

# Enabling Sustainable and Reliable Energy Options for Mining Operations

- With Advanced Controls using a PI Data Platform

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# Conference Theme & Keywords



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- New Energy Technologies Applicable for Mining and Metal
- Energy Options for Connected and Remote Mining Sites

# Who is PXiSE Energy Solutions

- PXiSE is a wholly owned Indirect subsidiary of Sempra Energy
- Technology joint-developed by Sempra and OSIsoft, advantaged by an OSIsoft OEM partnership



- Fortune 300 company
- 2017 revenues of approximately \$11B
- 20,000 employees worldwide
- 43 million customers served worldwide

## UTILITIES



### San Diego Gas & Electric

- 3.5 million consumers
- 4,100 sq. mile service territory



### Oncor

- Largest electric transmission & distribution provider in Texas
- 10 million consumers



### Southern California Gas Co

- Largest U.S. gas utility
- 20 million customers
- 20,000 sq. mile service territory



### Latin America Utilities

- Electric utilities in Chile and Peru

## INFRASTRUCTURE



### Sempra LNG & Midstream

- U.S. natural gas infrastructure
- LNG terminals



### IEnova (Mexico)

- Gas Pipelines and Distribution
- Power Generation



### Sempra Renewables

- Renewable energy generation
- Energy storage
- Distributed generation

### PESE

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# Introduction to Speaker



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# Introduction to Speaker



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# What is PXiSE Energy Solutions

**PXiSE**

*Energy Solutions, LLC*

PXiSE offers software-based intelligent energy and electric grid solutions to integrate and control any type and size of energy resource. Beyond the use of only traditional electric measurement data, PXiSE adopts high-speed synchro-phasor measurement data into its solutions, thereby enabling a high percentage of renewables integration and differentiated intelligence to improve asset and grid-wide efficiency and reliability.

## CHALLENGE

Traditional control technology is slow, coordinates resources poorly, and involves longer more complex integration & maintenance

- System instability under more dynamic grid conditions
- Cap on amount of renewables that can be reliably integrated
- Increased fuel consumption for fossil generations
- Increased system Capex & Opex

## SOLUTION

PXiSE ACT: A new GPS-based advanced control solution with built-in PI data platform

- Standardized & distributed high-speed sensors with new insights (PMUs)
- Real-time advanced feedback control, predictive models, and optimization
- Proven data platform (OSIsoft PI)
- Hardware agnostic, fast & simple integration & maintenance

## RESULTS

PXiSE ACT: coordinates any mix of resources precisely & simultaneously at high-speed, enabling optimal electric system efficiency & reliability

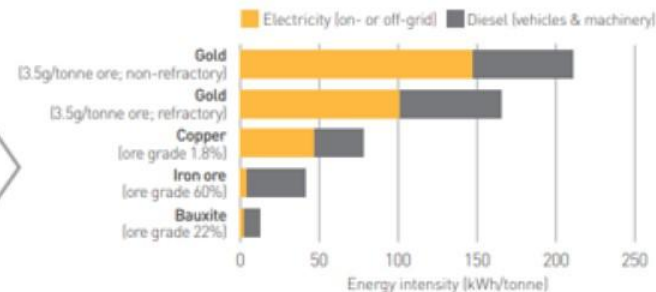
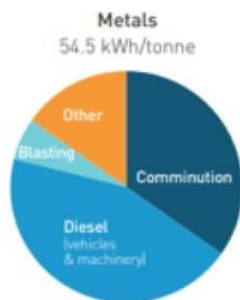
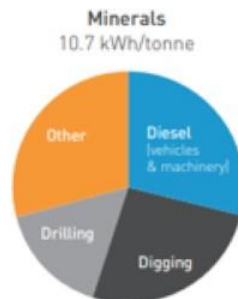
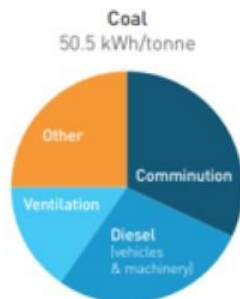
- Enhanced grid stability
- Remove cap on renewables production
- Decreased fuel consumption for fossil generations
- Decreased system Capex & Opex

# Energy and electricity is a big cost driver for the mining industry

## Mining Electric Price Range

- <\$0.10/kWh for grid electricity
- \$0.15/kWh–\$0.30/kWh (after rebates) for electricity derived from off-grid diesel or gas

## Mining Electric Consumption





# Global Trends in Energy Production Significantly Impact Delivery and Use

Adoption of more  
renewable  
resources

- Solar PV
- Wind
- Bio-Fuel
- Geo-Thermal

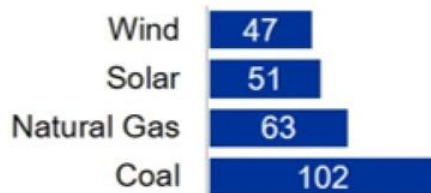
Shift from  
centralized to  
distributed  
resources

