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Modelling of Energy System with MESSAGE

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Steps in modeling of energy system

Definition of object for analysis Preparation of energy flow network Collection of necessary initial information Definition of load regions Creation of model data base (TDB and ADB) Preparation of scenarios to be analyzed (Scenario DB) Matrix generation Optimization **Review of results**

Definition of object for analysis

MESSAGE models the material or energy flow from resources to demand (so called "energy chain")

If energy system is concern, MESSAGE, depending on user needs can represent entire energy system or it's part,

Definition of object for analysis



Preparation of energy flow network

The key elements, based upon which MESSAGE builds energy system, are:

- Energy forms/energy levels
- Technologies linking energy forms at various levels
- Relations which can be defined between energy forms, among various factors describing technologies

Preparation of energy flow network

- Any process, e.g., extraction, processing, conversion, transformation, transportation, distribution of energy can be represented as a "technology" in MESSAGE
- A set of technology parameters were built in MESSAGE so as to allow the users to represent all kinds of technologies
- A technology can be as simple as a section of electricity transmission line or as complicated as a refinery

Preparation of energy flow network



Collection of necessary initial information

- Technical
- Economic
- Environmental (other) and parameters used in relations with other technologies
- Parameters in MESSAGE are dynamic: they can change over time (seasonal and over year)

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Definition of load regions

- Demand for energy fuels is an input to MESSAGE it must be defined exogenously by other models e.g., MAED
- MESSAGE allows specifying energy demand at any level
- MESSAGE can represent seasonal variation of energy demand

Definition of load regions

- Variation of energy demand during a year can be represented by load regions
- Other factors rather than energy demand should be taken into account when load regions are considered
- A year can be divided into up to 64 load regions
- Number of load regions may vary for different years

Definition of load regions (Dividing into seasons)



Definition of load regions (Reduction of seasons)



Definition of load regions (Final representation of demand)



Definition of load regions (Final representation of demand)

Load regions for whole model are the same!



Definition of load regions (Creation of application data base) **Definition of day types**

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Review of results

- As a result of the optimization, MESSAGE produces a time-series values of all decision variables
- For each technology:
 - Activity values
 - Capacity values
- With the help of the output calculation program (CAP) or through user interface a full list of outputs can be extracted

Review of results

- Production and consumption of any energy form at any level and aggregation
- New capacity requirement for each technology/process
- Values of associated by products (e.g., wastes, pollutions)
- Total system costs, discounted to the base year
- O&M costs
- Fuel costs
- Investment requirement