Energy Efficiency as a Transmission and Distribution Resource

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EFFICIENCY AS A T&D RESOURCE

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Presentation Overview

1. Introduction
2. “Passive Deferral”
3. “Active Deferrals”
4. Recommendations
Introduction
System Benefits of Energy Efficiency

- Production Energy Costs
- Production Capacity
- Avoided Emissions
- Transmission Capacity
- Distribution Capacity
- Line Loss Reduction
- Avoided Reserves

Plus “Non-Energy” Benefits:
- Other resource benefits (e.g. water)
- Building durability
- Health & safety
- Etc.

Note: Numbers in graph are only illustrative.
Historic T&D Investments by U.S. IOUs (Billions of 2009 dollars)

Source: EEI’s Statistical Yearbook of the Electric Power Industry 2009 Data, Table 9.1
Forecast T&D Investments: 2010-2030
(Billions of 2009 dollars)

Efficiency as a T&D Resource

- Only affects growth-related T&D investment
  - Not all T&D investment is growth-related

- Can happen both “passively” and “actively”
  - Passive: by-product of system-wide efficiency programs
  - Active: by design, through geo-targeted programs
Passive Deferrals
Explaining Passive Deferral

- Different T&D elements experience peak at different times
  - Different seasons (summer and/or winter)
  - Different hours of the day (morning, afternoon or evening)

- Most EE programs/measures save energy at every hour
  - Not true for every participant…
  - ...but true for large groups of participants as a whole
  - Exception 1: street light programs (night only)
  - Exception 2: programs addressing only cooling or heating
    - Only seasonal savings, but all T&D peaks are cooling or heating-driven

- Thus, most efficiency programs provide some T&D deferral
Average Hourly CFL Usage Patterns

Percentage of Lights That Are “On”

- **Winter**
- **Summer**

Hour of the Day

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Key Passive Deferral Questions

- Which T&D systems will be affected?
  - All or most affected if a broad enough portfolio of programs

- How far into future will deferral occur?
  - A function of aggressiveness of portfolio/programs
  - Earlier deferrals possible with more aggressive programs

- How much deferral will occur (i.e. for how many years)?
  - A function of both load growth and efficiency aggressiveness
  - Longer deferrals possible with more aggressive programs
# Peak Time, Savings Mix Matter

## Hypothetical DSM Portfolio Savings per Year (MW)

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**Note:** savings values are illustrative only.
### Hypothetical scenario:
- **existing substation load = 95 MW**
- **max capacity = 100 MW**
- **initial upgrade increases capacity to 120 MW**
- **second upgrade increases capacity to 140 MW**

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Valuing Passive Deferrals

- Deferral benefits should be in avoided T&D costs
- Some jurisdictions assign value in this way:
  - New England: ~$55 to $120/kW-year
  - CA/Northwest: ~$30 to $105/kW-year
- But many others do not (or use very conservative values)
- Con Ed takes most sophisticated approach
  - Forecasts EE savings separately for 91 network areas
  - More on this later…
Active Deferrals
Assessing Active Deferral Potential

- Forecast demand growth & related T&D needs
  - adjusted for impacts of system-wide efficiency programs
- Estimate additional savings needed for deferral
  - Several scenarios of savings levels, deferral timelines
- Estimate benefits of deferral
- Estimate cost of added savings
- Are benefits greater than costs?
Different Approaches to Acquiring More Efficiency in Targeted Areas

- Accelerate uptake of existing programs in target areas
  - More intensive marketing in those areas
  - High financial incentives in those areas
- New measures/programs
- RFPs / Performance contracts
- Combinations (2 or more of the above)

Note: Efficiency does not have to be 100% of the answer. It can be married with demand response, distributed generation and/or other options as part of a multi-faceted strategy.
Barriers to Addressing T&D w/ Efficiency

- Utility $ incentives – more profit from “poles & wires”
- Efficiency’s multiple benefits – requires holistic perspective
- System planning is very technical
- System engineers don’t trust demand resources
- Risk aversion – utilities are traditionally conservative
- Transmission costs socialized regionally, alternatives aren’t
- Responsibility for transmission planning is diffuse
...but Several “Active Deferral” Examples

