# MRO 2022 Reliability Conference

Wednesday, May 18, 2022 | 8:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.

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#### AGENDA

### Wednesday, May 18, 2022 | 8:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Central

| 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.   | Registration and Continental Breakfast   |  |  |
|-------------------------|--|--|--|
| 8:30 a.m. – 8:50 a.m.   | Welcome and Introduction<br>Bryan Clark, Director, Reliability Analysis, Midwest Reliability Organization<br>Sara Patrick, President and CEO, Midwest Reliability Organization                       |  |  |
| 8:50 a.m. – 9:10 a.m.   | <b>Conference Logistics</b><br><i>Emcee: Dallas Rowley, Director System Operations, Oklahoma Gas and Electric</i>  |  |  |
| 9:10 a.m. – 9:55 a.m.   | <b>Keynote Speaker – ERO Energy Availability Initiative</b><br>Mark Lauby, Sr. Vice President and Chief Engineer, NERC<br>Richard Burt, Sr. Vice President and COO, Midwest Reliability Organization |  |  |
| 9:55 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.  | Morning Break  |  |  |
| 10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. | <b>Grain Belt Express Transmission Project</b><br><i>Carlos Rodriguez, Sr. Vice President, Interconnections &amp; Grid Analysis,</i><br><i>Invenergy</i>   |  |  |
| 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. | Renewable Energy Grid Integration<br>Mark Ahlstrom, VP, Renewable Energy Policy, NextEra Energy Resources  |  |  |
| 11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. | Lunch  |  |  |
| 12:45 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.  | <b>MISO/SPP Joint Transmission Planning Projects</b><br>Neil Robertson, Sr. Engineer, Interregional Relations, Southwest Power Pool<br>Ben Stearney, Lead, Economic and Policy Planning, MISO        |  |  |
| 1:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.   | OGE System Zonal Study for Voltage/VAR Control<br>Dr. Kevin Ma, Lead Engineer, Transmission Operations Engineering,<br>Oklahoma Gas and Electric   |  |  |
| 2:15 p.m. – 2:35 p.m.   | Afternoon Break  |  |  |
| 2:35 p.m. – 3:20 p.m.   | Ambient Adjusted Ratings Implementation<br>David R. Ball, VP Energy Delivery Operations, American Electric Power   |  |  |
| 3:20 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.   | Wrap up/Questions/Feedback/Adjourn<br>Emcee: Dallas Rowley, Oklahoma Gas and Electric  |  |  |



#### **SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES**

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#### **Bryan Clark**

Director, Reliability Analysis, Midwest Reliability Organization

Bryan Clark is the Director of Reliability Analysis. This group is responsible for regional Reliability Assessments, Event Analysis, and Performance Analysis (Data Collection).

Prior to joining MRO in 2018, Bryan spent 8 years with Southwest Power Pool, as a transmission planning engineer, a market operations engineer and a Supervisor of the Day Ahead Operations department. Bryan also worked for Entergy as a Nuclear Operator where he was responsible for monitoring and operating various primary and secondary plant systems at Arkansas Nuclear One (Unit 2).

Bryan has a Bachelor of Science in Engineering from Arkansas State University, is a registered Professional Engineer in Arkansas and Minnesota, and is a member of the National Society of Professional Engineers.



#### Sara Patrick President and CEO, Midwest Reliability Organization

Sara Patrick joined MRO in August 2008 as Director Regulatory Affairs and Enforcement and was promoted to Vice President Enforcement and Regulatory Affairs soon after. In 2016 she became the Vice President Compliance Monitoring and Regulatory Affairs, and in June 2018 the MRO Board of Directors named Patrick President and CEO.

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#### Dallas Rowley

Director System Operations, Oklahoma Gas and Electric

Dallas Rowley is the Director System Operations for Oklahoma Gas and Electric (OG&E). Areas of responsibility include the T&D Control Centers, Substation Operations and Engineering Support, T&D Operations Engineering Support, and SCADA EMS/DMS. Previously he worked as Manager System Operations, Area Substation Operations Supervisor, and Protection and Control Technician. Dallas has 15 years of utility operations experience.

In addition, Dallas is member of the MRO RAC.



#### Mark Lauby

Senior Vice President and Chief Engineer, NERC

Mark G. Lauby is senior vice president and chief engineer at the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC). Mr. Lauby joined NERC in January 2007 and has held a number of positions, including vice president and director of Standards and vice president and director of Reliability Assessments and Performance Analysis.

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#### **Richard Burt**

Senior Vice President and COO, Midwest Reliability Organization

Richard Burt joined MRO in February 2012 as a Principal Risk Assessment and Mitigation Engineer and was promoted to Vice President Risk Assessment, Mitigation and Standards in April 2015. In August 2018, he was named Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer.

Mr. Burt brings a diverse technical power systems and security background to the leadership team obtained through 14 years of engineering experience at Minnkota Power Cooperative in Grand Forks, ND before joining MRO. He performed project engineering associated with telecommunications, transmission planning studies, control systems, and power quality before transitioning into management roles with responsibility for both the Energy Management System and NERC Compliance Departments.

Mr. Burt attended the University of North Dakota, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering. Additionally, Mr. Burt completed the University of Idaho Utility Executive Course in 2020. He is a Senior Member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and the IEEE Power and Energy Society, and has been inducted into both the Eta Kappa Nu and Tau Beta Pi engineering honor societies.



#### **Carlos Rodriguez**

Senior Vice President, Interconnections & Grid Analysis, Invenergy

Mr. Carlos Rodriguez is an electrical engineer with 30 years of experience in the power sector. He has been with Invenergy for 16 years, in which he has been involved in the development and electrical interconnection of over 30 GW of generation projects, including wind, solar, storage, natural gas, and high voltage direct current (HVDC). He is currently Senior Vice President of Interconnections and Grid Analysis, and his responsibilities include leading and coordinating the electrical interconnections for Invenergy at a global level, including projects in the U.S., Canada, Latin America, and other parts of the world.





#### **Mark Ahlstrom**

VP of Renewable Energy Policy, NextEra Energy Resources Board President, Energy Systems Integration Group

Mark Ahlstrom is Vice President of Renewable Energy Policy for NextEra Energy Resources and NextEra Analytics. He is also President of the Board of Directors of the Energy Systems Integration Group, the nonprofit technical collaboration association for engineers, system operators, researchers and policymakers working on our rapidly transforming energy systems. He serves on NERC's Reliability Issues Steering Committee, chairs the SPP Future Grid Strategy Advisory Group, and has worked for two decades on the reliable integration of variable generation into power systems and markets. Earlier, he was founder of two software companies, CEO of WindLogics, and served on the NERC Essential Reliability Services Working Group and the NERC Integrating Variable Generation Task Force.



#### Ben Stearney

Lead, Economic Policy and Planning, MISO

Ben Stearney has over 12 years of experience in the energy industry, spanning the regulatory, utility and RTO arenas. During his eight-year tenure at MISO, Ben has worked extensively in interregional planning coordination and strategy, including overseeing multiple Coordinated System Plan studies, updating Joint Operating Agreements, developing regional and interregional cost allocation policy, and, most recently, assisting in the development of the MISO-SPP Joint Targeted Interconnection Queue study. He currently serves as a Lead in MISO's economic planning group, which evaluates congestion issues through production cost analysis.

Ben received his BSEE degree from the University of Minnesota in 2010.





#### Neil Robertson

Senior Engineer, Interregional Relations, Southwest Power Pool

As a senior engineer of interregional relations, Neil Robertson primarily supports coordinated transmission planning activities between SPP and its neighboring entities.

Robertson previously served as an operations engineer at SPP from 2006 to 2019 supporting multiple operations functions including reliability coordination, balancing authority and market operations.

Robertson earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from Arkansas Tech University.



#### Dr. Feng (Kevin) Ma

Lead Engineer, Transmission Operations Engineering, Oklahoma Gas and Electric

Dr. Feng (Kevin) Ma is a Lead Transmission Operations Engineer with Oklahoma Gas & Electric (OG&E). He has more than 10 years of experience in the electric power industry. He received his Ph.D. degree in Electrical Engineering with a concentration on power system engineering from Arizona State University in 2011. His current role focuses on EMS modeling improvement, application development, process automation and enhancement, and engineering support to transmission system operations (e.g., ad-hoc steady state and dynamic studies).

Prior to joining OG&E, Kevin was with the Department of Business Architecture and Technology at ISO New England from 2011 through 2015, where he led the development of the online Transient Stability Assessment (TSA) system and the first of its kind cloud-based simulation platform. Kevin is a registered Professional Engineer in Oklahoma and a registered Project Management Professional. He is also a Senior Member of IEEE.





### David R. Ball

VP Energy Delivery Operations, American Electric Power

David R. Ball is Vice President of Energy Delivery Operations at American Electric Power. He is responsible for Operations Centers and personnel in New Albany, Ohio; Roanoke, Virginia; Shreveport, Louisiana; Dallas, Texas; Columbus, Ohio and Corpus Christi, Texas. The AEP Transmission Operations team includes dispatching, realtime reliability, operational technology, settlements, field meter operations, compliance and operator/dispatcher training. In December 2020, David assumed responsibility of the Distribution Real Time Operations staff, the Distribution Dispatch Operational tools (D SCADA, OMS, DMS and ADMS), AEP Emergency Response and AEP Mutual Assistance.

David earned a BSEE degree in Electrical Engineering from West Virginia University Institute of Technology and an MBA degree from Marshall University. Additionally, he completed the Ohio State University Executive Leadership Program in 2008 and the University of Virginia Executive Program in 2019. David is a registered Professional Engineer in the state of Ohio.



#### PRESENTATIONS

All presentations for today's conference are included in order of presentation.





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### **Disclaimer**

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### **MRO 2022 Regional Risk Assessment**

Top risks to the reliable and secure operation of the North American bulk power system in MRO's regional footprint.

### **Top Reliability Risks**

#### Uncertainty of Winter Planning Reserve Margins

Analyses of recent system events indicate that actual system conditions can and have exceeded forecast winter reserve margins, particularly during cold weather conditions in the south central U.S.

#### Generation Availability During Severe Cold Weather

Generation availability assumed during cold weather in the southern U.S. has been shown to be unrealistically high due to a lack of generator winterization and natural gas curtailments.

