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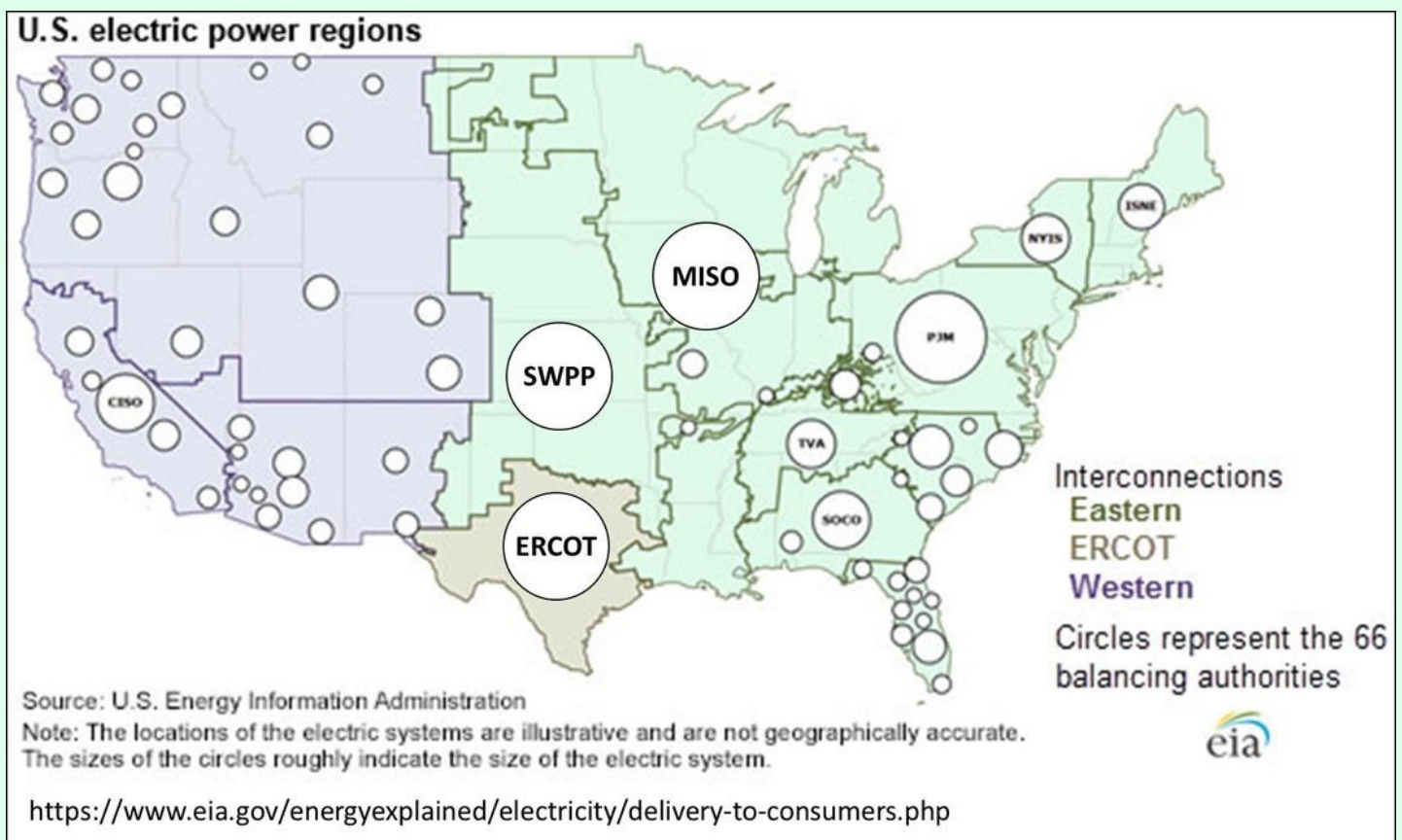
Despite many opposing claims by the media and the wind industry, there is NO doubt that the first hint of troubles to come came with a massive drop in wind generation.

