# **The Barriers to Cogeneration**

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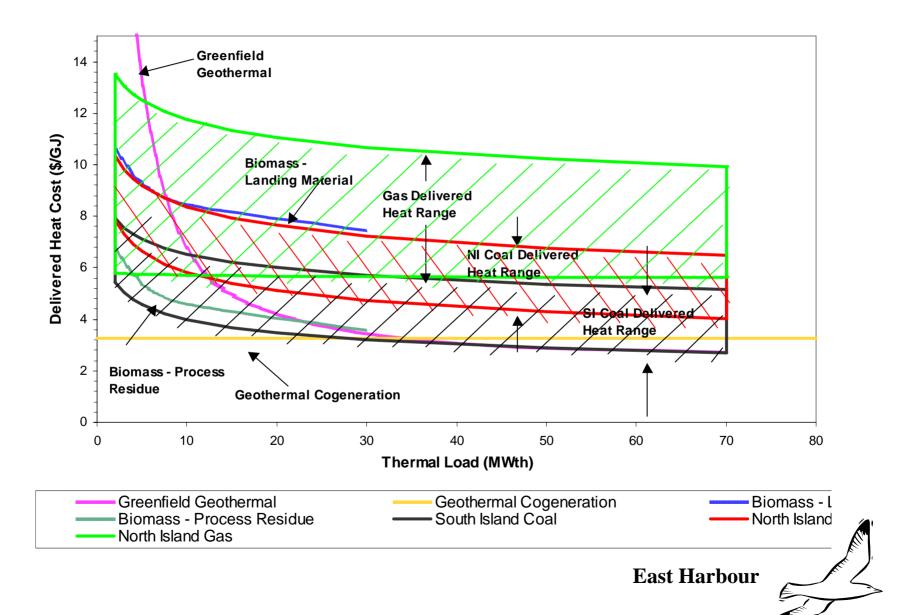
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# **Drivers for Cogeneration**

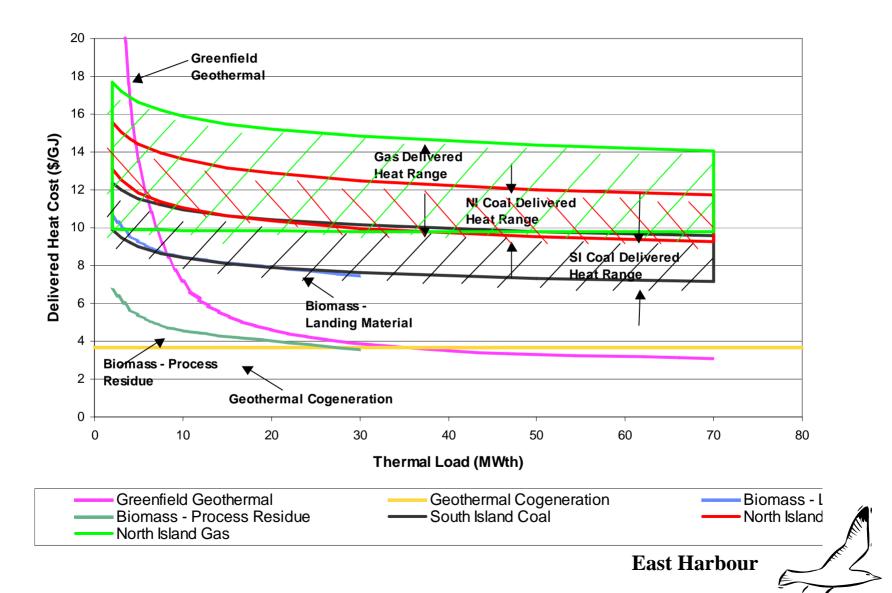
- Post Maui opportunities
  - multiple gas supplies
- Integrated energy solutions
  - Paradigm shifts in thinking about energy
- Distributed generation
  - reliability and security of supply
  - reduction in electricity network connection costs
- Requirements for heat
  - growth in wood processing
  - waste disposal costs
- High spot market prices



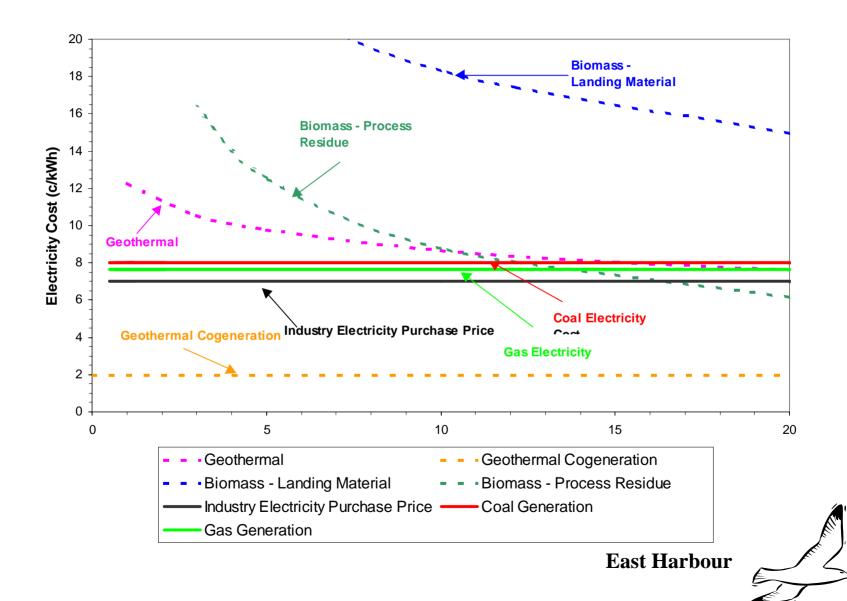
#### **Cost of Heat**



#### Future Heat Costs (post 2007)



#### Future Electricity Cost (post 2007)



## **Barriers to Cogeneration**

- Small industrial market lack of opportunities
- Relative low cost of wholesale electricity
- Still thinking electricity rather than energy
- Not responding to price signals
- Lack of experience of energy markets
- Difficulties with electricity sales contracts



# Distributed Generation Opportunities for Cogeneration

- Can meet supply requirements
- Can provide security and reliability
- Controllable
- Can assist reduce network connection costs
- Can be part of an energy price risk strategy
- Assisted by real time monitoring and control
- Integrated with demand management
- Requires attitudinal changes



## **Regulatory and Market Issues**

- Difficulty in establishing sales contracts
- Need to share benefits with network companies
- Not recognised in network security
- Not recognised in network company asset values
- Nodal price benefits shared with others



### **Cogeneration needs to be part of total integrated energy solutions**

