



2026 PJM Long-Term Load Forecast

Load Analysis Subcommittee
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Resource Adequacy Planning

- Estimation Period: January 2016 through August 2025
- Weather Simulation: 1994 to 2024 (403 scenarios)
- Sector Models (2015-2024 Monthly from EIA 861 and EIA 861m)
 - End Use Data: Based on Itron's 2025 release
 - Economics: September 2025 vintage from Moody's Analytics
- S&P Global Solar/Battery Forecast (zonal & peak allocation by PJM)
 - Production estimates by UL
- S&P Global - Plug-in Electric Vehicles (PEVs)

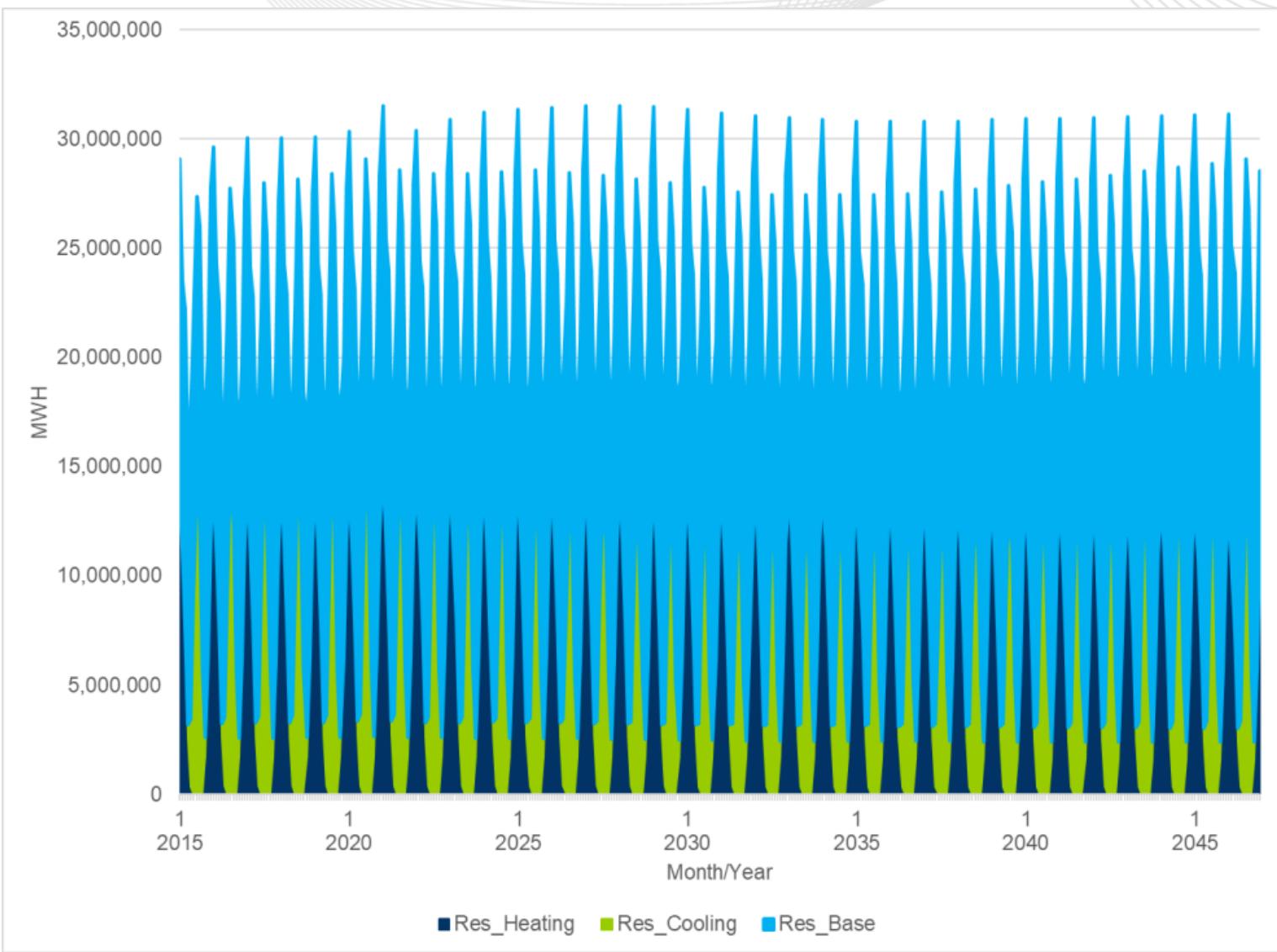
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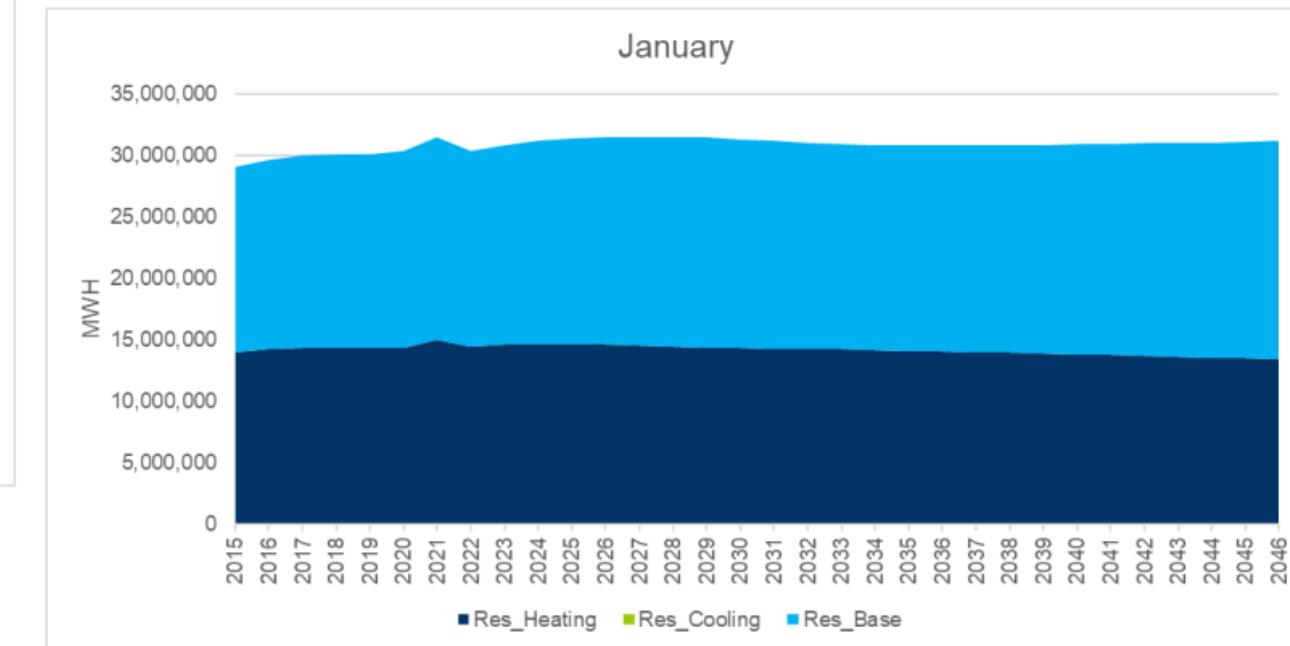
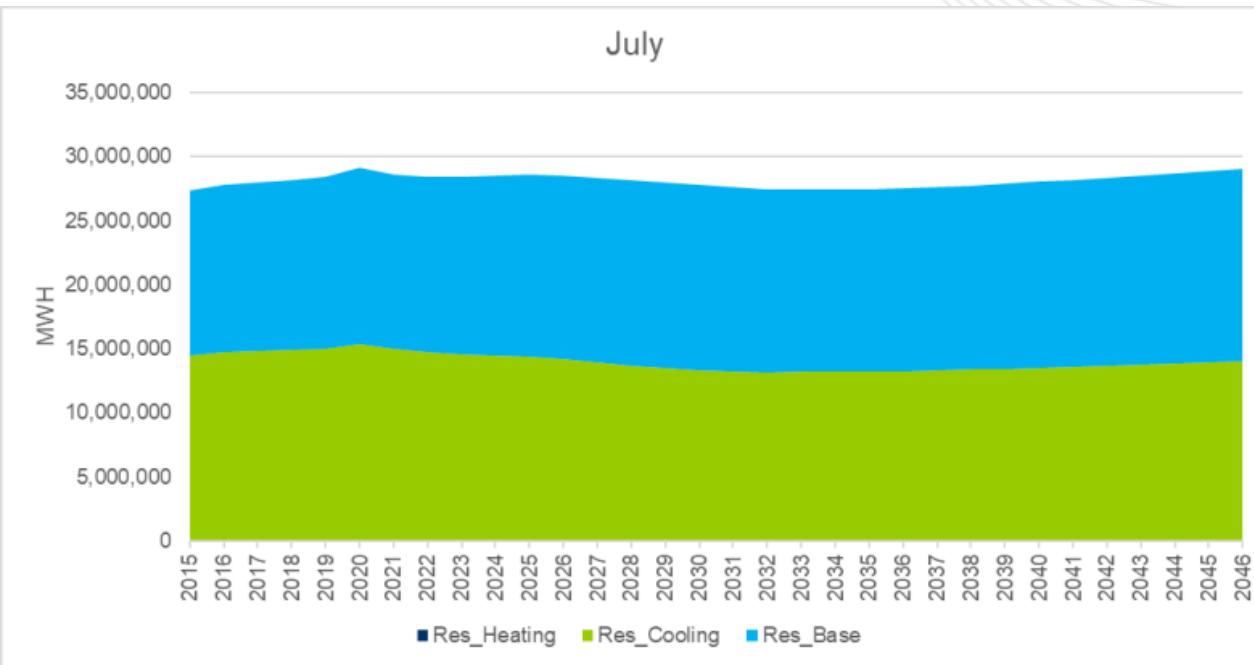
- Data Centers (AEP, ATSI, APS, BGE, COMED, DAYTON, DQE, JCPL, METED, PECO, PEPCO, PL, PS and Dominion);
- Port Electrification (PS);
- Voltage Optimization (Dominion);
- Peak Shaving Adjustment (EKPC)

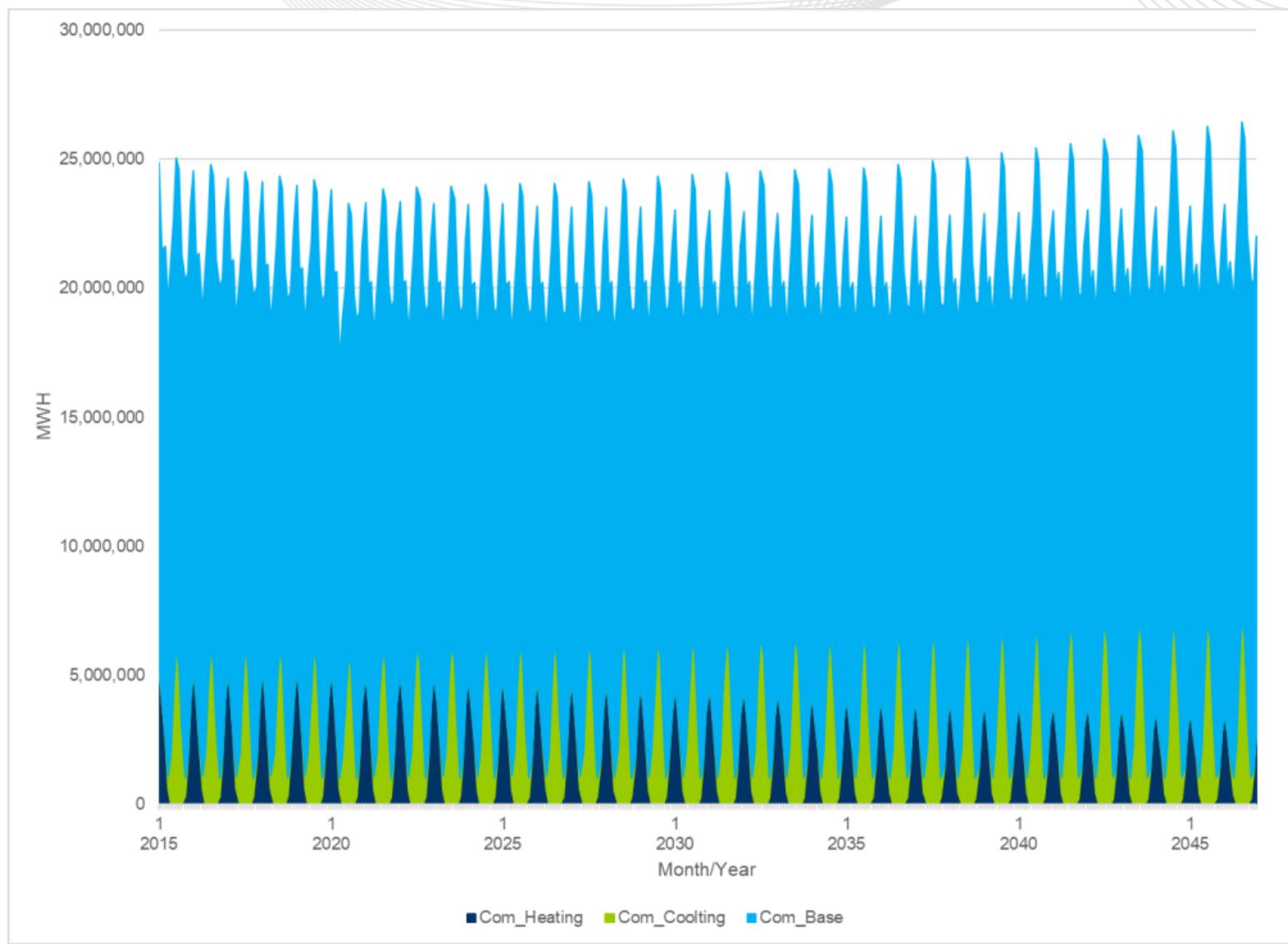


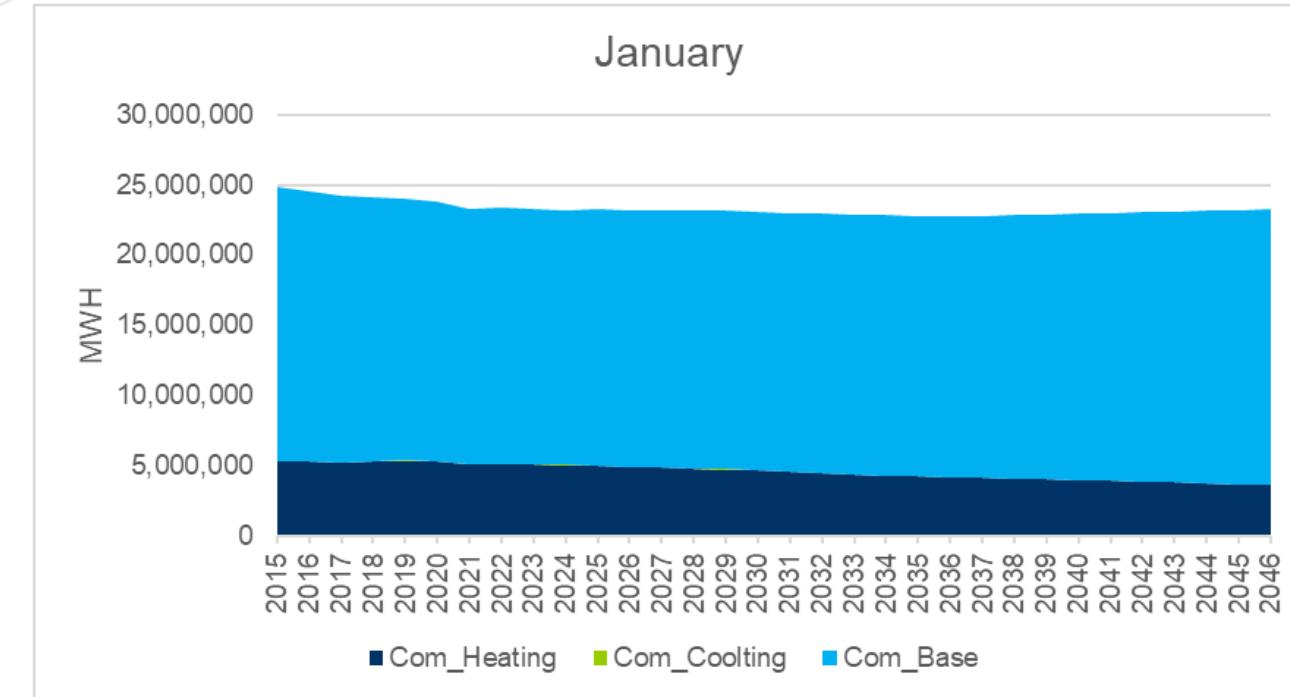
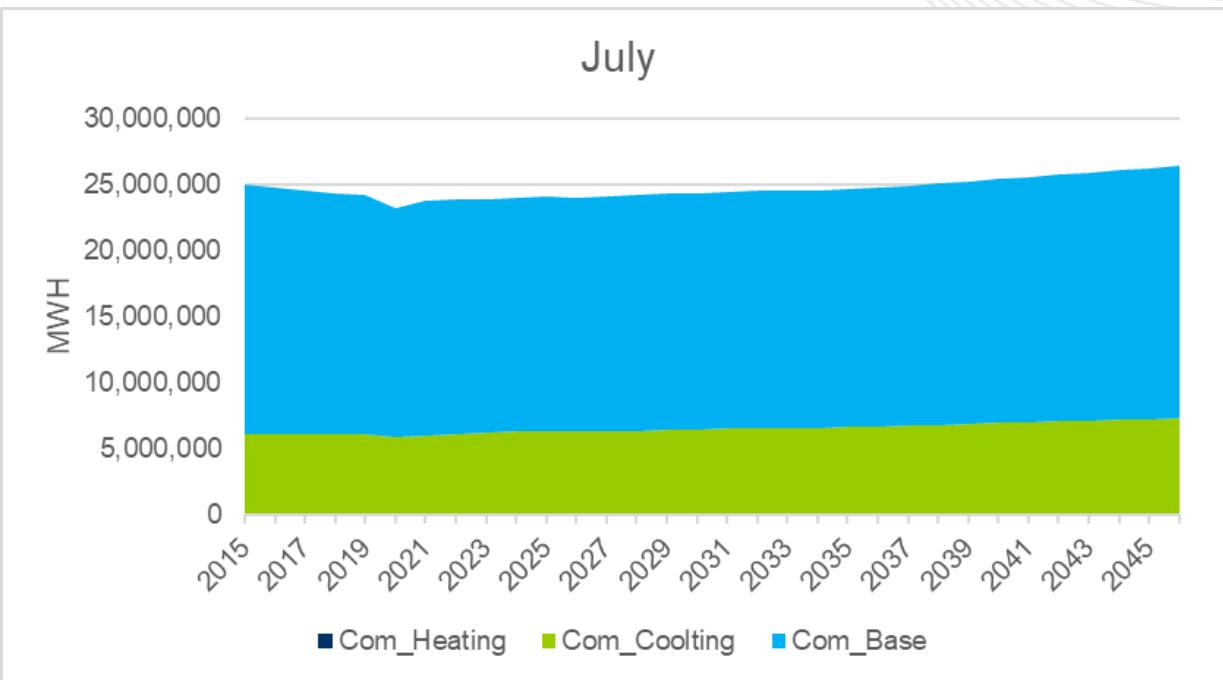
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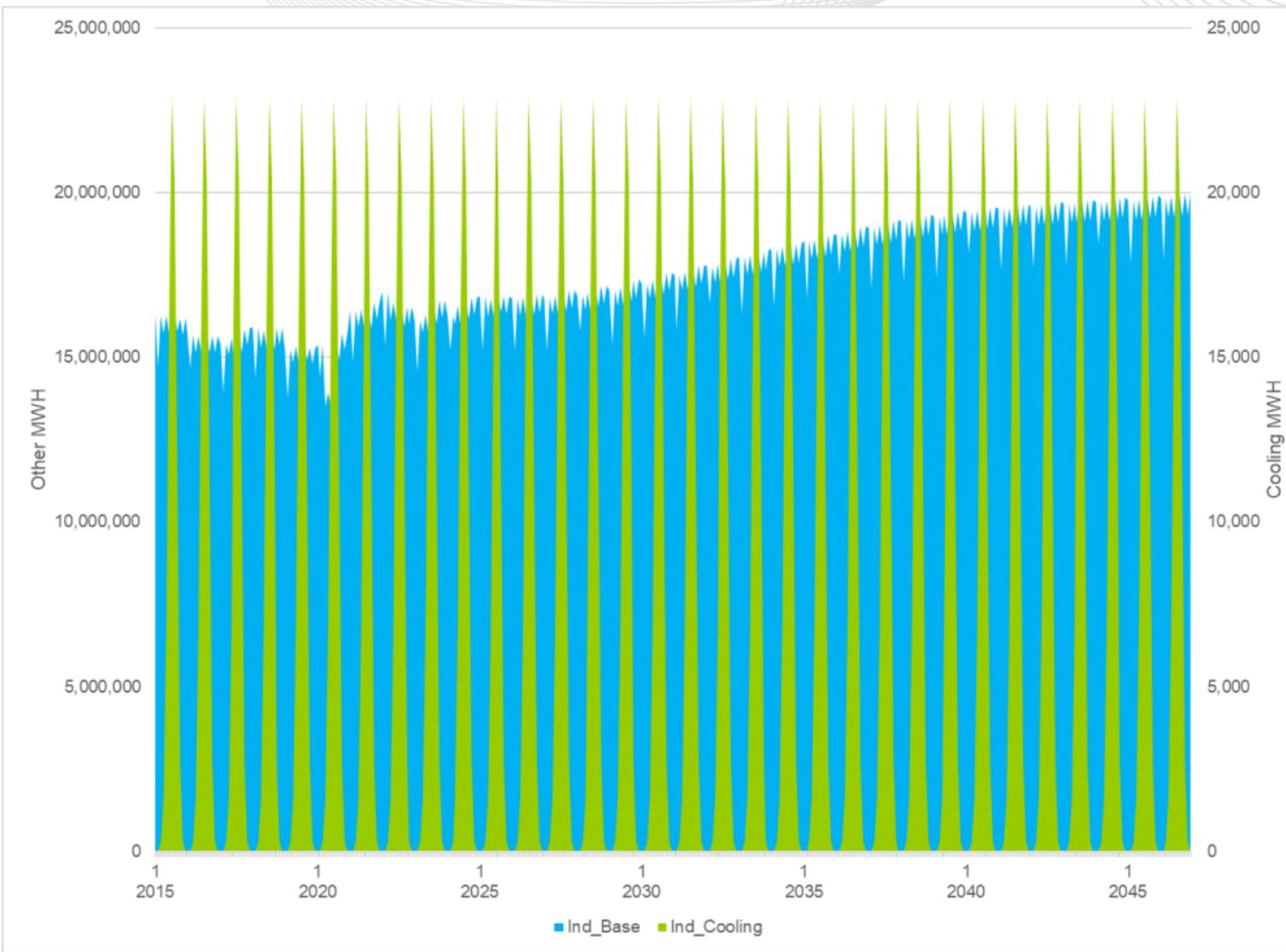
- Heat/Cool/Other are driven by Sector (Residential/Commercial/Industrial) models. Sector model results are influenced by two factors.
 - Economics
 - Residential – Households, Personal Income, Population per household
 - Commercial – Employment, Population, Output
 - Industrial - Output
 - End-use (saturation/efficiency/intensity)
 - Residential
 - Commercial
 - Industrial

