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### **Technology Overview**







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## BrightSource Energy Snapshot

#### Mission: To design, develop and operate the world's most cost-effective and reliable large-scale solar energy projects

#### Business:

- Develop and build large-scale solar power generation plants for utilities at prices that compete with fossil-fuel plants, using proprietary technology
- Develop and build solar-to-steam plants for industrial applications
- Financial Strength:
  - Over \$160M in corporate financing from key strategic investors including: VantagePoint Venture Partners, Morgan Stanley, Google.org, BP Alternative Energy, StatoilHydro Ventures, Chevron Technology Ventures, Black River, Draper Fisher Jurvetson, and DBL Investors (a spin-off from JP Morgan), and others

#### > Team:

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- World class project development team with over 20GW of power projects developed, constructed, and managed

#### Locations:

- Headquarters in Oakland, California, 30 full-time employees
- Subsidiary BrightSource Industries (Israel) located in Jerusalem, 90 full-time employees
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## BrightSource Energy - Significant Accomplishments



- Raised \$160 million equity
- Signed 900MW PPA with PG&E
- Launched 6MW Solar Energy Development Center in Israel
- Generated Super Heated Steam (550<sup>c</sup>) with proprietary technology
- Developing 4.2GW in southwest U.S.

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### **Market Drivers**

#### Energy Independence

- Every day the U.S.
  - Needs 20M barrels of oil to make up for production shortfall
  - Borrows \$2B from overseas countries
  - Pays \$2B to international countries
  - Consumes every barrel of oil that it bought, nothing is left over

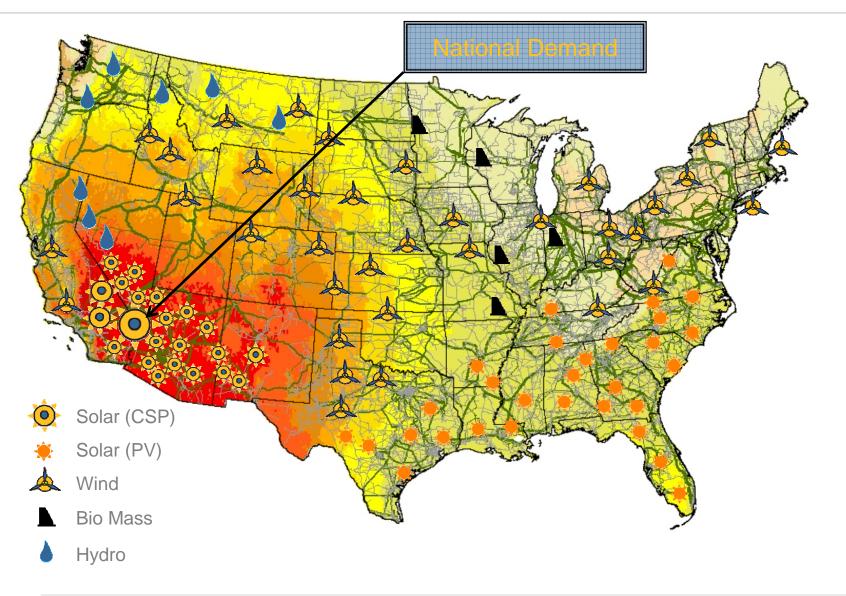
#### Rising Global Electricity Demand

 Projected to increase by 50 percent from 2005 to 2030 – more if plug-in electrical cars replace gasoline-powered cars

#### Climate Change

- To reduce CO2 to 450ppm
  - Replace 15,000 GW (included trans) of worldwide energy demand
  - 42,300 new 1GW energy plants needed by 2050 with vehicle electrification to hit GHG reduction targets
  - \$105 Trillion dollars of investment in CO2-free generation
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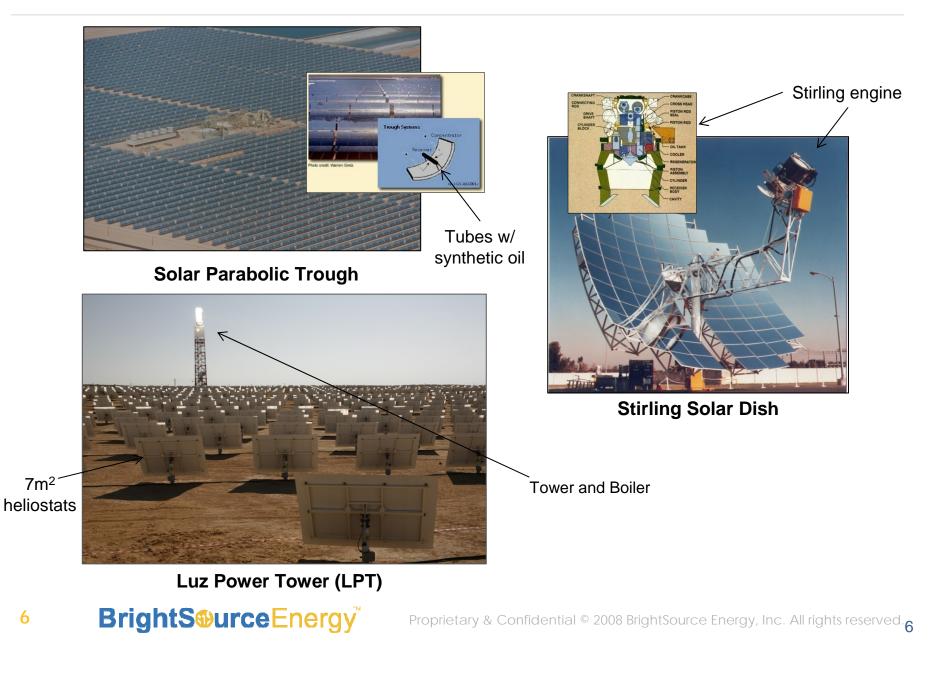
### Integrated Renewables Strategy to Meet U.S. Demand



