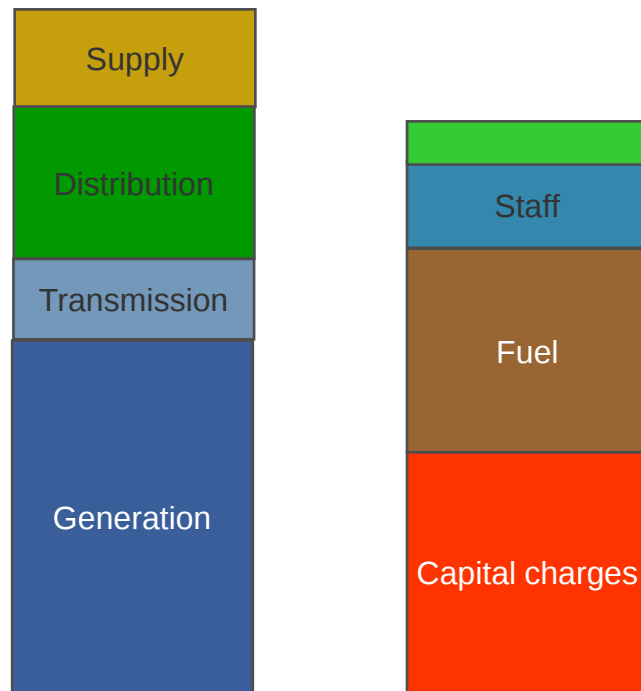


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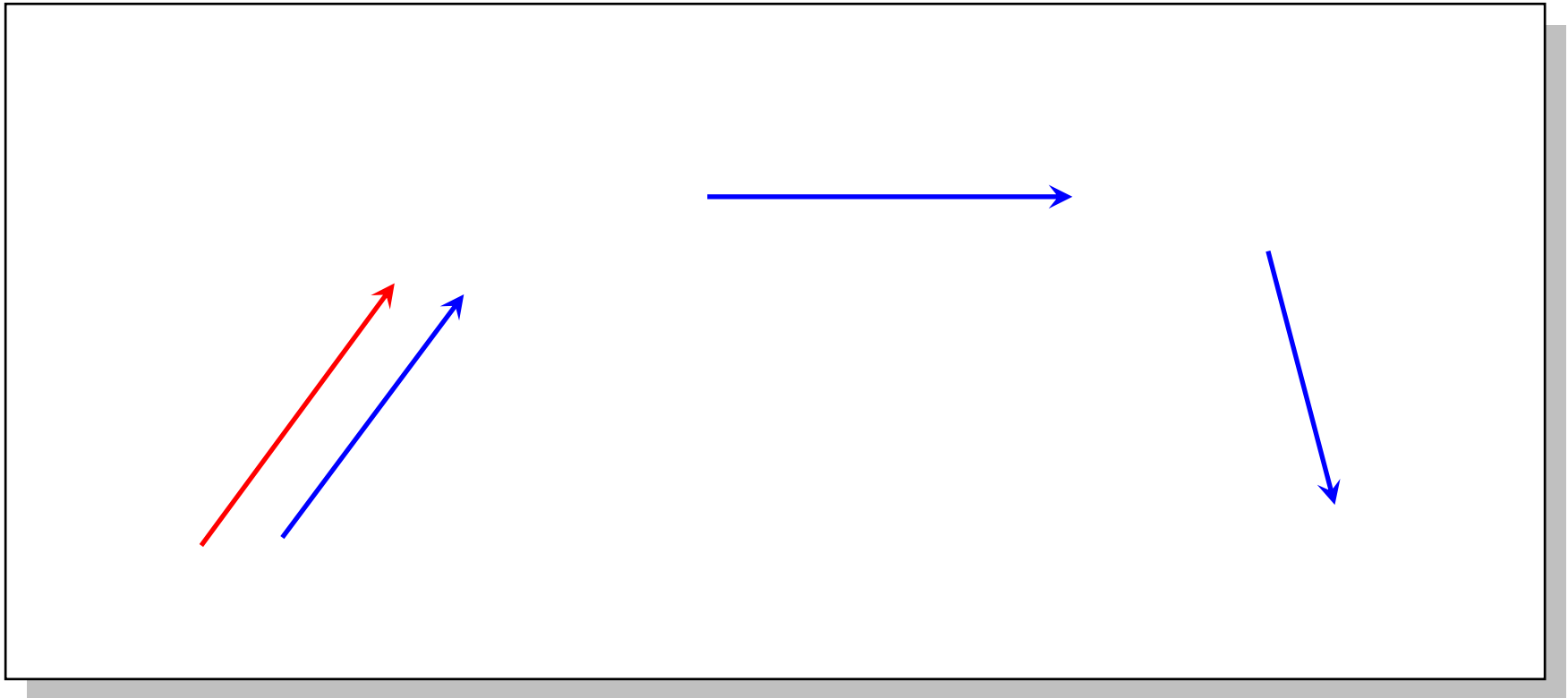
Costs £m