- Rooftop Solar
- Energy Storage
- Fuel Cell
- Micro-turbines

# The Clean Energy Transition is Progressing

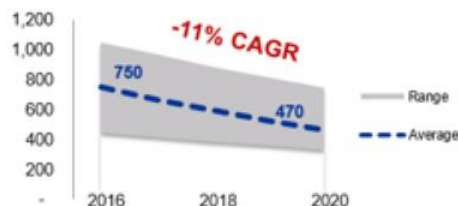
## Renewables Pricing

Unsubsidized Levelized Cost (\$/MWh)<sup>1</sup>



## Battery Cost Trends

Lithium-ion battery install cost (\$/kWh)<sup>2</sup>



## Distributed Generation

- Centralized generation economies-of-scale cost advantage threatened by distributed energy resources (DERs) mass-production economies-of-scale
- Increasingly competitive pricing at point of consumption
- Consumer choice advocacy towards self-generation

## Policy Drivers

- Governments pursuing aggressive RPS standards & renewable targets
- Germany 80% by 2050; CA & Hawaii 100% by 2045; India 175 GW renewable energy target by 2022

# Challenges to Adopting Cleaner & More Distributed Resources

- Limited capabilities of legacy power controls
- Designed for centralized fossil generation, not keeping pace, and inadequate to integrate distributed and renewable resources

Unnecessary High Cost for Asset Owners

Poor System Reliability Performance

1. Slow and **poor utilization & coordination** of energy assets due to limitations of legacy sensor & control technology **leaves value trapped**
2. Traditional control methods **cannot integrate high % of renewables** effectively, forcing a **reliance on fossil fuel** generation and oversizing of assets



# Mining Operations Challenged to Achieve Sustainable and Reliable Energy Use

- Building an energy delivery system to mine sites could be costly , difficult, and take a long time. This impacts project economics in constructing green field and/or expanding existing mines
  - Environmental concerns and long permitting process
  - High cost of construction and reliance on utility supply
- Choices of on-site generation could be limiting
  - Fossil fuel price volatility and logistics have a significant impact on mining viability but are outside the control of most miners
  - Renewables integration and control technology limitations
- No clear alternatives to meet sustainability and green requirements of projects



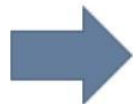
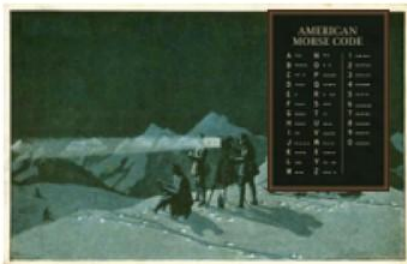
# Current Energy Solutions Are Inadequate

- Most solutions focus on solving narrowly defined problems associated
  - Aggregating energy resource using virtual power plant concept
  - Addressing voltage problems with specific hardware equipment
- A new system thinking and comprehensive solution is needed to address the complex and dynamic changes in a modern grid

# Other Industries Have Adopted GPS-based Solutions

## MILITARY

From Morse Code communication



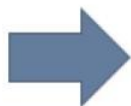
GPS with Enabling Technologies

To a coordinated system with time-synchronized operation of air, land, and sea resources



## TRANSPORTATION

From 1x1 local taxi solution

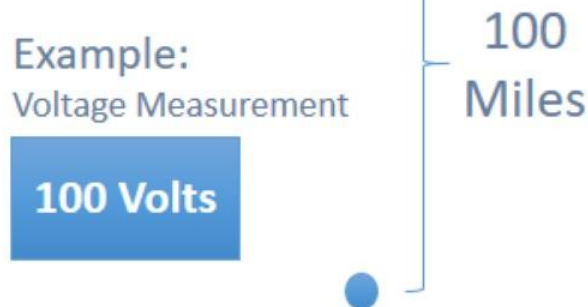


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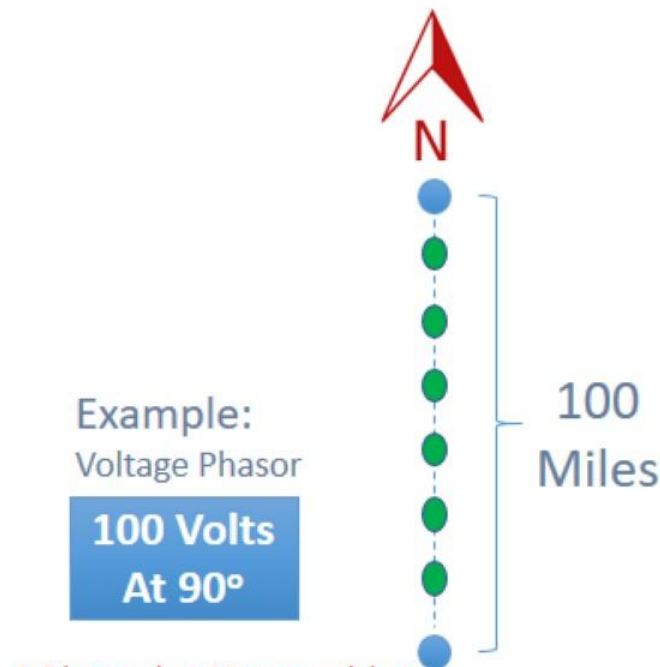
To a system solution for network transportation