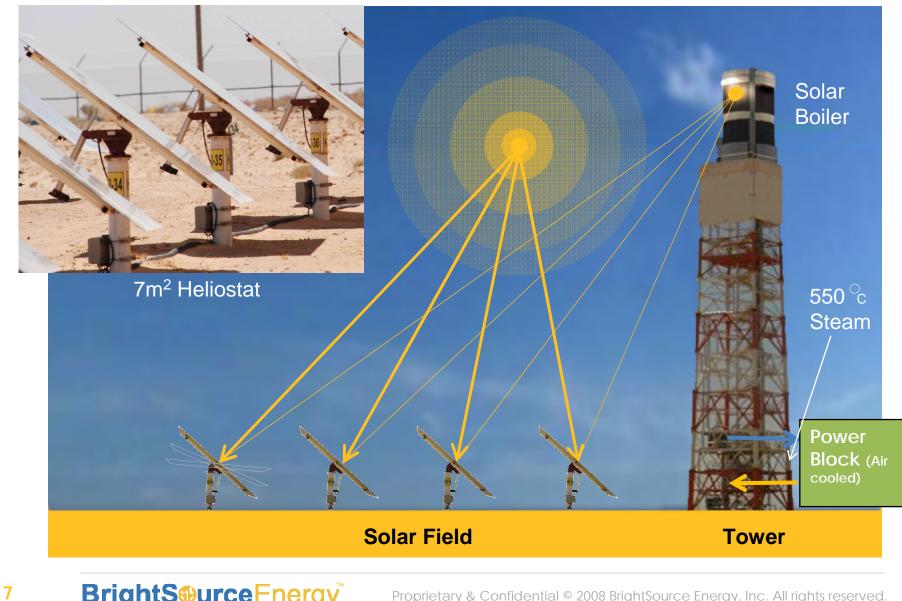
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### **Principal Solar Thermal Technologies**



### Luz Power Towers (LPT 550)



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## **Technology & Design Philosophy**

Compete with conventional power production

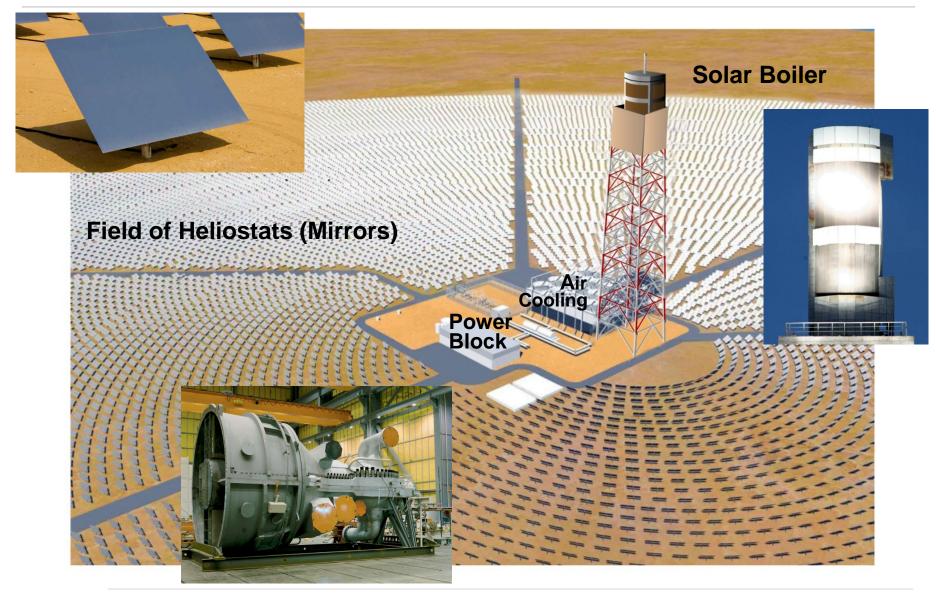
- Reach higher solar to thermal and thermal to electricity efficiencies
- Follow global technology trends to minimize costs: use standard available materials; leverage modern computer design & control technologies; minimization of concrete/steel used in construction

