DTE Energy Case Study

Using PI for Distribution Network Analysis and DG Control

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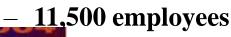
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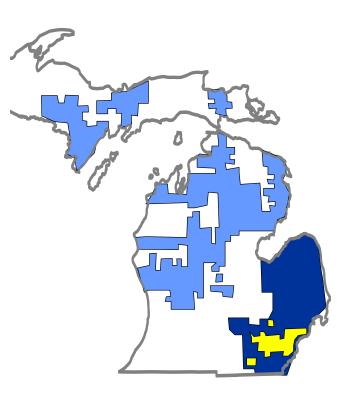
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Company Overview - DTE Energy

- Overall
 - Full-spectrum regional energy provider
 - An electric and natural gas utility
 - Growing non-regulated energy related businesses
 - Assets of \$19 billion
 - Annual revenues over \$7 billion
- Electric and Gas
 - 2.6 million customers
 - 11,000 MW of generation
 - 600 BCF natural gas delivery





Utility Service Territory

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Overlap

DTE Energy's Commitment to Distributed Generation

" Several years ago, the leadership at DTE tried to envision what the electric utility business would look like in a decade. One of our conclusions was that this industry would go through the same transformation that the computer business has experienced. There, mainframe computers gave way to desktops which gave way to laptops.

In the electric industry, the day of large central station power plants has already given way to modular, combined cycle gas powered plants. We envisioned a day when the next step, distributed (or personal) generation would play a major role. We wanted to lead that transformation." Anthony F. Earley, Jr. Chairman & CEO, DTE Energy

DTE's Vision for Distributed Generation (DG)

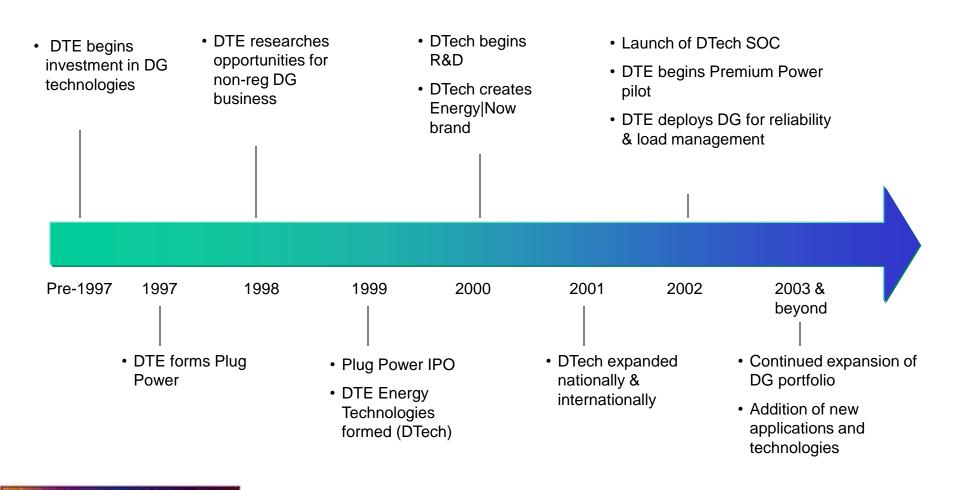
Traditional Electric System



Traditional Electric System + Personalized Power through Distributed Generation (DG)

