



# Advanced Microgrid Program

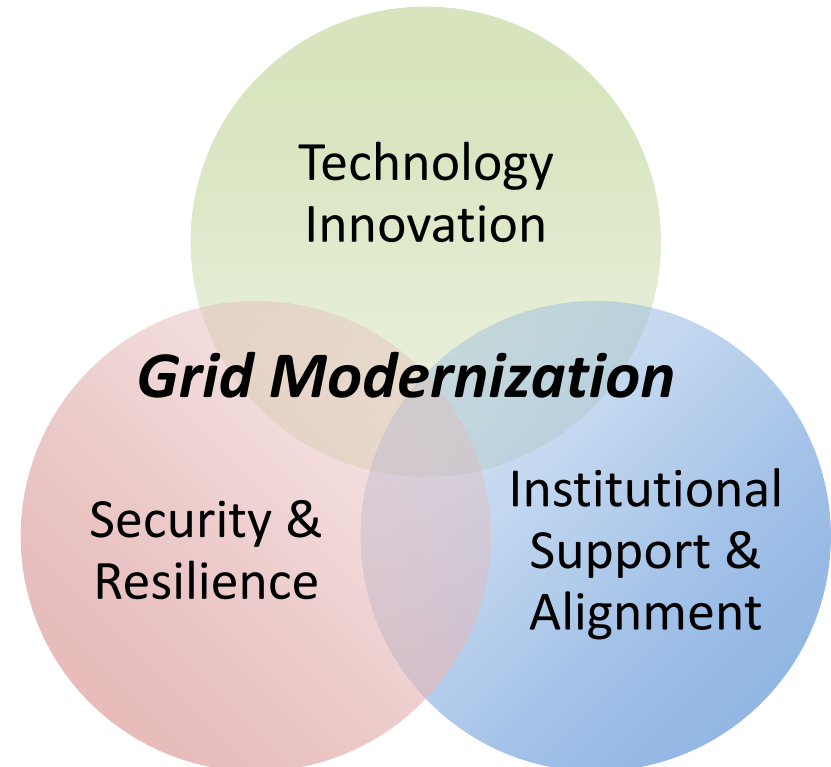
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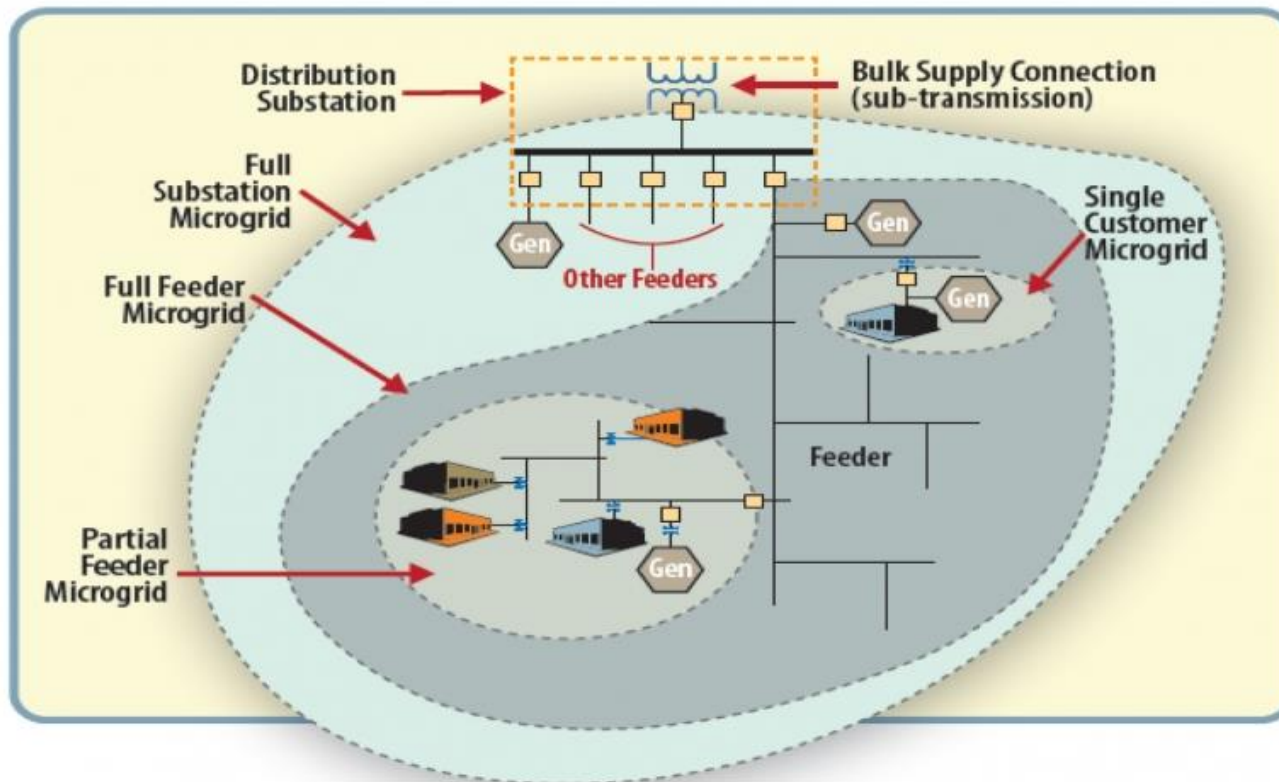