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<https://wattsupwiththat.com/2021/02/25/wind-was-operating-almost-as-well-as-expected-a-texas-sized-energy-lie/>

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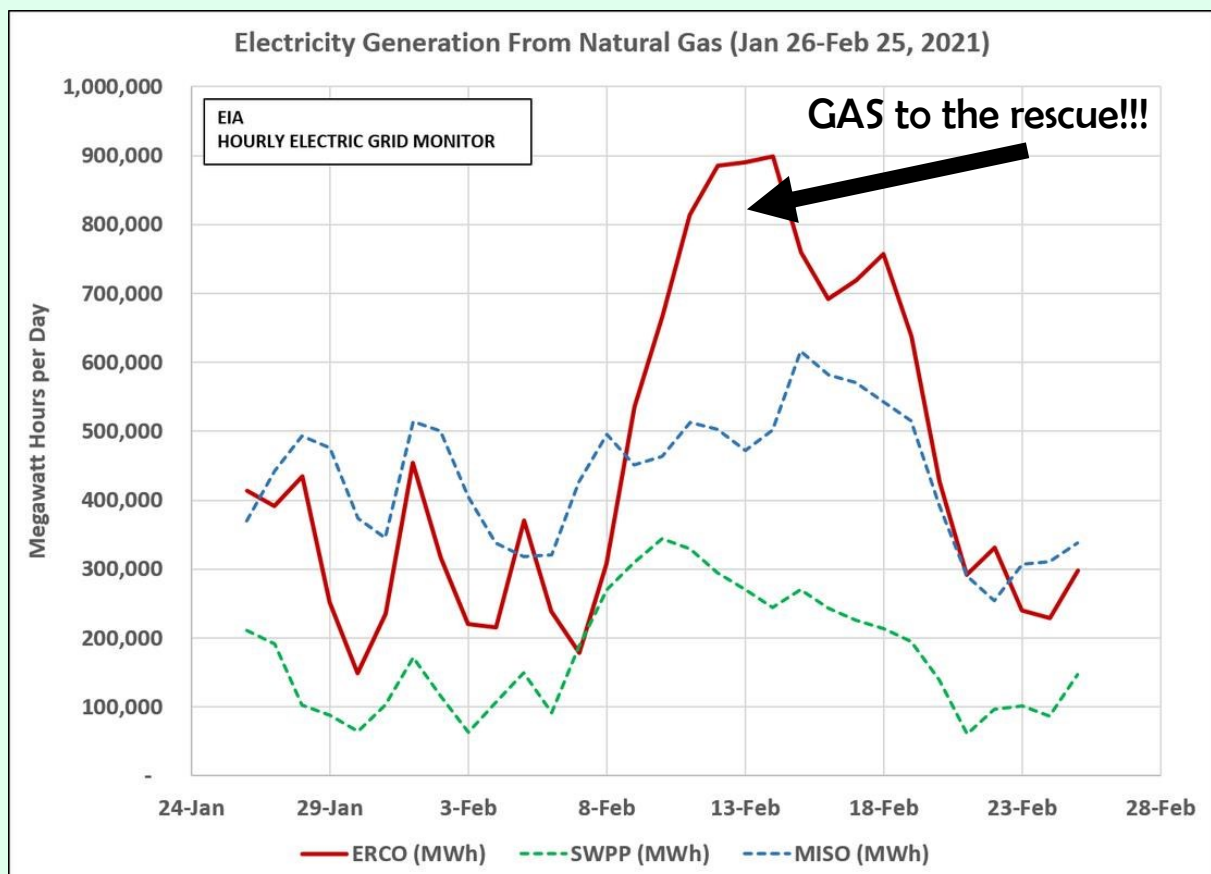
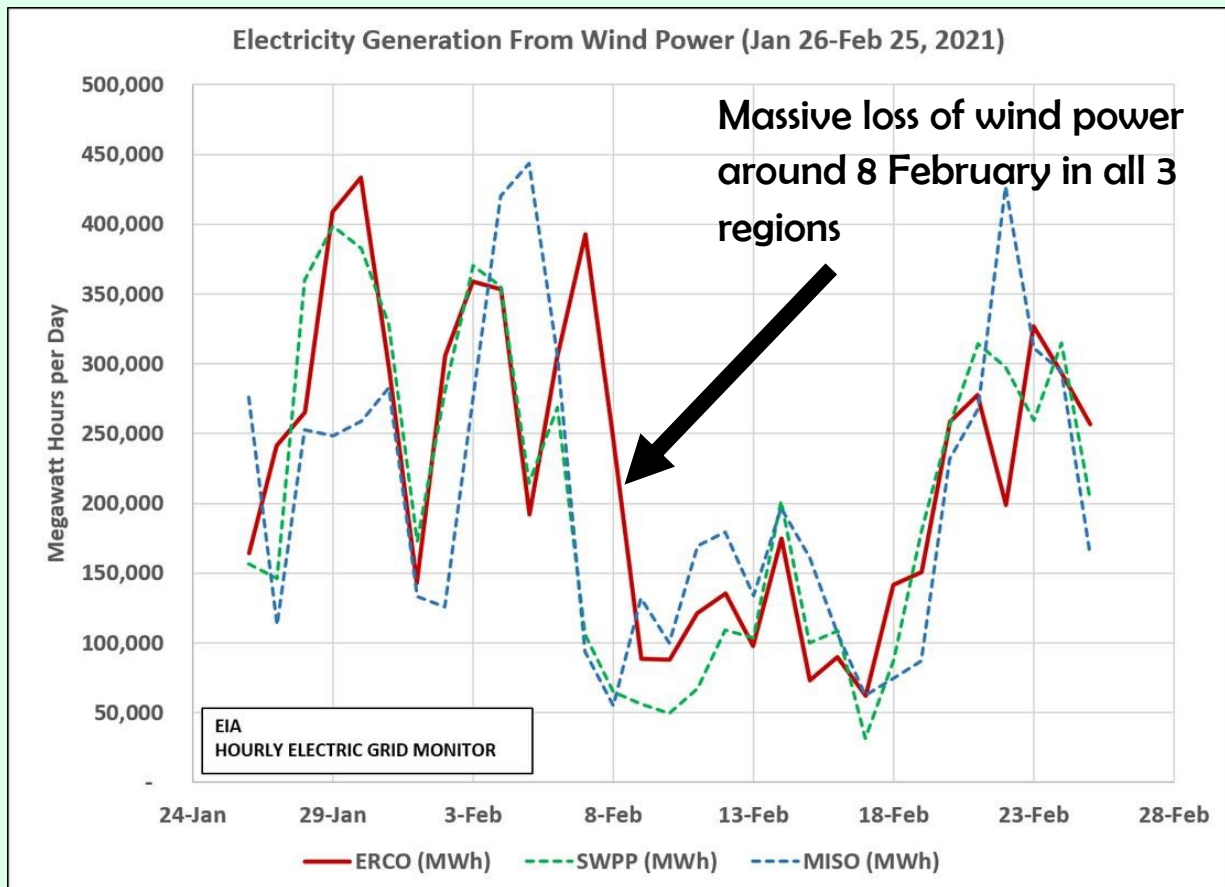
Compare 3 power regions in central USA



