



# The Role of Standards in Grid Integration of Renewables

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# Topics

Standards development  
Challenges, gaps and opportunities  
Standards harmonization  
Renewable generation impact





# Renewable Generation Standards and Codes Development & Harmonization

# Utility and Operator Perspectives

- Standards & codes have significant impact on power system reliability, operations and control
- Standards & codes affect the level of renewable energy penetration in the power system
- Standards & codes affect the **cost** of operation and the final **cost** of energy (COE) to consumers
- Individual Systems have particular requirements



# Manufacturer and Developer Perspectives

- Standards & codes affect the level of renewable energy penetration in the power system
- Standards & codes affect the **cost** of wind power equipment
- Transmission operators need feedback to develop realistic codes based on current and physically realizable technology
- Perceived system specific requirements may, in some circumstances, be primarily a function of past practice rather than true system needs



# Development of Standards & Codes

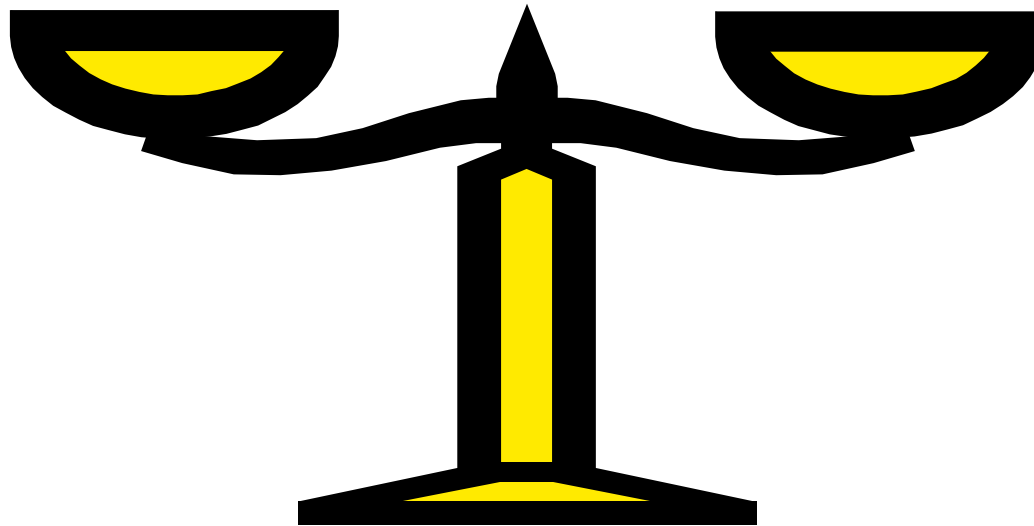
## Tight

More expensive equipment

Reduced efficiency

## Loose

Compromised System Reliability



## Grid Code Functional Specifications

*Requirements should be no more specific than they need to be to avoid over-designed equipment and reduced efficiency, but should be specific enough for adequate system reliability.*



# Global Renewable Electrical Codes and Standards Development

## North America

California ISO Interconnection Requirements for Variable Energy Resources, Rule 21

ISO-NE, ERCOT & PJM Technical Requirements for Wind Interconnection & Integration

Canadian Requirements for Wind Interconnection (Alberta, Ontario, HQ, BC Hydro)

FERC 661/661a Requirements, NOPR on Voltage & Reactive Power, NOI on Frequency Response

NERC Standards Drafting and Task Forces (100 regulatory standards, 130 parts, 2303 pages)

- Integration of Variable Generation Task Force (**IVGTF**) **2007-2013**
- Essential Reliability Services Task Force (**ERSTF**) / Essential Reliability Services Working Group (**ERSWG**) **2014+**
- Generator Verification Standards Drafting Team (**GVSDT**) **2007-2014**

