

POWER AND UTILITIES MARKET SNAPSHOT

Quarter Ending September 30, 2019



Introduction

Dear Clients and Friends,

Houlihan Lokey is pleased to present its Power and Utilities Market Snapshot for the quarter ending September 30, 2019.

We have included relevant news, recent M&A transaction announcements, and other industry insights to help you stay ahead in this evolving industry. We hope you find this quarterly update to be informative and that it serves as a valuable resource to you in staying abreast of the market. If there is additional content you would find useful for future updates, please don't hesitate to call or email us with your suggestions. We look forward to staying in touch with you.

Regards,

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| 2 | Goldman Sachs & Co | 197 | | | |
| 3 | JP Morgan | 154 | | | |
| 4 | Morgan Stanley | 135 | | | |
| 5 | Jefferies LLC | 117 | | | |
| Source: Thomson Reuters | | | | | |

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| 2018 Global Distressed Debt and Bankruptcy Restructuring Rankings | | | | |
|--|--|-------|--|--|
| | Advisor | Deals | | |
| 1 | Houlihan Lokey | 63 | | |
| 2 | PJT Partners Inc. | 45 | | |
| 3* | Moelis & Co. | 36 | | |
| 3* | Lazard | 36 | | |
| 3* | Rothschild & Co. | 36 | | |
| | Source: Thomson Reuters * Denotes tie | | | |

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Financial Advisory

| 1999 to 2018 Global M&A Fairness Advisory Rankings | | | | |
|---|-------------------------------|-------|--|--|
| | Advisor | Deals | | |
| 1 | Houlihan Lokey | 1,073 | | |
| 2 | JP Morgan | 971 | | |
| 3 | Duff & Phelps | 728 | | |
| 4 | Bank of America Merrill Lynch | 660 | | |
| 5 | Morgan Stanley | 659 | | |
| Source: Thomson Reuters. Announced or completed transactions. | | | | |

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Selected Transactions







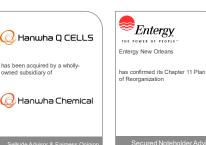












United States and Canada Update

Western Electricity Coordinating Council

- September 9: Suncor Energy announced plans to invest C\$1.4 million in an 800 MW cogeneration facility.
- August 14: CAISO warned that CA could face a capacity shortfall of 4,700 MW in 2022.

PG&E Related Developments

- September 27: PG&E noteholders proposed alternate US\$29.2 billion reorganization plan.
- September 23: PG&E reached a settlement resolving all insurance subrogation claims.
- September 9: PG&E entered Chapter 11 bankruptcy.
- August 16: Court left PG&E with sole right to submit bankruptcy

Midcontinent Independent **System Operator**

- August 30: GridLiance's attempt to expand into MISO by purchasing six transmission lines was denied by FERC.
- July 15: National Grid closed an acquisition of a utility scale wind and solar developer in MN (Geronimo Energy) for US\$100 million.

Northeast Power Coordinating Council

- September 30: Vineyard Wind submitted a proposal to build up to 1,200 MW of wind offshore CT.
- July 30: TC Energy agreed to sell three natural gas plants to Ontario Power for C\$2.9 billion.
- July 13: Amid a severe heat wave in New York City, 73,000 customers lost electricity due to ConEd power shortages.

NPCC

Maritimes

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New England

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New York

Southwest Power Pool, RE

- September 9: Three power organizations announced plans to join SPP's Western imbalance market when it is launched in 2021
- July 15: AEP is seeking approval to purchase three wind farms (1,485 MW) for US\$2 billion.

MRO SaskPower

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RMRG

WECC

SRSG

NWPP-US

WECC

CA/MX

Manitoba Hydro

MRO

NPCC Ontario

MISO (MRO)

SPP

Texas RE

ERCOT

PJM (RF)

Southeast

SERC **SERC**

FRCC

Pennsylvania-New Jersey-**Maryland Interconnection**

NPCC

Quebec

September 26: PJM announced the suspension of base capacity auction until FERC order on replacement rates is received.

Texas Reliability Entity

- September 9: Texas wind farms added almost 500 MW of power in July.
- August 20: Vistra announced acquisition of Texas energy retailer (Ambit Energy) for US\$475 million.
- August 15: ERCOT saw record demand on its system, triggering the second emergency alert in a week.

SERC Reliability Corporation

September 7: Santee Cooper announced plans to add solar power, pay down nuclear debt, and cut coal generation.

Florida Reliability Coordinating Council

September 24: Florida utility JEA outlined acceptable ownership structures it would consider from bidders.

