Auxiliary File Format for Simulator 10.0

- 1. Describes the DATA section used for input/output of data
- 2. Describes the SCRIPT section for using in writing batch commands



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Introduction

PowerWorld has incorporated the ability to import data to/from data sources other than power flow models into PowerWorld Simulator. The text file interface for exchanging data, as well as for executing a batch script command, is represented by the auxiliary files. The script language and auxiliary data formats are incorporated together. This format is described in this document.

Script/Data files are called *auxiliary files* in Simulator. An auxiliary file may be comprised of one or more *DATA or SCRIPT sections*. A DATA section provides specific data for a specific type of object. A SCRIPT section provides a list of script actions for Simulator to perform. These sections have the following format:

```
SCRIPT ScriptName1
{
    script_statement_1;
    ...
    script_statement_n;
}

DATA DataName1(object_type, [list_of_fields], file_type_specifier)
{
    data_list_1
    ...
    data_list_n
}

DATA DataName2(object_type, [list_of_fields], file_type_specifier)
{
    data_list_1
    ...
    data_list_1
    ...
    data_list_n
}

SCRIPT ScriptName2
{
    script_statement_1;
    ...
    script_statement_n;
}
```

Note that the keywords SCRIPT or DATA must occur at the start of a text file line. Auxiliary files may contain more than one DATA and/or SCRIPT section. These sections always begin with the keyword DATA or SCRIPT. DATA sections are followed by an argument list enclosed in (). The actual data or script commands are then contained within curly braces { }. The Script commands available in Simulator 10.0 are described in the next main section. The DATA sections are then described after this.

SCRIPT Section

```
SCRIPT ScriptName
{
    script_statement_1;
        .
    script_statement_n;
}
```

Scripts may optionally contain a ScriptName. This enables you to call a particular SCRIPT by using the LoadScript action (see General Actions). After the optional name, the SCRIPT section begins with a left curly brace and ends with a right curly brace. Inside of this, script statements can be given. In general, a script statement has the following format

```
Keyword(arg1, arg2, ...);
```

- Statement starts with a keyword.
- The keyword is followed by an argument list which is encompassed in parentheses ().
- The arguments are separated by commas.
- If an single argument is a list of things, this list is encompassed by braces []. (eg. SetData
- Statements end with a semicolon.
- Statements may take up several lines of the text file.
- You may put more than one statement on a single text line.

Those familiar with using Simulator will know that there is a RUN and EDIT mode in Simulator. Some features in Simulator are only available in one mode or the other. This functionality will be preserved in the script language, but additionally a feature called a "submode" will be used.

Submodes limit what script commands can be called. Only those commands available to the submode can be executed. To switch sumbodes, use the EnterMode (mode, submode) script command.

You will always be in one of the submodes when executing a script. By default, when a script is initially started, you will be placed in the RUN, POWERFLOW submode.

General Actions

Generic Data Actions

Available to you regardless of the Mode or SubMode

```
RenameFile
             ("oldfilename", "newfilename");
             ("oldfilename", "newfilename");
CopyFile
DeleteFile
             ("filename");
LoadAux
             ("filename", CreateIfNotFound);
LoadScript
             ("filename", ScriptName);
LoadData
             ("filename", DataName, CreateIfNotFound);
SelectAll
             (objecttype, filter);
UnSelectAll
             (objecttype, filter);
Delete
              (objecttype, filter);
             ("filename", filetype, objecttype, [fieldlist], [subdatalist], filter);
SaveData
SetData
              (objecttype, [fieldlist], [valuelist], filter);
CreateData
             (objecttype, [fieldlist], [valuelist]);
             (objecttype, [fieldlist], [valuelist], filter); (NOT AVAILABLE YET)
ChangeData
```

RenameFile("oldfilename", "newfilename");

Use this action to rename a file from within a script.

"oldfilename": the present file name.
"newfilename": the new file name desired.

CopyFile("oldfilename", "newfilename");

Use this action to copy a file from within a script.

"oldfilename" : the present file name.
"newfilename" : the new file name desired.

DeleteFile("filename");

Use this action to delete a file from within a script.

"filename" : the file name to delete.

LoadAux("filename", CreatelfNotFound);

Use this action to load another auxiliary file from within a script.

"filename" : The filename of the auxiliary file being loaded.

CreateIfNotFound : Set to YES or NO. YES means that objects which can not be found will be

created while reading in DATA sections from filename.

LoadScript("filename", ScriptName);

Use this action to load a named Script Section from another auxiliary file. This will open the auxiliary file denoted by "filename", but will only execute the script section specified.

"filename" : The filename of the auxiliary file being loaded.

ScriptName : The specific ScriptName from the auxiliary file which should be loaded.

LoadData("filename", DataName, CreatelfNotFound);

Use this action to load a named Script Section from another auxiliary file. This will open the auxiliary file denoted by "filename", but will only execute the script section specified.

"filename" : The filename of the auxiliary file being loaded.

DataName : The specific ScriptName from the auxiliary file which should be loaded.

CreateIfNotFound : Set to YES or NO. YES means that objects which can not be found will be

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created while reading in DATA sections from filename. If this parameter is not

specified, then NO is assumed.

SelectAll(objecttype, filter);

Use this to set the *Selected* property of objects of a particular type to true. A filter may optionally be specified to only set this property for objects which meet a filter.

objecttype : the objecttype being selected filter : There are three options for the filter:

SelectAll(objecttype); : No filter specified means to select all objects of this type. SelectAll(objecttype, "filtername"); : "filtername" means select those that meet the filter

SelectAll(objecttype, AREAZONE); : AREAZONE means select those that meet the area/zone filters

UnSelectAll(objecttype, filter);

Same as SelectAll, but this action sets the selectected properties to false.

Delete(objecttype, filter);

Use this delete objects of a particular type. A filter may optionally be specified to only delete object which meet a filter.

objecttype : the objecttype being selected filter : There are four options for the filter:

Delete(objecttype); : No filter specified means to delete all objects of this type.

Delete(objecttype, "filtername"); : "filtername" means delete those that meet the filter

Delete(objecttype, AREAZONE); : AREAZONE means delete those that meet the area/zone

filters

Delete(objecttype, SELECTED); : SELECTED means delete those objects that have their

Selected field set to YES.

SaveData("filename", filetype, objecttype, [fieldlist], [subdatalist], filter);

Use this action to save data in a custom defined format. A filter may optionally be specified to save only object which meet a filter.

"filename" : The file to save the data to

filetype : AUX (or AUXCSV) – save as a space-delimited (or comma-delimited) auxiliary

data file.

objecttype : the objecttype being saved

[fieldlist] : A list of fields that you want to save

[subdatalist] : A list of the subdata objecttypes to save with the

filter : There are four options for the filter:

SaveData(...); : No filter specified means to save all objects of this type. SaveData(..., "filtername"); : "filtername" means save those that meet the filter

SaveData(..., AREAZONE); : AREAZONE means save those that meet the area/zone filters SaveData(..., SELECTED); : SELECTED means save those objects that have their *Selected*

field set to YES.

SetData(objecttype, [fieldlist], [valuelist], filter);

Use this action to set fields for particular objects. If a filter is specified, then it will set the respective fields for all objects which meet this filter. Otherwise, if no filter is specified, then the keyfields must be included in the field list so that the object can be found.

objecttype : the objecttype being set

[fieldlist] : A list of fields that you want to save

[valuelist] : A list of values to set the respective fields to

filter : There are four options for the filter:

SetData(...); : No filter specified – set data only for the object described by the

[fieldlist] and [valuelist] parameters.

SetData(..., "filtername"); : "filtername" – set data for all objects that meet the filter

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SetData(..., AREAZONE); : AREAZONE – set data for all objects that meet the area/zone filters SetData(..., SELECTED); : SELECTED – set data for objects that have their *Selected* field set to

YES.

CreateData(objecttype, [fieldlist], [valuelist]);

Use this action to create particular objects. Note that the key fields for the objecttype must be specified.

objecttype : the objecttype being set

[fieldlist] : A list of fields that you want to save

[valuelist] : A list of values to set the respective fields to

PowerWorld Simulator Actions

Available to you regardless of the Mode or SubMode

```
NewCase;
OpenCase
              ("filename"); // assumes to open as PWB
OpenCase
              ("filename", openfiletype);
                           PWB
                           GE
                           PTI
                           TEEECE
SaveCase
              ("filename");// assumes save as PWB
SaveCase
              ("filename", savefiletype);
                           PWB, PWB5, PWB6, PWB7,
                           PTI23, PTI24, PTI25, PTI26, PTI27,
                           GE
                           IEEECF
EnterMode
              (mode, submode);
              EDIT CASE
              RUN
                    POWERFLOW
                    CONTINGENCY
                    ATC
                    FAULT
                    ΡV
                    QV
LogClear;
LogSave
              ("filename", AppendFile);
                           YES or NO
LogAdd
              ("string...");
LogAddDateTime("label", includedate, includetime, includemilliseconds);
SaveYbusInMatlabFormat("filename", IncludeVoltages);
SaveJacobian("JacFileName", "JIDFileName",
                                                FileType,
                                                              JacForm)
                                                              R
                                                M
                                                TXT
SetParticipationFactors(Method, ConstantValue, Object);
                        MAXMWRAT
                                                 [Area num]
                        RESERVE
                                                 [Zone num]
                        CONSTANT
                                                 SYSTEM
                                                 DISPLAYFILTERS
GenForceLDC_RCC(filter);
                                           unspecified
                "filtername"
                SELECTED
                PREFILTER
DirectionsAutoInsert(Source, Sink, DeleteExisting, UseDisplayFilters, Start, Increment);
                     AREA
                              AREA
                                     YES or NO
                                                     YES or NO
                                                                        value value
                     ZONE
                              ZONE
                     INTECTIONGROUP
                             SLACK
```

NewCase;

This action clear out the existing case and open a new case from scratch.

OpenCase("filename", OpenFileType);

This action will open a case stored in "filename" of the type OpenFileType;

filename : The file to be opened.

OpenFileType : An optional parameter saying the format of the file begin opened is. If none is

specified, then PWB will be assumed. It may be one of the following strings

PWB, PTI, GE, IEEECF.

SaveCase("filename", SaveFileType);

This action will save the case to "filename" in the format SaveFileType.

ilename : The file name to save the information to.

SaveFileType : An optional parameter saying the format of the file to be saved. If none is

specified, then PWB will be assumed. It may be one of the following strings

PWB, PWB5, PWB6, PWB7 PTI23, PTI24, PTI25, PTI26, PTI27

GE, IEEECF

EnterMode(mode or submode);

This action will change the submode or mode you are in.

SubMode : The submo de to enter. A parameter stating what submode to put the program in.

Options available are CASE, POWERFLOW, CONTINGENCY, ATC, FAULT, PV, QV. One may also put in RUN or EDIT which will place the program in

the POWERFLOW or CASE respectively.

