

# Analyzing Event Impacts using PI Event Frames and Versify

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# NaturEner Overview



Wind plant operator, owner, and developer



	NaturEner North America		
	NaturEner USA	NaturEner Canada	
	San Francisco	Calgary	
	Wind	Wind	Cumulative
Operating	399 MW		399 MW
Late-stage development		387 MW	786 MW
Mid-stage development	360 MW	100 MW	1,246 MW

# NaturEner Operations Center (NOC)



## Expertise in Asset Management and Operations

- Real time interface with all projects
- Full operational control
- Schedule hourly energy and transmission in concert with regulatory and contract compliance considerations
- Staffed 24/7, 365 days a year
- Complete data repository with fully redundant capabilities
- Back-up Center in Calgary (Alberta), for catastrophic events
- Predictive maintenance project support and reporting



# Business Challenge

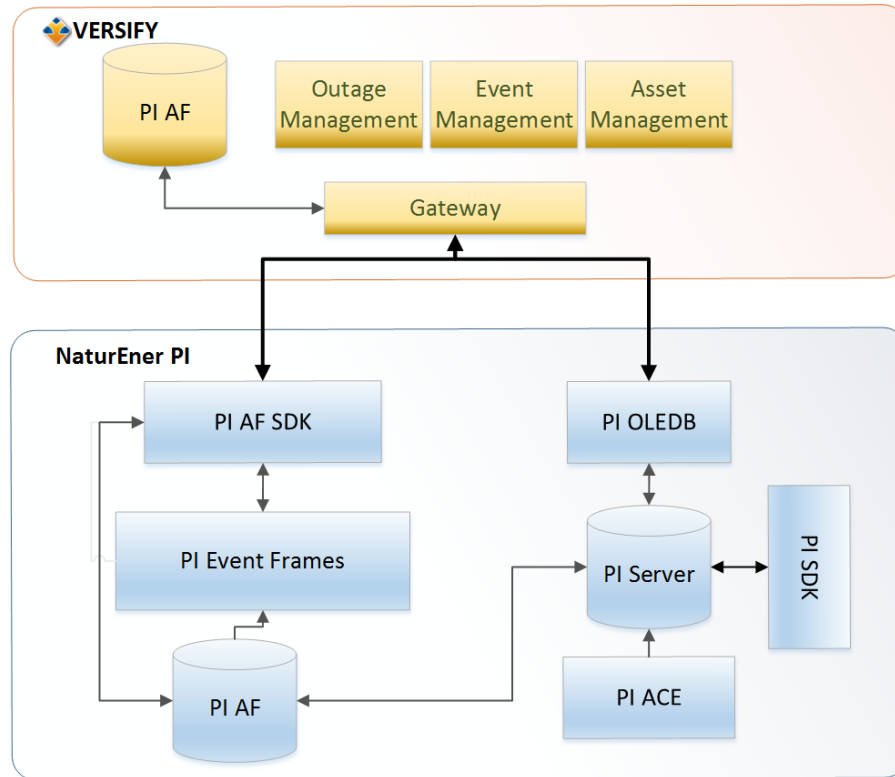
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Internal and external events can impact our operations and bottom line.

- Log events in consistent centralized manner
  - Events may be detectable through PI system data
  - May be initiated by an external source
- Trigger Workflows and notifications
- Associate events with data from different sources
  - PI, SQL, User defined categories, Unstructured Text
- Flexible reporting capabilities
  - PI Client tools, Web, ODBC



# Solution Architecture



- Log Manual Operator Events
- PI Event Frame Integration for automated event capture
- Operator workflows

↑ **Bi-Directional Events** ↓

- Common PI AF Model
- Automated Event Capture
- Leverage PI Server for Event analysis
- PI ACE performance metrics

