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Investment in geothermal sector - Example Chile & Tolhuaca project



MIGHTY RIVER POWER

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➤ MRP IN NEW ZEALAND

About Mighty River Power

- > A leading integrated New Zealand energy generator and retailer
 - > Market capitalisation NZ\$3.1 billion
 - > More than 90% of generation from renewable sources – New Zealand's only large, renewables dominated energy company with both hydro and geothermal generation (geo over 40% of production)
 - > Generates c.17% of New Zealand's electricity
 - > Ownership 51% NZ government, 49% publicly traded
- > Diversified and flexible generation portfolio
 - > Largest hydro system in the North Island
 - > Base-load geothermal, flexible hydro and gas-fired generation
- > Investment track record and proven geothermal expertise
 - > Mighty River Power is one of the world's largest geothermal power station owners & operators
 - > Successfully developed and commissioned over 330MW of new 'premium' renewable geothermal generation since FY2008 (total investment over US\$1.1 billion), including completion of 82MW Ngatamariki geothermal plant in mid-2013
 - > The Company is applying this capability and experience – gained through domestic geothermal exploration, development, construction and operations – to invest in international growth opportunities
 - > Over 50 specialist staff in geosciences, reservoir engineering, geothermal engineering and drilling, plus a further 60+ people in geothermal operations



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NZ domestic geothermal partnerships

Power Station	Size	Partner/s	Commercial arrangement
Mokai 	112MW	Tuaropaki Trust	Owner: Tuaropaki Power Company Tuaropaki Trust 75% Mighty River Power 25%
Rotokawa 	34MW	Tauhara North No.2 Trust	Owner: Mighty River Power
Nga Awa Purua 	140MW	Tauhara North No.2 Trust	Owner: Nga Awa Purua JV Tauhara North No.2 Trust 35% Mighty River Power 65%
Kawerau 	100MW	Ngati Tuwharetoa (BoP) Settlement Trust Putauaki Trust Norske Skog Tasman	Owner: Mighty River Power
Ngatamariki 	82MW	Tauhara North No.2 Trust	Owner: Mighty River Power

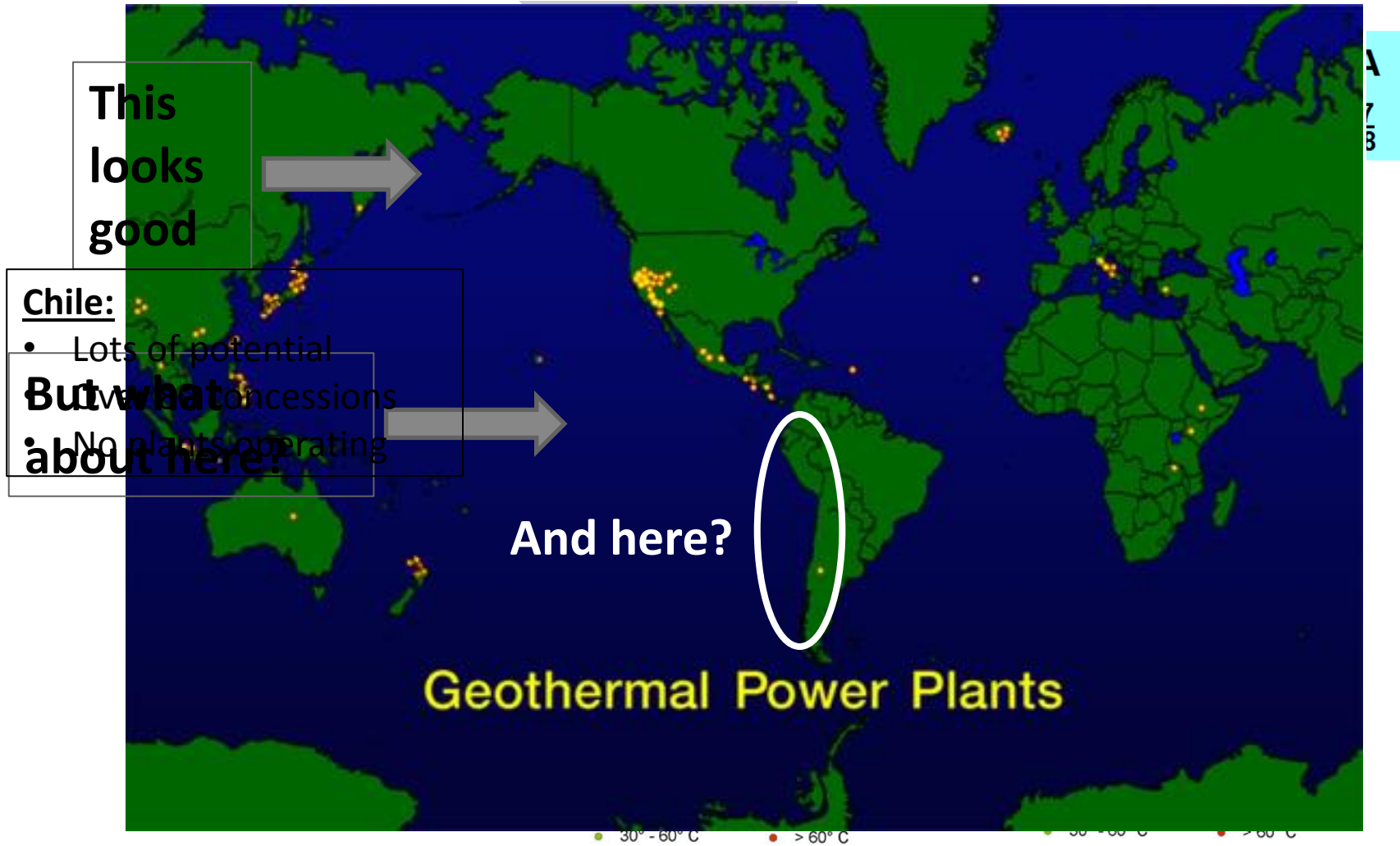
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Looking at Latin America from New Zealand