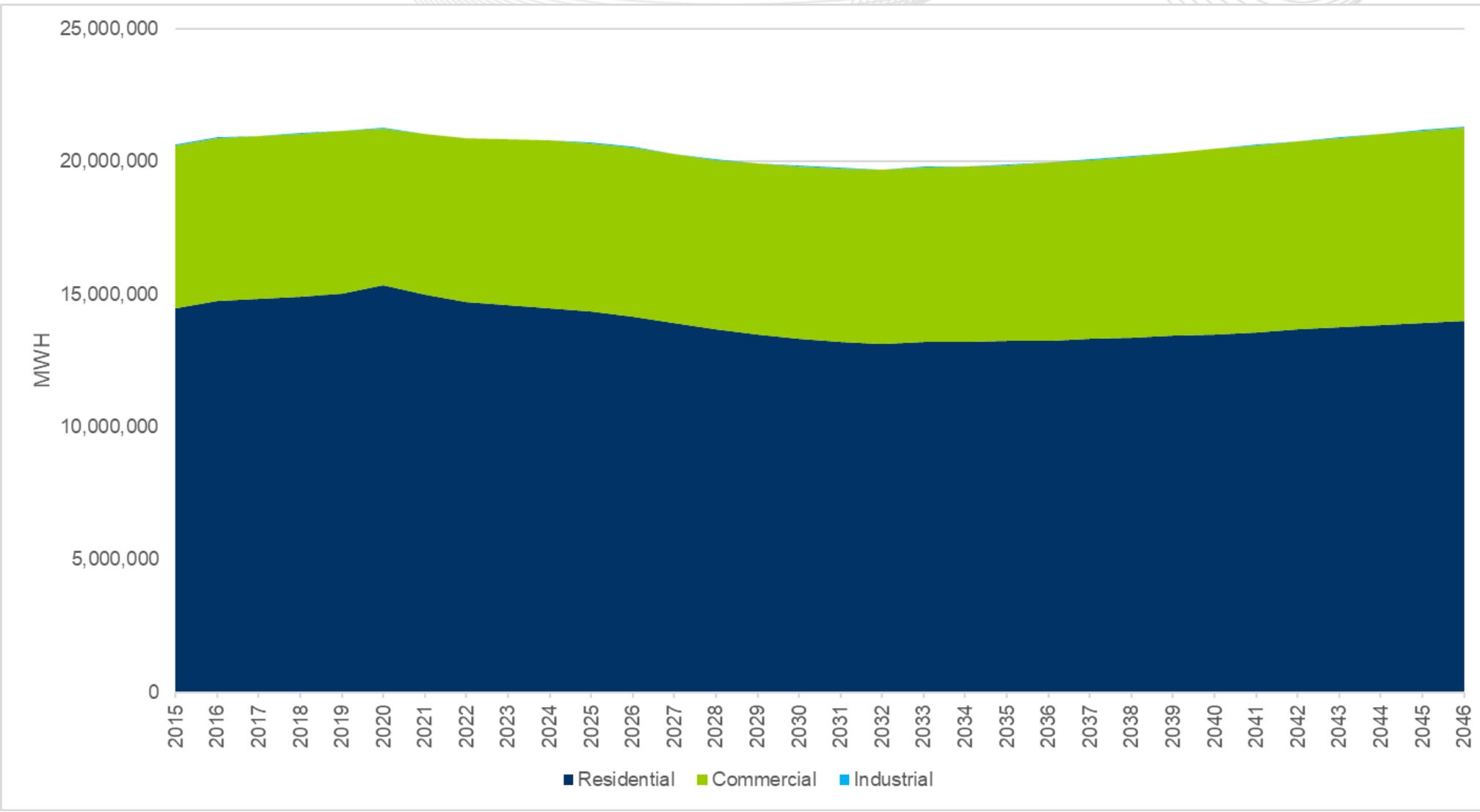


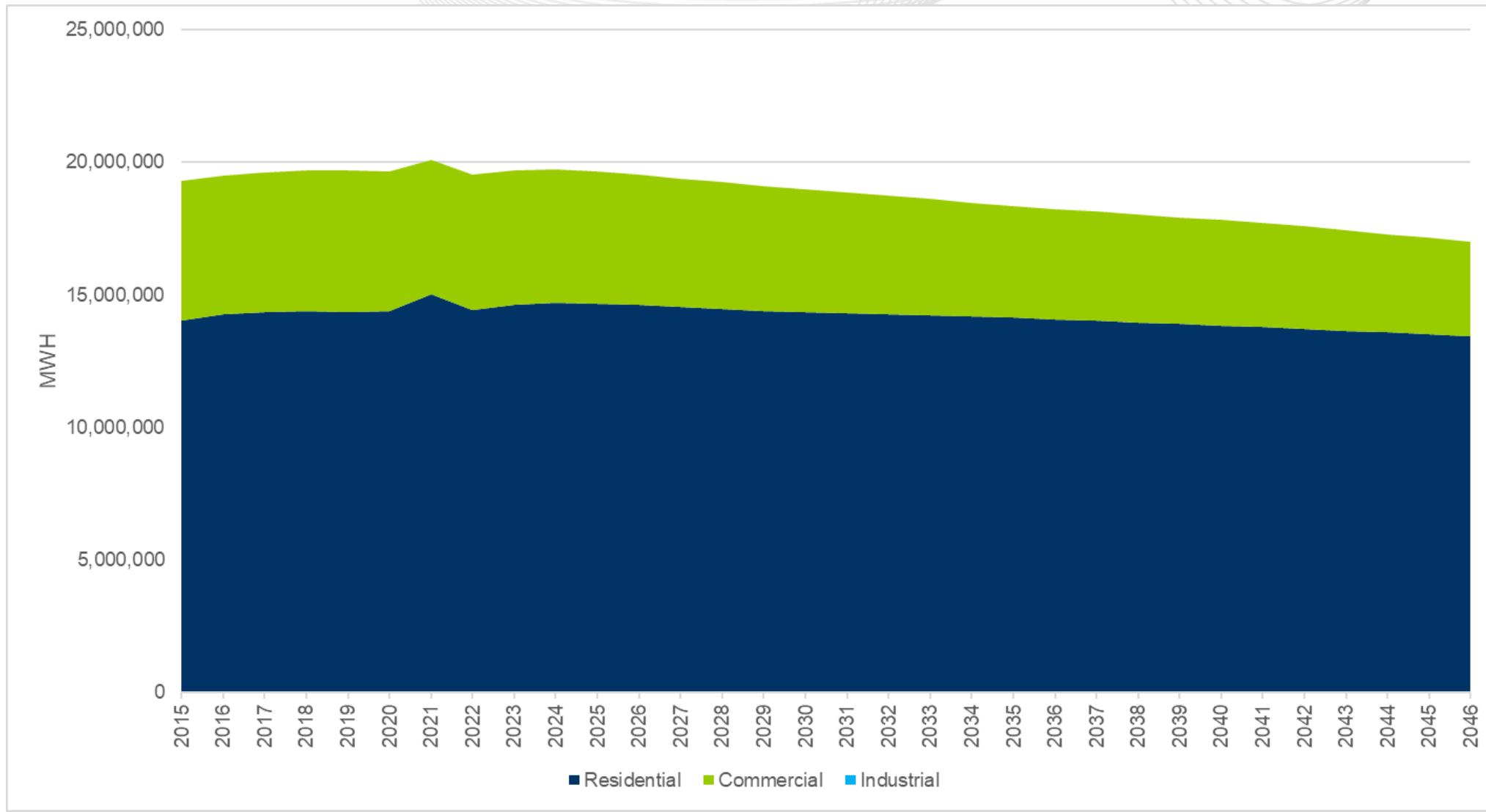


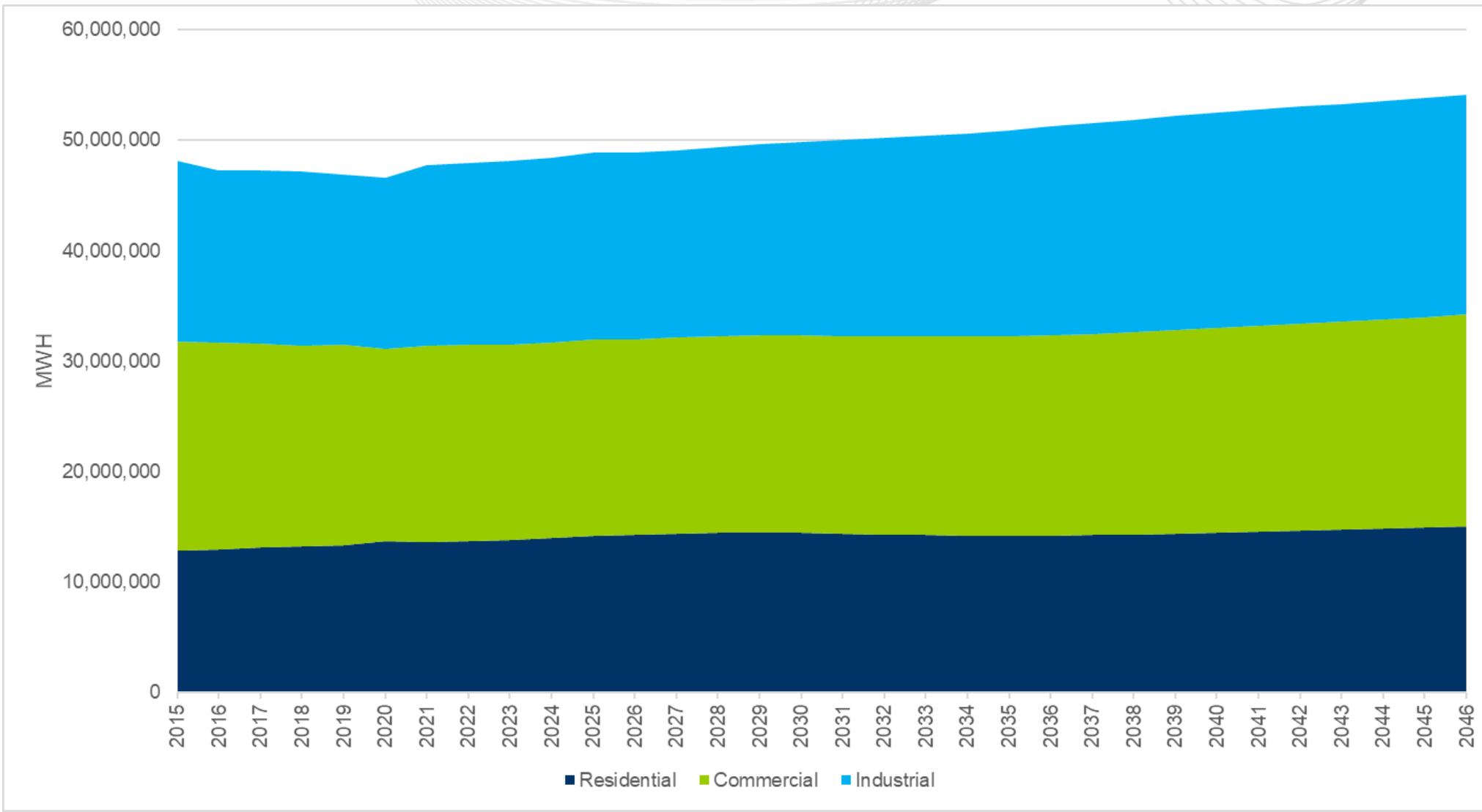




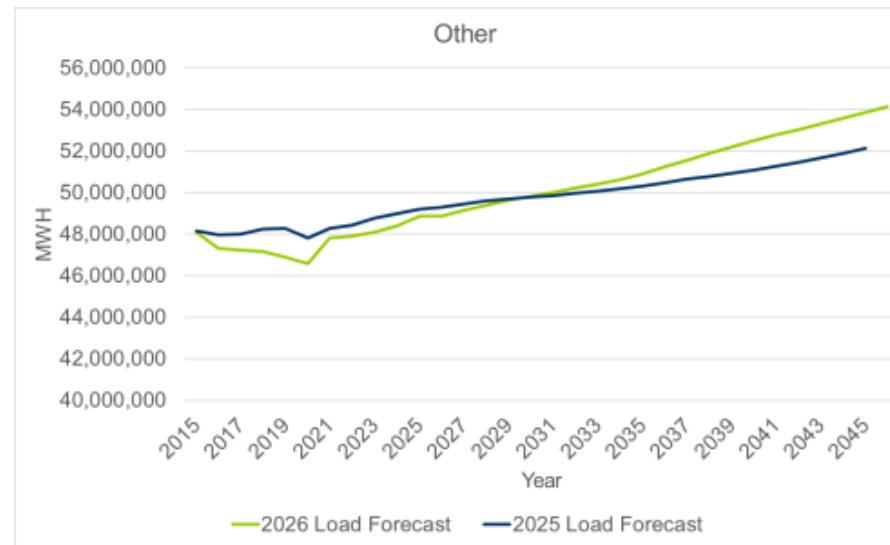
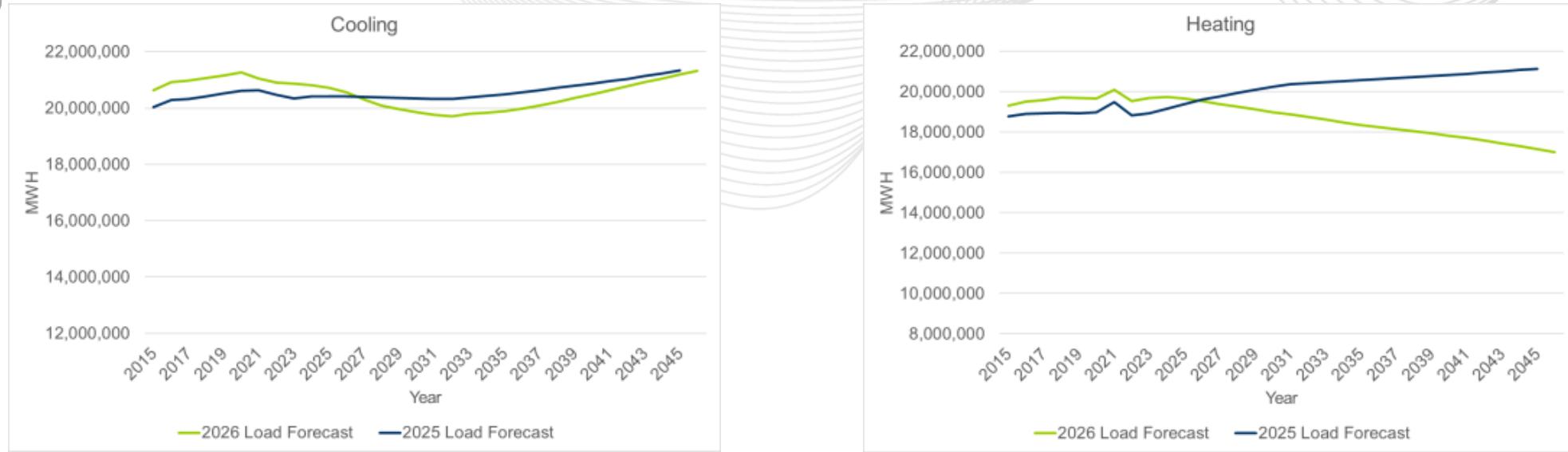








