

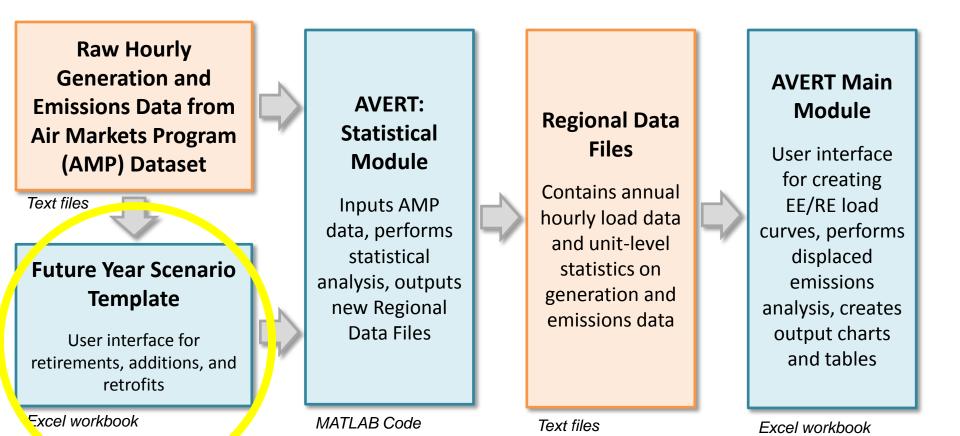
# **AVERT Future Year Scenario Template**

US Environmental Protection Agency State Climate and Energy Program





#### **AVERT's Modules and Data Files**



Most users will only need to use the Regional Data Files and AVERT Main Module to calculate emissions



## AVERT Future Year Scenario Overview

#### Purpose

- AVERT is not forwardlooking: cannot predict EGU retirements, new additions, or emissions modifications.
- Future Year Scenarios allow users to
  - Remove EGU from analysis.
  - Include additional proxy EGU.
  - Modify emissions characteristics.

- Advanced use of AVERT
  - Excel spreadsheet
  - Read into AVERT
     Statistical Module
- Each spreadsheet becomes a scenario.
  - Spreadsheet becomes input file for AVERT
     Statistical Module.
  - Each future year scenario template is specifically designed to match the same historic base year.





## Use AVERT Future Year Scenario in Statistical Module

- Obtain Future Year Scenario Template (slides 5-8).
- Modify Future Year Scenario Template (slides 9-11).
- Save Future Year Scenario Template with a meaningful name.
- Run Statistical Module (slides 13-16).
  - Provide a unique name for the statistical module run (slide 13).
  - Choose saved future year scenario (slide 15).





#### AVERT Statistical Module Obtain Correct Version

- AVERT Statistical Module is sensitive to PC specifications.
- 32-bit and 64-bit operating system versions available.
- Obtain correct version of AVERT Statistical Module.
- Obtain correct version of MCR from Mathworks.

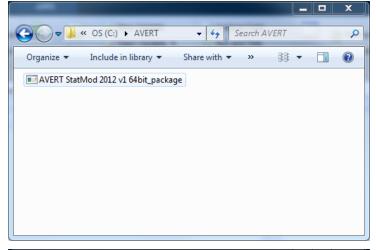
- Determine if your
   Windows system
   operates in a 32-bit or
   64-bit environment.
  - Find this information in "properties" of "My
    Computer" in Windows XP, or "Computer" in Windows
    Vista, Windows 7, or
    Windows 8.
  - Follow these instructions:
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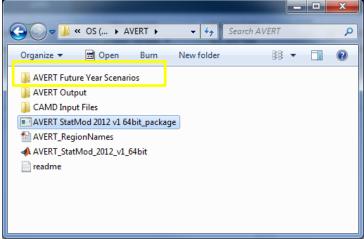


#### AVERT Statistical Module Unpacking and Startup

 Download the AVERT Statistical Module package.



 Run the executable to decompress the package to three files and three subfolders.



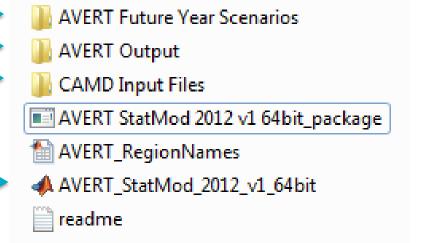


To obtain historic base years, visit <a href="http://epa.gov/statelocalclimate/resources/avert-download.html">http://epa.gov/statelocalclimate/resources/avert-download.html</a> and obtain both the CAMD input file and the Future Year Scenario Template for that same year.