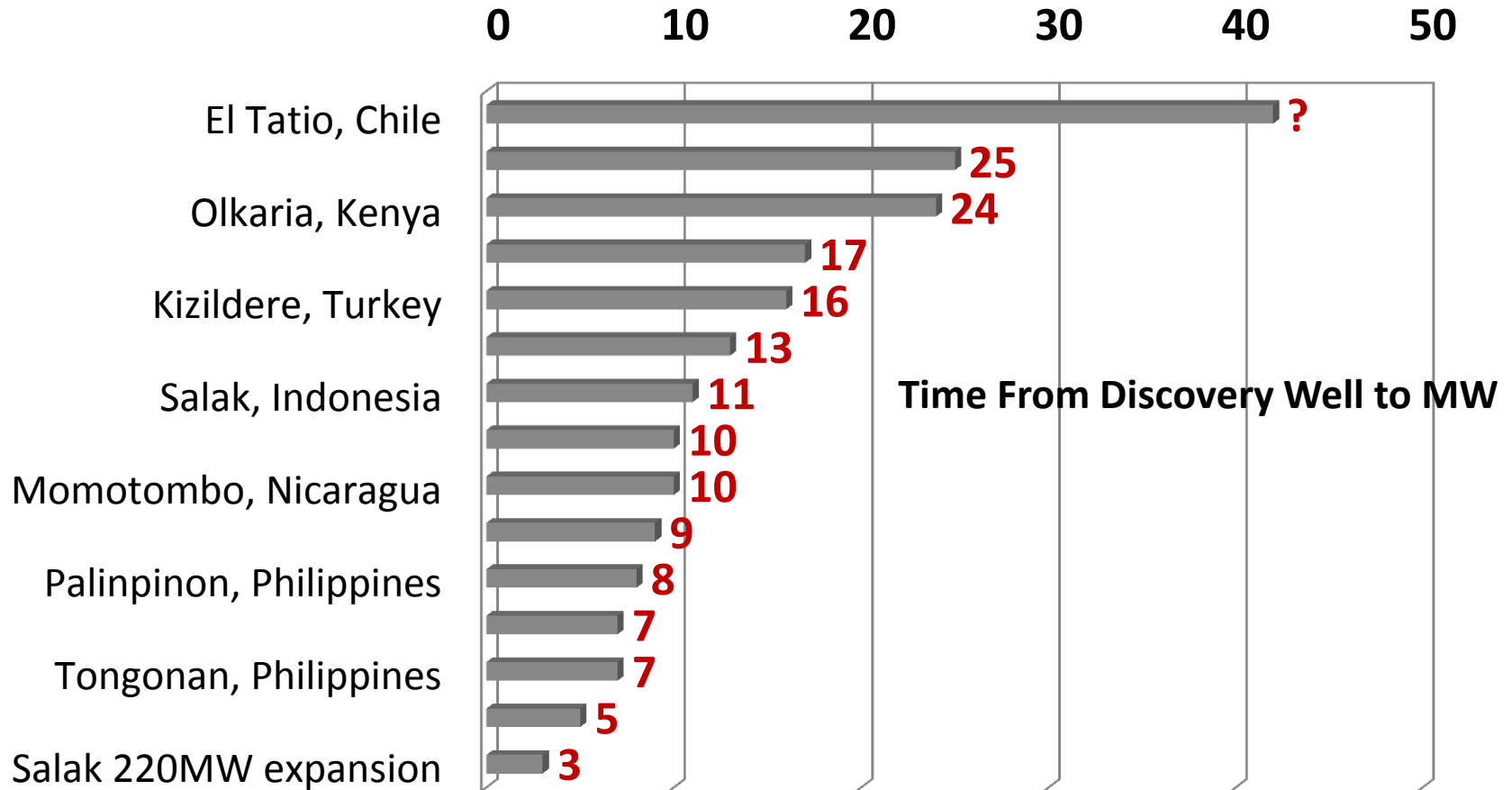
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Latin-American geothermal development