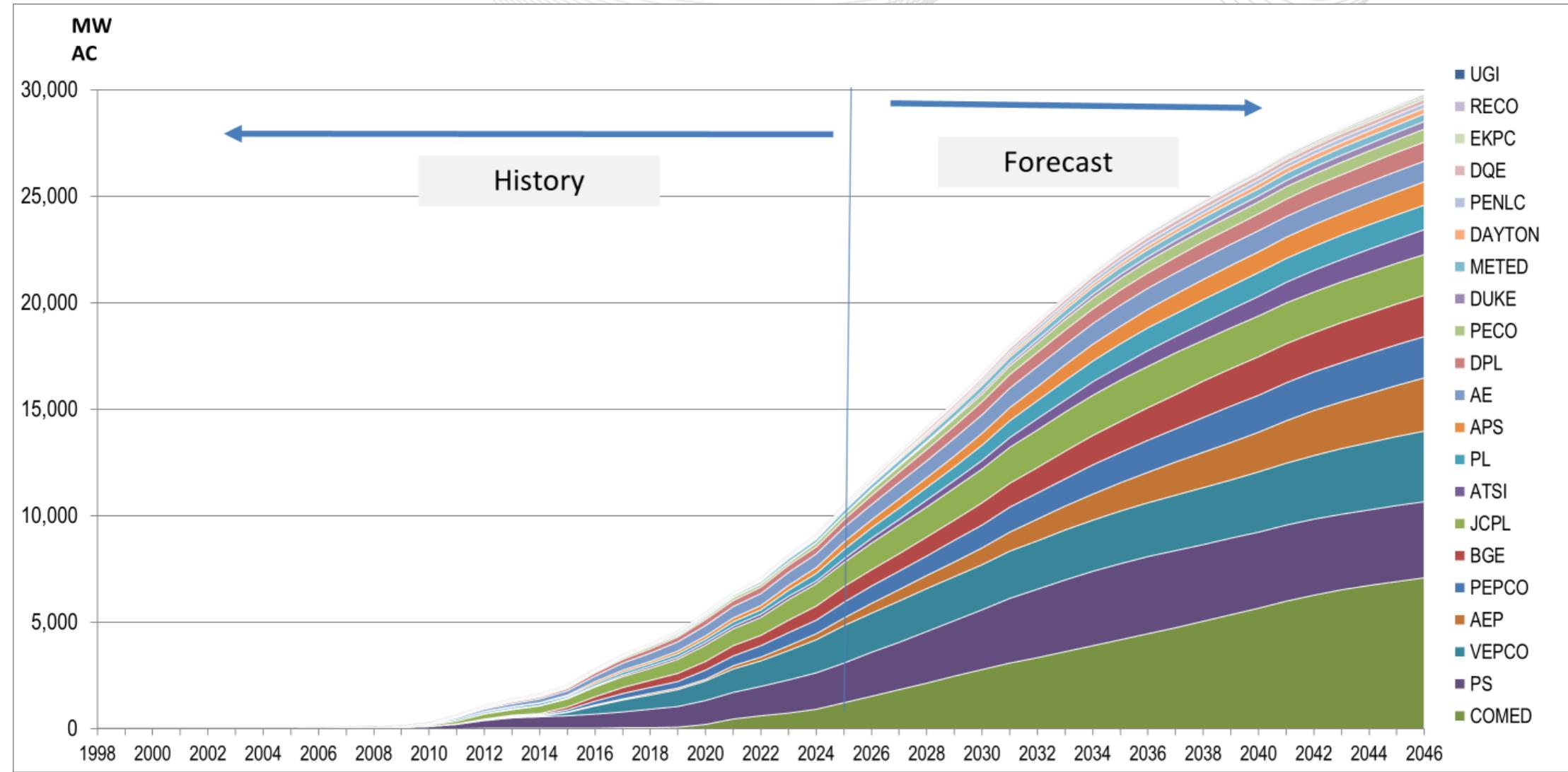
Cooling, Heating, and Other Comparison



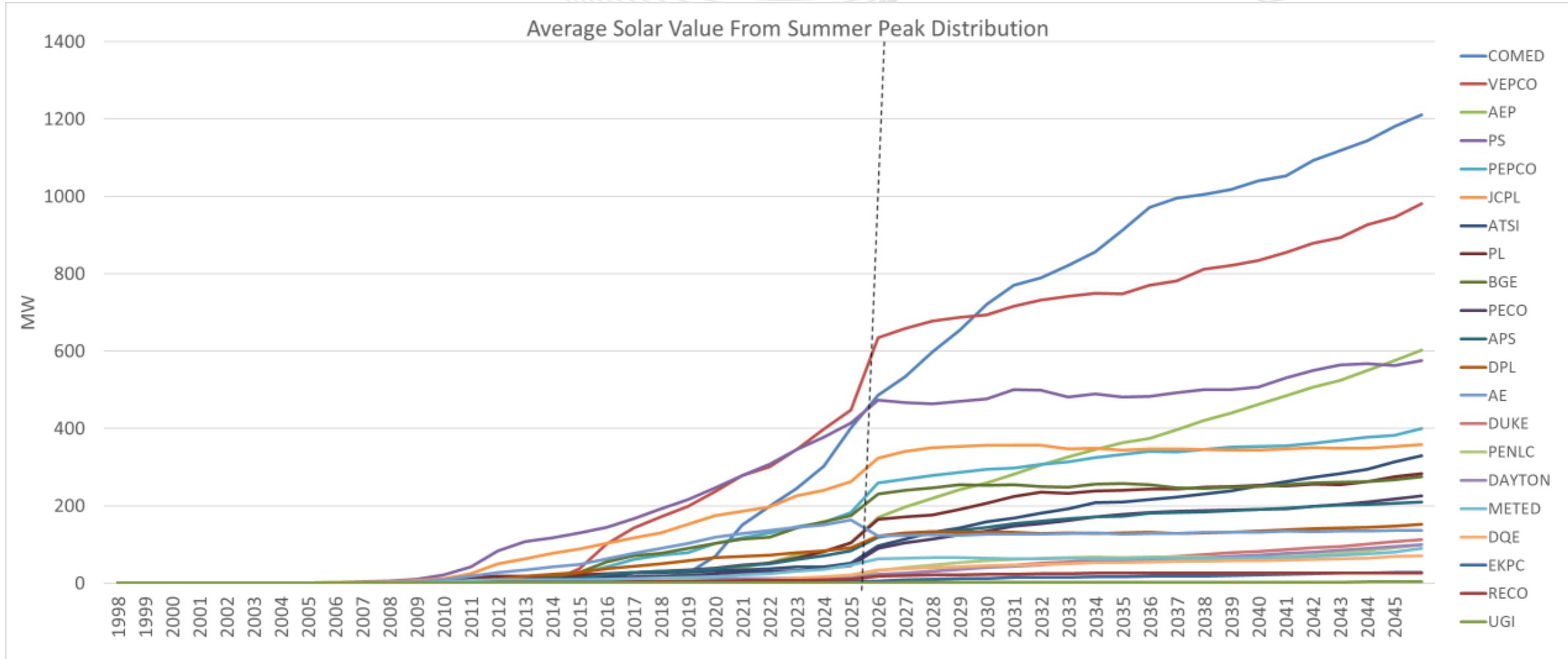


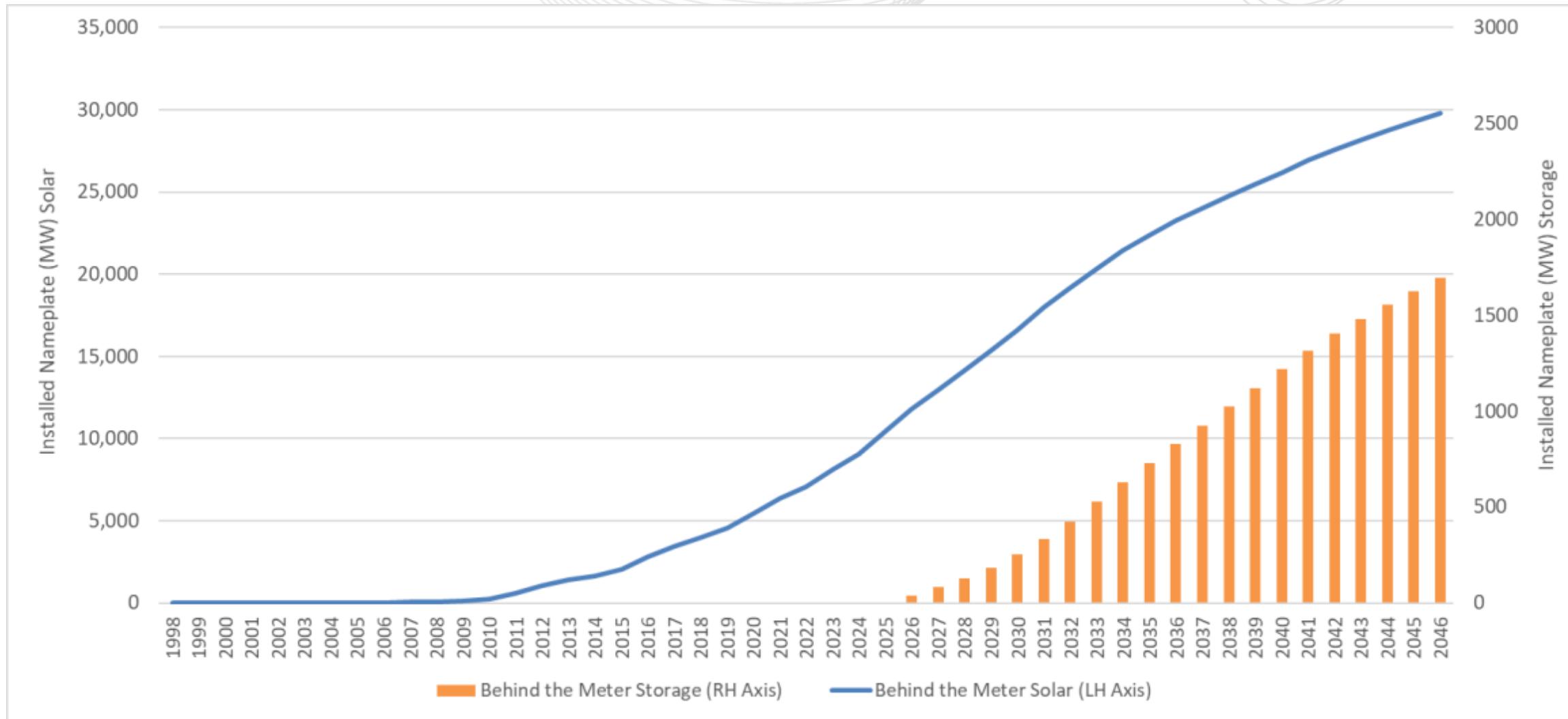
Distributed Solar and Battery Generation

Distributed Solar Generation 2026 Forecast by Zone



Distributed Solar Peak Forecast by Zone







Plug-in Electric Vehicles

- PJM has contracted with S&P Global to produce an Electric Vehicle forecast for Light Duty and Medium & Heavy Duty
- S&P Global provided PJM with:
 - Zonal forecasts of vehicle counts by class
 - Zonal hourly charging by vehicle class for forecast horizon

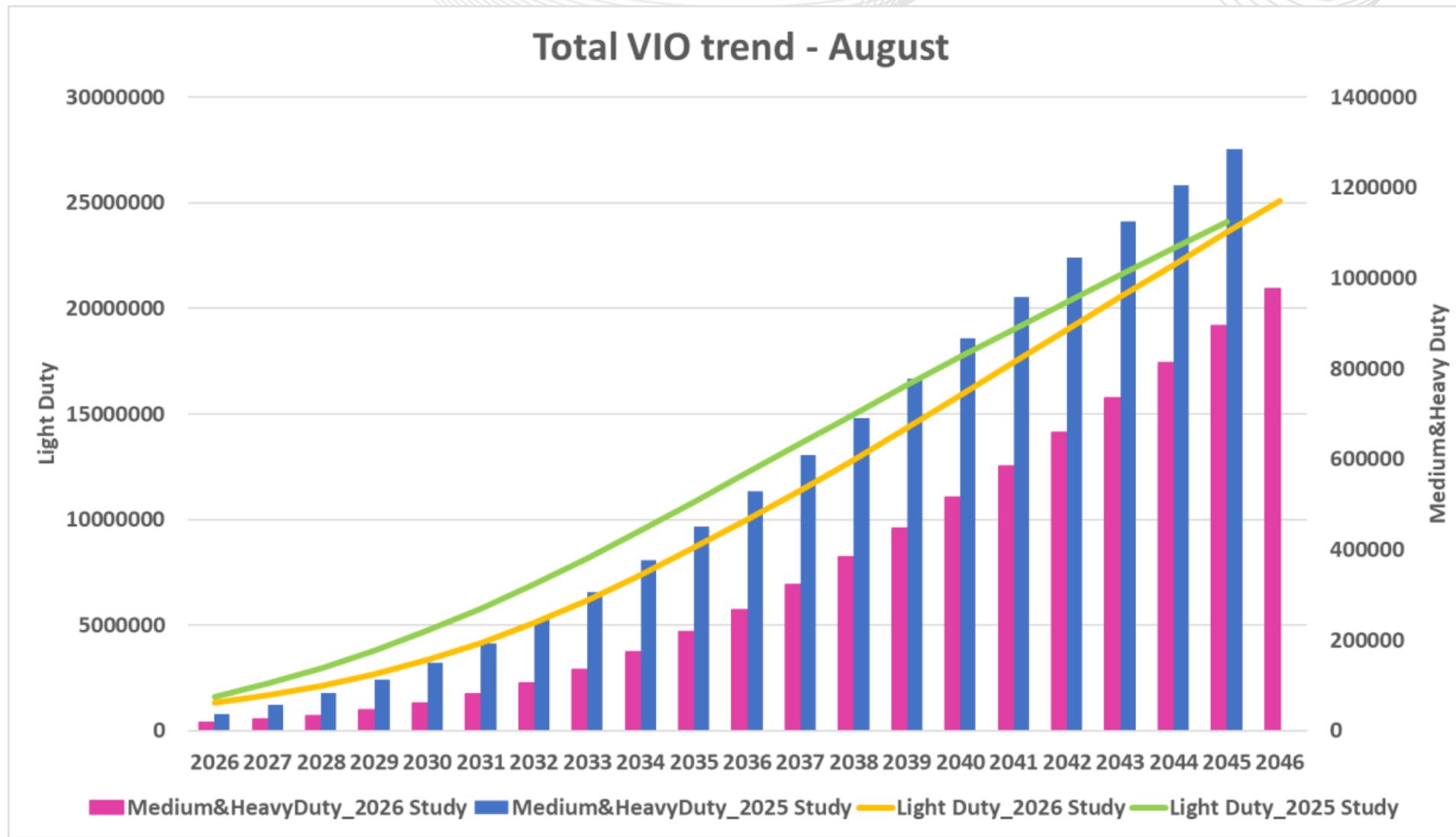
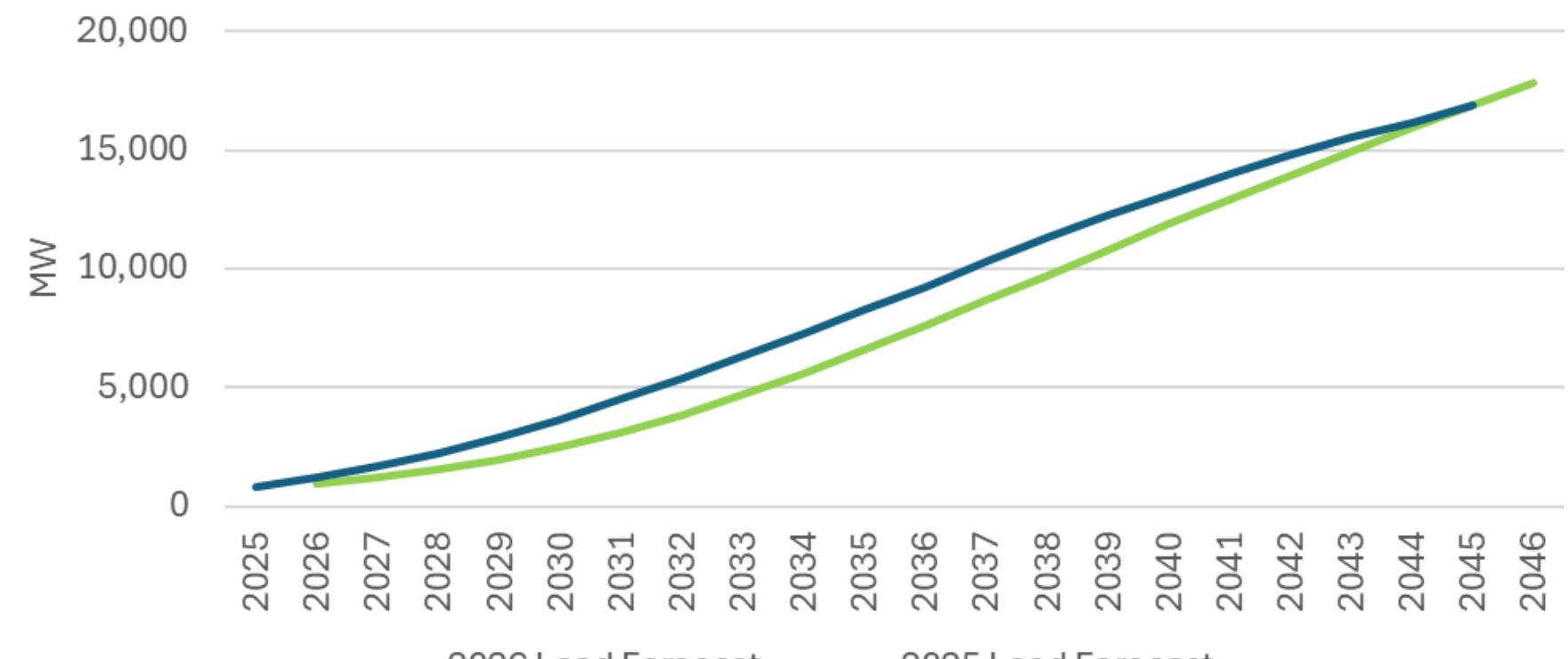


Table B8c: Plug In Electric Vehicle Adjustment
to Summer Peak Load - RTO





Load Forecast Adjustments

Timeline for Large Load Adjustments

Official request sent July 1

July
PJM requests information on potential load adjustments

Early September
PJM receives information on load adjustments and begins evaluation

September
Members present on load adjustments to Load Analysis Subcommittee

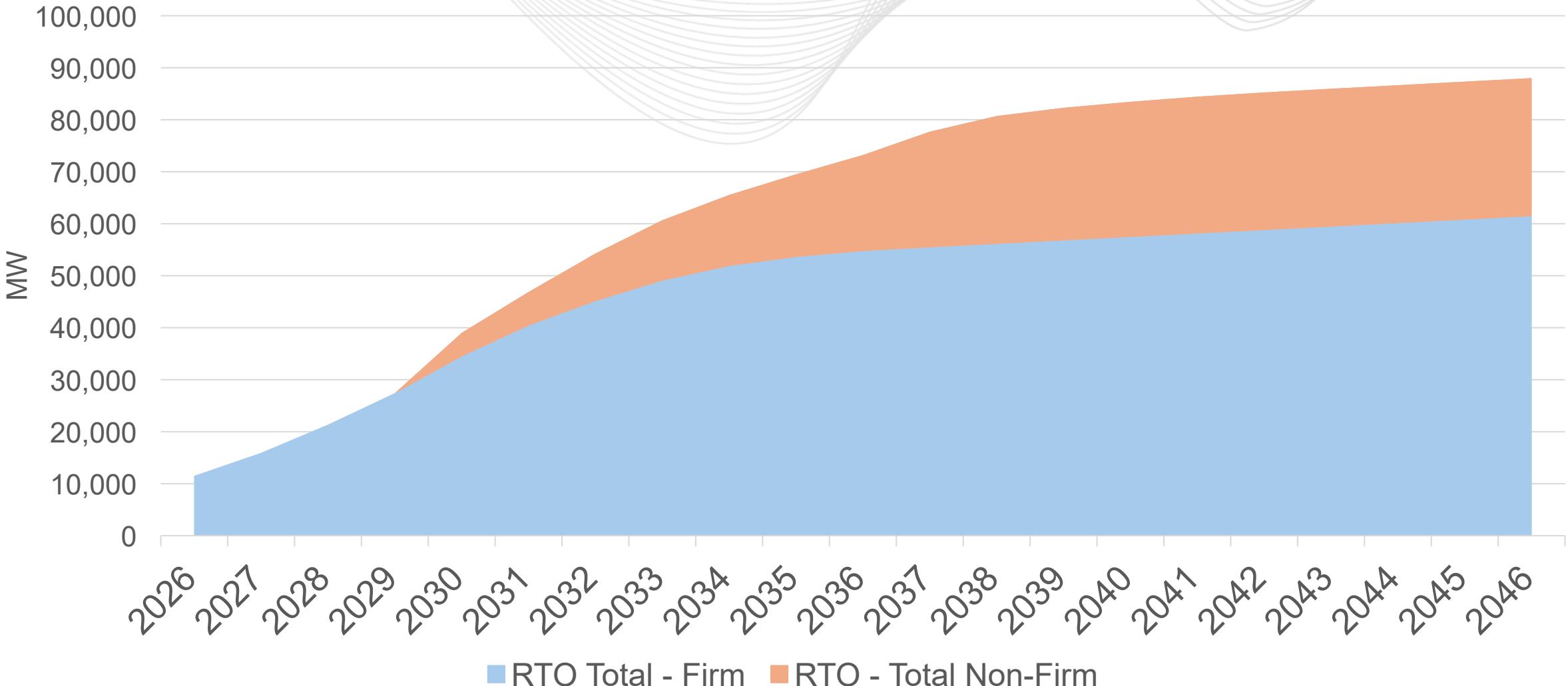
October/ November
PJM continues evaluation and presents preliminary accepted requests to Load Analysis Subcommittee

January
PJM presents and posts official PJM Load Forecast

EDC/LSE presentations from the 9.16.2025 LAS meeting and PJM presentation from the 11.24.2025 are here:

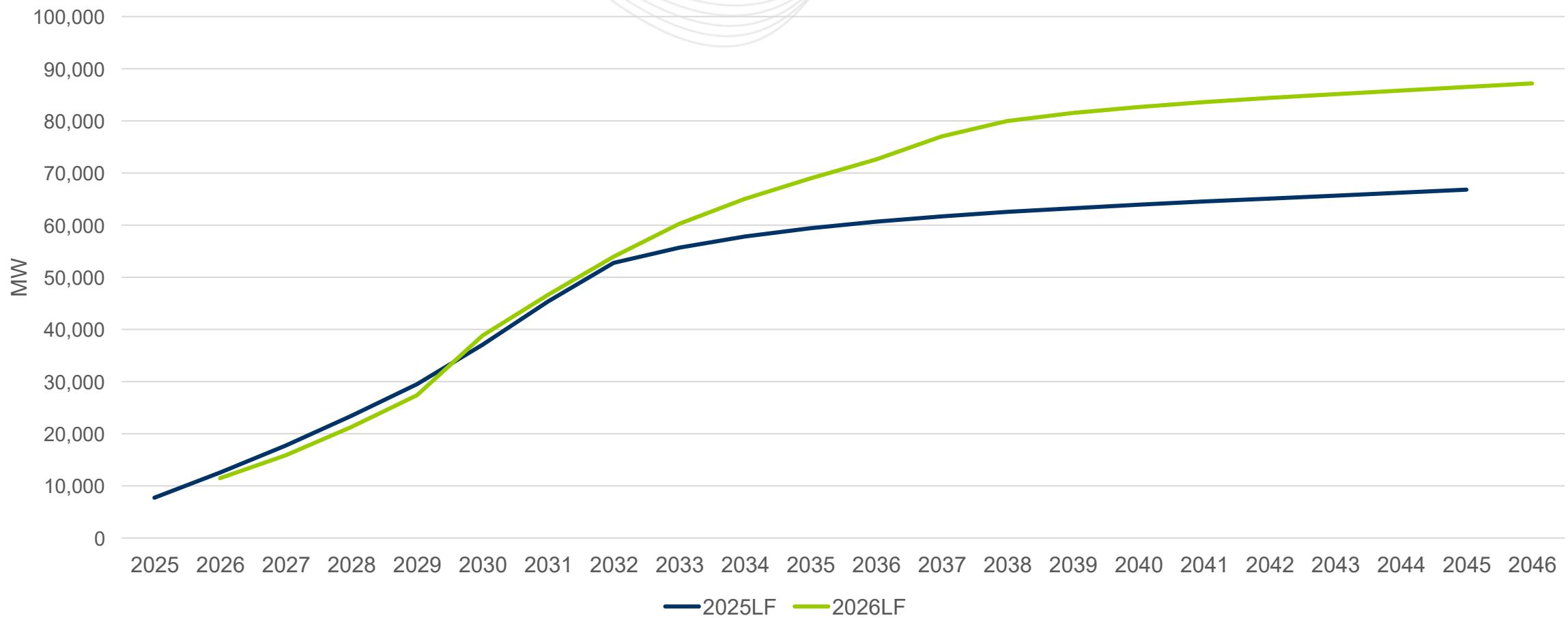
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- Filtered projects
 - Worked to identify those that had ESO/CC and marked those as “Firm”. Only these projects will be allowed to impact RPM
 - All other projects were labeled “Non-Firm”
- Investigated ramp rates (how long it takes for a data center to get from online to full demand) and imposed minimum 36 month
- Investigated utilization rate (% of final capacity that is used) and imposed 70% unless otherwise supported
- Considered national projections for a top-down estimate
- Review of economic data in load forecast model to mitigate double counting load growth