FERC mandates that all new reliability standards address all technologies

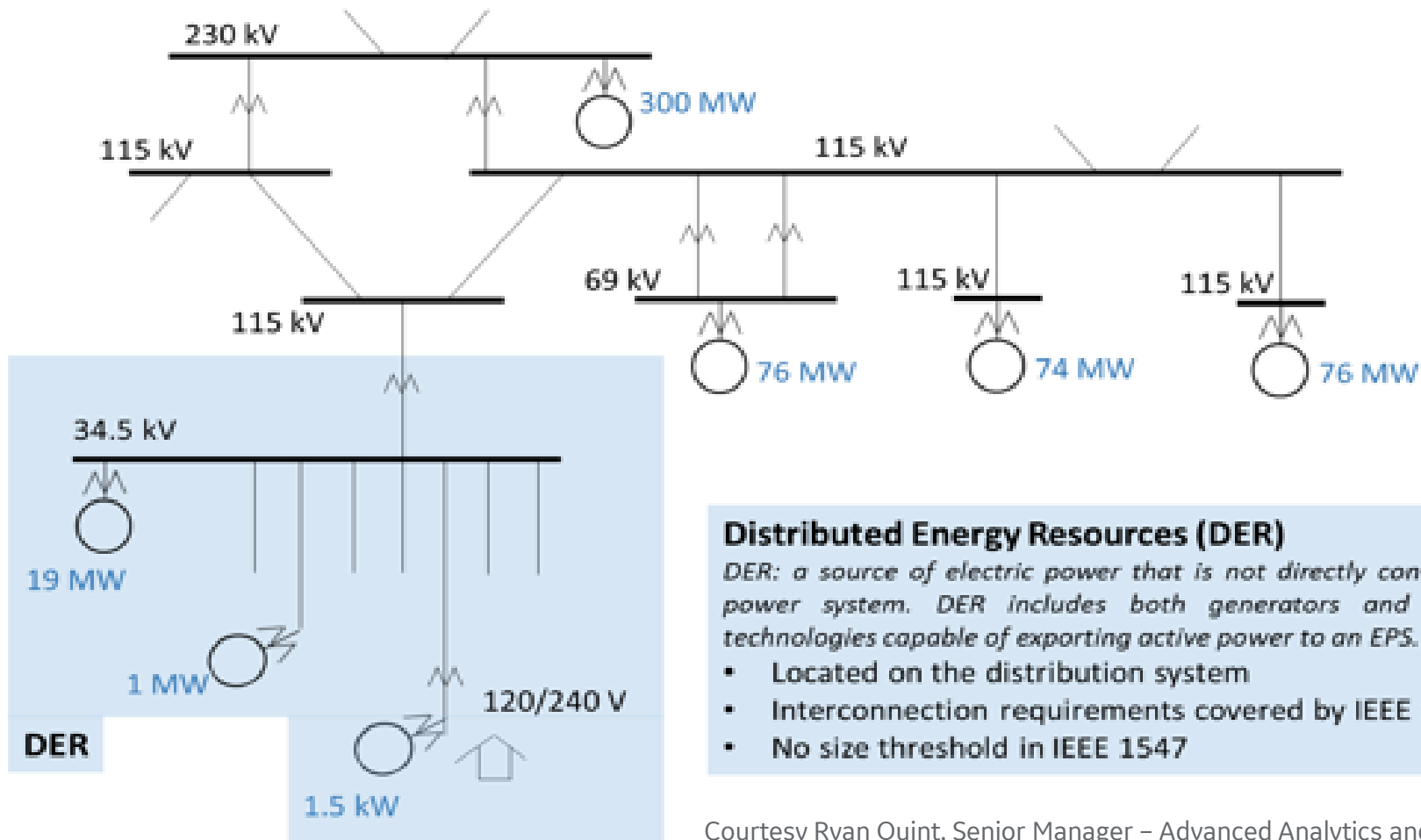
## International

- IEC TC88/WG27 on Wind Models
- IEC TC8/SC8A on Wind performance, interconnection, design and forecasting
- Chinese State Power Grid Technical Code for Wind Interconnection
- Vietnamese Interconnection Requirements for Wind Generation
- Indian CERC Electricity Grid Code for Wind
- German FGH Technical Guidelines for Wind Energy
- Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO) Guidelines for Wind Energy
- Kazakhstan Energy Ministry / KEGOK Strategic Energy Plan