- Pacific Gas & Electric (CA, early 1990s)
- Portland General Electric (OR, early 1990s)
- Bonneville Power Authority (WA, early 1990s)
- Green Mountain Power (VT, mid-1990s)
- NV Energy (NV, late 2000s)
- Con Ed (NY, early 2003 to present)
- Efficiency Vermont (VT, 2007 to present)
- Central Maine Power (ME, under development)
- National Grid (RI, under development)
- Bonneville Power Authority (WA/OR/ID, under consideration)
- Others?
Efficiency Vermont Example

- Spurred by 2005 legislation (Act 61)
  - Eliminated efficiency spending cap
  - T&D deferral a key for new budget
  - 10 year T&D needs forecasts & plans

- Set in motion by regulators in 2007
  - Large budget increase (66% in 2008)
  - All new $ focused on 4 areas
  - Savings goals 7-10 times historic levels

- Two-part strategy:
  - Aggressively market existing programs
  - Launch new small C&I DI program
## Initial Vermont Targeted Areas

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<th>Size of Area</th>
<th>C&amp;I Sales %</th>
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<th>Peak Period</th>
<th>2007 Peak (MW)</th>
<th>Annual Load Growth w/o DSM</th>
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<td>Winter</td>
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Vermont Results

2007-09:
- Summer savings only 70% of goal
- But still substantial
  - ~3-4 times higher participation
  - ~25% more savings per participant

2009-11:
- Met or exceeded savings goals

T&D System:
- Most T&D upgrades have been deferred
  - Southern Loop & Rutland upgrades no longer needed
  - Chittenden upgrade proceeding, but next upgrade deferred
  - Newport substation rebuilt – but only because of unexpected flooding
Vermont T&D Deferral Evolution

- Rigorous vetting process for selecting targeted areas
  - Responsibility assigned to Vermont System Planning Committee
  - 10 year forecasts of T&D needs
  - Regular analysis of efficiency potential for 16 zones in state
  - Criteria for identification of possible targets:
    - Need driven by load growth
    - Need is 3-10 years out
    - Enough efficiency potential to defer
  - More detailed assessment of those meeting criteria
  - Recommendations to Public Service Board for approval
  - List reviewed every year

- Maybe different T&D avoided costs for system wide programs
  - Custom projects, constrained area avoided costs
  - Custom projects, unconstrained areas avoided costs
  - Prescriptive measures, statewide average avoided costs
Lessons Learned (1)

- Geographically-targeted efficiency can defer T&D
  - NYC
  - Vermont
  - Portland, OR
  - Northern CA

- Efficiency deferrals can be very cost-effective – NYC

- Unexpected events can affect benefits
  - Both positively & negatively

- Sufficient lead time is critical
  - More time needed for larger projects
Lessons Learned (2)

- Smaller is easier
  - Easier to characterize
  - Fewer customers to treat
  - Requires less lead time

- Distribution is easier
  - Smaller
  - Less technically complex
  - Do not involve ISO (and related cost socialization issues)

- Cross-discipline communication is critical
  - T&D planners and efficiency program planners

- Integrate efficiency with other distributed resources
Recommendations
Recommendations

- Require least-cost T&D planning – VT, RI examples
  - all non-wires options, including combos, must be considered

- Institutionalize long-term planning horizon
  - At least 10 years

- Work to level playing field for wires & non-wires solutions
  - E.g., regional cost socialization applies to both or neither

- Collect more data on efficiency impacts
  - More, better load shape data should help w/T&D planners

- Start with pilot project(s)

- Leverage “smart grid” investments
Q&A

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Integrated System Planning & Targeted DSM

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Agenda

• Current Landscape & Evolution
• Integration of DSM into System Planning
• Targeted DSM Deep Dive
Con Edison – The Landscape