Total Load Adjustment Comparison

Table B9b: Total Load Associated with
Adjustments to Summer Peak Load

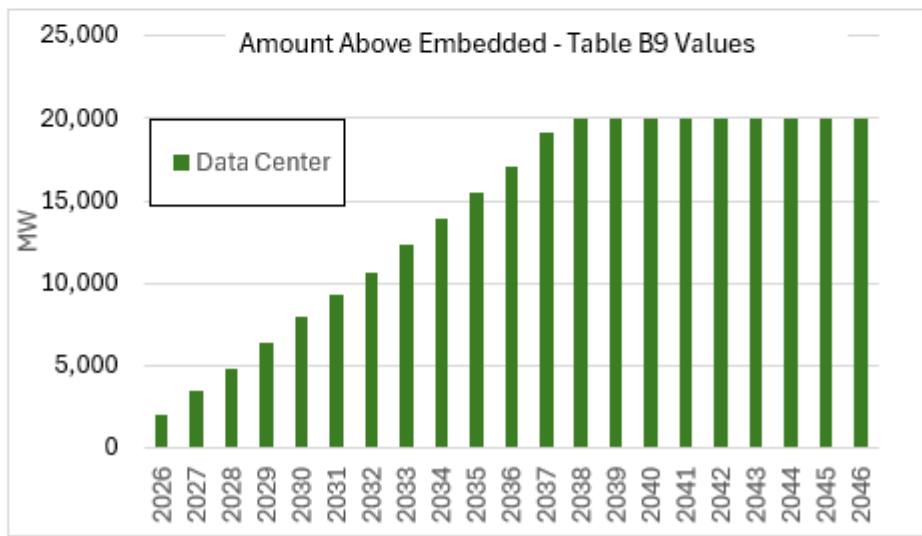
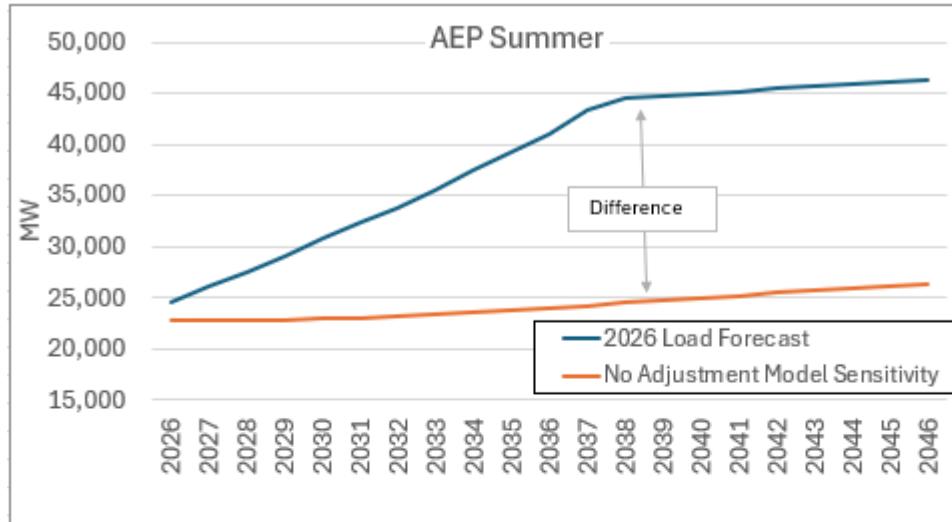


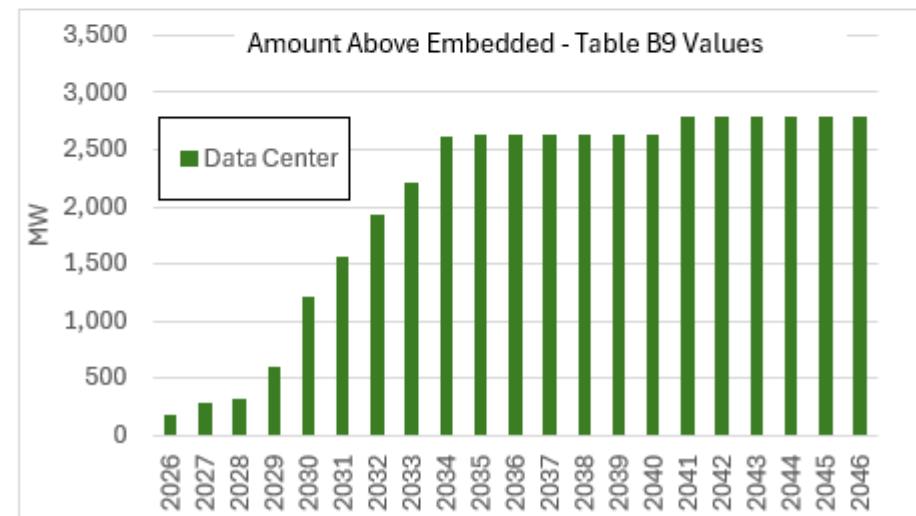
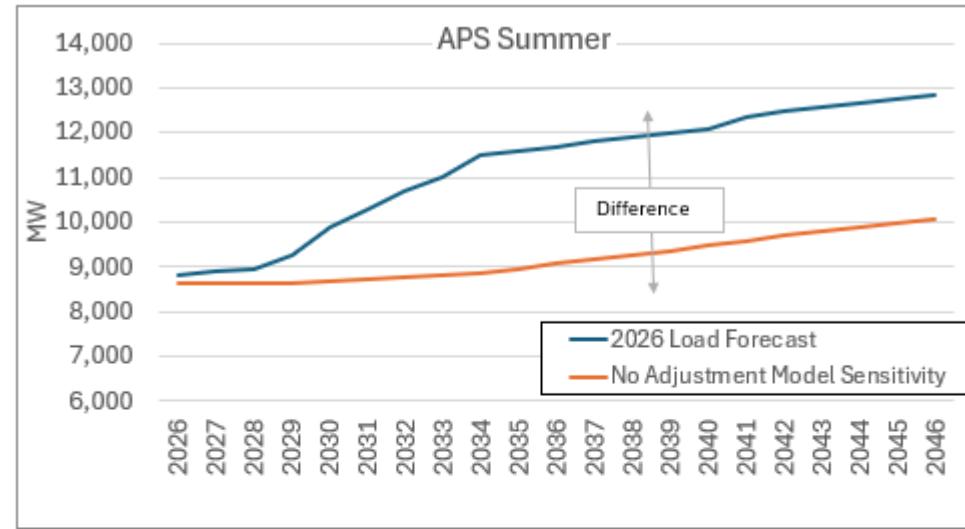
2026 Forecast (blue line):

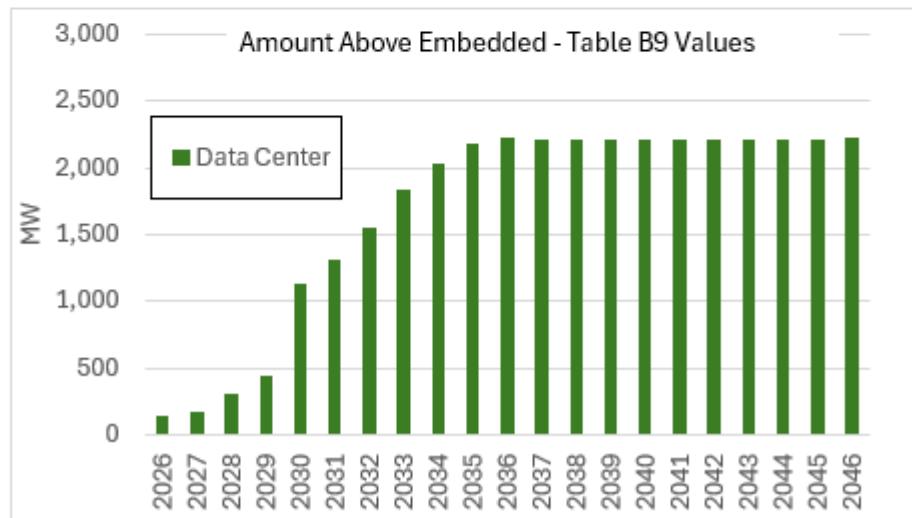
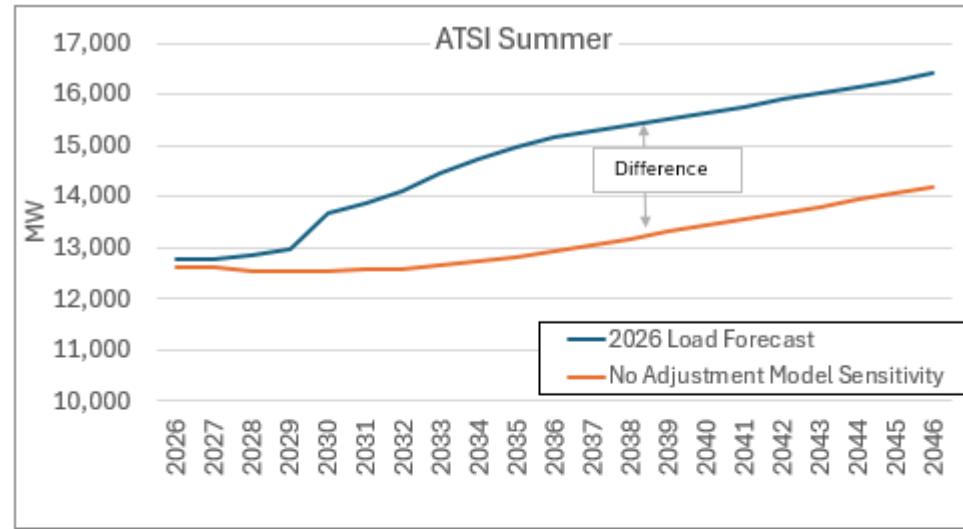
- For any zone with existing data center loads in history:
 - PJM removes monthly data center load from the commercial EIA data in an effort to remove any double counting
 - PJM also removes hourly data center load from our historical loads that get used in our model estimation
 - Final total accepted load gets added
- For any zone without existing data center loads in history:
 - Final total accepted large load gets added

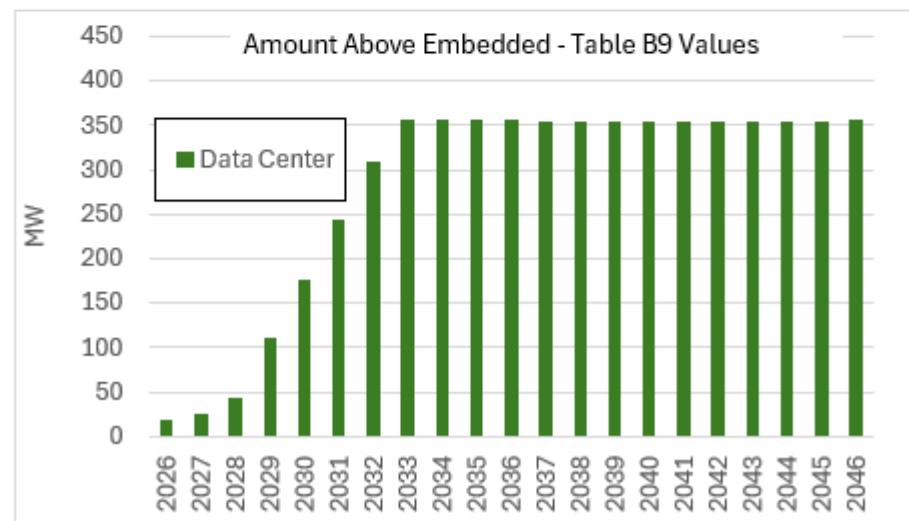
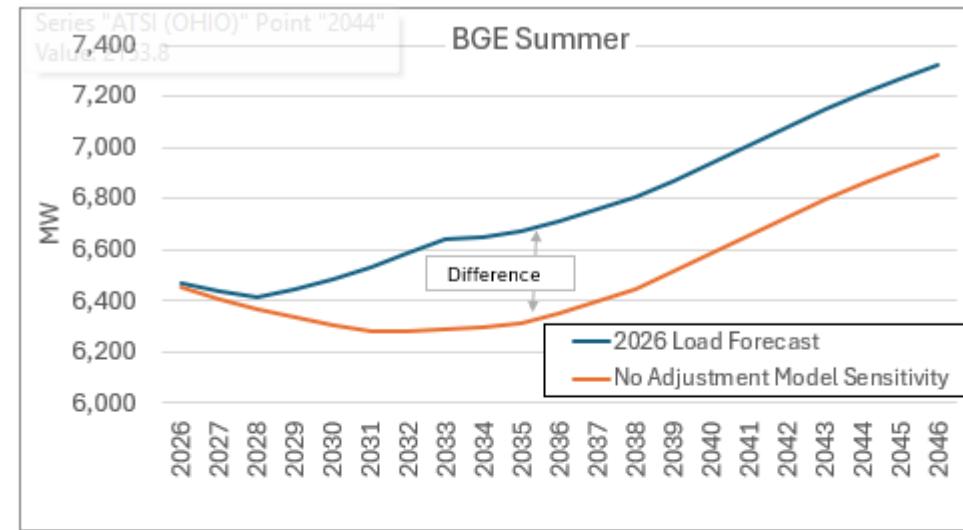
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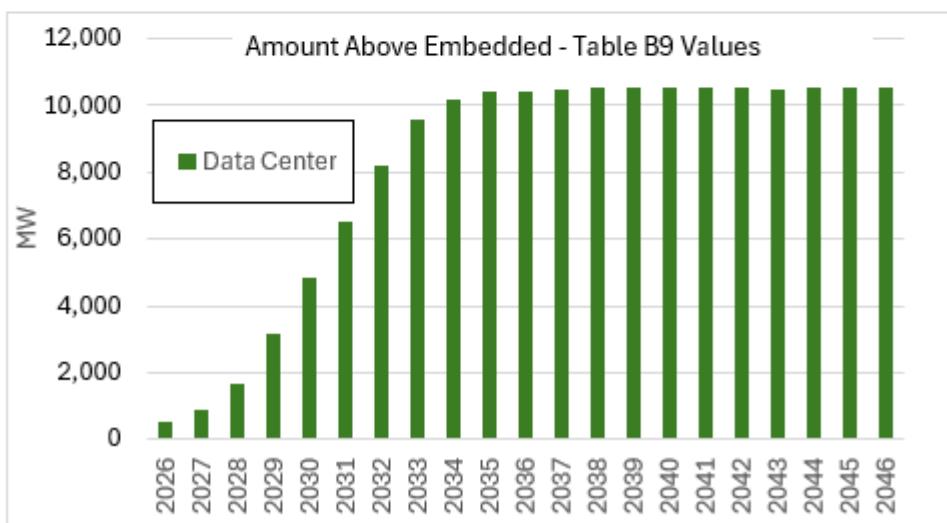
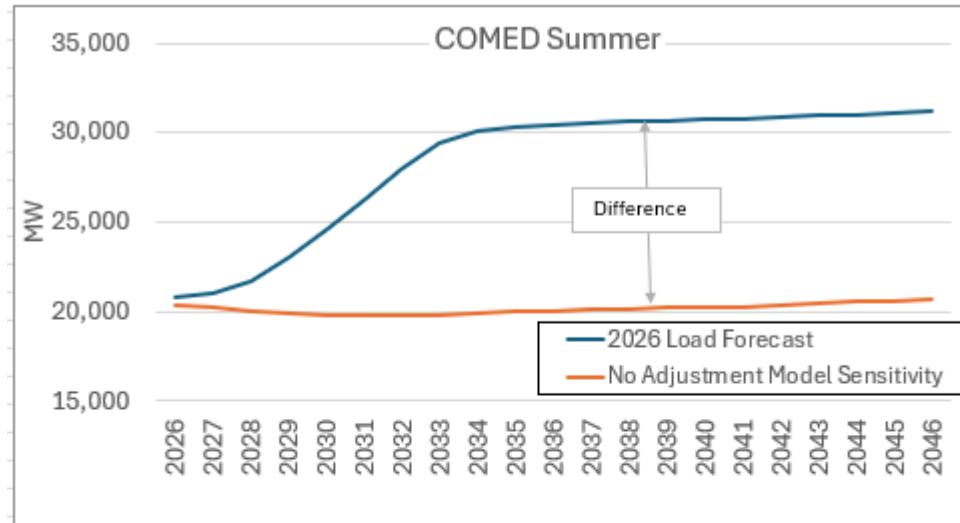
- To compute B9 values
 - A sensitivity is run with no data center loads removed from history in Commercial loads and historical loads (orange line)
 - This forecast is compared to final forecast to show amount above embedded (green bars)

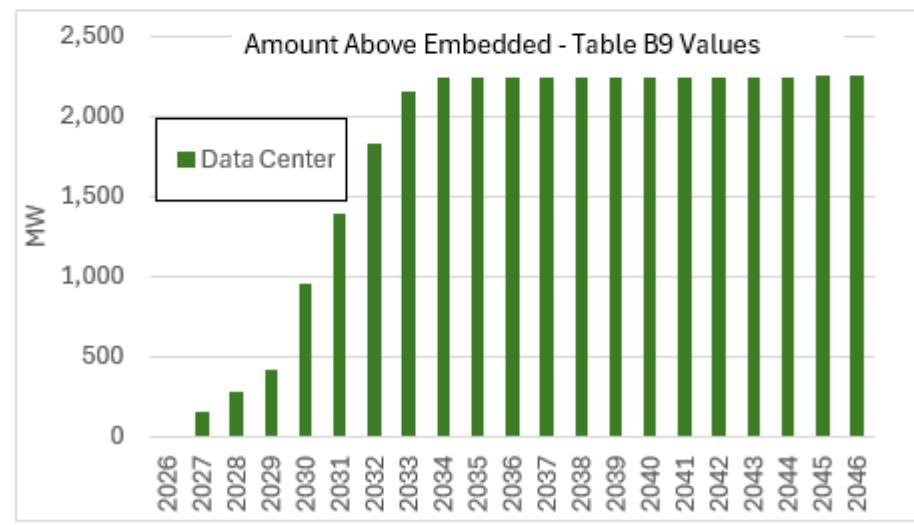
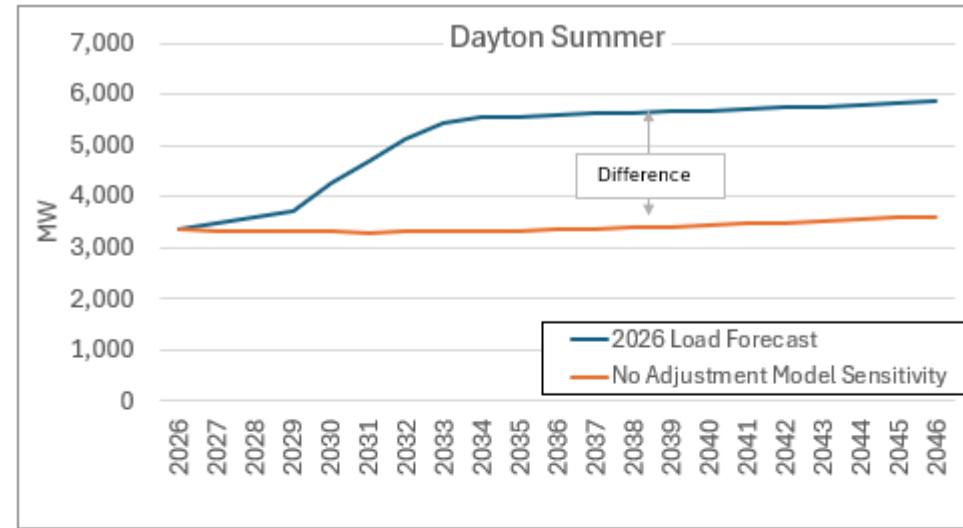