#### Lack of Energy Assurance Assessments

The rapidly changing resource mix requires rethinking the way in which generating capacity, energy supply, and load serving needs are studied. Energy assurance will need to be accurately assessed for all hours of the year with increasing reliance on wind and solar as a fuel source.

#### **Bulk Power System Modeling Accuracy**

The rapid increase in inverter-based resources, along with the changing characteristics and magnitude of load related to distributed energy resources (DER), is challenging current bulk power models.



### Top Security Risks



#### Supply Chain Compromise

The risk of a cybersecurity event carried out through the vendor supply chain and possibly impacting reliability of the bulk power system remains high.

#### **Insider Threats**

The threat of an employee or a contractor using authorized access, wittingly or unwittingly, to do harm to the security of the bulk power system has increased given remote connectivity during the pandemic.

#### Malware and/or Ransomware



Vulnerability to a malware and/or ransomware attack on the bulk power system continues to increase with modernization and the deployment of new technologies.

More information on these risks along with mitigation recommendations can be found in the full report here: www.mro.net





#### Reliability Guideline

Suggested approaches or behavior in a given technical area for the purpose of improving reliability. Guidelines are not enforceable, but may be adopted by a responsible entity in accordance with its own policies, practices, and conditions.



#### NERC Alert: Level 2-3

NERC alerts are divided into three distinct levels. Industry Advisory, 2) Recommendation to Industry, and 3) Essential Action, which identifies actions to be taken and require the industry to respond to the ERO.



#### Technical Engagement

Technical Engagement is a catch-all for a variety of technical activity that is conducted between the ERO and entities. This includes, technical committee activities, technical reference documents, workshops and conferences, assist visits, joint and special studies, etc.

#### **Electric Reliability Organization: Reliability Risk Mitigation Toolkit**



#### Reliability **Standards**



NERC Reliability Standards define the mandatory reliability requirements for planning and operating the North American BPS and are developed using a resultsbased approach focusing on performance, risk management, and entity capabilities.

#### Reliability Assessment



NERC independently assesses and reports on the overall reliability, adequacy, and associated risks that could impact BPS reliability. Long-term assessments identify emerging reliability issues that support public policy input, improved planning and operations, and general public awareness.

#### NERC Alert: Level 1



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### **Key Characteristics of HEROs**





# **RAC Support**

- MRO Regional Seasonal Assessment
- Ranking of Regional Risks
- MRO Regional Risk Assessment
- Conferences and Webinars





# Assessing and Mitigating Regional BPS Risk

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# A highly reliable and secure North American bulk power system.

**Our Shared Vision** 

# **The ERO Enterprise**

- The ERO Enterprise offers a unique, wide-area view of risk across North America
  - Rapidly evolving resource mix
  - Energy assurance
  - Extreme weather events
  - Cyber and physical security
  - Supply chain vulnerabilities
  - Bulk power system modeling accuracy



# **MRO's Value Proposition**

- As part of the ERO, MRO offers a targeted, regional view of risk
  - Winter planning reserve margins
  - Generation availability during severe cold weather
  - Lack of energy assurance assessments
  - Supply chain vulnerabilities
  - Insider threats, malware and ransomware
  - Bulk power system modeling accuracy





# **MRO Value Proposition – Bridging the Gap**<sub>12</sub>





### **Role of the MRO Board**



### **Role of MRO Leadership and Staff**



- Helps to identify, assess and determine mitigation strategies for regional risk; provides input to the RRA
  - Supports the preparation of special assessments and seasonal readiness plans by regional Reliability Coordinators
  - Reviews bulk power system events to identify trends and lessons learned
  - Develops guidance and promotes best practices to address reliability risks to the regional bulk power system
  - Expands outreach efforts that help registered entities become more aware of and reduce risk to their individual systems

### **Role of MRO Org Groups and the RAC**

# **RAC Roster**

### Our Future Is BRIGHT!

| Name               | Role       | Company                                 | Term End   |
|--------------------|------------|---|------------|
| Dick Pursley       | Chair      | Great River Energy                      | 12/31/2022 |
| Jason Weiers       | Vice Chair | Otter Tail Power Company                | 12/31/2024 |
| Andrew Witmeier    | Member     | MISO                                    | 12/31/2024 |
| Binod Shrestha     | Member     | Saskatchewan Power Corporation          | 12/31/2022 |
| CJ Brown           | Member     | Southwest Power Pool, Inc.              | 12/31/2024 |
| Dallas Rowley      | Member     | Oklahoma Gas and Electric               | 12/31/2022 |
| Derek Brown        | Member     | Evergy, Inc.                            | 12/31/2023 |
| Durgesh Manjure    | Member     | MISO                                    | 12/31/2023 |
| Dwayne Stradford   | Member     | American Electric Power                 | 12/31/2024 |
| Gayle Nansel       | Member     | Western Area Power Administration       | 12/31/2022 |
| Jeremy Severson    | Member     | Basin Electric Power Cooperative        | 12/31/2024 |
| John Stephens      | Member     | City Utilities of Springfield, Missouri | 12/31/2023 |
| Nandaka Jayasekara | Member     | Manitoba Hydro                          | 12/31/2022 |
| Ron Gunderson      | Member     | Nebraska Public Power District          | 12/31/2023 |
| W. Bryn Wilson     | Member     | Oklahoma Gas and Electric               | 12/31/2023 |





# **Conference Logistics**

### **Dallas Rowley**

Director of System Operations, Oklahoma Gas & Electric MRO 2022 Reliability Conference Emcee

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# **Energy Availability**

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### **Richard Burt**

### **MRO Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer**

As chief operating officer, Richard Burt leads the organization's industry-facing efforts with regard to reliability and security initiatives that strengthen the bulk power system in MRO's regional footprint. As an engineer with technical experience in telecommunications, transmission planning studies, control systems, power quality, and security, Burt acts as liaison to the board's Organizational Group Oversight Committee (OGOC). The OGOC is tasked with implementing the board's vision of a stakeholder structure that effectively and efficiently supports MRO's mission to "identify, prioritize and assure effective and efficient mitigation of risks to the reliability and security of the North American bulk power system by promoting Highly Effective Reliability Organizations (HEROs).

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# **Energy Transition Underway**

- The following drivers have led to rapid changes in energy resources:
  - Governmental policies
  - Changes in resource economics
  - Consumer demand for clean energy
- In addition to the shift in resources, an increase in extreme weather presents new challenges
  - Fuel sources are inherently less secure



#### No/Low Carbon Energy Resources

Ensure sufficient amounts of no/low carbon energy to achieve decarbonization goals

### **Transmission**

Develop adequate transmission to integrate renewables and transmit/distribute energy

### Balancing Resources

Maintain a robust fleet of balancing resources needed to serve energy along with integrated renewables

#### **Energy Supply Chain**

Ensure healthy energy supply chains for balancing resources, with sufficient access to stored energy to withstand long-duration, widespread extreme weather events

### **Four Pillars of the Energy Transition**

### The Challenge: Sufficient Energy Availability





### The Challenge: Sufficient Energy Availability

- Power grid transition is resulting in a <u>higher</u> <u>level of energy uncertainty</u>, regardless of fuel type
  - The current tools, rules of thumb, and approaches used to determine the system's ability to meet demand were not designed for today's grid
- The focus needs not be on fuel type, but rather on energy availability




### **Rapidly changing generation fleet**

- Increasing electrification
- Widespread, long-duration, extreme weather events
- Historically, industry ensured energy through capacity and reserve margins with assurance of fuel

### **Considerations in Solving This Challenge**

# **Planning Reserve Margins**



# **Regional Generation Changes**





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# **MRO Nameplate vs. Capacity**



# **ERO** Capacity vs. Load

2021 State of Reliability An Assessment of 2020 Bulk Power

NERC

System Performance

August 2021

| Table 5.1: Generation Resource Capacity by Fuel Type |         |         |              |         |  |  |
|--|---------|---------|--------------|---------|--|--|
| Generation   | 2010 0  | n-Peak  | 2020 On-Peak |         |  |  |
| Fuel Type  | GW      | Percent | GW           | Percent |  |  |
| Coal   | 294.9   | 27.7%   | 235.9        | 22.6%   |  |  |
| Natural Gas  | 417.7   | 39.2%   | 447.2        | 42.9%   |  |  |
| Hydro  | 165.6   | 15.5%   | 140.7        | 13.5%   |  |  |
| Nuclear  | 114.0   | 10.7%   | 110.1        | 10.6%   |  |  |
| Oil  | 27.8    | 2.6%    | 40.2         | 3.9%    |  |  |
| Wind   | 17.0    | 1.6%    | 24.7         | 2.4%    |  |  |
| Solar  | 0.0     | 0.0%    | 21.4         | 2.1%    |  |  |
| Other  | 28.9    | 2.7%    | 22.2         | 2.1%    |  |  |
| Total:   | 1,065.8 | 100.0%  | 1,042.5      | 100.0%  |  |  |

Installed wind nameplate = 122 GW in 2020, yet accredited wind capacity at peak load is 24.7 GW (or 2.4% of total resource capacity).

Total capacity has dropped by 23 GW from 2010 to 2020, however total load has increased by about 85 GW in the same 10 years.