## A Magnitude Measurement Has Limited Information



## A GPS-based Vector Measurement Offers More Insights



A Phasor is a Vector with a  
magnitude & direction

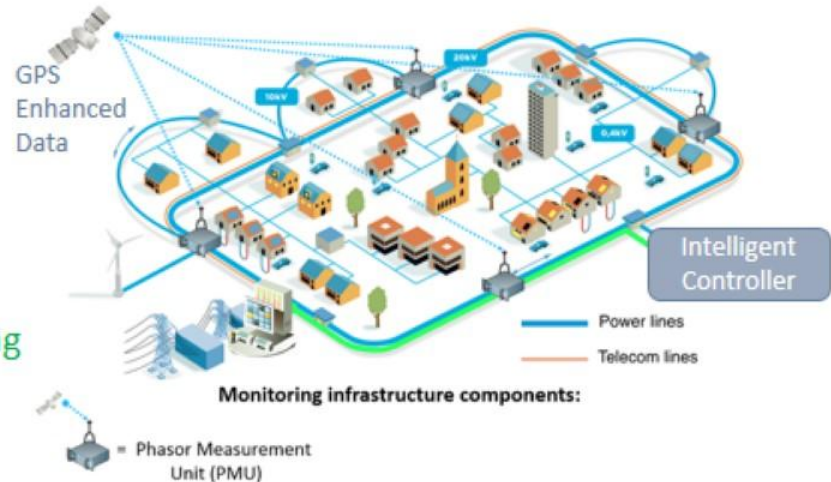
# Electric Grids Can Benefit from GPS-based Solutions

From sub-optimally coordinated generation resources



GPS with Enabling Technologies

To a system solution optimized for any mix of renewables, storage, and conventional resources



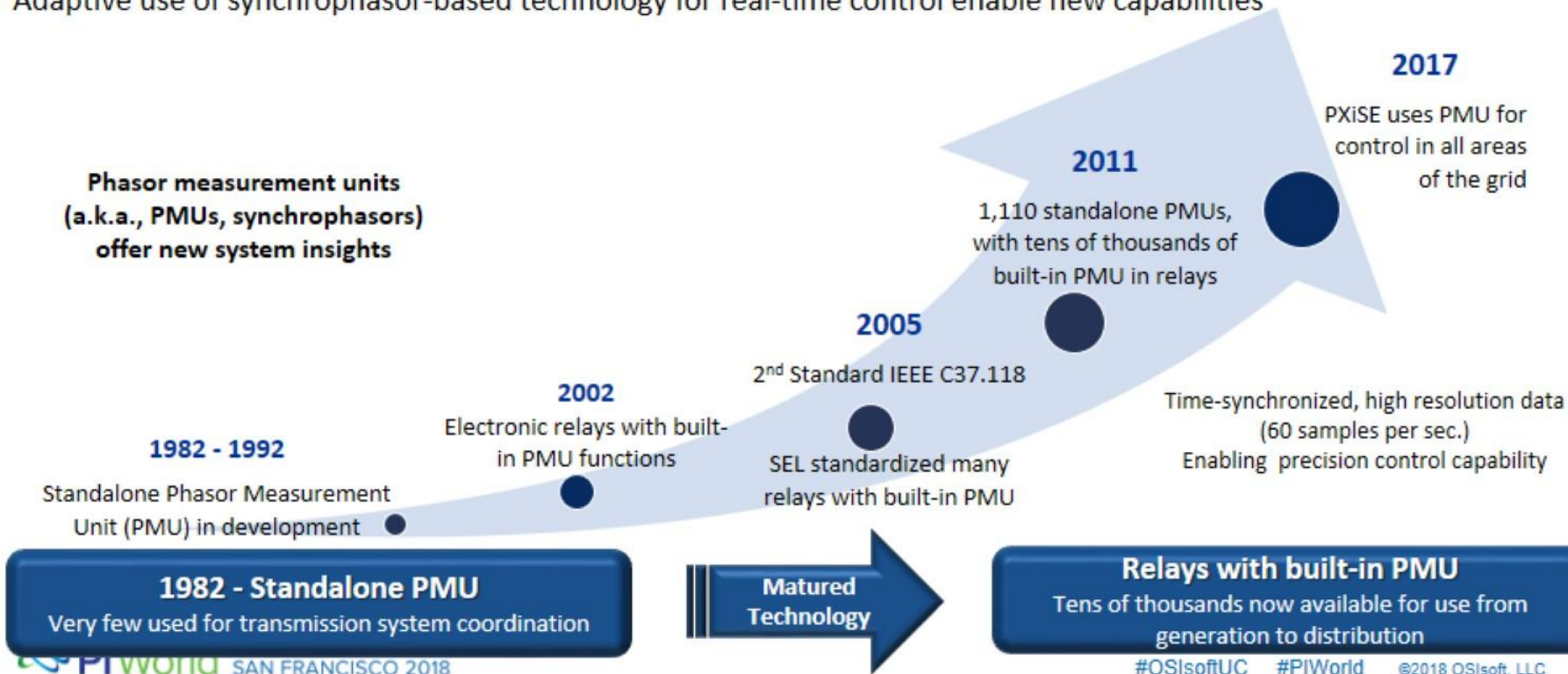
Invented in 1980s



# Why Is GPS-based Electric Grid Technology Possible Now?

## Previously un-tapped data is now available

Adaptive use of synchrophasor-based technology for real-time control enable new capabilities



