

# Value of SEPA Hydropower to Santee Cooper and its Customers

## Who We Are

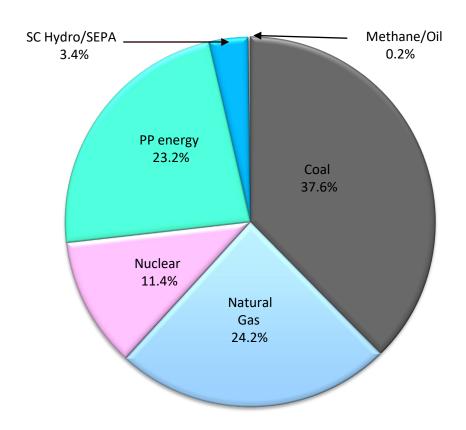


- Santee Cooper supply's electricity to:
  - 2 million people in all 46 counties
  - 20 electric coops and to the cities of Bamberg and Georgetown
  - 27 large industrial customers
  - AMEA, PMPA, Seneca and Waynesville
- Santee Cooper provides wholesale water through the Santee Cooper Reginal Water System and Lake Marion Reginal Water System
- Santee Cooper is governed by a 12-member Board of Directors appointed by the Governor of SC

# Santee Cooper Resources



#### 2020 Actual Resource Mix



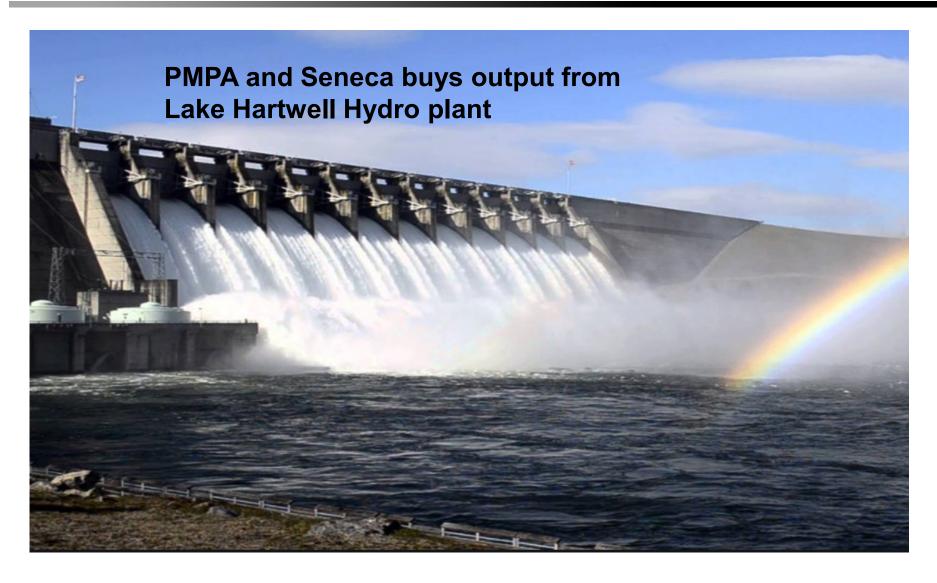
#### **SEPA**



- Purchase power agreement to purchase hydroelectric energy and capacity from the Southeastern Power Administration (SEPA)
- Santee Cooper purchases energy and capacity from the Russell and Thurmond projects
  - Santee Cooper customers have PPA's with SEPA and purchases output for the Hartwell, Russell, Thurmond and Cumberland Projects
    - Piedmont Municipal Power Agency
    - Central Electric Power
    - City of Seneca
    - City of Bamberg
    - City of Georgetown
    - Town of Waynesville
- Santee Cooper act as Agent for our customers SEPA allocation

