MICRO CHP (COMBINED HEAT & POWER)

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WHAT IS micro CHP ?

- An individual CHP unit in each home
- Thermally led operation-replaces gas boiler
- 3500 hours maintenance-free operation
- Volatile electrical loads
 - 150W baseload
 - 400-600W average
 - >20kWe peak

Implicit import/export & energy trading



MICRO CHP SYSTEM CONCEPT





END-USER ECONOMICS (MARGINAL ANNUAL COSTS)

CONVENTIONAL BOILER 20 000kWh THERMAL DEMAND

1 kWe SE MICRO CHP UNIT 4 500kWh ELECTRIC DEMAND



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ENERGY & FUEL COST COMPARISONS



CONVENTIONAL BOILER

- **70% HEAT**
- 30% WASTE
- £400 VALUE

• CONDENSING BOILER

- 95% HEAT
- 5% WASTE
- £550 VALUE
- MICRO CHP
 - 70% HEAT
 - 25% ELECTRIC
 - 5% WASTE
 - £895 VALUE



SIZING UNITS TO SUIT THERMAL DEMAND



LIFE CYCLE DOMESTIC CO₂ EMISSIONS



POTENTIAL UK IMPACT

- 15-22GW installed capacity
- equivalent to nuclear capacity
 (not necessarily output)
- J2 million homes suitable for mCHP
- ultimate 67 million tonnes CO₂ reduction pa
 KYOTO TIMEFRAME
- 250 000 systems per year
- **3** million tonnes CO₂ annually by 2010



MICRO CHP DRIVERS

- Technology
 - Stirling engines in appropriate application
 - High temperature materials/burners
- Environment
 - Political motivation
 - Economic value
- Market liberalisation

 Need for differentiation
 Regulatory obligations



LIBERALISED POWER MARKET

Electricity market -Wholesale market common to all - Common distribution charges - Common transmission charges - Resultant very small margins Oritical mass of customers - 5 million? Optimise customer management - Optimise asset utilisation

Or... Differentiation



MICRO CHP -A PARADIGM SHIFT

- Micro CHP disrupts conventional economic mechanisms
 - Substantially greater profitability
 - Improved customer retention
 - Beneficial impact on related business
- Response to micro CHP
 - » Ignore
 - » **Obstruct**
 - » Embrace



ELECTRICITY COST PROFILE



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DOMESTIC PROFILE: TYPICAL INDIVIDUAL HOME

ELECTRICAL LOAD & GENERATION PROFILES



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COINCIDENCE OF HIGH COST WITH MCHIP GENERATION



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WHO CAN DELIVER TECHNOLOGY?



Sigma 3kWe, 9kWt Advantica 1kWe, 4kWt WhisperTech 1kWe, 6kWt



BENEFITS FOR HOUSEHOLDERS

- Reduces householders' fuel bills
- Predictable, stable costs for heat & power ("arbitrage")
- "Feel-good" factor for customer
 - Environmental
 - "Revenge"
- No maintenance hassle
- Option for stand-alone-no power cuts
- Particularly suitable for larger homes



BENEFITS FOR HOUSEBUILDERS

- Reduces infrastructure costs
- Green" image for builder
- Improves SAP rating
- o Potential build cost trade-off
- Capital cost transferred to ESCo
- Energy service including maintenance
 - added value
 - lower cost



CONCLUSION

- Technology issues mainly resolved
- Products expected to reach market in 2 years
- Delivery chain through ESCo
- Significant market penetration within 10 years
- Simplification of connection standards and procedures essential
- Equitable metering & settlement required