# Taking Advantages of GPS-based Technology

The solution: Combining Relevant Enabling Technologies

## Innovations

Standardized & Distributed High-Speed Sensors with New Insights  
(Phasor Measurements)



Advanced Feedback Control ,  
Predictive Models, & Optimization  
Tools



## New Capabilities

Solved intermittency problem with  
high % renewables integration



Addressed Coordination of many DERs  
with time-synchronized control

# Creating The Advanced Control Technology (ACT)

Multiple enabling technologies integrated to create new control capabilities not possible before

Application of Modern, Broadly Available PMU Data



Microdyne Model 1500  
Phasor Measurement Unit



Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories  
SEL-421 Protection, Automation, and  
Control System



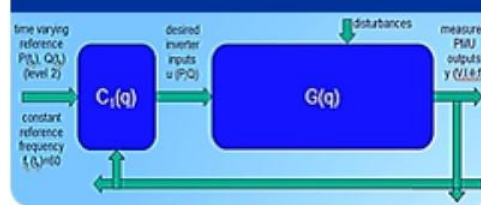
Artel Power Bortini 1133A



ABB Phasor Measurement Unit  
REB-501

Time-synchronized, high resolution, and high-speed data management

Provides New Capabilities Not Possible Before



Provides New Capabilities Not Possible Before

Provides New Insights Not Available Before



Provides New Insights Not Available Before



Embedded OSIssoft PI Data Historian



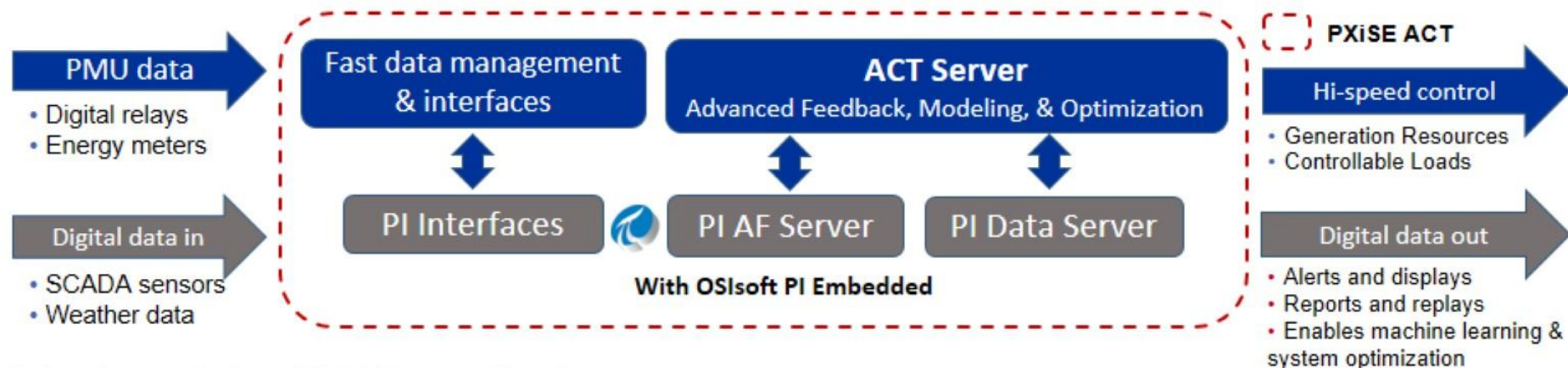
**Advanced Control Technology (ACT)**

\* High-speed data function available in existing substation equipment; phasor measurement units (PMUs) are broadly available today



# Inside the Advanced Control Technology (ACT)

## 1. Integrated on a Proven Data Platform (Function Like an Intelligent High-speed (SCADA))



## 2. Implemented on Field Proven Hardware



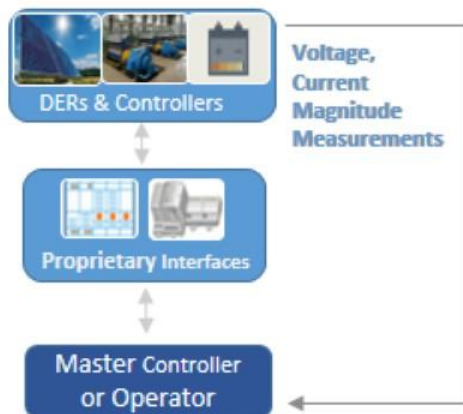
## 3. Software Designed for Fast Field Implementation