- 70,000 people/sq. mile
- 2000 MW/sq. mile

- 660 sq. mile service territory
- 133,000 miles of T&D cable (over 96,000 miles are underground)
- 13,825 people/sq. mile
- 20 MW/sq. mile
- 3.3 million electric, 1.1 million gas, and 1,700 steam accounts; serve about 9 million people
- Over 650,000,000 sq. ft. of office space
- 462,000 businesses
- 900,000 residential buildings
- 58 billion kWh of electric consumption
Capturing Value from Energy Efficiency

- Energy Savings
- T&D Savings
- Line Loss Savings
- Capacity Savings
- Environmental Benefits
The Electric System - Restructured

- **Generating Station** (electricity generated at 13.8 to 22.0 kV)
- **Transformers** (voltage stepped up to transmission voltage)
- **Transmission Substation**
- **Area Substation** (voltage stepped down to distribution voltage)
- **Transformers** (voltage stepped down to 480, 208, or 120 V)
- **Feeders**
- **Network Customers** (residential, commercial, industrial, hospitals, schools, and street and traffic lights)
- **Connection To Others**
- **Gen**
- **NYISO**
- **Con Edison**

**Radial Customers**
## Evolution...

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Integration of DSM into System Planning
Evolution of DSM Integration

- 2004: Targeted DSM
- 2008: System Wide DSM
- 2009: NYSERDA System Wide DSM
- 2010: NYPAA Project Based DSM
- 2011: Demand Response
Planning Process and Internal Stakeholders

Demand Side Management (EE + DR) → Peak Load Forecast

Peak Load Forecast → Peak Load Forecast w/ DSM & DG

Regional Distribution Planning → Potential DSM Projects

Potential DSM Projects → Area Substation Planning

Area Substation Planning → Central Engineering

Central Engineering → Transmission Planning

Transmission Planning → Regional Distribution Planning

Regional Distribution Planning → Potential DSM Projects
Long-Term Impact of DSM

ConEd - 10-year growth without DSM = 1.6%

ConEd -10-year growth with DSM = 1.2%

growth = CAGR
Example: Ten Year Peak Load Forecast Substation “A”

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- Without DSM: demand is expected to exceed capacity by 2014
  - Capital investment needed to expand capacity.
  - Depending on the engineering solution, several years of lead time may be needed.
  - Procurement/construction may start long before the impacts of EE are apparent.

- With DSM in forecast: project is deferred until 2018
Forecasting Approach: Overview

• Allocate expected energy savings to networks for each program
  – Con Edison has 91 networks/load areas, each with differing customer composition
  – Challenge is to estimate the geographic distribution of program participants by network (relative market penetration)

• Convert expected energy savings to coincident demand reductions
  – Program goals are expressed in energy—not demand—savings
  – Programs measures have differing load curves; networks peak at differing times

• Account for the variability of real outcomes (distribution uncertainty)
  – Grid reliability requires that the variance of the geographic distribution be estimated
Allocating Energy Savings

• Program targets expressed as annual energy savings (kWh)
  – Started with realistic estimates of expected program achievements

• Use prior year consumption by customer type as a proxy function for the distribution of energy efficiency

• Map energy efficiency savings based on network-level consumption share of total consumption for each customer segment
  – Single (1-4) Family Residential
  – Multi (5+) Family Residential
  – Small Commercial
  – Large Commercial
  – NYPA and Other (N/A)
Converting to Demand Reductions

- Generated 8760 load curves by program using Cadmus Portfolio Pro
  - Same tool used to design the programs
  - Sampled curves at each network’s peaking hour to convert to demand
Addressing Variability

• Network specific demand reductions to this point are expectation values (P50)

• System planners need higher reliability
  — But this requires knowledge of the variance of the geographic distribution!
  — Until this can be measured, we reduced the expectation values by 50%

• Note that this reduction is not applied to the system forecast
Impact & Results

• DSM has proven to be a viable load relief option for system planning
  – Contributed to capital investment deferrals and reductions

• Improvements in the accuracy of forecasts has enhanced the way engineers view DSM

• Increased DSM awareness and its importance in system planning

• Positively impacted customer bills
Issues...Future Work

• Will the EE market penetration mirror consumption patterns within each segment?
  – Probably true for large enough aggregations of demand over the long term
  – Better than using past performance (distributions may shift as areas saturate)
  – But there will be short term variability (e.g., implementation contractors preferentially targeting areas for a variety of business reasons)

