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“Political battles intensify over fossil fuel vs. clean energy resources”

“Geologic hydrogen emerges as potential zero-emissions power source.”

“AI data center boom driving massive surge in U.S. electricity demand.”

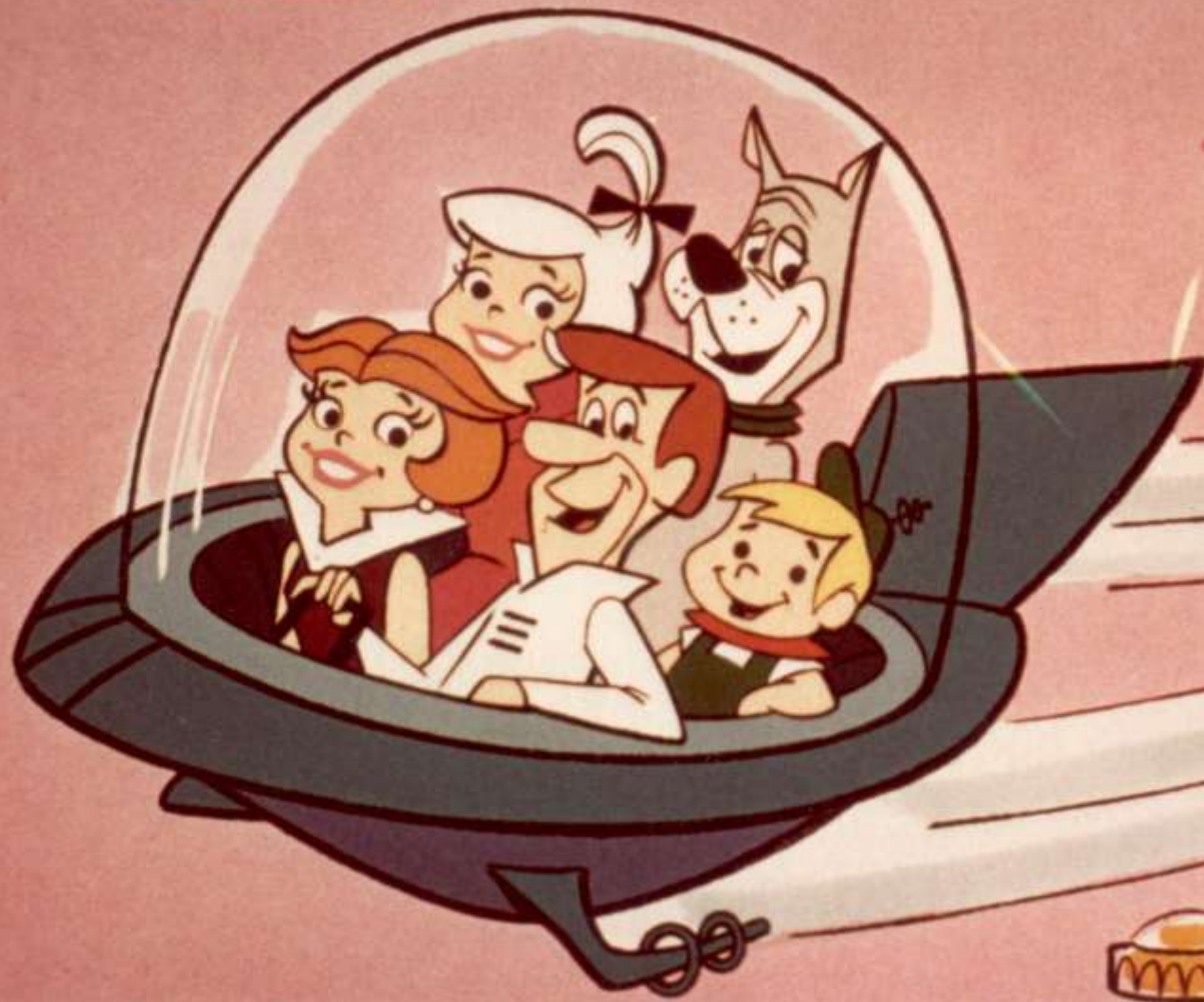
Wired for change.