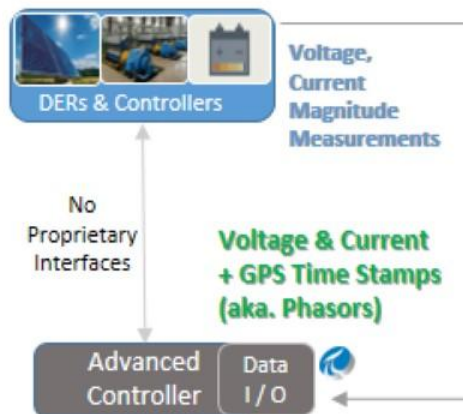
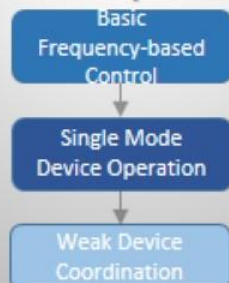
# GPS-based Control Technology Offers Superior Capabilities



**Others Use**  
Magnitude-based Control

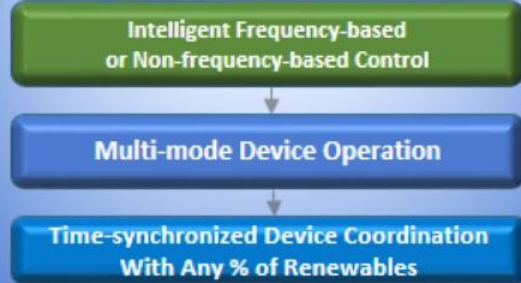


## Control Capabilities



**PXiSE Offers**  
Vector-based Control

## Advanced Control Capabilities



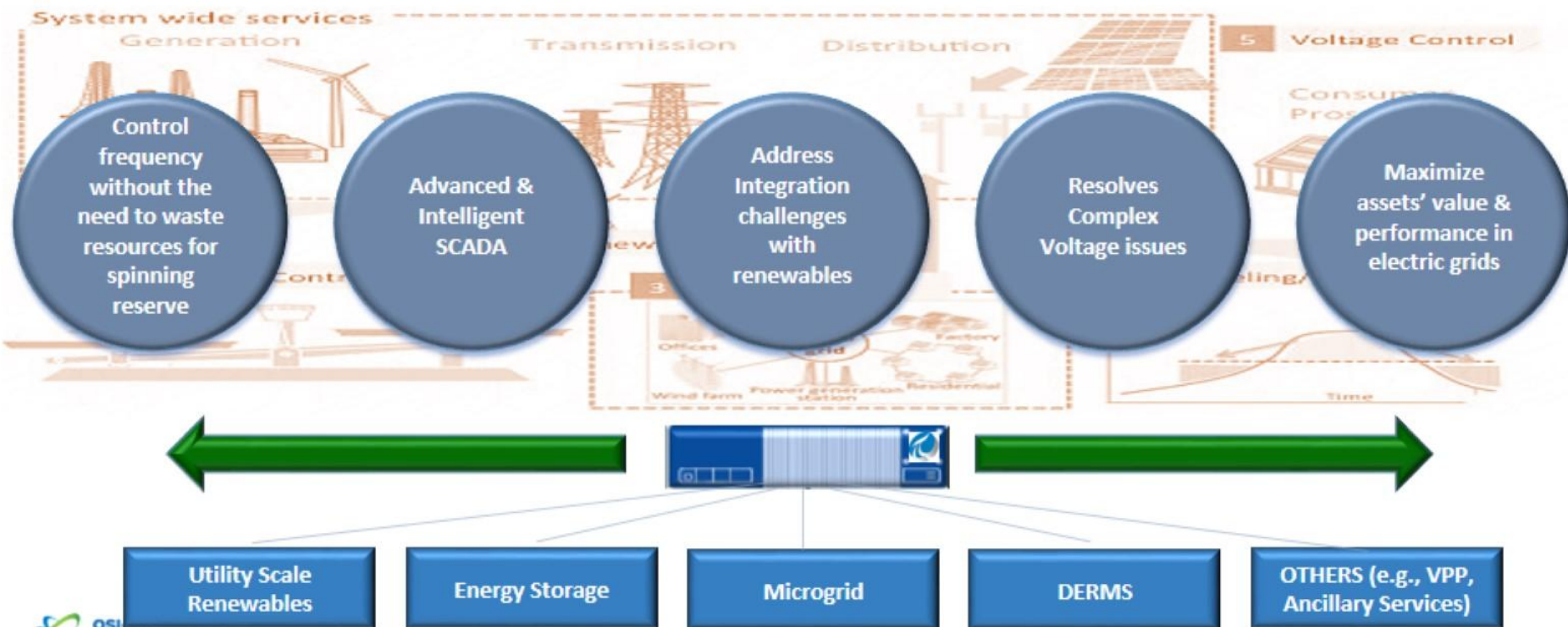
# Key Differentiating Capabilities of ACT

Combines standardized, distributed, high-speed sensors with proprietary power system intelligence to enable precise multi-objective control of energy resources to extract maximum asset value & attain high % renewables penetration