# Microgrid Program – Vision



## Vision

The Integrated Microgrid Program foresees the technical requirements for advancing the microgrid to a fully integrated entity within the distribution system, interacting seamlessly with the Distribution System Operator.





# Where We Are – Where We Are Going



Workshops



Use Cases



Microgrid  
Controller



Microgrid Controller /  
DMS Simulations



IEEE Standards



Metrics and Testing



Collaborations



DMS Field  
Demonstrations



Regulatory Reform

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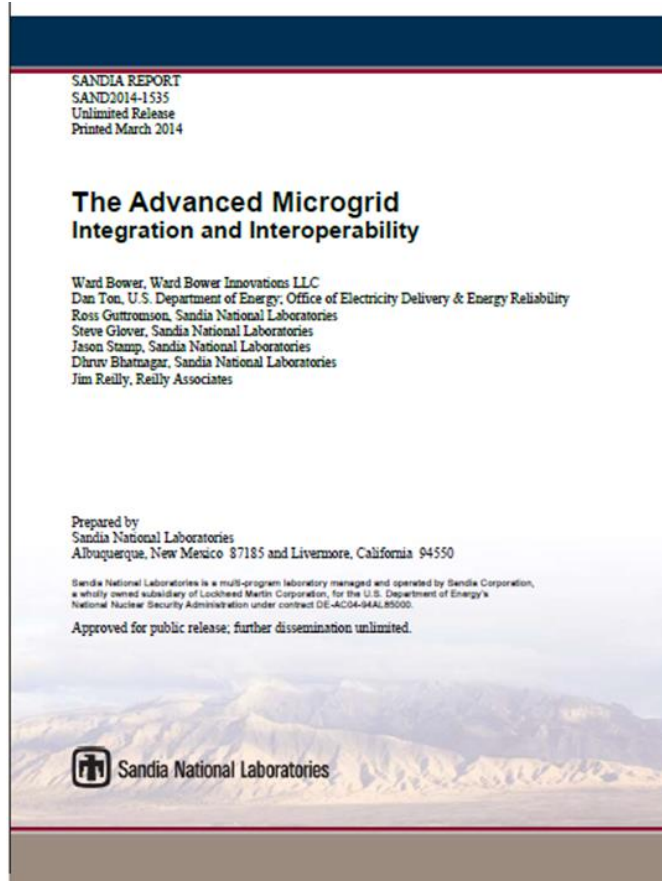
2011 - 2015

**PRESENT**

2016- 2017

**FUTURE**

2018 - 2020



## Advanced Microgrid

- Objectives
- Operational modes
- System architecture
- Technical challenges
- Development impacts
- Ownership
- Microgrid applications
- Standards and codes
- Controllers
- References

“An advanced microgrid is one that provides functions at the PCC beyond basic islanding (disconnect) and synchronization (reconnection) functions. An Advanced Microgrid interacts with the larger grid (macrogrid) cooperatively managing power flows across the PCC optimizing benefits for both the microgrid and macrogrid.”