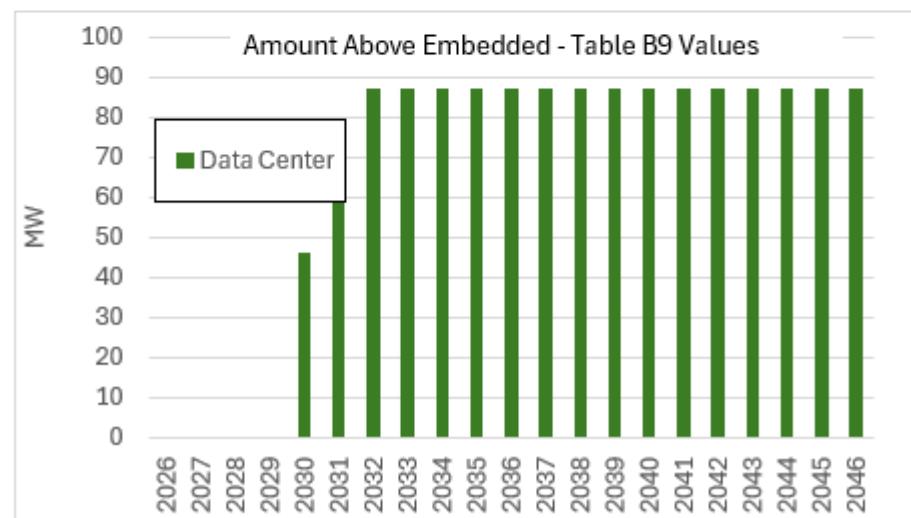
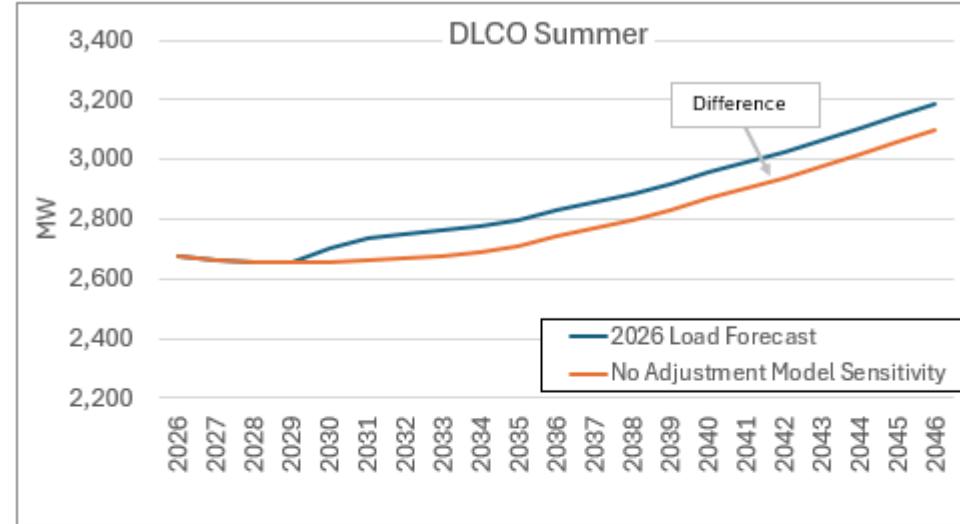


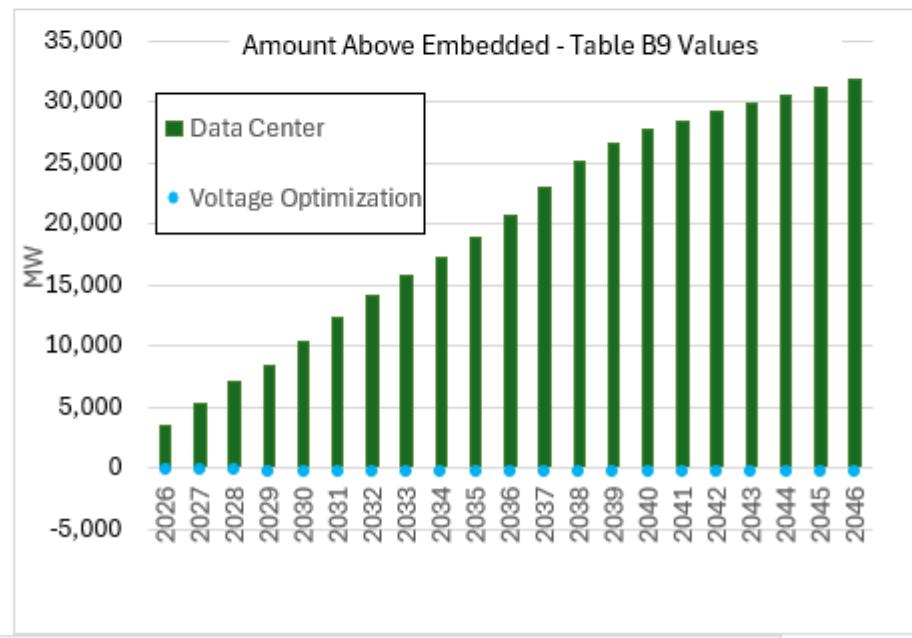
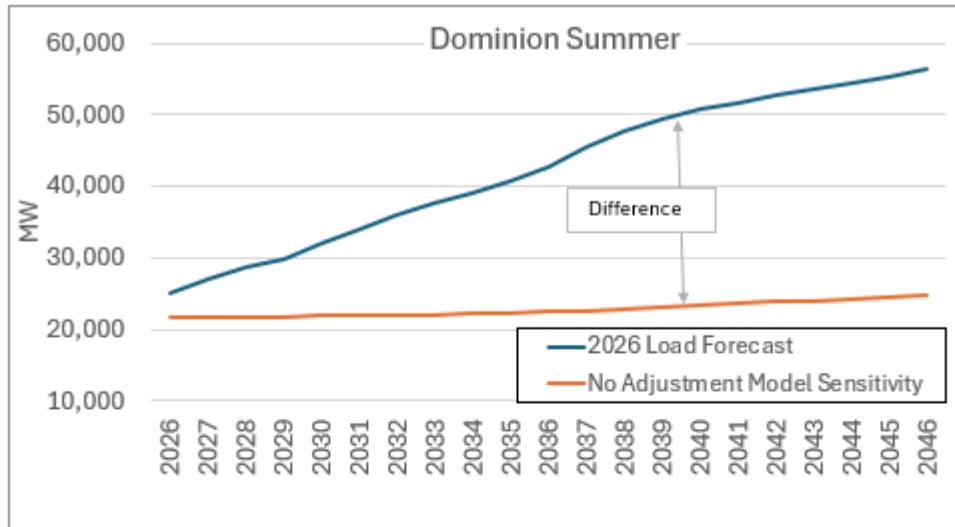


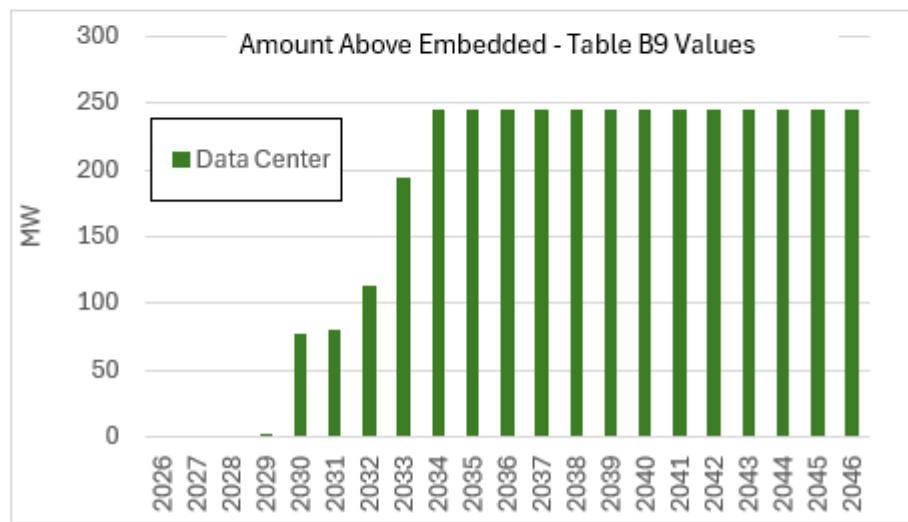
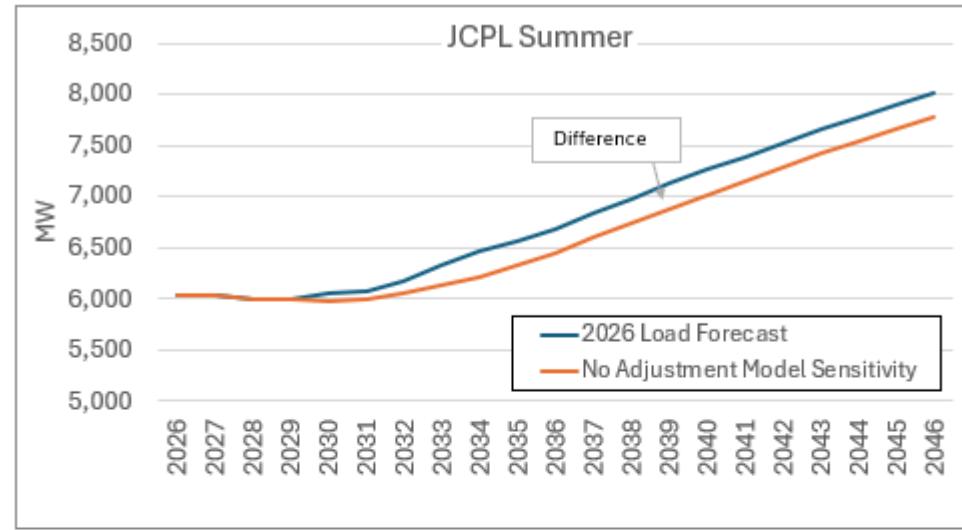


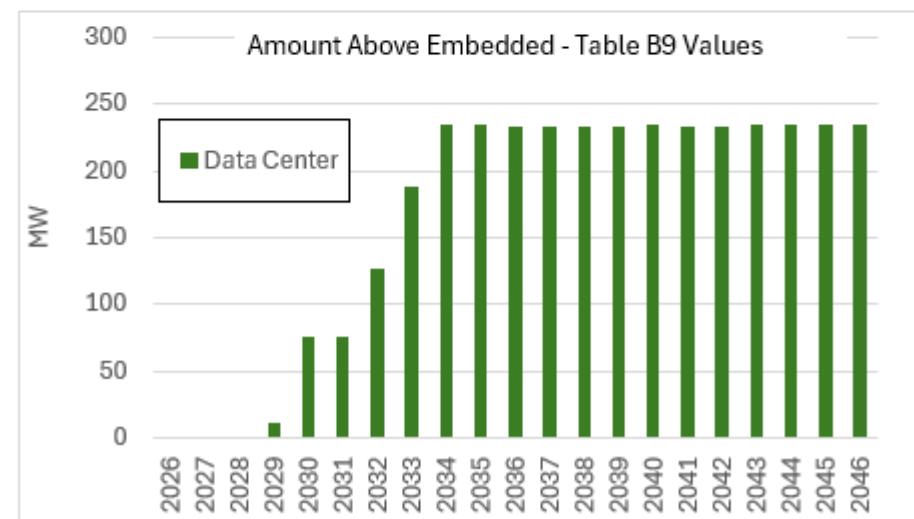
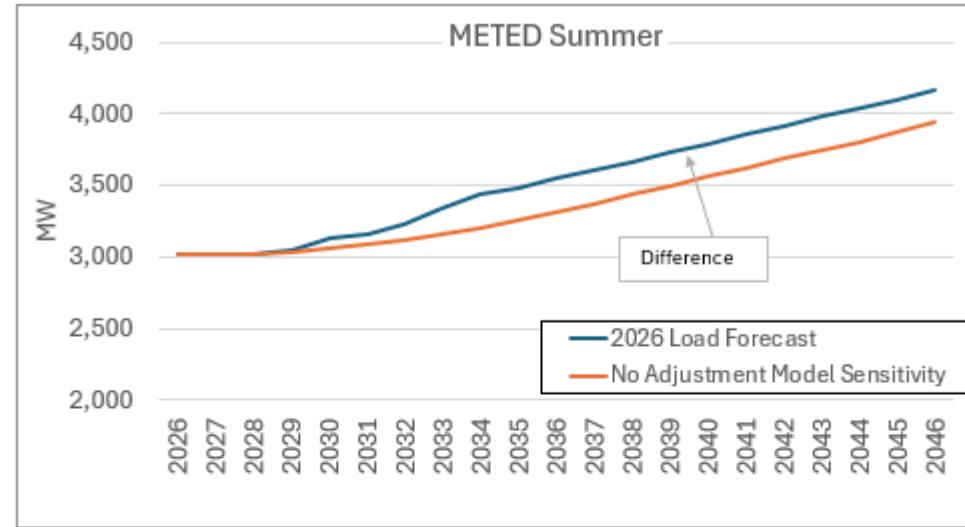


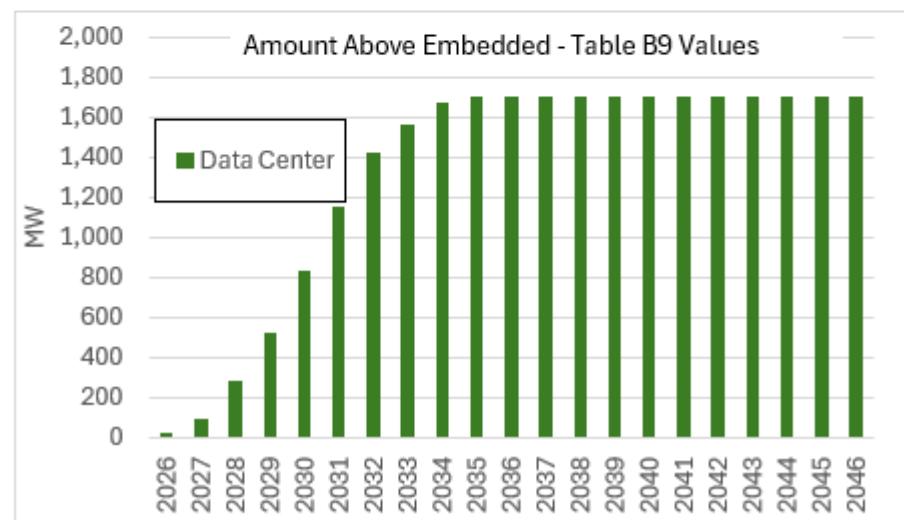
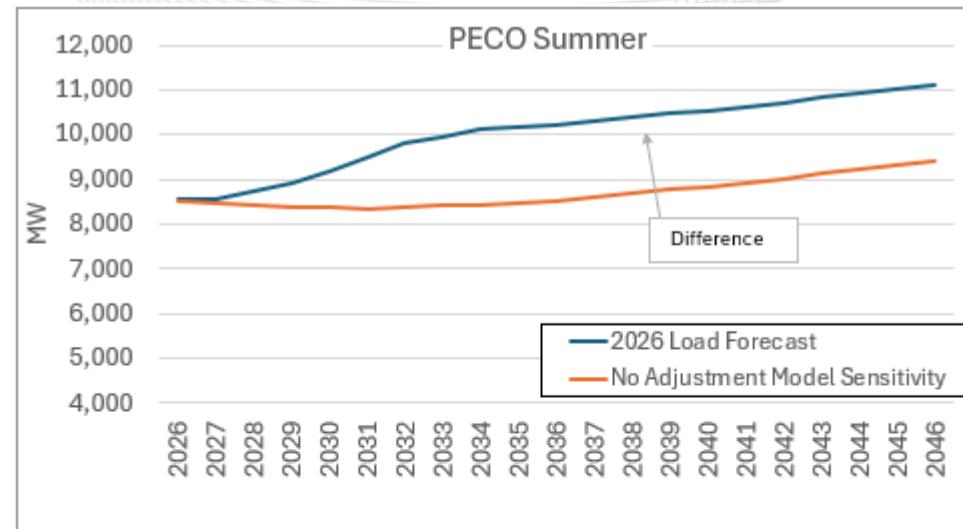


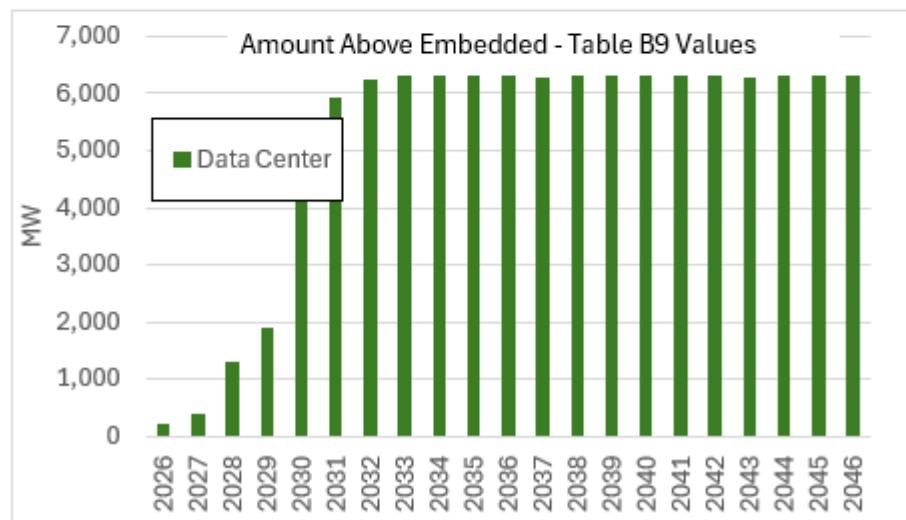
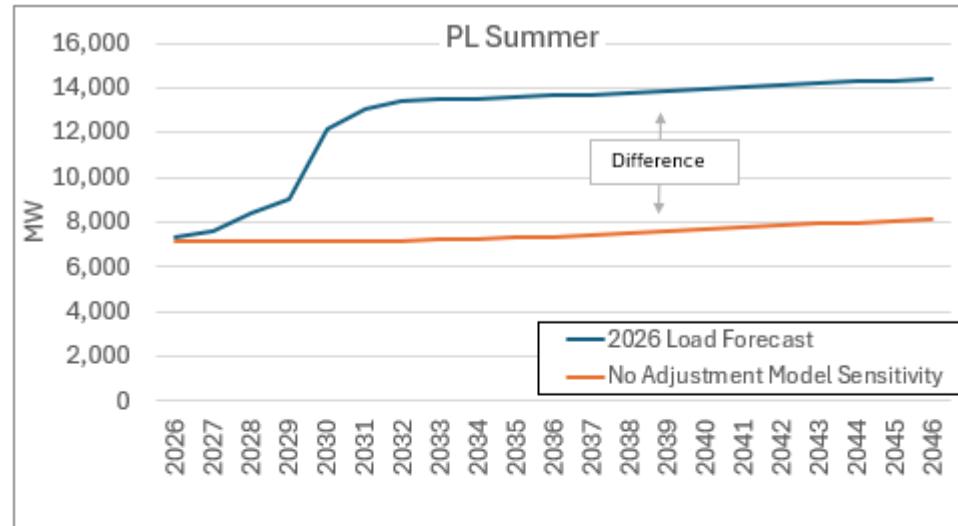