	Advanced Control Technology	Legacy Control
CONTROL CAPABILITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Frequency-based to operate current grid with large inertia</li><li>• Non-Frequency-based to operate dynamic grids with up to 100% renewables</li><li>• Simultaneously precision control of Real &amp; Reactive Power maximizing benefits of an energy asset</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Frequency-based to operate current grid with large inertia</li><li>• Control of Real Power and Reactive Power separately resulting in higher capital and O&amp;M costs in owning additional energy assets</li></ul>
MIXED ASSETS OPTIMIZATION & OPERATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Time-synchronized coordination of a dynamic mix of energy assets to achieve an optimal system level performance</li><li>• Tailored control of energy assets according to its speed and capacity</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Poor coordination of a dynamic mix of energy assets resulting in lower operational efficiency</li></ul>

# Broad Applications in the Electric Grid

Precisely coordinates and synchronizes the control of many energy assets from utility system to end-use



# ACT-Enabled Energy Storage Has Differentiation Capabilities



## Real & Reactive Power Optimization

- Power Balancing and Ancillary Services
- Mitigate Volatility of Renewable Energy
- High-power Output Shaping

## Real & Reactive Energy Optimization

- Bulk Storage / Energy Shifting
- Power Factor Management
- Predicted Energy Schedule

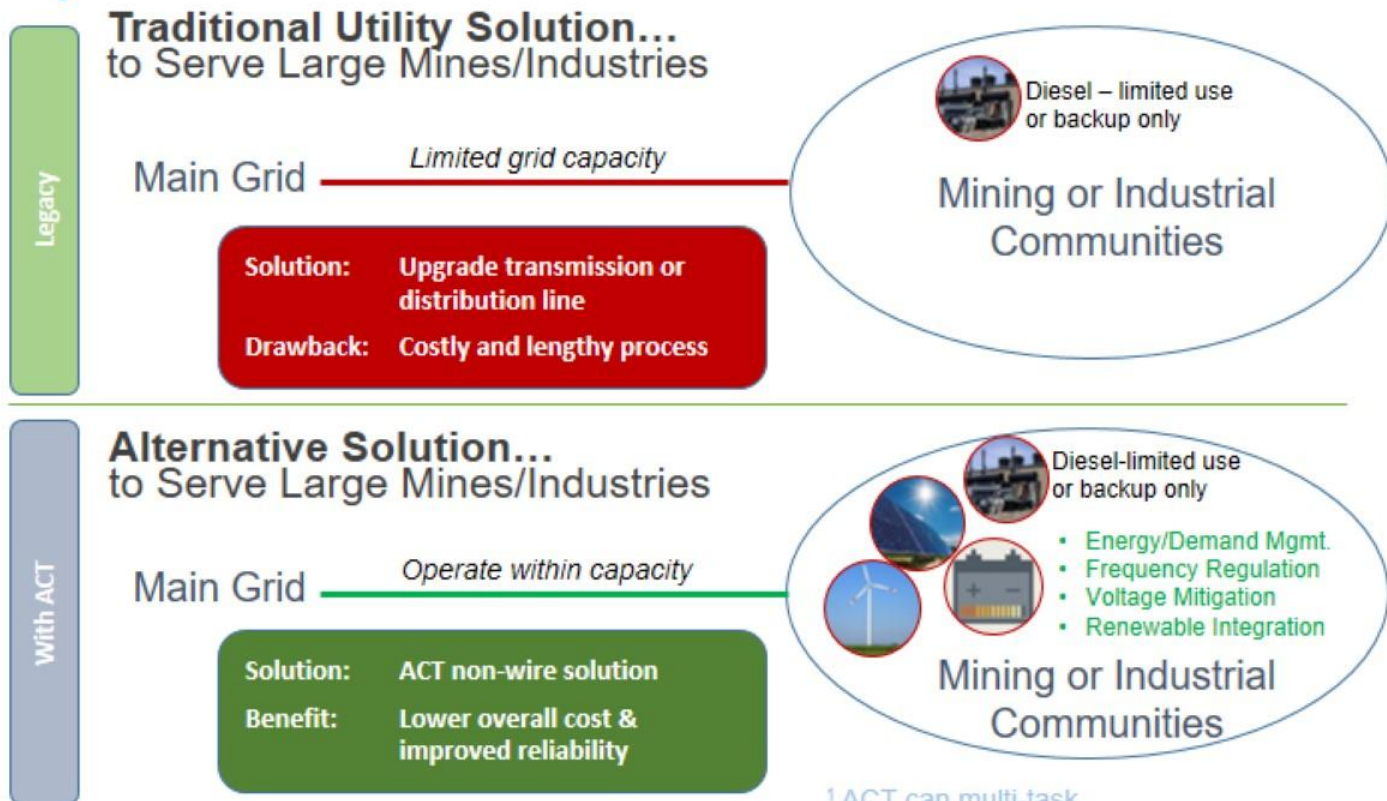
ACT- enabled storage has  
full-time Multi-mode  
Optimization and  
Operation



