## Modular Energy Storage Architecture (MESA)

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### Agenda

- Renewable energy challenges
- Vision for energy storage
- Energy storage barriers
- MESA Standardization & software benefits
- Managing energy storage within a smart grid
- Future of energy storage and clean energy

### **Growth of Wind**









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### Wind Oversupply Management

### Northwest Wind Integration Forum

- Potential solutions:
  - Pumped hydro
  - Load shifting
  - Improved power system coordination
  - Resistive load banks
  - Additional generator displacement
  - Reduce river total dissolved gas levels
  - Transmission system trading enhancements
  - Energy imbalance market and/or enhancements to existing bi-lateral markets
  - × Aquifer recharge
  - × Many more ideas...

Snohomish participating in BPA intra-hour scheduling pilot with Powerex



### **Grid Energy Storage**

 Storage is a potentially useful tool across a wide range of both energy and power use cases

- Variable energy resource integration
- Peak shaving
- o Volt/VAR support
- o Infrastructure upgrade deferral
- Frequency regulation
- Etc.
- Large scale hydro and pumped hydro storage facilities have dominated the storage landscape
- Batteries are beginning to enable smaller and more modular/scalable energy storage systems

### **Current State**

### Current battery-based grid energy storage offerings

- Expensive
- o Lack modularity
- Lack interoperability
- o Lack scalability
- o Lack standardization
- Monolithic; vendors operate beyond core expertise

## Large gap between battery manufacturers and utilities

• Core suppliers cannot easily serve core customers

### Opportunity

### • Implications:

- Utility market for significant-scale battery based storage is very small and slow growing
- Projects to-date are either highly optimized one-off niche projects, or small learning/demonstration projects
- Decreasing battery prices alone are unlikely to stimulate utility energy storage market growth significantly
- EPRI, battery manufactures, and others see the same landscape, but there is little apparent activity to facilitate change

### • Opportunity: focus on architecture and standardization

 Develop and demonstrate "Modular Energy Storage Architecture" (MESA)





# MESA Project

Transforming the Grid Storage Market



## The Vision

- Energy storage = **flexibility** 
  - Clean renewable power integration
  - Many grid management applications
- Significant growth projected
  - 94% of utilities: energy storage very/somewhat important to smart grid development<sup>1</sup>
  - 4x growth in next 5 years (\$3.5B to \$18.5B)<sup>2</sup>
  - 2030 PJM Study: 90% renewables + 29GW/145GWh ES<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Nov. 2012, IEEE Smart Grid, with analysis by Zprime
<sup>2</sup> July 2011, BCC Research, Utility-Scale Electricity Storage Technologies: Global Markets
<sup>3</sup> Budischak et. al., Journal of Power Sources 225 (2013) 60-74

## The Problem

- Supply chain dysfunctional
  - Expensive
  - Monolithic: limited modularity, interoperability
  - Proprietary: few standards, one-off projects
- Consequences: market and technology
  - Suppliers (battery, PCS) can't easily serve utilities
  - Vendors operating beyond core expertise
  - Unmanageable infrastructure for utilities
  - Growth limited, despite willing buyers and sellers

## Comparison

#### CES

- 25 kWh Li-ion battery
- ~\$100k

#### Nissan Leaf

- 24 kWh Li-ion battery
- \$35k
- Plus a car





## Inward Vision

#### Utilities want:

- Standard components
- Install, operate, maintain, upgrade, expand, ...
- Functional, cost-effective supply chain

#### **Analogy: PC Industry**



 $ESS \leftrightarrow \{battery, PCS, ...\}$ 



## **Outward Vision**

#### **Utilities want:**

- Electric system **flexibility**
- Standard interfaces between ESS and utility I/T (control, power supply, etc.)
- Interoperability
- Range of ESS sizes and sites (SES, CES, DES, etc.)

#### **Analogy: Internet Protocols**



#### $\mathsf{ESS} \leftrightarrow \mathsf{Utility}$



## **MESA Big Picture**

### **Utility's Energy Storage Infrastructure**

- Utility I/T systems
- Power and energy services
- Energy storage (ESS)

### **MESA Interfaces**

- Standardized
- Extensible (generic, specific)
- Modular "bricks"
- Multiple providers



## **MESA Project**

#### Partners

- Snohomish County PUD
- 1Energy Systems
- Alstom Grid
- Univ. of Washington
- Battery partners
- PCS partners

#### Outcomes

- 1 MW substation ESS
- Plug-and-play interfaces
- Standards engagement
- Shared learning
- Transform the market

http://www.snopud.com/newsroom.ashx?p=1102&173 na=211

## **MESA** Activities

- Substation-scale ESS
  - Demonstrate MESA principles
- Utility Advisory Board
- Standards
  - IEEE 2030.2 Energy Storage Working Group
  - IEC TC-120 Electrical Energy Storage (EES) Systems
  - Put MESA specs in public domain
- Close Gaps
  - New control technologies and business models
  - Battery-agnostic: Li-ion, PbA, etc.
  - Wide range of solutions: SES, CES, DES



## **MESA Project Goals**

- <u>Transform</u> the grid storage market
  - Change the technology -> change the business model
  - Drive down prices
- Give utilities real, long-term <u>flexibility</u>
  - Avoid rigid, proprietary solutions
  - Enable large-scale **ES infrastructure**: scalable, manageable
- Create a <u>robust</u> energy storage market

– Customers buying more = growth for supplies

## MESA: Transforming the Market



# **1***Energy* **Systems**

### www.1energysystems.com

## Role of Energy Storage in Smart Grid Operations

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### Outline

- Introduction to Alstom
- DOE/Alstom Grid project objectives
- Potential Smart Grid operational functions
- Storage Batteries
- Concluding remarks



### ALSTOM

#### Worldwide leadership in energy and transport infrastructure









#### Total sales 2011/12: €19.9 billion

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### **Alstom Grid solutions**



### The Reference in Grid Performance

- Ready to address the market needs
- A global leader in electrical transmission with a 12% global market share
- Around 20,000 employees
- Over €4 billion annual sales
- Over 90 manufacturing and engineering sites worldwide









### DOE Integrated Smart Distribution (ISD) Project

The primary objective of this project is to leverage the intelligence of, and information provided by, sensors, energy boxes and smart meters to integrate DER for developing next generation DMS to enhance optimal performance of the emerging distribution system. This builds on the DOE Vision towards an Intelligent North American Grid by 2030.