LogClear;

Use this action to clear the Message Log.

LogSave("filename", AppendFile);

This action saves the contents of the Message Log to "filename".

"filename" : The file name to save the information to.

AppendFile : Set to YES or NO. YES means that the contents of the log will be appended to

"filename". NO means that "filename" will be overwritten.

LogAdd("string...");

Use this action to add a personal message to the MessageLog.

"string..." : The string that will appear as a message in the log.

LogAddDateTime("label", includedate, includetime, includemilliseconds);

Use this action to add the date and time to the message log

"label" : A string which will appear at the start of the line containing the data/time

includedate : YES – Include the data or NO to not include includemilliseconds : YES – Include the time or NO to not include includemilliseconds : YES – Include the milliseconds or NO to not include

SaveYbusInMatlabFormat("filename", IncludeVoltages);

Use this action to save the YBus to a file formatted for use with Matlab

"filename" : file to save the YBus to

IncludeVoltages : YES – Includes the per unit bus voltages in the file; NO does not include

SaveJacobian("JacFileName", "JIDFileName", FileType, JacForm)

Use this action to save the Jacobian Matrix to a text file or a file formatted for use with Matlab

"JacFileName" : file to save the Jacobian to

"JIDFileName" : File to save a description of what each row and column of the Jacobian represents

FileType : M – Matlab form TXT – Text file

: R – Rectangular coordinates Jacobian

P – Polar coordinates Jacobian

SetParticipationFactors(Method, ConstantValue, Object);

JacForm

Use this action to modify the generator participation factors in the case

Method : MAXMWRAT – base factors on the maximum MW ratings

RESERVE – base factors on the (Max MW rating – Present MW)

CONSTANT – set factors to a constant value

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Constant Value : specify the constant value for use with

Object : specify which generators to set the participation factor for

[Area Num]
[Zone Num]
SYSTEM

DISPLAYFILTERS

GenForceLDC_RCC(filter);

Use this action to force generators in the case onto line drop / reactive current compensation.

filter : There are four options for the filter:

GenForceLDC_RCC;

: No filter specified means to set all generator

GenForceLDC_RCC ("filtername");

: "filtername" means to set generators that meet the filter

GenForceLDC_RCC (AREAZONE);

: AREAZONE means to set generators that meet the area/zone filters

GenForceLDC_RCC (SELECTED);

: SELECTED means to set generators that have *Selected* = YES.

DirectionsAutoInsert(Source, Sink, DeleteExisting, Use AreaZone Filters, Start, Increment);

Use this action to auto-insert directions to the case

Source : AREA – Use areas as the source

ZONE – Use zones as the source

INJECTIONGROUP – use injection groups as the source

Sink : AREA – Use areas as the sink

ZONE – Use zones as the sink

INJECTIONGROUP – use injection groups as the sink

SLACK – Use the slack as the sink

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DeleteExisting : YES – to delete existing direction; NO to not do that

UseAreaZoneFilters : YES – to filter Area/Zones by filter

Start : The starting number for the new directions added

Incremement : The increment for subsequent directions

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Edit Mode Actions

Case Submode Actions

The following script commands are available during the case submode of Edit mode

```
Equivalence;
DeleteExternalSystem;
SaveExternalSystem("filename", Savefiletype, withties);
Scale (scaletype,
                          basedon,
                                       [parameters],
                                                                   ScaleMarker);
                          MM
                                        [P,Q]
                                                                   BUS
      LOAD
      GEN
                          FACTOR
                                        [P] means constant pf
                                                                   AREA
      INJECTIONGROUP
                                                                   ZONE
      BUSSHUNT
                                        [P, +Q, -Q]
                          MW
                           FACTOR
Move
      ([elementA],
                                        [destination parameter]);
                                        [numB idB]
        [GEN numA idA]
        [LOAD numA idA]
                                        [numB idB]
                                                                   // NOT AVAILABLE YET
       [BRANCH numA1 numA2 cktA]
                                        [numB1 numB2 cktB]
                                                                  // NOT AVAILABLE YET
Combine([elementA],
                                       [elementB]);
       [GEN numA idA]
                                       [GEN numB idB]
                                                                   // NOT AVAILABLE YET
        [LOAD numA idA]
                                       [LOAD numB idB]
        [BRANCH numA1 numA2 cktA]
                                       [BRANCH numB1 numB2 cktB] // NOT AVAILABLE YET
InterfacesAutoInsert(Type, DeleteExisting, UseFilters, Prefix, Limits);
                                           YES or NO "pre"
                     AREA YES or NO
                                                                ZEROS
                     ZONE
                                                                AUTO
                                                                [value1, ..., value8]
SplitBus([element], NewBusNumber, InsertBusTieLine, LineOpen);
         [BUS num] num
                                 YES or NO
                                                   YES or NO
MergeBuses([element], Filter);
           [BUS num] unspecified
                      "filtername"
                      SELECTED
                      PREFILTER
TapTransmissionLine([element], PosAlongLine,
                                               NewBusNumber, ShuntModel, TreatAsMSLine);
                    [BRANCH numA1 numA2 cktA] value in %
                                                           LINESHUNTS
                                                                         YES or NO
                                                            CAPACITANCE
```

Equivalence;

This action will equivalence a power system. All options regarding equivalencing are handled by the Equiv_Options objecttype. Use the SetData() action, or a DATA section to set these options prior to using the Equivalence() action. Also, remember that the property *BusEquiv* must be set true for each bus that you want to equivalence.

DeleteExternalSystem;

This action will delete part of the power system. It will delete those buses whose property BusEquiv must is set true.

SaveExternalSystem("Filename", SaveFileType, WithTies);

This action will save part of the power system to a "filename". It will save only those buses whose property *BusEquiv* must is set true.

filename : The file name to save the information to.

SaveFileType : An optional parameter saying the format of the file to be saved. If none is

specified, then PWB will be assumed. My be one of the following strings

PWB, PWB5, PWB6, PWB7 PTI23, PTI24, PTI25, PTI26, PTI27

GE IEEECF

With Ties : An optional parameter. One must specify the file type explicitly in order to use

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the WithTies parameter. Allows one to save transmission lines that tie a bus marked with *BusEquiv* as false and one marked true. This must be a string

which starts with the letter Y, otherwise NO will be assumed.

Scale(scaletype, basedon, [parameters], scalemarker);

Use this action to scale the load and generation in the system.

scaletype : the objecttype begin scaled. Must be either LOAD, GEN, INJECTIONGROUP,

or BUSSHUNT.

basedon : MW – parameters are given in MW, MVAR units

FACTOR – parameters a factor to multiple the present values by.

[parameters] : These parameters have different meanings depending on ScaleType.

LOAD – [MW, MVAR] or [MW]. If you want to scale load

using constant power factor, then do not specifying a

MVAR value.

GEN - [MW]

INJECTIONGROUP - [MW, MVAR] or [MW] . If you want to scale load

using constant power factor, then do not specifying a

MVAR value.

BUSSHUNT – [GMW, BCAPMVAR, BREAMVAR]. The first

values scales G shunt values, the second value scales positive (capacitive) B shunt values, and the third value scales negative (reactive) B shunt values

scalemarker : This value specifies whether to look at an element's bus, area or zone to

determine whether it should be scaled

BUS – Means that elements will be scaled according to the

BusScale property of the element's terminal bus.

AREA — Means that elements will be scaled according to the

BGScale property of the element's Area. Note that it is possible for the area of a load, generator, or

switched shunt to be different than the terminal bus's

area.

ZONE – Means that elements will be scaled according to the

BGScale property of the element's Zone. Note that it

is possible for the zone of a load, generator, or switched shunt to be different than the terminal bus's

zone

OWNER – Means that elements will be scaled according to the

BGScale property of the element's Owner. Note that it is possible for the zone of a load, generator, or switched shunt to be different than the terminal bus's

zone.

Move([elementA], [destination parameters]);

NOTE: THIS ACTION IS ONLY AVAILABLE FOR GENERATORS

Use this action to move a generator, load, or transmission line.

[elementA] : the object that should be moved. Must be one of the following formats.

[GEN busnum id] [LOAD busnum id]

[BRANCH busnum1 busnum2 ckt]

[destination parameters]: These parameters have different meanings depending on object type of the

element.

GEN - [busnum id] LOAD - [busnum id]

BRANCH - [busnum1 busnum2 id]

Combine([elementA], [elementB]);

NOTE: THIS ACTION IS ONLY AVAILABLE FOR GENERATORS

Use this action to combine two generators, two loads, or two transmission line. Note that elementA and elementB must be of the same object type. You can not combine a BRANCH and a LOAD.

[elementA] : the object that should be moved. Must be one of the following formats.

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[GEN busnum id] [LOAD busnum id]

[BRANCH busnum1 busnum2 ckt]

[elementB] : the object that element A should be combined with. Must the same format as for

elementA

InterfacesAutoInsert(Type, DeleteExisting, UseFilters, "Prefix", Limits);

Use this action to auto-insert interfaces

Type : AREA – insert area-to-area tieline interfaces

ZONE – insert zone-to-zone tieline interfaces

DeleteExsiting : YES – to delete existing interfaces; NO – to leave existing interfaces alone

UseFilters : YES – to user Area/Zone Filters; NO – to insert for entire case "Prefix" : enter a string which will be a prefix on the interface names

Limits : ZEROS – to make all limits zero

AUTO - limits will be set to the sum of the branch limits

[lima, limb, limc, limd, ...] – Enter 8 limits enclosed in brackets, separated by

commas. This will set the limits as specified.

SplitBus([element], NewBusNumber, InsertBusTieLine, LineOpen);

Use this action to split buses

Element : enter the description of which bus to split by enclosing the word bus followed by

the bus number in brackets

NewBusNumber : enter the number of the new bus to be created

InsertBusTieLine : YES – insert a low impedance tie line between the buses; NO – to not do that

LineOpen : YES – to make the inserted bus tie open; NO – to make the tie closed

MergeBuses([element], Filter);

Use this action to merge buses

Element : enter the description of the bus that the other buses will be merged into

Filter : enter the number of the new bus to be created

MergeBuses([element]); : No filter specified means to merge all buses into one.

MergeBuses([element], "filtername");: "filtername" means merge those that meet the filter

MergeBuses([element], AREAZONE);: AREAZONE means to merge those that meet area/zone filters MergeBuses([element], SELECTED);: SELECTED means to merge those that have their *Selected*

field set to YES

TapTransmissionLine([element], PosAlongLine, NewBusNumber, ShuntModel, TreatAsMSLine);

Use this action to tap a transmission line by adding in a new bus and splitting the line in two.

