

# A Unified, Intelligent & Evolvable Solution to Enable NERC CIP Compliance and Substation Knowledge

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## Modern Challenges, Modern Opportunities

- ▶ Existing Infrastructure
- ▶ Internal Changes
- ▶ External Forces
- ▶ Productivity & Effectiveness
- ▶ Future Flexibility
- ▶ Asset Maximization

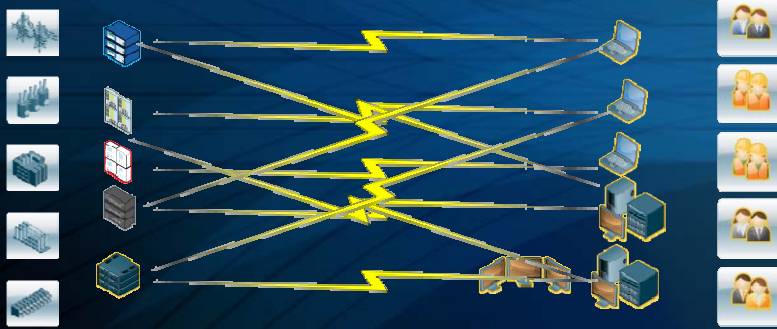


# The Challenge of Existing Infrastructure

**IED + IED + IED + ...**  
≠ Intelligent Substation

**NETWORKS**  
= Security Concerns

**BUSINESS SYSTEMS**  
≠ Live Substation Information



# The Challenge of Internal Changes



- ▶ People & policies
- ▶ Information access
- ▶ Cultural integration
- ▶ Systems integration

## The Challenge of External Forces

- ▶ New legislation
- ▶ Deregulation
- ▶ Competition
- ▶ Lobbyists
- ▶ Unforeseen events



## The Challenge of Productivity & Effectiveness



- ▶ Productivity, work satisfaction & organizational effectiveness.
- ▶ Focus on value-added tasks.

## The Challenge of Future Flexibility

- ▶ Decisions regarding the unknown
- ▶ Fewer experts



## The Challenge of Asset Maximization

- ▶ Islanded information
- ▶ Uninformed decisions



- ▶ Current asset investments
- ▶ Productivity

## The Ideal Solution



- ▶ Maximizes the useful lifespan of existing assets.
- ▶ Unifies, simplifies, and speeds up the administration and management of data, infrastructure, and users.
- ▶ Retains the ability to exploit future opportunities without sacrificing current goals.
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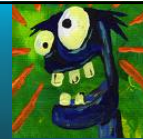
Let's examine a utility that addressed its network asset management challenges with this ideal solution.



# Network Asset Management



## NAM...why bother?



### You need to:

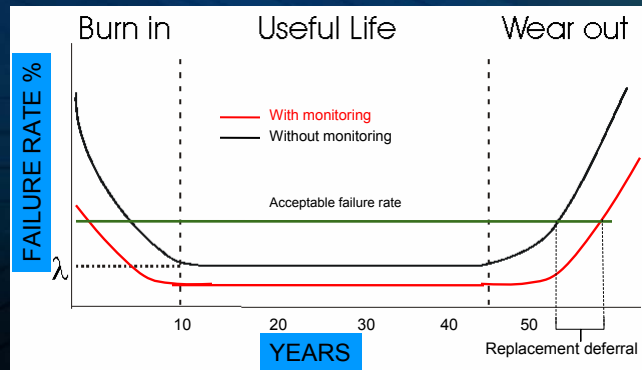
- increase line loads
- improve safety
- enhance reliability
- reduce repair cost

### While:

- equipment ages
- budgets are slashed
- experience is short
- new legislation is introduced

It's enough to drive anyone mad.

