## **Transactional Network Overview**

2014 Building Technologies Office Peer Review



**Improve Operational Efficiency of Building Systems** 

**Accommodate Millions of** 

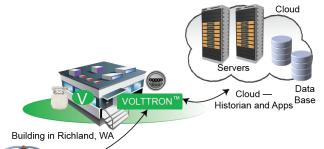
**Electric Vehicles** 



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**Energy Efficiency &** Renewable Energy

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#### **Project Summary**

#### <u>Timeline</u>:

Start date: January 2013 Planned end date: 2016

**Key Milestones** 

- Public release of VOLTTRON 2.0; 10/2014
- Complete identification and implementation of demand side energy services provided by supermarket refrigeration systems; 09/2014
- 3. Complete demonstration of transactional lighting network; 09/2014

#### **Key Partners**:

**Transformative Wave** 

**Emerson** 

NorthWrite

EnerNoc

#### **Budget**:

Total DOE \$ to date: 3,600K

Total future DOE \$: TDB

#### **Project Goal**:

Develop and deploy transactional network platform to enable energy efficiency and building-grid integration through development, demonstration and propagation of an open source, open architecture platform that enables a variety of site/equipment specific applications to be applied in a cost effective and scalable way. Also, to lower the cost of entry for both existing and new service providers by making the data transport or information exchange typically required for operational and energy related products and services more ubiquitous and interoperable.

#### **Target Market/Audience**:

The market is all buildings (commercial and residential, potentially industrial); the audience is both existing and new energy service providers.



## Purpose, Objectives and Target Market and Audience

**Problem Statement**: Operational efficiency of commercial buildings is significantly low; significant penetration of distributed renewable generation and integration of electric vehicles will create challenges; there are number of barriers for exchanging information both within the building and between building and the electric grid cost-effectively; lack of scalable solutions; lack of open and "standard" protocols; lack of near "real-time" measurement and verification process

- Leading to significant energy waste and increase in carbon emission
- Potentially disrupting secure and reliable energy delivery
- This project is the first step in developing, demonstrating and deploying scalable, costeffective and open solutions

**Objective:** Develop and deploy transactional network (TN) platform to enable **energy efficiency** and building-grid integration through development, demonstration and propagation of an open source, open architecture platform that enables a variety of site/equipment specific applications to be applied in a cost effective and scalable way

Target Market and Audience: All buildings (commercial and residential) that consume over 40 quads of primary energy. The solutions being developed in this project could also be applied to parts of the industrial sector as well. The audience includes both existing and new energy service providers

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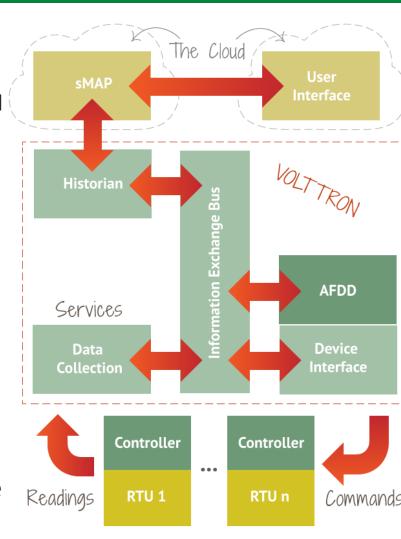
### **Impact of Project**

- The goal of the project is to lower the barriers for technology solutions that would improve the operating efficiency of the building stock and enable buildings to interact with the grid for mutual benefit, at scale and costeffectively
  - Through development, demonstration and deployment of an open source and open architecture platform, along with path towards widespread adoption
- Initially, the project team has released and will continue to update the TN platform along with a number of applications/agents as open source
- Before the end of the FY, the team will identify a community of early adopters and encourage them to use the platform and also develop additional applications for the platform
- The community will involve control vendors, energy service providers, universities and national laboratories
- Currently, in addition to the three laboratories, two universities and an energy service provider are already using or committed to using the TN platform
- Over the next 5 years, we anticipate growing the number of TN community members exponentially

#### What is the Transactional Network?

#### Transactional network enables:

- Interactions among networked systems
   (e.g., RTUs and other building systems) and
   the electric power grid
- software applications on the platform or in the Cloud
- Embedded automated diagnostics and advanced controls on the transactional platform and building systems (e.g., RTU controller)
- Applications running in the Cloud in cases where the transactional platform and controller resources (i.e., processing and storage) are inadequate
- Applications that provide continuous monitoring and verification, automated energy management, etc.