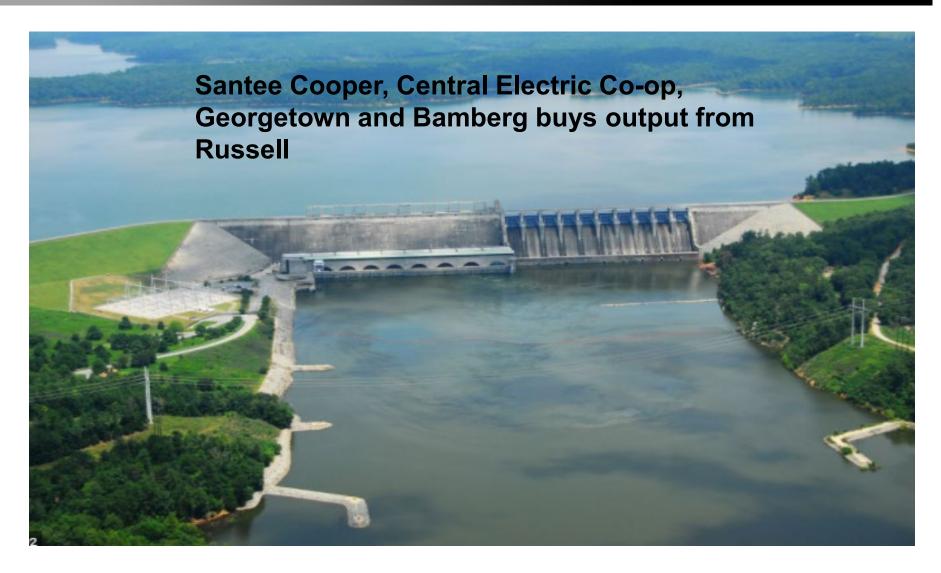
# Lake Hartwell Project





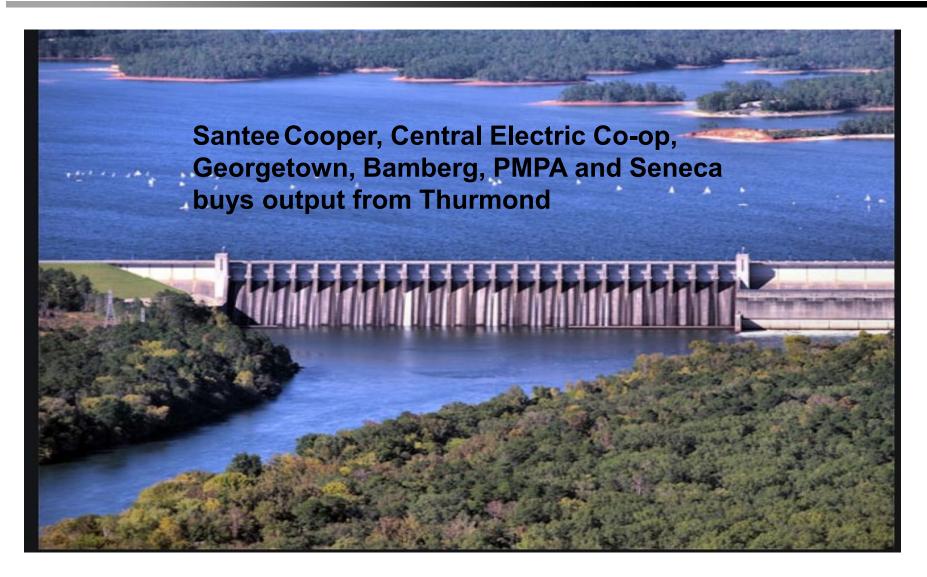
# Richard B. Russell Project





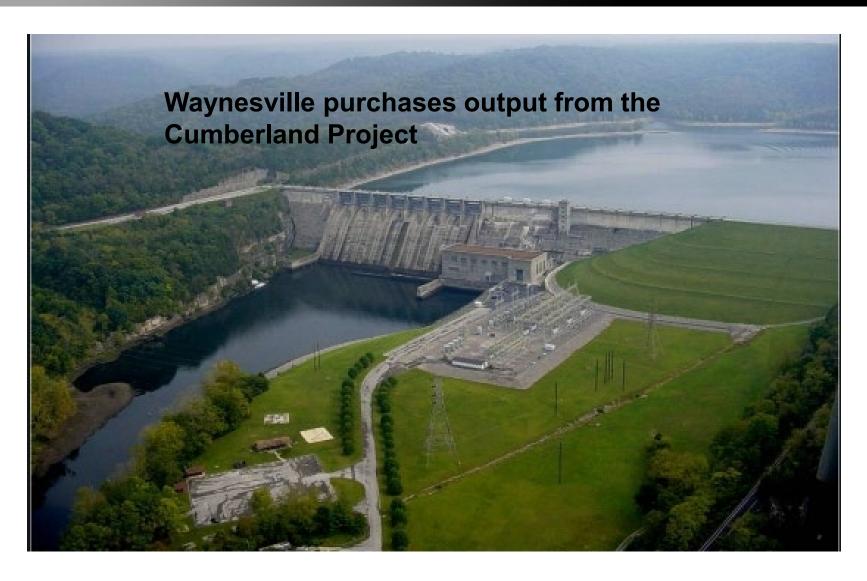
# J. Strom Thurmond Project





## Cumberland Project (Center Hill)





## **SEPA Scheduling**



#### SEPA scheduling

- SEPA week runs Saturday Friday
  - Waynesville Yearly allotment
- Santee Cooper uses a dispatch model as a guide to schedule SEPA economically
  - SEPA is typically schedule across the peak hours for the week
- SEPA is very accommodating for schedule changes during the week.
- SEPA does allow for storage

#### **SEPA Billing Determinates**



- Energy \$12.33/MWh