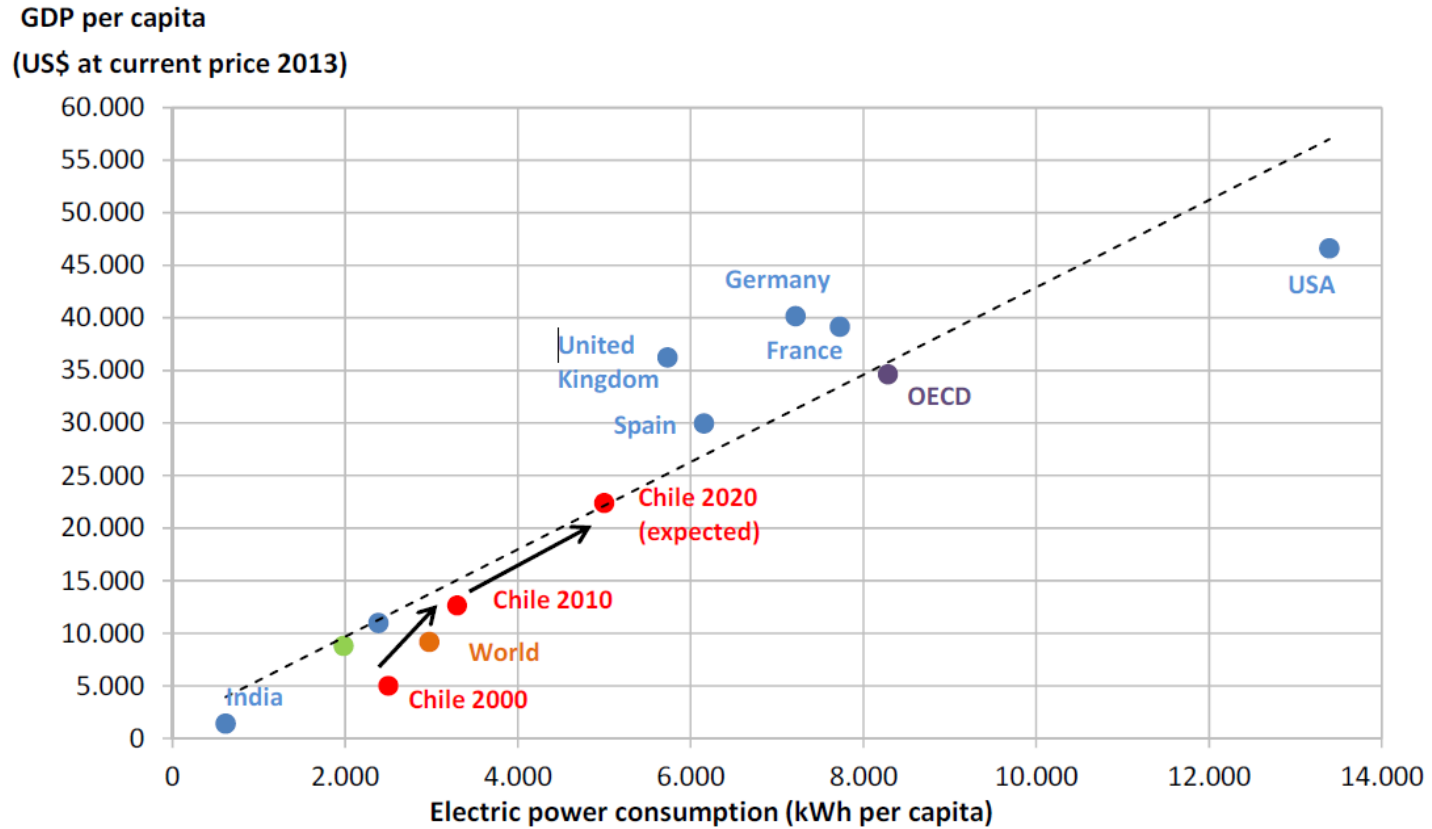
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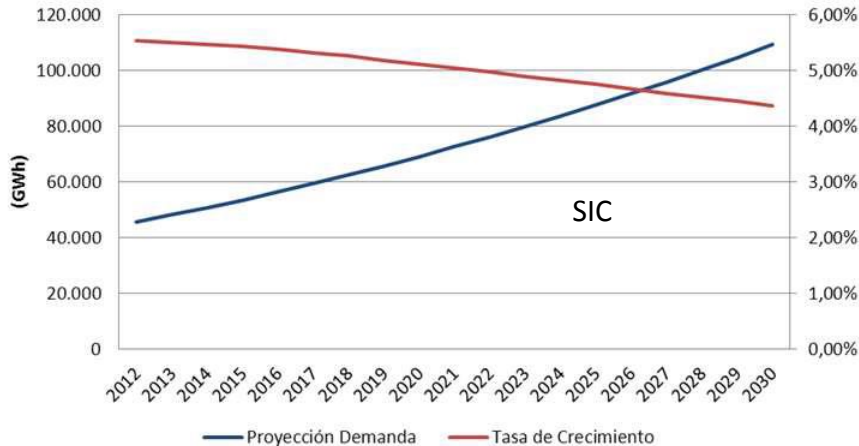
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Economic growth and electric power consumption