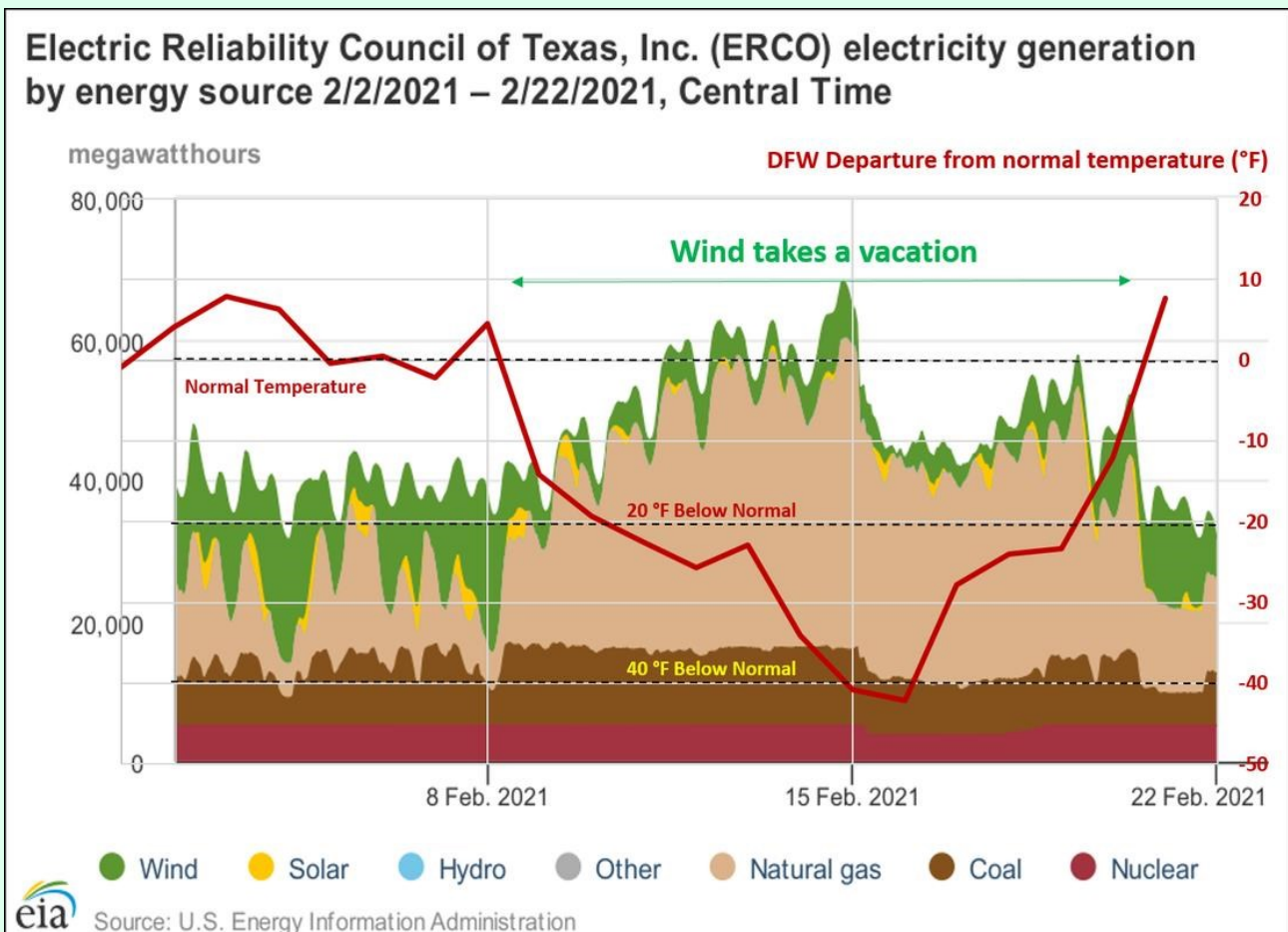
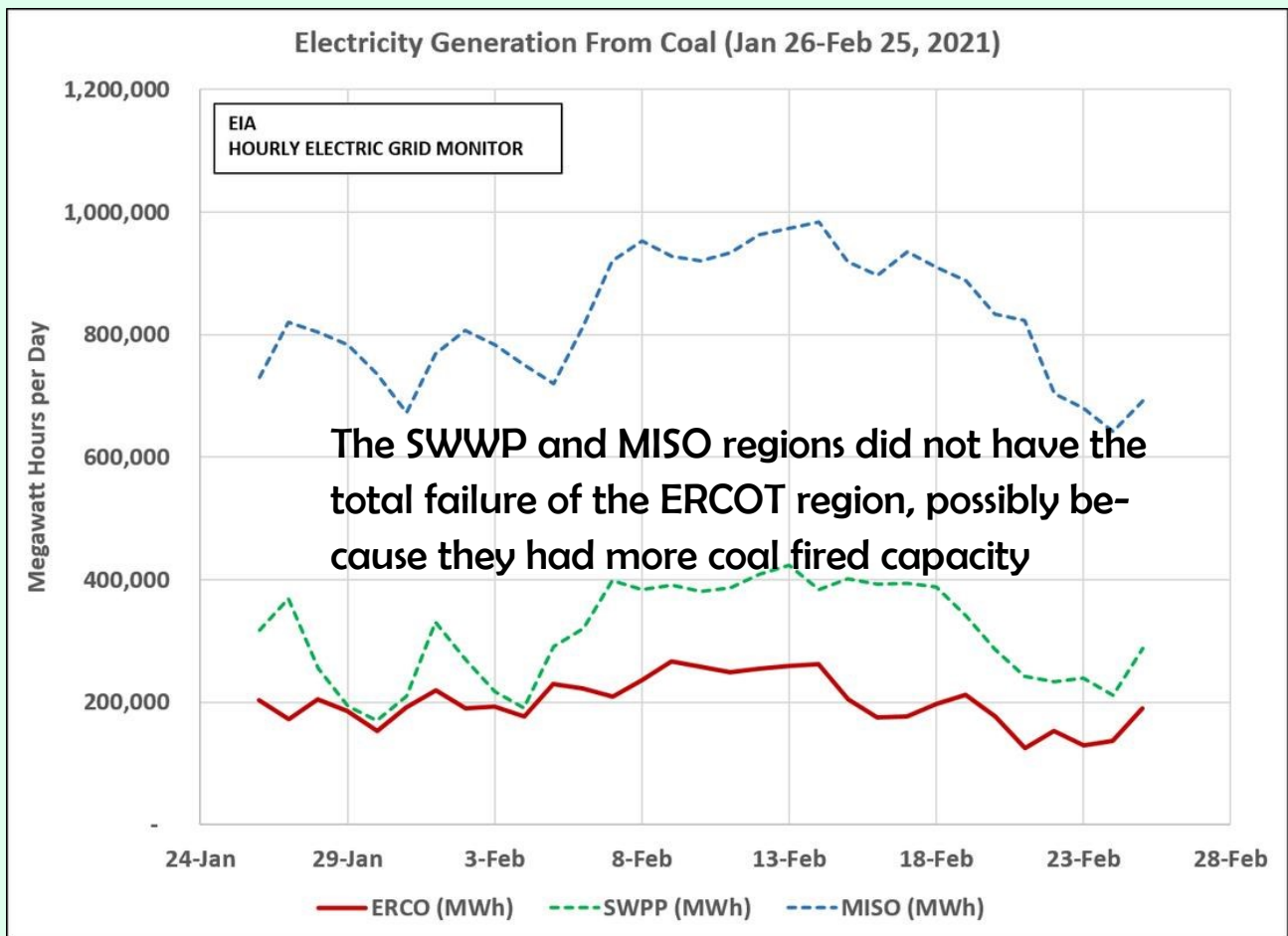
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Examining the brutal truth that wind failure was a factor in ALL three generating regions in central USA. But ERCOT was the worst. Compare below wind and gas usage.