#### AVERT Statistical Module File Structure

- AVERT Future Year
   Scenarios
  - Excel-based input files for altering EGU
- AVERT Output
  - Statistical Module output files
  - These become Main Module input files
- CAMD Input Files
  - Processed CAMD data files
  - New versions expected 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter annually
- AVERT\_StatMod\_ 2012\_v1 64bit
  - Executable







#### **Obtaining Other Base Years**

"CAMD Input Files"

To obtain additional historic base year data, visit: <a href="http://epa.gov/statelocalclimate/resources/avert-download.html">http://epa.gov/statelocalclimate/resources/avert-download.html</a>.

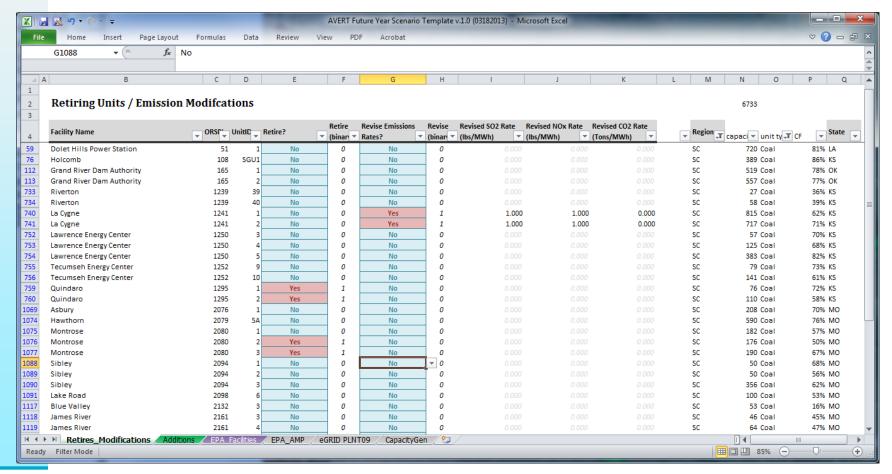
**Download AVERT Future** Year Scenario for the AVERT Future Year Scenarios same historic base year. AVERT Output Place the file in CAMD Input Files "AVERT Future Year Scenarios" AVERT StatMod 2012 v1 64bit\_package Download the CAMD AVERT\_RegionNames input file for the historic AVERT\_StatMod\_2012\_v1\_64bit base year. readme Place the tue in



**Note:** Historic base years must match-up with the Future Year Scenario Template.



## AVERT Future Year Scenario Retires and Modifications

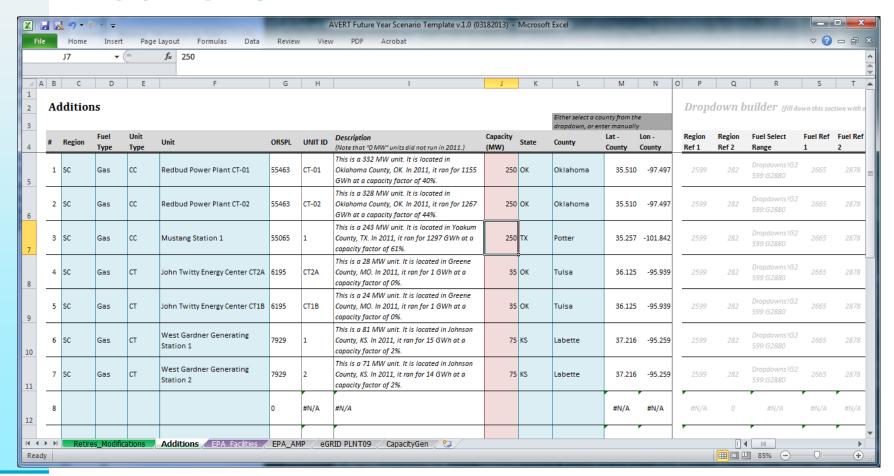




- Find EGU of interest, or filter by state or region.
- To retire, select "Yes" in the "Retire?" column.
- To change emissions rate, select "Yes" in the "Revise Emissions Rates?" column and enter new rate(s) in columns I, J, or K.