- Demand \$4.09/KW
- Ancillary Service \$0.12/KW
- Pumping rate and volume varies
- Replacement Power Cost market
- Capacity Factor: less than 5%
- All in rate paid over last 14 years: \$65.30/MWh

#### WHY SEPA ???

#### Benefits of SEPA

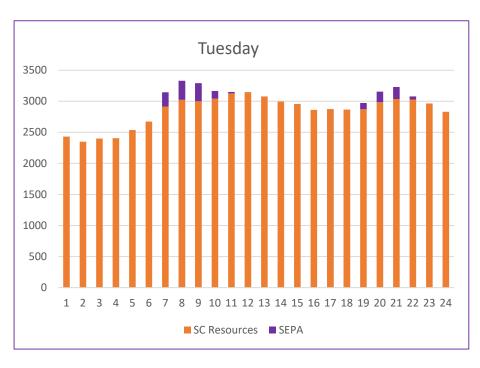


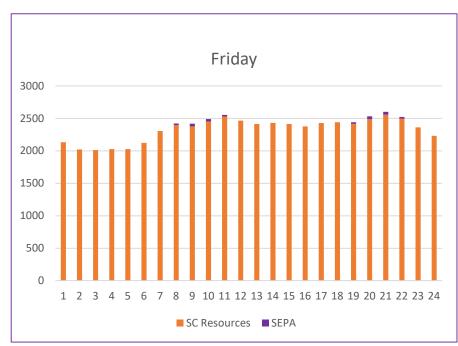
- Santee Cooper customers get full credit for SEPA capacity and energy
- Santee Cooper and customers benefit from SEPA allotments because:
  - Avoids running peaking units across peak hours
  - Avoids purchase power across peak hours
  - Avoids starting large generators for short runs
  - Reductions in O&M expenses
  - Flexibility of scheduling