Element : A description of the branch being tapped. Enclose description in brackets

[BRANCH numA1 numA2 cktA]

PosAlongLine : The percent distance along the branch at which the line will be tapped

NewBusNumber : The number of the new bus created at the tap point

ShuntModel : How should the shunt charging capacitance values be handled for the split lines

LINESHUNT – Line shunts will be create (keeps exact power flow model)

TreatAsMSLine CAPACITANCE – Convert shunt values capacitance in the PI model

YES – the two new lines created will be made part of a multi-section line or

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NO – the two lines will not be made multi-section lines

Run Mode Actions

The following script commands are available during any of the submodes of Run Mode.

```
CalculatePTDF
                     ([transactor seller],
                                                  [transactor buyer],
                                                                              LinearMethod);
                      [AREA num]
                                                  [AREA num]
                                                                              AC
                      [ZONE num]
                                                 [ZONE num]
                                                                              DC
                      [SUPERAREA "name"]
                                                 [SUPERAREA name]
                                                                              DCPS
                      [INJECTIONGROUP "name"]
                                                 [INJECTIONGROUP name]
                      [BUS num]
                                                 [BUS num]
                      [SLACK]
                                                 [SLACK]
CalculateLODF
                     ([BRANCH nearbusnum farbusnum ckt], LinearMethod);
CalculateTLR
                     ([flowelement],
                                                        direction, [transactor], LinearMethod);
                      [INTERFACE "name"]
                                                                     same as above for PTDFs
                                                        BUYER
                      [BRANCH nearbusnum farbusnum ckt]
                                                        SELLER
CalculateVoltSense
                     ([BUS num]);
CalculateFlowSense
                     ([flowelement],
                                                 FlowType);
                      [INTERFACE "name"]
                                                 MW
                      [BRANCH num1 num2 ckt]
                                                 MVAR
                                                 MVA
CalculateLossSense
                     (FunctionType);
```

CalculatePTDF([transactor seller], [transactor buyer], LinearMethod);

Use this action to calculate the PTDF values between a seller and a buyer. You may optionally specify the linear calculation method. Note that the buyer and seller must not be same thing. If no Linear Method is specified, Lossless DC will be used.

[transactor seller] : the seller (or source) of power. There are six possible settings

[AREA num] [ZONE num]

[SUPERAREA "name"]
[INJECTIONGROUP "name"]

[BUS num] [SLACK]

[transactor buyer] : the buyer (or sink) of power. There are six possible settings which are the same

as for the seller.

LinearMethod : the linear method to be used for the PTDF calculation. The options are

AC – for calculation including losses

DC - for lossless DC

DCPC – for lossless DC that takes into account phase shifter operation

CalculateLODF([BRANCH nearbusnum farbusnum ckt], LinearMethod);

Use this action to calculate the Line Outage Distribution Factors (or the Line Closure Distribution Factors) for a particular branch. If the branch is presently closed, then the LODF values will be calculated, otherwise the LCDF values will be calculated. You may optionally specify the linear calculation method as well. If no Linear Method is specified, Lossless DC will be used

[BRANCH nearbusnum farbusnum ckt]: the branch whose status is being changed.

LinearMethod : the linear method to be used for the LODF calculation. The options are

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DC – for lossless DC

DCPC – for lossless DC that takes into account phase shifter operation

Note: AC is NOT an option for the LODF calculation

CalculateTLR([flow element], direction, [transactor], LinearMethod);

Use this action to calculate the TLR values a particular flow element (transmission line or interface). You also specify one end of the potential transfer direction. You may optionally specify the linear calculation method. If no Linear Method is specified, Lossless DC will be used.

[flow element] : this is the flow element we are interested in. Choices are

[INTERFACE "name"]

[BRANCH nearbusnum farbusnum ckt]

direction : the type of the transactor. Either BUYER or SELLER. [transactor buyer] : the transactor of power. There are six possible settings

[AREA num] [ZONE num]

[SUPERAREA "name"]
[INJECTIONGROUP "name"]

[BUS num]

LinearMethod : the linear method to be used for the calculation. The options are

AC – for calculation including losses

DC - for lossless DC

DCPC – for lossless DC that takes into account phase shifter operation

CalculateVoltSense([BUS num]);

This calculates the sensitivity of a particular buses voltage to real and reactive power injections at all buses in the system. (Note: this assumes that the power is injected at a given bus and taken out at the slack bus).

[BUS num] : the bus to calculate sensitivities for.

CalculateFlowSense([flow element], FlowType);

This calculates the sensitivity of the MW, MVAR, or MVA flow of a line or interface to an real and reactive power injections at all buses in the system. (Note: this assumes that the power is injected at a given bus and taken out at the slack bus).

[flow element] : this is the flow element we are interested in. Choices are

[INTERFACE "name"]
[BRANCH num1 num2 ckt]

FlowType : The type of flow to calculate this for. Either MW, MVAR, or MVA.

CalculateLossSense(FunctionType);

This calculates the loss sensitivity at each bus for an injection of power at the bus. The parameter FunctionType determines which losses are referenced.

FunctionType : this is the losses for which sensitivities are calculated.

NONE – all loss sensitivities will be set to zero

ISLAND – all loss sensitivities are referenced to the total loss in the island AREA –For each bus it calculates how the losses in the bus' area will change (Note: this means that sensitivities at buses in two different areas can not be

directly compared because they are referenced to different losses)

AREASA – same as Each Area, but if a Super Area exists it will use this instead (Note: this means that sensitivities at buses in two different areas can not be

directly compared because they are referenced to different losses)
SELECTED – Calculates how the losses in the areas selected on the Loss

Sensitivity Form will change

PowerFlow Submode Actions

DoCTGAction([contingency action]);

Call this action to use the formats seen in the CTGElement subdata record for Contingency Data. Note that all actions are supported, except COMPENSATION sections are not allowed.

SolvePowerFlow (SolMethod, "filename1", "filename2", CreatelfNotFound1, CreatelfNotFound2);

Call this action to perform a single power flow solution. The parameters are all optional and specify a conditional response depending on whether the solution is successfully found. If parameters are not passed then default values will be used.

SolMethod : The solution method to be used for the Power Flow calculation. The options

are:

RECTNEWT – for Rectangular Newton-Raphson. POLARNEWTON – for Polar Newton-Raphson.

GAUSSSEIDEL – for Gauss-Seidel. FASTDEC – for Fast Decoupled.

DC – for DC.

Default Value = RECTNEWT.

"filename1" : The filename of the auxiliary file to be loaded if there is a successful solution.

You may also specify STOP, which means that all AUX file execution should

stop under the condition. Default Value = "".

"filename2" : The filename of the auxiliary file to be loaded if there is a NOT successful

solution. You may also specify STOP, which means that all AUX file execution

should stop under the condition. Default Value = "".

CreateIfNotFound1 : Set to YES or NO. YES means that objects which can not be found will be

created while reading in DATA sections of filename 1. Default Value = NO.

CreateIfNotFound2 : Set to YES or NO. YES means that objects which can not be found will be

created while reading in DATA sections of filename2. Default Value = NO.

SolvePrimalLP("filename1", "filename2", CreatelfNotFound1, CreatelfNotFound2);

Call this action to perform a primal LP OPF solution. The parameters are all optional and specify a conditional response depending on whether the solution is successfully found. If parameters are not passed then default values will be used.

"filename1" : The filename of the auxiliary file to be loaded if there is a successful solution.

You may also specify STOP, which means that all AUX file execution should

stop under the condition. Default Value = "".

"filename2" : The filename of the auxiliary file to be loaded if there is a NOT successful

solution. You may also specify STOP, which means that all AUX file execution

should stop under the condition. Default Value = "".

CreateIfNotFound1 : Set to YES or NO. YES means that objects which can not be found will be

created while reading in DATA sections of filename1. Default Value = NO.

CreateIfNotFound2 : Set to YES or NO. YES means that objects which can not be found will be

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created while reading in DATA sections of filename2. Default Value = NO.

SolveFullSCOPF (BCMethod, "filename1", "filename2", CreatelfNotFound1, CreatelfNotFound2);

Call this action to perform a full Security Constrained OPF solution. The parameters are all optional and specify a conditional response depending on whether the solution is successfully found. If parameters are not passed then default values will be used.

BCMethod : The solution method to be used for solving the base case. The options are:

POWERFLOW – for single power flow algorithm. OPF – for the optimal power flow algorithm.

Default Value = POWERFLOW.

"filename1" : The filename of the auxiliary file to be loaded if there is a successful solution.

You may also specify STOP, which means that all AUX file execution should

stop under the condition. Default Value = "".

"filename2" : The filename of the auxiliary file to be loaded if there is a NOT successful

solution. You may also specify STOP, which means that all AUX file execution

should stop under the condition. Default Value = "".

CreateIfNotFound1 : Set to YES or NO. YES means that objects which can not be found will be

created while reading in DATA sections of filename1. Default Value = NO.

CreateIfNotFound2 : Set to YES or NO. YES means that objects which can not be found will be

created while reading in DATA sections of filename2. Default Value = NO.

ResetToFlatStart (FlatVoltagesAngles, ShuntsToMax, LTCsToMiddle, PSAnglesToMiddle);

Use this action to initialize the Power Flow Solution to a "flat start." The parameters are all optional and specify a conditional response depending on whether the solution is successfully found. If parameters are not passed then default values will be used.

FlatVoltagesAngles : Set to YES or NO. YES means setting all the voltage magnitudes and generator

setpoint voltages to 1.0 per unit and all the voltage angles to zero. Default

Value = YES.

ShuntsToMax : Set to YES or NO. YES means to increase Switched Shunts Mvar half way to

maximum. Default Value = NO.

LTCsToMiddle : Set to YES or NO. YES means setting the LTC Transformer Taps to middle of

range. Default Value = NO.

PSAnglesToMiddle : Set to YES or NO. YES means setting Phase Shifter angles to middle of range.

Default Value = NO.

DiffFlowSetAsBase;

Call this action to set the present case as the base case for the difference flows abilities of Simulator.

DiffFlowClearBase:

Call this action to clear the base case for the difference flows abilities of Simulator.

DiffFlowMode(diffmode);

Call this action to change the mode for the difference flows abilities of Simulator.

diffmode : string that starts with 'P' changes it to PRESENT

string that starts with 'B' changes it to BASE

string that starts with 'D' changes it to DIFFERENCE

OPFWriteResultsAndOptions("filename");

Writes out all information related to OPF analysis as an auxiliary file. This includes Limit Monitoring Settings, options for Areas, Buses, Branches, Interfaces, Generators, SuperAreas, OPF Solution Options.

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Contingency Submode Actions

```
CTGSolveAll;
CTGSolve("ContingencyName");
CTGSetAsReference;
CTGRestoreReference;
CTGProduceReport("filename");
CTGWriteResultsAndOptions("filename");
CTGAutoInsert;
CTGCalculateOTDF([transactor seller], [transactor buyer], LinearMethod);
```

CTGSolveAll;

Call this action to solve all the contingencies which are not marked skip.

