

Grid Planning for Vehicle Electrification

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Project Objective

Develop, evolve, and standardize best practices and next steps for power system planning with respect to vehicle electrification. Emphasis on distribution planning, while considering the bulk power system & operational impacts.

Task Force Members

Consortium of grid planners, utilities, researchers, vehicle manufacturers, charging operators, fleet owners, etc.

Outcomes & Key Questions

1. Forecasting Electrified Future

- Adoption rates, fleets impact, pace of change in electrification and T&D investments

2. Locational Aspects

- Where should EV charging take place? Gas Station model?
- “No Regrets” approaches to electrification that also ensure asset utilization

3. Temporal Aspects

- Integrating charging timing and flexibility of EV’s into planning
- Planning on the influence of price signals, software, and hardware controls

4. Prioritized Industry Needs within a Holistic Electrification Framework

- Reference Framework for the broad electrification planning considerations
- What gaps do we need to fill today? Are there blind spots likely to cause problems?

Project Timeline & Deliverables

Special task force sessions scheduled from November 2022 – September 2023 concluding with whitepaper and webinar of key insights

Find out More

<https://www.esig.energy/distributed-energy-resources-der-working-group/>

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Key Messages from the EV Task Force

Whitepaper expected in September



- EV's represent the **largest change in load in a generation** and will affect all layers of the power grid
 - There is tremendous **uncertainty** in the evolution of this technology, its use cases, and customer behavior. (Also uncertainty in adoption but that goes for any DER)
 - There is also the **potential** for tremendous benefits from this technology (emissions reduction in transportation, controllable loads, V2G)
- The power system industry needs to **start moving towards**:
 - **Proactive grid investment** approaches that can enable faster interconnections and reduce repeated upgrades to the same locations
 - **Load management** approaches that can utilize existing infrastructure more efficiently
 - **Better data** to better understand use cases, locational needs, and customer response to programs/pricing,
 - **Coordinated planning** approaches across all layers of the modern grid (G & T & D & premise & IT & policy & regulatory)

A Tidal Wave of Uncertain Shapes

