government incentives often support lower prices

## The Offsite Corporate PPA Opportunity

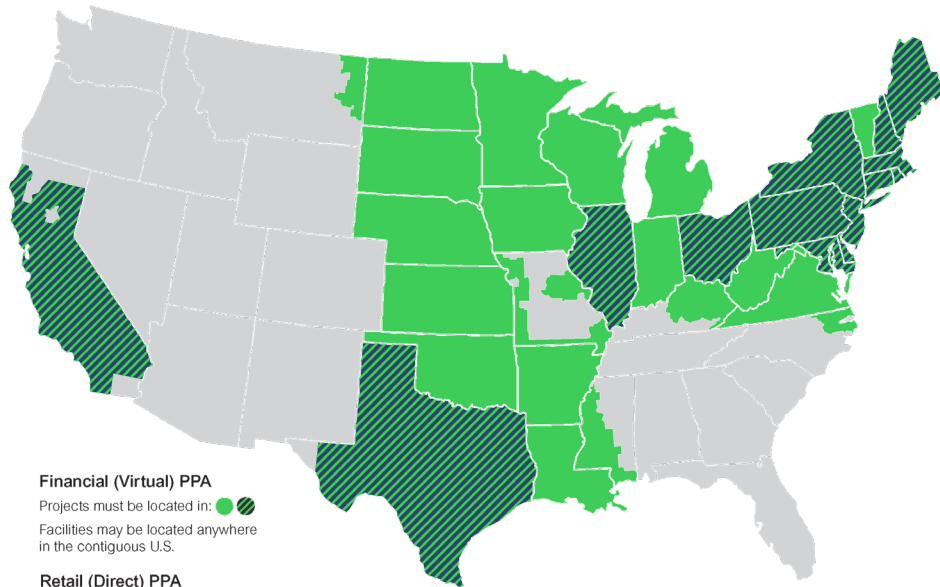
# Value In Offsite PPAs Requires Long-Term Commitment



<sup>1</sup>. Production-weighted prices for ERCOT-N, Texas.

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# Retail (Direct) vs Financial (Virtual) PPAs in the US



## Financial (Virtual) PPA

Projects must be located in: ●●  
Facilities may be located anywhere  
in the contiguous U.S.

## Retail (Direct) PPA

Projects must be located in: ●●  
Facilities must be located in: ●●

\* Specific regional grid restrictions may exist.  
Please refer to Schneider Electric for clarification.

## Retail (Direct) PPAs

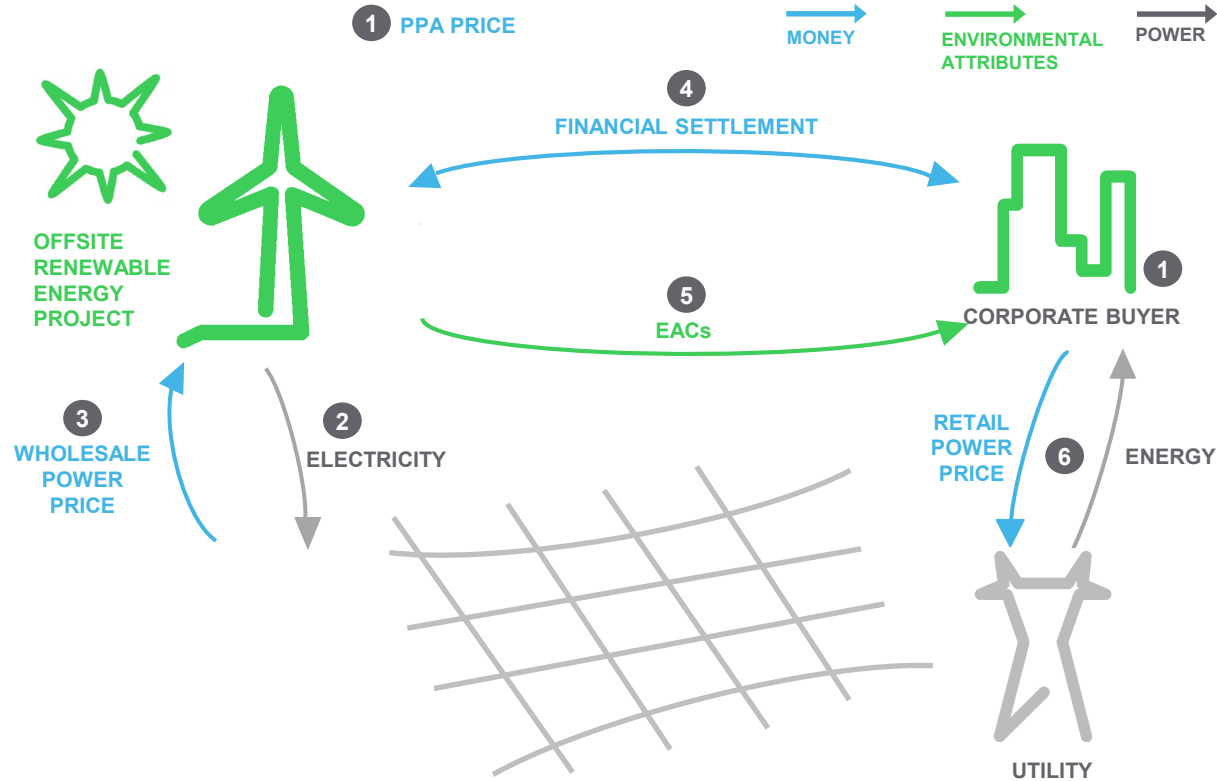
- Client load must be in deregulated retail market
- Contract sleeved through utility/RES
- Can be easier to transact
- Can be riskier than they look

