

### **Clean Air Summit**

# An industry perspective on best practice: Delta Electricity Bryan Beudeker

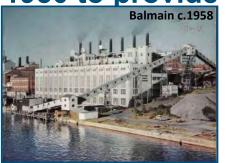
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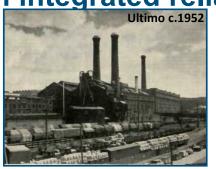
### The Beginning

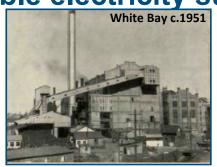


'Energy crisis' sees the NSW Electricity Commission formed in 1950 to provide an integrated reliable electricity supply network

Balmain c.1958 Ultimo c.1952 White Bay c.1951











- Five coal-fired power stations in Sydney
- Small chimney stacks
- Limited pollution controls & regulation

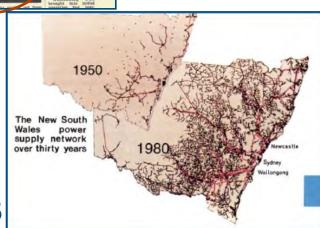
#### The Demand

Demand drives planning for next generation of NSW generators:

- large modern coal-fired fleet
- located outside Sydney basin
- close to coal supplies
- NSW supply network also expands
- last Sydney station closes 25 Dec 1983



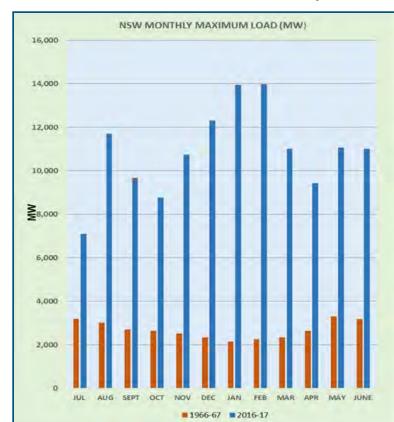




## Changes in Demand

- Last 50 years sees peak demand grow nearly 5 fold and with a seasonal shift
- > ~3,290 MW in May 1967
  - Peak in winter
- >~14,180 MW in Feb 2017
  - Peak now in summer
  - (14,744 MW in Feb 2011)





#### The Present



**Five NSW Generators** 



Capacity: 10,240 MW

Bayswater: 2,640 MW

Liddell: 2,000 MW

Mt Piper: 1,400 MW

**Eraring: 2,880 MW** 

Vales Point: 1,320 MW

Munmorah (600 MW) - closed 2012 Wallerawang (1,000 MW) - closed 2014

# Some perspective





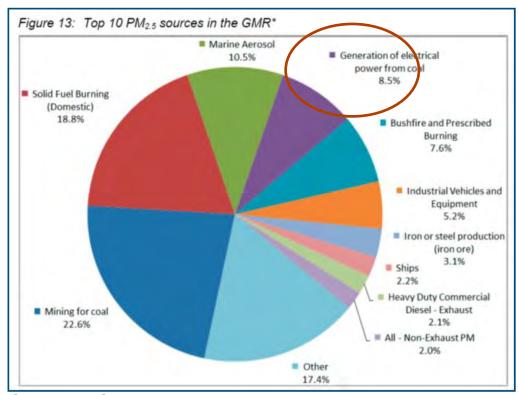


- 98 coal-fired generators
- Capacity: 48,500 MW
- 6 new stations since 2012 capacity of ~5,200 MW
- black & brown coal
- sulfur content 1% 2%

# Air Emission Sources in GMR

- EPA 2008 emission inventory
- ▶ Power station PM2.5 contribution in GMR (Greater Metropolitan Region) ~ 8.5%
- Legislation has been successful in driving down emissions