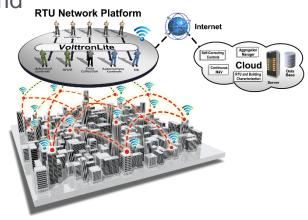




#### **Project Scope and Team**

 Enable transactions of energy saving solutions, operational improvement solutions AND the transactions between networked systems and the grid to mitigate variable distributed renewable energy sources

- Initially in FY13, the transactional concept was demonstrated using networked rooftop air conditioners and heat pump units (RTUs)
- In FY14, the concept is being extended to monitor and control of lighting and refrigeration systems; also extending support to monitor and control any building system connected to BACnet (building automation and control network) controllers and coordination on multiple TN nodes
- In the future, it can be extended to homes and network appliances in homes and electric vehicles
- Work is being done at the three national laboratories
  - Pacific Northwest
  - Oak Ridge
  - Lawrence Berkeley







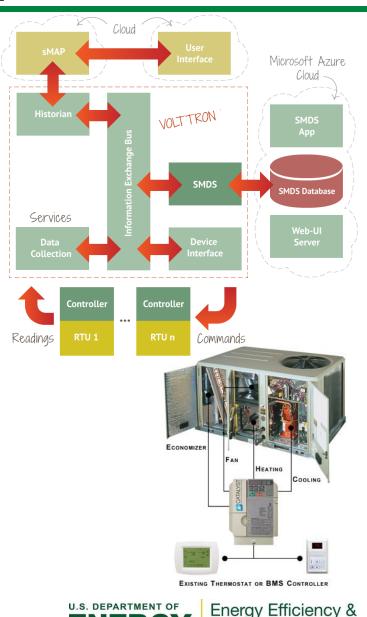
## **PNNL Transactional Network Applications**

**Embedded Advanced RTU Controls:** Improve operational efficiency of RTUs through use of advanced RTU controls leading to energy and carbon emission reductions over 50%

**Demand Response Agent:** Make RTUs grid responsive, leading to a more reliable electric power grid and to mitigate variable distributed renewable generation

#### **Automated Fault Detection and Diagnostics:**

- Detect economizer and ventilation failures as they occur and notify building operator to correct them
- Refrigerant-side performance degradation (or improvement)
- Energy and cost impacts of the degradation (or improvement)
- Operation schedule changes
- Selected operation faults, such as compressor short cycling, 24/7 operation, system never on, and inadequate ventilation



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### **Approach: PNNL**

**Approach**: The project team, in a collaborative way, is developing and testing the TN platform and a number of applications that are hosted on the platform; service agents that provide access to external data sources; and services to coordinate applications hosted in the Cloud

**Key Issues**: TN platform will allow multiple applications/strategies to be hosted at a lower transaction cost and is the first step in achieving the vision of integrating the buildings with the grid while ensuring that buildings are operated efficiently

 Because buildings consume over 70% of the electricity generated, integrating buildings with the grid will fulfill many of the Smart Grid goals as well, including increasing distributed renewable generation reliably and enabling participation in the ancillary services market

**Distinctive Characteristics**: TN platform and the associated applications/agents have been released as open source; as new applications/agents and components are developed they will be released as open source as well

 So others can enhance the platform, develop additional agents to control other equipment and appliances and develop commercial products and services