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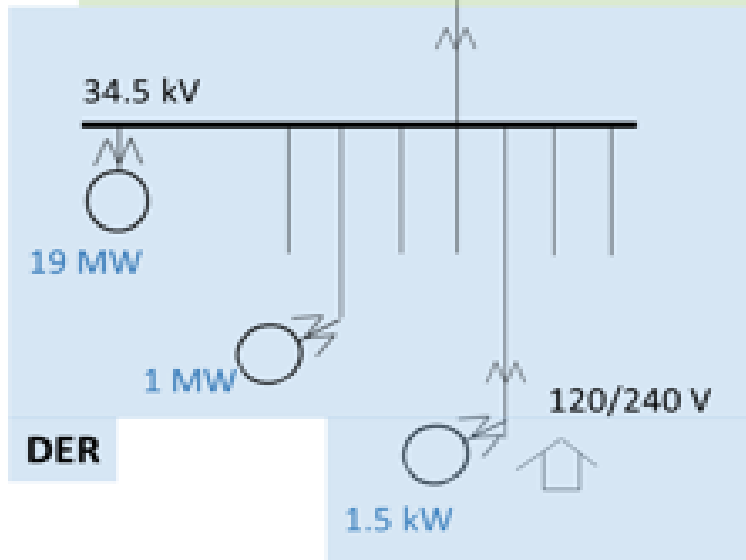
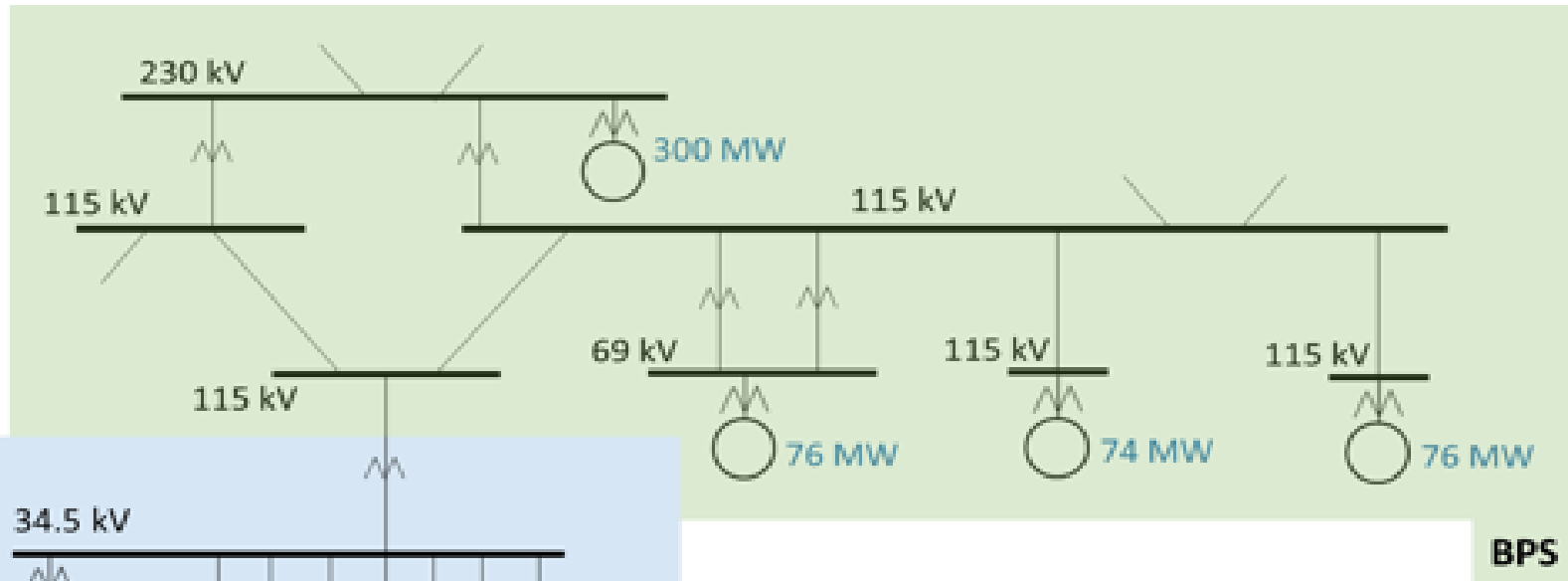