# Capacity ≠ Energy

### Across North America, from 2010-2020:

- Load has grown 85 GW while CAPACITY has dropped by 23 GW
- 2020 Wind Capacity was 2.4% of total (9% in wind-heavy MRO)

| Area       | 2020-21<br>Winter<br>Nameplate<br>(MW) | 2021-22<br>Winter<br>Nameplate<br>(MW) | 2021-22<br>Winter Peak<br>Capacity<br>(MW) | 3,629; 3% 2,584; 2% |
|------------|--|--|--|---------------------|
| МН         | 259                                    | 259                                    | 52   | 9,953; 9%           |
| MISO (MRO) | 26,064                                 | 28,447                                 | 4,561                                      | = Conv<br>= Nucle   |
| SPC        | 241                                    | 627                                    | 85   | 12 4621 28%         |
| SPP        | 23,546                                 | 27,535                                 | 6,334                                      | 42,402,30%          |



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# Influx of Solar is Coming to MRO

| Solar and Wind Nameplate Capacity, Existing and Planned Additions through 2031 |                                  |        |        |        |         |          |                      |        |        |        |
|--|----------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|----------|----------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Assessment   | Assessment Nameplate MW of Solar |        |        |        |         |          | Nameplate MW of Wind |        |        |        |
| Area   | Existing                         | Tier 1 | Tier 2 | Tier 3 | Total   | Existing | Tier 1               | Tier 2 | Tier 3 | Total  |
| MISO   | 728                              | 10,989 | 53,756 | 4,907  | 70,380  | 22,854   | 5,593                | 14,649 | 730    | 43,826 |
| MH   | 0                                | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0       | 259      | 0                    | 0      | 0      | 259    |
| SPC  | 2                                | 10     | 10     | 57     | 79      | 242      | 385                  | 200    | 100    | 927    |
| SPP  | 278                              | 444    | 32,170 | 149    | 33,041  | 27,535   | 4,604                | 16,892 | 0      | 49,031 |
| Total  | 1,008                            | 11,443 | 85,936 | 5,113  | 103,500 | 50,890   | 10,582               | 31,741 | 830    | 94,043 |
| Existing Solar<br>1,008 MW 50,890 MW   |                                  |        |        |        |         |          |                      |        |        |        |
| Queued Solar: 102,492 MW Future Wind: 43,153                                   |                                  |        |        |        |         |          |                      |        |        |        |

# **Assessing Regional Risk**

### MRO staff and the three MRO advisory councils collaborate to:

- Identify risks that may have a higher probability of occurrence and/or impact within the MRO region
- Assess the resulting risks in terms of impact and likelihood, using the MRO Reliability Risk Matrix

| Reliability Risk Matrix |            |                |          |          |         |                   |  |  |
|-------------------------|------------|----------------|----------|----------|---------|-------------------|--|--|
| Consequence/Impact (C)  |            | Likelihood (L) |          |          |         |                   |  |  |
|                         |            | L1 L2 L3 L4    |          |          |         | L5                |  |  |
|                         |            |                | Unlikely | Possible | Likely  | Almost<br>Certain |  |  |
| C5                      | Severe     | Medium         | High     | High     | Extreme | Extreme           |  |  |
| C4                      | Major      | Medium         | Medium   | High     | High    | Extreme           |  |  |
| C3                      | Moderate   | Low            | Medium   | High     | High    | High              |  |  |
| C2                      | Minor      | Low            | Low      | Medium   | Medium  | High              |  |  |
| C1                      | Negligible | Low            | Low      | Low      | Medium  | Medium            |  |  |

| Consequence/Impact –How could a typical event due to this risk effect BPS Reliability? |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| Severe (C5)  | Impacts may have widespread effects to the BPS across North America. |  |  |  |
| Major (C4)   | Impacts may have widespread effects to the RC area.                  |  |  |  |
| Moderate (C3)  | Impacts may have widespread effects to portions of the RC area.      |  |  |  |
| Minor (C2)   | Impacts may have effects on the local entity.                        |  |  |  |
| Negligible (C1)  | Impacts may have small or non-existent effects to the BPS.           |  |  |  |
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Likelihood - What is the reasonable probability that consequences will occur

|                     | Mandatory Controls - No NERC reliability standards in place for mitigation.                 |
|---------------------|---|
| Almost Certain (L5) | Emerging Trends – Increasing trends have been identified.                                   |
|                     | Event History – Documented events or widely publicized exploits have been recorded.         |
|                     | Mandatory Controls – No NERC reliability standards in place for mitigation.                 |
| Likely (L4)         | Emerging Trends – Some trends have been identified.   |
|                     | Event History – Documented events or generally publicized exploits have been recorded.      |
|                     | Mandatory Controls – NERC reliability standards in place for limited mitigation.            |
| Possible (L3)       | Emerging Trends – Some trends have been identified.   |
|                     | Event History - No documented events, or moderately publicized exploits have been recorded. |
|                     | Mandatory Controls – NERC reliability standards are in place for mitigation.                |
| Unlikely (L2)       | Emerging Trends – Some trends have been identified.   |
|                     | Event History - No documented events, or minimally publicized exploits have been recorded.  |
|                     | Mandatory Controls – NERC reliability standards are in place for mitigation.                |
| Very Unlikely (L1)  | Emerging Trends – No known trends identified.   |
|                     | Event History – No documented events or publicized exploits have been recorded.             |
|                     |   |



### Correlation Between MRO and Continent-Wide Risks

| 2021<br>ERO Reliability Risk<br>Priorities Report | Changing<br>Resource Mix                   | Resource<br>Adequacy and<br>Interdependencies                               | Extreme Natural<br>Events   | Bulk Power<br>System Planning              | Protection System<br>Complexity and<br>Human<br>Performance |
|---|--|---|---|--|---|
|   | Bulk Power<br>Modeling Accuracy            | Generation<br>Availability During<br>Cold Weather                           | Uncertainty of<br>Winter Reserve<br>Margins   | Bulk Power<br>Modeling Accuracy            |   |
| 2022 MRO Regional<br>Risk Assessment              | Reactive Resource<br>Adequacy              | Reactive Resource<br>Adequacy<br>Lack of Energy<br>Assurance<br>Assessments | Cold Weather<br>Operation of SF6<br>Breakers<br>Generation<br>Availability During<br>Cold Weather | Reactive Resource<br>Adequacy              | Misoperations Due<br>to Commissioning<br>Errors             |
| SAX   | Lack of Energy<br>Assurance<br>Assessments | Inverter Based<br>Resource<br>Capabilities                                  | Transmission Line<br>Ratings During<br>Cold Weather   | Lack of Energy<br>Assurance<br>Assessments |   |
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# **2022 Prioritized Regional Risks**



#### Security

- Supply Chain Compromise
- Insider Threat
- Ransomware/Malware



#### Reliability

- Lack of Energy Assurance Assessments
- Generation Availability During Cold Weather
- Uncertainty of Winter Planning Reserve Margins
- BPS Modelling Accuracy



2022 MRO Regional

**Risk Assessment** 

RELIABILITY



#### Mid-to-Long Term (1-5 years)

- Ensure that resources are planned that can provide options to obtain sufficient and flexible energy resources
- Review tools, rules-of-thumb and processes to support the need for these energy resources



#### Operational Planning (1 day – 1 year)

- Ensure sufficient resources are available and able to provide energy to meet demand and off-set ramping requirements
- Electrical energy production needs to reflect status of energy availability given the uncertainties



#### Real-Time (0-1 day)

• Ensure sufficient amounts of capacity, energy, and ramp flexibility are available from available resources

#### **Energy Availability in 3 Timeframes**



Define Energy Availability Studies

### Require Energy Availability Studies

### Take action for all time horizons

### Energy Availability

### What MUST Be Done?



Suggested approaches or behavior in a given technical area for the purpose of improving reliability. Guidelines are not enforceable, but may be adopted by a responsible entity in accordance with its own policies, practices, and conditions.

# Alert: Level 2-3

NERC alerts are divided into three distinct levels, 1) Industry Advisory, 2) Recommendation to Industry, and 3) Essential Action, which identifies actions to be taken and require the industry to respond to the ERO.

#### Technical Engagement

Technical Engagement is a catch-all for a variety of technical activity that is conducted between the ERO and entities. This includes, technical committee activities, technical reference documents, workshops and conferences, assist visits, joint and special studies, etc.

#### Electric Reliability Organization: Reliability Risk Mitigation Toolkit



#### Reliability Standards



NERC Reliability Standards define the mandatory reliability requirements for planning and operating the North American BPS and are developed using a results-based approach focusing on performance, risk management, and entity capabilities.

#### Reliability Assessment

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NERC independently assesses and reports on the overall reliability, adequacy, and associated risks that could impact BPS reliability. Long-term assessments identify emerging reliability issues that support public policy input, improved planning and operations, and general public awareness.

#### NERC Alert: Level 1



NERC Alerts are divided into three distinct levels, 1) Industry Advisory, 2) Recommendation to Industry, and 3) Essential Action, which identifies actions to be taken and require the industry to respond to the ERO.



### **Partners to Get Us There**

# **New NERC Industry Group**

### Energy Reliability Assessments Task Force (ERATF)



#### NERC

Ensuring Energy Adequacy with Energy Constrained Resources December 2020 Write Paper

#### Problem Statement

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#### Background

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#### Key Assumption

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A key assumption in the above analysis has been that fuel is available when capacity is required to provide the requisite energy. This is not surprising as generally fuel availability was assured with either long-term

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# **Industry Input Received**

- What do we do with high impact, low likelihood energy assessments?
- Energy assessments need to be performed throughout the year, not just for peak cases
- Geographical nuances to reliability issues related to energy availability
- Dependency on other critical infrastructure is a key aspect of this risk, and there is a likely need to model fuel infrastructure
- Need to create metrics and criteria for energy assessments
- Assumptions used in studies must be a focus, and various scenarios considered including extreme events
- Assessments need to be considered in the operational timeframe as well, not just long-term planning



# **Actions Taken**

- Industry workshop held to discuss feedback and survey results
- Reviewed current NERC Standards against this risk
  - Determined need for new Standards related to both real-time operations and planning



# **Next Steps**

- May 2022 Review industry comments and proposed responses at NERC MRC (Members Representative Committee)
- May 2022 Hold an outreach conference on the proposed responses to industry comments and update the SAR (Standard Authorization Request)
- June 2022 NERC RSTC (Reliability and Security Technical Committee) SAR endorsement
- June or July 2022 NERC Standards Committee SAR acceptance
- July 2022 Solicit industry volunteers for Standard Drafting Teams







# Grain Belt Express Transmission Project

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May 18, 2022

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- Summary and Conclusions







**Project Specifics:** 

- Approximately 800 miles
- 600kV High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC)
- 4,000 megawatts (MW)
- Low-cost sustainable power
- **Power Source:** Western Kansas and surrounding area
- Customers: Missouri and other states in the region



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# Grain Belt Express is a transformational energy infrastructure project that will connect millions of Americans with clean energy.



**Grain Belt Express** 

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#### \$10 Billion

Capex investment in transmission line and the new generation it will enable

#### **4 Gigawatts**

Capacity for wind and solar harvested from western Kansas

#### 12,000 construction jobs

supported per-year for 3 years in KS, MO & IL for line and generation

#### **1.6M Homes Powered**

with 4,000 megawatts of affordable renewable energy

#### 15M tons/year CO2

annual carbon pollution emissions avoided (US tons)

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# Grain Belt will unlock access to one of the strongest combined wind and solar energy resources in the United States.