“Enhanced Geothermal and Fusion poised to provide clean, reliable electricity.”

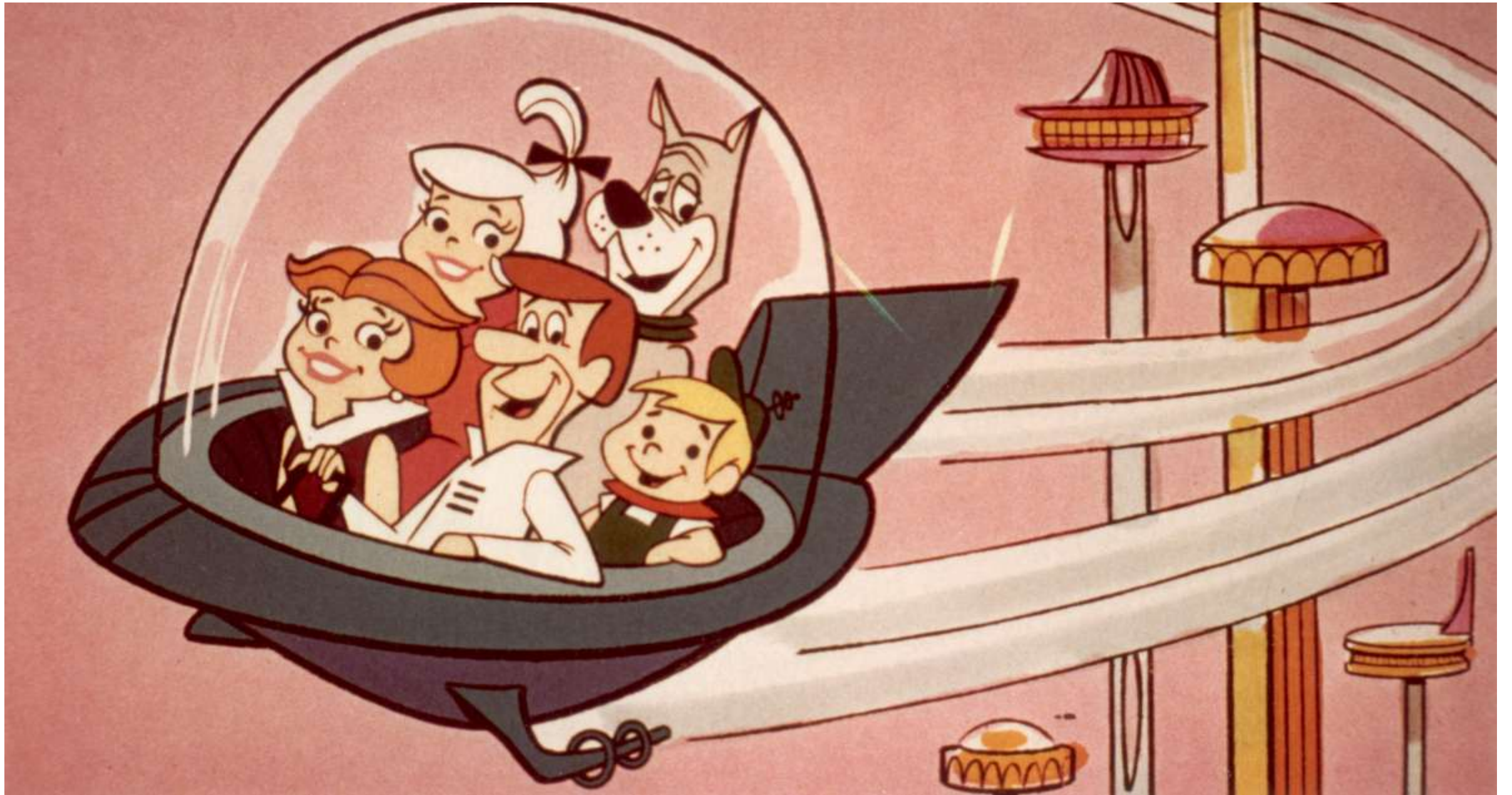
Time