ALL three generating regions in central USA lost power. But ERCOT was the worst. Look at COAL usage

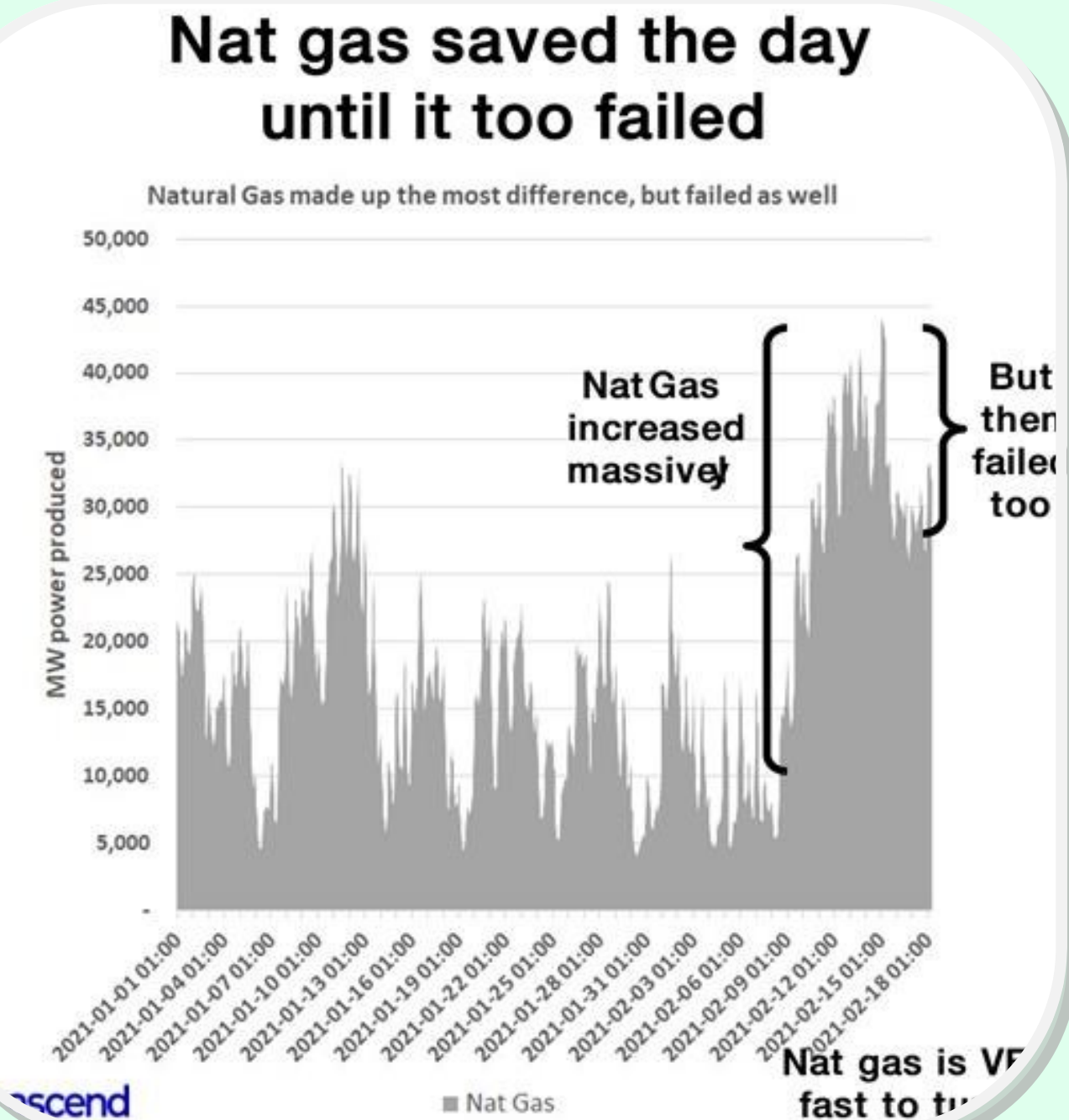


This is a summary of what happened with unreliable wind power

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In extreme conditions, even the gas supply failed in part. Some say that compressors, normally gas-powered to push the gas out to consumers, have been changed to electric powered by edict of the Clean Air Act—no power, no compressors