### Coal plants across the Midwest have already announced retirements. Grain Belt will help fill the power gap with zero-carbon generation.







# Grain Belt Express will be a reliability and resilience backbone for the U.S.

By directly linking three of the largest U.S. power markets— SPP, MISO and PJM—Grain Belt Express will increase electric system reliability for each region including through:

- Emergency two-way power flow between regions
- Black start capability (ability to "jump start" outageaffected regions using power from another region)
- Greater geographic diversity of renewables





**Grain Belt Express** 

n INVENERGY TRANSMISSION Project

#### "Grain Belt Express promises stronger electric grid..." (4/12/21)

"While the \$2 billion overhead transmission line aims at exporting wind energy from Kansas, it will also be capable of moving electricity both directions, which could have helped mitigate the electricity crisis that hit the United States earlier this year. "Lines like Grain Belt Express could have been the savior," said Jay Caspary, a transmission expert who worked at the Southwest Power Pool for nearly 20 years. "The value of transmission becomes really apparent when you don't have it. Because you're stuck with local resources."

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### Grain Belt Express Regulatory Overview

#### In 2020, Invenergy Transmission closed its acquisition of the Grain Belt Express project from Clean Line Energy Partners.

#### Grain Belt Express has received final regulatory approval in MO, KS and IN

- Kansas: KCC granted Grain Belt Siting Certificate in May 2013 and extended Certificate in September 2019
- Missouri: MPSC granted Grain Belt CCN in March 2019 ٠
- Indiana: IURC granted Grain Belt CCN in May 2013 and January 2020 ٠

#### **Grain Belt Express in Illinois:**

- Project granted a CPCN by the ICC in 2015 •
- CPCN appealed in 2018 ٠
- In September 2021, Governor Pritzker signed into law the Climate and Equitable ٠ Jobs Act, which allows a "gualified direct current project" that does not currently own, control, operate or manage within Illinois any equipment or property used or to be used for the transmission of electricity, to apply for a CPCN for the project at the ICC, prior to December 31, 2023.





Grain Belt Express

obtains negotiated rate authority from

the Federal Energy

**Regulatory Commission** 

MAY

MAY 2014 KCC grants Grain Belt **Express Siting Certificate** 

#### NOVEMBER 2018

DECEMBER 2011

Commission

2013

MAY

Grain Belt Express

certified a public utility

by Kansas Corporation

Invenergy Transmission LLC announces intent to acquire Grain Belt Express from **Clean Line Energy Partners** 

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JUNE

2019

Missouri Public Service

Commission and Kansas

Corporation Commission

Missouri Public Service Commission votes unanimously to grant Grain Belt Express a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity

> SEPTEMBER 2019

Kansas Corporation Commission unanimously approves Grain Belt Express' Siting Certificate Extension

2021

Illinois Commerce Commission approvals to be pursued as soon as this year

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Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission unamiously confirms Grain Belt **Express** Certificate of Convenience and Necessity and Invenergy Transmission LLC's acquisition of the project





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# **Project Schedule**

2026 COD Target Phase 1 (2,500 MW to Missouri)

2029 COD Target Phase 2 (additional 1,500 MW to Indiana)







## **HVDC Technology Overview**

Why use HVDC (High Voltage Direct Current) instead of HVAC (High Voltage Alternating Current) for the transmission of power for Grain Belt?

- The main reason is that transmitting power with HVAC over a distance of about 350-400 miles or more gets very complicated and costly.
- Therefore, HVDC should be considered for distances longer than about 350-400 miles.
- The Grain Belt project has a segment from SPP to MISO of more than 500 miles. Transferring power with HVAC is very complicated and costly over this long distance, due to voltage collapse, voltage stability, expensive reactive compensation equipment, and other issues
- In addition, an HVDC line's investment cost is lower than an HVAC line beyond the critical distance of about 350-400 miles, it has a smaller right of way requirement (due to one less conductor), lower losses, no stability issues, and high controllability





### **HVDC Technology Overview, LCC**



Note the use of thyristors and reactive compensation on the AC side



CONVERTER STATION SIMPLIFIED SINGLE LINE DIAGRAM EXAMPLE FOR LINE CONMUTATED CONVERTER (LCC)

- 2 AC Filters, Capacitor
- 3 Converter Transformers

5 Smoothing Reactors



### **HVDC Technology Overview, VSC**

CONVERTER STATION SIMPLIFIED SINGLE LINE DIAGRAM EXAMPLE VOLTAGE SOURCED CONVERTER (VSC)



Figure 1. typical VSC-HVDC scheme structure

Note the use of transistors and diodes and absence of reactive compensation on the AC side



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|                              | LCC  | VSC   |
|------------------------------|--|---|
| Application                  | Point to Point, Back to Back,<br>Multi-terminal  | Point to Point, Back to Back, Multi-<br>terminal, HVDC Grid   |
| Ratings                      | High DC Voltages (up to<br>1000KV) and Power   | Lower (compared to LCC) DC<br>voltage and Power   |
| Semi-conductor               | Thyristors – can withstand<br>voltage in either polarity<br>Only controlled turn-on                            | IGBT – can pass current in either<br>direction<br>Controlled turn-on/turn-off   |
| Voltage                      | Output voltage can be either<br>polarity to change power<br>direction  | Output voltage remains fixed,<br>current direction changes to change<br>power direction   |
| Overload                     | High Inherent Overload   | No overload unless specified  |
| AC system                    | Requires a stronger ac system  | Can work in a weak or even "dead"<br>ac system  |
| Black start                  | Theoretically possible   | No issue  |
| Reactive Power               | Consume ~50%-60% reactive<br>power (based on real power<br>rating), typically operate a unity<br>power factor  | No Reactive power Requirements,<br>can meet a +/-0.95PF condition   |
| Harmonics                    | Produces significant AC and<br>DC harmonics which require<br>ac/dc filters to be installed                     | Very little harmonics generated,<br>require no ac filters (typically)   |
| Footprint                    | Large site area (dominated by<br>filters)  | Compact site areas (50%-60% of LCC area)  |
| DC Line Fault<br>Performance | Can clear and restart from a DC<br>fault ~250msec inherently (does<br>not require ac breakers to be<br>opened) | Normal design requires ac breakers<br>to be opened which results in a<br>700msec-900msec dc line fault<br>clearing. Can use a full-bridge<br>converter or DC breaker, but newer<br>technology and increase cost and<br>losses |
| Losses                       | ~0.6%-0.7% rating of converter   | ~0.8%-0.9% rating of converter  |

#### LCC vs VSC Comparison

- Two of the main advantages of VSC over LCC is its capability of providing/absorbing significant amounts of reactive power and being able to operate isolated from a strong AC system.
- However, LCC can achieve higher ratings than
  VSC and has lower converter losses







The Reactive Power can be controlled at any Value between the red and blue Curve VSC Reactive Capability (provide/absorb VARS)

(LCC converters cannot provide reactive power, they just consume it)







LCC Typical layout







#### **VSC Typical layout**

Figure 9: HVDC Plus with Braking Resistor Layout



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### **HVDC** Overview

- Voltage-Source Converter
- Bipolar configuration with metallic return conductor
- Multi-terminal
- Similar projects:
  - Maritime Link Canada (500MW)
  - Nordlink Norway/Germany (1400MW)
- VSC-HVDC can supply/absorb dynamically ≈0.4pu in Mvar
- Main vendors: ABB, GE, Siemens



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## Grain Belt Express: Simplified One Line Diagram of potential Configuration for Phase 1







### Grain Belt Express: Simplified One Line Diagram of potential Configuration for Phase 1 + Phase 2





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### **Applicable Interconnection Processes**

- SPP Planning Criteria Section 5.5 and section 14, subject to review and approval of the Transmission Working Group (TWG)
- **MISO Attachment X**, Generator Interconnection Procedures (GIP)
- **MISO Attachment GGG**, Merchant HVDC Transmission Connection Procedures (MHCP)
- **AECI**, Generator Interconnection Procedures (GIP)
- **PJM**, Merchant Transmission Interconnection



### Interconnection to two separate BAs in Missouri

#### MISO has indicated the following concerns with the interconnection of the Grain Belt Express project:

- Inability to precisely schedule power to each point of interconnection (POI)
- The application of an HVDC runback to control the flow to the specific POI, after a loss of one of the two lines from the converter station to the POIs
- Potential violation of NERC rule Section 500 Part 1.4 whereas a BES facility can only be controlled by one and only one entity/device.
- Loop power flow between POIs





### **Solutions**

#### Invenergy looked at various options

- Series reactor on the McCredie to GBX line
- Phase shifting transformer between the two poles
- Split bus operation of the HVDC system





## **Split Bus Operation**

#### This configuration mitigates the MISO concerns:

- Controls flow accurately over the full range of the pole
- Well within the design capabilities of the HVDC link
- Each pole connected via a radial line from the converter station to its respective POI
- Overcomes the NERC Section 500 Part 1.4 potential issue
- No need for a converter runback after the loss of one of the lines

#### Some drawbacks:

- Slightly increased losses
- Some loss of bipole functionality (picking up power on redundant pole)





### **System Studies - DC Fault – Example**





















- The Grain Belt Project will have unique reliability benefits and efficiencies as an interregional merchant HVDC transmission project.
- HVDC projects can operate bidirectionally and act as generation at the delivery point, avoiding the same transmission losses, loop flows and other issues associated with AC transmission
- Grain Belt can have a significant diverse mix of renewable generation (solar, wind and battery) that can be directed to the region in greatest need
- Whenever an emergency is declared by any of the three RTOs, Grain Belt and its partners can cause scheduled deliveries to be interrupted and re-routed meet the emergency need
- The fact that Grain Belt and its interconnected renewable projects will be built on a merchant basis means that customers will not be allocated the bulk of the costs of Grain Belt and yet will be the beneficiaries of the reliability services that this project will deliver





- Frequency Control: able to provide both dynamic and steady-state frequency control through fast modulation of the HVDC power.
- Voltage/Reactive and Power Factor Control: A VSC HVDC system has full 4-quadrant control at each POI as shown below. This versatility allows the HVDC system to accurately control the reactive power out of the VSC within its design limits. This control of the reactive power allows for the HVDC system at POI to either set or follow a specific Voltage, Power Factor or Q schedule. Furthermore, at lower levels of real power, up to 50% of the converter rating could be used for reactive power control/support.