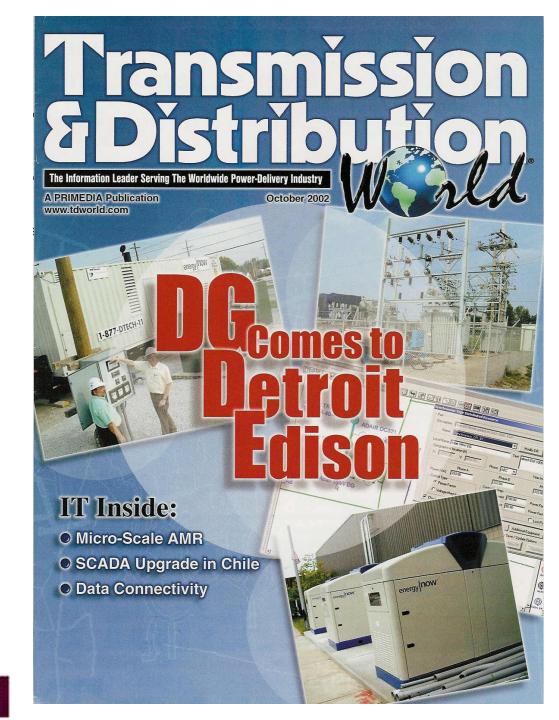


DTE Energy's History with Distributed Generation



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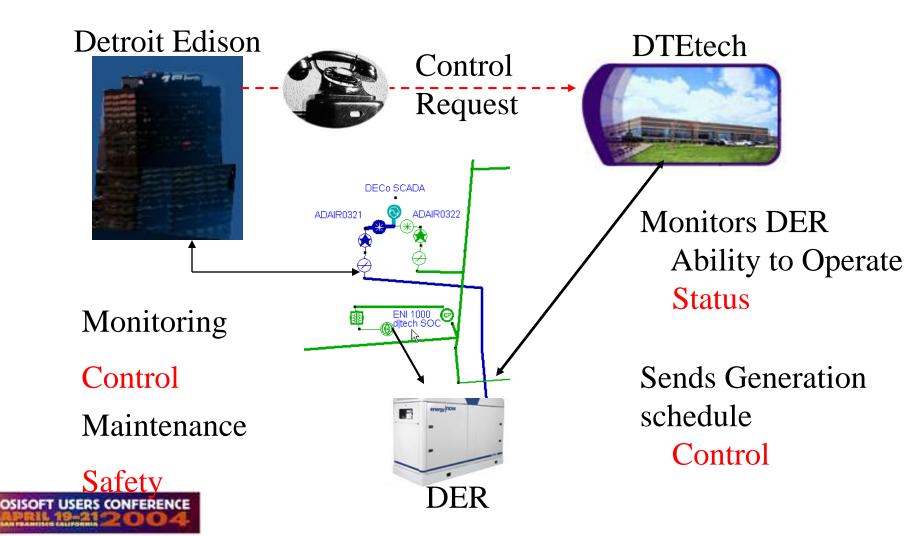
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The United States Department of Energy (DOE), Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), Distributed Energy and Electric Reliability (DEER) Program, invites applications for federal assistance for research, development and demonstration for **communication and control solutions** to enable **interoperable and integrated** operation of **large numbers** of distributed energy resources (DER) from **varying suppliers** to achieve optimization in **power quality, power reliability**, and **economic performance**.

Genesis of Project in 2003



DTE Owns but does not Operate?



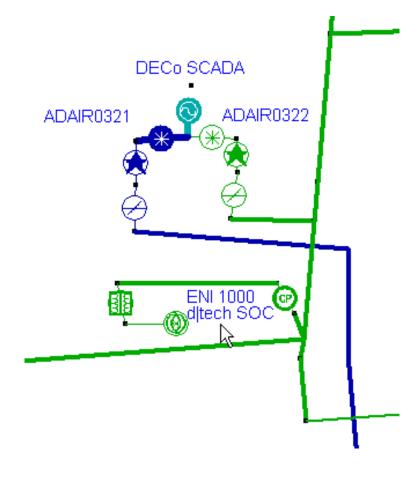
Distribution Engineering Workstation (DEW) by EDD

- Has model of Distribution
 Network
- Solves network based upon "static" research data.
- Proposes operational solutions.

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• No operator feedback nor action vs. network



What was needed?