CTGSolve("ContingencyName");

Call this action solve a particular contingency. The contingency is denoted by the "Contingency Name".

CTGSetAsReference;

Call this action to set the present system state as the reference for contingency analysis.

CTGRestoreReference;

Call this action to reset the system state to the reference state for contingency analysis.

CTGProduceReport("filename");

Produces a text-based contingency analysis report using the settings defined in CTG Options.

CTGWriteResultsAndOptions("filename");

Writes out all information related to contingency analysis as an auxiliary file. This includes Contingency Definitions, Limit Monitoring Settings, Contingency Results, Solution Options, CTG Options as well as any Model Criteria that are used by the Contingency Definitions.

CTGAutoInsert;

This action will auto insert contingencies for you case. Prior to calling this action, all options for this action must be specified in the Ctg AutoInsert Options object using SetData() or DATA sections.

CTGCalculateOTDF([transactor seller], [transactor buyer], LinearMethod);

This action first performs the same action as done by the CalculatePTDF([transactor seller], [transactor buyer], LinearMethod) call. It then goes through all the violations found by the contingency analysis tool and determines the OTDF values for the various contingency/violation pairs.

ATC Submode Actions

```
ATCDetermine
                     ([transactor seller],
                                                  [transactor buyer]
                                                                              );
                      [AREA num]
                                                  [AREA num]
                      [ZONE num]
                                                  [ZONE num]
                                                  [SUPERAREA name]
                      [SUPERAREA "name"]
                      [INJECTIONGROUP "name"]
                                                  [INJECTIONGROUP name]
                      [BUS num]
                                                  [BUS num]
                      [SLACK]
                                                  [SLACK]
ATCRestoreInitialState;
ATCIncreaseTransferBy
                            (amount);
ATCTakeMeToScenario
                            (RL,
                                   G,
                                          I);
                                          I);
ATCDetermineFor
                            (RL,
                                   G,
ATCWriteResultsAndOptions ("filename");
```

ATCDetermine([transactor seller], [transactor buyer]);

Use this action to calculate the Available Transfer Capability (ATC) between a seller and a buyer. Note that the buyer and seller must not be same thing. Other options regarding ATC calculations should be set using a DATA section via the ATC Options object type.

[transactor seller] : the seller (or source) of power. There are six possible settings

[AREA num] [ZONE num]

[SUPERAREA "name"]
[INJECTIONGROUP "name"]

[BUS num] [SLACK]

[transactor buyer] : the buyer (or sink) of power. There are six possible settings which are the same

as for the seller.

ATCRestoreInitialState;

Call this action to restore the initial state for the ATC tool.

ATCIncreaseTransferBy(amount);

Call this action to increase the transfer between the buyer and seller .

ATCTakeMeToScenario(RL, G, I);

Call this action to set the present case according to Scenario RL, G, I.

ATCDetermineFor(RL, G, I);

Call this action to determine the ATC for Scenario RL, G, I.

ATCWriteResultsAndOptions("filename");

Writes out all information related to ATC analysis as an auxiliary file. This includes Contingency Definitions, Limit Monitoring Settings, Solution Options, ATC Options, ATC results, as well as any Model Criteria that are used by the Contingency Definitions.

Fault Submode Actions

Fault	([BUS num],		faulttype,	R,	X) ;
Fault	([BRANCH nearbusnum farbusnum ckt],	faultlocation,	faulttype, SLG LL 3PB	R,	X) ;
			DLG		

Fault([Bus num, faulttype, R, X]);

Fault([BRANCH nearbusnum farbusnum ckt], faultlocation, faulttype, R, X]);

Call this function to calculate the fault currents for a fault. If the fault element is a bus then do not specify the fault location parameter. If the fault element is a branch, then the fault location is required.

[Bus num] : this specifies the bus at which the fault occurs.

[BRANCH nearbusnum farbusnum ckt]

: this specifies the branch on which the fault occurs.

Fault location : This specifies the percentage distance along the branch where the fault occurs.

This percent varies from 0 (meaning at the nearbus) to 100 (meaning at the far

bus)

Faulttype : This specified the type of fault which occurs. There are four options:

SLG – Single Line To Ground fault

LL – Line to Line Fault

3PB – Three Phase Ba lanced Fault DLG – Double Line to Group Fault.

R, X : These parameters are optional and specify the fault impedance. If none are

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specified, then a fault impedance of zero is assumed.

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PV Submode Actions

```
PVCreate ("name", [element source],
                                            [element sink]);
                  [INJECTIONGROUP "name"] [INJECTIONGROUP "name"]
PVSetSourceAndSink ("name", [element source],
                                                      [element sink])
                            [INJECTIONGROUP "name"] [INJECTIONGROUP "name"]
PVRun ("name")
PVClearResults ("name")
PVStartOver ("name")
PVDestroy ("name")
PVWriteResultsAndOptions ("filename")
RefineModel (objecttype, filter, Action,
                                                 For ValuesBelow);
                                 TRANSFORMERTAPS
             AREA
             ZONE
                                 SHUNTS
                                 OFFAVR
```

PVCreate("name", [element source], [element sink]);

Call this function to create a PV study with "name" as identifier. You mayoptionally specify the source and sink elements for the study.

"name" : string that identifies the PV Study to be created.

[element source] : The source of the power for the PV Study. Inside brackets, the first word

should be INJECTIONGROUP followed by a space and the in double quotes the

name of the injection group.

[element sink] : The sink of the power for the PV study. Inside brackets, the first word should be

INJECTIONGROUP followed by a space and the in double quotes the name of

the injection group.

Other options regarding PV calculations should be set using a DATA section via the PVCurve_Options object type.

PVSetSourceAndSink("name", [element source], [element sink]);

Call this action to change the source and sink of a particular PV Study. The values passed in are the same as the PVCreate method.

PVRun("name");

Call this action to execute the PV Study by the specified name. Note that other options regarding PV calculations should be set using a DATA section via the PVCurve_Options object type.

PVClearResults("name");

Call this action clear the results from the PV Study by the specified name.

PVStartOver("name");

Call this action to change the source and sink of a particular PV Study. The values passed in are the same as for PVCreate.

PVDestroy("name");

Call this action destroy the PV Study by the specified name.

PVWriteResultsAndOptions("filename");

Call this action to save all results and related options from the PV Study to the specified filename.

RefineModel(objecttype, filter, Action, ForValuesBelow);

Call this action to refine the power system case model for use with the PV Study tool. Four values are passed in to this action and are described next.

objecttype : either AREA or ZONE (specify to refine by area or zone)

filter : specify either a filtername or SELECTED

RefineModel(...,"",...); : No filter means to select all objects according to action.

RefineModel(..., "filtername",...); : "filtername" means to refine model in areas/zones that meet

this filter

RefineModel(..., SELECTED, ...); : SELECTED means to refine model in the areas/zones that

have their Selected property set to YES.

Action : Set this value to one of three options

TRANSFORMERTAPS – Fix transformer taps if Vmax – Vmin <

ForValuesBelow

SHUNTS – Fix switched shunts if Vmax – Vmin < ForValuesBelow

OFFAVR – turn off AVR for generators if Qmax – Qmin < ForValuesBelow

For Values Below : Use this value for comparison as described in Action.

QV Submode Actions

```
QVRun("filename", InErrorMakeBaseSolvable);
QVWriteResultsAndOptions ("filename")
```

QVRun("filename", InErrorMakeBaseSolvable);

Call this action to run the QV Curve Study. QV Curves will be run at buses which have the *Selected* property set to YES. Other options regarding QV calculations should be set using a DATA section via the QVCurve_Options object type. You must pass two values to this action

"filename" : this is the file to which the QV results are written as they are computed at each

selected bus during the desired contingencies.

InErrorMakeBaseSolvable: If the base case does not produce a power flow solution, then the QV curve

will normally abort. Pass YES in for this parameter to instruct the QV curve tool to add in the fictitious generator at the respective bus to provide additional Mvar/voltage support prior to running the QV curve. This may enable the QV curve to be successfully traced. These situations representing negative VAR

margin.

QVSaveResultsAndOptions("filename");

Call this action to save all results and related options from the QV Study to the specified filename.

RefineModel(objecttype, filter, Action, ForValuesBelow);

Call this action to refine the power system case model for use with the PV Study tool. Four values are passed in to this action and are described next.

objecttype : either AREA or ZONE (specify to refine by area or zone)

filter : specify either a filtername or SELECTED

RefineModel(...,"",...); : No filter means to select all objects according to action.

RefineModel(..., "filtername",...); : "filtername" means to refine model in areas/zones that meet

this filter

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RefineModel(..., SELECTED, ...); : SELECTED means to refine model in the areas/zones that

have their *Selected* property set to YES.

Action : Set this value to one of three options

TRANSFORMERTAPS – Fix transformer taps if Vmax – Vmin <

ForValuesBelow

SHUNTS – Fix switched shunts if Vmax – Vmin < ForValuesBelow

OFFAVR – turn off AVR for generators if Qmax – Qmin < ForValuesBelow

For Values Below : Use this value for comparison as described in Action.

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DATA Section

```
DATA DataName(object_type, [list_of_fields], file_type_specifier)
{
  data_list_1
    .
    .
    data_list_n
}
```

Immediately following the DATA keyword, you may optionally include a DataName. By including the DataName, you can make use of the script command LoadData("filename", DataName) to call this particular data section from another auxiliary file. Following the optional DataName is the argument list.

DATA Argument List

The DATA argument list identifies what the information section contains. A left and right parenthesis "()" mark the beginning and end of the argument list.