- Island mode operation: A VSC-HVDC system is able to operate in an islanded mode, by operating in a
  grid-forming mode, providing the synchronizing voltage required for system. It is in this way that VSCHVDC is being used to connect large amount of isolated renewable energy. As generation increases or
  decreases, the HVDC system will automatically adjust to ensure HVDC power order matches the
  generation for a balanced power flow
- **Black Start:** Using the same functionality as the islanded mode operation, the HVDC system can be used to black start a system. The fast voltage control of the converter manages the voltage dips during energization, and as the grid is gradually expanded during the restoration process.
- **Reversing power:** Using the precise controllability of the HVDC system and the inherent capability of the VSC HVDC converters, the HVDC system can reverse power almost instantaneous, this transition occurs bumpless and it is especially useful to supply power under emergencies
- **Power modulation:** Using the inherent capabilities of the VSC HVDC system, specific points can be monitored (bus voltage, frequency, power flow on adjacent lines) and the system can provide power modulation features to enhance grid stability. In fact the VSC can actual emulate the PSS functionalities of a standard generator



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- Low voltage ride through: the HVDC system can provide HVRT and LVRT
- **Harmonics**: VSC HVDC generate very little harmonics to the AC systems and in most cases can meet the grid requirements without the use of an AC filter
- Fault clearing and restart: In the event of a DC line fault, an HVDC system will temporarily stop power transmission on the faulted pole (the unfaulted pole will continue power transmission) for ~800msec after which time it will recover to full power
- Interconnection to weak systems and system stability: VSC-HVDC systems are perfectly suited for systems with very low SCR and in fact can operate in an islanded system only connected to renewable generation. They can provide a wide range of system stability functions and can provide transient, small signal and voltage stability
- Inertia: A VSC-HVDC system does not inherently provide inertia, but can be designed to provide synthetic inertia which will functionally act like inertia by responding to system changes





- **Primary Frequency Response:** HVDC can provide this functionality and can occur instantaneously
- **Reserve/ramping:** Able to increase/decrease output very quickly.
- **Regulation:** Through the frequency controller, the HVDC system can provide ACE functionality
- **Flexibility:** Flexibility is a reliability attribute that measures the ability of a unit to turn on and off quickly and frequently in a single operating day. Three characteristics that commonly determine a resource's flexibility are cycling capability, quick start time and low minimum run times. An HVDC system can be scheduled anywhere within it's rating (0-1pu), it can emulate the functionality of quickly turning on/off a unit
- **Fuel assurance:** Fuel assurance considers the ability of a balancing authority to withstand disruptions to fuel supply chains and delivery mechanisms that hinder generator performance. The HVDC is not fuel dependent
- Extreme weather performance: the HVDC system can perform under extreme weather conditions such as extreme heat, extreme cold, high wind, icing, etc.



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- In the 2022 MRO Regional Risk Assessment, a list of reliability risks have been identified. The Grain Belt Project can help deliver the necessary energy to reduce these reliability risks.
- Uncertainty of Winter Planning Reserve Margins

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- The Grain Belt Project will be designed to perform under extreme weather conditions such as extreme heat, extreme cold, high wind, icing, etc.
- Whenever an emergency is declared by any of the three RTOs (SPP, MISO, PJM), Grain Belt and its partners can cause scheduled deliveries to be interrupted and re-routed to meet the emergency need

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#### Increasing reliability during severe weather events

- February 2021 Winter Storm Uri Each additional 1 GigaWatt (GW) of transmission ties between the Texas power grid (ERCOT) and the Southeastern U.S. could have saved nearly \$1 billion, while keeping the heat on for hundreds of thousands of Texans. \*
- With stronger transmission ties, other parts of the Central U.S. also could have avoided power outages while saving consumers hundreds of millions of dollars. In particular, consumers in the Great Plains, served by the Southwest Power Pool (SPP), and those in the Gulf Coast states, served by the southern part of the Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO), each could have saved in excess of \$100 million with an additional 1 GW of transmission ties to power systems to the east. \*
- The Grain Belt Project could have provided up to 4 GW of power to SPP during winter storm Uri, via a combination of local generation and transfers of power from the other RTOs.

\* Source: "Transmission makes the Power System Resilient to Extreme Weather", Grid Strategies July 2021



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TABLE 1. Value of 1 GW of additional transmission by region for each event

| Receiving region – delivering region | Savings per GW of additional<br>transmission capacity (millions of \$) |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| WINTER STORM URI, FEBRUARY 2021      |  |
| ERCOT – TVA                          | \$993  |
| SPP South – PJM                      | \$129  |
| SPP South – MISO IL                  | \$122  |
| SPP South – TVA                      | \$120  |
| SPP S – MISO S (Entergy Texas)       | \$110  |
| MISO S-N (Entergy Texas - IL)        | \$85   |
| MISO S (Entergy Texas) – TVA         | \$82   |

The Grain Belt Project could have enabled direct power transfers between PJM - SPP South, MISO IL – SPP South, saving hundreds of millions of dollars during winter storm Uri

Source: "Transmission makes the Power System Resilient to Extreme Weather", Grid Strategies July 2021



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### Interconnection and Market Design Policy Should Encourage and Properly Value Interregional MHVDC

- FERC must establish compensable products or services to capture interregional MHVDC reliability and resilience benefits and develop specific methodologies to place a value on these services;
- 2. FERC should confirm that transmission systems will be allowed to **operate the system flexibly** with respect to injection limits, to maximize the potential for deliveries from interregional merchant transmission lines **during system emergency conditions**;
- 3. FERC must direct RTOs to **acknowledge**, **account for and adequately value** reliability benefits of interregional merchant transmission in **transmission planning efforts**; and
- 4. When accounting for interregional merchant transmission in planning, FERC should direct RTOs to **properly allocate network upgrades required for integration and interconnection**, consistent with existing FERC beneficiary pays cost allocation principles





## **Example of Potential Emergency Reliability Product**

- **Product**: Bundled firm generation and transmission that can be interrupted by any RTO whenever an emergency is declared, which will cause Grain Belt, the generator and the offtaker to agree to interrupt those deliveries and re-route the generation and transmission to the region with the greatest emergency need
- Charge: Combined monthly demand charge (\$/kw/mo) and emergency energy charge (\$/MWH).
- **Contractual** Mechanisms: Once the products are developed, the RTOs can develop a joint agreement with their neighbors and the interregional project for the joint operation of the interregional project that can specify operational protocols, including whether and when to declare an emergency and how interruptions and re-routing of energy to meet the emergency would be accomplished. That would be a FERC-filed rate schedule. There would also be a rate schedule for the transmission company, and generation companies to provide the standby capacity and energy in exchange for the demand charge and energy charge. The transmission project, generation projects and offtakers would have contractual mechanisms that would permit the RTOs to declare an emergency and effectuate interruption and rerouting consistent with the operational protocols in that joint operating agreement.





## **Summary and Conclusions**

- 1. Grain Belt Express is a transformational energy infrastructure project that will connect millions of Americans with clean energy
- 2. Grain Belt will unlock access to one of the strongest combined wind and solar energy resources in the United States
- 3. Coal plants across the Midwest have already announced retirements. Grain Belt will help fill the power gap with zero-carbon generation
- 4. Grain Belt Express will be a reliability and resilience backbone for the U.S.
- 5. Grain Belt will increase reliability under severe weather events, enabling direct power transfers between three different RTOs
- 6. Grain Belt is in a very advanced stage of development with an expected late-2026 in-service date





#### Grain Belt Express: An Energy Connection for America's Heartland

## Thank You



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#### Renewable Energy Grid Integration – Opportunities and Challenges

May 2022





## NextEra Energy is comprised of strong businesses supported by a common platform



- ~\$140 B market capitalization<sup>(1)</sup>
- ~59 GW in operation<sup>(2)</sup>
- ~\$139 B in total assets<sup>(3)</sup>



Largest vertically integrated electric utility in the United States by retail MWh sales



The world leader in electricity generated from the wind and sun



2 3) As of September 30, 2021

NextEra Energy's strategic focus remains on investing for the benefit of customers, shareholders, and the environment

#### NextEra Energy Strategic Focus

- FPL's continued smart investments further enhance its best-inclass value proposition
  - FPL residential customer bills remain well below the national average and are 40% below the average of the top 20 investor-owned utilities<sup>(1)</sup>
  - Industry leading profile includes high reliability, excellent customer service, and clean energy
- Energy Resources continues to capitalize on the outstanding renewables development environment
  - Expect to build ~23 30 GW from 2021 2024
  - Total addressable market has substantially increased with the combination of low-cost renewables and low-cost storage
- NextEra Energy's balance sheet strength and access to capital remain a core strategic focus

No company is better equipped to take advantage of the broad decarbonization of the U.S. economy than NextEra Energy



## Our core strategy has focused on the importance of ESG impacts for more than 25 years



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- Vision to be largest, most profitable clean energy provider in the world
- Vision informed by our values:
  - We are committed to excellence
  - We do the right thing
  - We treat people with respect



- Aim to be the most reliable and best operating utilities in the country
- Keep costs low
- Rapidly grow clean energy



- Build a diversified clean energy company
- Grow the world's leading wind, solar and storage portfolio

**Deliver outstanding value for our customers** 

Support our communities and empower our teams

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## Florida Power & Light is recognized as one of the best utility franchises in the U.S.

