Carbon Tracker Making the Coal Transition Feasible: Insights on how to early retire coal-fired power plants and the context in Indonesia

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Presentation outline

- 1. Who are we?
- 2. COVID-19 on power generation and Indonesian coal power economics
- 3. New study: Economic recovery and potential refinancing mechanisms to accelerate the energy transition



Who we are

Identity	Carbon Tracker is an independent non profit financial think tank funded by EU and US foundations interested in climate.			
Vision	To enable a climate secure global energy market by aligning the capital markets with climate science.			
Mission	Mapping the transition for the fossil fuel industry to stay within a two degree budget.			
Strategy	Empower investors to identify and switch off capital to the highest cost, highest carbon projects.	Engage with companies to re-assess both the viability of such projects and of their business model.	Educate mainstream financial markets and policy-makers over the risk of a disorderly transition.	Work with financial regulators to bring transparency on carbon and stranded asset risk and the fossil fuel risk premium.



Southeast Asian coal capacity update

Operating and planned coal capacity in major SEA markets



GEM (2020)



COVID-19 is likely accelerating the energy transition

Projected change in primary energy demand by fuel in 2020 relative to 2019



Source: IEA (2020)



Indonesian coal power economics: coal and coal with CCS are costly relative to alternatives

New wind and solar plus storage versus new and existing coal



coal with "hybrid" Wind or solar PV plus storage could already save electricity customers around the world \$39 billion in 2020, and these annual savings rise quickly to \$86 billion in 2022 and \$141 billion in 2025.

Three-part approach to energy transition

Governments and public finance institutions in collaboration with industry can support a orderly and just energy transition by:

- 1. **Refinancing** to fund the energy transition and save customers money on day one.
- 2. Reinvesting in clean energy.
- **3. Financing the Transition** for workers and communities.

Innovative financial tools such as ratepayer-backed bond securitization are already being used to implement the three-part strategy for high cost coal plants with regulated tariffs in the US.

Related refinancing options such as such as asset-backed portfolio securitization could potentially help facilitate the energy transition in the Philippines context that can work for all key stakeholders.

Additional options like debt forgiveness via reverse auction could also potentially help mitigate financing challenges from COVID while reducing customer costs and accelerating energy transition.

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