# Automated Event Capture

## PI Event Frames

- Event Frame Generator
- Log Event Start/Stops

## PI AF SDK

- Query Event Frames

## Verify Event Log

- Operator Workflows
- NERC Evidence
- Unstructured Details

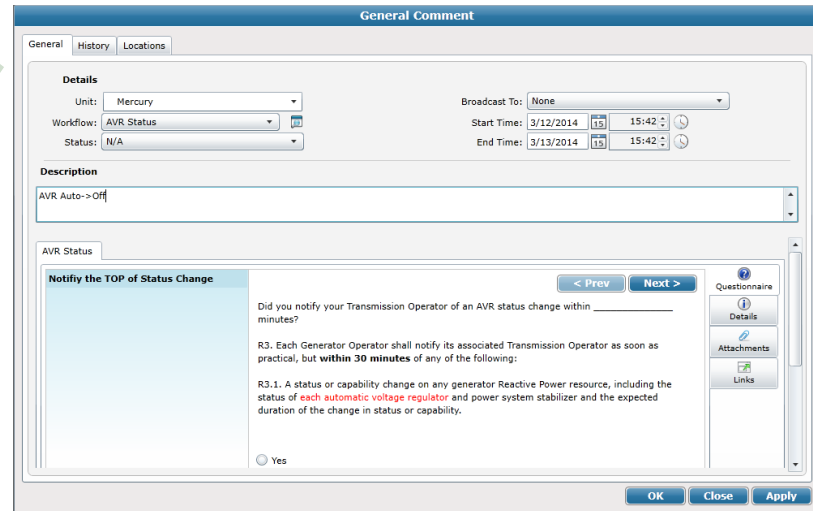
## Event Frame Templates

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graph TD
    A[Event Frame Templates] --> B[Downtime]
    A --> C[Excursions.Temp]
    A --> D[Oil Well Test]
    A --> E[Paper Grade Run]
    A --> F[Procedure]
    A --> G[UnitProcedure]
    A --> H[Operation]
    A --> I[Phase]
    A --> J[PhaseState]
    A --> K[PhaseStep]
    A --> L[Process Excursion]
    A --> M[Shift]
    A --> N[Shutdown]
    A --> O[Startup]
    A --> P[TIME Day]
    A --> Q[TIME Hour]
    A --> R[TIME Peak Type]
  
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## Event Frame Attributes

EX20120807 18:44			
General	Child Event Frames	Referenced Elements	Attributes
Filter			
Name		Value	
Category: General Info			
Comment			
Operator			Bobby Wolf
Phase			Dwell
Type			LOW TEMP
Category: Limits			
Temp Limit High			88 deg C
Temp Limit Low			70 deg C
Category: Manual Logger			
Comment			
Category: Process Parameters			
Level Start			42.7438011169434 L
Temp End			71.1539001464844 deg C
Temp Max			71.1538998921712 deg C
Temp Min			62.1662445068359 deg C
Temp Range			8.98765535353529 deg C
Temp Start			62.1662445068359 deg C



General Comment

General History Locations

Details

Unit: Mercury  
Workflow: AVR Status  
Status: N/A

Broadcast To: None  
Start Time: 3/12/2014 15:42  
End Time: 3/13/2014 15:42

Description

AVR Auto->Off

AVR Status

Notify the TOP of Status Change

Did you notify your Transmission Operator of an AVR status change within minutes?

R3. Each Generator Operator shall notify its associated Transmission Operator as soon as practical, but within 30 minutes of any of the following:

R3.1. A status or capability change on any generator Reactive Power resource, including the status of each automatic voltage regulator and power system stabilizer and the expected duration of the change in status or capability.

Yes

OK Close Apply

- Improve Log Accuracy
- Reduce Manual Workload
- Capture data for further analysis

# Manual Event Capture



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- Improve Quality Control
- Leverage Versify Tools
- Leverage OSI Client Tools