## **PNNL Progress and Accomplishments**

Lessons Learned: The building owners are cautious in accepting automated controls from software products. They generally are not willing to accept a command and control type of approach. So, we have designed our applications such that the user has the ability to override participation both at the local level (RTU) or at the global level (building), if they so chose to. Empowering the building owners allows for broader participation

**Accomplishments**: The TN platform version 1.2 has been released as open source; this open source repository has the core VOLTTRON software and all the relevant service agents, applications, wiki pages and user guide. All the features including the applications have been fully tested and are still being demonstrated at three demonstration sites

**Market Impact**: The project is developing a TN platform and demonstrating its usefulness in lowering the cost of entry for both existing and new energy service providers into the market. Although more demonstrations that are larger in scale and size are needed, the current demonstrations have shown the TN platform is able to deliver the impact envisioned. We are working with project collaborators and partners to accelerate the user community

Awards/Recognition: None at this time



## **ORNL Transactional Network Applications**

Weather

Comfort (T, RH, CO2)

Occupancy

HVAC

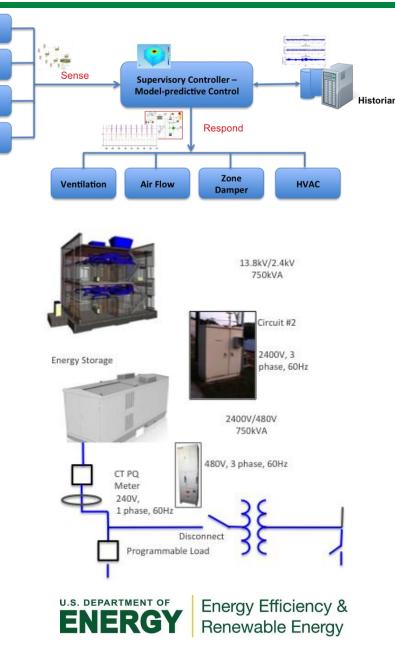
Configuration

Wireless Interoperability Seamless integration of wireless sensors into transaction network platform

Renewable Integration Build autonomous controller to temporally match RTU energy consumption and peak PV generation using forecasting tools

Autonomous Control Build control formulation to orchestrate multiple RTUs with in a single building for a particular grid service (peak reduction, renewable integration) and energy efficiency applications (occupancy, weather forecast)

Super-Market Refrigeration Develop applications (in collaboration with Emerson) to utilize refrigeration systems to provide energy services to grid and improve the energy efficiency of these systems



## **Approach: ORNL**

**Approach**: Develop model-predictive control techniques for reducing peak demand and improve energy efficiency of rooftop units and supermarket refrigeration systems and integrate photovoltaic sources

**Key Issues**: Low-cost, "low-touch" retrofit of control technology into buildings and refrigeration systems to facilitate transactive opportunities for energy efficiency and with the electric grid

**Distinctive Characteristics**: Our approach allows for integration of control technologies into buildings to make them grid-ready for transactive energy with minimal retrofit cost













### **ORNL Progress and Accomplishments**

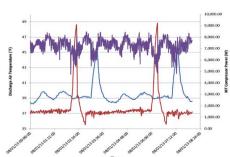
**Accomplishments**: In FY13, demonstrated 50% peak reduction in a multi-RTU building and ~10% energy savings with an estimated return or investment of the system in less than 2 years. Forecasting model for PV output was developed that can be integrated into a model-predictive control to optimize onsite renewable integration into building energy use



 In FY14, control formulation is being developed to perform on-demand defrost of refrigeration system with reduction in peak demand and overall energy consumption



Market Impact: In FY13, demonstrated peak reduction of building HVAC energy use which constitutes roughly 30% of the total energy consumed in small and medium commercial buildings. This provides better flexibility on the load side to integrate grid requirements



 In FY14, refrigeration accounts for 50% of supermarket energy usage. On-demand defrost has the potential to reduce up to 720 kWh/case/month