Led to

- Gold Plating
- Inefficiency
- Corruption?

1989 Act - Competition wherever possible



How to trade power?



Lord Marshall - 1988



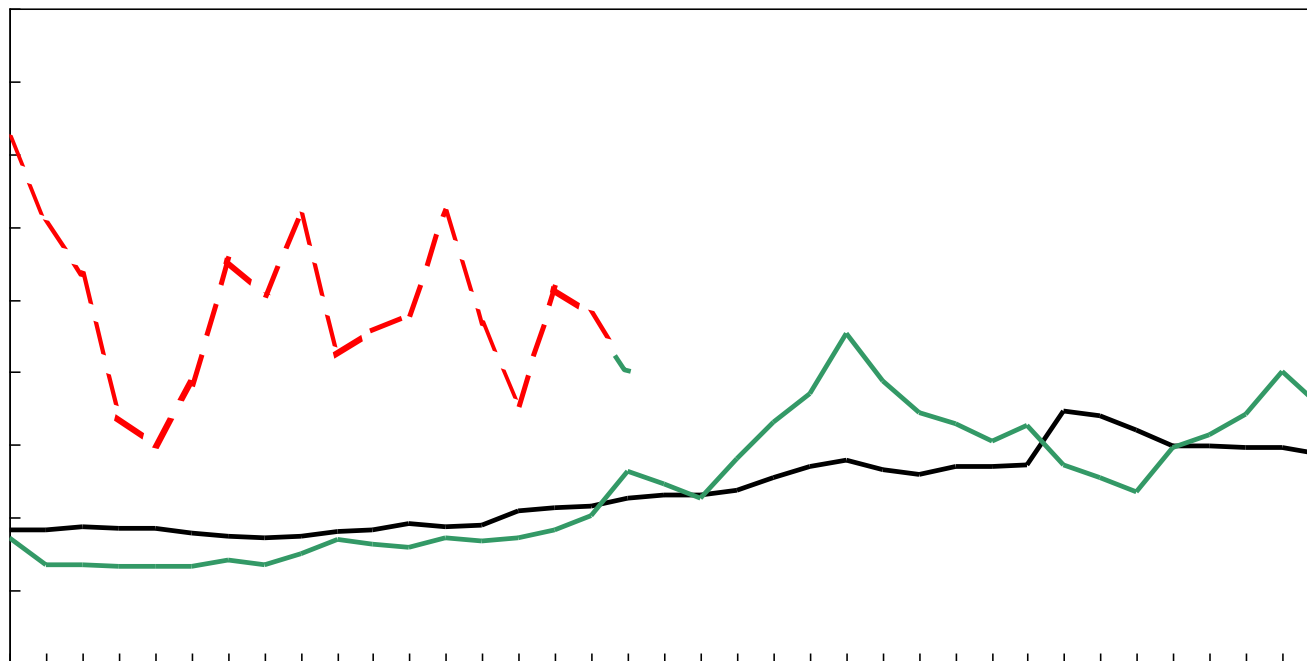
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National Grid