#### Florida Power & Light Company<sup>(1)</sup>

- One of the largest electric utilities in the U.S.
- Vertically integrated, retail rate-regulated
- ~5.7 MM customer accounts
- ~32 GW in operation
- Operating revenues
  - FPL: ~\$12 B
  - Gulf Power: ~\$1.4 B
- Total assets:

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- FPL: ~\$66 B
- Gulf Power: ~\$7 B
- 1) Gulf Power legally merged into FPL on 1/1/2021; FPL & Gulf Power operate under separate rate agreements; customer account and GW data is FPL and Gulf Power combined
- Note: All financial data is as of September 30, 2021, except operating revenues which are for full-year 2020



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#### NextEra Energy Resources is the leading North American clean energy company

### NextEra Energy Resources

- World leader in electricity generated from the wind and sun
- ~26 GW<sup>(1)</sup> of generation in operation
  - ~18 GW wind
  - ~4 GW solar
  - ~2 GW nuclear
  - ~2 GW natural gas/oil
- ~15 GW wind and solar in backlog<sup>(2)</sup>
- ~3 GW battery storage, including backlog
- ~\$63 B in total assets



 Megawatts shown includes assets operated by Energy Resources owned by NextEra Energy Partners as of September 30, 2021; all other assets are included at ownership share
 Includes signed contracts as of October 20, 2021; excludes battery storage

6 Note: All other data as of September 30, 2021

## We have one of the lowest emissions profiles of any utility in North America



### NextEra Energy's CO<sub>2</sub> emissions rate ~15 years ago was better than the industry average in 2020

1) Sources: NextEra Energy: historic internal; U.S. Electric Power Sector: DOE data

2) Please see the Definitional Information slide in the Appendix for additional information related to our emissions reduction rate



7 3) As of year-end 2020 since 2005
### Energy Resources is well positioned to benefit as the US pursues electrification to deliver economic carbon reductions

### **Competitive Advantages**

#### Scale advantage enabling us to buy, build and operate cheaper

- 5<sup>th</sup> largest capital spender in U.S.<sup>(1)</sup>
- Best-in-class supply chain relationships

#### Cost of capital advantages

- Investment-grade balance sheet
- Development expertise
  - >20 year history of renewables execution
  - Customer relationships and interconnection queue positioning

#### Data analytics developed in-house

- Proprietary algorithms to manage our fleet efficiently and achieve top decile O&M performance in the industry
- Tremendous data only available through our scale and decades of experience
- Using data and algorithms to enhance development capabilities



Energy Resources' competitive advantages position us to continue to capitalize on what we believe is the best renewables development environment in our history

### Energy Resources Development Program<sup>(1)</sup>

(Signed Contracts as of October 20, 2021)

|                     | 2021 – 2022<br>Signed<br>Contracts | 2021 – 2022<br>Expectations   | 2023 – 2024<br>Signed<br>Contracts | 2023 – 2024<br>Expectations | 2021 – 2024<br>Expectations |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Wind <sup>(2)</sup> | 5,093                              | 3,700 - 4,400                 | 1,010                              | 2,250 – 3,500               | 5,950 - 7,900               |
| Solar               | 4,321                              | 4,800 – 5,600                 | 5,164                              | 7,000 – 8,800               | 11,800 - 14,400             |
| Energy Storage      | 1,639                              | 1,650 – 2,000                 | 1,514                              | 2,700 – 4,300               | 4,350 - 6,300               |
| Wind Repowering     | 549                                | 375 – 700                     |                                    | 200 – 700                   | 575 – 1,400                 |
| Total               | 11,602                             | 10,525 <mark>- 12</mark> ,700 | 7,688                              | 12,150 - 17,300             | 22,675 - 30,000             |
| Build-Own-Transfer  | 110                                |                               | 690                                |                             |                             |

### Energy Resources now has ~18,100 MW in its backlog of signed contracts, supporting our industry-leading long-term growth expectations

1) MW capacity expected to be owned and/or operated by Energy Resources; includes build-own-transfer projects with long-term O&M agreements



2) Includes ~280 MW for Energy Resources' share of both NextEra Energy Partners' ~100 MW announced acquisition and 391 MW wind portfolio acquisition closed in Q3 2021

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### The United States electric grid is transitioning to clean energy





#### **Technology improvements and capital cost declines have** significantly improved wind and solar economics



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- 2010-2022: 100% PTC, 2024: 60% PTC Source: U.S. Department of Energy, Wind Technologies Market Report
- 3)

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5) Energy Resources' estimate 11

Increased manufacturing capacity and technology improvements have resulted in energy storage cost declines and the ability to create low-cost near-firm wind and solar

### **Energy Storage Costs**



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1) Source: Bloomberg New Energy Finance – Lithium-Ion Battery Price Survey Dec 2020

2) Energy Resources' estimate; assumes: 4-hour battery storage at 25% of nameplate solar capacity; total

2 battery system costs calculated as two times Bloomberg New Energy Finance battery pack cost

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#### We expect the industry's clean energy transformation will further expand and accelerate over the coming years



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#### **Disruptive Industry Changes Today**

- assumes 10% ITC for solar; projected per MWh operating cost including fuel for existing nuclear and coal: based on NextEra Energy internal estimates
- 2) 2020 source: U.S. EIA Annual Anergy Outlook 2021 Reference Case: 2030 estimate source: National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) 2020 Low Renewable & Low Battery Cost Scenario



### Decarbonization of the entire U.S. economy could create ~\$4 trillion investment opportunity through 2050

### 2050 Decarbonized U.S. Economy: Growth in Renewables and Storage Opportunity<sup>(1)</sup>



### Customer costs may be net neutral to achieve a decarbonized electric grid by 2050

1) NextEra Energy internal analysis, with uncertainties in assumptions including transmission and land costs, future cost declines for certain technologies, and treatment of stranded costs for certain existing generation assets; Princeton Net-Zero America Report for Full Economy Decarbonization





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#### Interconnection study process is lengthy and inconsistent yet is the only way for generation developers to gain access to grid interconnection

#### **Challenges with interconnection study process**

- 5-6 year study process leads to increased number of projects in queue to "reserve" a place in line
- Need for automation and use of technology
- Standardization of study assumptions, fuel-based dispatch and other key study criteria
- Consistency between regions, RTOs, utilities, etc.
- Need for consistency and certainty for developers and transmission owners related to cost and schedule
- Stated and enforceable timelines for affected system studies needed to fix on-going delays in study completion



#### Interconnection of low-cost clean energy project provides multivalue benefits to multiple customers

### Why it matters?

- Goal of developers is to provide the lowest cost and cleanest energy projects for its customers
  - These projects not only provide benefits to customers but also lower costs for all customers where the project interconnects
- Customers of renewable developer projects provide states where they do business with jobs, tax revenues and clean, low-cost power in the area of interconnection
- Buildout of transmission provides various benefits including reliability and resiliency (e.g., 2021 winter weather events – transmission between PJM, MISO and SPP)
- Reasonable inputs needed in transmission planning process to build out "backbone" facilities required for customer reliability



Solution to the broken interconnection process includes changes that fundamentally alter the current process and recognize the differences between the grid of 30 years ago and today

### What's The Solution

#### Cost Allocation

- Reform of participant funding rules to align costs with the benefits provided to all parties so that generation developers are not stuck with 100% of the costs
  - -- Included in potential reforms at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)

#### Technology

- Use of cloud computing and automation to shorten the interconnection study process
  - -- NextEra and Amazon partnering on project to significantly improve the completion timeframes for interconnection studies
- Standardization of study methodologies and study completion timeframes

#### Regulatory

- Improved transmission planning to incorporate clean energy goals into long-range planning process and ensure right facilities are being built to accommodate clean energy future
  - -- Included in April Notice of Proposed Rulemaking from FERC





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## MISO/SPP Joint Transmission Planning Projects

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### Current Interregional Planning Efforts

- MISO-SPP Coordinated System Plan (CSP)
  - Standing process through which MISO and SPP coordinate interregional planning activities
  - 2022 effort focuses on the development of a Targeted Market Efficiency Projects (TMEPs) process
    - Uses day-ahead and real-time market congestion data to indicate potential interregional transmission upgrade opportunities
    - Process focuses on quick-hit upgrades that are low cost and can be constructed in a relatively short amount of time (e.g. brownfield)
- MISO-SPP Joint Targeted Interconnection Queue (JTIQ) Study
  - Special study intended to address issues along the MISO-SPP seam frequently identified in the generator interconnection process





## MISO-SPP Coordinated System Plan (CSP) Overview





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### Coordinated System Plan study process

- MISO and SPP enhanced the CSP study process in 2019 through Joint Operating Agreement (JOA) changes
  - New process takes advantage of each RTO's respective regional process
- Study scope is determined as a part of an annual issues review with stakeholders
  - Scope may include reliability, economic or public policy issues
- RTOs coordinate on model development, issues identification, and technical analysis throughout the evaluation process





### Recent MISO-SPP Coordinated System Plan (CSP) study efforts

- MISO and SPP performed CSP studies in 2019 and 2020
  - Both studies focused on economic congestion issues in the 10+ year planning horizon
  - No projects met the required B/C ratios in both organizations for recommendation
- Although no projects were recommended, studies provided valuable insight into the challenges and limitations of the existing JOA process
- Results prompted MISO and SPP to explore other study concepts that focused on prominent seams issues





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## MISO-SPP Targeted Market Efficiency Project (TMEP) Study





### MISO-SPP Targeted Market Efficiency Projects (TMEP) study background

- MISO and PJM originally developed the TMEP concept in 2015 as way to relieve known market-to-market (M2M) congestion issues through valuable 'quick-hit' projects
  - Since inception, MISO and PJM have performed TMEP studies in 2016 and 2018 resulting in a total of seven new upgrades
- MISO and SPP began exploring a way to build on the successful MISO-PJM process to meet the needs of the MISO-SPP seam
- RTOs formally kicked off the study effort as a part of the 2022 CSP planning cycle
  - Study will cover both identification of potential upgrades and process development for the MISO-SPP JOA
  - Draft study scope is posted with the May 6 IPSAC materials





Objective: Help bridge the gap between realtime and longer-term planning horizons

- Economic Transmission Planning typically focuses on years 5 and beyond
- Future economic planning models do not always capture the actual congestion showing up repeatedly in Day Ahead (DA) and Real-Time (RT) markets







# The TMEP concept complements longer term market efficiency planning

### Targeted Market Efficiency Project

- Driver is historical M2M congestion
- Limited scope and cost
- Straight-forward benefit determination

### Longer Term Market Efficiency Project

- Driver is future congestion identified in regional planning processes
- Candidate projects go through project solicitation (as applicable)
- Longer model development and more complex analysis process