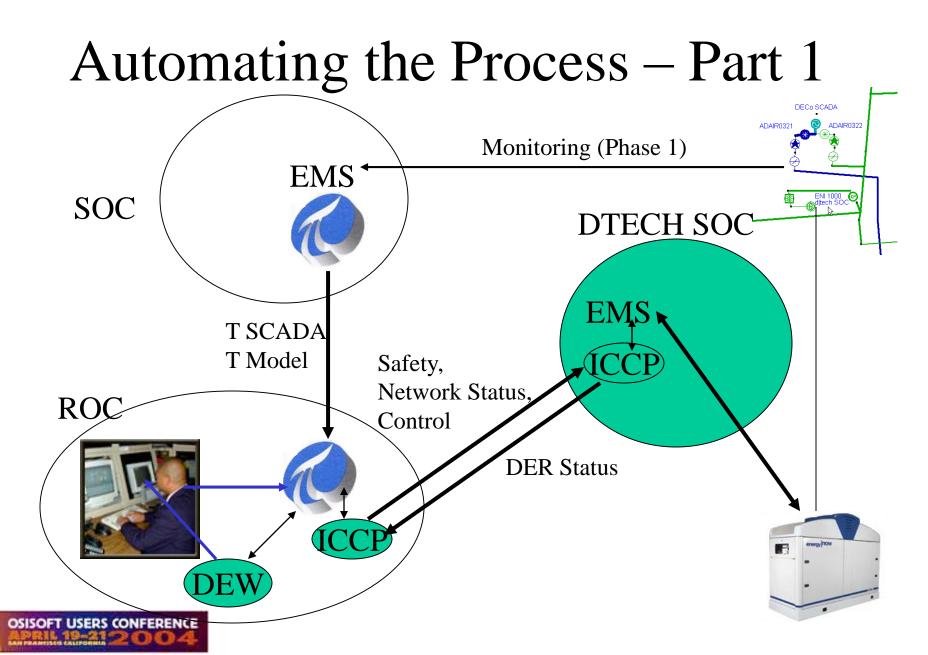
- Automate Processes
 - Control
 - Model Evaluation
 - Information Exchange
- Verify model algorithms and operator actions.
- Perform modeling and power aggregation for future power trading.
- FERC guidelines on DERs.



How accomplished?

- Automate Processes
 - Control (Processbook, DEW, PI)
 - Model Evaluation (DEW, PI)
 - Information Exchange (PI-to-PI, and PI-OPC/ICCP)
- Verify model algorithms and operator actions. (DEW)
- Perform modeling and power aggregation for future power trading (DEW, PI).
- FERC guidelines on DERs (still in process).





ICCP Link

- DTE ROC implementation was OSIsoft OPC Client Interface with SISCO AXS4-ICCP
 - Used to acquire data from DTECH
 - Used to send control signals and tag-outs to DTECH.



ICCP Link Installation/Commissioning

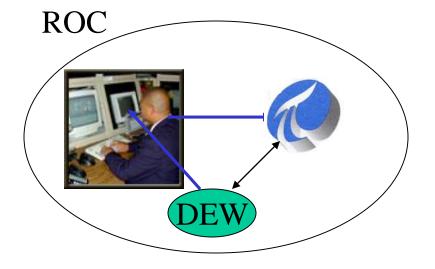
- Initial installation/commissioning completed in 2 days.
- DTE IT staff "accidentally" decommissioned the link while project was active.
 - Did not communicate with project team that a VPN changeover would require addressing changes.



DEW

- DEW obtains real-time data from PI
- DEW calculates possible actions and "loads".
- Puts possible actions into PI and to Operator.
- Operator through PB takes action.
- Real-time monitoring of network reflects action.