The file_type_specifier parameter distinguishes the information section as containing *custom* auxiliary data (as opposed to Simulator's native auxiliary formats), and indicates the format of the data. Currently, the parser recognizes two values for file_type_specifier:

(blank) or AUXDEF Data fields are space delimited AUXCSV Data fields are comma delimited

The object_type parameter identifies the type of object or data element the information section describes or models. For example, if object_type equals BUS, then the data describes BUS objects. Simulator currently recognizes the following object types:

types.			
3WXFormer	CustomCaseInfo	Load	PTDF_Options
Area	CustomCaseInfoRow	LoadScale	PVCurve_Options
ATC_Options	CustomExpression	LODF_Options	PWFormOptions
ATCExtraMonitor	DataGrid	LookupTable	PWLPOPFCTGViol
ATCFlowValue	DCTransmissionLine	LPBasisMatrix	PWLPTabRow
ATCGeneratorChange	DefDrawArea	LPOPFMarginalControls	PWOPFTimePoint
ATCInterfaceChange	DefDrawBackground	LPVariable	QVCurve
ATCLineChange	DefDrawBus	LPVariableCostSegment	QVCurve_Options
ATCScenario	DefDrawGen	MessLog_Options	QVPoints
ATCZoneChange	DefDrawInterface	ModelCondition	ReactiveCapability
BidCurve	DefDrawLineTransformer	ModelExpression	RLScenarioName
Branch	DefDrawLoad	ModelFilter	Scale_Options
Bus	DefDrawShunt	MTDCBus	Schedule
BusViewBusField	DefDrawSubstation	MTDCConverter	ScreenLayer
BusViewFarBusField	Direction	MTDCRecord	Shunt
BusViewFormOptions	Equiv_Options	MTDCTransmissionLine	Sim_Environment_Options
BusViewGenField	Filter	MultiSectionLine	Sim_Misc_Options
BusViewLineField	Gen	MvarMarginalCostValues	Sim_Simulation_Options
BusViewLoadField	GlobalContingencyActions	MWMarginalCostValues	Sim_Solution_Options
BusViewShuntField	GScenarioName	MWTransaction	StudyMWTransactions
CaseInfo_Options	InjectionGroup	Nomogram	Substation
ColorMap	Interface	NomogramBreakPoint	SuperArea
ColorPoint	InterfaceAElement	NomogramInterface	SuperAreaArea
ColumnInfo	InterfaceBElement	OPF_Options	TLR_Options
Condition	InterfaceElement	OPFBusSenseP	TransferLimiter
Contingency	IScenarioName	OPFBusSenseQ	Transformer
Ctg_AutoInsert_Options	Limit_Monitoring_Options	OPFControlSense	WhatOccurredDuringContingency
Ctg_Options	LimitCost	Owner	XFCorrection
CTGElement	LimitSet	PartPoint	Zone
CTGElementBlock	LimitViol	PostPowerFlowActions	

The list of object types Simulator's auxiliary file parser can recognize will grow as new applications for the technology are found. Within Simulator, you will always be able to obtain a list of the available object_types by going to the main menu and choosing Help, Export Object Fields, and then exporting the fields to Excel.

The list_of_fields parameter lists the types of values the ensuing records in the data section contain. The order in which the fields are listed in list_of_fields dictates the order in which the fields will be read from the file. Simulator currently recognizes over 800 different field types, each identified by a specific *field name*. Because the available fields for an object may grow as new applications are developed, you will always be able to obtain a list of the available object_types by going to the main menu and choosing Help, Export Object Fields. Certainly, only a subset of these fields would be found in a typical custom auxiliary file. In crafting applications to export custom auxiliary files, developers need concern themselves only the fields they need to communicate between their applications and Simulator. A few points of interest regarding the list_of_fields are:

- The list_of_fields may take up several lines of the text file.
- The list_of_fields should be encompased by braces [].
- When encountering the PowerWorld comment string '//' in one of these lines of the text file, all text to the right is ignored.
- Blank lines, or lines whose first characters are '//' will be ignored as comments.
- Field names must be separated by commas.

Example:

```
DATA (BUS, [BusNomKV, Bus, // comment here
   ABCPhaseAngle:1, ABCPhaseAngle:2, ABCPhaseV, ABCPhaseV:1,
   // comments allowed here to

// note that blank rows are ignored
   AreaNum, BusAngle, BusB, BusCat, BusEquiv, BusG,
   BusGenericSensV, BusKVVolt, BusLambda, BusLoadMVA, // more comment
   BusLoadMW, BusLongName])
```

One general note regarding the field names however. Some field names may be augmented with a field location. One example of this is the field LineMW. For a branch, there are two MW flows associated with the line: one MW flow at the from bus, and one MW flow at the to bus. So that the number of fields does not become huge, the same field name is used for both of these values. For the from bus flow, we write LineMW:0, and for the to bus flow, we write LineMW:1. Note that fieldnames such as LineMW:0 may simply leave off the :0.

Key Fields

Simulator uses certain fields to identify the specific object being described. These fields are called *key fields*. For example, the key field for BUS objects is BusNum, because a bus can be identified uniquely by its number. The key fields for GEN objects are BusNum and GenID. To properly identify each object, the object's key fields must be present. They can appear in any order in the list_of_fields (i.e. they need not be the first fields listed in list_of_fields). As long as the key fields are present, Simulator can identify the specific object. By going to the main menu and choosing Help, Export Object Fields you will obtain a list of fields available for each object type. In this output, the key fields will appear with asterisks *.

Data List

After the data argument list is completed, the Data list is given. The data section lists the values of the fields for each object in the order specified in list_of_fields. The data section begins with a left curly brace and ends with the a right curly brace. A few points of interest regarding the value_list:

- The value list may take up several lines of the text file.
- Each new data object must start on its own line of text.
- When encountering the PowerWorld comment string '//' in one of these lines of the text file, all text to the right of this is ignored.
- Blank lines, or lines whose first characters are '//' will be ignored as comments.
- Remember that the right curly brace must appear on its own line at the end of the data list.
- If the file_type_specifier is CSV, the values should be separated by commas. Otherwise, separate the field names using spaces.
- Strings can be enclosed in double quotes, but this is not required. You should however always inclose strings that contain spaces (or commas) in quotes. Otherwise, strings containing commas would cause errors for comma-delimited files, and spaces would cause errors for space-delimited formatted files.

SubData Sections

The format described thus for works well for most kinds of data in Simulator. It does not work as well however for data that stores a list of objects. For example, a contingency stores some information about itself (such as its name), and then a list of contingency elements, and possible a list of limit violations as well. For data such as this, Simulator allows <SubData>, </SubData> tags that store lists of information about a particular object. This formatting looks like the following

Note that the information contained inside the <SubData>, </SubData> tags may not be flexibly defined. It must be written in a precisely defined order that will be documented for each SubData type. The description of each of these SubData formats follows.

ATC Options

RLScenarioName

GScenarioName

IScenarioName

These three sections contains the pretty names of the RL Scenarios, G Scenarios, and I Scenarios. Each line consists of two values: Scenario Number and a name string enclosed in quotes.

Scenario Number : the scenarios are number 0 through the number of scenarios minus 1

Scenario Name : these represent the names of the various scenarios.

Example:

```
<SUBDATA RLScenarioName>
//Index Name
0 "Scenario Name 0"
1 "Scenario Name 1"
</SUBDATA>]
```

ATCExtraMonitor

ATCFlowValue

This subdata section contains a list of a flow values for specified transfer levels. Each line consists of two values: Flow Value (flow on the monitored element) and a Transfer Level (in MW).

Flow Value : contains a string describing which monitor this belongs to.

Transfer Level : contains the value for this extra monitor at the last linear iteration

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Example:

```
<SUBDATA ATCFlowValue>
//MWFlow TransferLevel
   94.05   55.30
   105.18   80.58
   109.02   107.76
</SUBDATA>
```

ATCScenario

TransferLimiter

This subdata section contains a list of the TransferLimiters for this scenario. Each line contains fields relating one of the Transferlimiters. The fields are writen out in the following order:

Limiting Element : contains a description of the limiting element. The possible values are

"PowerFlow Divergence"

"AREA num"

"SUPERAREA name"

"ZONE num"

"BRANCH num1 num2 ckt"
"INJECTIONGROUP name"

"INTERFACE name"

Limiting Contingency : the name of the limiting contingency. If blank, then this means it's a limitaiton

in the base case.

MaxFlow : The transfer limitation in MW in per unit

PTDF : The PTDF on the limiting element in the base case (not in percent)
OTDF : The OTDF on the limiting element under the limiting contingency
LimitUsed : The limit which was used to determine the MaxFlow in per unit

PreTransEst : The estimated flow on the line after the contingency but before the transfer in

per unit

MaxFlowAtLastIteration: The total transfer at the last iteration in per unit

IterativelyFound : either YES or NO depending on whether it was iteratively determined.

Example:

ATCExtraMonitor

This subdata section contains a list of the ATCExtraMonitors for this scenario. Each line contains three fields relating one of the ATCExtraMonitors. The first field describes the ATCExtraMonitor which this subdata corresponds to. The second and third variables are the initial value and sensitivity for this extra monitor for the sceanario. An option fourth field may be included if we are using one of the iterated ATC solution options. This field must be the String "ATCFlowValue"

Monitor Description : contains a string describing which monitor this belongs to.

InitialValue : contains the value for this extra monitor at the last linear iteration

Sensitivity : contains the senstivity of this monitor

ATCFlowValue : a string which signifies that a block will follow which stores a list of flow

values for specified transfer levels. Each line of the block consists of two values: Flow Value (flow on the monitored element) and a Transfer Level (in MW). The block is terminated when a line of text that starts with 'END' is

encountered.

Example:

BusViewFormOptions

BusViewBusField

BusViewFarBusField

BusViewGenField

BusViewLineField

BusViewLoadField

BusViewShuntField

The values represent specific fields on the custom defined bus view onelines. Each line contains two values

Location FieldDescription (Example: 0 "MW Flow@6@1@0@0")

: The various locations on the customized bus view contain slots for fields. This is the Location

slot number

FieldDescription : This is a string enclosed in double quotes. The string itself is delimited by the @

character. The string contains five values

Name of Field: the name of the field. Special fields that appear on dialog by

default have special names. Otherwise these are the same as the fieldnames of the AUX file format (for the "other fields" feature

on the dialogs)

Total Digit : number of total digits for a numeric field Decimal Points: number of decimal points for a numeric field Color : This is the color of the field. It is not presently used.

Increment Value: This is the "delta per mouse" click for the field

Example:

```
<SUBDATA BusViewLineField>
  0 "MW Flow@6@1@0@0"
 1 "MVar Flow@6@1@0@0"
 2 "MVA Flow@6@1@0@0"
  3 "BusAngle:1@6@2@0@0"
</SUBDATA>
```

ColorMap

ColorPoint

A colorpoint is simply described by a real number (between 0 and 100) and an integer describing the color written on a single line of text

cmvalue cmcolor (Example: 100 56648)

cmvalue : real number between 0 and 100 (minimum to maximum value)

cmcolor : integer between 0 and 16,777,216. Value is determined by taking the red, green and

blue components of the color and assigning them a value between 0 and 255. The

color is then equal to red +256*green + 256*256*blue.

Example:

```
<SUBDATA ColorPoint>
  // Value Color
 100.0000 127
  87.5000 255
  62.5000 65535
   50.0000 8388479
  37.5000 16776960
  12.5000 16711680
   0.0000 8323072
</SUBDATA>
```

Contingency

CTGElement

A contingency element is described by up to four entries. All entries must be on a single line of text.

"Action" "ModelCriteria" Status //comment

Action : string describing the action associated with this element. See below for actions

available.

ModelCriteria : This is the name of a ModelFilter or ModelCondition under which this action should

be performed. This entry is optional. If it is not specified, then a blank (or no criteria)

is assumed. If you want to enter a Status, then use must specify "" as the

ModelCriteria.

