Untapped Potential: Coal and Biomass Cofiring



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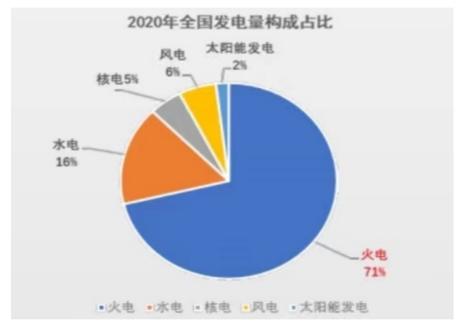
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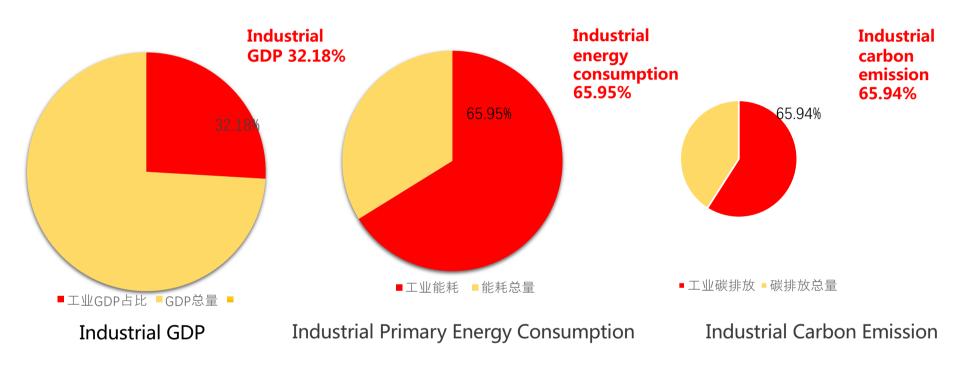
World's largest installed capacity of coal-fired power China's largest source of carbon emissions





China's Industrial GDP, Energy Consumption and Total Carbon Emission





In 2018, China's total industrial GDP was 30.15 trillion, accounting for 32.18% of the total GDP.

In 2018, China's industrial primary energy consumption was 4.719 billion tons of oil equivalent, accounting for 65.95% of the total.

In 2018, China's industrial carbon emissions accounted for 65.94% of the total carbon emissions.



China's Carbon Neutrality Goal Faced Challenge



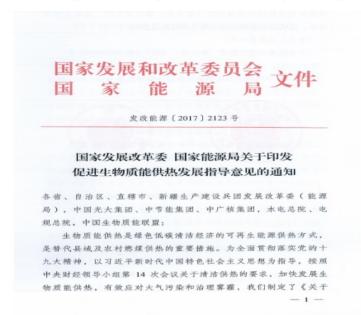
China's Total Energy Consumption and Industrial Energy Consumption, 2013-2018

Y	Final energy consumption, tce (In unit of 10 ⁸ tons)	Proportion of industrial energy consumption	Power consumption(in unit of 10 ⁸ kwh)	Power consumption converted into coal (in unit of 10^4 tons)	Proportion of power consumption in industrial energy consumption	Energy consumption in heat supply (in unit of 10 ⁴ tce)	Proportion of heating consumption in industrial energy consumption
2013	41.69	69.82%	39,237	85,144	29.57%	202,831	70.43%
2014	42.6	69.40%	40,803	88,543	31.74%	190,390	68.26%
2015	42.99	67.97%	41,550	90,164	33.60%	178,163	66.40%
2016	43.6	66.58%	43,089	93,503	36.04%	165,913	63.96%
2017	44.85	65.66%	46,053	99,935	39.18%	161,128	60.82%
2018	47.19	65.95%	49,095	106,536	12.84%	165,395	87.16%





国家发改委 能源局印发 《关于促进生物质能供热发展的指导意见》



<Directive on Promoting the Wider Use of Bioenergy in Heating>, jointly issued by National Development & Reform Commission, and National Energy Administration, in 2017.

十部委印发《北方地区冬季 清洁取暖规划(2017-2021)》



发改能源[2017]2100号

关于印发北方地区冬季清洁取暖规划 (2017-2021年)的通知

为深入贯彻党的十九大精神, 落实习近平总书记在中央财经领导小组第 14 次会议上的重要指示,以习近平新时代中国特色社会主义思想为指导,按照党中央、国务院决策部署,发展改革委、能源局、财政部、环境保护部、住房城乡建设部、国资委、质检总局、银监会、证监会、军委后勤保障部制定了《北方地区

<Campaign for Supplying Clean Heat in Northeastern Area 2017-2021>, jointly issued by ten ministries.