an outpouring of support from neighbors, friends and even strangers who

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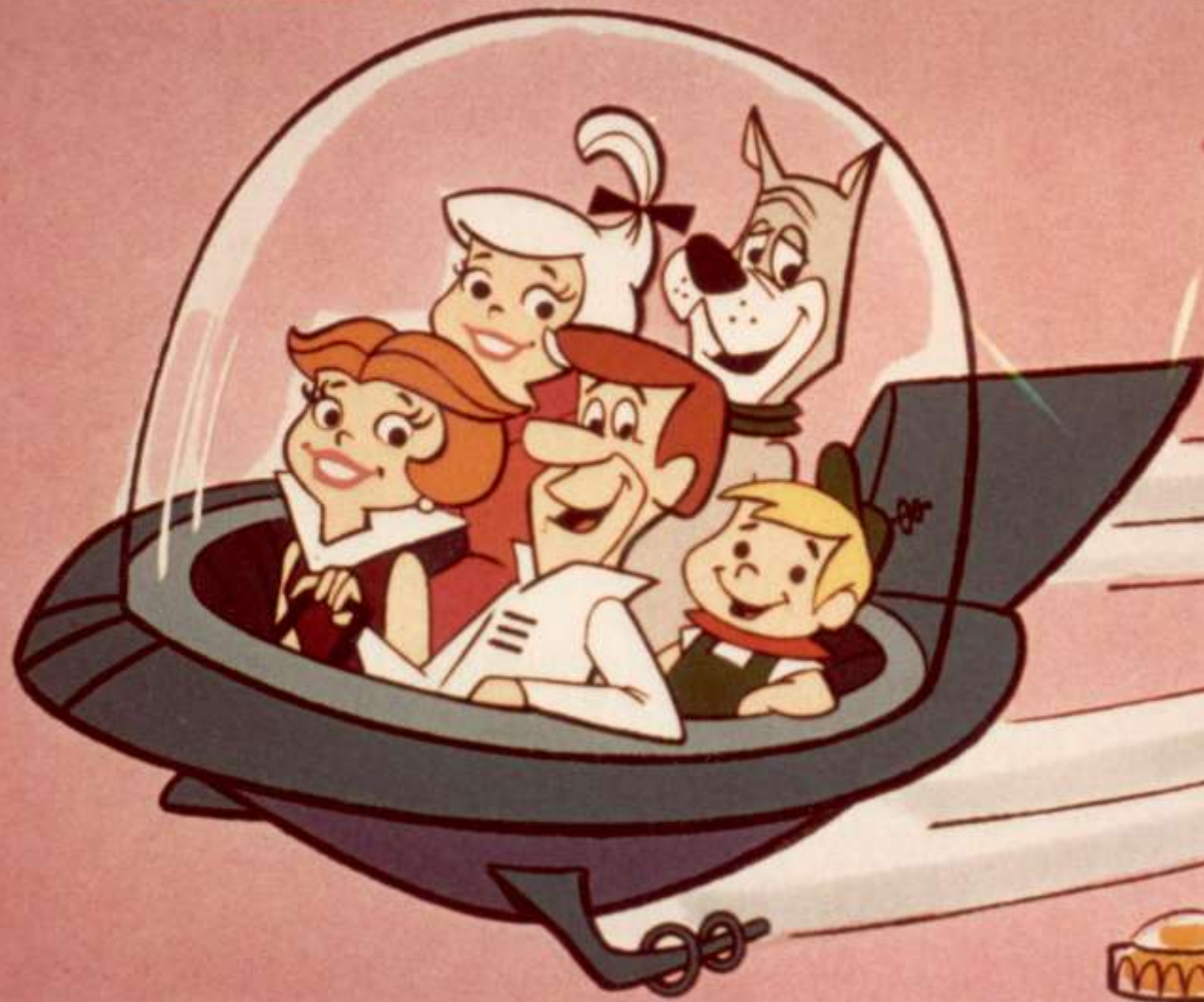
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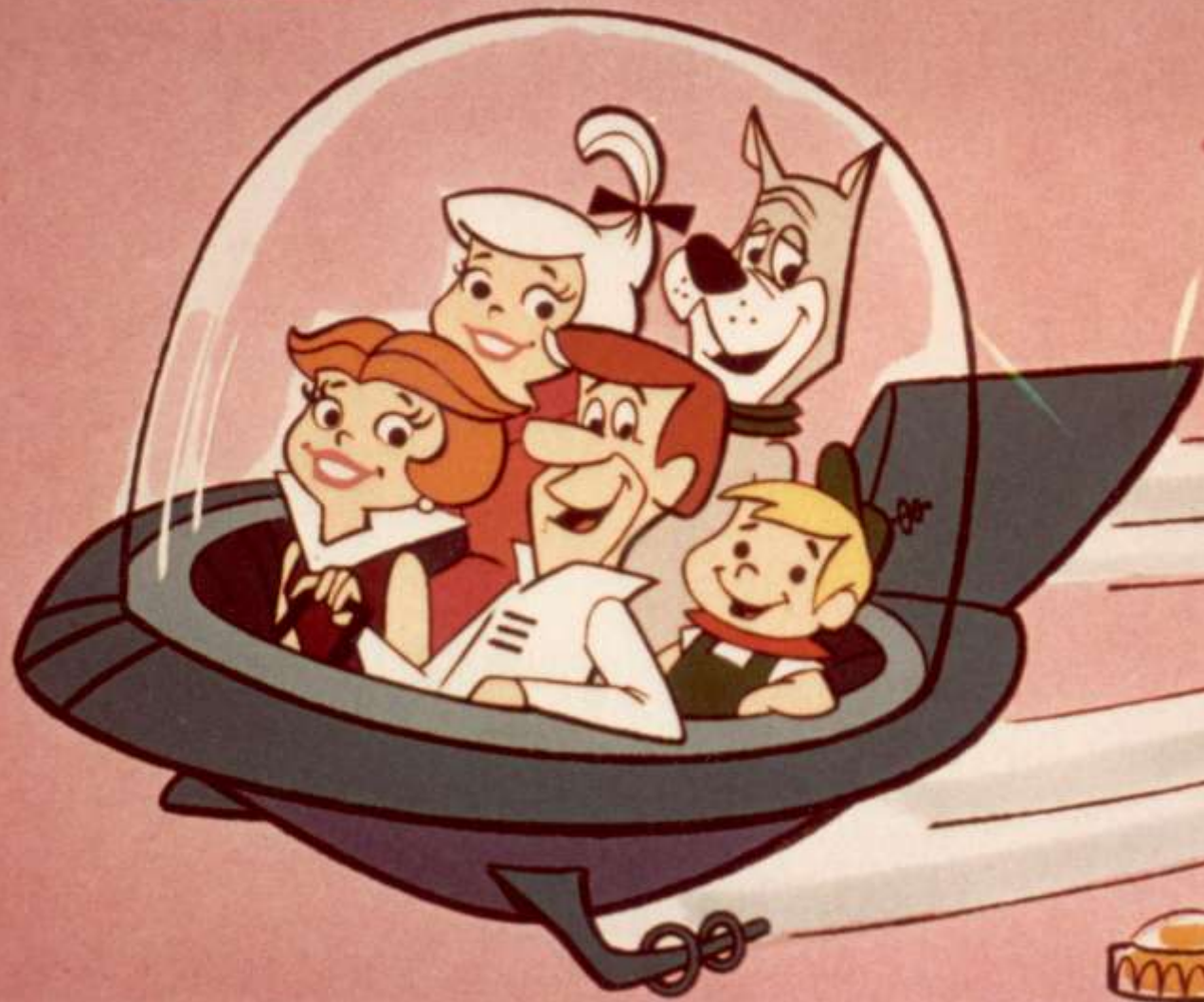