Status : Three options

CHECK – perform action if ModelCriteria is true ALWAYS – perform action regardless of ModelCriteria

NEVER – do not perform action

This entry is optional. If it is not specified, then CHECK is assumed.

Comment : All text to the right of the comment symbol (//) will be saved with the CTGElement as

a comment

Possible Actions:

Calling of a name ContingencyBlock

CONTINGENCYBLOCK | name

Calls a ContingencyBlock and executes each of the actions in that block.

Calling solution of the Power Flow

| SOLVEPOWERFLOW |

This will cause the power flow solution of the post-contingency system to occur in stages

Transmission Line or Transformer outage or insertion

BRANCH	bus1#	bus2#	ckt	OPEN
				CLOSE

Takes branch out of service, or puts it in service. Note: bus# values may be replaced by a string enclosed in single quotes where the string is the name of the bus followed by and underscore character and then the nominal voltage of the bus.

DC Transmission Line outage or insertion

١	DCLine	bus1#	bus2#	ckt	OPEN
					CLOSE

Takes DC Line out of service, or puts it in service. Note: bus# values may be replaced by a string enclosed in single quotes where the string is the name of the bus followed by and underscore character and then the nominal voltage of the bus.

Takes branch out of service, or puts it in service. Series Capacitor Bypass or Inservice

```
SERIESCAP | bus1# bus2# ckt | BYPASS | INSERVICE
```

Bypasses a series capacitor, or puts it in service. Note: bus# values may be replaced by a string enclosed in single quotes where the string is the name of the bus followed by and underscore character and then the nominal voltage of the bus.

Interface outage or insertion

I	INTERFACE	name	OPEN
			CLOSE

Takes all monitored branches in the interface out of service, or puts them all in service

Bus outage causes all lines connected to the bus to be outage

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BUS	bus#	OPEN	

Takes all branches connected to the bus out of service. Also outages all generation, load, or shunts attached to the bus. Note: bus# values may be replaced by a string enclosed in single quotes where the string is the name of the bus followed by and underscore character and then the nominal voltage of the bus.

Generator, Load, or Switched Shunt outage or insertion

GEN	bus#	id		OPEN		
LOAD	bus‡	id	I	CLOSE		
SHUNT	bus#	id				
INJECTIONGE	ROUP	name				

Takes a generator, load, or shunt out of service, or puts it in service. Note: bus# values may be replaced by a string enclosed in single quotes where the string is the name of the bus followed by and underscore character and then the nominal voltage of the bus.

Generator, Load or Switched Shunt movement to another bus

GEN	bus1#	MOVE_PQ_TO	bus2# value	MW
LOAD		MOVE_P_TO		MVAR
SHUNT		MOVE_Q_TO		PERCENT

Use to move generation, load or shunt at a bus1 over to bus2. Note: bus# values may be replaced by a string enclosed in single quotes where the string is the name of the bus followed by and underscore character and then the nominal voltage of the bus.

Generator, Load or Switched Shunt set or change a specific value

GEN	bus#	SET_P_TO value MW
LOAD		SET_Q_TO MVAR
SHUNT		SET_PQ_TO PERCENT
		CHANGE_P_BY
		CHANGE_Q_BY
		CHANGE_PQ_BY

Use to set the generation, load, or shunt at a bus to a particular value. Also can use to change by a specified amount. Note: bus# values may be replaced by a string enclosed in single quotes where the string is the name of the bus followed by and underscore character and then the nominal voltage of the bus.

DC Line or Phase Shifter set a specific value

DCLINE bus1# bus2# ckt	SET_P_TO	value	MW
PHASESHIFTER	CHANGE_P_BY		PERCENT
	SET_I_TO		
	CHANGE_I_BY		

Use to set the DC Line setpoint or the phase shift angle to a particular value. Note: bus# values may be replaced by a string enclosed in single quotes where the string is the name of the bus followed by and underscore character and then the nominal voltage of the bus.

Injection Group set a specific value

I	INJECTIONGROUP	name	SET_P_TO	value	MW
					PERCENT

Use to set the MW generation/load in an injection group to a particular value.

Injection Group change specific value

INJECTIONGROUP	name	CHANGE_P_TO	value	MW
				PERCENT
				MWOPENCLOSE
				PERCENTOPENCLOSE

Use to change the MW generation/load in an injection group by a particular value. Note that MW and PERCENT OPTIONS will change each point in the injection group by a value in proportion to the participations factors of the group. MWOPENCLOSE and PERCENTOPENCLOSE will modify points in the injection group by closing or opening points in the group in order of descending participation factors until the total change greater than or equal to the requested change has been achieved.

Make-Up Power Compensation.

Only valid immediately following a SET, CHANGE, OPEN or CLOSE action on a Generator, Shunt or Load. This describes how the change in MW or MVAR are picked up by buses throughout the system. The values specify participation factors. Note: bus# values may be replaced by a string enclosed in single quotes where the string is the name of the bus followed by and underscore character and then the nominal voltage of the bus.

```
COMPENSATION
bus#1 value1
bus#2 value2
...
END
```

Example:

```
<SUBDATA CTGElement>
 // just some comments
 // action
                                Model Criteria Status
                                                         comment
 "BRANCH 40821 40869 1
                         OPEN" ""
                                                ALWAYS //Raver - Paul 500 kV
 "GEN 45041 1 OPEN"
                                                ALWAYS //Trip Unit #2
 "BRANCH 42702 42727 1
                         OPEN" "Line X Limited" CHECK //Open Fern Hill
                               "Interface L1"
  "GEN 40221 1 OPEN"
                                                CHECK
                                                       //Drop ~600 MW
                               "Interface L2"
                                                CHECK
  "GEN 40227 1 OPEN"
                                                       //Drop ~1200 MW
 "GEN 40221 1 OPEN"
                               "Interface L3"
                                                CHECK
                                                       //Drop ~600 MW
  "GEN 40227 1 OPEN"
                               "Interface L3+"
                                                CHECK
                                                       //Drop ~1200 MW
</SUBDATA>
```

LimitViol

A LimitViol is used to describe the results of a contingency analysis run. Each Limit Violation lists eight values:

ViolType ViolElement Limit ViolValue PTDF OTDF InitialValue Reason

ViolType : One of five values describing the type of violation

BAMP – branch amp limit violation BMVA – branch MVA limit violation VLOW – bus low voltage limit violation VHIGH – bus high voltage limit violation INTER – interface MW limit violation

ViolElement : This field depends on the ViolType.

for VLOW, VHIGH - "bus1#" or "busname_buskv"

for INTER - "interfacename"

for BAMP, BMVA – "bus1# bus2# ckt violationbus# MWFlowDirection" violationbus# is the bus number for the end of the branch which is violated MWFlowDirection is the direction of the MW flow on the line. Potential values

are "FROMTO" or "TOFROM".

Note: each bus# may be replaced with the name underscore nominal kV string

enclosed in single quotations.

Limit : This is the numerical limit which was violated ViolValue : This is the numerical value of the violation

PTDF : This field is optional. It only makes sense for interface or branch violations. It stores

a sensitivity of the flow on the violating element during in the base case with respect to a transfer direction This must be calculated using the Contingency Analysis Other

Actions related to Sensitivities

OTDF : This field is optional. It only makes sense for interface or branch violations. It stores

a sensitivity of the flow on the violating element during this contingency with respect to a transfer direction. This must be calculated using the Contingency Analysis Other

Actions related to Sensitivities

Initial Value : This stores a number. This stores the base case value for the element which is being

violated. This is used to compare against when looking at change violations

Reason : This will say whether this was a pure violation, or is being reported as a violation

because the change from the base case is higher than a specified threshold

LIMIT – means this is a violation of a line/interface/bus limit

CHANGE – means this is being reported as a limit because the change from the initial

value is higher than allowed

Example:

```
<SUBDATA LimitViol>
BAMP "1 3 1 1 FROMTO" 271.94031 398.48096 10.0 15.01 //Note OTDF/PTDF

// values can also be specified with name underscore nominal kV string

// enclosed inside a single quote as shown next

BAMP "'One_138' 'Three_138' 1 1 FROMTO" 271.94031 398.48096 10.0 15.01

INTER "Right-Top" 45.00000 85.84451 None None 56.000 LIMIT

</SUBDATA>
```

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Sim_Solution_Options

These describe the power flow solution options which should be used under this particular contingency. The format of the subdata section is two lines of text. The first line is a list of the fieldtypes for Sim_Solution_Options which should be changed. The second line is a list of the values. Note that in general, power flow solution options are stored at three different locations in contingency analysis. When implementing a contingency, Simulator gives precendence to these three locations in the following order:

- 1. Contingency Record Options (stored with the particular contingency)
- 2. Contingency Tool Options (stored with CTG_Options)
- 3. The global solution options

WhatOccurredDuringContingency

Each line of this subdata section is part of a text description of what actually ended up being implemented for this contingency. This will list which actions were executed and which on which actions ended up being skipped because of their model criteria. Each line of the subdata section must be enclosed in quotes.

Example:

```
<SUBDATA WhatOccurredDuringContingency>
  "Applied: "
  " OPEN Branch Two (2) TO Five (5) CKT 1 | CHECK | "
</SUBDATA>
```

ContingencyBlock

CTGElement

This format is the same as for the Contingency objecttype, however, you can not call a ContingencyBlock from within a contingencyblock.

CTG_Options

Sim_Solution_Options

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CustomCaseInfo

ColumnInfo

Each line of this SUBDATA section can be used for specifying the column width of particular columns of the respective Custom Case Information Sheet. The line contains two values – the column and then a column width. This is shown in the following example.

Example:

```
<SUBDATA ColumnInfo>

"SheetCol" 133

"SheetCol:1" 150

"SheetCol:2" 50
</SUBDATA>
```

DataGrid

ColumnInfo

Contains a description of the columns which are shown in the respective data grid. Each line of text contains four fields: VariableName, ColumnWidth, TotalDigits, DecimalPoints

: contains the variable which is shown in this column Variablename

ColumnWidth : The column width

condition

TotalDigits : The total digits displayed for numerical values DecimalPoints : The decimal points shown for numerical values.