## 2011 Workshop

Defined DOE 2020 targets

Recommended integration of component and system level R&D

## 2012 Workshop

Prioritized R&D topics - planning/design

Prioritized R&D topics – operations/control

## Develop commercial scale (<10 MW) microgrid systems capable of meeting 2020 targets:

- Reduce outage time of critical loads by >98% at a cost comparable to non-integrated baseline solutions (uninterruptible power supply + diesel generator)
- Reduce emissions by >20%
- Improve system energy efficiencies by >20%





## Design and Planning Tools

- Microgrid Design Optimization Using DER-CAM
- Impact Analysis Microgrid Interconnection with Distribution System

## System Control and Power Flow

- Guidelines for DMS for Grid Modernization
- Grid Interactive Microgrid Controllers & Aggregated DER

## Device and Integrated Testing

- Microgrid Controller HIL Test Bed
- Microgrid EMS and DMS – modeling and simulations

## Standards

- IEEE p2030.7 Standard for Specification of Microgrid Controllers
- IEEE p2030.8 Standard for Testing of Microgrid Controllers

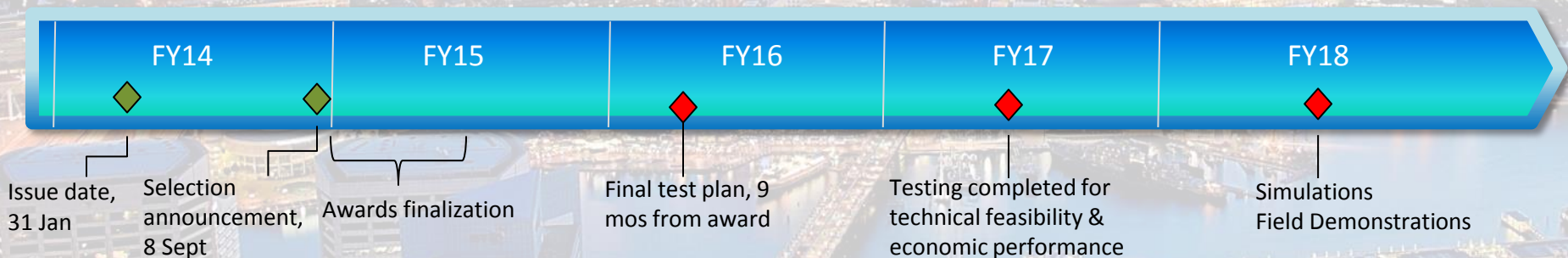




## Microgrid Research, Development, and System Design (DE-FOA-997)

### FOA Objective

Advance microgrid system designs (<10MW) and control functionalities to support achievement of DOE program targets and community-defined resilience objectives



>\$12M in total investment (OE: 59%; Cost share 41%);  
2-year project period of performance, including 18-month R&D and 6-month testing, data collection and analysis



# Hardware in the Loop (HIL) Testing



Digital real-time simulation allows researchers to study multiple scenarios in near real conditions and without risk. They can integrate a power amplifier to introduce more realism and perform tests using real power flow between the simulated environment and real hardware. This is known as Power-Hardware-In-the-Loop (PHIL) simulation.

## Purpose

- Provide standardized and independent testing
- Reduce deployment cost for new devices and solutions
- Perform research
- Investigate safety issues
- Facilitate standards development

## Conduct testing of:

- Both system level and device level
- Microgrid energy management
- Microgrid control and operation
- Communication
- Protection





## ***IEEE P2030.7 Standard for the Specification of Microgrid Controllers.***

- PAR Approved by IEEE SA on June 11, 2014
- Working Group formed – FOA Awardees encouraged to participate
- Projected Completion Date – August 2017

## ***IEEE P2030.8 Standard for the Testing of Microgrid Controllers.***

- PAR Approved by IEEE SA on June 11, 2015
- Working Group formed – FOA Awardees encouraged to participate
- Projected Completion Date – May 2018

# Structuring DMS Project



## Objectives

- ⑩ Develop integrated control and management systems for distribution systems
- ⑩ Address high penetrations of interconnected DER.

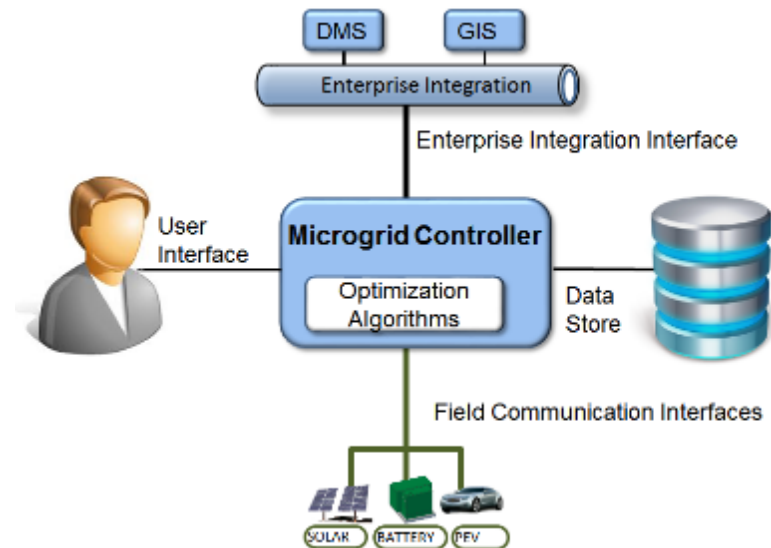
## Project built on 2015 reports

- ⑩ Argonne National Laboratory (ANL)
- ⑩ Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI)

