

## **D-FACTS & Smart Wire Technology**



#### Power flow control for the Grid

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Applications:

overload protection, congestion relief, increase in ATC, participation in RAS/SPS, etc.



Objective:	Control power flow	
Inputs:	Line current or %X change	
Hardware:	Distributed Series Reactor (+L)	in use
	Distributed Series Compensator (+/-L)	in development
	Network Interface Bridge (NIB)	in use
Software:	Control Agent (resides in NIB)	in use
	System Manager (standalone server base	ed) in use for pilot projects
	Flow Director (integrated with EMS)	in development
Results:	Power flow control on EACH phase	in use
Monitor:	Line current, frequency, fault current	in use
	Conductor temperature	in use
	Sag, vibration, ambient temperature	in development

# **Configuration Example**



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### **Distributed Series Reactor (DSR)**



- Life: 20+ year life; zero maintenance
- Install: de-energized or live line
- Fault current: sense within 5  $\mu$ s, then automatic transition from injection to monitoring mode in 5 ms.
- No corona at operating voltage
- Environmental: Resistant to salt fog, Aeolian vibration, ice buildup, thermal cycling
- Conductor impact: No mechanical or thermal conductor degradation
- Lightning Strike: tested to line BIL
- Wind loading: up to 150 mph
- Communications: Module to ground or SCADA link as specified by owner.

#### 50 $\mu$ H per module per mile changes typical 138 kV conductor impedance by roughly 2%



## **DSR Characteristics 750A design**



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- 7 min per module
- de-energized or live line
- Self diagnostics/remote testing



TVA Lineman: "One of the easiest things I have installed..."



# PowerWorld Simulator D-FACTS Example

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nIPhUiS8rYg&feature=plcp

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#### DSRs contribution to Remedial Action Scheme (RAS)



Scenario (DSR and ckt count are cumulative)	Generation Not tripped (MW)	Curtailable Load Not tripped (MW)	Total Capacity Preserved (MW)	Non-interrelated overloads (%)
1 – 111 DSRs 1 circuit	671	0	671	<u>1.2</u> Total 1.2
2 – 651 DSRs 3 ckts	671	530	1201	6.4 <u>0.6</u> Total 7.0
3 – 1341 DSRs 5 ckts	671	871	1542	9.9 <u>3.4</u> Total 14.5
4 – 2013 DSRs 9 ckts	671	1039	1710	0.6 11.4 9.9 <u>4.6</u> Total 26.5



Pilot program phase balancing results







# Applications – N-1 overload (congestion)

w/o DSRs

Congestion issue: off cost re-dispatch

with DSRs 10% change in X (60 modules per phase)



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- **Exercise:** 2012 summer peak planning case (not an operational case)
- Focus: East coast RTO area with total of 3000 modules placed on 6 lines
- **OPF Solution: 1.4% reduction in Final Total Cost Value**

6.1% reduction in Average Bus Marginal Cost



TBD: To which extent the Smart Wire Technology can reduce energy cost...



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