## BrightSource Solution – LPT 550

- Proven Technology
- Direct Solar-to-Steam
- ➢ Higher Temp. 550⁰ C
- Lower Capital Cost
- Low Parasitic Load
- Higher Operating Efficiency
- Uses Commodity Materials:
  - Flat Glass
  - Minimum Concrete
  - Minimum Steel
- Air Cooled Power Block



### **LPT Plant Components**



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## **Advantages of LPT Technology**

### Greater thermal efficiency

- Ability to track the sun on two axes rather than one
- Elimination of heat transfer fluid as an intermediate step

### Greater electrical efficiency

- Higher concentration ratio (>400x vs. 30x for trough) enables production of higher temperature steam
- Higher temperature steam results in higher turbine efficiency

#### Lower parasitic losses

- Less than 1/10<sup>th</sup> as much piping vs. trough
- Piping of steam vs. piping of viscous heat transfer fluid
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### **Advantages of LPT Technology**

#### Lower capital costs

- Flat mirrors are cheaper than curved mirrors
- Small profile heliostats require less strength/steel to resist wind than large troughs
- More site flexibility
  - Towers can be built on land with >5% slope (N-S or E-W); troughs require <1/2% N-S and <3% E-W slopes</li>
- Greater natural resource efficiency
  - Dry cooling vs. wet cooling uses 1/10<sup>th</sup> the water

## **Performance Comparison: LPT vs. Troughs**

Factor	SEGS VI (Trough)	Optimum Trough	LPT 550	LPT 650 *
Temperature (°C)	370 <sup>0</sup>	400 <sup>0</sup>	550 <sup>0</sup>	650 <sup>0</sup>
Solar to Thermal Efficiency	35%	40%	50%	50%
Gross Thermal to Electrical Efficiency	37%	39%	43%	46%
Parasitic Power	14%	12%	5%	6%
Solar to Electrical Efficiency	11%	14%	20%	22%
Relative Cost Per kWh	100%	90%	70%	63%

\* Future version of LPT 550, operating at 650° C

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# **SEDC Demonstration Facility**

- Location: Negev Desert, Israel
- In operation since June 2008
- Heliostats Reflecting Area: ~ 12,000m<sup>2</sup>
- Number of Heliostats: ~1600
- Heliostat Dimensions: 2.25m x 3.2m
- Reflecting area per Heliostat: 7.2m<sup>2</sup>
- Distance between rows of Heliostats: 4.2m 10m
- Tower Height: 60m (+ 15m Receiver)
- Thermal Energy on receiver: 6 MWth
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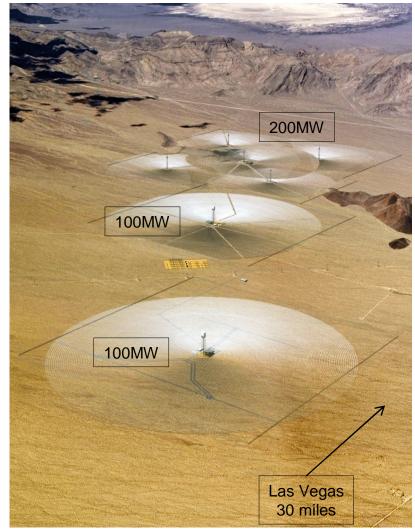
## BrightSource's Announced Development Sites

SITE	ACRES	MW	Status
Ivanpah, CA	3,900	400	CAISO 2 <sup>nd</sup> of 3 step process completed; Awaiting CEC Preliminary Staff Assessment; applied to BLM for Right of Way
Broadwell Lake, CA	10,000	800	CAISO 2 <sup>nd</sup> step completed: 3 <sup>rd</sup> step for detailed cost estimate underway; BLM SF 299 filed
Siberia, CA	16,000	400	CAISO – waiting for 2 <sup>nd</sup> step to be completed – expected by end of year; BLM SF 299 filed
Mormon Mesa, NV	15,000	2,000	Nevada Power completed feasibility studies; Next step being initiated; BLM SF2 299 filed
Mesquite Valley, CA	17,000	600	Studying requirements Site recommended by BLM
GRAND TOTALS	61,900	4,200	
Confidential	60	N/A	Solar-to-steam Demo Plant

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### Ivanpah Solar Power Complex – 400 MW Site

- ➢ 300MW PG&E PPA in place
- ➤ 100MW in advanced negotiations
- 123MW Siemens turbine purchased
- CEC and BLM permitting scheduled approval for Nov 2009
- Accessible Transmission
- Initial construction scheduled for late 2009
- Ist Plant COD scheduled for late 2011
- EPC and Boiler contracts under negotiations



## BrightSource Energy Advantage

#### Superior solar technology:

- Based on proven power tower approach
- Lower cost and higher efficiency than competing solar technologies

#### Strong management team:

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- Non-recourse credit line for funding project and site development activities

#### Advanced business activities:

- Solar Energy Development Center operational in Israel
- Signed largest solar power contract ever made 900MW with Pacific Gas & Electric
- In detailed negotiations with other major utilities for additional PPAs
- Actively developing sites for more than 4GW of solar thermal generating capacity
- First project, Ivanpah 400MW Solar Power Complex, is well advanced with construction scheduled to start in 2009
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