## Financial (Virtual) PPAs

- Power liquidated into local spot market and settled financially
- Allows operational flexibility for buyer
- Can be complicated & risky
- Can provide significant economies of scale and financial benefits



# Financial (Virtual) PPA



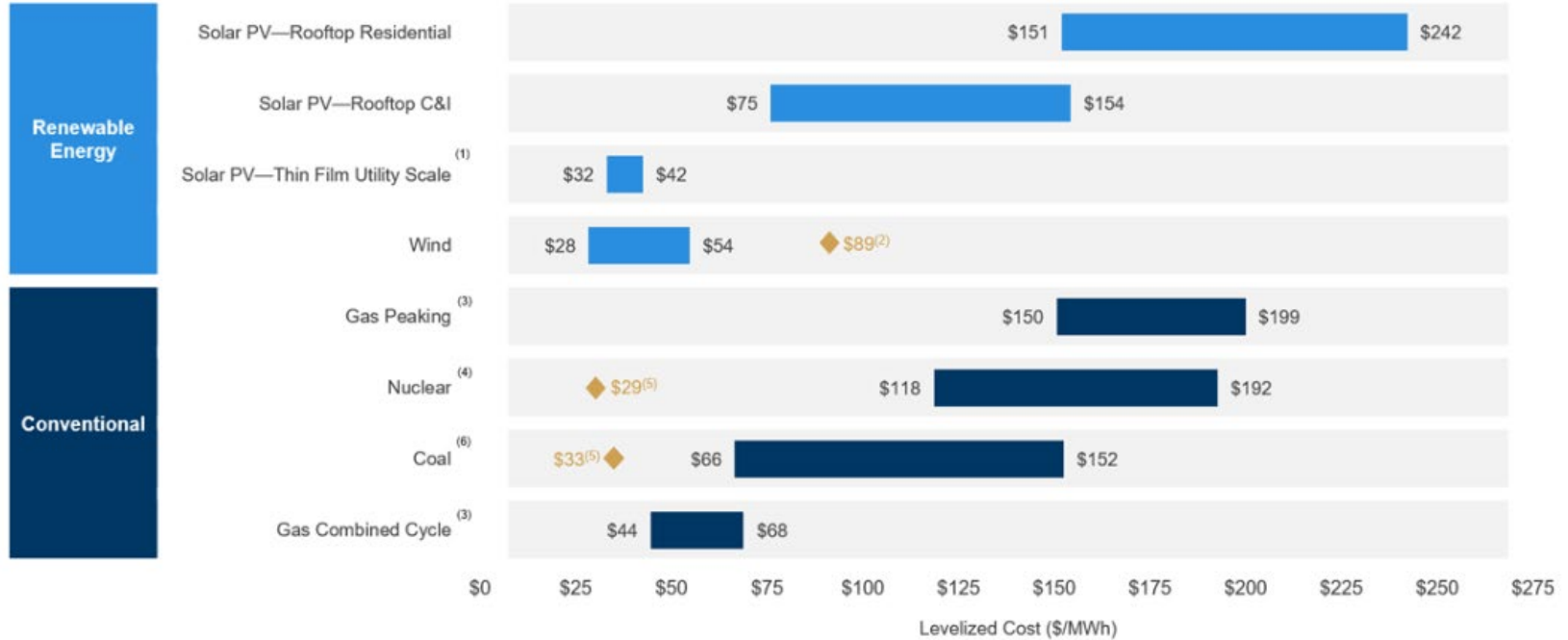
- 1 Corporate buyer guarantees fixed price for energy & EACs.
- 2 Project owner delivers power to grid operator.
- 3 Grid operator pays project owner wholesale market price for power.
- 4 Project owner and corporate buyer financially settle difference between fixed power price and wholesale market price.
- 5 EACs are delivered to Corporate buyer.
- 6 Corporate buyer continues to purchase power from utility or deregulated retail supplier.

