Maintaining Reliability and Resilience in a Decarbonizing System

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Why Must Grid Operations and Planning Evolve?

- Changing Generation Mix
- Active Distribution Systems
- Consumer Control and Electrification
Increasing Reliability & Resiliency Through the Transition

A Decarbonized Grid must be more reliable and resilient as the grid becomes more dynamic, decentralized, and inverter-based in the context of changing climate and other hazards.

**Percentage of Annual Hours that Solar+Wind Supply >= 70% of Generation**

- MISO-East: ≤ 50%
- MISO-North: ≤ 50%
- MISO-South: ≥ 70%
- SPP: 50%
- Texas: ≤ 50%
- Mountain-N: ≤ 50%
- Mountain-S: ≤ 50%
- California: ≤ 50%

**Annual National Share Wind+Solar**

- 46%: MISO-East, MISO-North, MISO-South, SPP, Texas, Mountain-N, Mountain-S, California
- 32%: MISO-East, MISO-North, MISO-South, SPP, Texas, Mountain-N, Mountain-S, California

**FACTORS TO CONSIDER**

- **RESOURCE ADEQUACY**
  - Additional resources to meet energy needs for resiliency to extreme future scenarios
- **DELIVERY ADEQUACY**
  - Regional T&D capacity to integrate renewables and DER and serve increased electrification demand
- **BALANCING AND FLEXIBILITY**
  - Flexibility resources and operating reserves to manage variability and uncertainty
- **GRID STABILITY**
  - Resources and controls to maintain frequency and voltage for much faster dynamic system
An adequate supply fleet is not just the installed MW in the ground. The capacity must have energy to sustain during critical time periods, flexibility to accommodate condition changes, and sufficient reliability services to provide when necessary.

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**Metrics and Criteria**

**Different metrics expose different levels of risk**

LOLE is a frequency metric and typically evaluated on average.

Metrics that include magnitude and duration expose additional risk.

Potential for very different customer impacts for same LOLE level.

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**NPCC Case Study: Risk conveyed by metrics**

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**Metric Scope**

- Frequency
- + Duration
- + Magnitude

**Relative Risk**

- Same
- 3X
- 10X

EPRI Initiative provides Metric Viewer tool and guidance to select metrics that expose true risk.
Demand Side Resources Can Support Adequacy

Potential reduction in LOLE from 900 MW (3% peak demand) of various distributed resource types (technology and tariff) for specific utility system

Results vary with regional load shapes, climates, energy mixes and demand resource performance

LOLE (event-days in 10 years)

- Base: 0.99
- TOU: 0.82
- Price responsive: 0.67
- Smart thermostats: 0.5
- Dist. PV (NEM, export): 0.47
- Dist. PV (no export): 0.63
- Dist. PV + ES (NEM, export): 0.54
- Dist. PV + ES (no export): 0.62

EPRI RAI provides methodology for modeling flexible demand contributions to RA
Flexibility – measuring needs and obtaining services

Need to be able to assess what is needed, and then get it from emerging resources
Inertia of a synchronous AC system opposes frequency changes after sudden generation loss.

Rate of change of frequency (ROCOF)

Nadir – Lowest Frequency

Online Inertia Monitoring and Inertia Floors

New Frequency Support Resources/Services

“Synthetic Inertia” from Inverter-Based Resources

Synchronous Condensers

Redispatch to Reduce Largest Contingency
Relative Reliability Contributions for Various Resources

- Must ensure reliability when considering new resource mix
- Not all resources are equal in “Reliability Capability”
- Synchronous resources broader & deeper ability to support reliability
- Reliability is not only consideration: Sustainability, Diversity, Economics, Emissions, among others
- Likely needs updating (2015)

EPRI whitepaper (2015): Contributions of Supply & Demand Resources to Required System Reliability Services (3002006400)

Relative score for currently installed technologies:
Pre-Requisites for a Reliable, Resilient Decarbonized Grid

New Grid Operation Capabilities
New protection, control, and other technologies to reliably and resiliently operate the grid

Efficient Regulation and Collaboration
Faster timelines for siting, permitting, and building new infrastructure and developing and deploying new technology

Revised Market Designs
Markets must incent investment and properly compensate resources for grid services provided

Integrated Planning for Reliability and Resiliency
Tools and processes for regional investment plans across electric and other energy systems in context of changing climate and other hazards

Grid Investment and Development
Adequate investment, supply chain, and workforce to develop extensive new supply, demand, and T&D resources
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