Supplying bioheat to 2.1 bln m² by 2021

Supplying natural gas heat to 1.8 bln m² by 2021 Supplying eletric heat to 1.5 bln m² by 2021

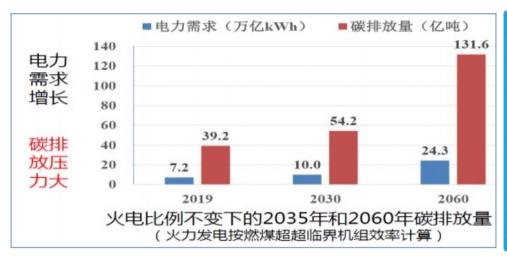


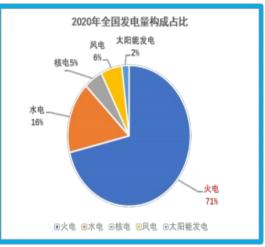
National Development and Reform Commission, nationwide retrofit of coal power plants:

- -Coal consumption more than 300g standard coal / kWh: speed up energy-saving retrofit, phase out and shut down the plants that cannot be retrofitted, and turn the plants that meet the conditions into emergency standby power supply as appropriate.
- -Order issued by the state for the retrofit and upgrading of coal-fired power plants. Energy conservation, consumption reduction, and flexibility in retrofit.

Substitute of Coal with Biomass







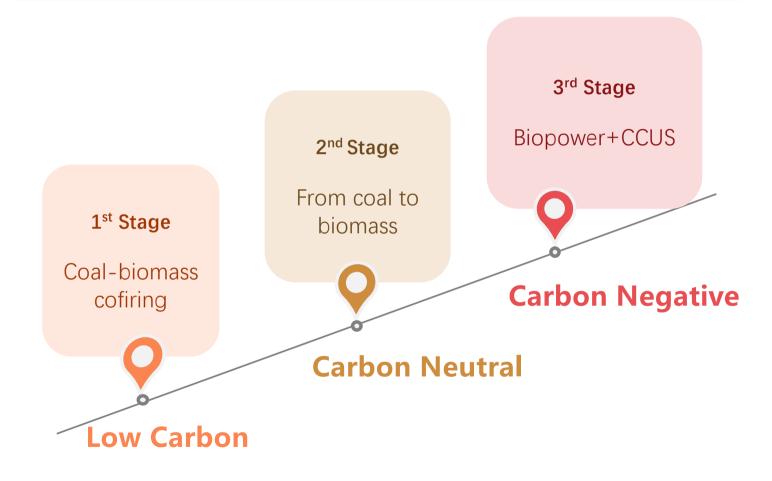
Given the current percent of thermal power, if no measures are taken, the carbon emission will reach 5.42 billion tons by 2030 and 13.16 billion tons by 2060 (assume the annual increase of power demand is 3%)

By 2060, the carbon emission of the power industry should be controlled within 4.02 billion tons

The carbon emission of the power industry needs to be reduced from 0.542 kg/kwh to 0.166 kg/kwh, a decrease of 70%, which is a great challenge. The only way out: coal+ biomass cofiring, until the complete phase out of coal.

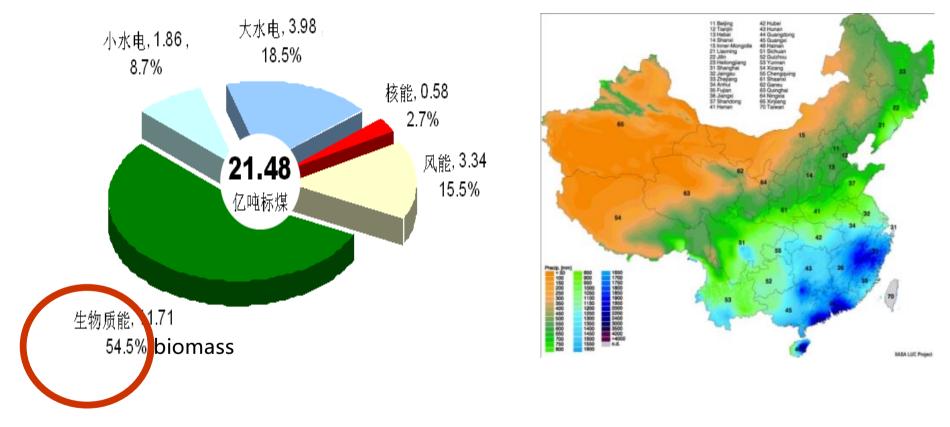
Coal Power: Go Carbon Neutral











Biomass resources is 2 times of hydroenergy, or 3.5 times of wind energy

Data source: Chinese Academy of Engineering





Total availability of China's biomass resources: 690 M tce, 2030 projection: 1.171 bln tce (marginal land included)