VERSIFY™  
V-Performance 5.0.0.0 BETA

Events - Events

Comment Id	Unit	Workflow	Event Status	Start Time	End Time	Log Entry	Made	Entered	Acknowledged By
0	Andromeda virtG1	CAISO Outage	N/A	03/11/2014 11:00	03/12/2014 11:00	Maintenance Outage Derating: A Other (derateId: 14111) Status:In Review	versify	03/11/2014 09:42	
82816	Corona	CAISO Outage	N/A	03/11/2014 17:00	03/15/2014 17:00	Planned Outage Derating: Coron Other (derateId: 14105) Status:In Review Note Change: Fuel : This is a sample Event Log	versify	02/24/2014 15:01	
70301	Andromeda	CPS 1 Failing [12 Month / Active	Active	08/12/2013 10:46	06/28/2014 12:30	This can be a full sized event description.	versify	12/12/2013 14:48	
71745	ERCOT	Communication	Active	09/05/2013 13:36	09/20/2014 13:36	Show a history change Communication: This is a sample event from ERCOT Note Change: Fuel : This is a sample Event Log	versify	09/05/2013 13:37	versify on 09/05/2013 13:38
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## PI Clients

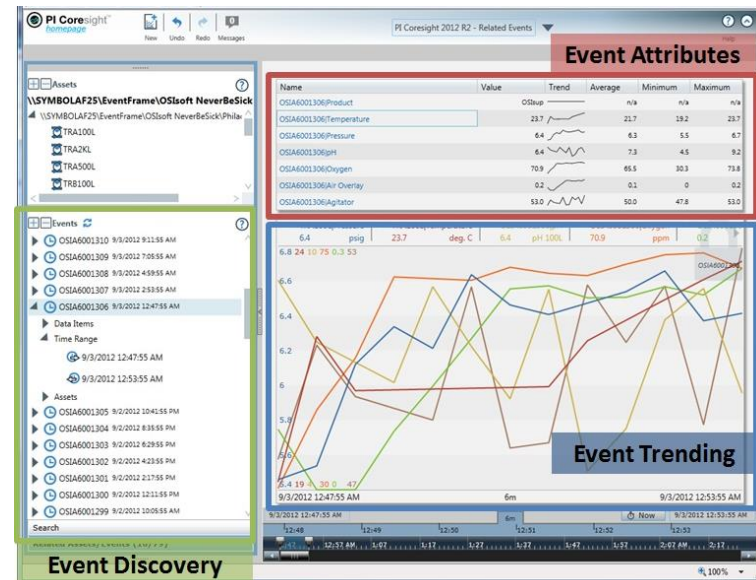
- KPI
- Reporting
- Analysis

## Versify Event Log

- Operator Logs event
- Operations Workflow

## PI AF SDK

- Send to Event Frames





# Event Workflows

Versify's Event Workflows are a value-add to PI Event Frames that walk operators through and document defined processes in responding to system events

