

# Brookhaven National Laboratory Smarter Grid Centers

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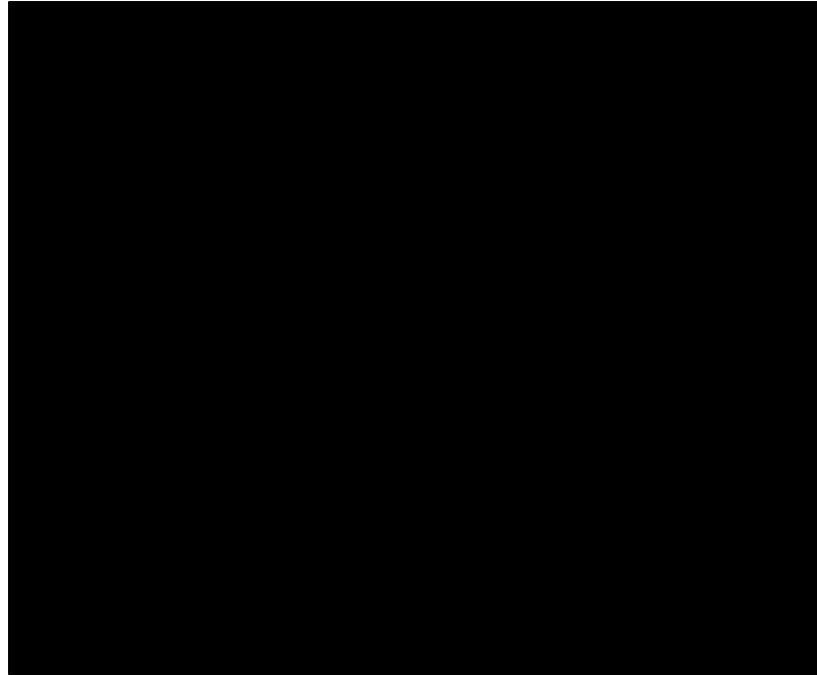
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# Outline

- DOE's Smarter Grid
- BNL's strategic plans for energy research
- Smarter Electric Grid Research, Innovation, Development, Demonstration, Deployment Center – SGRID<sup>3</sup>
  - Development of AEGIS (Advanced Electric Grid Innovation and Support Center) at BNL
  - Development of SGIC (Smart Grid Innovation Center)

# Smart Grid enables 21<sup>st</sup> Century Economy and *Creates Need for SGRID<sup>3</sup>*



# BNL's research on renewable energy & the electric grid are key elements of BNL's energy strategy

## 1. Sustainable Chemical Conversion

## 2. Electric Grid Infrastructure

- De-carbonized Generation
- Renewables Integration in the Northeast
- Cost Effective Grid Scale Storage
- A Robust and Effective Distribution Infrastructure
  - How does Smarter Electric Grid Research, Innovation, Development, Demonstration, Deployment Center – (SGRID<sup>3</sup>) fit all these together into a powerful energy R&D?
    - Existing - Advanced Energy Research & Technology (AERTC) Center is designed to nurture creation of new technologies for Smart Grid
    - New - Development of SGIC (Smart Grid Innovation Center) at SBU
    - New - Development of AEGIS (Advanced Electric Grid Innovation and Support Center) at BNL

# Good things begin with a **COMPELLING** proposal!

## The SGRID3 Project:

- ❖ involves significant, measurable collaboration to achieve the ultimate objective of lowering the cost of electricity.
- ❖ supports LI's vision of a national and global center for innovation, via use of knowledge-based economy to create new high-paying jobs and improve the quality of life for all residents. We want LI to become "the Silicon Valley of Smarter Grid."
- ❖ be fully operational in three to four years, and early operations can begin within the first year.
- ❖ leverages \$5.3M in private investments, local and federal funds, including \$4.5M of construction support.
- ❖ an early-win project at BNL is supported by an internal R&D project and the DOE is supporting the LI Smart Energy Corridor Project through an ARRA project.