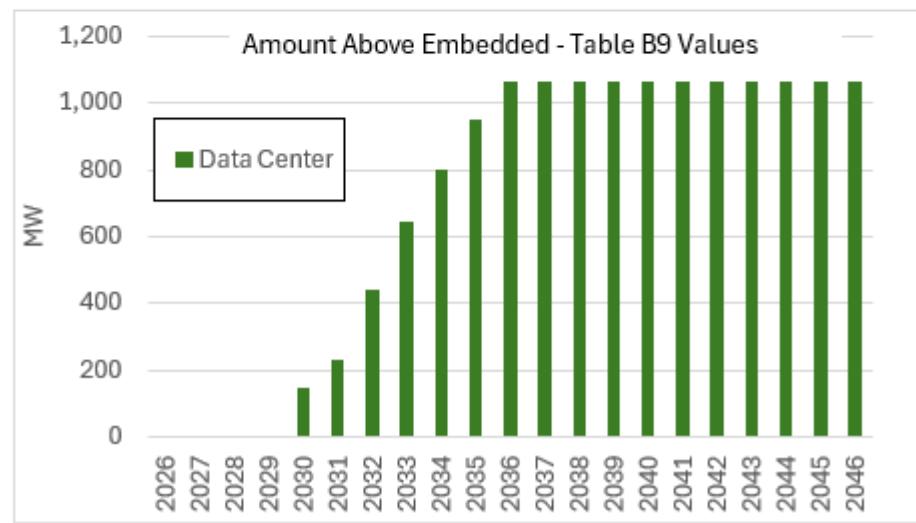
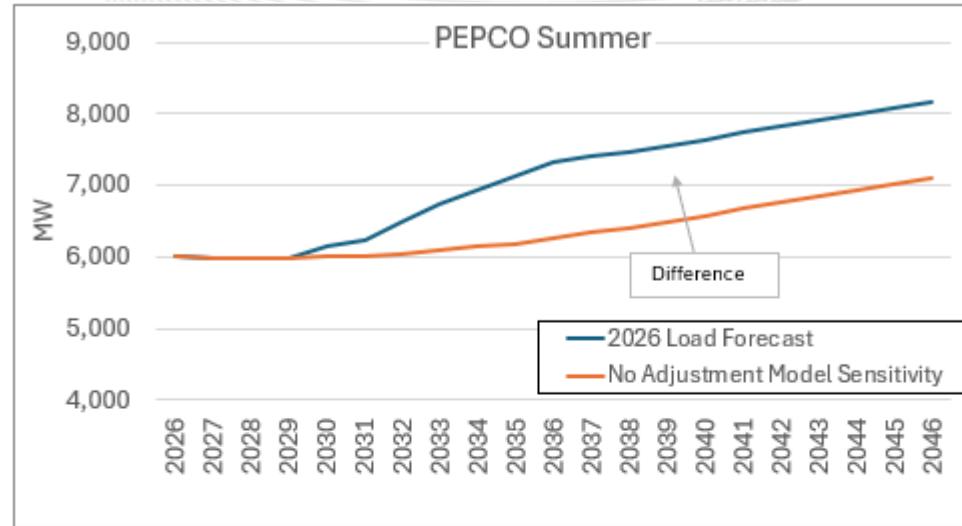


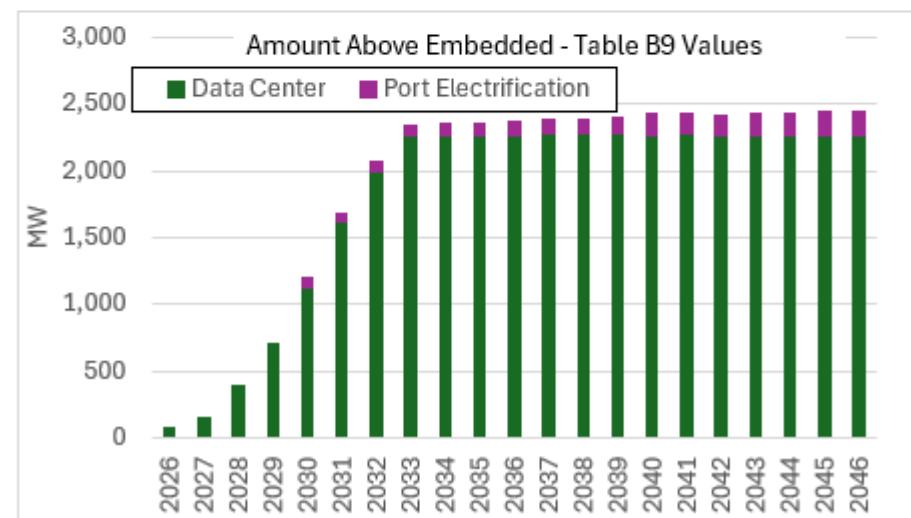
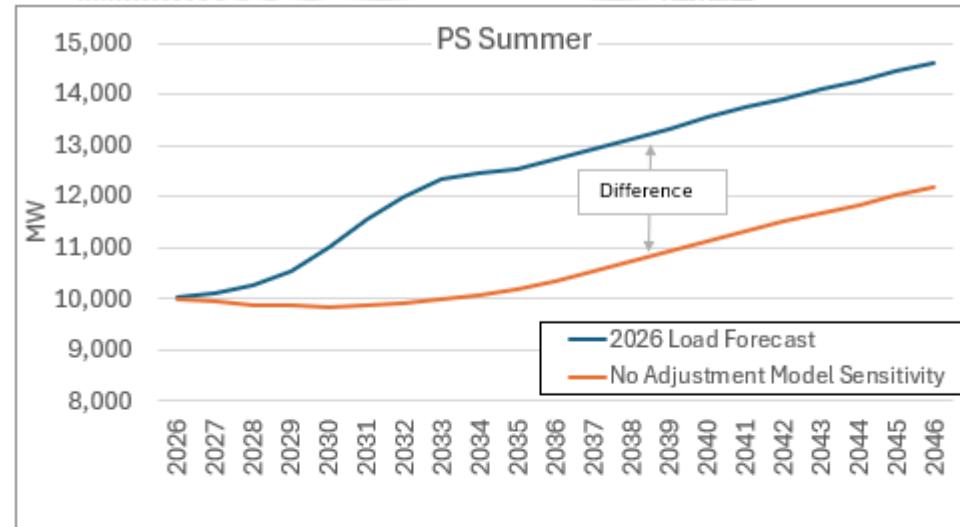








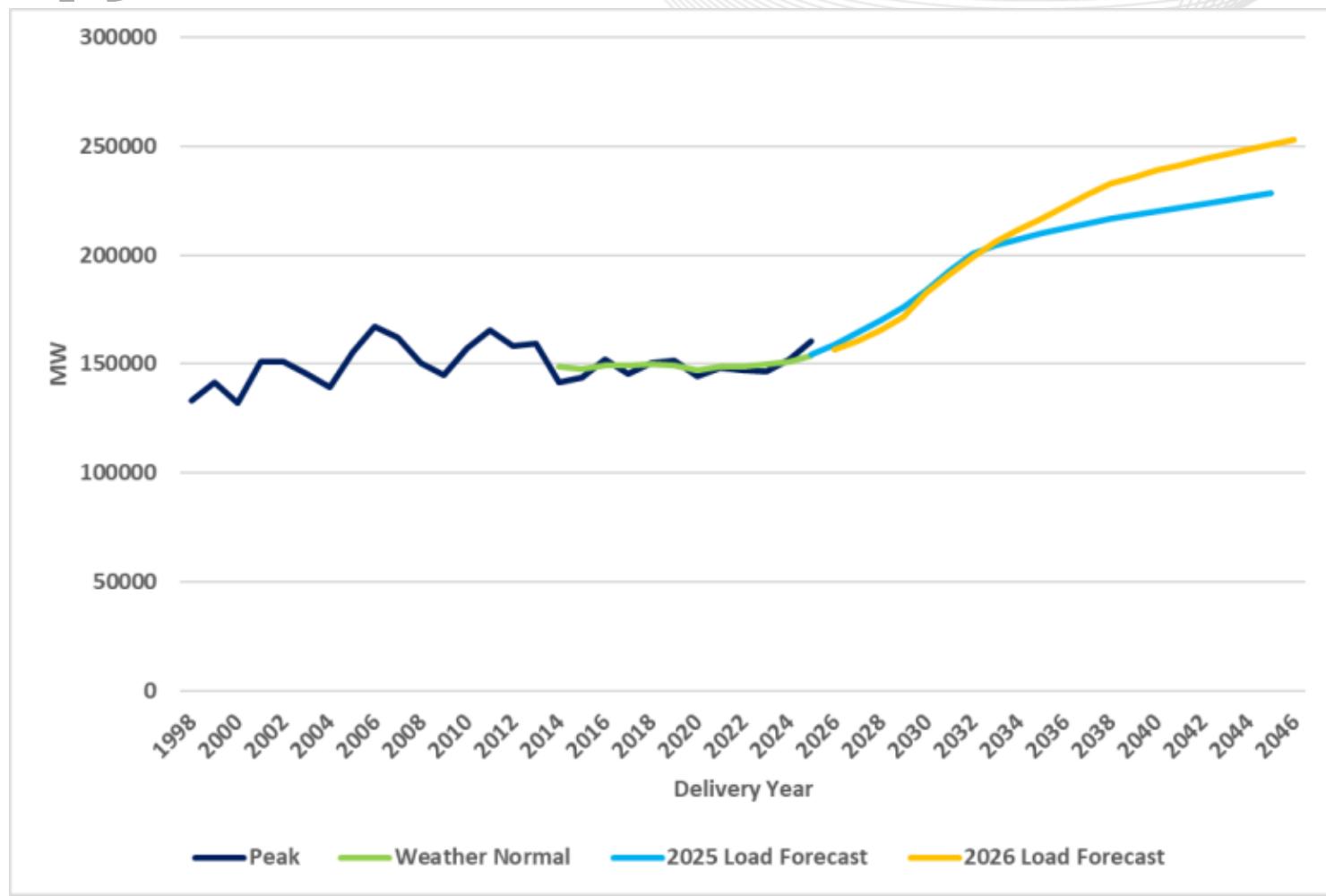






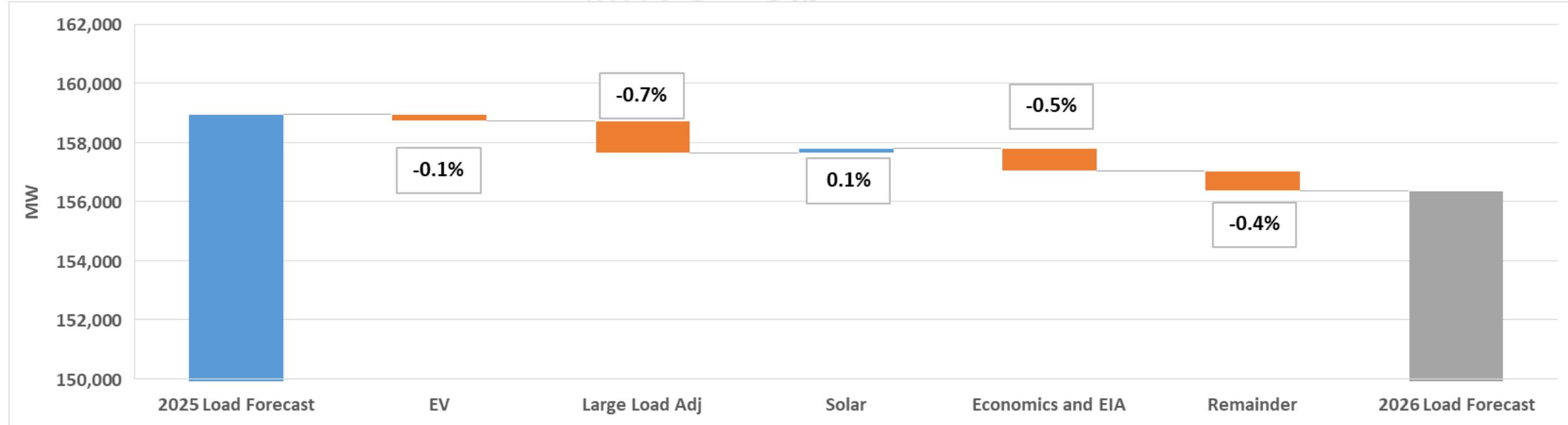
2026 Long-Term Load Forecast

Summer Forecast Comparison 2025 vs 2026



- 20-year/ Annualized Growth Rate
 - 2025 Forecast: 2.0%
 - 2026 Forecast: 2.4%
- Select year comparisons
(2026 Forecast vs 2025 Forecast)
 - 2027: -2.3% (~3,700 MW)
 - 2029: -2.7% (~4,600 MW)
 - 2031: -0.9% (~1,600 MW)
 - 2040: +7.8% (~18,600 MW)

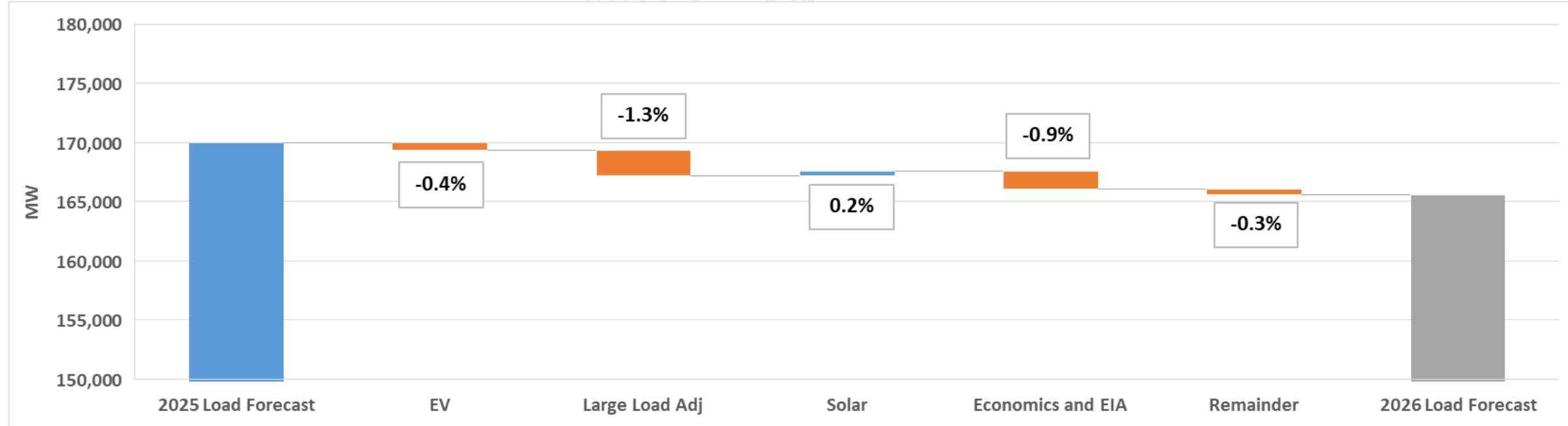
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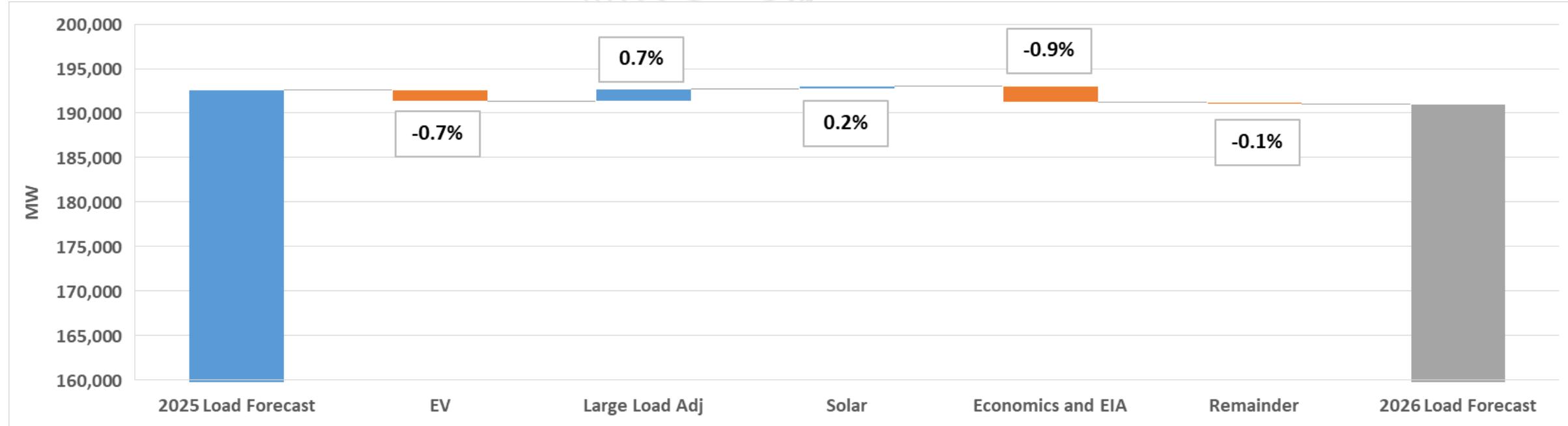
Summer 2028 Forecast Waterfall Comparison



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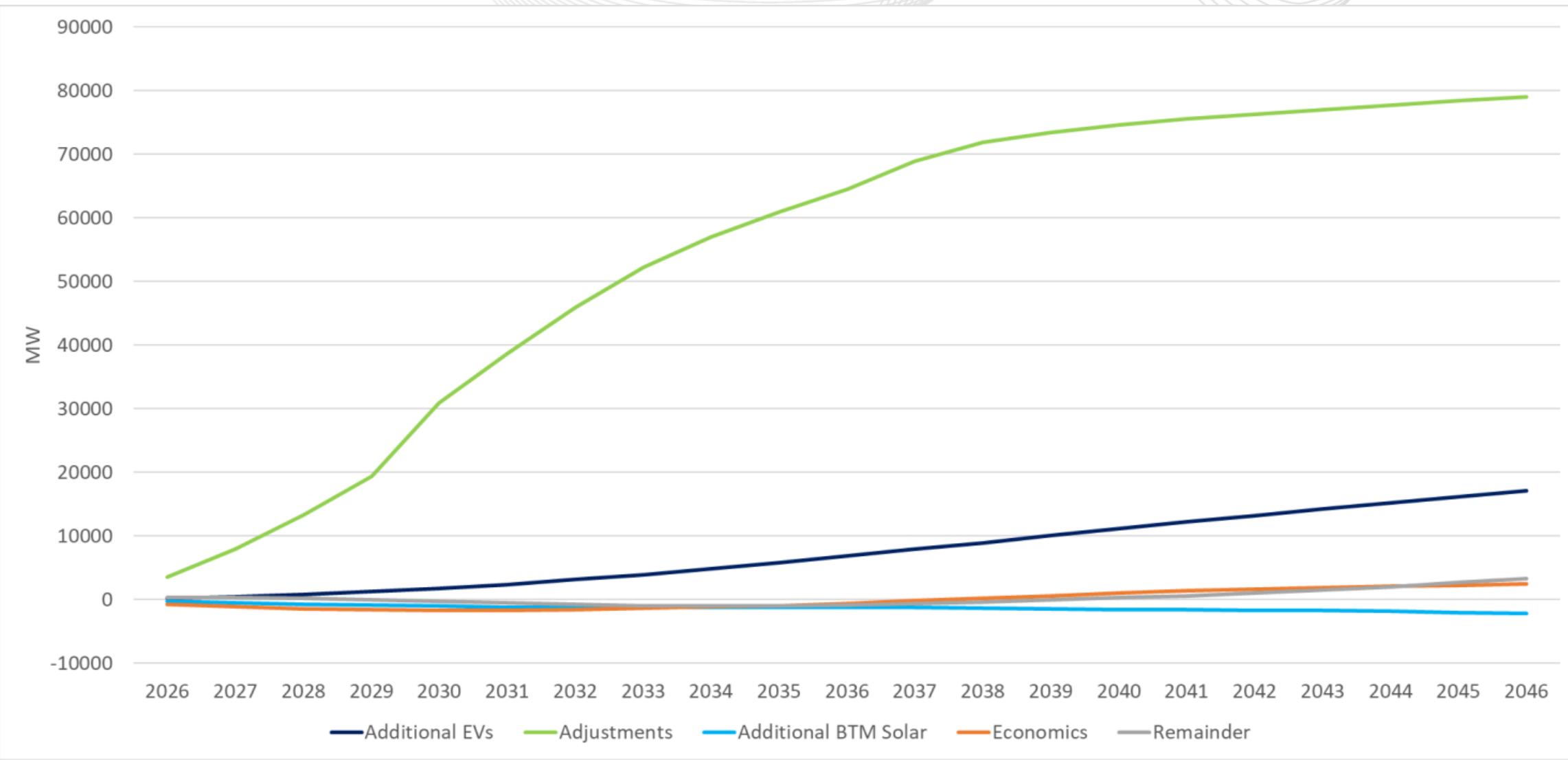
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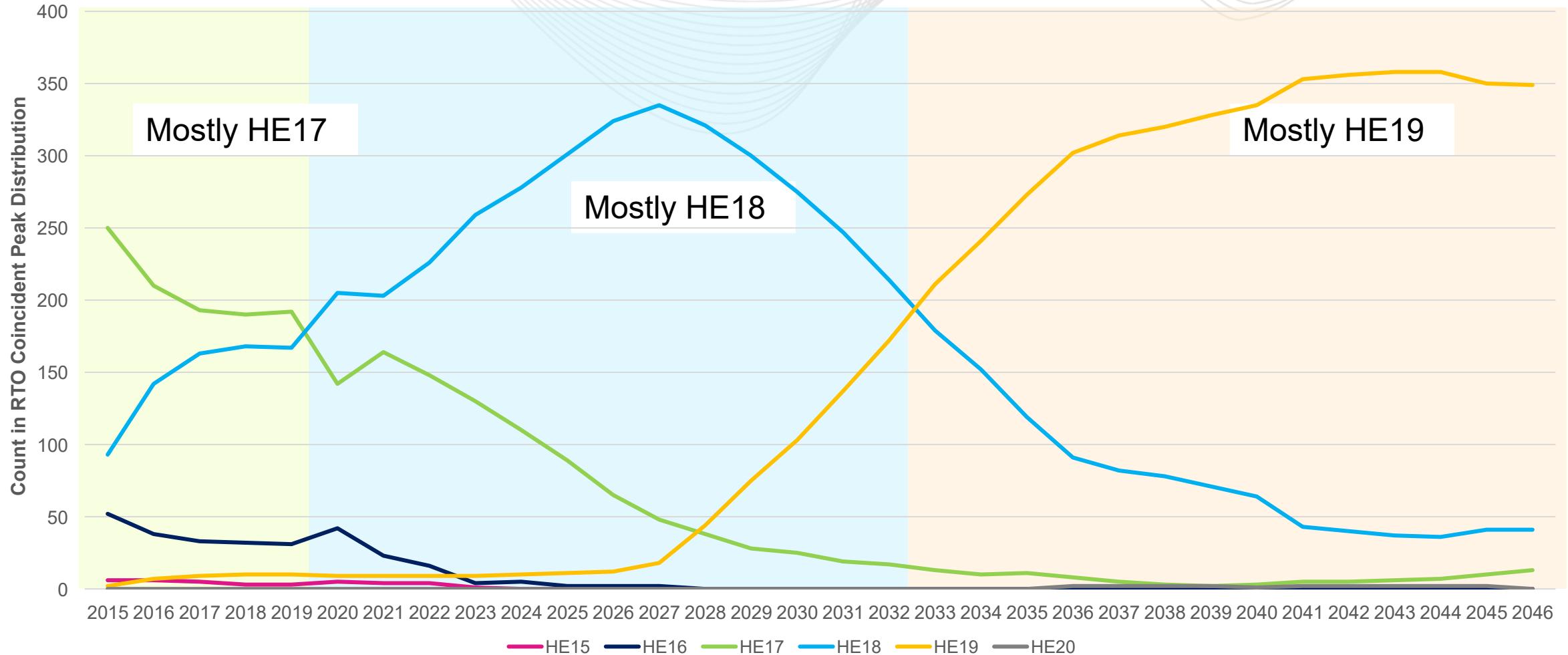