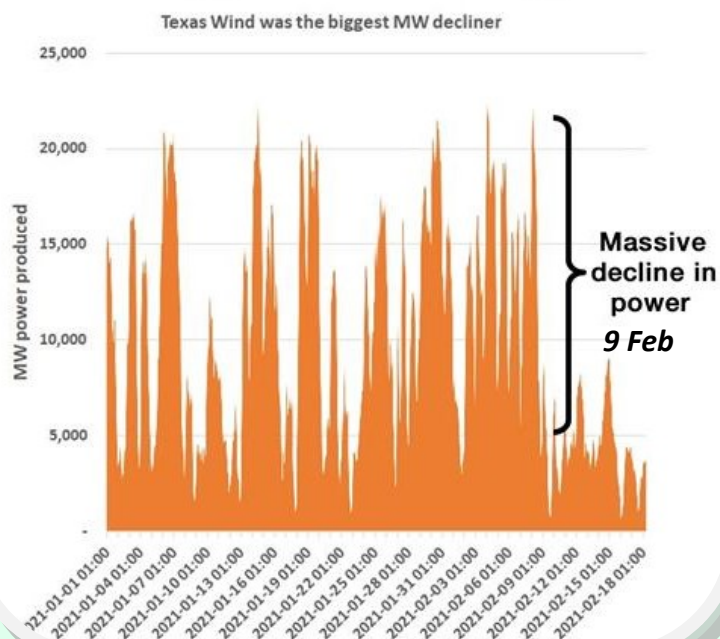
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Renewable energy and all its shortcomings have the ability to turn public officials into LIARS !!



Wind power essentially disappeared overnight



Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez 
@AOC



“The infrastructure failures in Texas are quite literally what happens when you *don’t* pursue a Green New Deal”

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The Aftermath in Texas (1): Failure of the water supply



Late Feb: A shortage of drinking water as pipes froze and water became contaminated