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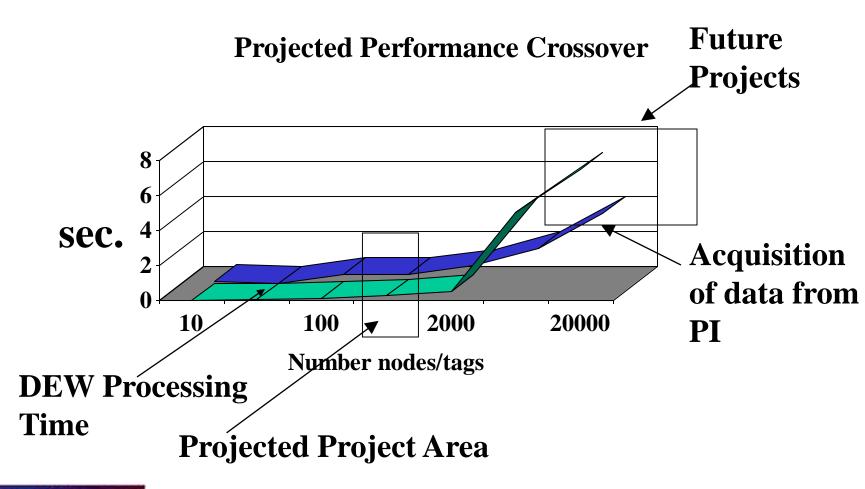
Can now analyze DEW algorithms and Operator Actions

Speed Kills!

- DEW is quick (sparse matrix calculations).
- DEW calculated on static research data prior to project.
- Needed an interface design that allowed DEW to scale.
- Needed an interface that addressed the performance crossover.

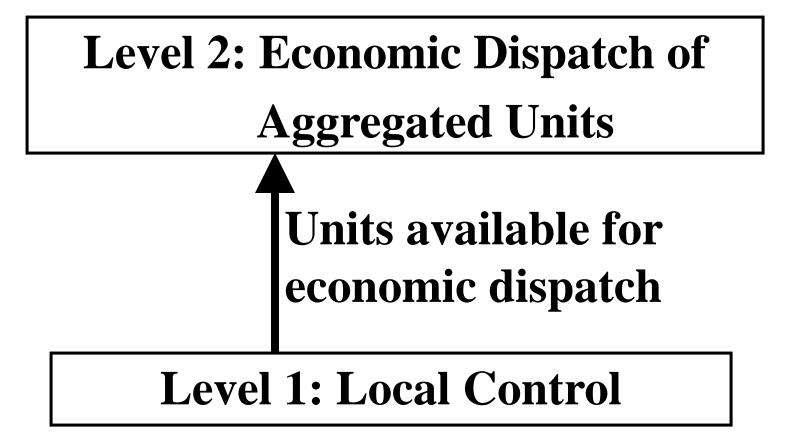


What Performance Crossover?