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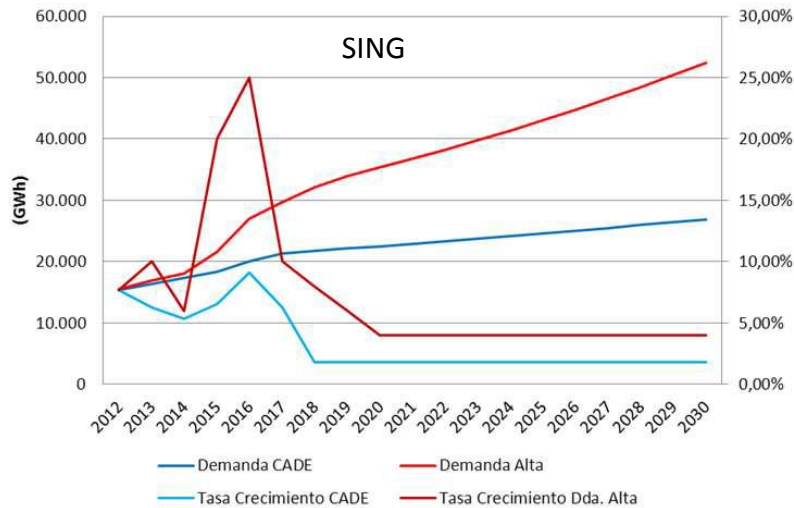
Electricity demand growth



What does this mean?

- Today's demand = 60 TWh/y
- Demand in 2030 = 140 TWh/y

➔ **huge opportunity!**

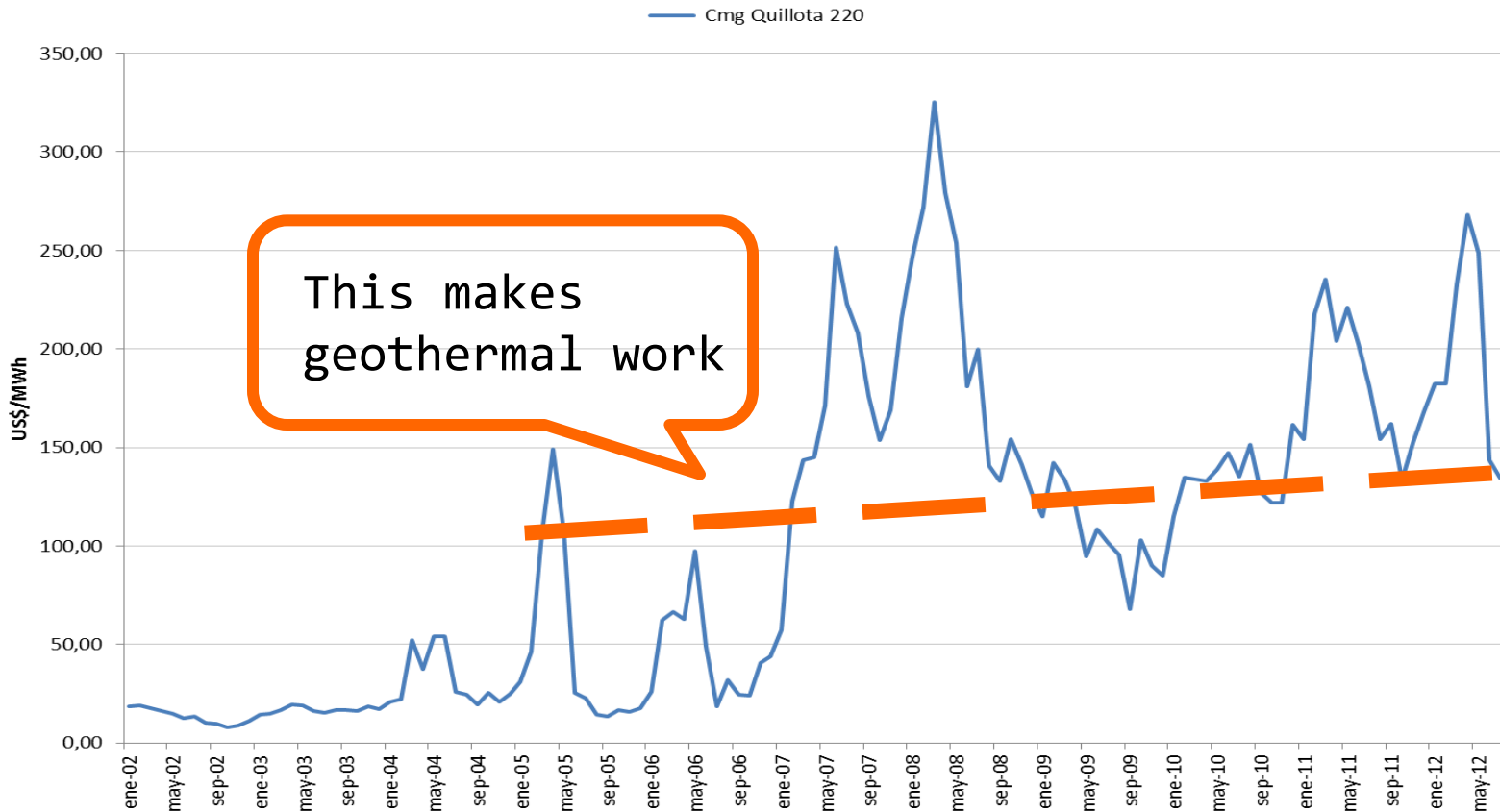


- 20% NCRE = 28 TWh/y
- Intermittent sources (40%) = 8000 MW installed capacity
- Better mix:
 - 2000 MW geothermal
 - 3000 MW intermittent