	可利用资源量	
资源来源	实物量 (万吨)	折合标准煤量(万吨)
农作物秸秆	90000	45000
稻谷秸秆	25020	12510
小麦秸秆	17550	8775
玉米秸秆	28620	14310
油料秸秆	5490	2745
豆类秸秆	3600	1800
薯类秸秆	2070	1035
棉花秸秆	1620	810
其他秸秆	6030	3015
农产品加工剩余物	11752.45	5876.224
稻壳	5622.075	2811.038
玉米芯	5615.8	2807.9
花生壳	514.572	257.286
林业木质剩余物	24400	12200
畜禽粪便	84000	2800
城市生活垃圾	7500	1200
有机废水	435000	1600
有机废渣	95000	400
合计		69076.22

荒地 未利用土地: 24509 可用而未用土地: 8874 5704 宜农荒地: 2000 林地

全国林地面积: 28493

可供生物质原料生产的边际性土地

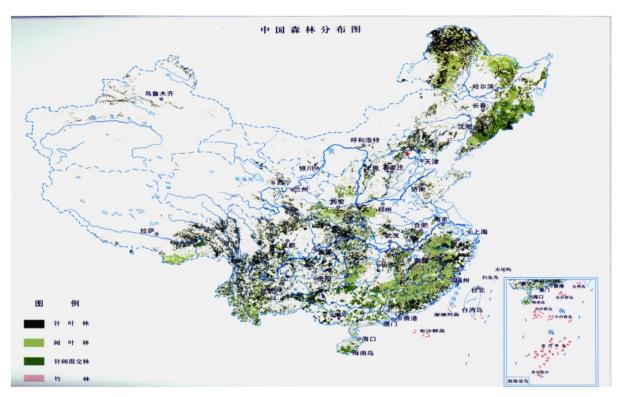
Data source: 13th Five-Year-Plan for Development of Bioenergy Industry

China's Renewable Energy Industry Development Report 2015

全国耕地面积:13004

Forestry Biomass Resources





China's forest area: 208 M hec, increase of natural forest: 2.15 M

hec.

Total yield of forest vegetation: 17.02 bln tons

total carbon storage: 8.427 bln tons

Total forestry residue availability: 120 M tce

Data source: The 8th National Forest Census



Agro Residue Resources



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Agro residue availability in 13 major grain producing provinces in China



Data source: National	Statistics	Bureau	2015	data
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Province	wheat straw	rice straw	corn straw	rice husk	corncob	peatnut shell	total
grain/straw ratio	1.366	0.623	2.000	0.270	0.250	0.313	
Heilongjaing	29.8	1370.4	7088.2	593.9	886.0	1.6	9970.0
Henan	4782.4	331.1	3707.4	143.5	463.4	151.9	9579.7
Shandong	3205.5	59.2	4101.8	25.7	512.7	100.0	8004.9
Anhui	1927.4	909.1	992.6	394.0	124.1	29.5	4376.8
Liaoning	3.7	291.4	2807.0	126.3	350.9	14.0	3593.2
Hebei	1960.2	34.0	3340.8	14.7	417.6	39.9	5807.2
Jilin	0.1	392.6	5611.4	170.1	701.4	17.5	6893.1
Inner Mon	216.2	33.1	4501.6	14.4	562.7	1.3	5329.4
Jiangxi	3.6	1262.9	25.6	547.3	3.2	14.5	1857.2
Hunan	12.8	1647.7	377.6	714.1	47.2	9.5	2809.0
Sichuan	582.3	967.3	1531.4	419.2	191.4	21.2	3712.8
Hubei	574.9	1128.1	665.8	488.9	83.2	21.3	2962.2
Jiangsu	1603.7	1216.4	504.4	527.2	63.1	11.0	3925.7

High yield energy plants miscanthus and super asparagus





Excellent energy grass originated from China. High yield, adaptive to environment, In southern Germany, under the local annual precipitation of 700mm-800mm, the height of triploid giant awn can reach 7-10 meters, the unit yield of biomass is much higher than that of switchgrass, and the theoretical unit yield can be as high as 22 tons / ha per year.