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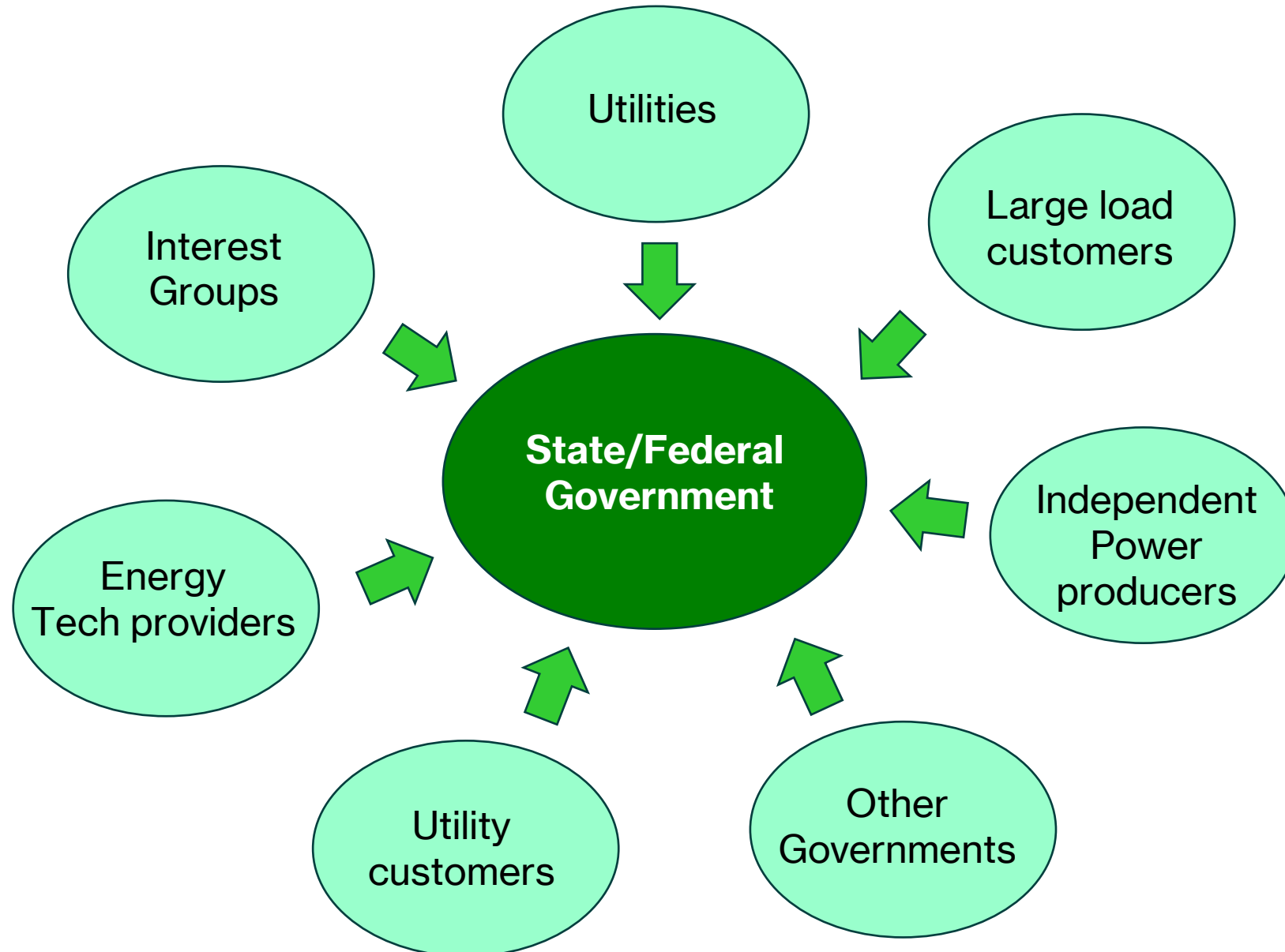
'Flying Cars' Will Take Off in American Skies This Summer