### TMEP Process Overview

- 1. Identify scope of potential flowgates by comparing market data in each RTO (e.g. M2M Settlements and DA/RT market data)
  - Data analysis to identify targeted flowgates for study
  - Coordinate with operators and stakeholders to ensure congestion is expected to persist
- 2. Solution development: Look for potential projects to address historical congestion
  - Outreach to facility owners to identify limiting elements and upgrade costs
  - Benchmark projects using reliability and economic models
  - Verify solution passes criteria (benefit > cost; in-service time etc.)
- 3. Cost allocation calculations and regional approval processes





# MISO and SPP Stakeholders are considering appropriate criteria for TMEP eligibility

| Description   | Current MISO-PJM Criteria<br>(To be refined with MISO-SPP Stakeholders) |
|---|---|
| Flowgates eligible for TMEP study evaluation                                  | Limited to M2M only   |
| M2M historical data sample size   | 2 years   |
| Minimum historical M2M congestion cost used for screening potential flowgates | \$1M  |
| Perform in conjunction with a CSP study                                       | Yes   |
| Cost threshold for projects   | \$20M   |
| In service timeframe  | 3 years (3rd summer peak)   |
| "Payback" period  | 4 years of avoided congestion   |
| Project benefit determination   | Average of M2M data sample period                                       |





### 2022 CSP Study Timeline and Milestones

|  | May | June | July | Aug | Sept | Oct | Nov | Beyond           |
|--|-----|------|------|-----|------|-----|-----|------------------|
| CSP scope devlopment                                       |     |      |      |     |      |     |     |                  |
| Data gathering and determine final candidate flowgate list |     |      |      |     |      |     |     |                  |
| Develop initial criteria through IPSAC                     |     |      |      |     |      |     |     |                  |
| Asset owner outreach                                       |     |      |      |     |      |     |     |                  |
| Solution development                                       |     |      |      |     |      |     |     |                  |
| Process and criteria refinement as needed                  |     |      |      |     |      |     |     |                  |
| Finalize intial project recommendations and process        |     |      |      |     |      |     |     |                  |
| Document Process and Recommended Projects in CSP Report    |     |      |      |     |      |     |     |                  |
| JOA/Tariff process language development                    |     |      |      |     |      |     |     | Q4 2022 -Q1 2023 |
| Regional cost allocation development                       |     |      |      |     |      |     |     | 2023             |
| FERC filings   |     |      |      |     |      |     |     | 2023             |

- Planned IPSAC dates:
  - July 22 10:00 AM 12:00 PM CT
  - September 23 10:00 AM 12:00 PM CT
- Additional IPSAC meetings will be scheduled as needed as study progresses





## MISO-SPP Joint Targeted Interconnection Queue (JTIQ) Study





The SPP-MISO JTIQ Study focuses on optimizing transmission needed for interconnection across the seams and for the evolving resource mix



- SPP and MISO are experiencing similar resource mix shifts
- The transmission system is at capacity along the SPP-MISO seam
- Upgrades are too costly for small groups of interconnection customers, contributing to churn in the queue





### JTIQ Study Assumptions and Process

#### • Models

- MISO MTEP21 5 and 10 year out models
  - 2025 summer shoulder and peak
  - 2030 summer shoulder and peak
- SPP ITP 2 and 5 year out models
  - 2023 summer peak
  - 2026 light load
  - 2026 summer and winter peak
- Models include generation additions based on GI queues and MTEP/ITP futures
- Constraints Identification
  - Performed contingency analysis and applied DFAX criteria to filter constraints
    - 5% DF of at least one study unit in one RTO
    - 3% DF of at least one study unit in neighboring RTO
  - Resulted in 52 selected constraints
- Mitigation Plan Development

Southwest Power Pool

• Approximately 60 projects analyzed with 16 different portfolio combinations to determine the optimized solution to address constraints







# SPP and MISO finalized a portfolio to mitigate most constraints along multiple MISO-SPP state boundaries

This portfolio provides a range of benefits:

- Improves reliability by mitigates existing constraints
- Increase interregional transfer capability, and
- Provides economic Adjusted Production Cost (APC) benefits





### JTIQ Portfolio – List of Projects

| JTIQ Portfolio  | Location by RTO | Cost (\$M) |
|---|-----------------|------------|
| Bigstone – Alexandria – Riverview – Quarry – Monticello 345 kV* | MISO            | 424.5      |
| Jamestown – Ellendale 345 kV*                                   | MISO            | 165        |
| Bison – Hankinson – Big Stone South 345 kV                      | MISO            | 476        |
| Brookings Co – Lakefield 345 kV                                 | MISO            | 331        |
| Raun – S3452 345 kV   | MISO - SPP      | 144.4      |
| Auburn – Hoyt 345 kV  | SPP             | 90.5       |
| Sibley 345 Bus Reconfiguration                                  | SPP             | 18.8       |
| Total Cost of Portfolio of Projects                             | MISO - SPP      | 1650.2     |

\*Projects included in MISO's Long Range Transmission Plan (LRTP) Tranche 1

| Project Name   | Cost in \$M | MISO PV<br>Benefit<br>(\$M) | SPP F2 20Y Benefit<br>(\$M) | SPP-MISO Combined<br>B/C |
|----------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| JTIQ Portfolio | 1,650.2     | 724.23                      | 246.74                      | 0.60                     |





# The JTIQ Portfolio will enable the ability to interconnect new capacity along the MISO-SPP seam

- JTIQ Portfolio could enable new generation capacity along the combined MISO and SPP seam
  - Power flow models estimated 28 GW of combined new enablement
- Capacity Enabled Calculations include
  - Generation enabled by constraints mitigated by JTIQ projects in both RTOs
  - Additional Generation at existing resources by utilizing unused capacity on mitigated constraints and JTIQ portfolio projects
- SPP performed analysis on the impact of including the JTIQ portfolio in a previous SPP Affected System Study for a MISO DPP Cycle and a SPP DISIS Cycle
  - JTIQ Portfolio alleviates 60% of the constraints previously identified in AFS Study
  - JTIQ Portfolio alleviates 44% of the constraints previously identified in DISIS study
  - No adverse impacts observed (no additional constraints) in DISIS or DPP Affected System study in the region of interest





### JTIQ Portfolio - Next Steps

- The JTIQ final study report was published in March 2022
- Timeline
  - MISO and SPP are working with stakeholders to develop a cost allocation framework in Q2 and Q3 of 2022
  - FERC filings for cost allocation are targeted for the end of 2022
  - Formal MISO and SPP approvals of JTIQ transmission projects targeted for Q1/Q2 2023





# MISO-SPP Interregional Planning – conclusions and expected future challenges

- Both TMEPs and JTIQ present excellent opportunities to build valuable transmission upgrades that:
  - Enhance robustness of the transmission system
  - Address constraints currently observed in real-time operations
- Cost allocation will continue to be a challenge to interregional transmission development
- Recent policy developments will play a large role in future interregional project development efforts
  - FERC Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) on transmission planning
  - SPP's Consolidated Planning Process (CPP)
  - Expected Generator Interconnection NOPR Southwest Power Pool



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# OGE System Zonal Study for Voltage/Var Control

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### Outline

- About OGE
- Background
- Methodology
- Study Case
- Applications



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### **Oklahoma Gas & Electric (OGE)**



- Total interconnected generation capacity: ~16,000 MW (Wind: ~7,600 MW)
- 7,057 MW peak load (2011)

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- Transmission Operators operate transmission system per the established System Operating Limit (SOL) to maintain system reliability.
- Related NERC Reliability Standards
  - VAR-001-5 Voltage and Reactive Control
  - VAR-002-4.1 Generator Operations for Maintaining Network Voltage Schedules
  - TOP-001-5 Transmission Operations



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# Background (Cont'd)

- Controlling power system voltage is typically a local issue
- Dividing a given system into several zones is of practical value
- Evolving system conditions (renewable energy, DERs, etc.)
- Zonal assignment needs to account for those changes and be evaluated in a systematic way



https://www.forbes.com/sites/jeanmarcollagnier/2019/01/14/renewable-energy-boom-is-pushing-the-grid-to-its-limits-prompting-operators-to-reinvent-themselves/?sh=3e8e713d5b33



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## **Voltage Control Zone**

Buses have similar voltage responses to system perturbations

A pilot bus has a good representation of all buses in the same zone

Each zone is sufficiently de-coupled from its neighboring zones





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Methodology **Bus Voltage Attenuation** λΔVj  $\Delta V k$ ΔVi  $\Delta V j$ ΔVi ̈́∆Qj

 $\Delta V k$ 

**Bus Attenuation Index** 

 $a_{ij} = \frac{\Delta V_i}{\Delta V_j} = \left(\frac{\partial V_i}{\partial Q_j}\right) / \left(\frac{\partial V_j}{\partial Q_j}\right)$ 



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# Methodology (Cont'd)

#### **Bus Attenuation Matrix**

#### **Electrical Distance Matrix**

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1j} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{i1} & \cdots & a_{ij} & \ddots & a_{in} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \cdots & a_{nj} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \cdots & D_{1j} & \cdots & D_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ D_{i1} & \cdots & 0 & \ddots & D_{in} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ D_{n1} & \cdots & D_{nj} & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$a_{ij} = \frac{\left(\frac{\partial V_i}{\partial Q_j}\right)}{\left(\frac{\partial V_j}{\partial Q_j}\right)} \qquad \qquad D_{ij} = D_{ji} = -\log(a_{ij} \cdot a_{ji})$$



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# Methodology (Cont'd)

#### **Hierarchical Clustering**

- Starts by treating each observation as a separate cluster
- Repeatedly executes the following steps:
  - Identify the two clusters that are closest together
  - Merge the two most similar clusters
- Ends until all the clusters are merged into one





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## **Study Procedure**



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#### **Results – Bus Hierarchy**





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#### **Results – Bus Clusters**





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#### **Results – Zonal Assignment**



**Grouping Results** 



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#### System Event Response



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#### **Applications**

- Re-grouped the elements in regional voltage summary page in SCADA display
  - Buses monitored
  - Shunt devices

#### • Future work

- Define zonal VAR reserve metrics considering both dynamic and static reactive power resources
- Validate the zonal assignment regularly and update the boundaries when deemed necessary



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# Dynamic Line Ratings (DLR) Vision into Ambient Adjusted Rating (AARs)

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#### **Energy Delivery Operations**