Super bamboo reed, dry matter yield: over 10 tons/0.06 hectare, the yield of straw of traditional crops such as rice and wheat straw is only about 1 ton. Hope of China's biomass energy





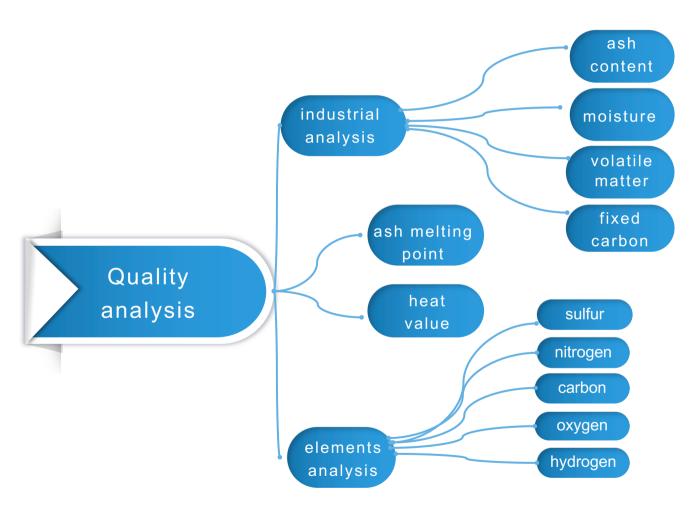
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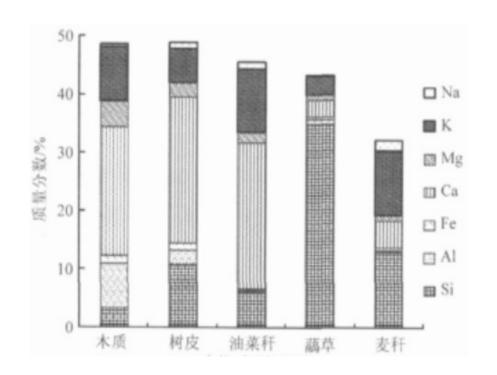
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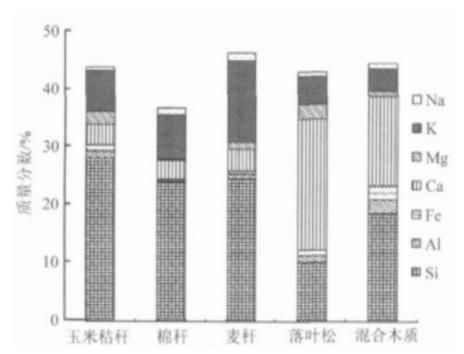












High content of Si, K, and alkali induced slagging, which limits the wider use of agro residue.



Quality Analysis Standard



Nr. Assay Analyzer Nation	onal standard
1 heat value calorimeter GB/	Т 30727-2014
2 Moisture, ash, volatile matters, fixed carbon industrial analyzer GB/	T 28731-2012
3 whole sulfur sulfur analyzer GB/	Т 28732-2012
5 ash melting ash melting analyzer GB/	Т 30726-2014
6 moisture moisture analyzer GB/	Т 28733-2012
7 carbon, hydrogen, carbon, hydrogen and nitrogen nitrogen analyzer	Т 30732-2014
8 fluorine, chlorine fluorine, chlorine analyzer GB/	Т 30729-2014

National standards to follow for quality analysis





Fule	Moisture	ash	volatile	sulfure	whole water	Heat value			
ruie	M _{ad} (%)	A _d (%)	V _d (%)	S _{t,d} (%)	Mt (%)	Qb,ad(MJ/kg) (kal/kg)	Qgr , d(MJ/kg) (kal/kg)	Qnet,ar(MJ/kg) (kal/kg)	sample origin
pine pellet	1.18	0.6	84.69	0.06	6.34	20.18	20.42	17.72 4237.21	满洲里
poplar pellet	2.5	8.93	75.24	0.03	8.62	17.95 4292.20	18.14 4337.63	15.5 3706.36	长 春
straw pellet	0.92	4.98	76.42	0.06	9.18	18.20	18.37	15.32 3663.32	舒 兰
straw pellet	2.30	16.66	66.76	0.06	6.18	16.25	16.63	14.14 3445.72	长春
straw pellet	0.66	22.56	64.84	0.14	5.64	15.13	15.23	13.26 3170.73	四平
rice husk pellet	1.06	16.58	66.86	0.04	7.83	16.41	16.58	14.07 3364.42	黑龙江
rice husk pellet	1.30	16.52	67.44	0.04	8.24	16.46	16.68	14.08 3366.81	舒兰市
peanut shell pellet	2.40	11.15	70.22	0.12	11.68	17.63	18.06	14.63 3498.33	辽 宁
peanut shell pellet	1.78	10.34	70.50	0.04	10.63	17.94	18.26	15.00 3586.80	松 原