## Integration

- ⑩ Distribution management system (DMS)
- ⑩ Microgrid energy management systems ( $\mu$ EMS)
- ⑩ Distributed energy resource management system (DERMS)

## Microgrid Controller Interfaces







## Scope

- Identify gaps and enabling technologies for integrating DMS,  $\mu$ EMS and DERMS
- Identify and define the interactive functions of controllers to fill those gaps
- Conduct a proof-of-concept simulation to evaluate the effectiveness of integrating the three control and management systems
- Establish the criteria for selecting a testing site(s) to verify the integration of the three control and management systems in field operations at a distribution utility.

## Deliverable

Recommendations for Field Sites for Demonstration Projects to validate the operational viability and effectiveness of integrated control and management systems.

## Project team members

- Argonne National Laboratory
- Electric Power Research Institute
- National Renewable Energy Laboratory



ANL/ESD-15/15

## Guidelines for Implementing Advanced Distribution Management Systems

*Requirements for DMS Integration with DERMS and Microgrids*

Energy Systems Division

*This report describes research sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.*

## Responsibilities of microgrid for DMS

- Microgrid controllers are responsible for maintaining real power exchange, healthy voltage profiles at the active POCs when connected to the distribution grid
- Microgrids should automatically disconnect from the distribution grid in any grid fault condition beyond the threshold of ride-through

## Responsibilities of DMS for microgrid

- DMS should provide operation guidance, including the voltage ranges and power exchange fluctuation tolerance around the scheduled targets at active POCs to the microgrids
- DMS can initiate emergency requests to microgrids for clearly defined specific emergency support, including support through wheeling

# Grid Interactive Microgrid Controller



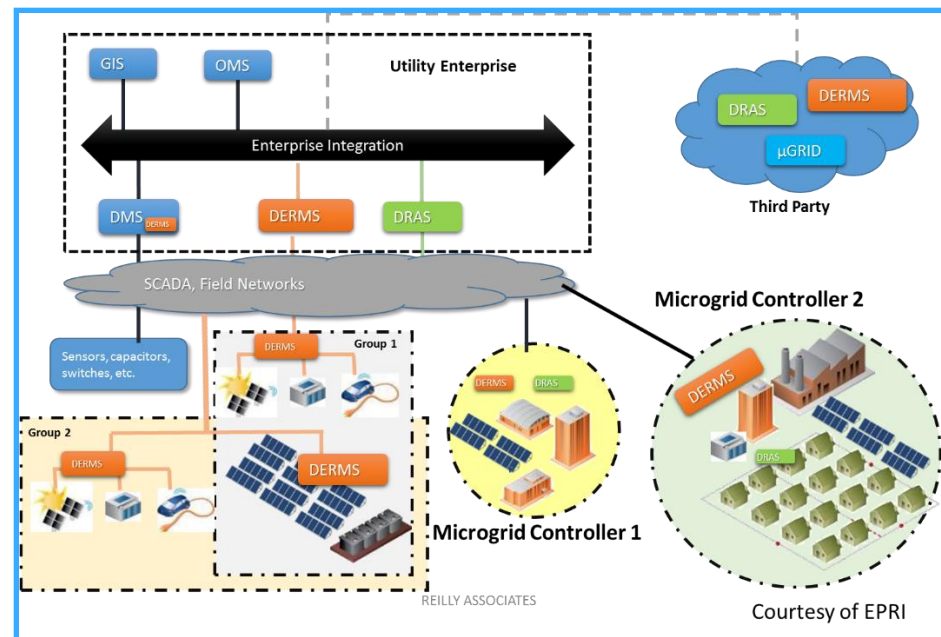
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## Grid Interactive Microgrid Controllers and the Management of Aggregated Distributed Energy Resources (DER)

Relationship of Microgrid Controller with Distributed Energy Resource Management System (DERMS) and Utility Distributed Management System (DMS)

2015 TECHNICAL REPORT

## Microgrid Controller and DMS Relationship





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