# ACT Enables Maximum Value of Energy Storage in Mining & Metal Operations

DER electricity sales	DER energy market participation (aggregation)	INCOME OPPORTUNITY
Demand response	Demand response participation	
Energy market services	Access regulation and frequency markets	
Surplus sales	Revenue from excess green electricity	
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Demand reduction	Reduce demand charge and energy cost through real-time optimization of energy storage to lower energy bill	COST AND RELIABILITY BENEFITS
TOU energy shifting		
PF Penalty Avoidance	Manage Power Factor to avoid penalties	
Power Quality	Mitigate intermittency from renewables & operations	
Service Reliability	Seamless islanding and reconnection to main grid to enhance reliability	

# An Alternative Solution to Serve a **Connected** Mining or Industrial Community



<sup>1</sup> ACT can multi-task

# An Alternative Solution to Serve a **Remote** Mining or Industrial Community

Traditional

## Traditional Solution... to Serve Remote Mines/Industries

- Solution:** Fossil fuel electric generation with small % of renewables
- Drawback:** Costly and limited reliability due to poor control performance



Integrate up to 30% of renewable generations



Diesel – many operating and backup units to provide electric supply

Remote Mining or Industrial Communities

With ACT

## Alternative Solution... to Serve Remote Mines/Industries

- Solution:** ACT microgrid solution
- Benefit:** Achieve lowest cost of energy production, maximize low-cost renewables, minimize fossil fuel and emission; high reliability with fast battery to regulate grid



Diesel – limited use or backup only



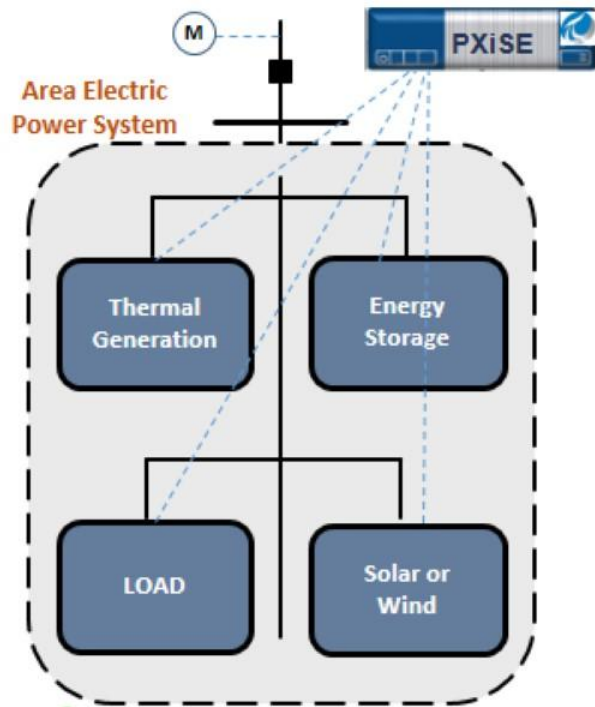
- Maximize low cost renewables
- Improve reliability

Remote Mining or Industrial Communities

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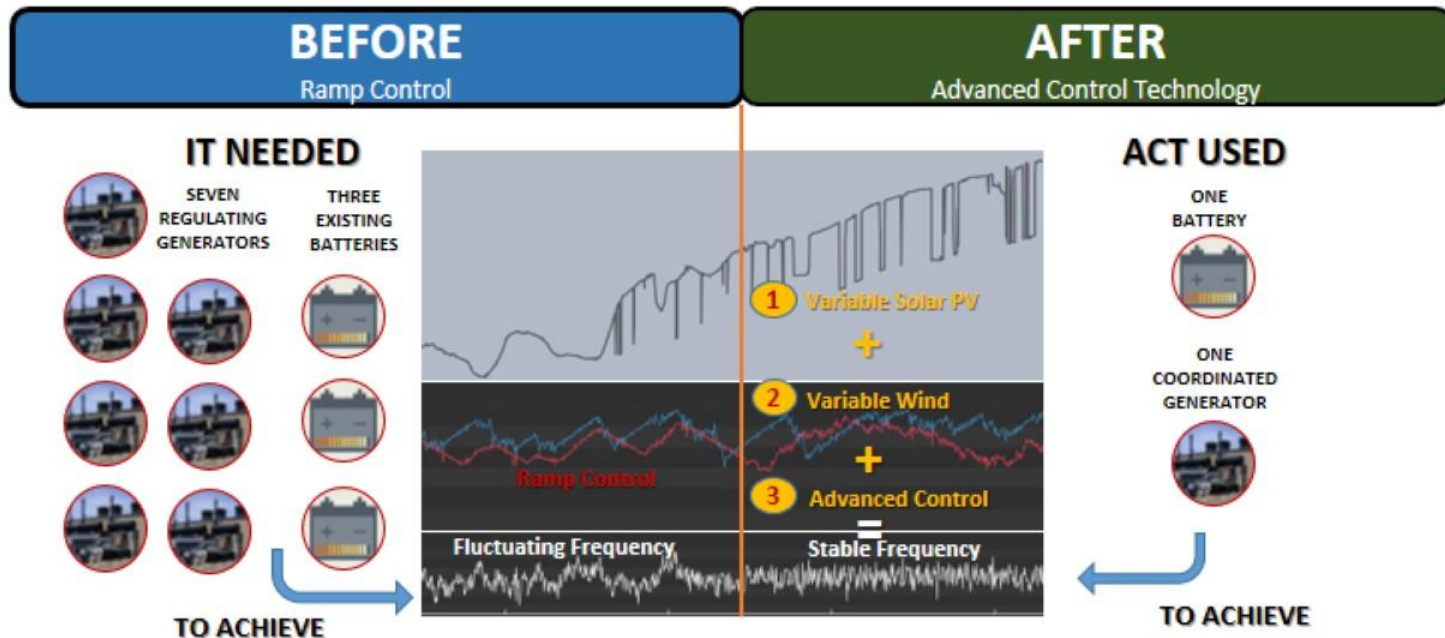
# ACT Enables Mining Microgrids with 4 Levels of Control to Achieve Maximum Assets Value



