

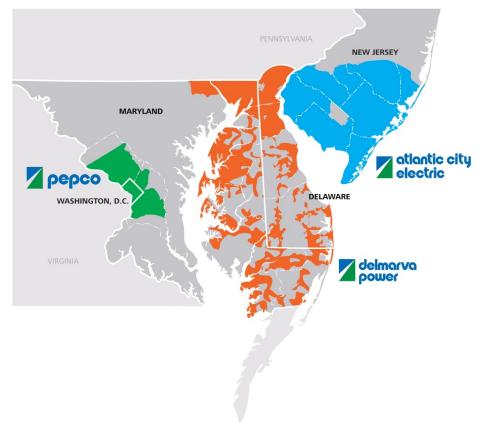
Conservation Voltage Reduction and Smart Meters

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Pepco Holdings, Inc. Quick Facts

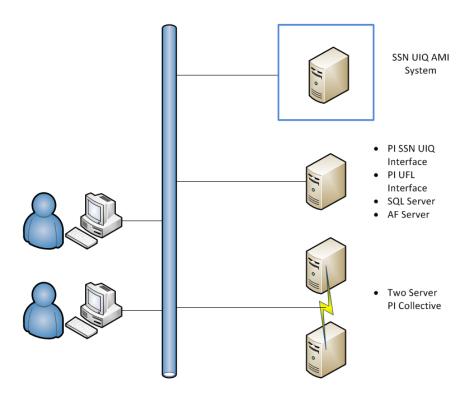
- Incorporated in 2002
- Service territory: 8,340 square miles
- Customers served
 - Atlantic City Electric:
 - 545,000 electric
 - Delmarva Power:
 - 503,000 electric
 - 125,000 natural gas
 - Pepco:
 - 793,000 electric
- Total population served:
 5.6 million



Project Driver

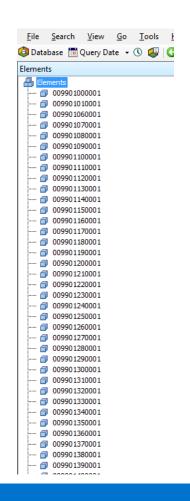
- Conservation Voltage Reduction (CVR) pilot mandated by the Maryland Public Service Commission
 - CVR is a reduction in energy consumption that results from a reduction in source voltage
 - Not all loads benefit from CVR
 - Constant impedance loads result in lower energy consumption with lower voltage (incandescent lights)
 - Constant power loads offer no savings since reduction in voltage will just result in higher currents
 - This could be more problematic than helpful since it could reduce equipment life
- Realize benefits from AMI (Automated Metering Infrastructure) smart meters

PI System Architecture



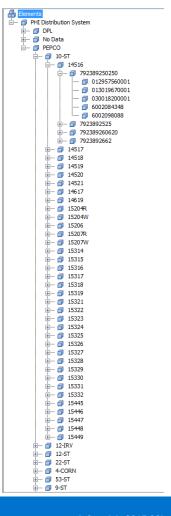
PI System Architecture

- PI AMI Interface processes tab-separated files from the AMI system to automatically create the PI Tags and the AF elements/attributes
 - AF elements are stored in a flat structured database
- PI UFL Interface processes comma separated files from the AMI system to load the actual value data into the PI Tags
- PI Tags and AF Elements are indexed according to the service point ID
 - Unique identifier for each customer meter
 - This allows for constant voltage profiles for customers regardless of meter swaps
- PI was built out for all PHI AMI customers for a total of 1.4M elements (NJ doesn't allow AMI meters)



PI System Architecture

- Utilize PI AF SDK to build a hierarchical AF database
 - Structure format is Company, Substation, Feeder, Transformer, Customer
 - Allows for easing searching/navigating in the core
 PI Client tools
- Program runs weekly and updates the hierarchical database with data in the flat database
- Since the customer information isn't perfect, we utilize a "No Data" hierarchy as a catch-all for customers that cannot be mapped to a particular substation/feeder



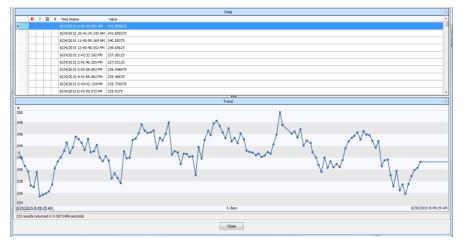
PI Server Data

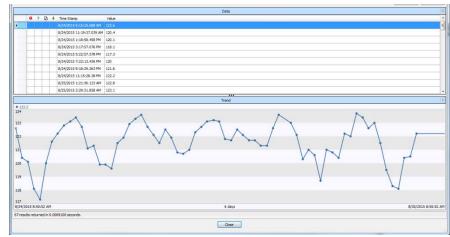
- The data coming from the AMI meters is very different from normal SCADA data
 - SCADA utilizes a four second scan compared to hourly or fifteen minute AMI data
- Users in SCADA environments typically query data with a specific purpose in mind
 - i.e. look at a trend for an overloaded facility, plot substation voltage, etc.
- The users in the AMI environment want to see customers that have experienced voltage excursions
 - This requires developing custom reports that query the entire PI System and output the results to some usable format



