

# Wide Area Visibility PowerWorld

A pilot for improved  
wide-area situational  
awareness

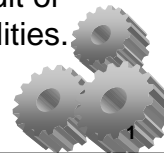
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## Blackout Report\*

- Recommendation 9 - Actions
  - Evaluate and improve the tools and procedures for operator and reliability coordinator communications during emergencies.
  - Evaluate and improve the tools for the timely exchange of outage information among control areas and reliability coordinators.
- Recommendation 10 - Introduction
  - The August 14 blackout was caused by a lack of situational awareness that was in turn the result of inadequate reliability tools and backup capabilities.

\* August 14, 2003 Blackout: NERC Actions to Prevent and Mitigate the Impacts of Future Cascading Blackouts, February 10, 2004





## Objective

To develop a tool that provides a common basis for operators to be aware of changing bulk transmission system conditions across a broad region.

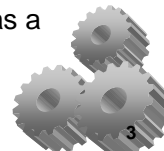


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## Approach

- **Technical**
  - Replicate the TVA hosted EIPP phasor data technology and architecture (hub and spoke)
  - Use PowerWorld as the display layer
- **Business**
  - Provide a low hurdle for NERC certified entities in SE to participate
    - Current PowerWorld Users
    - Accommodate entities that do not need full-scale PowerWorld
  - PowerWorld maintains case and one-line diagrams as a “service” for utility consumers
  - NDA’s are setup among participating utilities

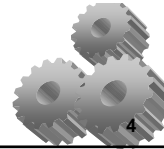
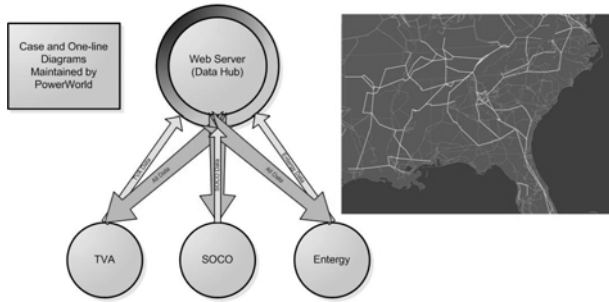


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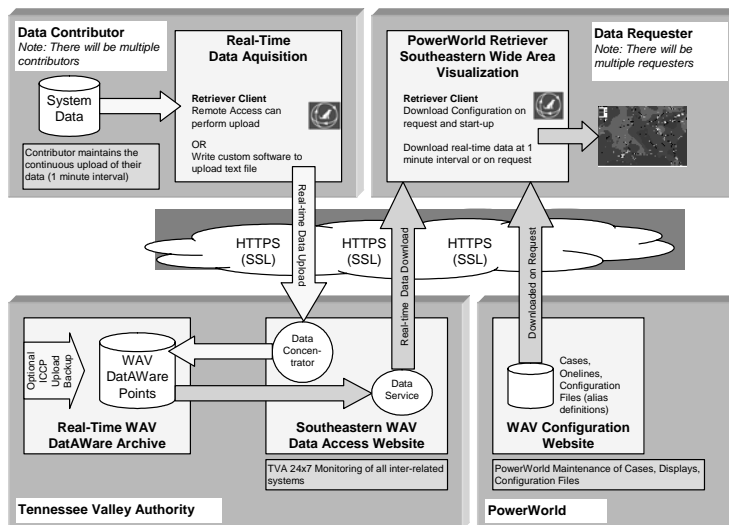
# How does it work ?

- Contributors upload data to Data Access Website
- Data concentrated and pushed into DatAWARE
- Requestor asks for data from Data Access Website
- Data Access Website has a Data Service that
  - fetches data from DatAWARE
  - packages it as a text file
  - pushes text file to requestor
- Requestor is kept up to date on files through WAV Configuration Website

PowerWorld Wide Area Architecture



# Architecture Detail



## Data Contributor

- Uploads data to the Southeastern WAV data access site

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*** DATE *** 12/ 2/2005 12:20:34 PM
*TV_Browns F_500_1.KV*,518.77,GOOD
*TV_Bull Run_500_1.KV*,519.14,GOOD
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Through Retriever or  
some custom script