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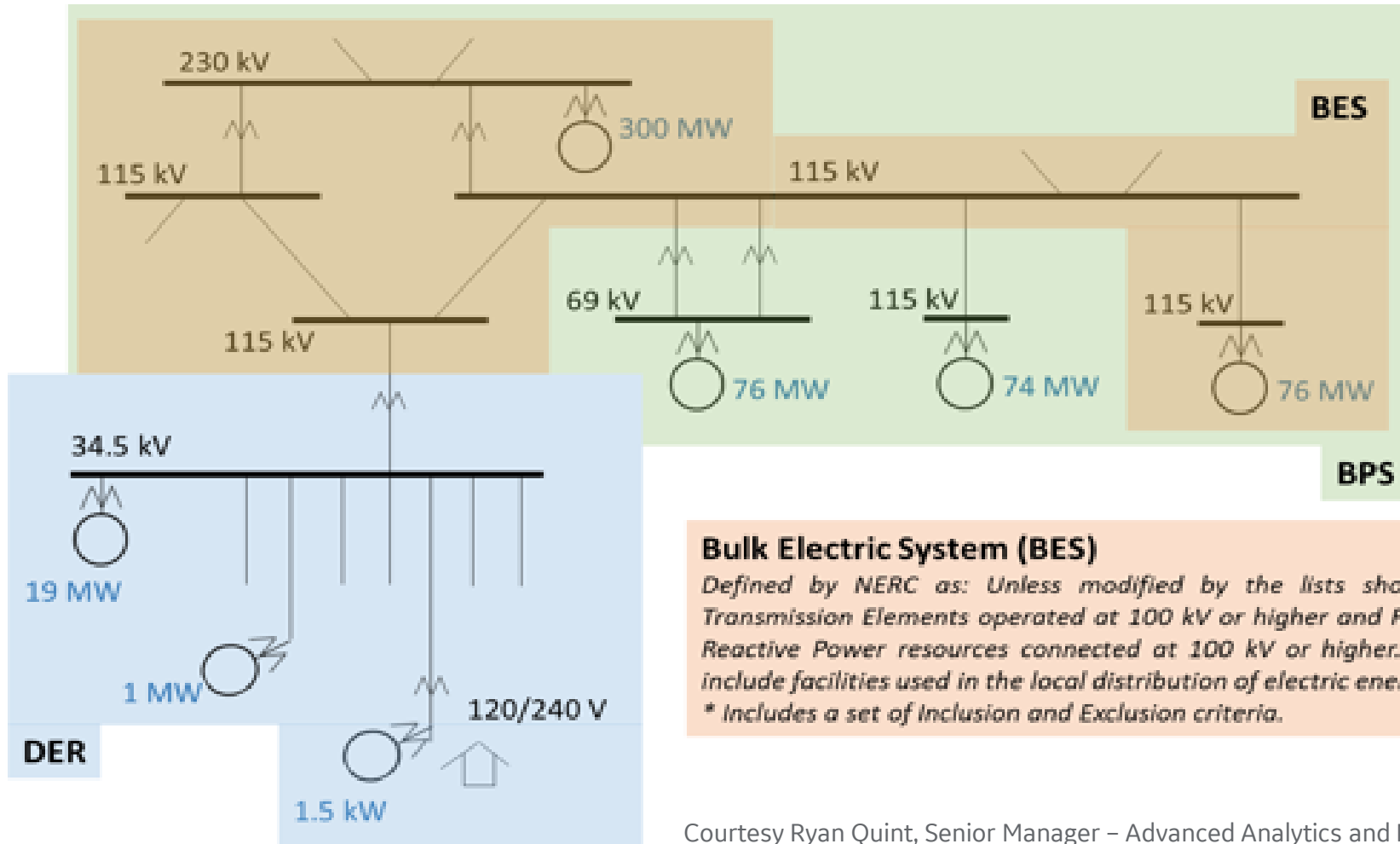
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**Bulk Electric System (BES)**

