The Chinese Renewable Energy Law

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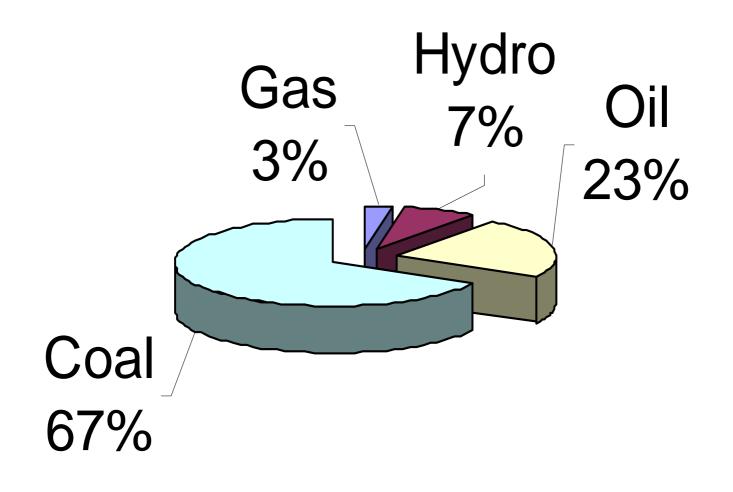
Outline of Presentation

- China's Energy Consumption / Energy Scenarios
- Main problems to promote RE
- The Objectives of the Law
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- Major Shortcomings of the Law



China's Energy Consumption

Total primary energy consumption 1.6 bill tce





China's Energy Scenarios By 2020

- > Total primary energy consumption 2.5-2.9 billion tce
- > 1000 GW power generation capacity

By 2050

- > Total primary energy consumption 3-4.5 billion tce
- > 1500 2000 GW power generation capacity

Concerns

- > To achieve a reliable long-term energy supply
- > Increaseing dependency on energy imports
- Environmental degradation on an unprecedented scale, e.g. air pollution, increase of GHG
- ➤ Attain a sustainable development feasible ?

Main Problems to promote RE

> Lack of legislative framework conditions

> Lack of sufficient incentive policies

No effective investment & financing mechanism

> Limited awareness on all levels



Objectives of the Law

➤ Determine the significant role of RE in the national energy supply strategy

➤ Remove the existing market barriers which hampers the development / utilization of RE

Establish a sound financing system

> Raise the awareness



Objectives of the Law

Short-term

- Supply sufficient energy to rural areas
- > Ensure western development

Long-term

- Diversity of energy supply
- > Ensure energy supply security
- Alleviate environmental pollution
- > Maintain a sustainable development



Principal Chapters of the Law

- General Principles
- > Resource Management / Dev. Planning
- Industry Guidance
- Promoting and Application
- Price Management / Cost Sharing
- > Financial Incentives
- Legal Liabilities
- > Others



Timeframe of the Law

Nov. 2003 Official announcement

May 2004 First Intl. Seminar in Beijing

July 2004 Joint draft version available

Dec. 2004 First Reading

March 2005 National People's Congress

Jan. 2006 Law shall come into effect



Major Shortcomings of the Law

- Countless rather "vague" definitions Lots of room for interpretation and provides no security for interested parties
- No clear incentive policy
 Feed-in-tariff / RE portfolio standard
- So far no specific figures mentioned expected to be in the regulations



Thank you for your attention!

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