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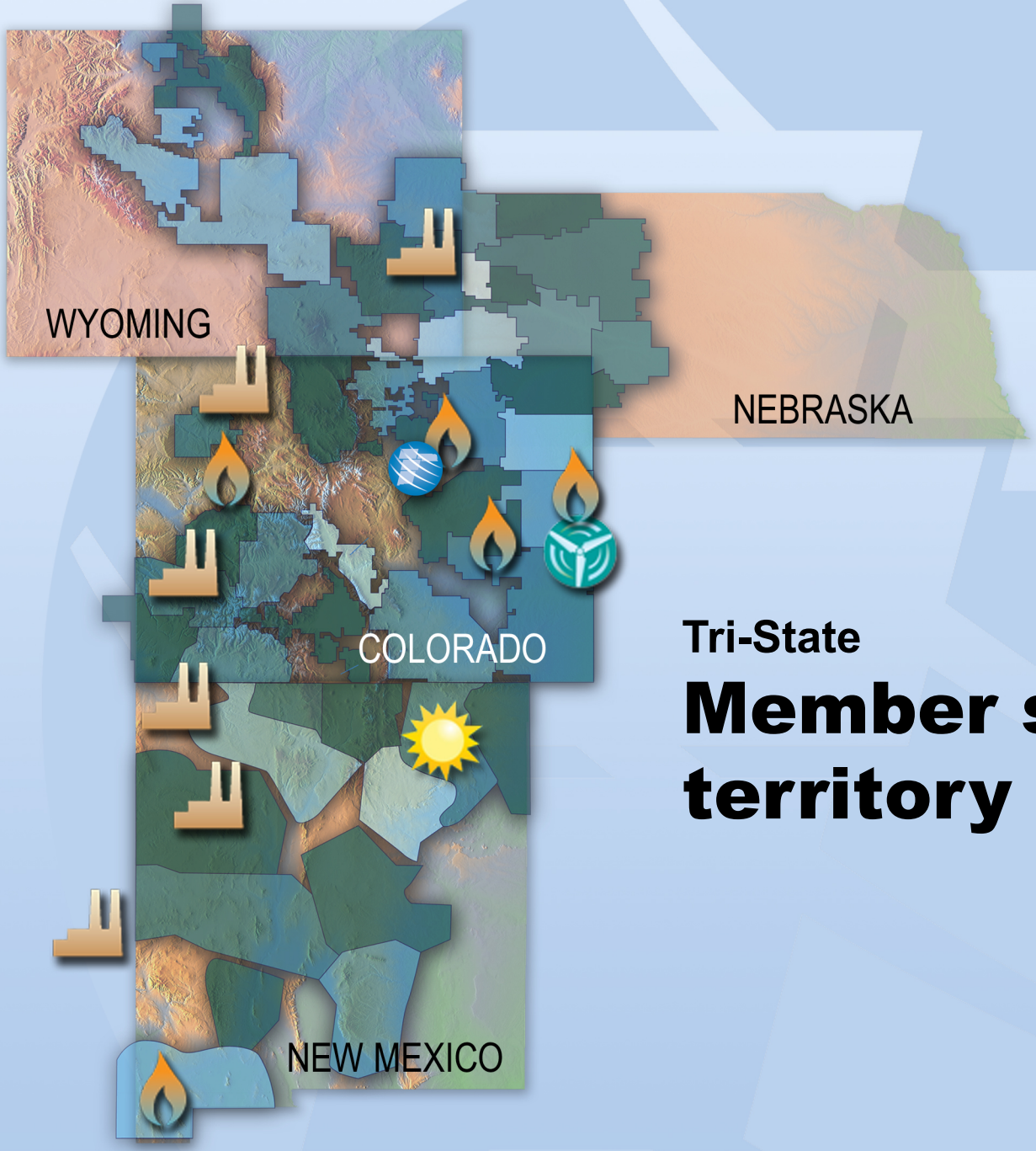