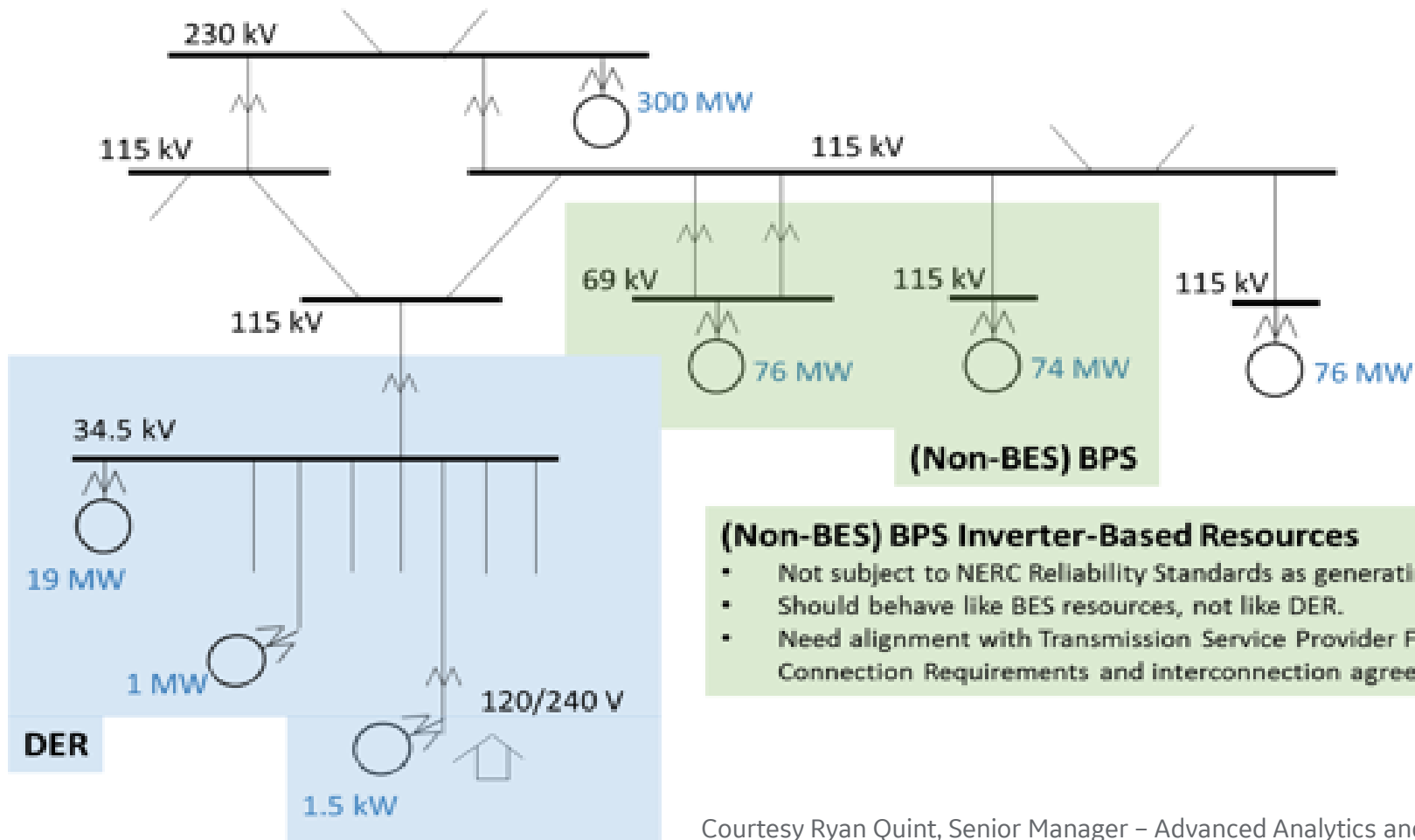
*Defined by NERC as: Unless modified by the lists shown below, all Transmission Elements operated at 100 kV or higher and Real Power and Reactive Power resources connected at 100 kV or higher. This does not include facilities used in the local distribution of electric energy.*

*\* Includes a set of Inclusion and Exclusion criteria.*

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# DER Standards Issues

IEEE 1547 historically required a distributed generator to:

- Never regulate the feeder voltage
- Trip immediately for a grid disturbance
- Avoid islanding, by some means

Furthermore, UL 1741 historically required:

- A built-in anti-islanding detection
- Inherently excludes a direct transfer trip approach
  - DTT more suitable for a large utility scale plant

However

- IEEE standards are not reliability standards
- Utility within purview to wave requirements (sometimes)



# DER Standards Issues

IEEE 1547 now *requires* a distributed generator to:

- Have the capability to regulate voltage, reactive power and pf
- Have the capability to adjust power during frequency events
- Have the capability to ride through disturbances under certain conditions and trip in other conditions

These started as EQUIPMENT STANDARDS (much like IEC) that were originally not meant to address bulk electric system reliability.

