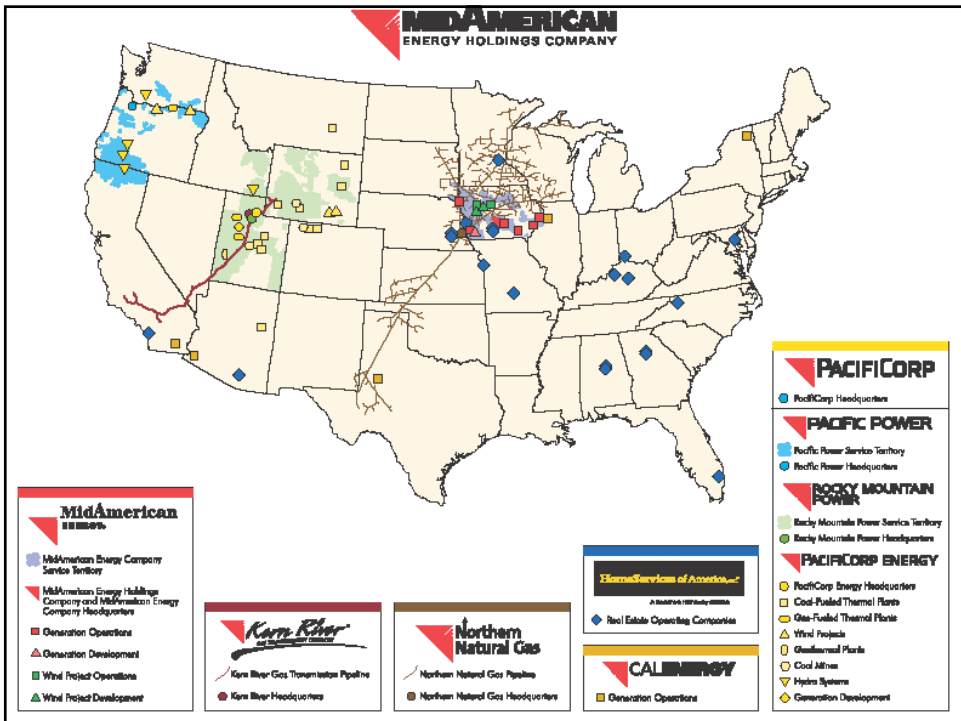


Electrical Pollution— What Is It and How do you Prevent It?

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*Includes PacifiCorp Energy employees

	RMP	UTAH
• Customers	1,000,000	770,000
– Rural	340,000	120,000
– Urban	660,000	650,000
• Revenue	\$2.0b	\$1.4b
– Rural	\$1.0b	\$0.4b
– Urban	\$1.0b	\$1.0b
• Employees*	3,750	2,400
• Territory	110,000 square miles	

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Definition of *Electrical Pollution*

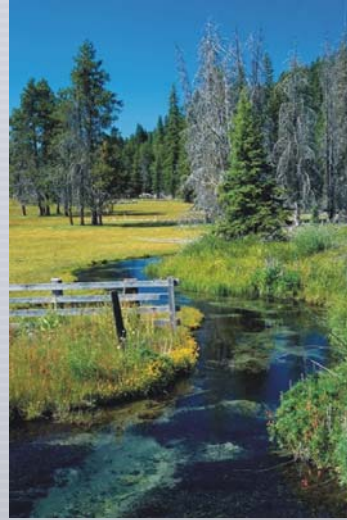
“A condition of the electric power system* wherein the normally pure sinusoidal voltage is corrupted in some way—either in form or magnitude.”

*as opposed to another environment such as stray voltages and currents in the earth

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Power System is like Other Environments

- Environment can be defined, and pristine vs. polluted conditions can also be defined.
- Causes of pollution can usually be identified and mitigated.
- Tolerance levels can be determined and may vary according to susceptibilities of inhabitants.
- **Correcting** an existing problem is almost always **more expensive** than **preventing** a problem at the design stage.



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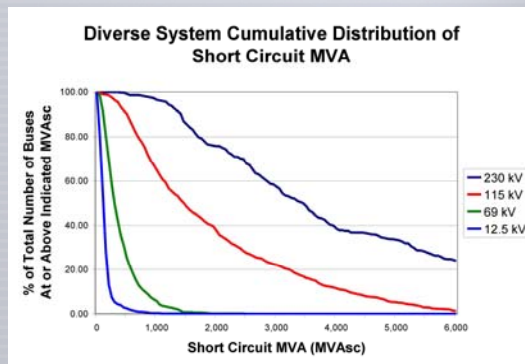
Principles of Preventing Electrical Pollution

- **Sound Fundamental Design**
 - Consider both static and dynamic load
- **Form Policies/Programs that are Fair & Complete**
 - Partition dynamic margins fairly
 - Don't bow to the pressure to connect without conditions
 - Standards and Education are current
 - Need both proactive and reactive field monitoring
- **Have Adequate Tools and Resources**
 - Human resources
 - Office tools and field tools to model potential loads and screen out pollution

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Sound Fundamental Design

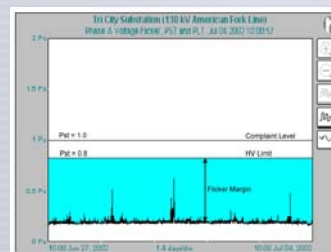
- Consider short circuit duty as well as capacity.
- Most loads will be slowly changing (static).
- Some loads will be dynamic.



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- Standards and Education are current
- Need both proactive and reactive field monitoring



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Adequate Tools and Resources

- Trained employees or consultants
- Office tools and accessible data on hand to model dynamic loads
- Field tools to screen simple dynamic loads



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Now, introducing our Expert Panel...

- **Sound Fundamental Power System Design**
 - Dr. Tom McDermott – EnerNex
- **Companies with Policies and Programs**
 - Jon Roholt – Idaho Power Company
 - Fouad Dagher – National Grid
- **Electrical Pollution Screening Tool**
 - Dr. Mark Halpin – Auburn University

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