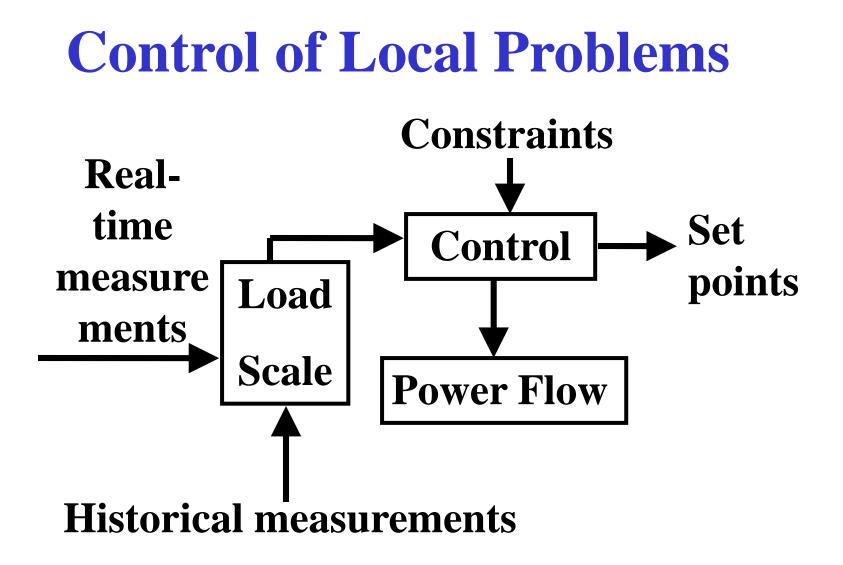




Hierarchical Control







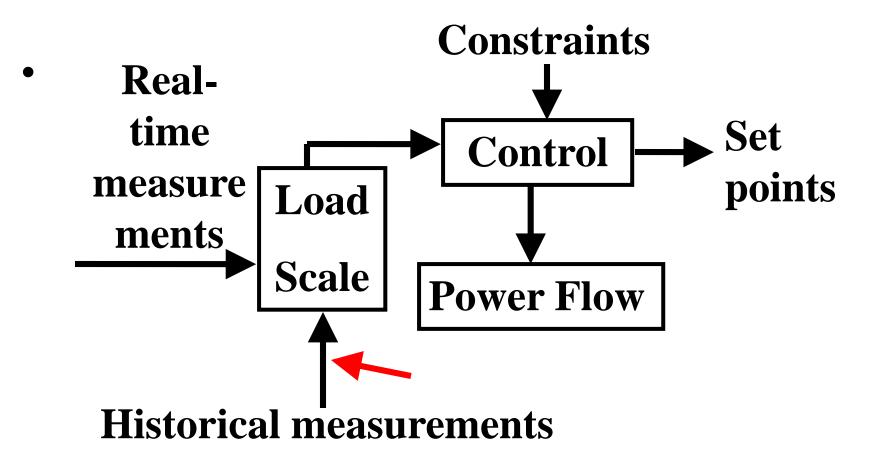


Real-Time Measurements

- Start of circuit
 - -Voltage magnitude
 - -Current
- DG
 - -kW generation
 - -kVar generation



Control of Local Problems





Historical Measurements

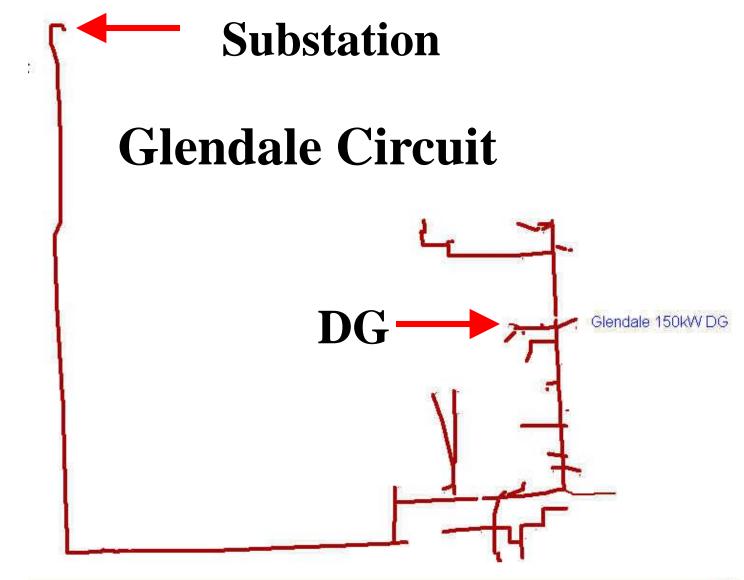
- 8760 hourly kW, kVar measurements for some large customers
- 12 kWHr measurements for other loads
 - -Load research statistics are used to estimate kW, kVar loads