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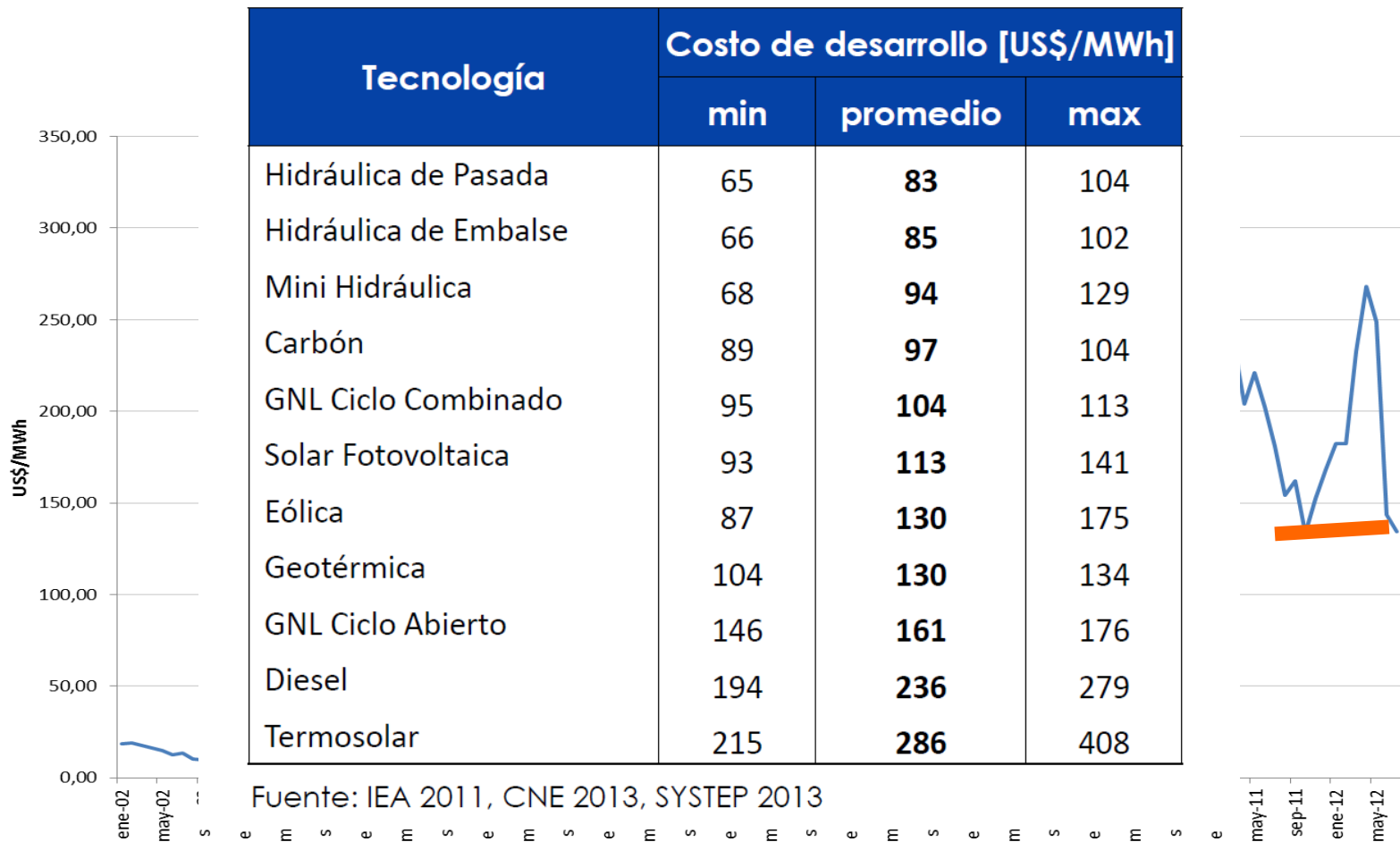
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Historical Spot Prices at Quillota 220 kV 2002-2012