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## Smarter Electric Grid Research, Innovation, Development, Demonstration, Deployment Center SGRID<sup>3</sup>



A Proposal To the  
Long Island Regional Economic Development Council  
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# SGRID<sup>3</sup> Vision

## AEGIS Center

- Enable grid-performance info collection and modeling to optimize transmission/distribution



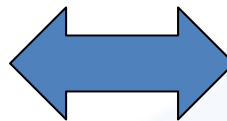
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### Smart Grid Innovation Center (SGIC)

- Stakeholders can develop and demonstrate grid technologies



**Foster invention, development, testing, deployment of SGIC**



**Model technologies with grid performance info from AEGIS**

# SGRID<sup>3</sup> Meets Smarter Grid Needs

- *Existing* Advanced Energy Research & Technology (AERTC) Center is designed to **nurture creation** of new technologies for Smart Grid
- **New** Smart Grid Innovation (SCI) Center **will test and validate** new grid technologies at SBU
  - Grid support technologies - storage
  - Renewable energy technologies – solar, wind
  - New customer technologies – PHEV
- **New** Advanced Electrical Grid Innovation & Support (AEGIS) Center at BNL models, analyzes and **develops** new control systems for integration of new technologies into the Smarter Grid

# Expected Impact of the Smarter Electric Grid Research, Innovation, Development, Demonstration, Deployment Center – SGRID<sup>3</sup>

- SGRID<sup>3</sup> Goals
  - Lower the cost of electric power by 5-10%
  - Improve the quality and reliability of electric power
  - Ensure the security of the Smart Grid and implement the biggest energy technology revolution in 100 years
  - Develop capabilities to advance future utility investments in the electrical transmission and distribution systems in New York State and the Northeast
- SGRID<sup>3</sup> is a unique facility filling an unmet need to:
  - Create a development, demonstration, and deployment infrastructure for new grid technologies, including renewables

