Subregional RTEP Committee - Western First Energy Supplemental Projects

December 18, 2019

Needs

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Need Number: APS-2019-014 and APS-2019-015

Process State: Need Meeting 11/22/2019

Project Driver:

Equipment Material Condition, Performance and Risk

Operational Flexibility and Efficiency

Specific Assumption Reference:

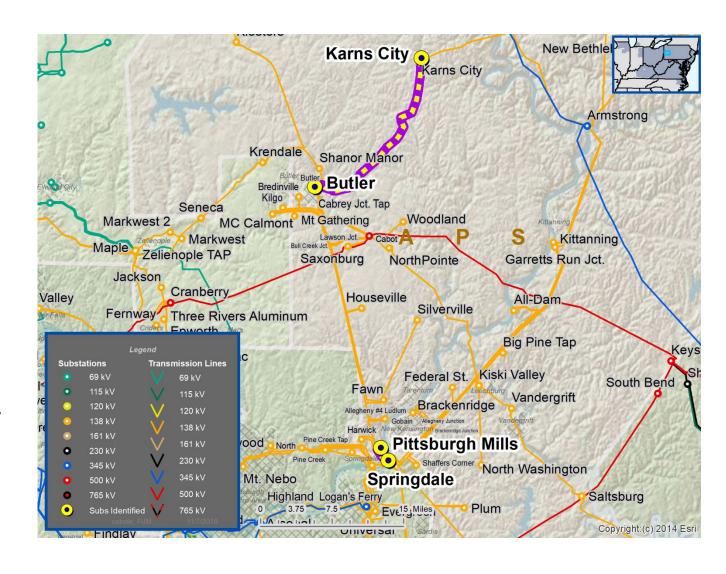
System Performance Projects Global Factors

- System reliability and performance
- Substation/line equipment limits

Upgrade Relay Schemes

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- Obsolete and difficult to repair communication equipment (DTT, Blocking, etc.)
- Communication technology upgrades
- Bus protection schemes

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Problem Statement:

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- Proper operation of the protection scheme requires all the separate components perform adequately during a fault.
- In many cases the protection equipment cannot be repaired due to a lack of replacement parts and available expertise in the outdated technology.
- Transmission line ratings are limited by terminal equipment.

	Need #	Transmission Line / Substation Locations	Existing Line Rating (SN / SE)	Existing Conductor Rating (SN / SE)	Limiting Terminal Equipment
AP:	S-2019-014	Pittsburgh Mills – Springdale 138 kV Line	293/302	296/332	Line Trap
AP:	S-2019-015	Karns City – Butler 138 kV Line	141/179	160/192	Substation Conductor

Solutions

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APS Transmission Zone M-3 Process Misoperation Relay Project

Need Number: APS-2019-009

Process Stage: Solutions Meeting 8/29/2019

Previously Presented:

Need Meeting 6/28/2019 (PN-2019-025) Solutions Meeting 7/31/2019 (PN-2019-025) Need Meeting 7/24/2019 (APS-2019-009)

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PN-2019-025	New Bethlehem – Brookville 138 kV Line	295/342		Line Trap, Substation Conductor, Circuit Breaker



Proposed Solution:

Need #	Transmission Line / Substation Locations	New MVA Line Rating (SN / SE)	Scope of Work	Estimated Costs (\$ M)	Target ISD	
APS-2019-009 PN-2019-025	Armstrong – New Bethlehem 138 kV Line New Bethlehem – Brookville 138 kV Line	308/376 308/376	Armstrong 138 kV Substation – Replace line trap and substation conductor	\$0.4M	4/1/2020	

Alternatives Considered:

1. Maintain existing condition with elevated risk of failure

No topology changes, no bubble diagram required.

Project Status: Conceptual

Model: 2019 RTEP model for 2024 Summer (50/50)