Wood pellet: highest heat value

Rice husk: easy access, low cost, ash content high

Straw pellet: high moisture, ash content high, instable heat value







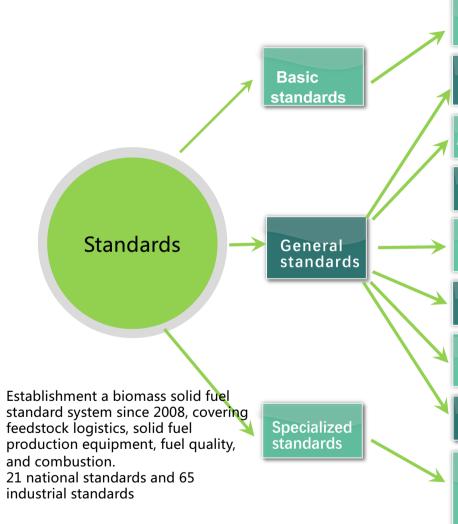




Physical and chemical property induced fouling, slagging, corrosion (high alkali content, low ash melting point, etc).

Solid Biomass Fuel Standard





术语-7项:国标(GB-3项)、能源局标准(NB-2项)、 农业农村部标准(NY-2项)

原料收储运标准-7项:国标(GB-3项)、能源局标准(NB-2项)、 农业农村部标准(NY-2项)

质量分级标准-2项:能源局标准(NB-1项)、农业农村部标准(NY-2项)

取样、制样标准-7项:国标(GB-3项)、 农业农村部标准(NY-4项)

物理特性和试验方法-22项:国标(GB-8项)、农业农村部标准(NY-12项)、 能源局标准(NB-1项)、林草局标准(LY-1项)

化学特性和试验方法-5项:国标(GB-4项)、能源局标准(NB-1项)

建设规划和设计规范-15项:国标(GB-1项)、能源局标准(NB-9项)、农业农村部标准(NY-3项)、林草局标准(LY-2项)

设备技术条件和试验方法-21项:农业农村部标准(NY-5项)、能源局标准(NB-15项)、林草局标准(LY-1项)

燃料-3项:国标(GB-1项)、林业标准(LY-2项)

锅炉-1项:(NB-1项);燃烧器-1项:(NB-1项)

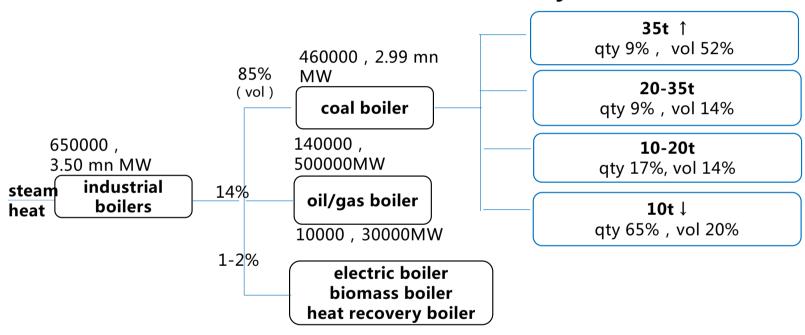
炊事炉具-1项:(GB-1项)

标准统计中含生物质原料标准





Statistics on heat only boilers

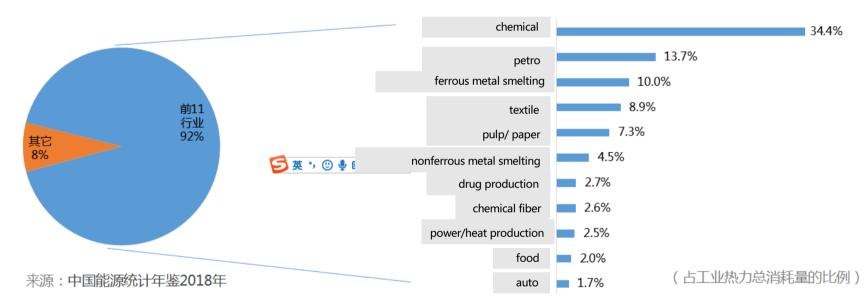


Coal→biomass solid fuel, market potential: 400 bln CNY.