Circuit Models

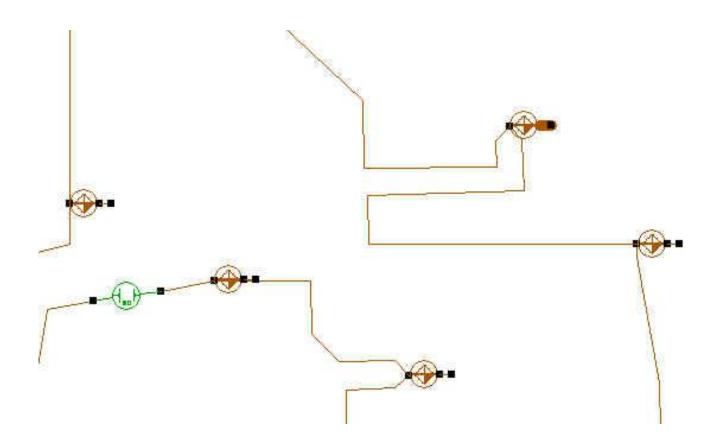
- Model distribution transformers
- Model "parsed" kWHr loads
- Model kW, kVar load measurements
- Model circuit measurements







Distribution Transformers



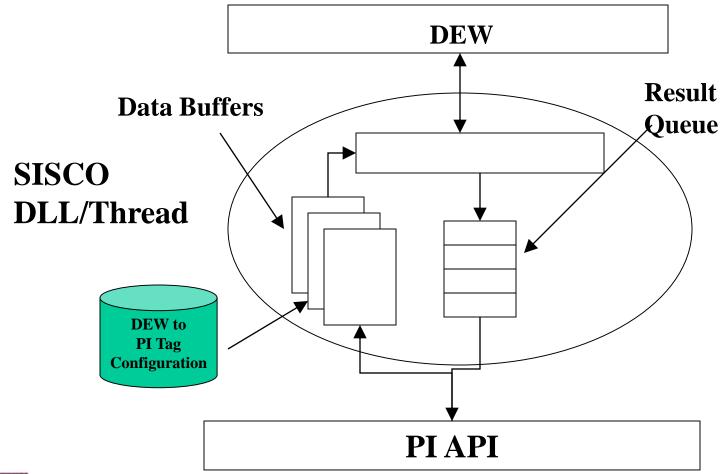


DEW to PI Interface Requirements

- Multi-threading to allow DEW to process while next set of data being acquired by PI.
- Ability to provide non-torn data to DEW for analysis.
- Ability to allow DEW to write results/control suggestions back to PI.
- Ability to perform all calculations in current time or back in history.



What was developed





About the buffers

- Although configured, SISCO interface allowed DEW to specify obtain the data independently of buffer layout.
- DEW can request current data or data from a point in time.
- DEW is "locked" until first buffer is filled.
- If current data are being requested to be obtained, as soon as DEW is "unlocked". The next buffer is begun to be filled as soon as the first is filled.



Other benefits...

- Same technique can be used to allow non-Windows DEW applications (e.g. supercomputer) to access data without change.
 - DLL has to be replaced with an RPC based remote method (actually was bid on another project).