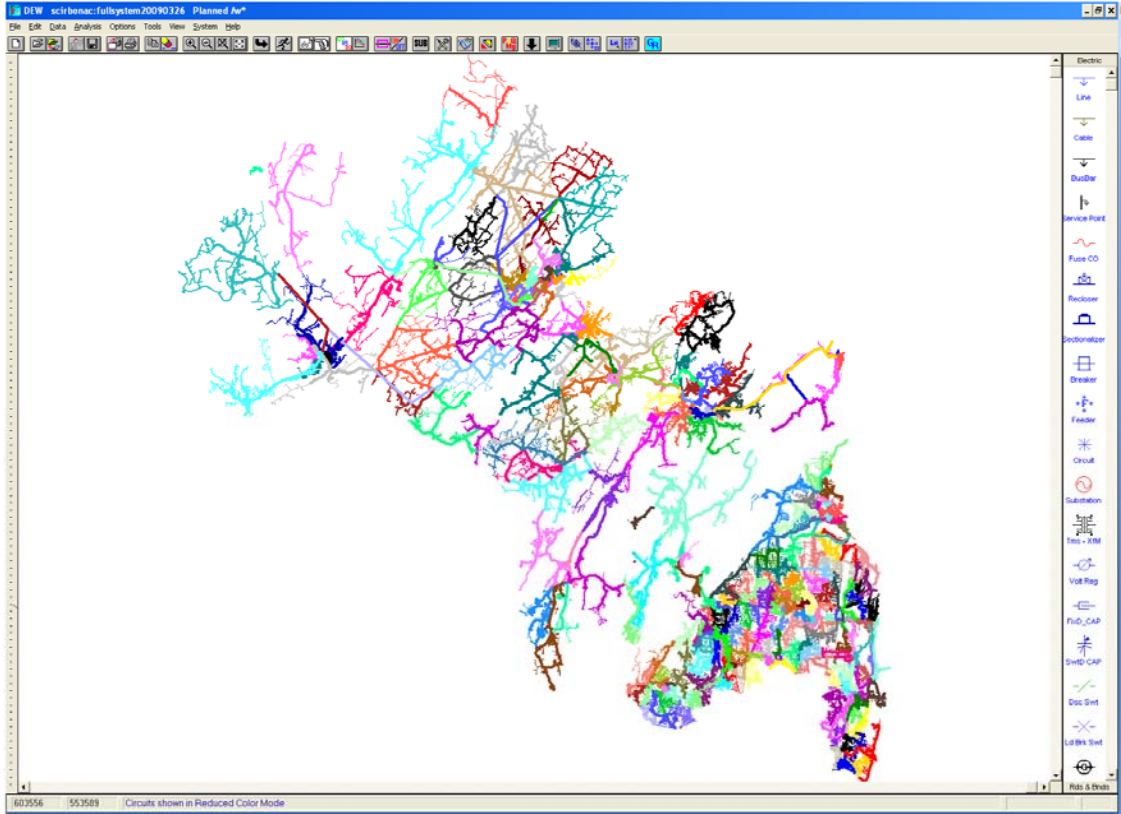


# *In the meantime . . .* BNL is collaborating on modeling the Smarter Electric Grid

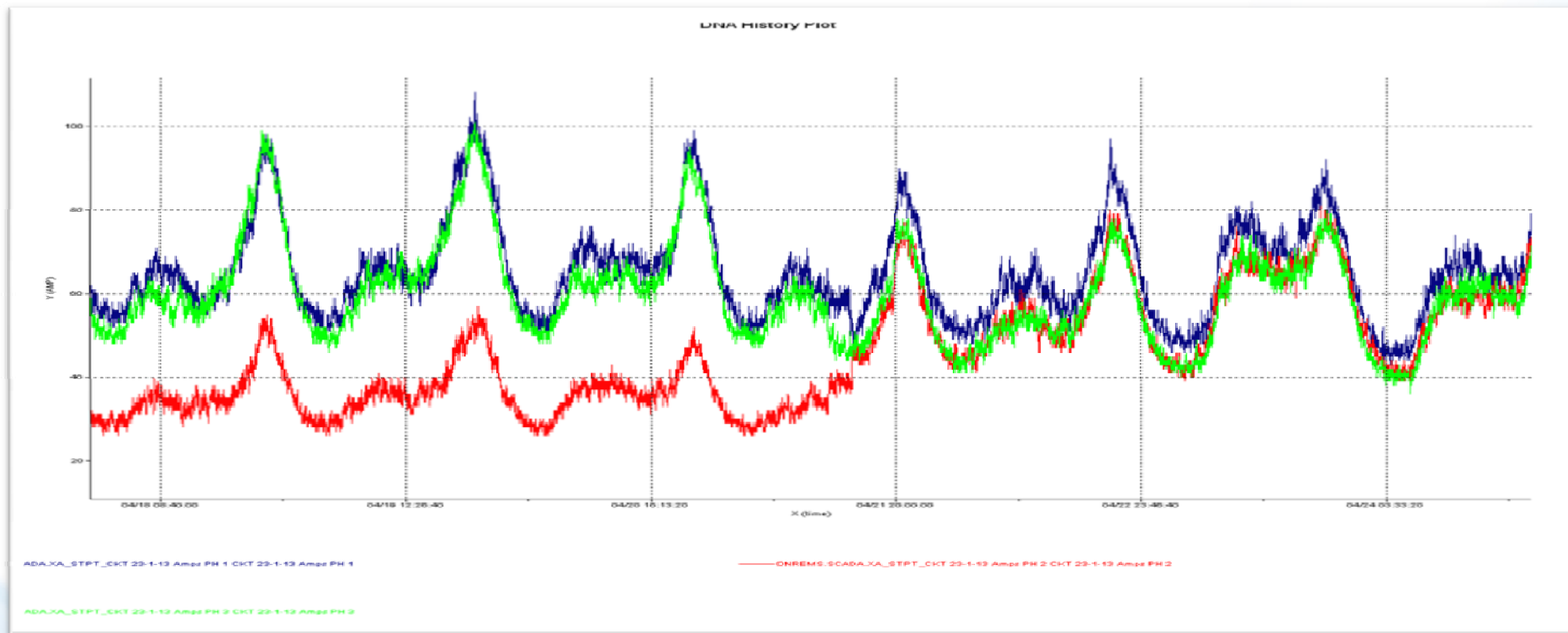
## Data & Modeling with Orange & Rockland Utility (ORU)

- Data model includes all grid/system components including poles & wires
- GPS for positioning the grid components is important to doing the math
- Physics-based algorithms can be applied without making assumptions that compromise the modeling of the real grid
- An integrated system model (ISM) brings all the data components together into a concept where
- ORU can apply advanced algorithms running on distributed processing
- Distributed processing provides real-time speed for automated operations

# Orange & Rockland's Grid . . . Then taking it circuit by circuit and making them smarter



# Optimization Results Circuit 23-1-13



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# **BNL is understanding how Smarter Grid pays off via cost-benefit analyses**

By using the model-centric concept, ORU can operate their system more effectively and sets the stage for “hard-dollar” cost savings by:

PRIOR TO SMARTER Grid Simulation

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New  
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# New Substation????