## Advantages of Flexible Scheduling



#### Week in Spring





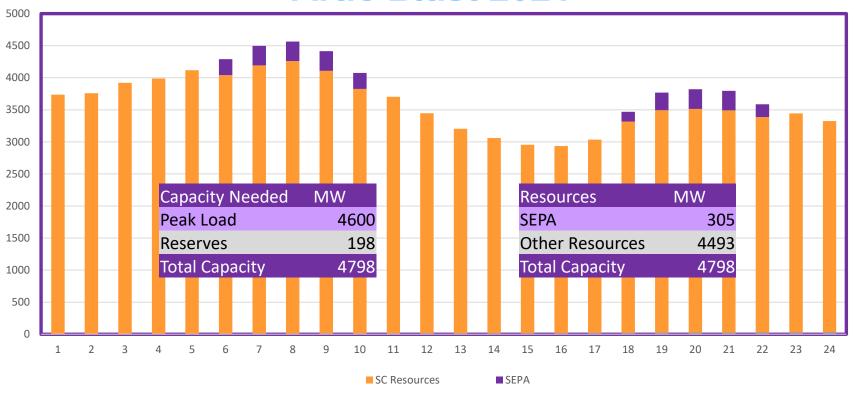
	Avoided Cost \$/MWh	MWh's	Savings/(Cost)
SC System	\$48.00	1,489	\$71,472
SEPA	\$37.21	1,489	\$55,406
Savings/(Cost)			\$16,066

	Avoided Cost \$/MWh	MWh's	Savings/(Cost)
SC System	25.00	265	\$6,625
SEPA	37.21	265	\$9,861
Savings/(Cost)			(\$3,236)

#### Winter Load Shape / SEPA Scheduling



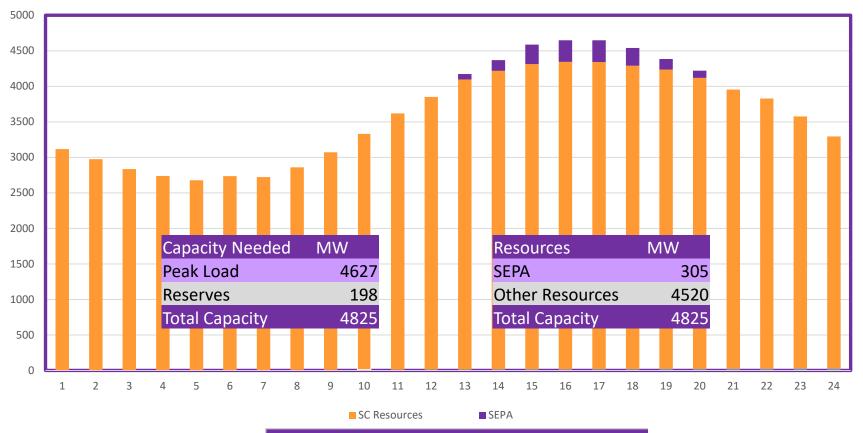
#### **Artic Blast 2021**



Winter Peak				
SEPA Cost \$/MW	\$38.02			
Market/Peaking unit \$/MW	\$111.23			
Peaking MW's	2,650			
Peak Hours Savings	\$194,007			

#### Summer Load Shape/SEPA Scheduling





Summer Peak				
SEPA Cost \$/MWh	\$42.14			
Market/Peaking unit \$/MW	\$48.36			
Peaking MW's	2,450			
Peak Hours Savings	\$15,239			

## Russell Schedule

Plant:





#### SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY ENERGY SCHEDULE with SOUTHEASTERN POWER ADMINISTRATION

Richard B. Russell Project

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			Week of:		Saturday, 4/10/21		through	Friday, 4/16/21	
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		Saturday, 4/10/21	Sunday, 4/11/21	Monday, 4/12/21	Tuesday, 4/13/21	Wednesday, 4/14/21	Thursday, 4/15/21	Friday, 4/16/21	
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Total Declaration: 8,212 MWh Total Schedule: 8,212 MWh

Scheduling Notes: 75 - 275MW per hour

Min MWh/hour: 75
Max MWh/hour: 305

Storage for the Week: 0 MWh

Check: Balanced

## The Gist:



- Santee Cooper and its customers realize economic and operational benefit from SEPA hydro energy
- SEPA Administration and staff are very accommodating and a pleasure to work with