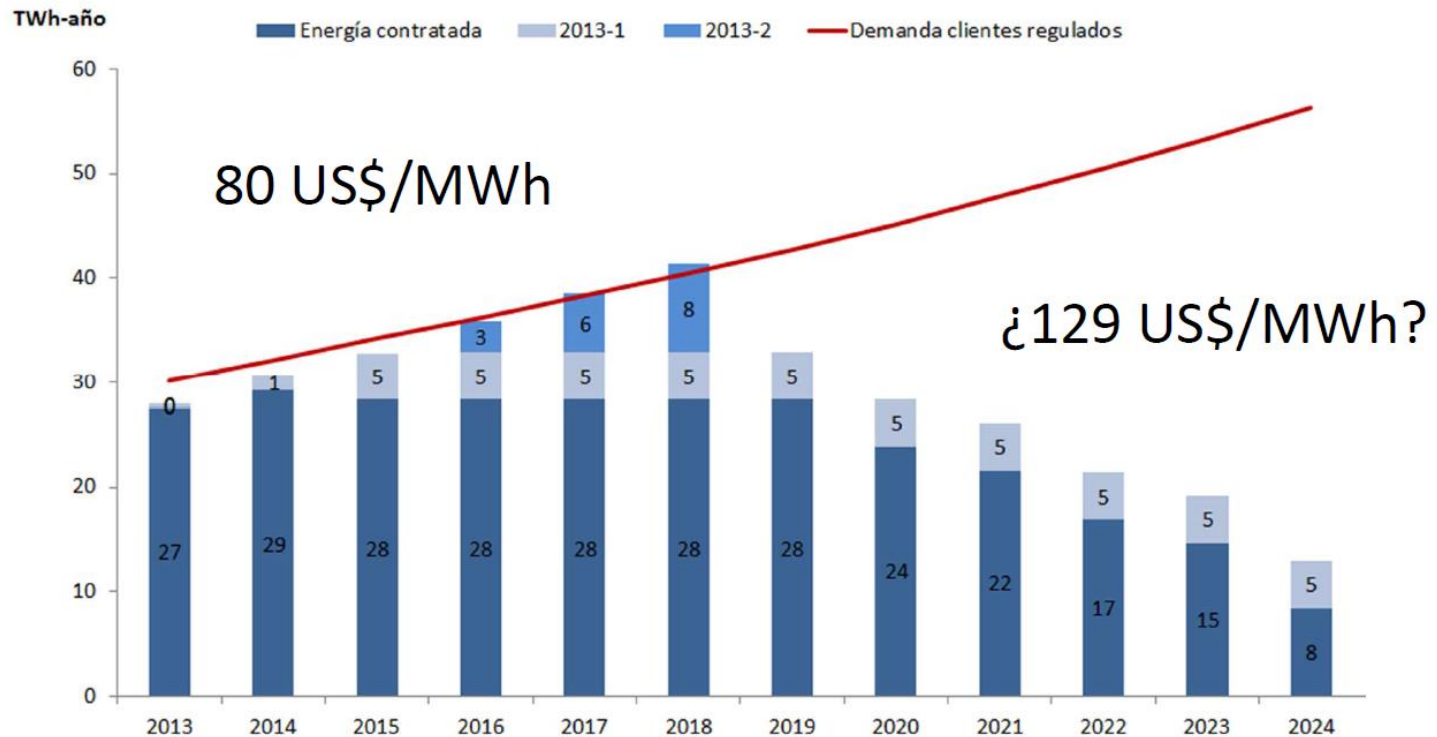
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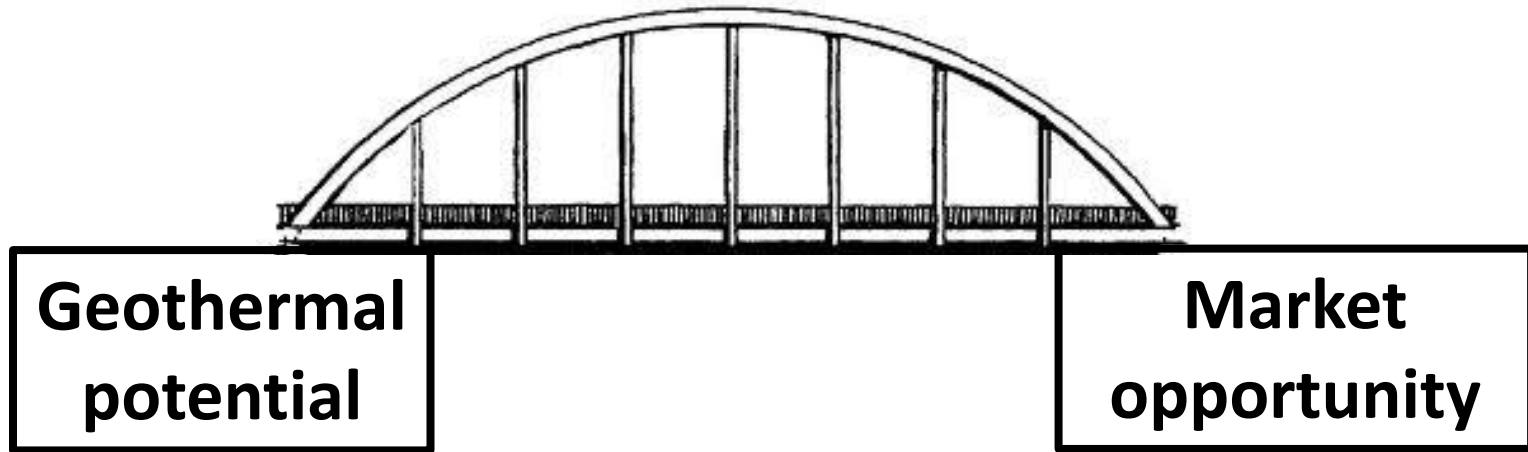
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Fuente: Systepl, Agosto 2013