## *Utility Engineer Dream – Stephanie's Sub!*



# New Substation????

## My customer, Nora's Reality -- *Uhhh!*



*Next chapter. . .*

# **BNL is understanding how Smarter Grid pays off via cost-benefit analyses**

**This instance, with *Smarter Grid circuits' Simulation***

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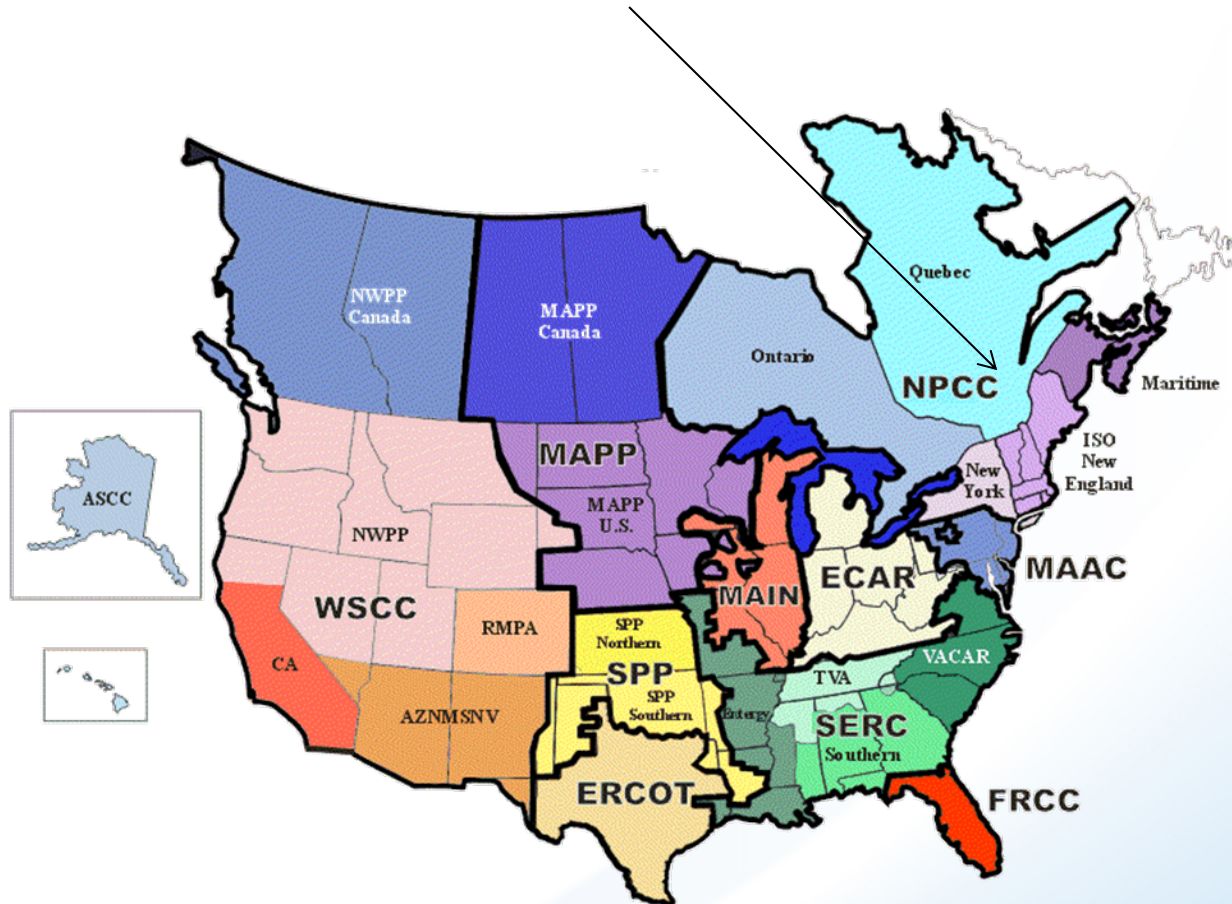
New \$40Million S/S (substation) deferred for 12 years.

Savings to:

Utility customers = **\$14.7Million**

Utility investors = **\$8.3Million**

# Smarter Grid for our Neighborhood!





# Brookhaven National Laboratory Smarter Grid Centers Thank You and Comments!

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