The federal government announced a new pilot program designed to get new kinds of ultralight vehicles and "eVTOLs" up and running around the country—even if they're not fully FAA-certified.



**Are we the creators of
the Jetsons or are we
shaking the Magic 8 ball?**

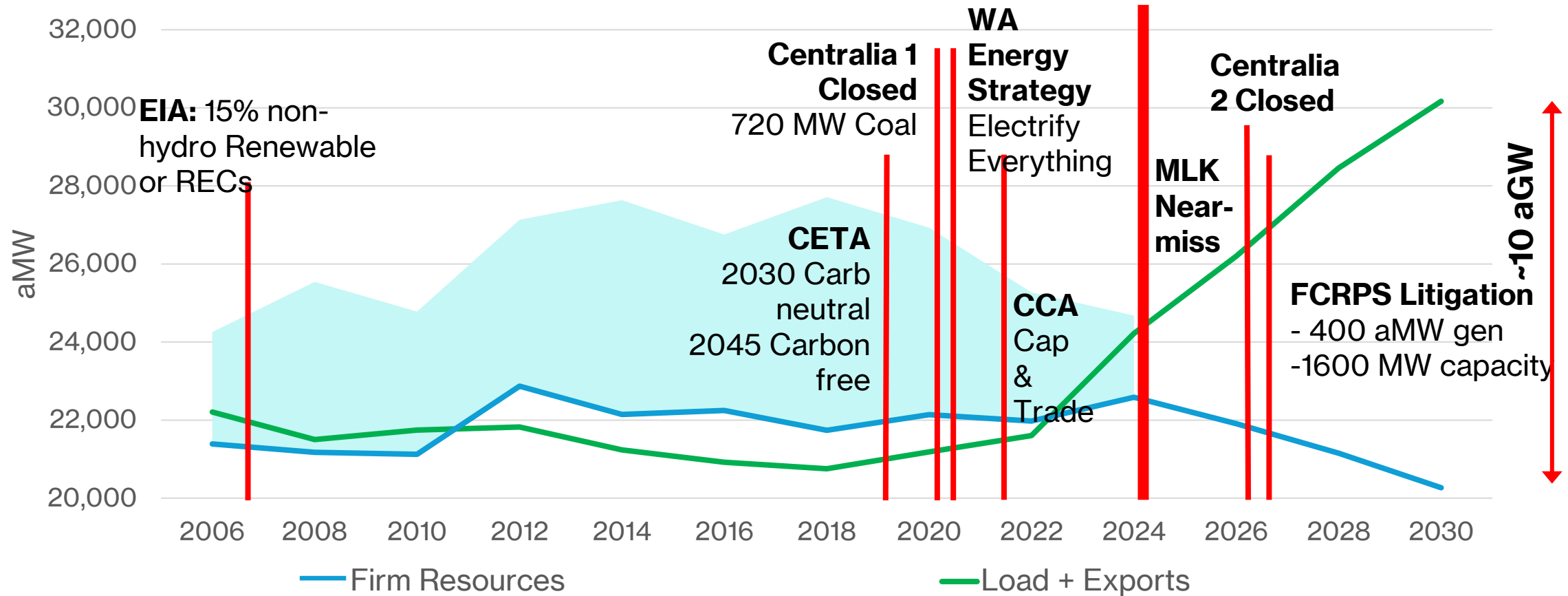
Who is shaping the future?



Leading requires...

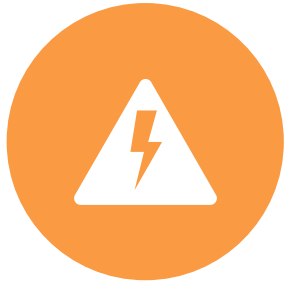
- The commitment to lead on solutions.
- Being the educator to increase foundational knowledge.
- Coming up with solutions.
- Finding alignment within the utility community on solutions.
- Stakeholders and building support broadly among various groups while addressing concerns or opposition to solutions.
- Drafting bill/policy language.
- Finding legislative champions to advance bills.
- Developing and executing strategies to navigate legislation through a complex political process while anticipating and minimizing the risk of legislation being amended in a way that undermines the objective or negatively impacts utilities.

PNW Resources and Loads Takeaways – Energy Needs



Sources: PNUCC Annual “Northwest Regional Forecast of Power Loads and Resources” Reports
 NWPCC, Energy Power Supply <https://www.nwcouncil.org/energy/energy-topics/power-supply/>

Policy drivers paving the way to our future.



Keeping the lights on.
Resource adequacy
and grid reliability.



Affordability.



Meeting clean energy
objectives.



Maintaining local
decision-making
authority- one size
does not fit all.

Shaping the future for your utility

- Write down the biggest challenge facing your utility or your department within your utility.
- Ignoring any existing barriers, write down one possible solution that could shape the future.
- Share your ideas!



Thank You!

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