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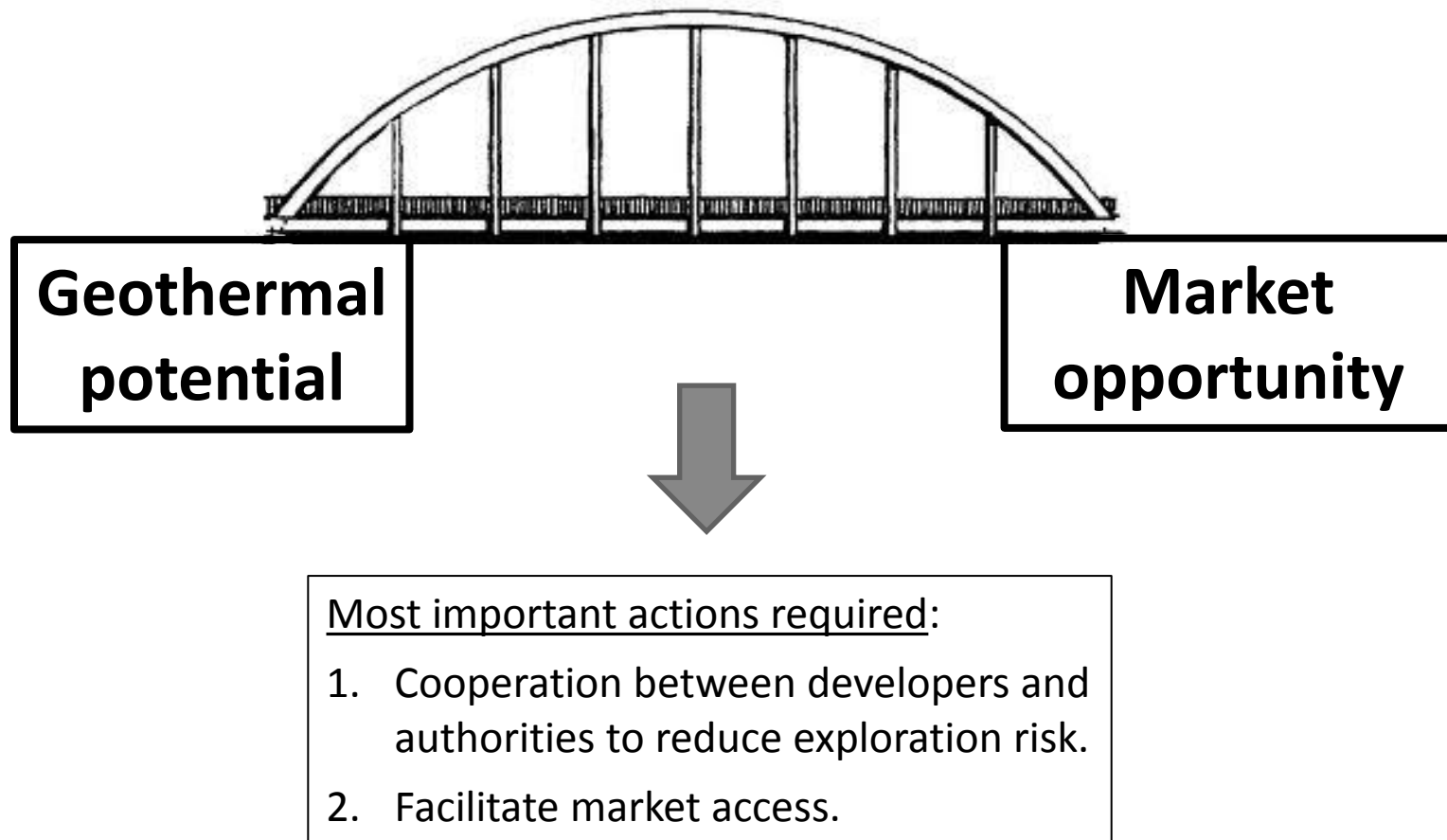
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<u>The gap</u>				
				
Externalities				
Physical	• Interesting resources			X
	• Very limited knowledge ► greenfield development ► high exploration risk	X		
	• Remote and difficult locations ► High drilling cost	X		
Legal	• No transmission lines ► High cost and delays	X		
	• Laws and regulations		X	
Market	• Environmental permitting		X	
	• Rather high structural price level in the SIC			X
	• Strict conditions at tenders for regulated clients ► No access to 65% of market	X		
	• Private clients need planning certainty	X		

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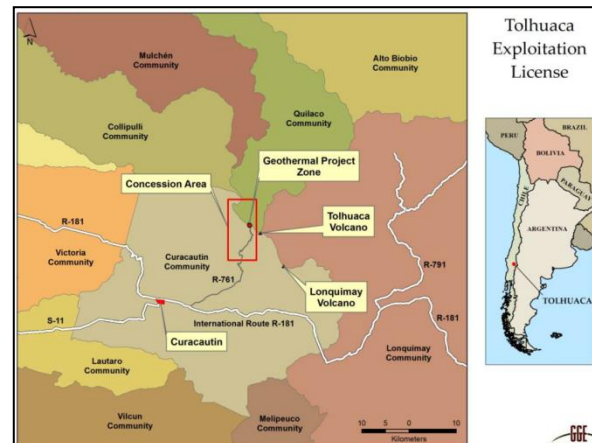


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Tolhuaca general project description