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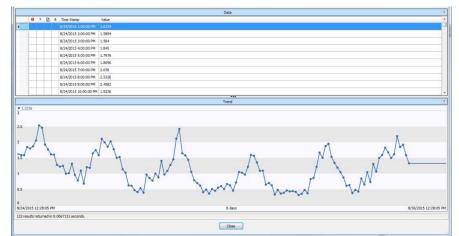
- The voltage data received from the meters is not normalized and represents the actual delivered service voltage (240V, 120/208V, 277/480V, etc.)
 - This can make the reporting and querying difficult when finding excursions due to many scales
- PHI has custom built voltage exception report logic for each meter manufacturer/type
 - Even voltage values in the same meter type can be different nominal voltage depending on the service voltage

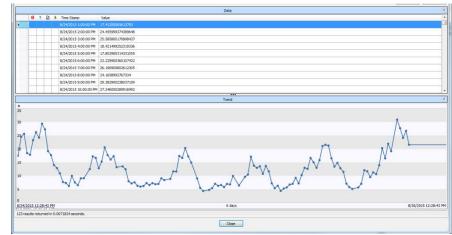




PI Server Data

- KWh data is received for each meter type
- Utilize PI AF-SDK to roll up the kWh data for customers to transformer, roll up transformer kWh to feeder
- Collaborative effort with OSIsoft to develop rollup code due to the process to input data into the PI System from our meter system
 - The data could come in late for noncommunicating meters
 - Our data comes into the PI System in bulk
 - Our code looks back several days to sum up the kWh and store the data into the PI Server



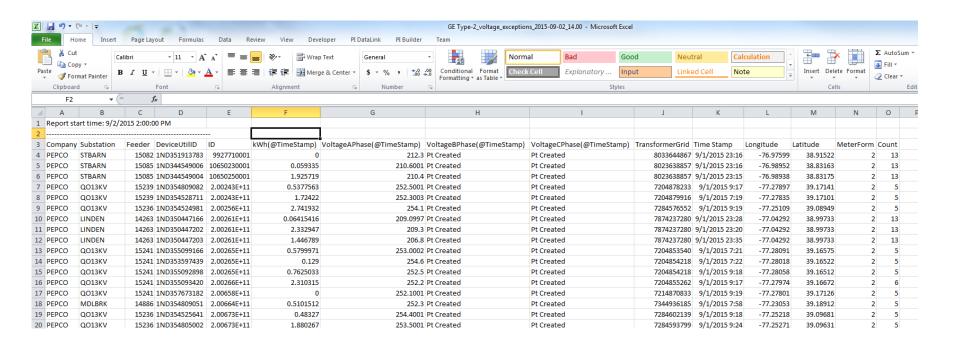


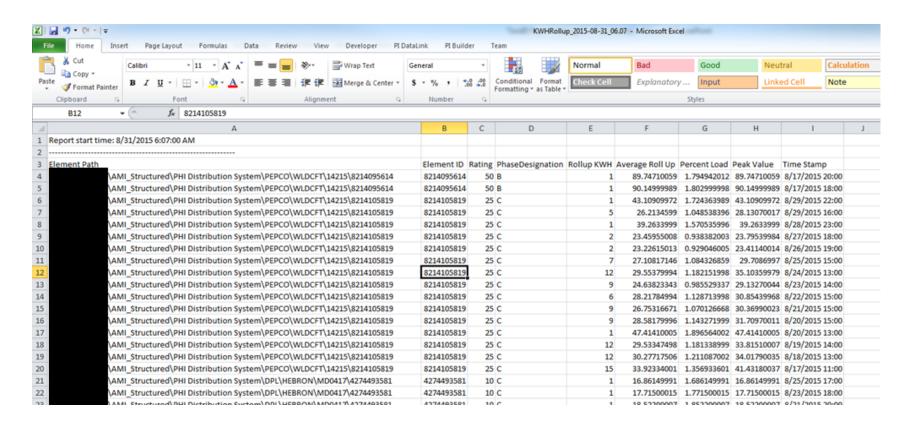
- AMI data is different than normal SCADA data
 - Requires the system to tell you to look at something
- Massive amount of data
 - Built the system for 1.4M meters with approximately 9M PI Tags
 - Collecting data for only a subset of the tags
 - Regular voltage (every hour or every two hours) and kWh (every hour or every
 15 minutes) for the CVR impacted customers (approximately 200k customers)
 - Periodically do full system scan for a one time instantaneous voltage read during peak conditions
- Custom daily reports
 - Developed voltage exception reports and transformer overload reports
 - Utilizing the PI AF-SDK
 - Reports are uploaded to a SharePoint server for users to access

- Voltage exception report will list the customers who have had voltage deviations outside a defined range
- Different meter types can have many different acceptable ranges due to the service voltage difference
- Look for several consecutive excursions to trigger inclusion to the report
 - Based on frequency of the meter voltage read (1 hour or 2 hour frequency)

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Summary and Takeaways

- The PI Server does a good job at storing the massive amount of data
- AMI data is very different from the SCADA data
- Have found multiple electric system problems that required immediate attention
- Reporting out of the PI System requires utilization of the PI AF-SDK
- Very cumbersome in general when handling such large amounts of data (large spreadsheets, files, databases, etc.)
- The PI Server behaves very well with vertical scale as opposed to horizontal scale
- Overall, the system has proved useful and has allowed us to build our CVR program and ensure customer voltages are within tolerance

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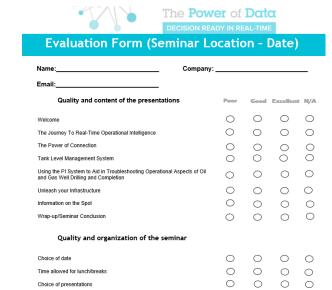
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