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# Levelized Cost of Energy

## Levelized Cost of Energy Comparison—Unsubsidized Analysis

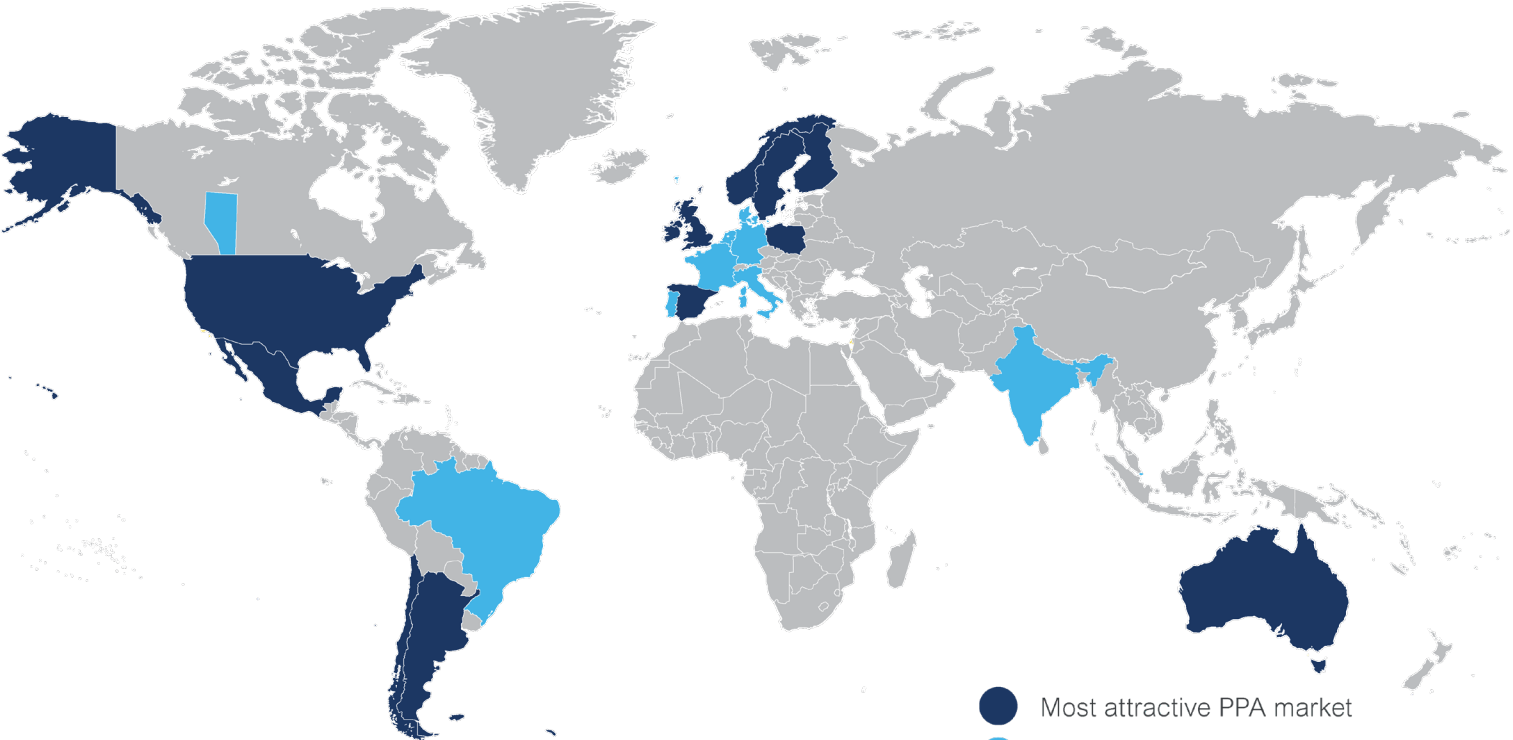
Selected renewable energy generation technologies are cost-competitive with conventional generation technologies under certain circumstances



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# Global Renewable Energy PPA Opportunities



- Most attractive PPA market
- Worth discussion

# A Comparison of Retail and Virtual PPAs

## Retail PPAs

### Benefits

- Energy physically delivered to operations site
- Stable energy rates over the contract term locked in
- Earn story of company directly running on renewable electricity
- Best for organizations with concentrated load in a specific deregulated retail electricity market
- Straightforward accounting

### Considerations

- Exposed to long-term wholesale price risk
- Firming and shaping necessities are complicated and costly
- Accept risk of uncertain future electricity prices
- The generating facility and the operations location must be located within the same grid region
- Only companies with operations in deregulated retail states can engage in this deal structure

## Virtual PPAs

### Benefits

- Stable energy rates over the contract term locked in
- More contractually flexible than Direct PPAs
- Can address load in a regulated state
- Source energy for multiple load centers with one transaction
- Best for organizations with dispersed load or in regulated markets

### Considerations

- Must take long-term wholesale electricity price risk
- Accounting treatment must be evaluated
- Lack of correlation to electricity spend is possible and creates new set of financial risks