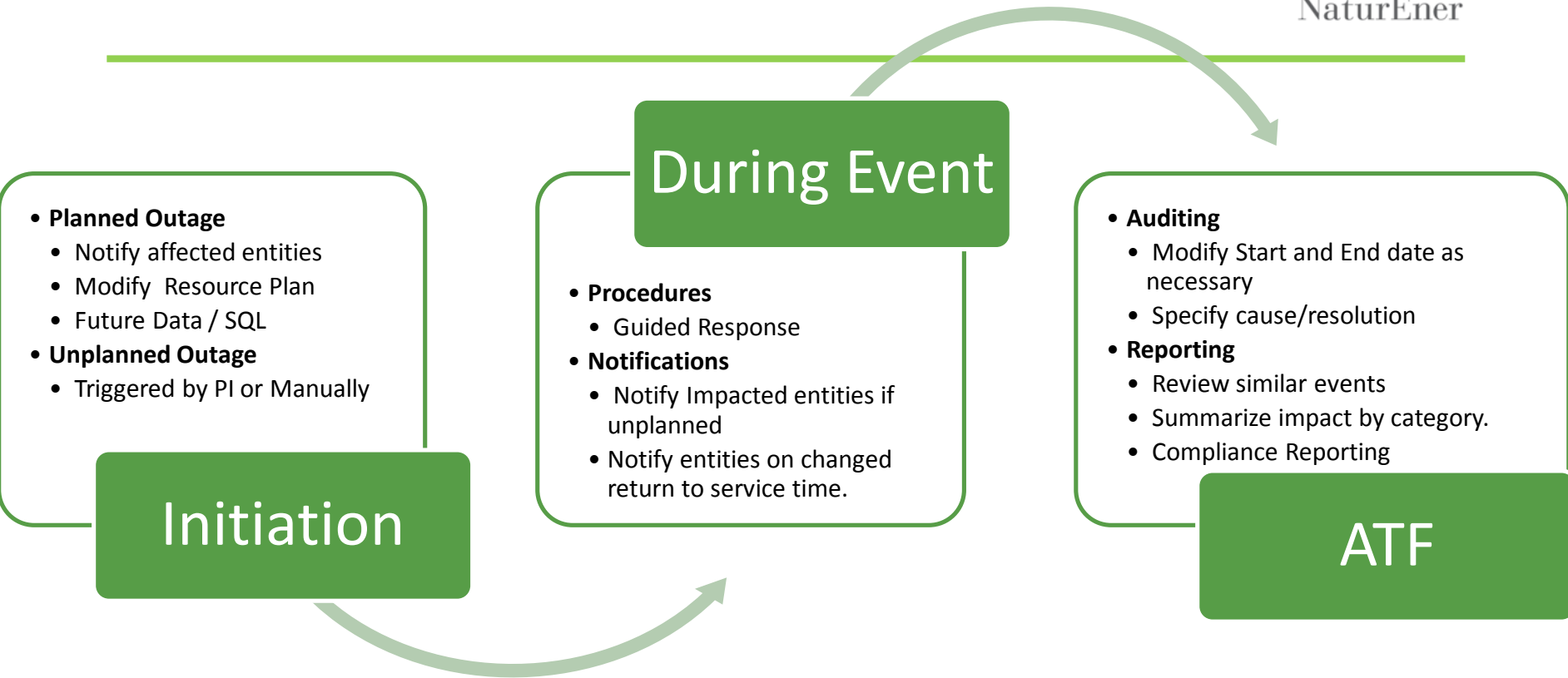
- ✓ Standardize Operator Response
- ✓ Collects Evidence Required for NERC Audits in real-time
- ✓ Automated event escalation and alerts/reminders
- ✓ Attach additional supporting documentation
- ✓ Training tool for new operators