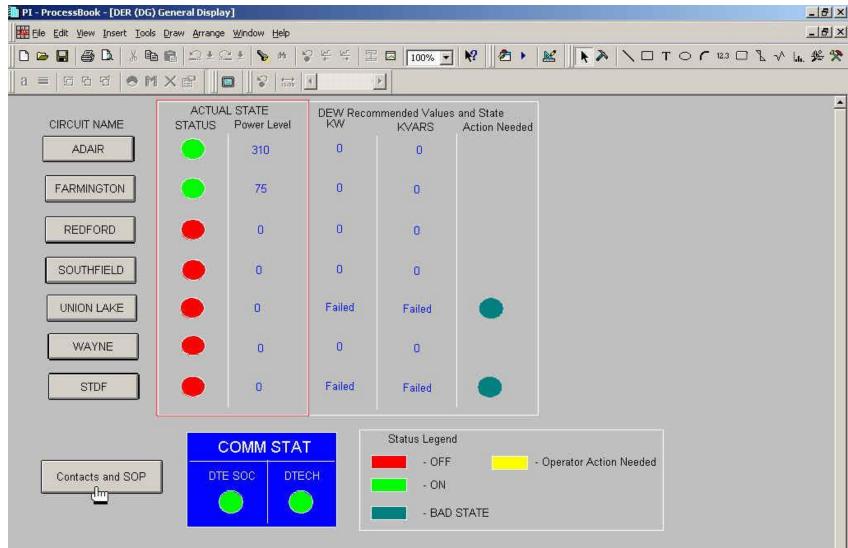


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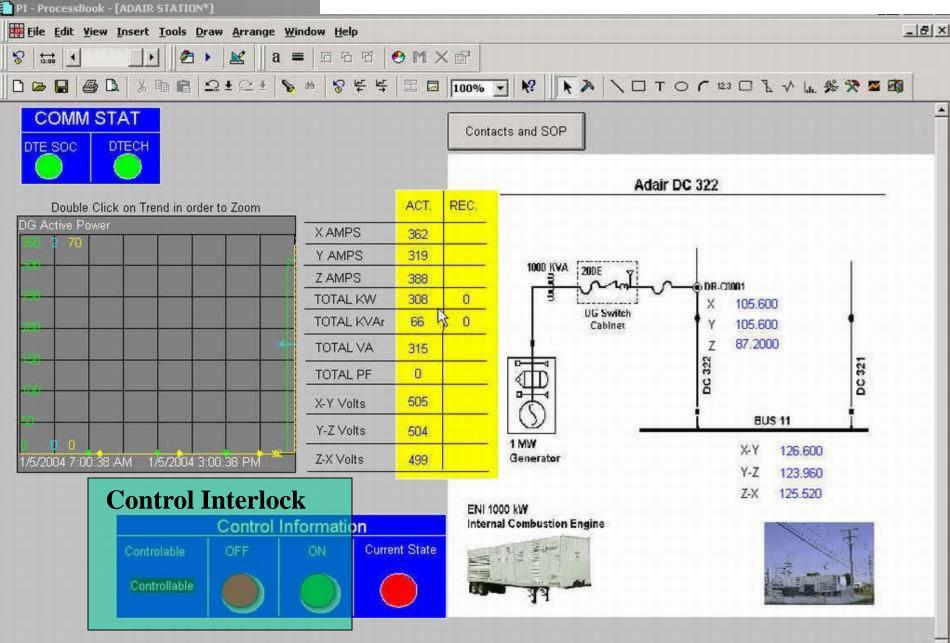
- Interface allows DEW to be independent of internal changes to the SISCO DLL or buffer layout.
- Tested interface to 100K points.



DEW Results in PB



Adair ENI 1000 – 1 MW Natural Gas



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Control Interlock

- DTE developed paper procedure to make sure that operators did not request operation at an in-opportune time.
- Found that paper procedures can still leave windows that could create problems.
- Team decided to implement the paper procedure electronically.



Paper procedure

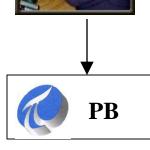
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Enters into Log Checks DG state Gives OK/NOK



Control Request

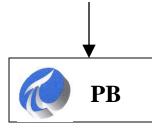
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However nothing to stop