## AVERT Future Year Scenario Additions





#### In order

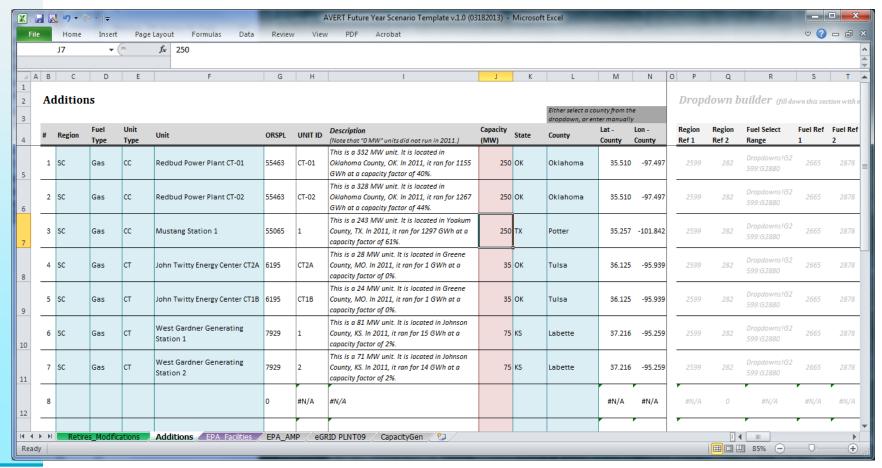
- 1. Select region
- Select fuel type
- 3. Select generator type

4. Select specific EGU (unit)

Description will appear about EGU type automatically.



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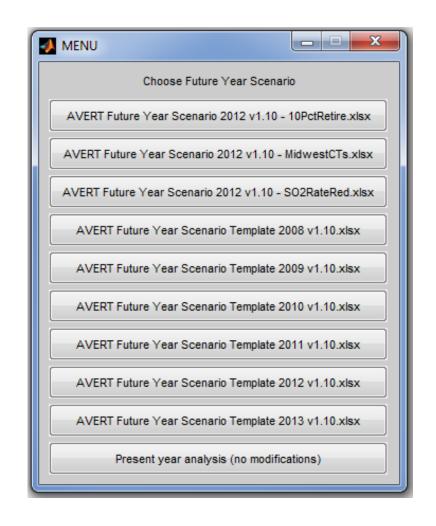


- Choose proxy unit capacity (will scale all other factors)
- Choose state (within region)
- Choose county (within region)
- Save file



### Use AVERT Future Year Scenario in Statistical Module

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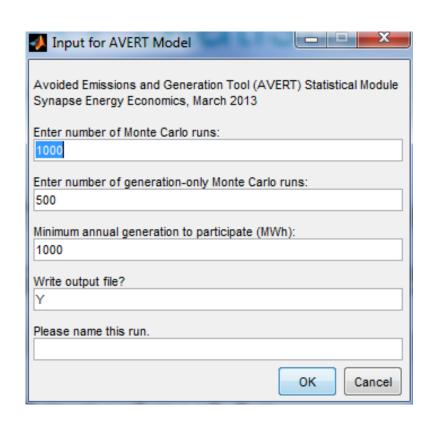






# AVERT Statistical Module Input Parameters

- Higher number of Monte Carlo (MC) runs reduces noise.
  - For test runs, use a low number of MC runs (10) and generation-only MC runs (5).
  - For final runs, use a high number of MC runs (1,000) and generationonly MC runs (500).
- Select "Y" to write output and save runs.



Use letters and numbers only.

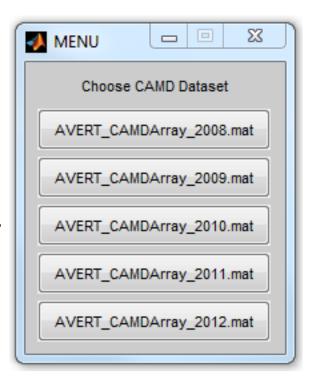
No special characters and no spaces.





#### AVERT Statistical Module Choose Data File

- Choose base year for analysis.
  - Data from 2007 through 2013 are available.
  - New data will be ready by the second quarter of the next year.
    - Requires data to be vetted by EPA and post-processed.

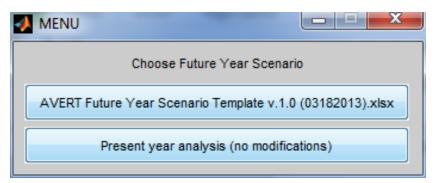






#### AVERT Statistical Module Choose Future Year Scenario

- Select either
  - Saved future year scenario
  - Present year analysis



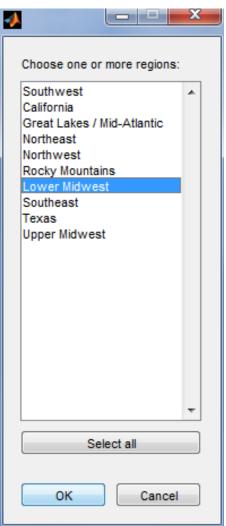
Present year analysis makes no modifications to the AVERT dataset.

- Uses EGU that exist in data year
- No changes in emissions rates





#### **AVERT Statistical Module** Choose Region(s) of Interest



- Choose region (or multiple regions) of interest.
- Same regions as in AVERT Main Module
- Once you hit "OK", the program will run uninterrupted until completion.
  - Program returns updated run status on a regular basis.
  - Output graphic and file indicate
    - successful completion.