## First Base: On-line Monitoring & Diagnostics



## Why On-line Monitoring & Diagnostics?



# Objective of On-line Monitoring



# What is monitored?



Breakers



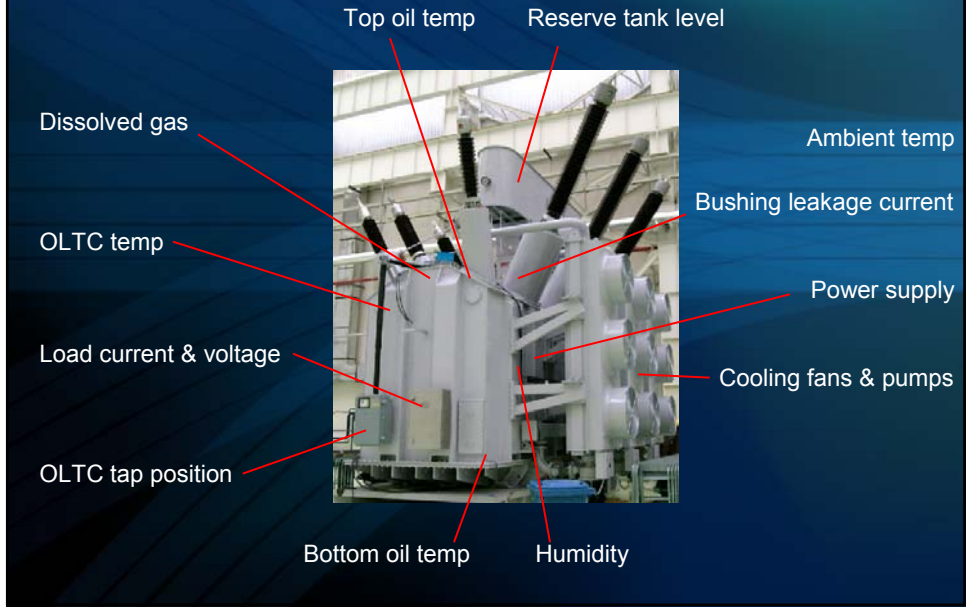
Transformers



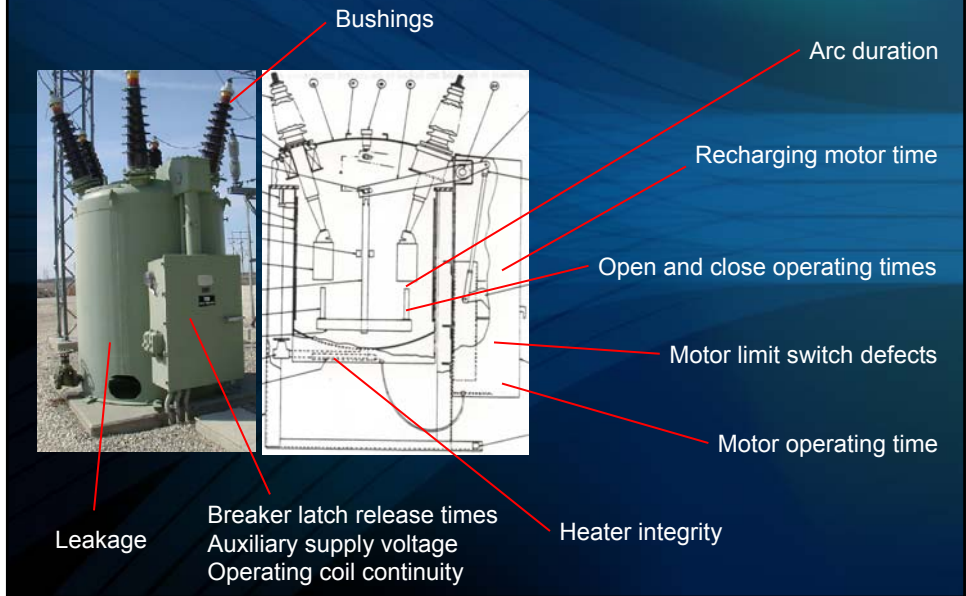
Battery banks




# Transformer Monitoring



# Oil-filled Circuit Breaker Monitoring



# Battery Monitoring



Interconnect resistance

Total bus current

Cell temperature

Cell voltage

Cell impedance

Ambient temperature

Float system voltage

Charging system voltage

Discharging system voltage

Average impedance per string

Floating string current

Charging string current

Discharging string current

# Feature Project: Asset Management @ SWTC



- Headquarters: Benson, Arizona
- Transmission Cooperative
- 613 miles of transmission line
- 30 plus substations and telecommunication facilities

[www.southwesttransmission.coop](http://www.southwesttransmission.coop)