Prior to	FY12,	FY13,	Out-year(s)
FY 12	authorized	requested	
124	2,800	1,700	1,376



#### Six prioritized areas of scope:

- Management and forecasting of DER (DG, storage, DR)
- Integration of network, market, and renewable resource models for next generation DMS.
- Advanced distribution modeling capability to accurately simulate/model smart grid operations.
- Accurate representation of the distribution system in real- or near real-time (capture real-time topology).
- Interoperability with and seamless communication between other management systems and data bases used by the utility

• Simulation of distribution systems based on real-time operational planning to analyze the benefits of smart grid assets.

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### Alstom Grid:

- <u>Integrated</u>: Conventional energy & grid resource integrated with new distributed energy resources & grid devices for holistic system performance.
- <u>Smart</u>: Intelligence in devices (self-healing) and resources (E-storage/EV local control).
- <u>Distribution</u>: DMS extended to provide advanced tools (effective UI with advanced analytics) to ensure effective solutions for distribution system operation.



### Duke Energy

- Capture grid network modeling and real-time topology.
- The operational philosophy, changes, and challenges with increasing DER penetration and emerging technology and devices are truly fundamental and transformational.
- Requires quick response from operators to meet new operational changes at higher level.
- Safety is built into the design of the system as foundation for new technologies.
- Create an understanding of the grid's operational value once they have all the new technologies integrated. Customer focus is the key. GRID

### Snohomish PUD #1:

- Integrate variable distributed sources (including storage), with variable and possibly dispatchable loads.
- Optimize the configuration of our distribution circuits in real time. System will provide physical optimization for the first stage, and financial optimization as a later overlay.
- Utilize our smart grid test lab to validate interoperability of the solution through end to end testing.

- Electric Utility Goals:
  - Facilitate technical and market development for emerging technologies.
  - Explore new operational requirements and business models.
  - Verify the capability to integrate DER in real-time software and control systems and monitor/analyze distribution circuits.
  - Verify interoperability of solution using smart grid test tools.

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### Project Team Capabilities & Funding Leverage

List organizations that this project interacts and collaborates with, describing their expertise and complementary roles to this project.

#### Primary Contractor:

Alstom Grid

#### Host Utilities:

- Duke Energy
- Snohomish PUD #1

#### Subcontractors:

- University of Washington
  - Communication infrastructure and interoperability standards, network and market models.
- PNNL
  - Development of DER assets and load models within GridLAB-D.
- University of Connecticut
  - Development of bottom-up load forecasting techniques for integration of DERs.



### **Potential Operational Applications**

- DER Models, network models and market models
- DER Forecasting
- DER Scheduling
- Advanced and Adaptive Emerging Grid Protection
- Advanced and Adaptive Emerging microgrid Protection
- Fault Anticipation, Detection, Location, Isolation (FADLI)
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### **Potential Operational Applications**

- Communication schemes, protocols and nodes for smart grid
- Operational planning using GridLAB
- Cold load pick-up
- System restoration (steady-state and emergency)
- On-line real-time topology extraction
- On-line reliability and security assessment

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Secondary (LV) Distribution Modeling

### **Concluding Remarks**

- Energy storage technologies will play a paramount role in integrating renewable energy sources for achieving smart grid transformation
- Alstom will play a major role in advancing distribution operation with integration of energy storage and other new technologies
- Snohomish PUD is playing a significant role in achieving the integration of storage with renewable energy technologies to meet the Pacific NW conservation needs
- This will aid in promoting conservation in this region as well as the entire country

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### Thank you! Questions?

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### Research on the Value of Storage

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### Research at UW

- Optimal power system operation and planning
- Need more flexibility in power system operation
- How much flexibility is actually needed?
- What is the best way to provide this flexibility?
  - Conventional generation
  - Demand response
  - Storage
- What is the value of different types of flexibility?

### How much flexibility is needed?



### Flexibility requirements

- Deviations between schedule and actual net load:
  - Capacity
  - Ramp rate
  - Duration
- Non-parametric statistical representation
- Optimize the requirements in the three dimensions
- Capture a given fraction of the events



### Quantifying the value of storage

- Ancillary services
  - Frequency, voltage, reserves, balancing
- Energy arbitrage
- Increased transmission capacity
  - Locational arbitrage
  - Use of corrective actions
- Reduction in wind curtailment
- Deferred investments

ARPA-E project

### **MESA** project

- Complements the analysis done as part of our ARPA-E project
- Analysis of the operational data:
  - How much of the theoretical value of each of the value streams can we actually capture?
  - What are the obstacles?
  - How can we improve the control strategies?

### Value of MESA flexibility

- Capture more than one value stream
- The value of the different applications of storage is not constant:
  - Target the operation of the storage at the most profitable application(s)



### **Operation and Control Framework**