**Source: NSW EPA Report (2013)** 

# Vales Point Power Station





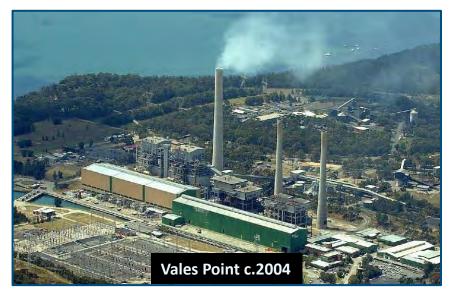
#### **Vales Point B-Station**

- commissioned 1978
- > 2 x 660 MW Units
- > 178 metre stack
- > ESP control (99% efficiency)
- CEMS for NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub> and PM
- renewable biomass co-firing

# Vales Point Fabric Filters



- Fabric filter baghouse installed in 2007: cost \$55 million
- > 99.9% efficiency with 10 fold reduction in dust emissions

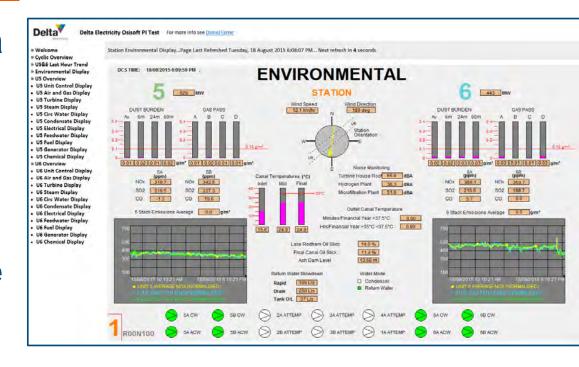




# Environmental Management

Delta

- CEMS real-time data (stack & ambient)
- Strong legislation POEO Act & Regs
- strong Regulator
- > environment licence
- Community forum (social licence)



### Regulation & Compliance



#### **Legislated Reporting Requirements:**

- Monthly publishing of data on web site
- > Annual EPL report for EPA (plus LBL fees)
- > Annual report for National Pollutant Inventory
- > Annual report for NGER









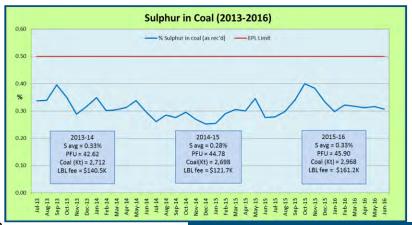


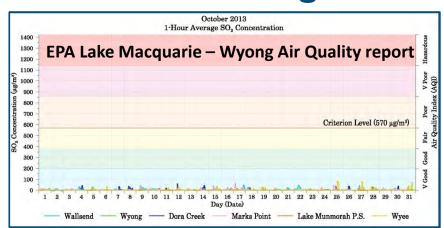


### Fuel & SO<sub>2</sub> Emissions



- Vales Point coal has very low sulfur content
- limits on sulfur (0.5%) and SO<sub>2</sub> emissions (600ppm)
- daily coal sampling and CEMS monitoring





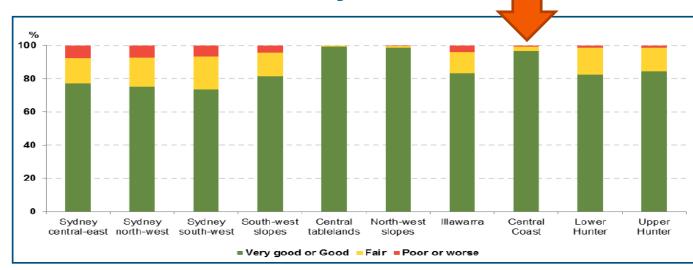
### Central Coast Air Quality



Wyee ambient air monitoring station (NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>)

Data provided to EPA and community

- Central Coast air quality consistently very good
- Power station impacts negligible



Source: NSW EPA 2016 Air Quality Statement

#### The Future



#### Continual improvement through innovation

- NO<sub>x</sub> pollution reduction study
- NPI & stack emissions review
- Biochar co-firing research
- Vales Point Ash Dam solar farm
- Carbon capture pilot plant
- Build on 2002 IRTAPS work



**CSIRO Carbon Capture Pilot Plant** 



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