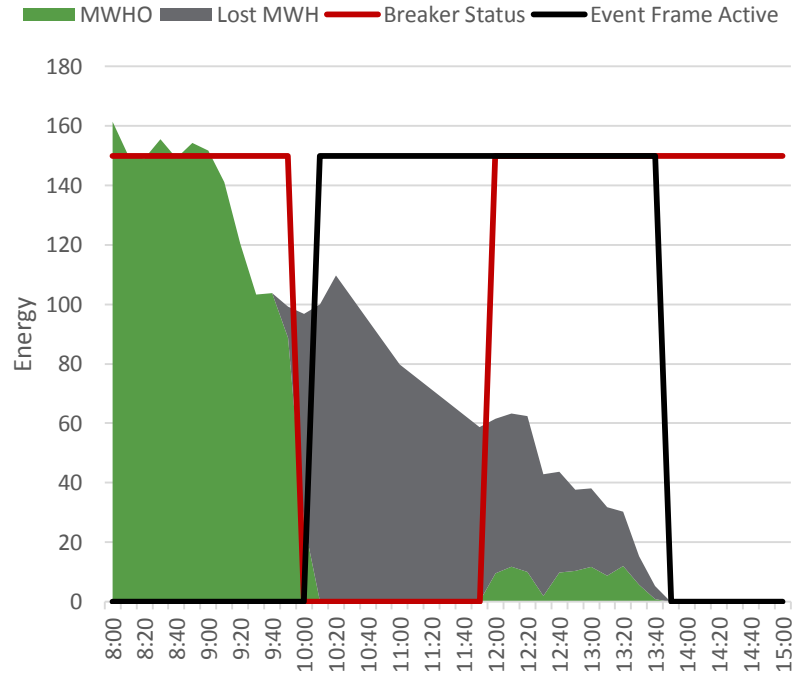
# Use Case: Substation Outage



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# Event Review



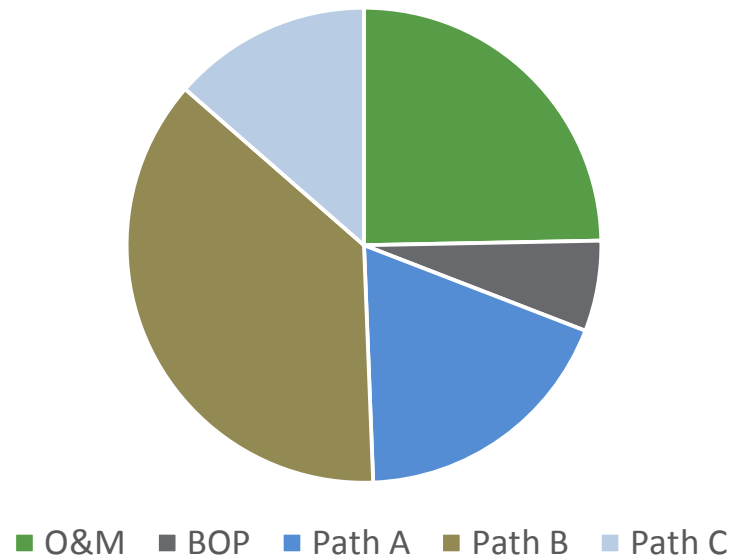
- Automated triggers may not capture full impact of events.
- In this case, a breaker trip occurred, resulting in full loss of generation.
- After the breaker was closed again, many turbines were latched, and needed to be returned to service manually.
- Operator modification of the event end time using the Versify log interface enables capture of this subsequent lost energy.



# Reporting

- Summarize impact of events by user defined categories.
  - System Element
  - Responsible Party
  - System conditions
- Time Series data for in-depth analysis
  - Event Review
  - Training Examples