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Summer Forecast Flow – Additions and Subtractions

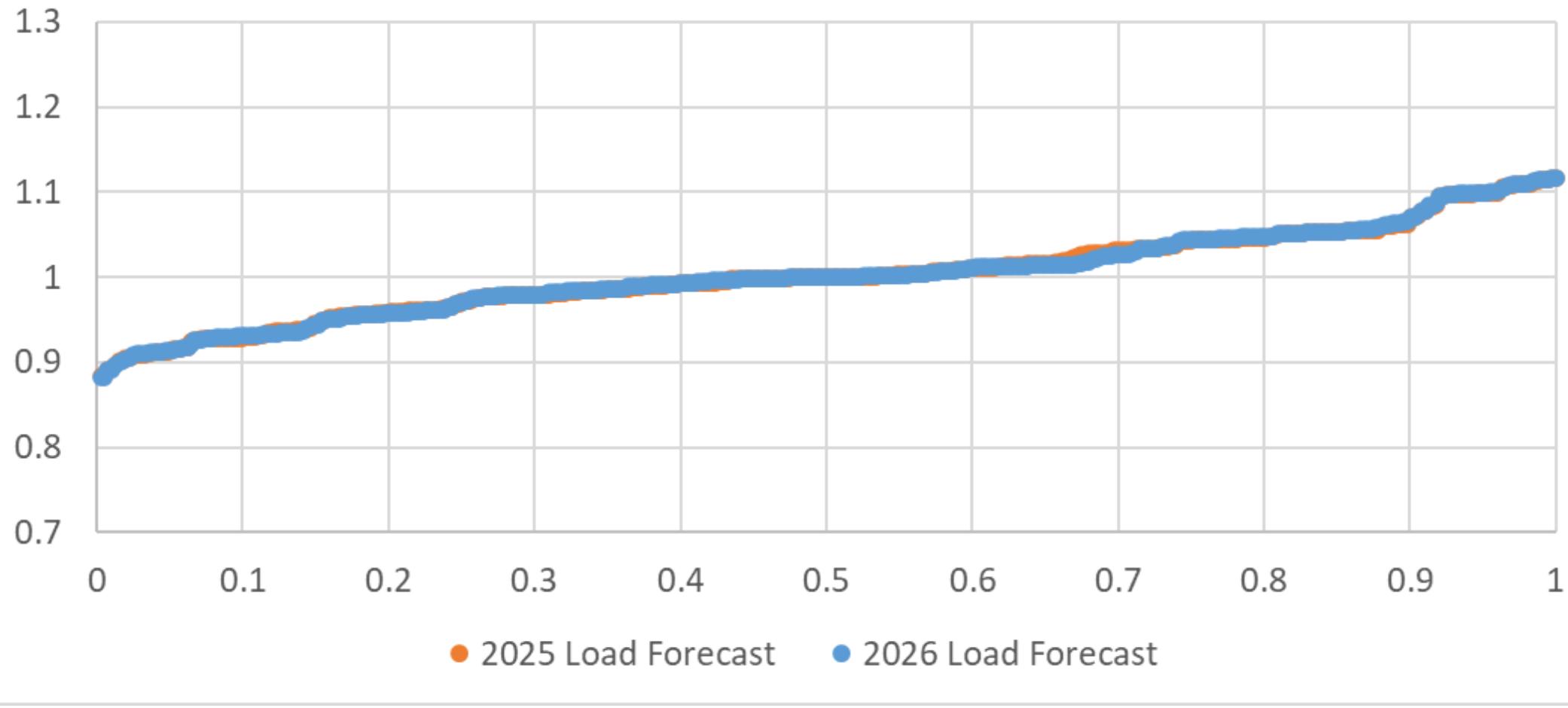




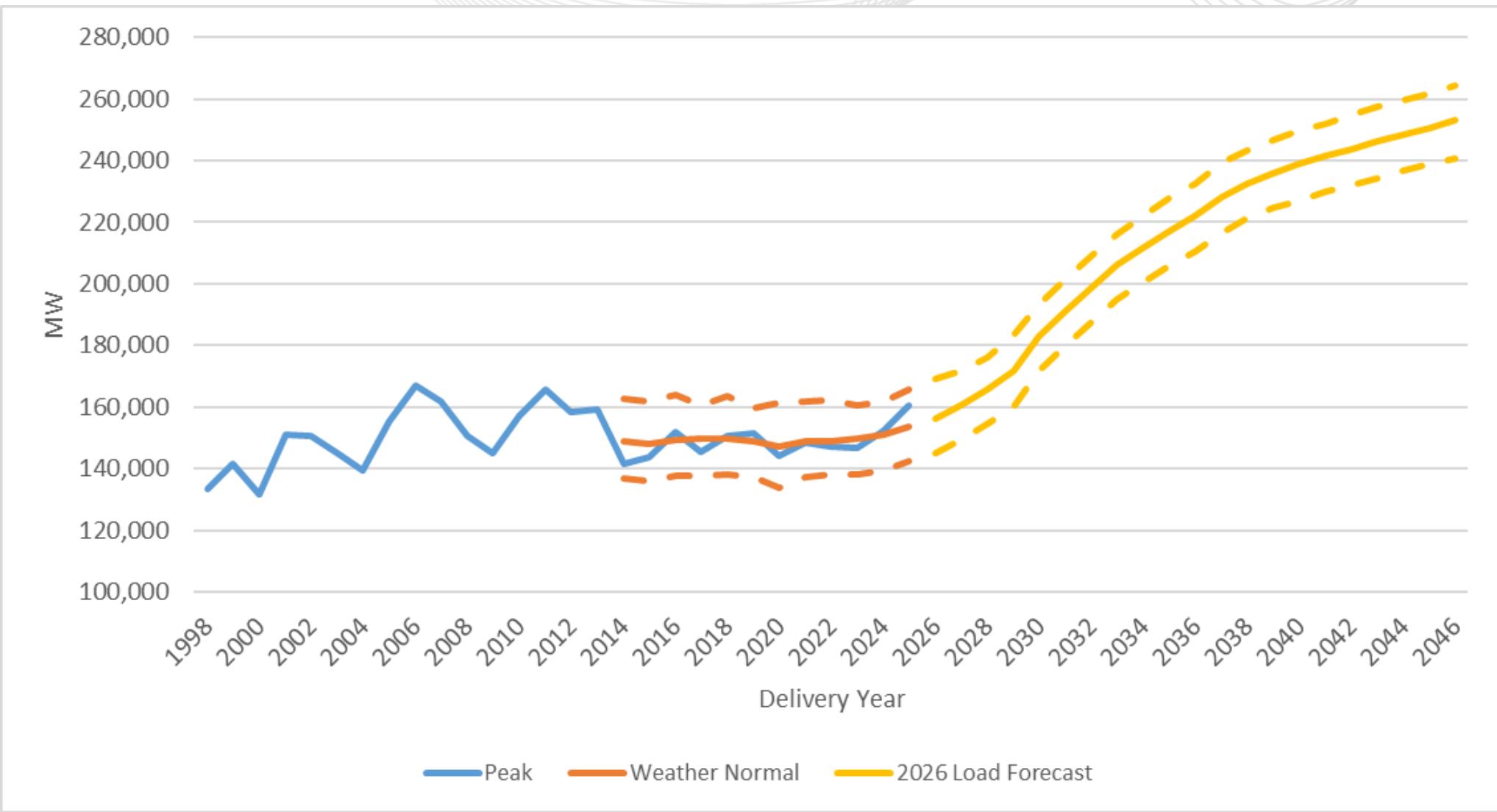
2027 Summer Peak Distribution Comparison

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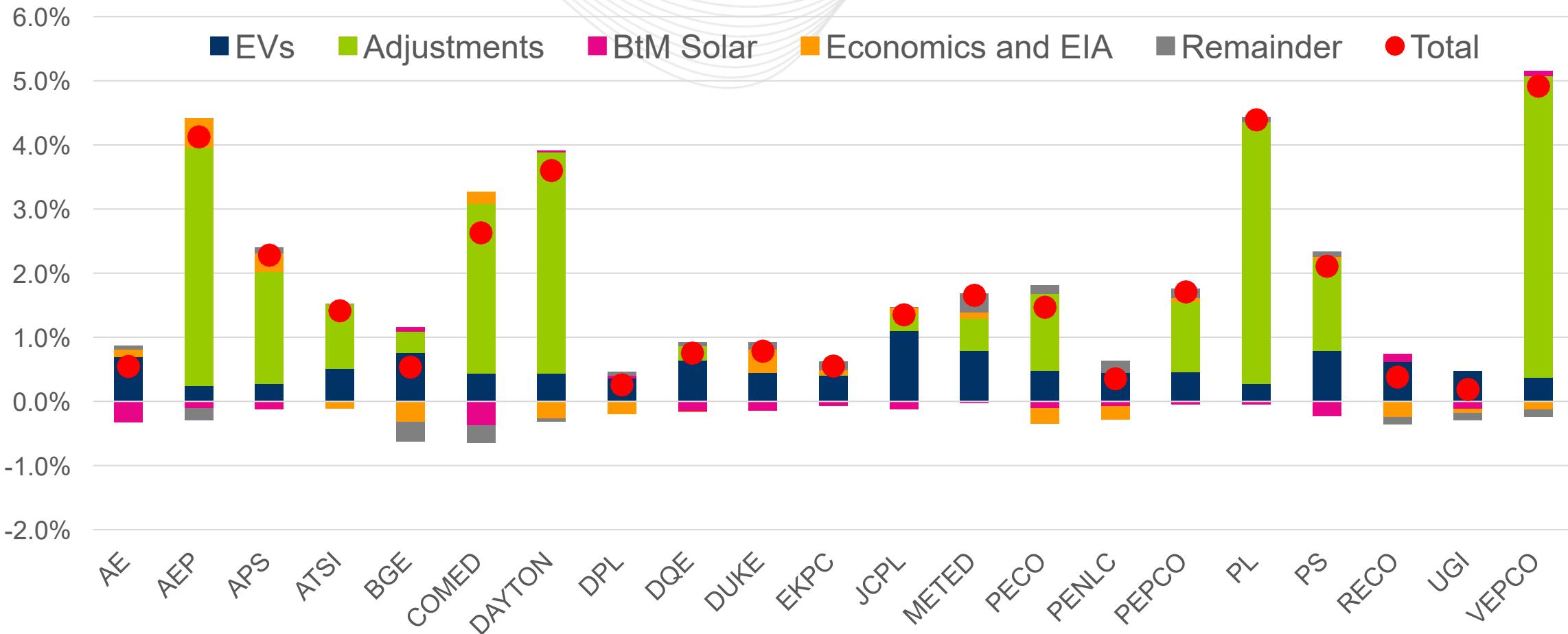
Summer 2027 RTO CP distribution - perunitized



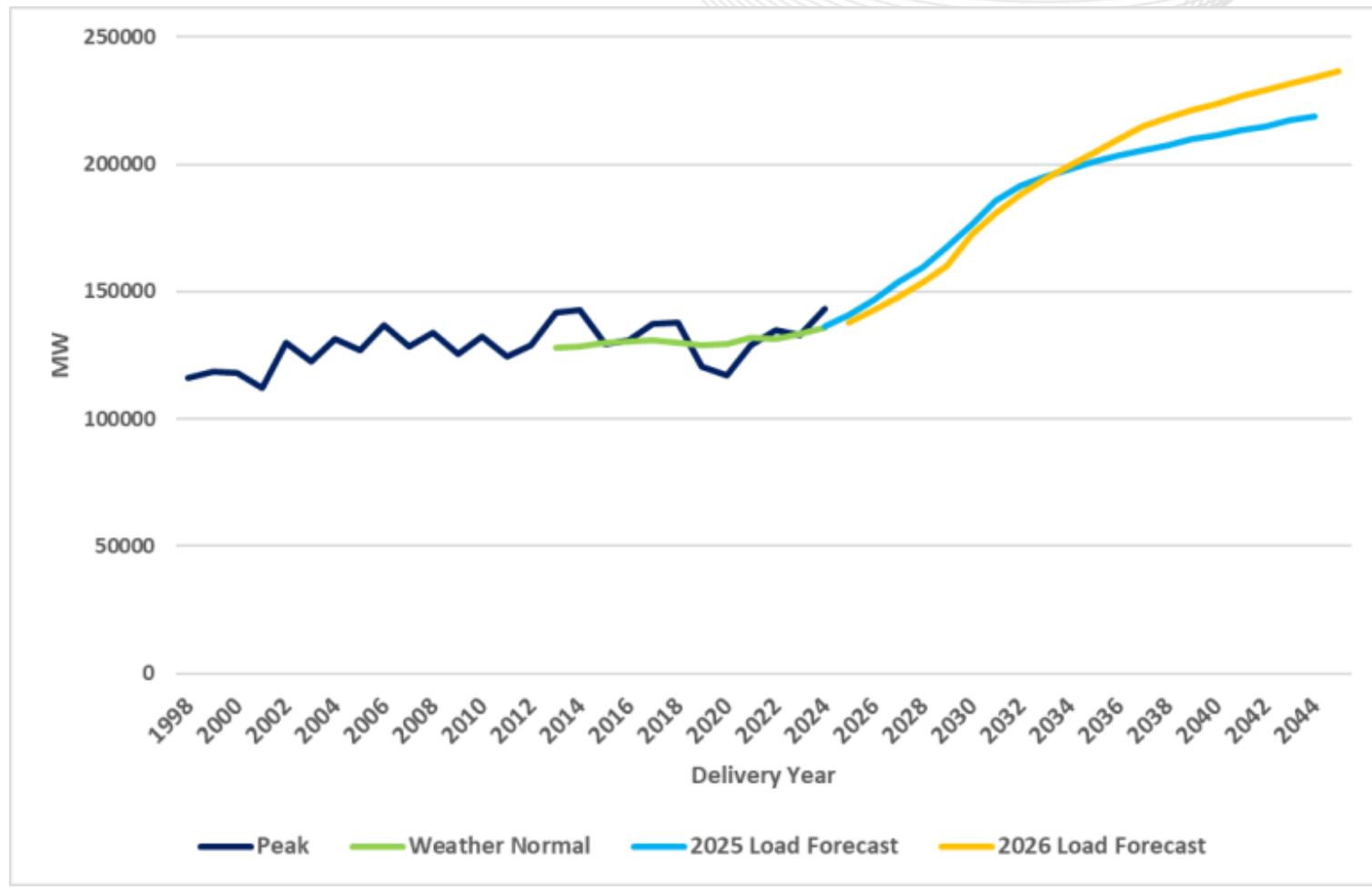
2026 Summer Forecast w/ 10th and 90th Percentile Weather Bands



Summer Peak Average Annual Growth (2026-2041)