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Member service territory

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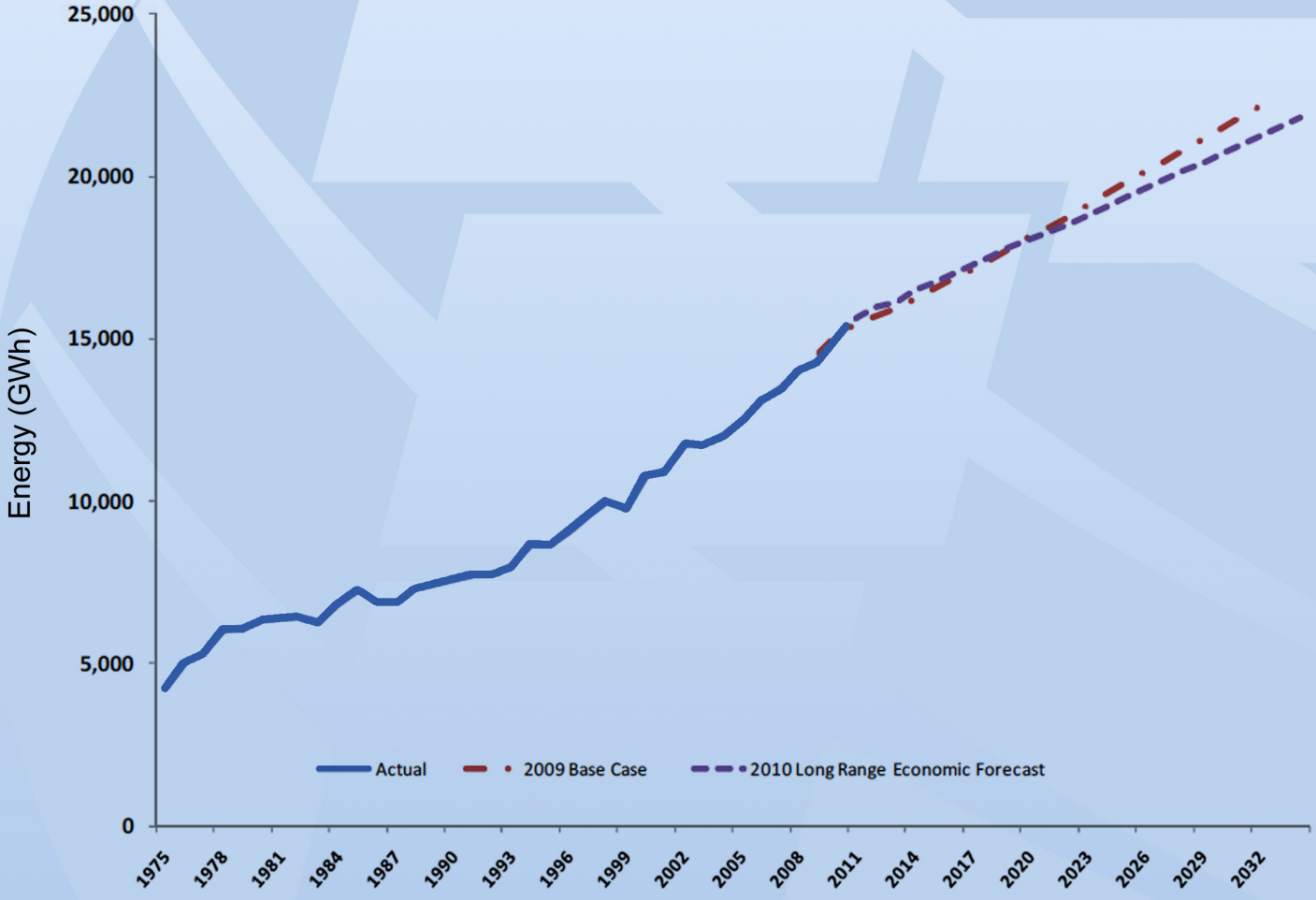
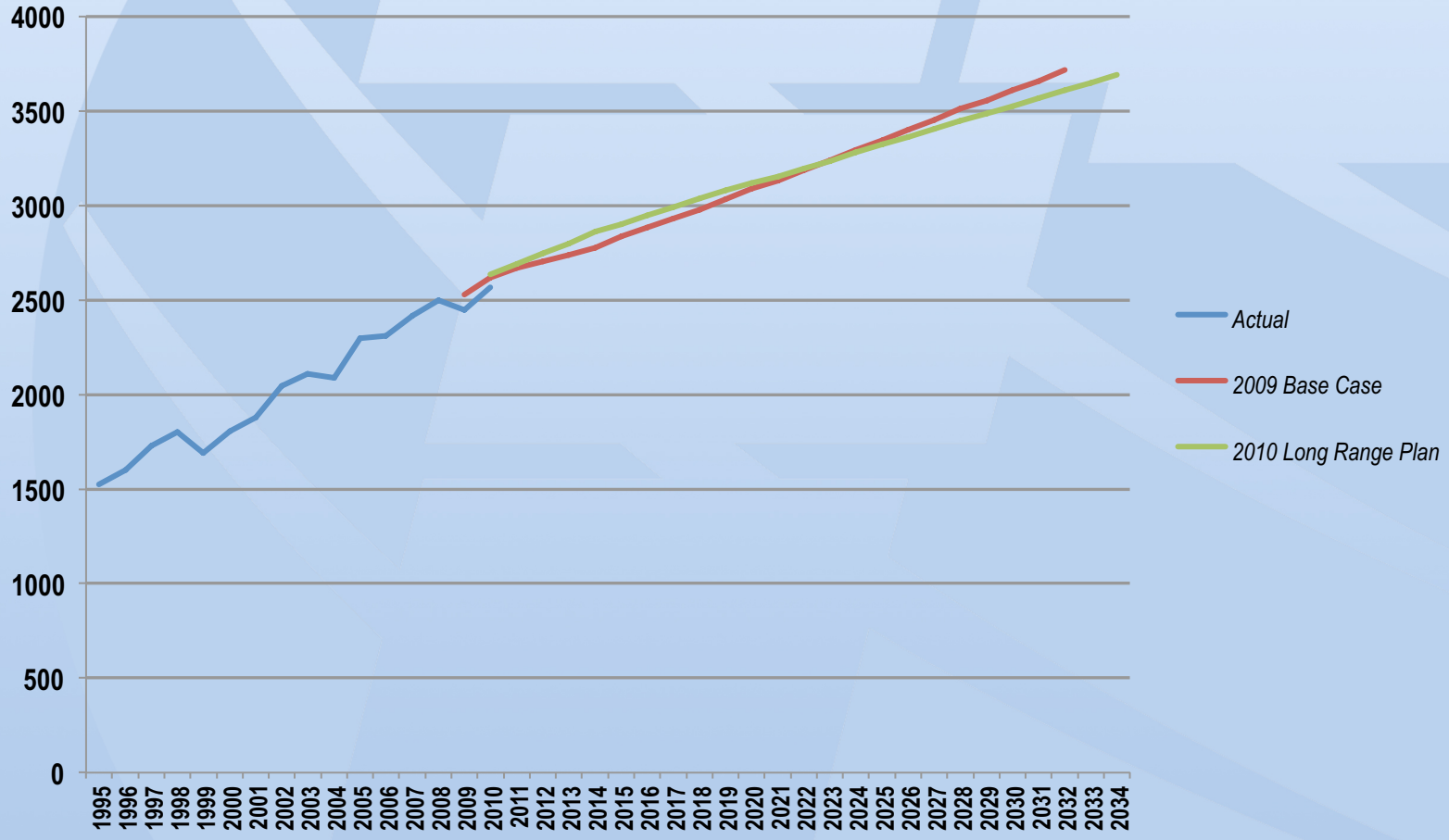
System load growth