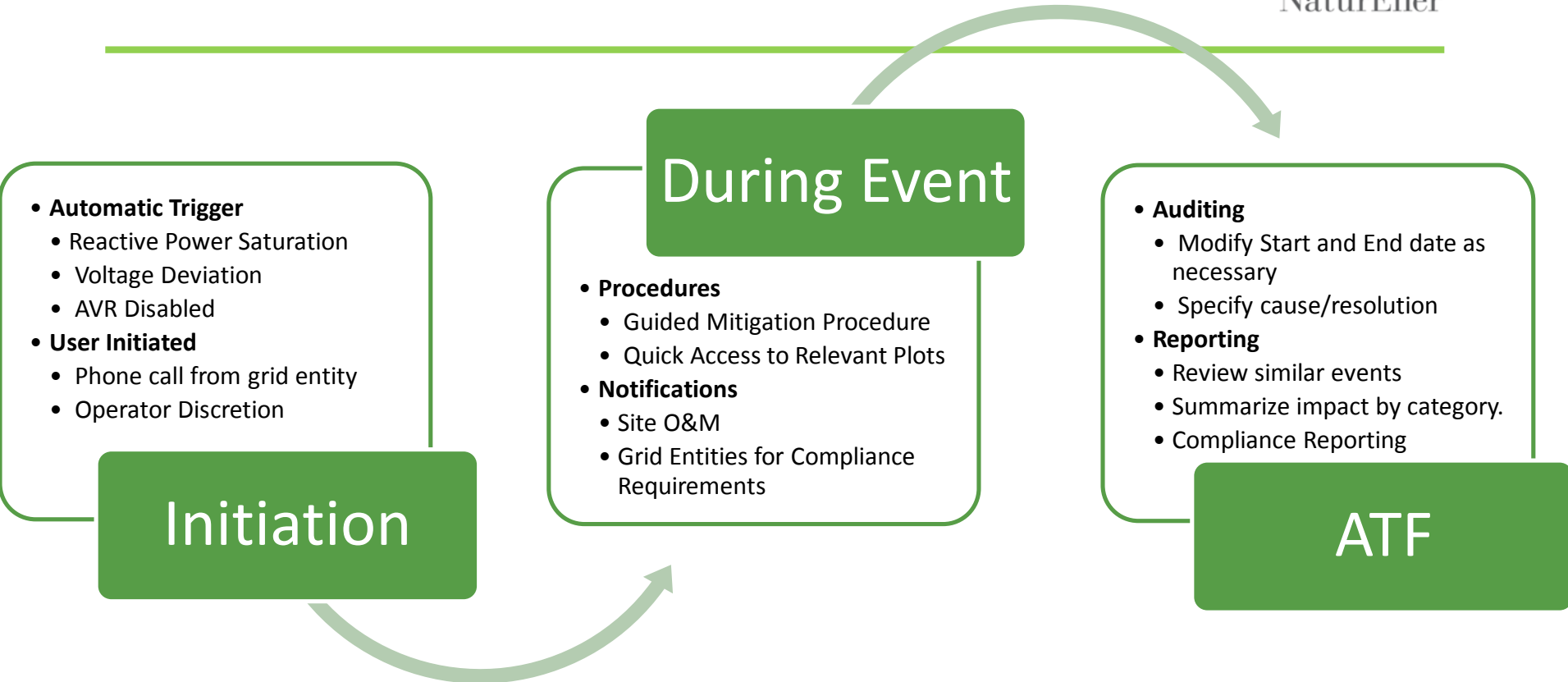
## Lost Energy Causes



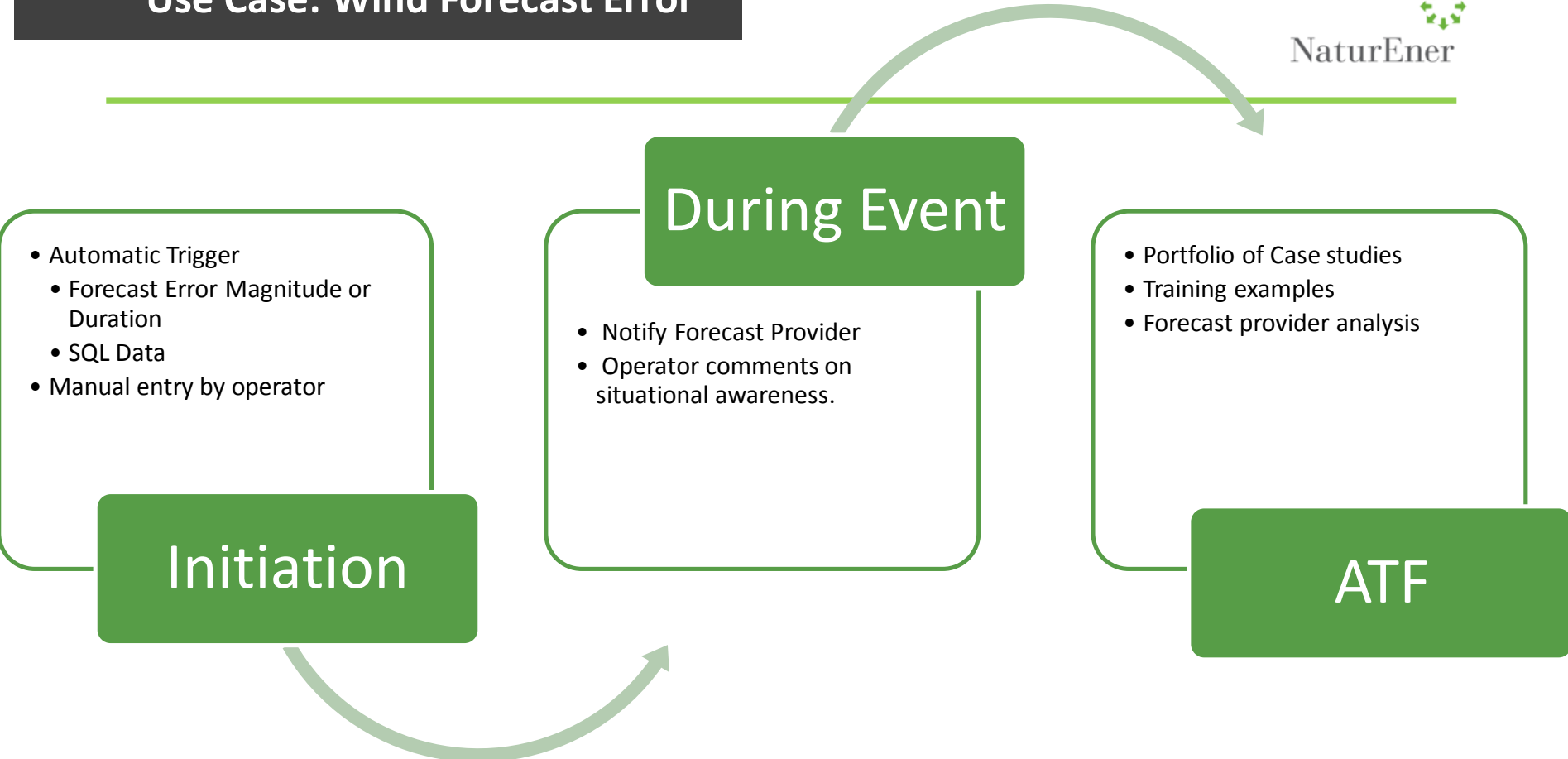
# Use Case: Voltage Event



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# Use Case: Wind Forecast Error



# Summary

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- Benefits of AF/Event Frames
  - AF
    - User configurable
    - Templates
    - Combine PI and SQL Data
  - Event Frames
    - Event Frame Generator
    - Summary Attributes
  - Reporting
    - PI OLEDB Enterprise
    - Coresight
    - DataLink 2014
- Benefits of Versify
  - Web Data Entry
    - Ability to manually insert events
    - Modify automatically triggered events
    - Add structured and unstructured data.
  - Workflow Engine
    - Embedded procedures
    - Notification/Escalation
    - NERC Compliance
  - Web Reporting
    - Configurable for External users