Example:

```
DATA (DataGrid, [DataGridName])
   <SUBDATA COLUMNINFO>
     BusNomVolt 100
                             2
                         8
                   50
                         8
                             2
     AreaNum
                   50
                         8
                             2
     ZoneNum
   </SUBDATA>
  BRANCHRUN
   <SUBDATA COLUMNINFO >
     BusNomVolt:0 100
                              2
     BusNomVolt:1 100
                          8
                              2
     LineMW:0
                   100
   </SUBDATA>
```

Filter

Condition

Variablename

Conditions store the conditions of the filter. Each condition is described by one line of text which can contain up to five fields. "value" ("othervalue")

(fieldopt)

variablename : is one of the fields for the object_type specified. It may optional be followed by a colon and a non-negative integer. If not specified, 0 is assumed. Example: on a LINE, 0 = from bus, 1 = to busThus: LineMW:0 = the MW flow leaving the from bus LineMW:1 = the MW flow leaving the to bus Condition : Possible Values Alternate1 Alternate2 Requirements requires othervalue between >< notbetween ~>< requires othervalue equal notequal \Diamond greaterthan lessthan < greaterthanorequal lessthanorequal <= contains notcontains startswith notstartswith inrange notinrange the value to compare to. value For fields associated with strings, this must be a string For fields associated with real numbers, this must be a number. For fields associated with integers, this is normally an integer, except when the Condition is "inrange" or "notinrange". In this case, value is a comma/dash separated number string. (othervalue) : if required, the other value to compare to (FieldOpt) : optional integer value with following meanings. 0 - strings are case insensitive, use number fields directly (0 is the default value if not otherwise specified) 1 - strings are case sensitive, take ABS of field values

Example:

Gen

BidCurve

BidCurve subdata is used to define a piece-wise linear cost curve (or a bid curve). Each bid point consists of two real numbers on a single line of text: a MW output and then the respective bid (or marginal cost).

Example:

```
<SUBDATA BidCurve>
    // MW    Price[$/MWhr]
    100.00    10.6
    200.00    12.4
    400.00    15.7
    500.00    16.0
</SUBDATA>
```

ReactiveCapability

Reactive Capability subdata is used to the reactive capability curve of the generator. Each line of text consists of three real numbers: a MW output, and then the respective Minimum MVAR and Maximum MVAR output

Example:

InjectionGroup

PartPoint

A participation point is used to describe the contents of an injection group. Each participation piont lists six values:

PointType PointBusNum PointID PointParFac ParFacCalcType ParFacNotDynamic

PointType : One of two values describing the type of violation

GEN – a generator

LOAD – a load

PointBusNum : The bus number of the partpoint. Note: bus# values may be replaced by a string

enclosed in double quotes where the string is the name of the bus followed by and

underscore character and then the nominal voltage of the bus.

PointID : The generator or load id for the partpoint PointParFac : The participation factor for the point

ParFacCalcType : How the participation point is calculated. There are several options depending on the

PointType.

Generators SPECIFIED, MAX GEN INC, MAX GEN DEC, or MAX GEN MW

Loads: SPECIFIED, or LOAD MW

ParFacNotDynamic: Should the participation factor be recalculated dynamically as the system changes

Example:

```
<SUBDATA PartPoint>
  "GEN" 1 "1"
                 1.00 "SPECIFIED"
                                    "NO"
  "GEN" 2 "1"
               5.00 "SPECIFIED"
                                    " NO "
  "GEN" 4 "1" 104.96 "MAX GEN INC" "NO"
  "GEN" 6 "1" 50.32 "MAX GEN DEC" "YES"
  "GEN"
        7 "1" 600.00 "MAX GEN MW"
                                    "NO"
  "LOAD" 2 "1" 5.00 "SPECIFIED"
                                    "NO"
  "LOAD" 5 "1" 130.00 "LOAD MW"
                                    "NO"
  "LOAD" 6 "1" 200.00 "LOAD MW"
                                    "YES"
</SUBDATA>
```

Interface

InterfaceElement

A interfaces's subdata contains a list of the elements in the interface. Each line contains a text descriptions of the interface element. Note that this text description must be encompassed by quotation marks. There are five kinds of elements allowed in an interface. Please note that the direction specified in the monitoring elements is important.

"BRANCH num1 num2 ckt" : Monitor the MW flow on the branch starting from bus num1 going to

bus num2 on the branch this branch.

"AREA *num1 num2*" : Monitor the sum of the tie line MW flows from area to area. "ZONE *num1 num2*" : Monitor the sum of the tie line MW flows from zone to zone.

"BRANCHOPEN num1 num2 ckt" : When monitoring the elements in this interface, monitor them under the

contingency of opening this branch.

"BRANCHCLOSE num1 num2 ckt": When monitoring the elements in this interface, monitor them under the

contingency of closing this branch.

"BRANCHCLOSE num1 num2 ckt": When monitoring the elements in this interface, monitor them under the

contingency of closing this branch.

"DCLINE *num1 num2 ckt*" : Monitor the flow on a DC line.

"INJECTIONGROUP name" : Monitor the net injection from an injection group (generation

contributes as a positive injection, loads as negative).

"GEN num1 id" : Monitor the net injection from a generator (contributes as a positive

injection)

"LOAD *num1 id*" : Monitor the net *injection* from a load (contributes as a negative

injection).

Note: bus# values may be replaced by a string enclosed in single quotes where the string is the name of the bus followed by and underscore character and then the nominal voltage of the bus.

For the interface element type "BRANCH num1 num2 ckt" and "DCLINE num1 num2 ckt", an optional field can also be written specifying whether the flow should be measured at the far end. This field is either YES or NO.

Example:

```
<SUBDATA InterfaceElement
              9 1" NO // monitor the flow from bus 8 to bus 9 on this branch
  "BRANCH 8
  "BRANCH 12 33 1" YES // monitor the flow from bus 12 to bus 33 on branch
                       // measurefarend is set to true, therefore, we are
                       // monitoring the MW flow that arrives at bus 33
 // the following demonstrates the format when bus names and
 // nominal voltages are used.
  "BRANCH 'Twelve_230' 'name33_230' 1" YES
          2
                       // monitor tie line flow from area 2 to area 1
  "AREA
         66 53"
  "ZONE
                       // monitor tie lines flows from zone 66 to zone 53
  "BRANCHOPEN 5 6 1"
                       // doe monitoring after branch opens
  "BRANCHCLOSE 7 10 1" // doe monitoring after branch closes
</SUBDATA>
```

LimitSet

LimitCost

LimitCost records describe the piece-wise unenforceable constraint cost records for use by unenforceable line/interface limits in the OPF or SCOPF. Each row contains two values

PercentLimit Cost

PercentLimit : Percent of the transmission line limit

Cost : Cost used at this line loading percentage value.

Example:

```
<SUBDATA LimitCost>
  //Percent Cost [$/MWhr]
  100.00   50.00
  105.00   100.00
  110.00   500.00
</SUBDATA>
```

Load

BidCurve

BidCurve subdata is used to define a piece-wise linear benefit curve (or a bid curve). Each bid point consists of two real numbers on a single line of text: a MW output and then the respective bid (or marginal cost). These costs must be increasing for loads

Example:

```
<SUBDATA BidCurve>

// MW   Price[$/MWhr]

100.00   16.0

200.00   15.7

400.00   12.4

500.00   10.6
</SUBDATA>
```

ModelCondition

Condition

ModelConditions are the combination of an object and a Filter. They are used to return when the particular object meets the filter specified. As a results, the subdata section here is identical to the Condition subdata section of a Filter. See the description there.

ModelExpression

LookupTable

Lookup Tables are used inside Model Expressions sometimes. These lookup table represent either one or two dimensional tables. If the first string in the SUBDATA section is "x1x2", the this signals that it is a two dimensional lookup table. From that point on it will read the first row as "x2" lookup points, and the first column in the remainder of the rows as the x1 lookup values.

Example:

```
DATA (MODELEXPRESSION, [CustomExpression,ObjectType,CustomExpressionStyle,
CustomExpressionString, WhoAmI, VariableName, WhoAmI:1, VariableName:1], AUXDEF)
// The following demonstrated a one dimensional lookup table
22.0000, "oneD", "Lookup", "",
"Gen<KEY1>1</KEY1><KEY2>1</KEY2>",
"Gen<KEY1>1</KEY1><KEY2>1</KEY2><VAR>GenMW</VAR>",
"", ""
   <SUBDATA LookupTable>
     // because it does not start with the string x1x2 this will
     // represent a one dimensional lookup table
    x1
              value
                   1.000000
       0.000000
      11.000000
                  22.000000
```

```
111.000000
                222.000000
   </SUBDATA>
0.0000, "twod", "Lookup", "",
"Gen<KEY1>1</KEY1><KEY2>1</KEY2>",
"Gen<KEY1>1</KEY1><KEY2>1</KEY2><VAR>GenMW</VAR>",
"Gen<KEY1>6</KEY1><KEY2>1</KEY2>",
"Gen<KEY1>6</KEY1><KEY2>1</KEY2><VAR>GenMW</VAR>"
   <SUBDATA LookupTable>
    // because this starts with x1x2 this represent a two dimensional
    // lookup table. The first column represents lookup values for x1.
    // The first row represents lookup values for x2
                   0.100000
                               0.300000
                                        // these are lookup heading for x2
    x1x2
      0.000000
                  1.000000
                               3.000000
     11.000000
                              33.000000
                 22.000000
    111.000000 222.000000 333.000000
   </SUBDATA>
```

ModelFilter

ModelCondition

A Model Filter's subdata contains a list of each ModelCondition in the it. Because a list of Model Conditions is stored within Simulator, this subdata section only stores the name of each ModelCondition on each line.

Example

```
SUBDATA ModelCondition>
  "Name of First Model Condition"
  "Name of Second Model Condition"
  "Name of Third Model Condition"
  </SUBDATA>
```

MTDCRecord

An example of the entire multi-terminal DC transmission line record is given at the end of this record description. Each of the SUBDATA sections is discussed first.

MTDCBus

For this SUBDTA section, each DC Bus is described on a single line of text with exactly 8 fields specified.

DCBusNum DCBusName ACTerminalBus DCResistanceToground DCBusVoltage DCArea DCZone DCOwner

DCBusNum : The number of the DC Bus. Note the DC bus number are independent of the AC bus

numbers.

DCBusName : The name of the DC bus enclosed in quotes.

ACTerminalBus : The AC terminal to which this DC bus is connected (via a MTDCConverter). If the

DC bus is not connected to any AC buses, then specify as zero. You may also specify

this as a string enclosed in double quotes with the bus name followed by an

underscore character, following by the nominal voltage of the bus.

DCResistanceToground: The resistance of the DC bus to ground. Not used by Simulator.

DCBusVoltage : The DC bus voltage in kV

DCArea : The area that this DC bus belongs to.
DCZone : The zone that this DC bus belongs to.
DCOwner : The owner that this DC bus belongs to.