The member loads generally grow at a linear rate of about 278 GWH per year. This translates to annual growth rates of about 2.3% per year in the near term moving to about 1.5% per year in 20 years.

Summer peak demand

The member loads generally grow at a linear rate of about 74 MW per year. This translates to annual growth rates of about 3.2 percent per year in the near term moving to about 1.8 percent per year in 20 years.



Regulatory impact on affordability

Federal EPA

- Utility MACT rule
- CO2 rules
- Coal Combustion Residual rule
- Ozone rule
- Waters of the United States Guidance Document
- Regional Haze

Department of Interior

- Endangered Species Act
  - Sage Grouse
  - Sand Dune Lizard
- Climate Impact Statements – Federal Lands

FERC

- Cybersecurity
- Transmission cost allocation

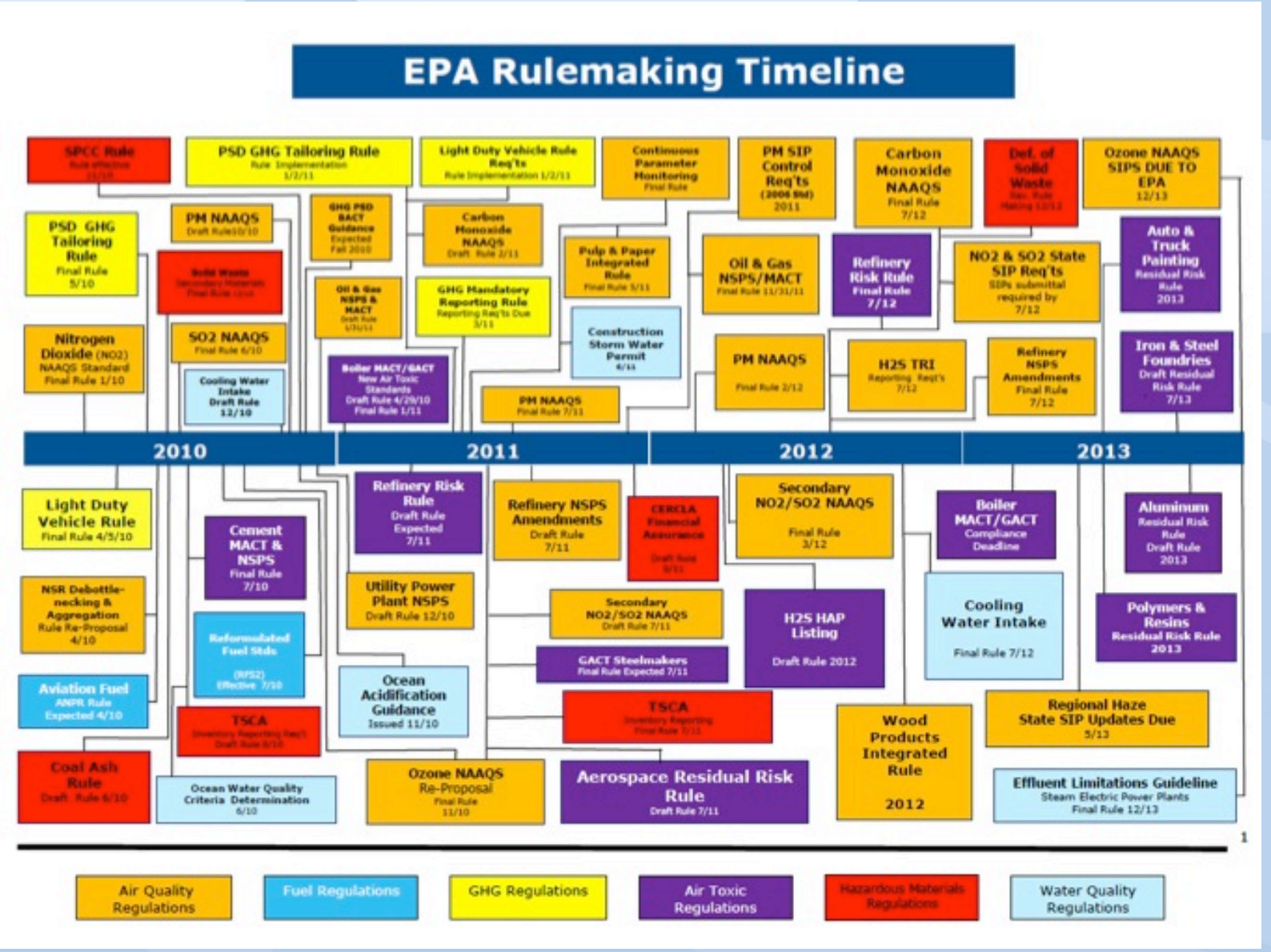
Rail

- Burlington Northern Acquisition Premium issue
  - Purchasers of BN want customers to pay $7 billion “premium” they paid over worth of company

New Mexico

- EIB rules

EPA “train wreck”



Affordability campaign

- Tri-State is taking a leadership role in articulating importance of keeping electricity affordable
- Board has dedicated resources for a five-year period
- Key message = Affordability key element of the economic foundation of the rural areas our members serve

Affordability Campaign Elements

- Communications
  - Media
  - Dedicated website – www.keepelectricityaffordable.org

- Government Relations
  - Forming coalitions with like-minded organizations to leverage our message
    National Association of Manufacturers; American Energy Alliance

- External Affairs
  - Working with educators, community groups and organizations to spread message
    Classroom materials and teacher training
    Alliances with groups like farm bureaus, cattle growers, chambers of commerce

Cimarron Solar Facility
(Colfax County)

Transmission

- **Load serving**
- **Regional projects**
  - Lucky Corridor
  - Sun Zia
  - High Plains Express
- **Formation of an RTO in the West**

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