# **Energy as a Competitive Advantage**



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# The Yom Kippur War and the Arab Oil Embargo

- The OAPEC used oil as a political weapon for the first time
- Oil's value was also recognized as a way to improve producer country economies





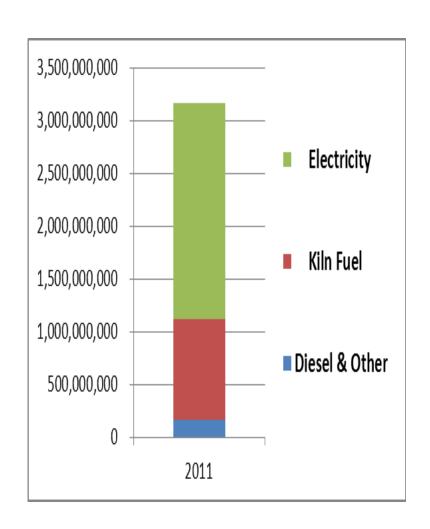


## The PetroCaribe Agreement

- Objective to contribute to the energy security, the social and economic development and the integration of the Countries of the Caribbean through the sovereign use of energy resources
- Counteract the "unfair economic order inherited from colonialism, and imposed by the wealthy, developed and rich countries"
- To "fulfil the needs and aspirations of the peoples of Latin America and the Caribbean while allowing them to preserve their independence, sovereignty and identity".

# The High Cost of Energy

- Carib Cement's total energy bill amounted to \$3.2 billion in 2011
- This is the largest single cost
  - √73% of variable cost
  - √40% of revenue



## **Managing Energy Costs**

# Factors within our Control

- The choice of technology
- How efficiently we employ the technology

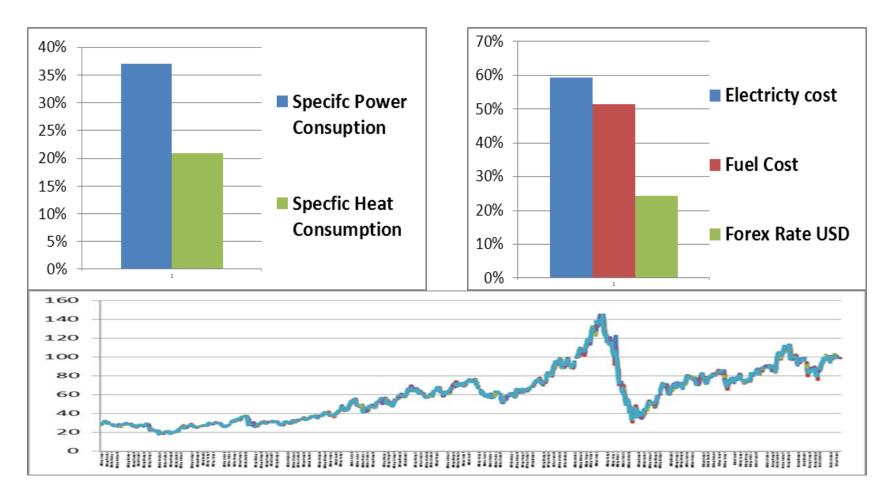
# Factors outside our Control

- Energy input prices
- Currency movements

## **Efficiency & Inflation Drivers**

#### **Efficiency Impact-27%**

#### **Inflation Impact-95%**



### **Use Taxation for Competitive Advantage**

- Stop Taxing Inputs
- Tax Profits
- Provide Export Incentive Tax Wavers

- ✓ Corporate Tax
- **✓** PAYE
- ✓ NHT, HEART & Education
- ✓ Fuel Tax
- ✓ Electricity Tax
- ✓ Coal Duties
- **√** GCT

#### Oil Prices Remain Volatile

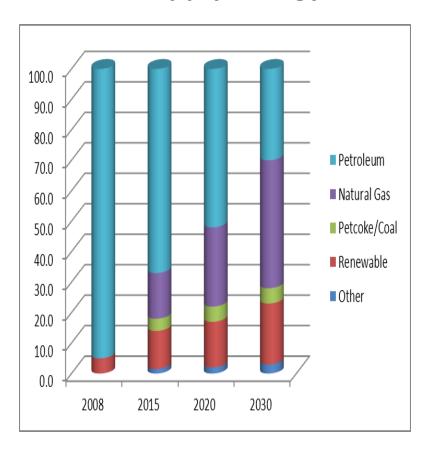
- Crude oil prices grew significantly with growing world "wealth" then collapsed in 2008
- It is noteworthy that prices are recovering
- Oil prices will continue to impact and be impacted by the global economies



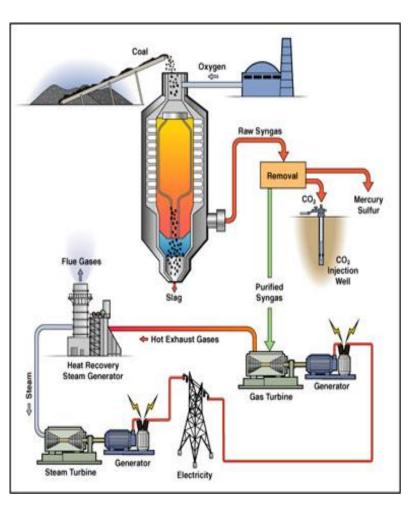
# Jamaican Energy Policy

- Jamaica plans to strategically move away from the dependence on petroleum
- Priority is now being given to natural gas and renewables
- A more pragmatic approach would be to target at least 1/3 of generation through coal/petcoke

#### Jamaica's Supply Energy Matrix



# New, modern, efficiently sized power plants



- Revolution, not Evolution
- Clean Coal Technology



# **Thank You**