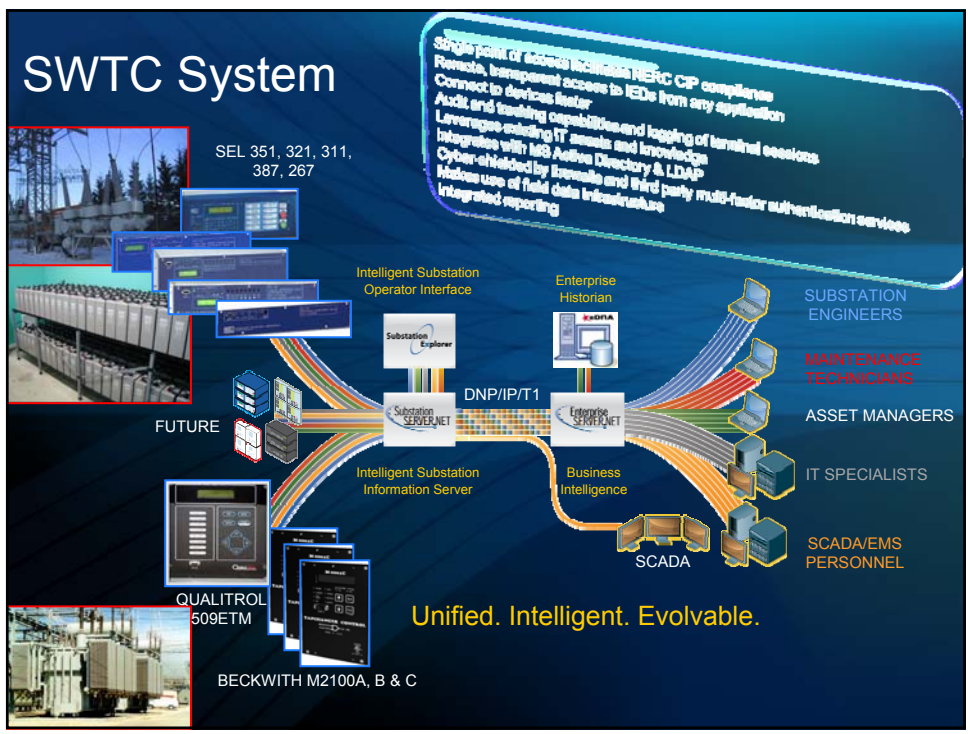


## SWTC Goals

- Shift from time-based to condition-based maintenance for:
  - Transformers
  - Breakers
  - Relaying
- Transformers:
  - Add dissolved gas monitoring
  - Add electronic temperature monitoring
  - Integrate LTC and temperature functions
- Breakers:
  - Condition monitoring integrated into breaker control relay
- Planned network to all substations:
  - T1 to each location
  - Flow all maintenance data to a central server

## SWTC Requirements

- Needed better database resolution and longer term storage:
  - 15 second snapshots instead of one minute
  - 30 year history instead of two weeks
- Fast database queries:
  - Ease of use
  - Multiple data requests
  - Make informed decisions quickly using accurate data
- System features desired:
  - Algorithms which would indicate maintenance issues
  - Feed SAP work order system
  - Email maintenance personnel
  - Trending of data
- SUBNET Solutions' EnterpriseSERVER.NET compatibility
- DNP 3.0 protocol (TCP/IP, Serial, Master/Slave) connectivity
- Automatic point creation to minimize duplication of work



- ## Successes to Date
- Issues resolved based on historian data
    - Kartchner Substation Tap Changer
    - Hackberry Substation Battery Charger

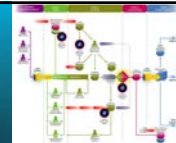


## NERC CIP...this is only the start of the



- ▶ Change management
- ▶ Compliance management
- ▶ Compliance administration

## NERC CIP...a look ahead



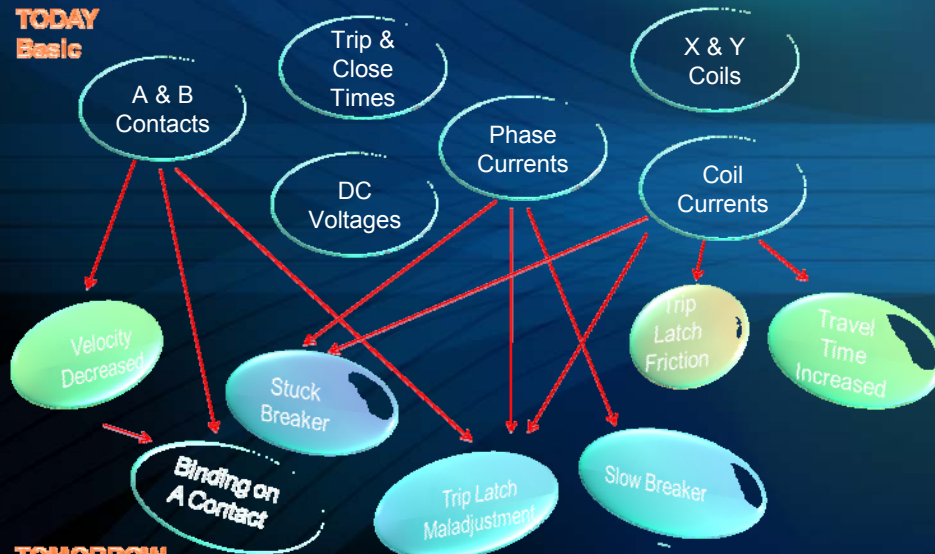
Due to complexity, traceability will only be possible by standard templates, repositories, workflows and user interfaces.

SWTC's NERC CIP solution is already future-proof.



## SWTC CBM FUTURE PLANS

**TODAY**  
**Basic**



**TOMORROW**  
**Advanced**

## Summary Benefits



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## Summary Benefits



- ▶ Facilitates NERC CIP compliance via the central management of connections between remote IEDs and authorized users.
- ▶ Hundreds of thousands of IEDs managed by this solution.
- ▶ Evolvable platform...not just best-in-class NERC CIP solution.
- ▶ No need to maintain clients and third party applications on user machines.

## Summary Benefits



- ▶ Built-in report generator
- ▶ Provides access to authorized applications only.
- ▶ Access rights based on multiple, user-definable groups.
- ▶ Configurable logging of connection traffic.
- ▶ Accomplishes all of this without having to replace or duplicate, any existing SCADA or IT infrastructure.



**Questions?**