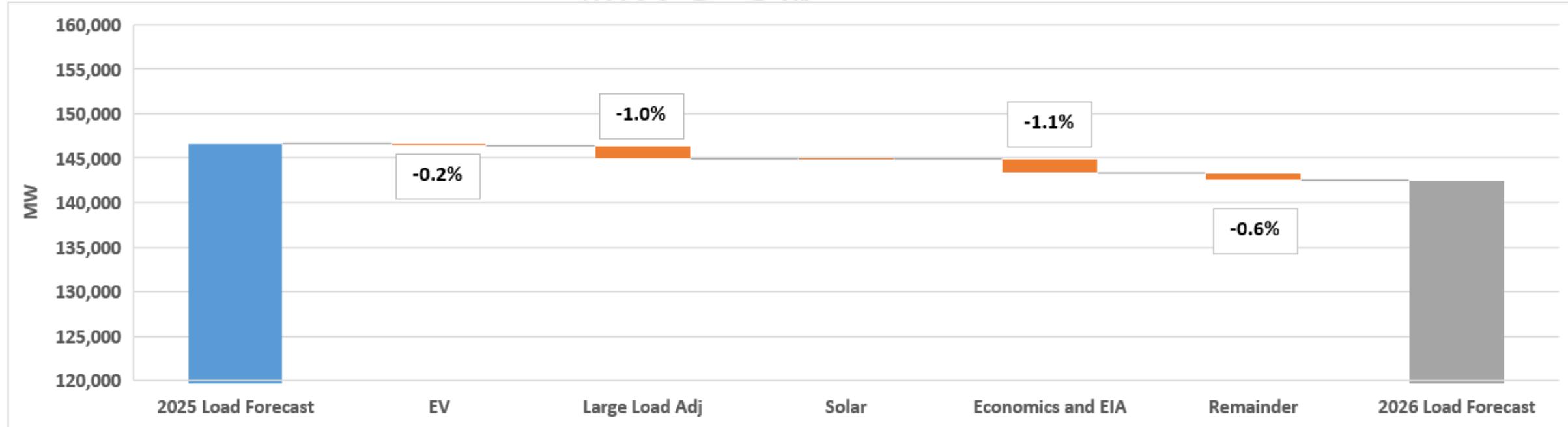


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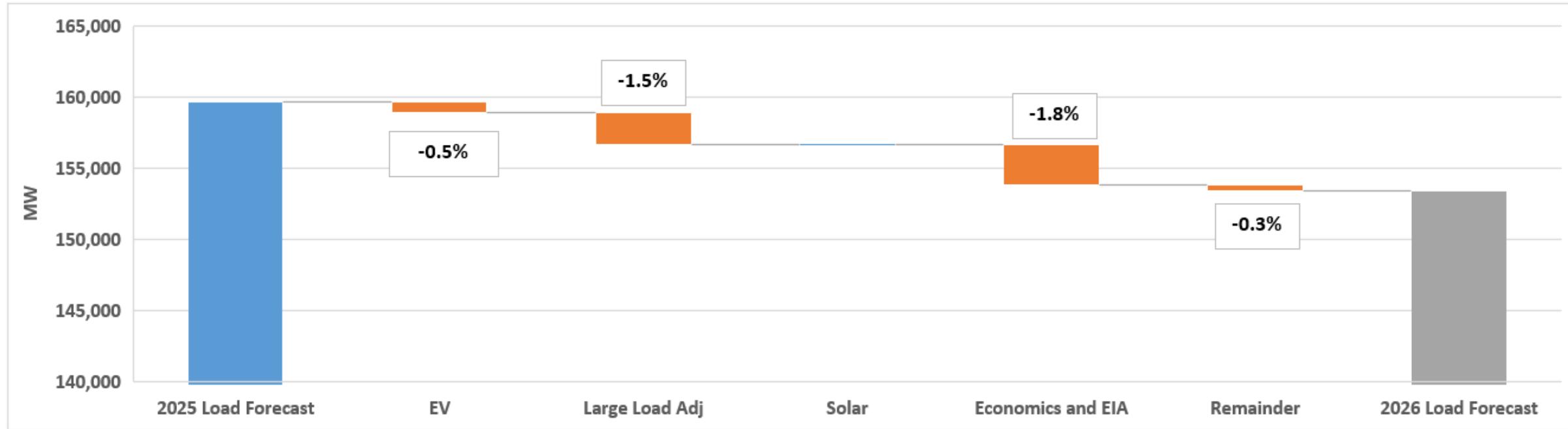
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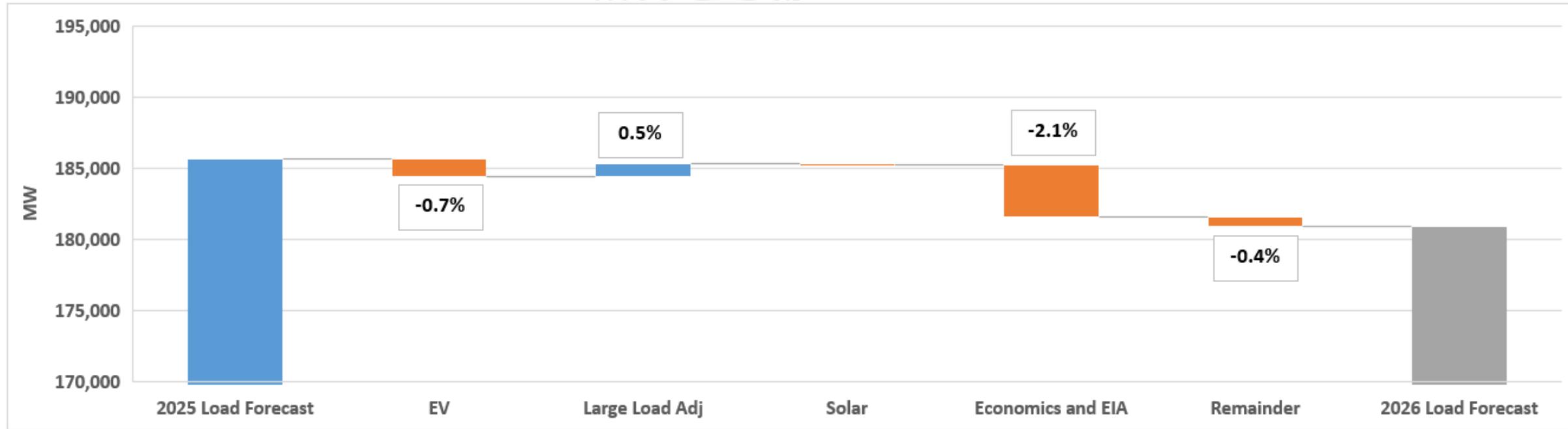
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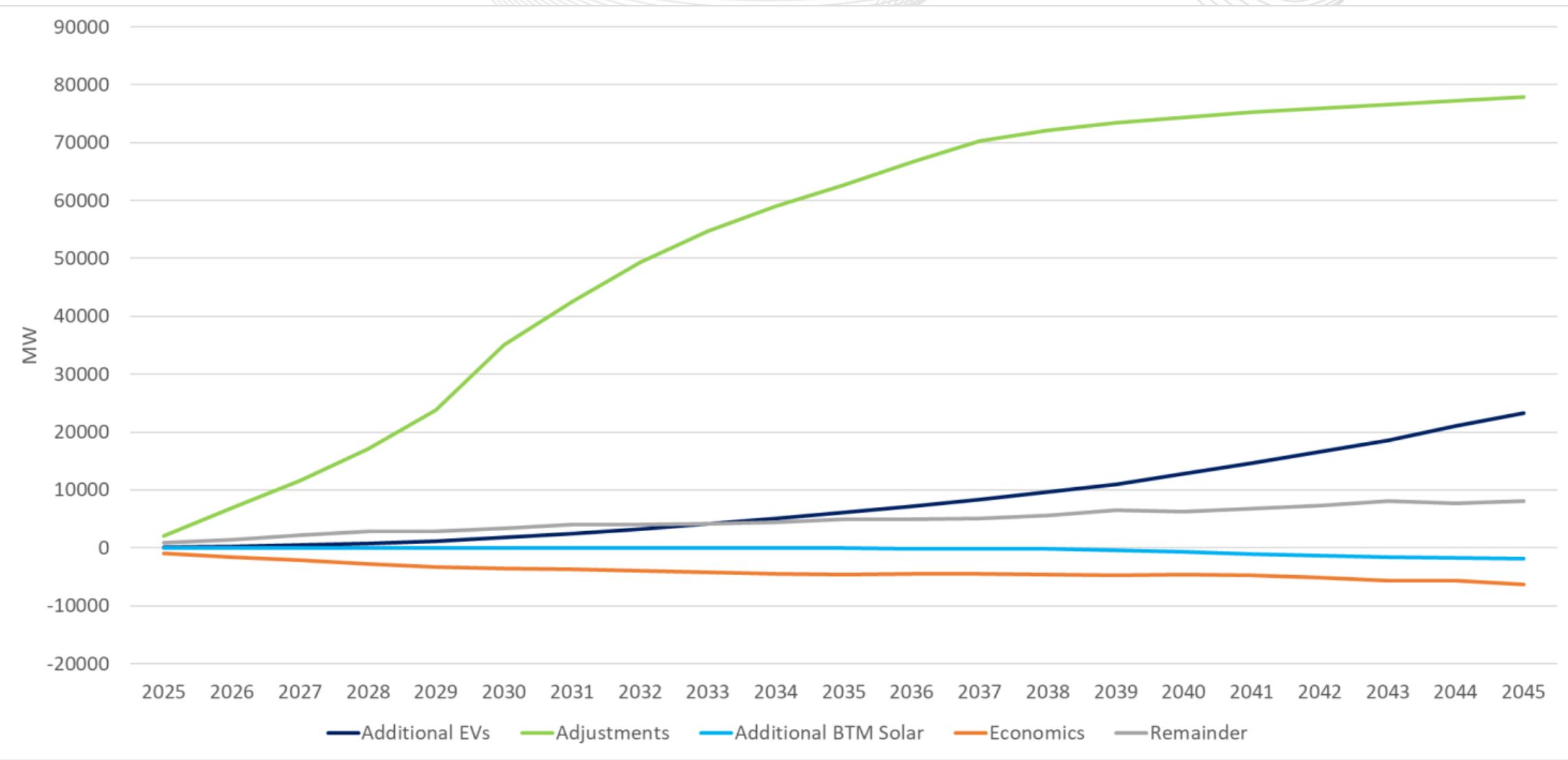
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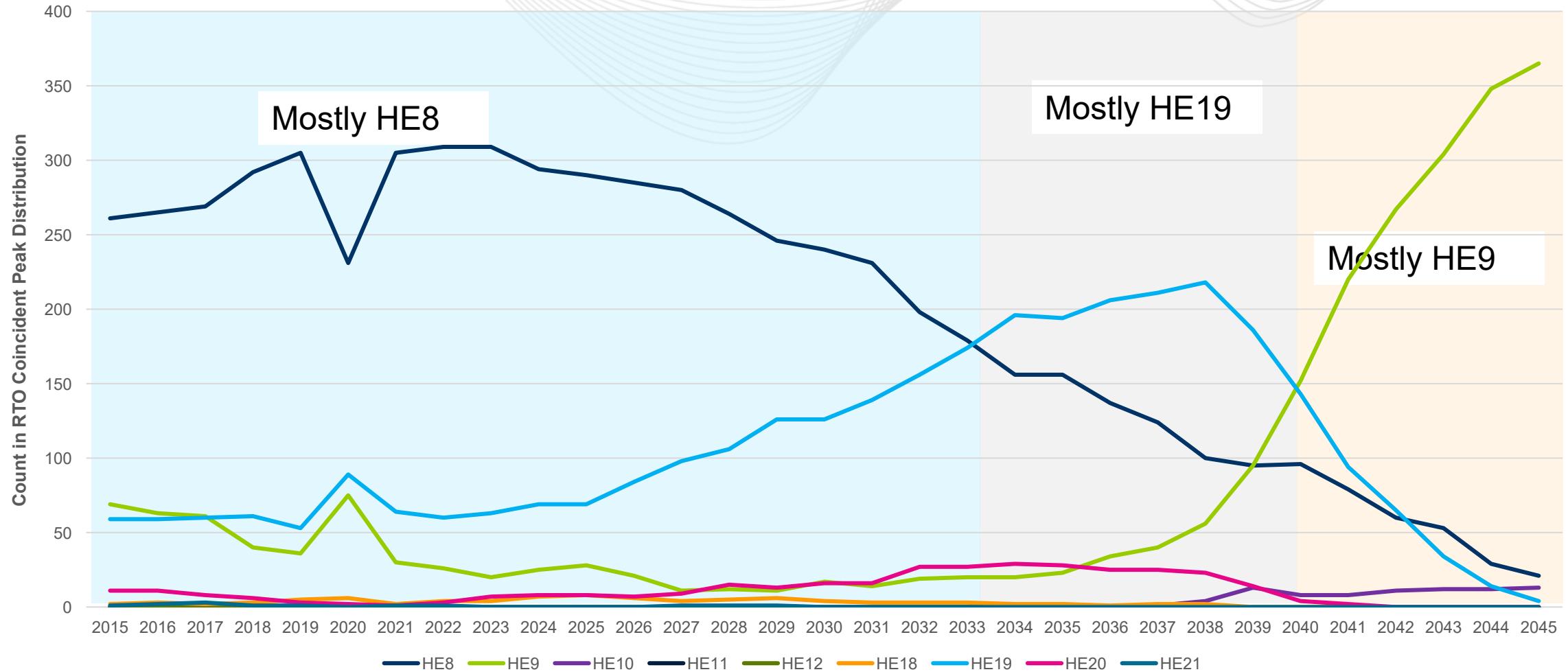


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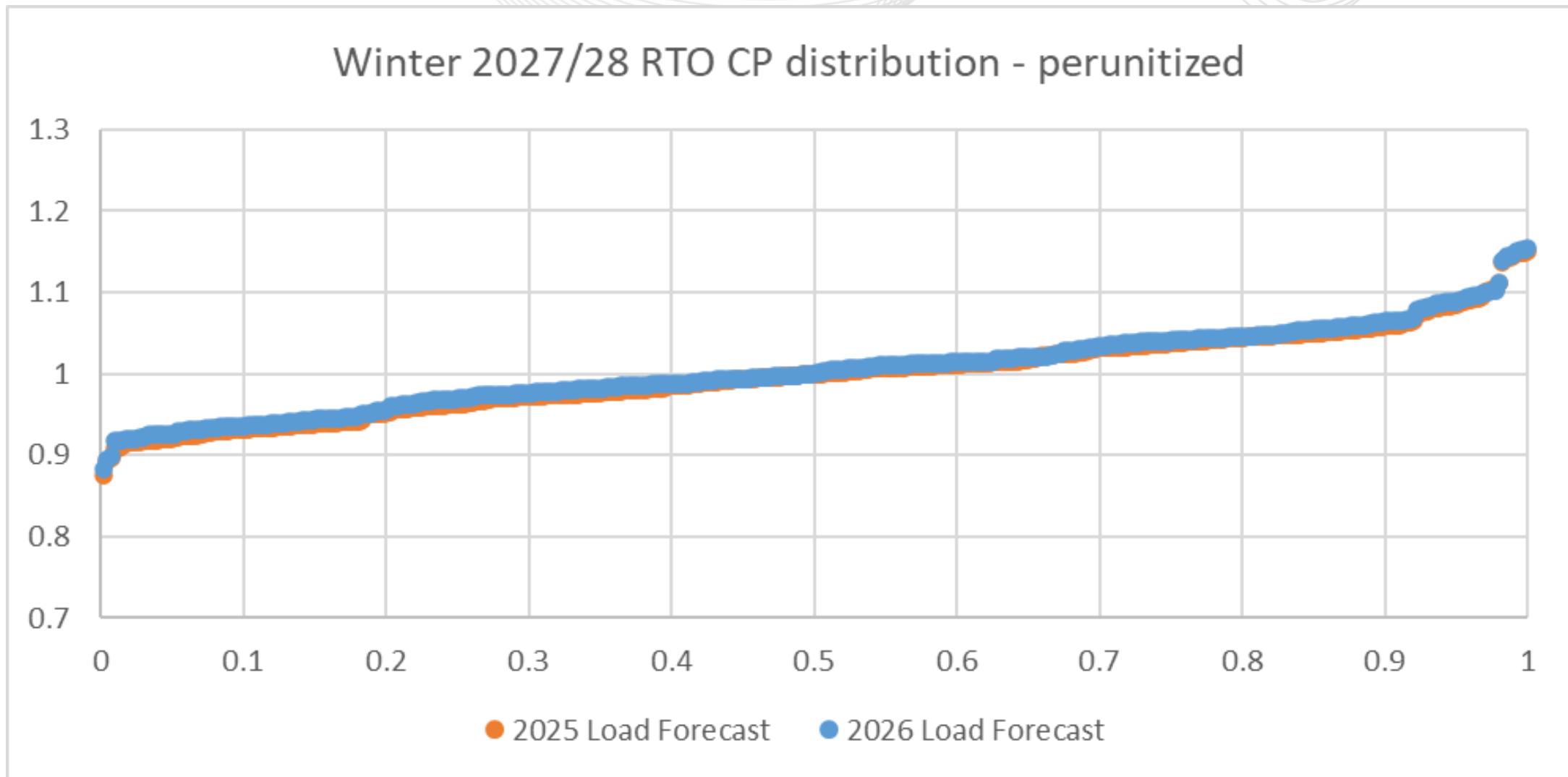
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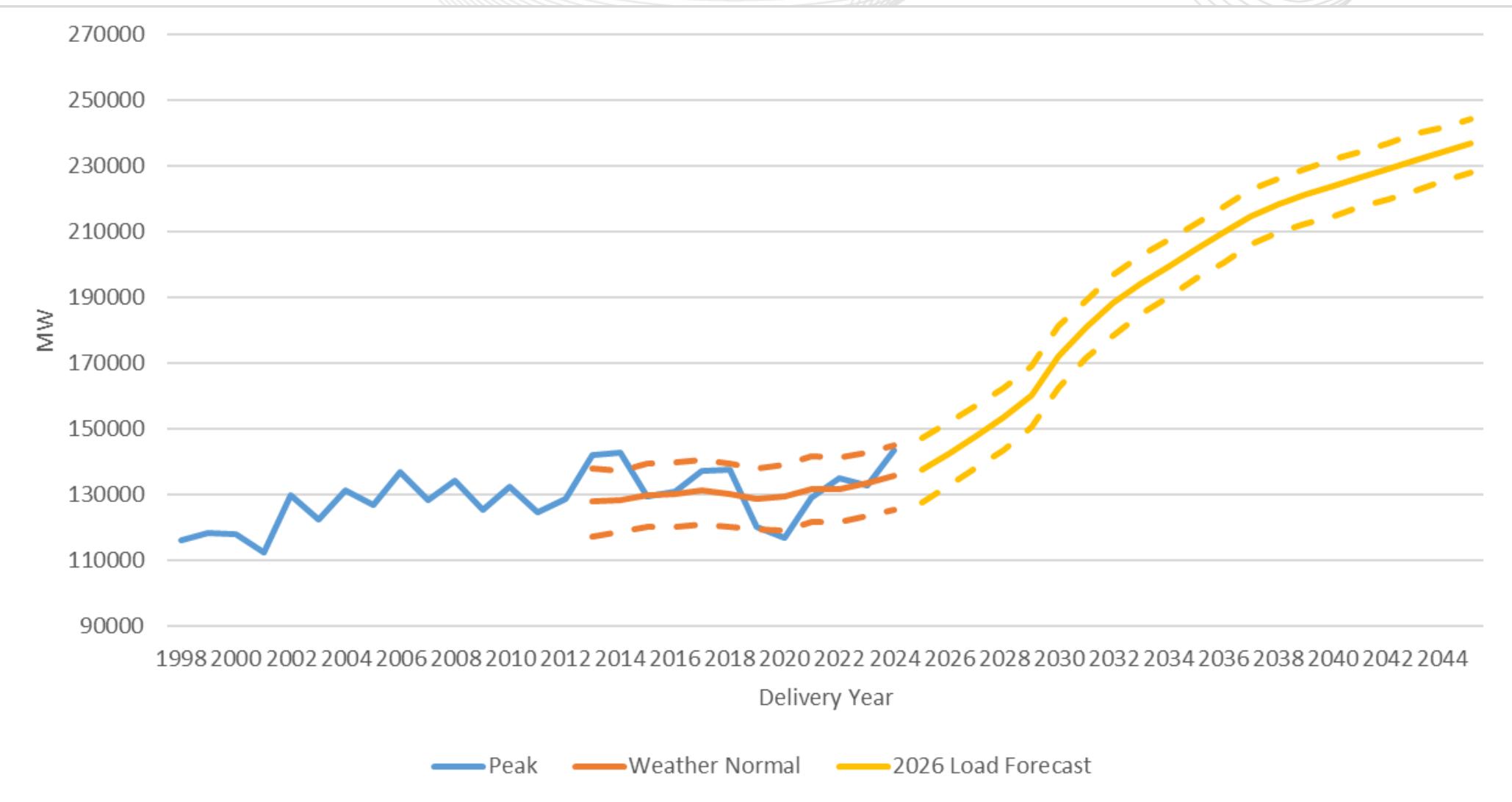


2027/28 Winter Peak Distribution Comparison

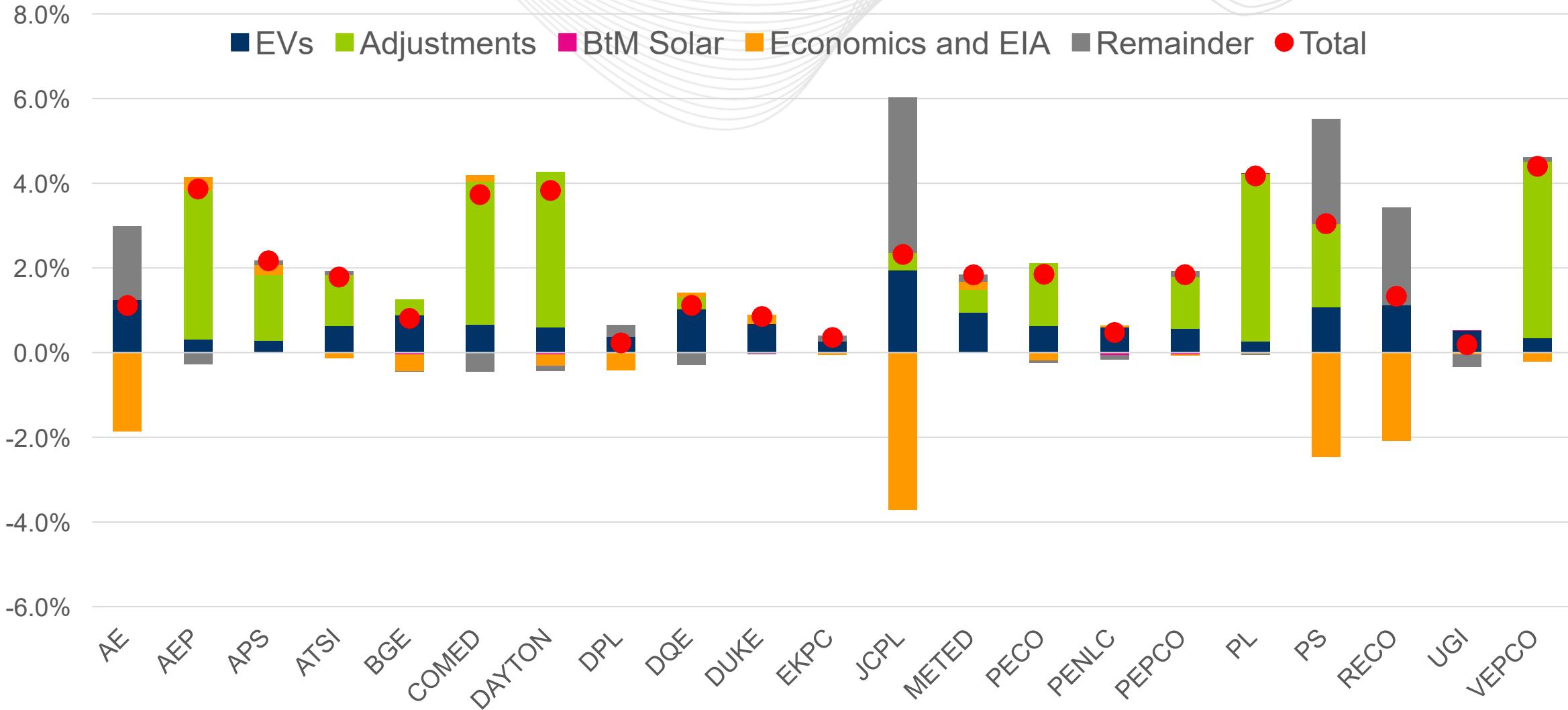
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Winter Peak Average Annual Growth (2026-2041)



- Final report is posted with a number of supplemental data items
- Review with Planning Committee (2/3/2026)

- Additional files to be posted:
 - Load Report Supplement
 - EDC/LSE methodology documents

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