Grid-Interactive	Area Electric Power System Control, Electricity Markets, DMS Interaction, Distribution System Interaction, SCADA Functions
Supervisory EMS	Generation and Load Dispatch, Optimization (Voltage Profile, Economic), Spinning Reserve, Reconfiguration, Black Start, Protection Coordination, Forecasting, Data Management and Visualization
Local Area	Load Management, Energy Management, Automatic Generation Control, Fast Load Shedding, Disconnection, Resynchronization
Device Level	Voltage/Frequency Control, Current/Power Control, Reactive Power Control, Generation Control, Load Control, Energy Storage Control, Islanding Detection, Fault Detection and Protection



# Demonstrated Operational Value with ACT + Battery



## Value to a Remote Grid:

1. Reduce generator capital, O&M, and fuel costs
2. Enable an increase of renewable mix to lower energy cost

# Remote Mine Sites Opportunities with ACT + Battery to Optimize Power Generation

## BEFORE

Traditional Control



- A mix of generators at a remote mine site running with a spinning reserve

## AFTER

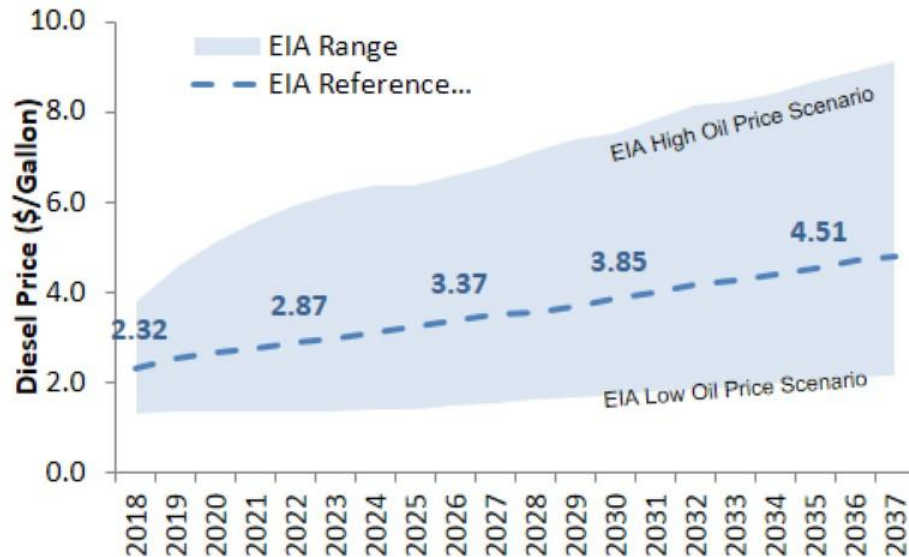
Advanced Frequency Control



- ACT+Battery enable lower performance generators on-site to be on stand-by
- Maximize generators loading with higher operating efficiency
- Lower fuel use overall
- Lower O&M costs of generators

# Diesel Fuel Price

Fuel prices increasing and becoming more volatile<sup>1</sup>



Electricity Cost =  
\$0.25 – \$0.35 per KWh

Fuel price volatility leads to electric rate volatility which is a significant pain point for isolated electric grids

# Case Study of a 25MW Peak Load Isolated Grid Depended Primarily on Diesel Generation

## ACT + Small Battery Value Streams

- Peak shaving
- Grid balancing
  - Frequency Regulation
  - Spinning reserve
- Power quality management
- Optimal resource dispatch

## Grid Operating Performance

- 5% heat rate improvement = ~535,000 gallons of fuel saved a year
- 15% reduction in run hours on diesel generation units = ~10,000 less run hours a year
- Enhanced grid stability

## Economic Benefits

### Reduced fuel cost

- Year 1 = ~\$1.25M
- 15yr Avg = ~\$1.7M/yr
- Decrease exposure to fuel price volatility

### O&M Savings

- ~\$0.2M/yr

### More efficient capital allocation



# Advanced GPS-base Control Offers Sustainable and Reliable Energy Options for Mining Operations



Achieve Corporate Sustainability and Green Objectives



Implement cost effective energy solutions in urban & remote sites



Balance project site selection, energy choices, & time to market objectives

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