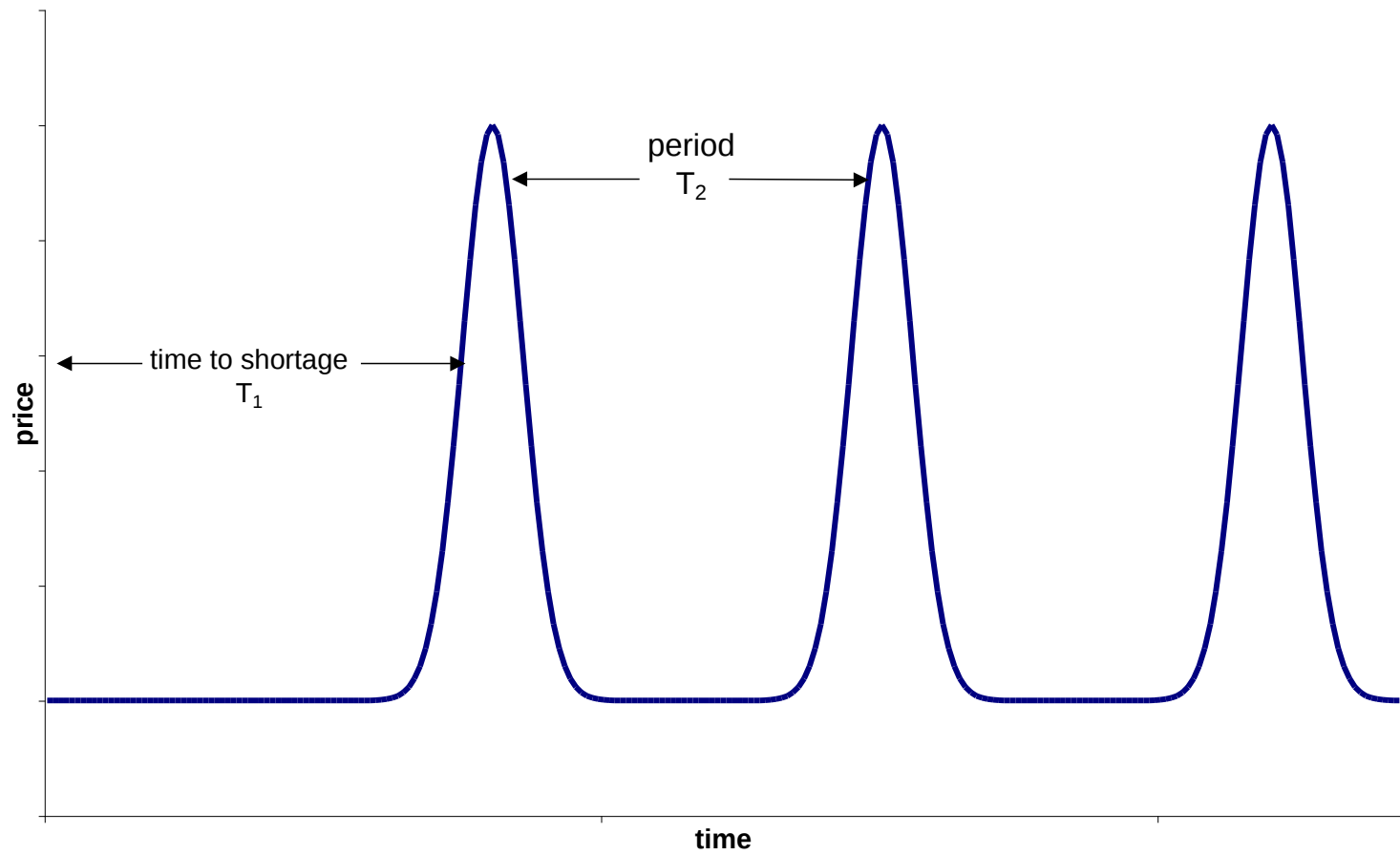
Generators

Suppliers

England & Wales Wholesale Power Market



Price behaviour in competitive markets?



Prices in competitive markets

■ Oligopoly

Two issues remain

■ Governance

Who oversees the investment decisions?

■ Efficiency

Is the reliance on Contract for Differences sensible?

- Will generators be confident of matching the reference price?

Back to the future?

■ Central Agency

- Purchases all power under long term competitive contracts

- Capacity commissioning and retirement decisions independent of Government, consistent with Law

- Sells power to unregulated Suppliers by a published tariff & purchases from large embedded generation

- Would enjoy a very low cost of capital

■ Generators

- Rewarded for providing capacity and efficiency. Market fuel

- NOT rewarded for trading

■ Suppliers

- Rewarded for efficient & accurate billing, customer management but NOT trading

Questions?