

Distributed Energy Resources in PJM Transmission / Distribution Interface

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Transmission / Distribution Interface Issues

- Regulatory
- Multi-state jurisdiction (15 jurisdictions)
- DSO add value but don't compete with members
- Independence
- Tariff / rate model
- visibility



ISO's Interest in Distributed Energy Resources

- 1. Visibility for reliability
 - Emergency operations, event analysis
- 2. Measure and forecast DER interaction with the grid
 - Market and Ops; Settlements; Planning
- 3. If possible, **incent** DER to interact for reliability and value
 - Optimize the use of DER to achieve reliable and efficient grid operations



RTO-DSO Coordination

Energy Bids & Schedules at Seam

• Iterate changed DER dispatch due to D-constraints

RTO Prices (DSO to calculate DSO prices)

Load and gen forecasts

SCADA and dispatch, aggregated or not

Shortage and emergency coordination

• Conflicts possible in firm contracts RTO v. DSO

RTO

DSC



- Today PJM has limited visibility into the operation of Distributed Energy Resources (DER).
 - DERs that are aggregated by the EDC, LSE or CSP participate as generation or Demand Response in energy, capacity or ancillary service markets
 - General awareness of location (but not operation of) additional DER not in wholesale market through tools like the Generator Attribute Tracking System and Dispatch Interactive Map Application
 - Monitoring and control in some area down to 12kV



Tool for Operations Integration

Dispatch Interactive Map Application (DIMA)

- Multi-search
- Advanced Substation Panel
- Gas Layer
- Generation
 Layer
- Transmission Outages







- The ability to measure and forecast all DER would enable the grid operator to know the amount, timing, and location of generation injected into the grid and/or load reduced from the grid.
 - This will enhance regional grid operations and least-cost regional dispatch solutions for the regional wholesale market.
 - Additionally, factoring the operation of DERs into long term transmission expansion planning will result in more efficient plans.
 - Impacts load forecast (as DER reduces load needing to be served by grid) and the location and design of transmission (as DER may inject power or reduce load to support grid reliability)



- Coordination and alignment of the retail rate and wholesale rate will incent operational performance of DERs to achieve maximum reliability and market efficiency benefit achievement from DER deployment.
 - Wholesale market prices signal when the regional grid needs resources to operate or reduce electric consumption to meet demand as system conditions change.
 - Closer alignment of prices will support regional grid reliability and wholesale market efficiency, reducing wholesale costs.
 - The foundation for the wholesale retail pricing alignment is AMI technology capable of sending price signals in time intervals that track wholesale market signals.



Energy Storage Participation in PJM Regulation Market