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Control Request via ICCP



New Approach

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Calls OK

DTECH

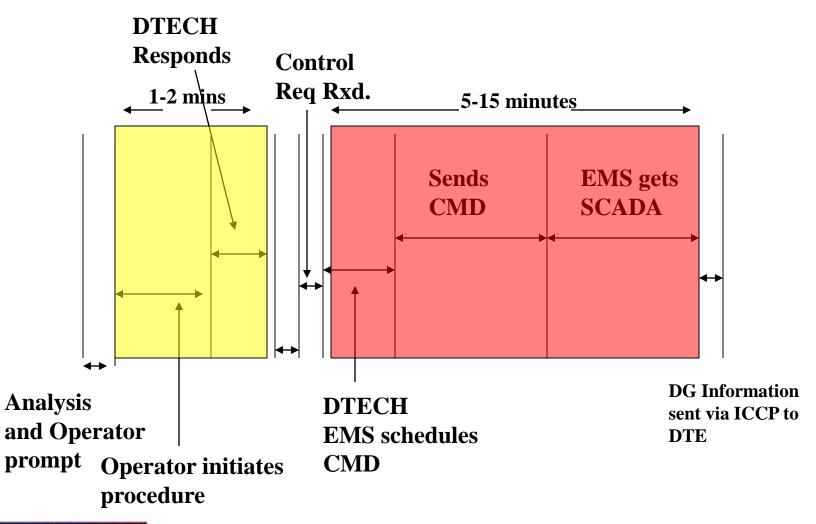


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Remove Tag via ICCP
Controllate
PB
Control Request via ICCP

Don't attempt this unless your procedures are symmetrical for the control point (e.g. on and off).

How did the system perform



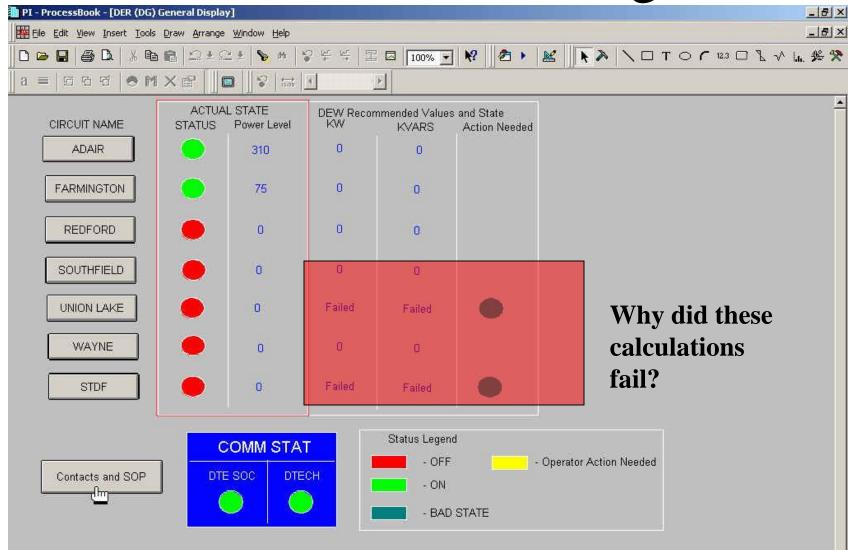


Learned Valuable lessons

- Having all data/control commands in PI captured the problems.
 - Need to remove human factors or increase response time.
 - Operating TPY DGs is not as responsive as normal SCADA.
 - Improvements in TPY communications has a dramatic impact on overall system performance.



Also found something else





Data Validity

• MW Readings from DG Circuit.

Can you see the problems?

21-Dec-03	08:19:01	Equip Fail
21-Dec-03	08:20:01	0.7972
21-Dec-03	09:35:01	0.8238
21-Dec-03	09:36:01	Equip Fail
21-Dec-03	09:37:02	0.84375
21-Dec-03	15:06:36	0.71075
21-Dec-03	15:07:36	Equip Fail
21-Dec-03	15:08:36	0.7041
21-Dec-03	20:00:14	1.01

Other Issues Encountered

- IT and Corporate Policies
- Security Issues
- Pilot system mentality
- Data validity
- Two Operation Centers with different operational philosophies.
- EMS Upgrade



IT and Corporate Issues

- DTE does not allow any incoming connections.
- IT staff is not responsive to requests outside of normal IT requests.
- On-site connectivity is un-available during start-up/integration.



Pilot System Mentality

- Team knew that system was proto-type of future operations.
- Operations knew it was a temporary pilot system.
- Operations did not take the system seriously until visibility of data was demonstrated.



DOE Phase II

- Add economic dispatch links to MISO via SOAP/XML messaging
 - Make use of RTPortal and develop additional web parts.
 - Extend system over multiple utilities
 - Extend system to operate with other DG operators.
- Award of Phase II notification due around User Group.



Questions?

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