However, these EQUIPMENT STANDARDS certainly influence system reliability. The drafting team spent much effort reshaping them into PERFORMANCE standards suitable for reference in INTERCONNECTION REQUIREMENTS.

In turn, the RELIABILITY STANDARDS also influence equipment design & performance but do not always apply to DER.

**HARMONIZATION AND AWARENESS IS CRITICAL!!!!**



# IEC TC8 SC8A Grid Interconnection of Wind and Solar Power Plants



# IEC TC8 SC8A Scope

- Development of **technical reports, technical specifications and international standards** for grid integration of variable power generation from renewables such as **PV solar and wind energy**
- SC 8A focuses on the **systemic impact of a high percentage of renewables** connected to the grid, considering that their variability and predictability

## Activities and WG

- WG1 Terms and Definitions
- WG2 Renewable Energy Forecasting
- AHG3 Roadmap for Renewable Energy Integration
- JWG4 Grid code compliance assessment for RE
- JWG5 Roadmap Implementation





# IEC TC8 SC8A AHG3 Roadmap

## Weak Grid and Special Application Issues

5.1 Weak AC system connection and inverter control stability (performance, modeling, testing, Composite Short Circuit Ratio (CSCR) screening) and short circuit ratio (SCR) is a metric to represent the voltage stiffness of a grid

5.4 Special Application issues and analysis: Super and Sub-Synchronous Control Interaction, power system damping

## Plant Level Coordination Issues

5.3 Plant-level Interaction Coordination with other plants and FACTS devices, HVDC

5.7 Coordination, utilization and performance of electrical Balance of Plant (eBOP) equipment (STATCOM, SVC, Capacitors, Reactors, storage)

5.8 Plant-level coordination of SCADA communications (for regulation, curtailment, forecasting) include TC57

5.11 Voltage/Reactive support during no wind/sun, zero active power voltage regulation



# IEC TC8 SC8A AHG3 Roadmap

## Voltage and Frequency Control Issues

5.5 Voltage and Frequency control and ride through regarding unbalanced operating conditions (negative sequence)

5.6 Frequency ride through (under/over, RoCoF, Performance and Testing)

5.9 Fast Fault current injection control (active and reactive)

5.10 Fast Frequency Response (i.e. Virtual Synchronous Inertia, Synthetic Inertia, Inertial response) performance, testing, modeling, coordination and monitoring

5.12 International Standard on high fidelity fault recording for all power plants





# Renewables Impact

- Renewables technology is rapidly evolving to support the grid voltage and frequency under normal operation and during disturbances
  - Voltage Regulation, ZVRT/HVRT, PFR, FFR, Ramping, etc.
- Renewables is MAINSTREAM.
- As renewable gen grows, this drives the need for flexibility from non-renewable gen (gas, hydro, coal, CSP)
  - New capability, requirements and incentives for ramping/balancing from non-renewables
  - New capability, requirements and incentives for frequency support during disturbances from non-renewables
- Drives overall resiliency UP, integration costs DOWN
- Promotes higher penetration of renewables and clean flexible non-renewable generation

Standards will play a more significant role in renewable integration going forward



# Summary

- Standards have a unique role to play to maintain reliability and cost effectiveness all generation technologies
- Many ongoing standards drafting activities impact the generation mix, cost of integration and operation
- More work needs to be done to tackle the jurisdictional gaps related to growing DER that are not captured by existing reliability standards
- Many parallel standards activities around the globe continue to push functional capability and harmonization of these standards
- Standards play a significant role to drive renewable system integration and it is critical to have experts contribute to drafting efforts





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