Late Feb: New ways to collect snow melt in an apartment block, as pipes froze



Never let it happen here in Australia—stop subsidies to Wind and Solar power

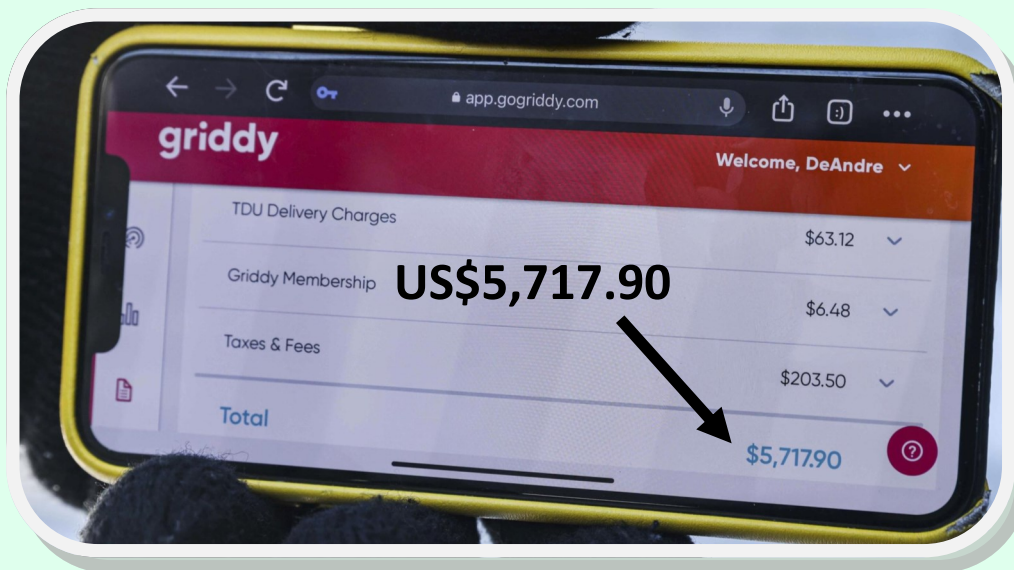
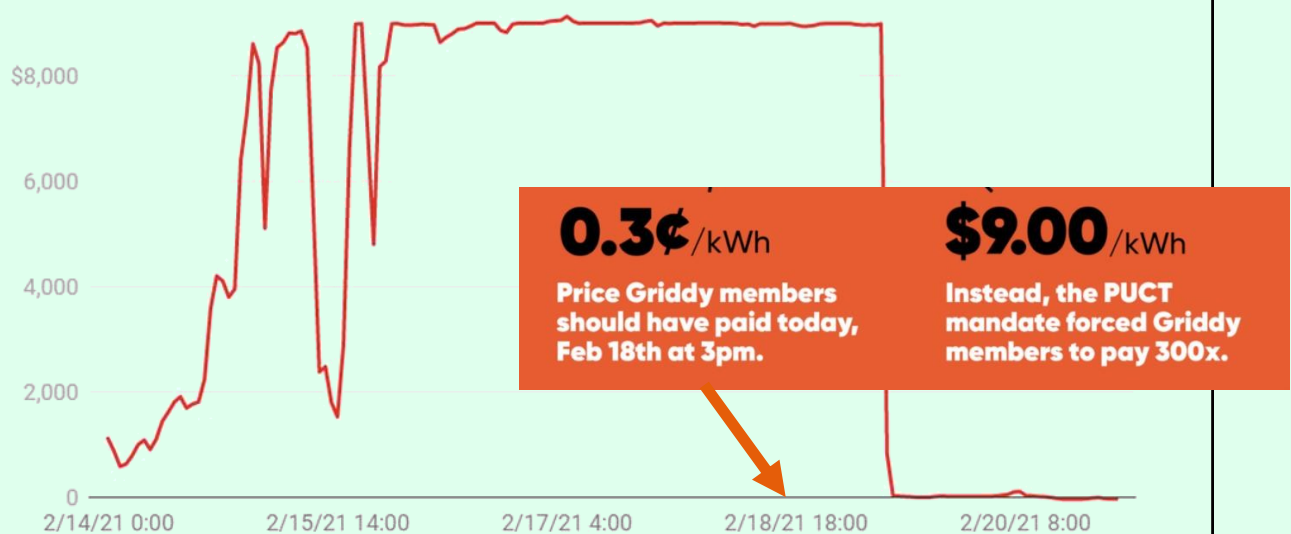
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The Aftermath in Texas (2): Destructive power bills

Five days of unaffordable electricity in Texas

During a record-setting cold wave from Feb. 14-20, 2021, Texas electricity prices spiked to \$9,000 per megawatt-hour, more than 100 times higher than typical rates. When the spike eased, regulators restored it in an effort to induce Texans to conserve power. Prices shown are for ERCOT's Houston generating region, but were extremely similar across all of ERCOT's territory, covering most of the state.



Griddy was the retailer handing out large bills, in a deregulated system in Texas. However, the Public Utility Commission of Texas instructed retailers to charge this much, even with some power restored, to slow a rise in power use. Another government agency ruining lives!!!

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Back in Australia, enter the Land of Dimwittery



We last met the School of Dimwittery in page 3 of our series—Kerry Schott and Audrey Sibelman, who took the cheapest and most efficient energy grid in the world and transformed it into an expensive mish-mash of wind and solar that increases prices and forces base load coal power out of the market.

NOW MEET **MATT KEAN** -

The living hot-air balloon posing as the NSW Environment Minister, who wants to make NSW the Germany of the South Pacific, with a turbine on every hill.