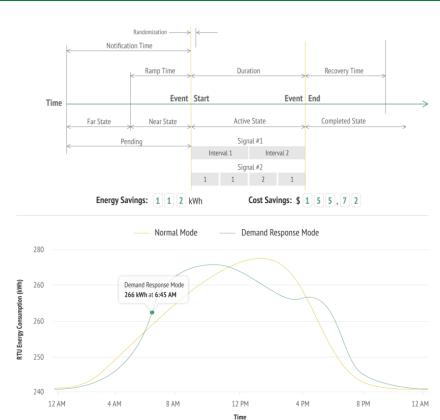
### **LBNL Transactional Network Applications**

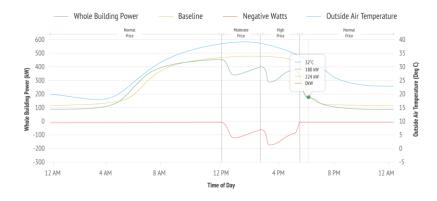
Demand Response Event Scheduler
coordinates DR signals from outside server
with available network resources
Baseline Load Shape provides basis for
measuring change in peak demand and
energy use

**Demand Response Measurement** quantifies change in load for each event

**Energy Savings Measurement** determines total energy savings benefit over time

**Economic Savings Measurement** translates results from measurement applications to financial savings (\$)



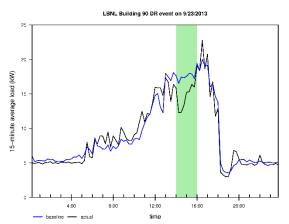




#### **Approach: LBNL**

Approach: LBNL has developed 2 capabilities for TN

- A standardized demand response communication agent using OpenADR
- An automated measurement and verification (M&V) agent for both short term demand response or long term energy efficiency measurement



**Key Issues**: First – the TN network can receive signals from a standards-based DR system that is the most common signal offered by utilities Second – the results from the automated M&V system are translated into financial savings for help in energy economics and good operations

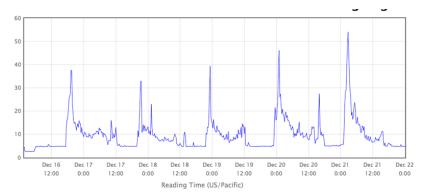
**Distinctive Characteristics**: The automated M&V is part of a broader set of tools being piloted by utilities to reduce the cost for evaluations



## **LBNL Progress and Accomplishments**

Lessons Learned: The DR automation system was tested on a real building at LBNL along with the automated M&V systems. A recent finding showed large energy waste from the use of resistance heat rather than heat pump heating which will be fixed to cut energy use by 60% in early morning hours

Hourly electric load in winter showing high morning peaks



**Accomplishments**: The software provides a multi-purpose automated platform or broad interest to the evaluation community

**Market Impact**: This project is providing a foundational technique to reduce energy waste and improve efficient operation in buildings. We are developing plans for industry workshops to collaborate with partners and disseminate these results



### **Project Integration and Collaboration**

**Project Integration**: The project is led by PNNL with significant contributions from ORNL and LBNL staff. There is an active engagement of project staff with each other on weekly basis. All labs are also actively engaged with project partners and relevant stakeholders at every opportunity to accelerate the market impact

Partners, Subcontractors, and Collaborators: Transformative Wave, a small HVAC business from Washington state, supported the project by deploying their advanced controls product on RTUs and helping establish communication between the controller and TN platform. EnerNOC implemented an open source OpenADR client for the TN platform. Emerson is working with ORNL to develop innovative on-demand defrost **Communications**: Technical and early adopter workshop is planned for later this year. A number technical papers have been written on VOLTTRON software. A number of reports are also publicly available. A user guide was also created to help early adopters. The TN concept has been presented to a number of potential user (universities, energy service providers, etc.) Renewable Energy

#### **Next Steps and Future Plans**

**Next Steps and Future Plans**: The first step is to successfully complete the FY14 planned activities that are being conducted at all three labs