# Analyzing Event Impacts using PI Event Frames and Versify

*Understanding the impact of outage events on wind generation is essential for NaturEner to maximize profits from our wind assets. Our partners Versify Solutions Inc. and OSIsoft have helped us better understand and manage unplanned outages, which allows us to optimize our generation and maximize profits.*



- Analyze and accurately record information about operational events.
- Improve operational response and notification processes.
- Summarize and analyze event impacts

Use Event Frames with Versify Logging and Workflows



- Structured categorization and logging of events.
- One version of the truth.
- Leverage Versify Tools
- Leverage PI Clients

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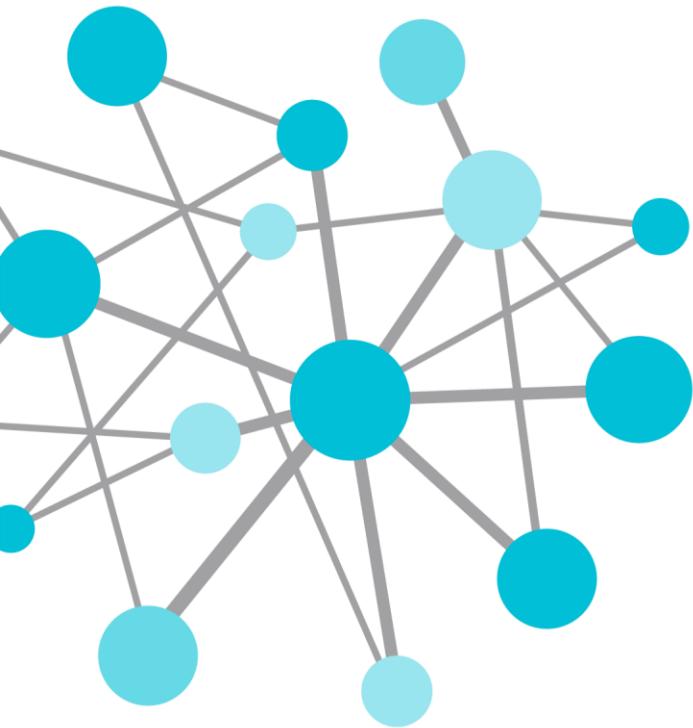
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