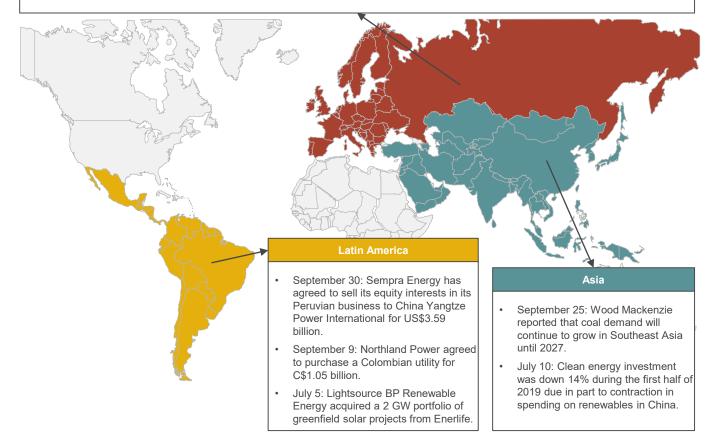
Overall United States and Canada Market

- September 17: Duke Energy set 2050 net-zero emissions target and announced plans to double its renewable portfolio by 2025.
- August 16: LS Power agreed to sell two natural gas-fired plants (1,643 MW combined) to Argo Infrastructure Partners.
- August 13: Pattern Energy Group Inc. confirmed that it has drawn takeover interest from third-parties.
- July 31: Entergy plans on adding 7,000 MW to 8,000 MW of new renewable and gas generation from 2022 to 2030.
- July 22: AltaGas agreed to sell a 322 MW portfolio of generation assets to TerraForm Power for US\$720 million.
- July 15: Vistra completed the acquisition of Crius Energy for US\$378 million plus US\$108 million of debt.

International Update

Europe

- · September 25: EDF warned that its U.K. nuclear plant could cost an extra US\$3.6 billion and face more construction delays.
- September 6: Enel launched process to sell ~€1 billion of renewable assets in Romania.
- August 23: Russia launched the first floating nuclear power plant (70 MW Akademik Lomonosov).
- August 22: Multiple groups are competing to become strategic investors in 2,000 MW Bulgarian nuclear project (~€10 billion cost), which
 is expected to be completed by 2030.
- August 12: Iberdrola to sell 40% interest in U.K. wind project for £1.6 billion to the Green Investment Group (Macquarie Group Ltd.).
- July 31: Veolia to sell its district energy assets in the U.S. to Antin Infrastructure Partners for US\$1.25 billion.
- July 9: The £2 billion auction for Electricty North West has been stalled in the U.K.
- July 3: Brookfield Renewable Partners agreed to acquire 50% stake in X-Elio (which develops, designs, constructs, and operates PV plants) for US\$500 million.

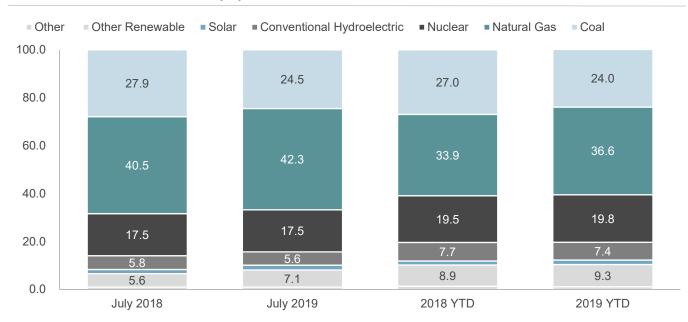


Overall Global Market

- September 24: The U.S. EIA projected there will be a 50% increase in world energy consumption between 2018 and 2050.
- · September 20: Google signed a package of renewable power purchase agreements for 1,600 MW of power.

U.S. Generation

U.S. Generation Fuel Mix (%)



U.S. Generation by Fuel Type (million MWh)

| | July 2019 | YoY Change | YoY % Change | 2019 YTD | YoY Change | YoY % Change |
|---|-----------|------------|--------------|----------|------------|--------------|
| Coal | 101.0 | (14.5) | (12.5)% | 571.1 | (86.0) | (13.1)% |
| Natural Gas | 174.1 | 6.8 | 4.1% | 871.3 | 46.7 | 5.7% |
| Nuclear | 72.2 | (0.3) | (0.4)% | 472.2 | (2.9) | (0.6)% |
| Other | 4.0 | (0.1) | (2.6)% | 25.7 | (4.9) | (16.1)% |
| Conventional Hydroelectric | 22.9 | (1.1) | (4.6)% | 176.7 | (10.3) | (5.5)% |
| Solar | 8.3 | 1.3 | 19.0% | 44.3 | 3.5 | 8.6% |
| Other Renewable | 29.2 | 6.3 | 27.3% | 221.4 | 5.6 | 2.6% |
| Hydroelectric Pumped Storage | (0.6) | | | (2.6) | | |
| Total Generation (Net of Pumped Storage) | 411.6 | (1.5) | (0.4)% | 2,382.7 | (48.3) | (2.0)% |
| Total Renewable | 60.4 | 6.5 | 12.0% | 442.4 | (1.1) | (0.3)% |
| Total Non-Renewable | 351.2 | (8.1) | (2.3)% | 1,940.3 | (47.1) | (2.4)% |

As of June 25, 2019.

[&]quot;Other renewable" includes wood, black liquor, other wood waste, biogenic municipal solid waste, landfill gas, sludge waste, agriculture byproducts, other biomass,

[&]quot;Other" includes petroleum liquids, petroleum coke, blast furnace gas, manufactured and waste gases derived from fossil fuels, nonbiogenic municipal waste, batteries, hydrogen, purchased steam, sulfur, tire-derived fuel, and other miscellaneous energy sources.

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