- Demonstration of coordination of multiple buildings or TN nodes and BACnet communications
- On-demand defrost cycle implementation on supermarket refrigeration system
- Lighting systems fault detection and diagnostics and controls
- Host a workshop for early adopters in summer
- Draft a plan to create a community with the following goals:
  - Construct and maintain a catalog of real-world transactive network applications related to buildings
  - A reference transactive network platform supported by the community participants
  - Transactive network applications that are developed on the reference transactive network platform for reference and demonstration purposes

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- An interoperability testing and "certification" suite for transactive network applications to ensure broad multi-vendor interoperability
- Multiple demonstration facilities to help evangelize transactive network
   applications for buildings
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#### **PNNL Project Budget**

<u>Project Budget – RTU Network Project</u>

**Cost to Date**: \$1,573K, as of 3/21/2014

**Additional Funding**: \$0K (Project is near completion)

		Budget	History						
FY2011	– FY2013	FY2	014	FY2015 – Q2					
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DOE	Cost-share	DOE	Cost-share	DOE	Cost-share				
\$1,575K	\$0K	\$0K	\$0K	\$0K	\$0K				

#### <u>Project Budget – VOLTTRON Nation Project (Task 5a)</u>

**Cost to Date**: \$16K, as of 3/21/2014

Additional Funding: \$0K (Funding required to complete FY2015 scope will be carried over

from FY2014)

Budget History											
	– FY2013 ast)		014 rent)		5 – Q2 nned)						
DOE	Cost-share	DOE	Cost-share	DOE	Cost-share						
\$0K	\$0K	\$400K	\$0K	\$0K	\$0K						



Describe the project plan including:

- Project original initiation date & Project planned completion date
  - Projects kicked off in FY2013.
  - Planned completion is Q2 of FY2014 for the RTU Network project initiated in FY2013. VOLTTRON Nation Project kicked off in Q2 of FY2014 with an anticipated completion of Q1 FY2015.
- Schedule and Milestones
  - All FY2013 and FY2014 deliverables and milestones for the RTU Network project have been completed.
  - Work is underway on the FY2014 VOLTTRON Nation Project.
- Explanation for slipped milestones and slips in schedule
  - Not applicable.
- Go/no-go decision points
  - Not applicable.
- Current and future work
  - XXXXXX

Project Schedule - FY2013 RTU Network Project												
Project Start: 10/1/2012		Com	pleted	Wor	k							
Projected End: 3/31/2014		Activ	e Task	(in p	rogres	ss wor	k)					
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		FY2	2013			FY2	2014			FY2	2015	
Task	Q1 (Oct-Dec)	Q2 (Jan-Mar)	Q3 (Apr-Jun)	Q4 (Jul-Sep)	Q1 (Oct-Dec)	Q2 (Jan-Mar)	Q3 (Apr-Jun)	Q4 (Jul-Sep)	Q1 (Oct-Dec)	Q2 (Jan-Mar)	Q3 (Apr-Jun)	Q4 (Jul-Sep)
Past Work												
Q1 Milestone: Selection of control manufacturer partner												
Q1 Milestone: Selection of project partner complete		•										
Q2 Deliverable: Slide presentation of RTU network												
concept												
Q2 Deliverable: Document grid responsive control strategies for RTU (letter report)												
Q2 Deliverable: Document embedded grid responsive controls to be tested on a RTU (report)												
Q3 Deliverable: Document embedded airside Dx												
algorithms to be tested on a RTU (report)												
Q3 Milestone: Complete implementation of the prototype												
RTU network												
Q3 Deliverable: Slide presentation on RTU network design			•									
Q3 Milestone: Implementation of embedded Dx and grid responsive controls in an advanced controller complete												