Total heat supply to 11 industrial manufacturing sectors in 2017



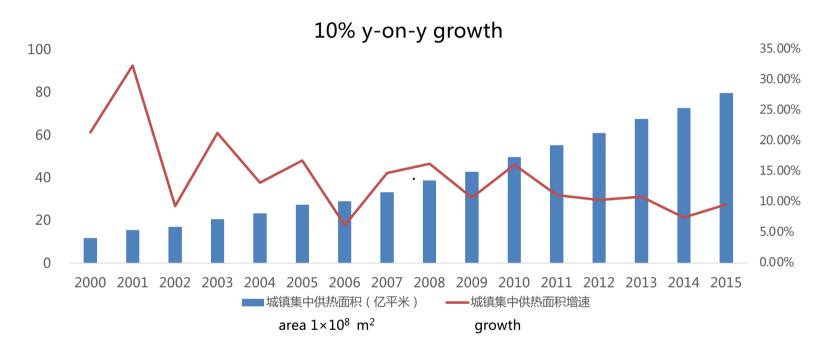
Data source: China Energy Statistics Yearbook 2018

Total heat supply: 586 mil. tons ≈ 146.5 bln CNY.





Sustained growth of heat supply in urban area in China, 2000-2015



Projected market size 480 bln CNY



Economical Comparison



Fuel	Hea	at value	Unit	price	Unit he	eat price	Efficiency	Heat value/cost
straw pellet	3200 5000	kcal/kg kcal/kg	600 700	CNY/t	52.69 51.44	CNY/GJ CNY/GJ	85 65%	1 0.98
wood pellet	4100	kcal/kg	1100	CNY/t	75.39	CNY/GJ	85%	1.43
NG	8600	kcal/m³	3.5	CNY/m ³	105.66	CNY/GJ	92%	2.01
electricity	860	kcal/kWh	1	CNY/kWh	286.32	CMY/GJ	97%	5.43

备注:煤价、天然气和商业用电价格依据当地价格计算。以上测算为产生同等热量单价比。公式:单位热量÷热值×单价×效率

Straw is a cost efficient fuel



Boile	er type	Applicable area	ash/dust mg/ m ³	SO ₂ mg/ m ³	NOx mg/ m3
coal fired boiler	natural draft furnace	class I	50	300	300
	other boilers	class I	50	300	300
oil fired boiler	light diesel	class I	30	200	250
	other fuel oil	class I	30	200	250
gas fir	ed boiler	all areas	20	50	200

National limits for coal/oil/gas fired boilers



Emission Comparison



吉林省生物质成型燃料锅炉大气污染排放标准(DB22/T 2581—2016)

单位: mg/m³

1 1700 LT 000					
Pollutant	Limit	Sampling point			
Particulate matter	30ª				
SO ₂	50	stack/duct			
NOx	250	stack/duct			
Ringelman blackness	≤1	discharge outlet			
"对于 0.35 MW (0.5 t/h) 及以下小型锅炉颗粒物排放浓度限值可放宽至 40。					

Limits for biomass boilers in Jilin Province, Northern China



Conversion of coal fired energy system (5* 56MW boilers) into wood pellet fired plant for auto industry in 2015



Before conversion



After conversion



Wood pellet

China's biggest bioheat supply project with emission as same as NG without SNCR





Supplying heat to universities (1.2M m² in total) by using rice husk pellet







Supplying steam (2*10.5MW biomass boiler) to drug producer

Fuel: peanut shell pellet











Multi-generation technology - cool, heat, electricity, steam, fertilizer. Total investment: 310M CNY.

Use of corn straw









Supplying steam to agricultural products processing factory by combustion of wood chips in Northern China.

Ultra low emission (10, 35, 50)



Coal fired grain drying system → biomass fired system





Briquette fuel made from corn straw is used to dry grain



Carbon Neutral Bioheat



Carbon neutral town

Marginal condition:100,000t corn straw, 200,000m²+

Carbon neutral industrial zone

Supplying steam to industrial manufacture Marginal condition: steam demand, 200,000t corn straw

Supplying heat/steam to city Marginal condition: heat+steam demand,300,000t corn straw

Principle: local origin, local use





Thanks