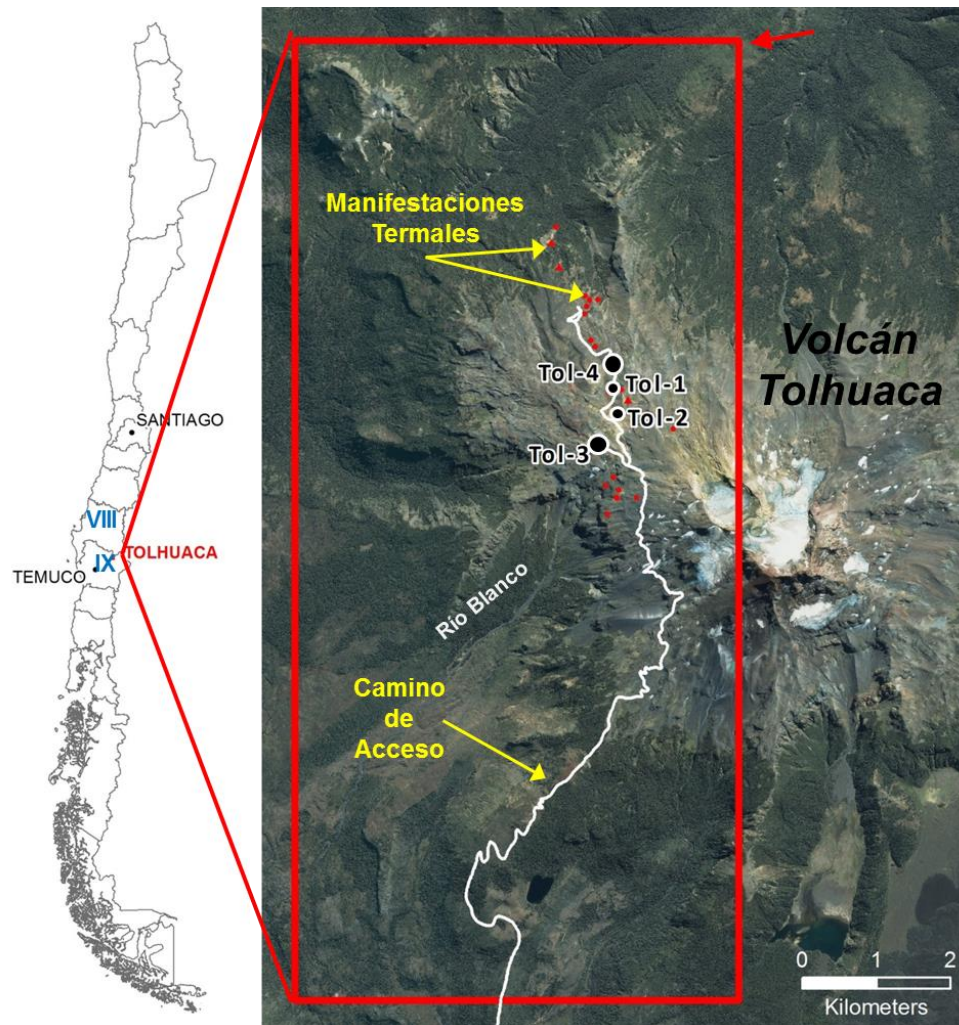
- ▶ Located on the border between Araucanía and Biobío Regions of Chile, near the town of Curacautín, on the northwest flank of the dormant Tolhuaca Volcano.
- ▶ Situated within the San Gregorio (Tolhuaca) geothermal exploitation concession granted in January 2010 (7,800 ha), which replaced the exploration concession granted in 2005.
- ▶ Well positioned to be the first geothermal plant in Chile's Central Interconnected System (*Sistema Interconectado Central, SIC*).
- ▶ MRP has already invested significantly, including:
 - Drilling of exploration and production wells.
 - Investment in geological mapping and resource study; construction of access roads; and installation and construction of a camp for more than 100 people.

Project snapshot	
Location	Southern Chile, 8 th & 9 th regions
Gross capacity	70.0 MW
Net capacity	65.3 MW
Annual net expected generation	535 GWh per year (expected plant factor 95%)
COD	2018
Investment	Over US\$400 million
Technology	Flash
Tx line	2x220 kV, 68 km., dedicated Tx line Connected directly to the SIC near the city of Victoria



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Work done to date

- ▶ Two exploration slim-holes drilled in 2009/10 proved the existence of a deep benign-fluid high-temperature geothermal reservoir.
- ▶ Access via a mountain road, drilling pads, camp and other installations were built in 2011.
- ▶ Two full-size exploration wells drilled in 2011/12 to 2.400 meters depth reached the reservoir.
- ▶ Geophysics show a sizable geothermal field with a potential capacity of 70 MW. Additional geoscientific work is planned for summer 2013/14 to support this assumption.
- ▶ Planning and basic engineering done for a 70 MW case and a 35 MW case (as fall-back position).
- ▶ Environmental study completed for a 70 MW plant, permit (RCA) received in May 2013.
- ▶ Connection to the grid is planned through a 220 kV line to be built to a new substation in Victoria.



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Refractory building

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Feasibility analysis

Detailed feasibility studies conducted for:

- 9-12 MW wellhead generator:
 - technically possible as back-pressure or condensing unit
 - 35 km local 23 kV transmission line required
 - not economically viable as stand-alone project
- 35 MW plant:
 - possible as first block
 - full 220 kV transmission line required
 - economically viable only as fall-back position
- 70 MW plant:
 - as per environmental permit
 - 220 kV transmission line with development partners
 - returns acceptable with high-price PPA

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