Project Schedule - FY2013 RTU Network Project												
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Past Work												
Q3 Milestone: Complete development/implementation of the Cloud SMDS with multi-speed fan capability			•									
Q3 Deliverable: Document sequence of operations for control strategies identified in Task 2.1 (report including the previous letter report from Task 2.1)												
Q4 Milestone: Complete testing of the Cloud SMDS for RTUs outside the RTU Network				•								
Q4 Deliverable: Design and implement the main page of the RTU Network Dashboard on the Cloud												
Q4 Milestone: Complete testing of the prototype RTU network												
Q4 Milestone: Testing and validation of embedded Dx and grid responsive controls in the field on RTUs complete												
Q4 Deliverable: Final report documenting the design, implementation and initial test results for the RTU Network					•							
Q4 Deliverable: Design and implement the application specific pages					•							

Project Schedule - FY2013 RTU Network Project												
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Past Work												
Q4 Deliverable: SMDS module of the RTU Network												
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Q4 Deliverable: Documentation on the SMDS												
methodology, the design of the Cloud SMDS and the												
results of testing												
Current/Future Work												
Q1 Milestone: Complete the demonstration started in												
FY13												
Q2 Milestone: BACnet device driver developed and tested						•						
Q2 Milestone: Complete implementation of the multi-						•						
building coordination extensions												
Q2 Milestone: Complete testing of the implementation of												
the multi-building coordination extensions												

#### **LBNL Project Budget**

**Project Budget**: FY13 TN effort - \$675k, with \$250k in FY14 for a lighting agent and \$750k related to occupancy sensing, data fusion and resource availability analysis

Variances: None

**Cost to Date**: The FY13 funds have been spent and we are on track with spending the FY14 funds with about

**Additional Funding**: LBNL is collaborating on testing the M&V agents with DOE's Commercial Building Integration Program as well as the Pacific Gas and Electric Company

	Budget History											
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DOE	Cost-share*	DOE	Cost-share	DOE	Cost-share							
\$675k	\$40k	\$250k _		TBD								

<sup>\*</sup>Enernoc provided cost share in the DR agent, LBNL facilities cost share in 2014



<sup>\*\*\$250</sup>k for Lighting Agent in FY14

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Past Work													
Working Prototype of Communication System													
Working Prototype: Analysis Tools measure RTU performance													
Working Prototype: Analysis to Quantify Performance				•									
Demo Aggregate analysis & control system					•								
Current /Future Work													
Lighting: Complete Phase One Demonstration (Final Report)													
Lighting: Develop software spec and test plan (12/01/13)													
Lighting: Program Lighting Control Agent (3/15/2014)							<b>•</b>						
Lighting: Integrate Control Agent to Occupied Space (go/no go)								on trac	k for d	ue date	e 5/1/2	014	
Lighting: Demonstrate Transactional Lighting Network													



### **ORNL** Project Budget

**Project Budget**: In FY13 ORNL's TN effort is \$300K to develop autonomous control and renewable integration applications. In FY14 ORNL's TN effort is \$400K to develop refrigeration and occupancy-based RTU control applications

Variances: None

Cost to Date: \$469K as of 3/15/14 between FY13 and FY14

Additional Funding: None

	Budget History											
	2013 ast)	–	014 rent)									
DOE	Cost-share	DOE	Cost-share	DOE	Cost-share							
\$300K	\$0K	\$400K	\$0K	TBD	TBD							



Project Schedule												
Project Start: 10/1/2012		Com	oleted	Work								
Projected End: 9/30/2015		Activ	e Task	(in pro	gress v	vork)						
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Past Work	Ü	Ü				Ü			Ü			
Analysis of communication network requirements for integrating RTUs to provide energy services												
Design and development of autonomous control strategies for RTUs performing integrative grid services												
Demonstration at site for verification and validation of applications												
Identify demand-side energy services provided by supermarket refrigeration system in collaboration with commercial partner and data from equipment												
Design description (controller formulation) of a particular energy service identified in Q1						4						
Current/Future Work												
Deployment of Transactional Network platform – Volttronlite on supermarket refrigeration system to collect existing sensor data (to sMAP historian)												
Demonstrate TN platform integrated with supermarket refrigeration system and collect data and draft final report												