• Extension to secondary circuits (below network level)
  – Not currently attempted as random variability becomes overwhelming (e.g., a circuit could serve a single customer or single building)
  – (But they can be targeted!)
Targeted Demand Side Management (DSM) Program
Targeted DSM: History & Background

• Con Edison’s “Targeted DSM” program has used EE proactively to reduce demand on specific circuits since 2004

• Contracted demand reductions in targeted networks included in 10 year peak load forecast, but...
  – No geographic uncertainty (ESCOs credited only for projects in targeted networks)
  – No coincidence uncertainty (ESCOs only allowed to include measures that would reduce consumption during the relevant network peak)
  – Only risk is ESCO non-performance: mitigated contractually via liquidated damage provisions that offset the costs of handling last minute capacity shortfalls
Targeted DSM: Achievements

• To date we have achieved approximately 107 MW of demand reductions and 278 GWh of annual energy savings.

• The program has created $464M in net customer benefits, including $221M in avoided T&D capital, on $145M in total costs.

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Targeted DSM: How It Works

• System planning identifies future network shortfalls (capacity – forecast)

• EE Department issues RFP for required DSM delivery schedule

• Markets (ESCOs) respond with bids
  – Markets determine the optimal portfolio of measures (EE, DG, etc.)

• Economic bids selected and contracted
  – DSM bids compared to project costs on a Total Resource Cost (TRC) basis
  – Project planning stops if DSM solution is selected

• Firm contracts and strict M&V ensure load reductions
  – Rigorous M&V regime to be certain of load reductions (100% pre- and post-)
  – Liquidated damage clauses motivate ESCOs and protect utility and customers
Targeted DSM: How It Works

Area Station
Firm contract MW reductions for A/S load relief

Distribution
kW scale reductions for secondary load relief

EE
DR
DG

conEdison
GREEN TEAM
Targeted DSM: Example Project

Project: Install 3rd transformer and 138 kV supply feeder
Cost: $29 million
Deferral: 2007 to 2010

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RFP: Sept 2005
Contract: Nov 2005 – May 2010
Savings: $44 million ($13.5 T&D savings)
TRC: 2.6 (benefit/cost)

* Shortfalls, contracted, and achieved MW are as of May 1st each year (prior to the need each summer period)
Targeted DSM: Program Features

- Vendors fully responsible for all marketing and implementation
  - Con Edison did not initially lend its brand, but eventually did with success

- Rigorous M&V regime to assure real peak load reduction
  - 100% verification of existing and replacement equipment

- Security and Liquidated Damages
  - Upfront security & large financial penalties on ESCOs for missing goals
  - Proved important to driving ESCO performance

- Measures limited to those that reduced peak load
  - Fuel switching and DG allowed; residential and commercial peak differently
  - Mistake was to not applying coincidence factors in program design

- Physical Assurance for DG (but no projects actually done)
### Targeted DSM: Participants and Measures

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![Pie chart showing energy efficiency measures](chart.png)

- Linear Fluorescent C&I, 25.4%
- Screw-in CFL C&I, 0.2%
- Screw-in CFL Residential, 52.2%
- LED Exit Signs, 0.4%
- Permanent Removal, 0.9%
- A/C, 3.3%
- Motors, 0.3%
Targeted DSM: Key Takeaways

• Formal coordination and communication with engineering and planning groups are essential

• Strong vendor management and contracts are key

• Need flexibility to review and adjust/modify/terminate contracts based on changing load relief needs

• Plan for coordination and communication with other DSM programs and company initiatives

• Utility branding and direct support makes a difference
Targeted DSM: Next Steps

• New $100 million Targeted DSM Program

• Adjusting program model and strategy based on delayed load relief needs at substation level (5+ years out)

• Looking at opportunities to leverage other existing EE and DR programs for targeted purposes

• Reviewing opportunities and challenges of extending the targeted DSM model to primary and secondary distribution

• Reviewing new, innovative technologies for potential targeted projects (e.g. storage, DG)
More Information

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