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- Operate in 11 states
- Across Texas RE, RF & MRO
- ~5.5 million regulated customers
- ~16,800 employees
- ~30,000 MW Generation
- ~40k miles Transmission line
- ~223k miles Distribution line
- Over 6000 substations



#### AEP Transmission and Service Area Map

#### BOUNDLESS ENERGY<sup>™</sup>



## **Energy Delivery Operations**

- AEP Energy Delivery Operations has <u>five</u> active control centers responsible for the operation of AEP's Transmission System
- AEP functions as TOP in PJM, MISO, SPP, and ERCOT







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- 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Vendor used for Temperature Data
  - Contract includes data security and encryption
- AEP created a diverse and redundant application which queries 3<sup>rd</sup> party's Web API
  - Application runs on a protected but non-CIP network
  - Front end processors then poll the application to update SCADA (CIP) with temperature data





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- AEP State Estimator Temp Zones & Monitoring
  - Real-time temperature data retrieved every 5 minutes and refreshed with every SE process run

| AEP SE Temperature Zone Monitoring |                             |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| PJM-MISO                           | SPP                         | ERCOT                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| IM – Indiana & Michigan            | PSO – Tulsa                 | TNN – Childress          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| OOC – Ohio (OPCO)                  | SWEP – Shreveport           | TNC – Abilene            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| RO – Roanoke                       | SYSTEM – AEP System Average | TNW – San Angelo         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| AB – Abingdon                      |                             | TCC – Corpus Christi     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TR – Tristate                      |                             | TCS – Harlinen & Mcallen |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SYSTEM – AEP System Average        |                             | TCW – Del Rio & Laredo   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |                             | TCN – Victoria           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |



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Engineering ensures
 core/seasonal
 ratings from TPLAN
 database match in
 the SE and are
 submitted to RTOs

| • | Ambient          | LN Limit Information   |       |
|---|------------------|--|-------|
|   | Adjusted Ratings | LN From To Station ID From To End In Out NORM EMERG (Line: MVA)  | LDSHD |
| • | Core/Seasonal    | 1         BRUES         WBELLAIR           Eligible:         Image: Comparison of the set:         1         Image: Comparison of the set:         228.9         300.2 | 309.6 |
|   |                  | Alternate Set: SUMMER 205.0 284.0  | 293.0 |
|   | Katings          | Alternate Set: WINTER 258.0 320.0  | 330.0 |



- The AEP State Estimator calculates ambient adjusted ratings based on realtime temperature data
  - AAR algorithm performs calculation via interpolation between the core summer/winter facility ratings (normal and emergency)
  - All facilities are assigned to a zone and temperature data is applied to each zone for use in the state estimator AAR algorithm



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|---|---------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|----------------------|----------|
| С | TVL: 13 | Items                             |                             |                  |                   |                     |                                  |             |                      |          |
|   | ку      | Monitored Elements                | Emergency<br>Limit<br>(MVA) | Pre CTG<br>(MVA) | Post CTG<br>(MVA) | %<br>Over⊽<br>Limit | CTG Description                  | NEW<br>Viol | Time Since           | CTG ID   |
|   | 138     | MALISZEW-HYATTCS-0138-1 @MALISZEW | 254                         | 170              | 299               | 117                 | HYATT - MALISZEWSKI 138-2        | <b>V</b>    | 29-May-2014 10:56:06 | CCT00253 |
|   | 345     | AMOS TRANSF 3/X8                  | 800                         | 354              | 797               | 100                 | AMOST7 345/138/34.5              |             | 29-May-2014 06:14:28 | XFMR2048 |
|   | 138     | AMOS_TRANSF1/X8                   | 800                         | 351              | 796               | 99                  | AMOST7 345/138/34.5              |             | 29-May-2014 06:14:28 | XFMR2048 |
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 Regional differences in AAR calculations based on planning criteria / RTO recommendations



Ambient Temperature



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 Operators monitor weather parameter status through visual indicators on dashboards and supplemental PI displays



| Weather Params | <b>SYS</b> 54 | 1 | M 53 | ОН | 55 | TR | 54 | AB | 54 | ROA | 55 |
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- SYSTEM temperature zone values are used as the default backup for individual point failures
- Operational procedures established to manually override Temperature zone values for failed / unreasonable data
- Temperature data may also be adjusted for Operational study purposes

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- Sample AARs for Sept 1 on one AEP facility
  - With no AAR, would be limited to Summer static limit only

| LN Limit Information |           |                 |                |    |             |           |    |          |       |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------------|----------------|----|-------------|-----------|----|----------|-------|
| LN                   | 6         | From<br>Station | To<br>Station  | ID | From<br>End | To<br>End | In | Out      | NORM  |
| 1                    |           | 21STTAP         | TULSA_SE       |    |             |           |    |          |       |
|                      | Eligible: | Enterable:      | Online Set:    | 1  | ✓           | <b>V</b>  | 1  | <b>¥</b> | 229.0 |
|                      |           |                 | Alternate Set: | SU | MMER        |           |    |          | 212.0 |
|                      |           |                 | Alternate Set: | WI | NTER        |           |    |          | 263.0 |



AAR example for 21STTAP\_TULSE1 138 kV



 Example AAR for a typical daily temperature profile for a 345 kV line in the AEP footprint







## **RTO Coordination Ambient Adjusted Ratings**

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  - PJM TERM Tickets
    - AEP AARs closely match PJM 8 temperature sets
  - SPP Rating Submission Tool
    - Subset of AEP AARs sent via ICCP
  - MISO seasonal rating provided via email
    - AARs for AEP only facilities sent via ICCP
  - ERCOT NOMCR rating submittals
    - AEP AARs closely match ERCOT temperature sets (btw 20-115 degrees) for select facilities

|     | Nor  | rmal  | Long | Term  | Short Term |       | Load | Dump  |
|-----|------|-------|------|-------|------------|-------|------|-------|
| emp | Day  | Night | Day  | Night | Day        | Night | Day  | Night |
| 95  | 1108 | 1108  | 1108 | 1108  | 1108       | 1108  | 1142 | 1142  |
| 86  | 1175 | 1175  | 1175 | 1175  | 1175       | 1175  | 1211 | 1211  |
| 77  | 1242 | 1242  | 1242 | 1242  | 1242       | 1242  | 1280 | 1280  |
| 68  | 1309 | 1309  | 1309 | 1309  | 1309       | 1309  | 1349 | 1349  |
| 59  | 1377 | 1377  | 1377 | 1377  | 1377       | 1377  | 1419 | 1419  |
| 50  | 1444 | 1444  | 1444 | 1444  | 1444       | 1444  | 1488 | 1488  |
| 41  | 1511 | 1511  | 1511 | 1511  | 1511       | 1511  | 1557 | 1557  |
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# **RTO Coordination Ambient Adjusted Ratings**

- Upon recognition of a constraint, the SCC engages in a constraint verification process with the RC
- Any rating discrepancy between the RTO and AEP is logged and the most conservative limits is used until the discrepancy is resolved
- If necessary, AAR can be overridden with manually entered values
  - May be necessary for tieline coordination or field identified equipment issues
- AAR coordination via ICCP could increase significantly
  - Presently providing to SPP and MISO on select facilities
  - Pending Order 881 implementation

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## **AEP DLR Technology Assessment**

- The DLR technology was found to be beneficial in assessing the real time rating of the line conductor
  - The line conductor is one element used in developing the overall rating for a facility
  - DLR technology only provides benefit when the most limiting series element is the line conductor
- DLR technology presents real time operational challenges
  - How to manage frequently changing conductor ratings in real-time system operations
  - How to incorporate the ratings changes into the real time monitoring and real time assessment tools and maintain system reliability
- DLR technology may require monitoring multiple spans on lines where the conductor type or conditions change across the line topology

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#### FERC Order 881

- AEP formed a task force to review potential gaps for adherence to Order 881
  - Legal
  - Regulatory
  - Compliance
  - Operations
  - Planning
  - Engineering
- AEP has a good start on AARs but additional process changes likely needed to meet all requirements of Order 881

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- AEP supportive of AARs to reliably optimize use of the AEP system as temperature varies while operating within FAC-008 SOL methodologies
  - Maximize transmission capability during cooler temps
  - Operate more conservatively during hotter temps
- Imperative operators can trust the situational awareness tools and processes must be in place to resolve discrepancies
- Internal FERC Order 881 team developed to review potential process changes
- Consistency in implementation, coordination and data management of AARs will be critical moving forward

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#### **AEP Comment Summary**

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- 1. AEP supports the targeted and voluntary implementation of DLRs by transmission providers to address congestion for market purposes and suggests that the Commission should encourage, but not *require* implementation of DLRs.
  - DLRs are appropriate only for consideration in real-time operations, when very specific facility rating criteria are met or system configurations in a specific area are
    identified, and not for system planning purposes.
  - AEPs use of AARs across the AEP footprint, which limits the use cases where DLR provides cost effective System Operating Limit (SOL) mitigation.
  - AEP suggests that the Commission consider requiring transmission providers to evaluate the benefits of DLR above current real time ratings practices on their top 10
    historically congested facilities each year based on the cost of congestion and submit an informational report to the Commission on their findings.
  - DLRs only provide benefit when the most limiting series element is the line conductor and significant margin exists between the line conductor and the next most limiting element.
- 2. DLRs pose a variety of implementation risks that must be considered.
  - AEP recommends that the Commission assess the reliability impacts of any potential widespread requirements for DLR, particularly with respect to physical and cybersecurity. This will require a comprehensive evaluation of current NERC Reliability Standards to ensure the integrity and confidentiality of DLR systems and data.
  - DLRs present real-time operational challenges. Verification and integration into the real time operational tools used by the System Operators to perform Real Time Monitoring / Control and Real Time Assessments is one of the most challenging steps in implementing DLR because of the highly complex nature of work performed by the System Operators.
  - There may be significant upgrades required to communication infrastructure in order to integrate DLRs into real time operational tools.
- 3. AEP suggests that the Commission not consider requirements related to DLRs until after the implementation of AARs, and that the Commission should remain technology-neutral.
  - Implementation of the requirements adopted in Order No. 881 are expected to change congestion patterns. Therefore, it would be premature to adopt DLR requirements at this time.
  - The Commission should remain technology-neutral, particularly given the rapid changes and advancements in technology. A requirement to install one particular technology could unintentionally stifle innovation with respect to alternative methodologies.



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