1-minute interval or faster

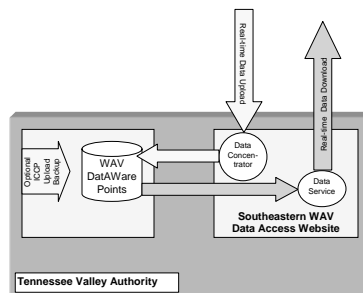
Data transferred over SSL



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## WAV Data Website

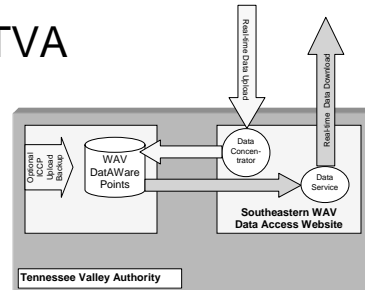
- Contributors upload
  - Uploaded data is concentrated and pushed to local archive
- Requestors download
  - Data Service receives request
  - Data Service Pulls requested data from local archive
  - Data Service pushes text file containing requested data to requestor over SSL



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## WAV Data Archive

- Local data historian concentrates and consolidates uploaded data by timestamp
- Result is published to data access website
- Archive hosted by TVA



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## NDA Provisions

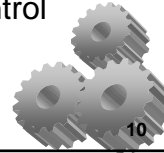
- To contribute or receive data, participants must be a NERC certified BA or RC
- Data shall only be used for the purpose of display in “wide-area PowerWorld”
- TVA must provide the same caution and care for this data as it does for its own proprietary data
- TVA will retain one-minute real-time data for a maximum of 24 hours after which the data will be destroyed
- Data recipients must protect and not share data with others
- Neither the data contributors nor TVA provides any warranties for the data

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## Why not use ICCP?

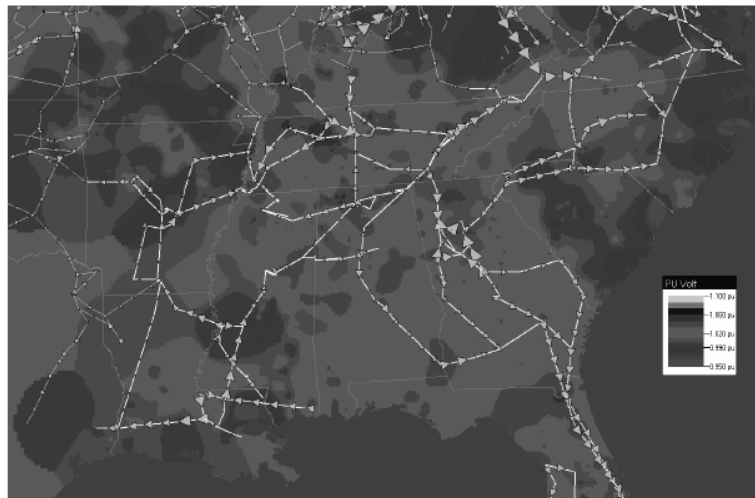
- Simple way to meet objective -- Guarantees a common display, with common annotation and coloring in all control rooms
- Significantly Lowers Operating Costs -- All parties do not have to separately maintain:
  - The display
  - The case (model, ratings, and alarm limits)
  - Data-to-model mapping
- Low Cost of Entry -- All NERC certified BA and RC entities in SE can easily add this tool to their control rooms thereby promoting the strongest regional reliability.



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## Example Display



Example colors – browns and blacks are normal, reds low



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## Current Progress...

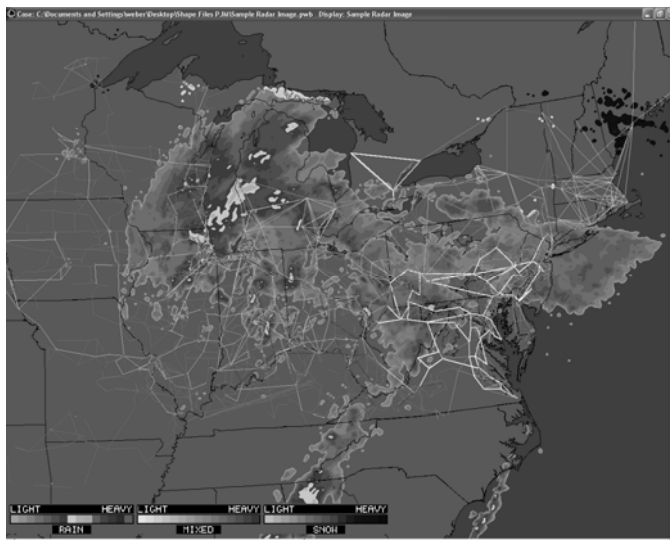
- Technology has been deployed.
- NDA has been executed for Entergy and TVA. Entergy is working on mapping data from their SCADA system and creating a process to provide the data.
- NDA is final stages for Southern Company and TVA. Southern Company has already tested the system with their SCADA data.



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## Overlaying Weather...



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