MTDCConverter

For this SUBDTA section, each AC/DC Converter is described by exactly 24 field which may be spread across several lines of text. Simulator will keep reading lines of text until it finds 24 fields. All text to the right of the 24th field (on the same line of text) will be ignored. The 24 fields are listed in the following order

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BusNum : AC terminal bus number

MTDCNBridges : Number of bridges for the converter

MTDCConvEBas: Converter AC base voltageMTDCConvAngMxMn: Converter firing angleMTDCConvAngMxMn:1: Converter firing angle maxMTDCConvAngMxMn:2: Converter firing angle min

MTDCConvComm : Converter commutating resistance MTDCConvComm:1 : Converter commutating reactance MTDCConvXFRat : Converter transformer ratio

MTDCConvXFRat

MTDCFixedACTap

MTDCConvTapVals

MTDCConvTapVals:1

MTDCConvTapVals:2

MTDCConvTapVals:3

MTDCConvTapVals:3

MTDCConvSetVL

MTDCConvSetVL

MTDCConvDCPF

MTDCConvMarg

MTDCConvType

MTDCConvType

MTDCConvType

MTDCConvStatus

Converter transformer ratio

Fixed AC Tap

Converter tap

Converter tap max

Converter tap min

Converter tap step size

Converter setpoint value (current or power)

Converter DC participation factor

Converter margin (power or current)

Converter type

Converter type

Converter Status

MTDCConvStatus : Converter Status

MTDCConvSchedVolt : Converter Scheduled DC voltage

MTDCConvIDC : Converter DC current

MTDCConvPQ : Converter real power

MTDCConvPQ:1 : Converter reactive power

TransmissionLine

For this SUBDTA section, each DC Transmission Line is described on a single line of text with exactly 5 fields specified.

DCFromBusNum DCToBusNum CKTID Resistance Inductance

DCFromBusNum: From DC Bus Number DCToBusNum : To DC Bus Number CKTID : The DC Circuit ID

Resistance : Resistance of the DC Line in Ohms
Inductance : Inductance of the DC Line in mHenries (Not used by Simulator)

Example:

```
DATA (RECORD, [Num, Mode, ControlBus])
//-----
// The first Multi-Terminal DC Transmission Line Record
//-----
1 "Current" "SYLMAR3 (26098)"
  <SUBDATA Bus>
     //-----
     // DC Bus data must appear on a single line of text
     // The data consists of exactly 8 values
     // DC Bus Num, DC Bus Name, AC Terminal Bus, DC Resistance to ground,
     // DC Bus Voltage, DC Bus Area, DC Bus Zone, DC Bus Owner
     //-----
      3 "CELILO3P" 0 9999.00 497.92 40 404 1
4 "SYLMAR3P" 0 9999.00 439.02 26 404 1
7 "DC7" 41311 9999.00 497.93 40 404 1
8 "DC8" 41313 9999.00 497.94 40 404 1
9 "DC9" 26097 9999.00 439.01 26 404 1
10 "DC10" 26098 9999.00 439.00 26 404 1
  </SUBDATA>
  <SUBDATA Converter>
     //-----
      // convert subdata keeps reading lines of text until it has found
      \ensuremath{//} values specified for 24 fields. This can span any number of lines
      // any values to the right of the 24th field found will be ignored
      // The next converter will continue on the next line.
     //----
      41311 2 525.00 20.25 24.00 5.00 0.0000 16.3100
          0.391048 \quad 1.050000 \quad 1.000000 \quad 1.225000 \quad 0.950000 \quad 0.012500
          1100.0000 1650.0000 0.0000 "Rect" 1650.0000 "Closed"
          497.931 1100.0000 547.7241 295.3274
      41313 4 232.50 15.36 17.50 5.00 0.0000
                                                      7.5130
          0.457634 1.008700 1.030000 1.150000 0.990000 0.010000
          2000.0000 2160.0000 0.1550 "Rect" 2160.0000 "Closed"
          497.940 2000.0000 995.8800 561.8186
```

```
26097
                    230.00
                             20.90 24.00 5.00
                                                         0.0000
            0.892609 1.000000 1.100000 1.225000 0.950000 0.012500
           -1100.0000 1650.0000 "" "Inv" 1650.0000 "Closed"
            439.009 1100.0000 -482.9099 274.5227
              4 232.00 17.51 20.00 5.00
                                                         0.0000
            0.458621 1.008700 1.100000 1.120000 0.960000 0.010000
            439.0000 2160.0000 "" "Inv" 2160.0000 "Closed"
             439.000 1999.9999 -878.0000 544.2775
   </SIJBDATA>
   <SUBDATA TransmissionLine>
       //-----
       // DC Transmission Segment information appears on a single line of
       // text. It consists of exactly 5 value
       // From DCBus, To DCBus, Circuit ID, Line Resistance, Line Inductance
       //----

    4
    "1"
    19.0000
    1300.0000

    3
    "1"
    0.0100
    0.0000

    3
    "1"
    0.0100
    0.0000

    4
    "1"
    0.0100
    0.0000

    4
    "1"
    0.0100
    0.0000

       3
       7
       8
       9
      10
   </SUBDATA>
//-----
// A second Multi-Terminal DC Transmission Line Record
     ______
   "Current" "SYLMAR4 (26100)"
2
   <SUBDATA Bus>

      0
      9999.00
      497.92
      40
      404

      0
      9999.00
      439.02
      26
      404

      41312
      9999.00
      497.93
      40
      404

      41314
      9999.00
      497.94
      40
      404

      26099
      9999.00
      439.01
      26
      404

      26100
      9999.00
      439.00
      26
      404

        5 "CELILO4P"
                                                                       1
        6 "SYLMAR4P"
11 "DC11"
                                                                       1
        12 "DC12"
        13 "DC13"
                                                                       1
        14 "DC14"
   </SUBDATA>
   <SUBDATA Converter>
       41312 2 525.00 20.26 24.00 5.00
                                                       0.0000 16.3100
            0.391048 1.050000 1.000000 1.225000 0.950000 0.012500
            1100.0000 1650.0000 0.0000 "Rect" 1650.0000 "Closed"
            497.931 1100.0000 547.7241 295.3969
       41314 4 232.50 15.45 17.50 5.00
                                                         0.0000
                                                                     7.5130
            0.457634 \quad 1.008700 \quad 1.030000 \quad 1.150000 \quad 0.990000 \quad 0.010000
            2000.0000 2160.0000 0.1550 "Rect" 2160.0000 "Closed"
            497.940 2000.0000 995.8800 562.9448
       26099 2 230.00 20.90 24.00 5.00
                                                       0.0000
                                                                    16.3100
             0.892609 \quad 1.000000 \quad 1.100000 \quad 1.225000 \quad 0.950000 \quad 0.012500
           -1100.0000 1650.0000 "" "Inv" 1650.0000 "Closed"
             439.009 1100.0000 -482.9099 274.5227
       26100 4 232.00 17.51 20.00 5.00 0.0000
             0.458621 \quad 1.008700 \quad 1.100000 \quad 1.120000 \quad 0.960000 \quad 0.010000
            439.0000 2160.0000 "" "Inv" 2160.0000 "Closed"
             439.000 1999.9999 -878.0000 544.2775
   </SUBDATA>
   <SUBDATA TransmissionLine>
      5 6 "1" 19.0000 1300.0000
                          0.0100
                                          0.0000
             5
                   "1"
      11
                                         0.0000
      12
             5
                   "1"
             6
                   "1"
      13
                               0.0100
             6 "1"
      14
                               0.0100
                                              0.0000
   </SUBDATA>
```

MultiSectionLine

Bus

A multi section line's subdata contains a list of each dummy bus, starting with the one connected to the From Bus of the MultiSectionLine and proceeding in order to the bus connected to the To Bus of the Line. Note: bus# values may

be replaced by a string enclosed in double quotes where the string is the name of the bus followed by and underscore character and then the nominal voltage of the bus.

Example:

Nomogram

InterfaceElementA

InterfaceElementB

InterfaceElementA values represent the interface elements for the first interface of the nomogram. InterfaceElementB values represent the interface elements for the second interface of the nomogram. The format of these SUBDATA sections are identical to the format of the InterfaceElement SUBDATA section of a normal Interface.

Owner

Bus

This subdata section contains a list of the buses which are owned by this owner. Each line of text contains the bus number.

Example:

```
<SUBDATA Bus>

1
35
65
</SUBDATA>
```

Load

This subdata section contains a list of the loads which are owned by this owner. Each line of text contains the bus number followed by the load id.

Example:

```
<SUBDATA Load>
   5 1 // shows ownership of the load at bus 5 with id of 1
   423 1
</SUBDATA>
```

Gen

This subdata section contains a list of the generators which are owned by this owner and the fraction of ownership. Each line of text contains the bus number, followed by the gen id, followed by an integer showing the fraction of ownership.

Example:

```
<SUBDATA Gen>
78 1 50 // shows 50% ownership of generator at bus 78 with id of 1
23 3 70
</SUBDATA>
```

Branch

This subdata section contains a list of the branchs which are owned by this owner and the fraction of ownership. Each line of text contains the from bus number, followed by the to bus number, followed by the circuit id, followed by an integer showing the fraction of ownership.

Example:

```
<SUBDATA Branch>
  6 10 1 50 // shows 50% ownership of line from bus 6 to 10, circuit 1
</SUBDATA>
```

QVCurve

QVPoints

This subdata section contains a list of the QV Curve points calculated for the respect QVCurve. Each line consists of exactly four values

PerUnitVoltage FictitiousMvar ShuntDeviceMvar TotalMvar

PerUnitVoltage : The per unit voltage of the bus for a QV point

Fictitious Mvar : the amount of Mvars injected by the fictitious generator at this QV point

ShuntDeviceMvar: the Mvars injected by any switched shunts at the bus

TotalMvar : the total Mvars injected by switched shunts and the fictitious generator.

Example:

```
DATA (OVCURVE, [BusNum, CaseName, qv_VO0, qv_O0, qv_Vmax, qv_OVmax, qv_VOmin, qv_Omin,
                qv_Vmin,qv_QVmin,Qinj_Vmax,Qinj_0,Qinj_min,Qinj_Vmin])
5 "BASECASE" 0.880
                      0.000
                              1.100 312.490
                                               0.480 -221.072
              0.180 -86.334 191.490 -77.373 -244.075 -89.562
   <SUBDATA QVPoints>
     // NOTE: This bus has a constant impedance
     // switched shunt value of -100 Mvar at it.
     1.1000, 312.4898, -121.0000, 191.4898
                        -60.7808, -157.4010
    0.7800,
             -96.6202,
     0.3800, -207.4962,
                        -14.4113, -221.9075
                         -3.2284, -89.5620
     0.1800, -86.3336,
   </SUBDATA>
```

Schedule

LoadScale

This subdata section contains a list of load schedule points. Each line of text contains two values, the time and the load multiplier.

Example:

```
<SUBDATA LoadScale>
    0   1.0
    35   1.5
    65   1.2
</SUBDATA>
```

SuperArea

SuperAreaArea

This subdata section contains a list of areas within each super area. Each line of text contains two values, the area number followed by a participation factor for the area that can be optionally used.

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Example:

```
<SUBDATA SuperAreaArea>
    1    48.9
    5    34.2
    25    11.2
</SUBDATA>
```