

Diversifying In Energy Production:

Producing Bio-Electricity & Bio-Ethanol

From Sugarcane, A Natural Resource of Belize

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Belize National Energy Policy (NEP) 2012

Domestic

Preference on Renewable Energy



- 4 Hydros & 1 Sugarcane Bagasse Cogen
- E-10 and Bio-Diesel

Export

Clean Energy for Export

- Electricity: Mexico & SIEPAC
- Bio-Fuels: Ethanol & Bio-Diesel

Problem and Solution

From: Belize Depends On Mexico for 75 % Dispatchable Electricity

To: A Clean Energy for Export Industry





Belize's Clean Energy for Export Industry



GHG Reductions



- 1. Bio-Electricity
- 2. Recycle Bio-Gas
- 3. Ethanol
- 4. Anaerobic Digestion
- 5. Mechanical Harvesting

The Bio-Refinery Is Environmentally Friendly

Emissions Are Contained

Gaseous Waste: NO Venting to the Atmosphere

Solid Waste: NO Diluting in Rivers & NO Ponds

Waste Water: **NO** Dirty Water Dumped Back in the River

Bio-Refinery Waste Streams: Biogas, Solids and Liquids (standard piping used for waste)



GHG Reductions: Bio-Electricity Production In Lieu of Coal



GHG Reductions: Recycle Bio-Gas In Lieu of Vent



GHG Reductions: Ethanol In Lieu of Gasoline

GHG Reductions:

30.8 MGPY

= 88,000 tons CO₂/yr

Gasoline



Corn Ethanol



GHG Reductions:

30.8 MGPY

= 220,000 tons CO₂/yr

Sugarcane Ethanol



GHG Reductions: Anaerobic Digestion of Solid Waste In Lieu of Ponds

Ponds



GHG Reductions:

Ash, Filter Cake, Vinasse

= 120,000 tons CO₂/yr

Anaerobic Digestion Into Fertilizer



GHG Reductions: Mechanical Harvest Cane In Lieu of Slash & Burn

Slash & Burn



GHG Reductions:

40,000 Acres

 $= 27,000 \text{ tons } CO_2/\text{yr}$

Mechanical Harvest



GHG Reductions: Tons of CO₂/year



Efficiency Interventions



- 1. Mechanical Harvest
- 2. Medium Pressure Boilers
- 3. Fuel-Grade Processing
- 4. Electricity Price Higher and Fixed
- 5. Sugarcane Cost Fixed
- 6. The WEG Automation System

Efficiency Interventions Quantified By the COPE

Cost Of Production for Ethanol

COPE = Total Operating Costs - Electricity Revenue Gallons of Ethanol Produced





Efficiency Intervention: Mechanical Harvest



Efficiency Intervention: Medium Pressure Boilers



Efficiency Intervention: Fuel-Grade Processing







Efficiency Intervention: 50 % Higher Electricity Price & Fixed Via PPA





Efficiency Intervention: Sugarcane Cost Is Fixed





The WEG Automation System: 24/7 Monitoring of Supply Chain





Top Companies for Leaders 2014 Study - Hewitt Associates

WEG ranked the 15th

best global companies in Leadership and Talent Development,

and the only company from Latin America to be included in the ranking.

CNN Expansión Magazine 2014

WEG Mexico is Again Ranked as a Super Company, for the second year in a row

Efficiency Interventions: GSR Has the Lowest COPE (US\$/gal)



Socio-Economic Impacts



Status: 5 Key Contracts



Status: The Permits, Licenses & EIA, The Market Share

Power Purchase Agreement (PPA)



Additional Benefits

- Expedited Permits, Licenses & Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)
- Monopoly Until the Net RFP in 2023
 - → Markets: Electricity, Ethanol & Sugar Cane

Status: GSR Management Team

William Usher VP Agriculture



Glenford Eiley

President

Winner: 2012 IDEAS Energy Innovation for the Caribbean

Sharon Hughes

CEO

Sponsors: Inter-American Development Bank, UK DFID, GVEP, Government of South Korea

Winner: 2014 Central American Forum for Clean Energy Financing (CAFCEF)

Sponsors: US AID, Climate Technology Initiative - Private Financing Advisory Network (CTI-PFAN)

Robert Wise

VP Human Resources

Challenges



1. Perception That Two Cane Processors Have Never Co-Existed In Northern Belize

2. Sourcing Final Development Funds

3. Sourcing Project Equity

Challenge: Organizing Farmers & Land That Has Been Out of Service



Challenge: Sourcing Final Development Funds

Capital Requirements: \$197.0 M

Percent of Development Costs

Final Development Funds Needed:	\$ 0.20 M	2 %
IDEAS Grant 2012:	\$ 0.20 M	2 %
Project Development By GSR:	\$ 9.45 M	96 %
Project Development Costs (5 % of Capital):	\$ 9.85 M	100 %

Challenge: Sourcing Project Equity (US\$ M)

Capital Requirements: \$ 197.0 M PROEX Loan (72 %) : \$ 142.0 M (4.9 % for 10 Years)

Project Equity Requirements: \$ 55.0 M

IRR: 29.5 %

Payback: 2 Years

Summary: GSR's Cost Per tCO₂ Reduction is Lower & IRR Is Higher

	MW	Project Number* ^{Clean} Development Mechanism (CDM)	Technology	t CO ₂ Reduced Over 21 Years (Three 7-Year Periods)	Captial Cost (US\$ M)	Capital Cost per t CO ₂ Reduced (US \$)	IRR Without Certified Emission Reduction s (CERs)
	20.0	9817	Solar PV	585,000	\$ 32	\$32 M / 0.585 M = \$ 54	6.7 %
	49.5	8431	Wind	4,170,000	\$ 115	\$ 115 M / 4.17 M = \$ 27	9.9 %
	6.0	9896	Hydro: Small	419,000	\$ 11	\$ 11 M / 0.42 M = \$ 26	7.1 %
	111.0	8556	Hydro: Large	5,677,000	\$ 107	\$ 107 M / 5.68 M = \$19	7.8 %
	25.4		GSR Bio-Refinery	12,852,000	\$ 197	\$ 197 M / 12.8 M = \$ 15	29.5 %
*Source	e for Project	t Number:				GSR	GSR

http://cdm.unfccc.int/Projects/projsearch.html

Returns Are Higher

Cost Is Lower

"Thank You"

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