Smart Grid: How it Creates Disruptive Change
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**Smart Grid: How it Creates Disruptive Change**

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Topics:
- Background—Mega Trends/Issues
- Smart/Intelligent Grids-Characteristics
- Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI)
- A Look Inside the Power Companies
- Why IT and OT need to Merge
- Implications for DoD
- Did You Know?
• Global Security
• Energy Security
• Energy Production—least transformed over the last 20 years
• Climate Change
• Financial Crisis
• Battery Technology-Tesla, Volt, Leaf
• Acceleration of Future--Kurzweil
• Fuel Producing Algae—Ventor
• Solar-to-Salt
• “Prosumer”

Source: Kristian Seenstrup & Zarko Sumic, Gartner
Nisson Leaf—Zero Emissions

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Tesla Sedan and Coupe

Tesla Sedan

Tesla Coupe

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Smart/Intelligent Grids

- Characteristics:
  - **Self-healing**—Adaptive
  - **Interactive** with consumers and markets
  - **Empowering** to customers
  - **Optimized** to make the best use of resources and equipment
  - **Predictive** rather than reactive—to reduce emergencies
  - **Integrated**—merges monitoring, control, protection, maintenance
  - **More Secure** from attack

Source: Kristian Seenstrup & Zarko Sumic, Gartner
• Defined:
  – Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) refers to systems that measure, collect and analyse energy usage, and interact with advanced devices such as electricity meters, gas meters, heat meters and water meters, through various communication media either on request (on-demand) or on pre-defined schedules. This infrastructure includes hardware, software, communications, consumer energy displays and controllers, customer associated systems, meter data management (MDM) software, supplier and network distribution business systems, etc. --Wikipedia

• Smart meters
Smart Meters

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Real-Time Energy Enterprise

• Horizontally integrated processes, partnerships, people & information
• Balanced performance, customer satisfaction, regulatory compliance, profit, cash flow, asset utilization
• Timely response to customer needs, demand peaks, supply disruptions, physical and cyber attacks
• Real-time visibility across generation assets, T&D networks and market transactions
• Consumers selling electricity back to the power company

Source: Kristian Seenstrup & Zarko Sumic, Gartner
Advantages of AMI

• Pricing
  – Total Consumption
  – Time-of-use
  – Critical peak pricing
  – Real-time pricing

• Demand response
  – Load control
  – Demand reserves
  – Critical peak rebates

• Customer Feedback
  – Monthly bill & detailed report
  – In-home web display

Source: Chris King
Advantages cont’d

• Customer bill savings
  – Turn off appliances
  – Shift Appliances off peak
  – Manual or automatic control

• Outages
  – Automatic detection
  – Verification of restoration at home level

• Distribution operations
  – Dynamic, real-time operations

Source: Chris King
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AMI Communication Networks

Local Area Networks
- Local power lines
- Wireless

Wide Area Networks
- Telephone
- Internet
- Wireless Network
- Data Center
- Distribution lines

Consumer
- Utility User

Source: Chris King
AMI Data and Software Relationships

Source: Chris King
The divide between the IT and Operational Technology

The CIO side thinks in terms of:
- Managing information and automating business processes (think computer scientists)
  - Enterprise network
  - ERP
  - Finance
  - HR, Payroll

The OT, operations side thinks in terms of:
- Managing assets, technology controlling processes (think engineers)
  - Automatic Generation Control (AGC)
  - Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition (SCADA)
  - Emergency Management System (EMS)
  - Distribution Asset Analysis (DAA)
  - Programmable Logic Control (PLC)

Source: Kristian Seenstrup & Zarko Sumic, Gartner
IT and OT need to Merge—Why

- Anticipated data glut
- Aging infrastructure
  - Many power plants and distribution systems are operating at or beyond capacity
- Cultural change takes time, perhaps a generation
- Intersection of:
  - Operational Technology
  - Information Technology
  - Compliance
  - Going Green

Source: Kristian Seenstrup & Zarko Sumic, Gartner
Implications for DoD

• Intelligent grid and AMI can make DoD smarter about how it used energy and thereby open doors to reduce consumption

• New technologies will allow DoD buildings and vehicles to become power generators

• DoD needs to worry about SCADA systems that are unprotected by the Utility companies that provide power
  — This especially applies to power stations owned and operated by DoD
  — Similarly, just as CIOs worry about having two separate network providers for their base, so to commanders be concerned if they do not have two separate sources of power
• The division between IT and OT in the power companies is an issue
  —Power companies slow to consolidate the two will not be able to handle the impending data glut thereby delaying anticipated savings by the consumer and possible interruptions to power generation
  —The slower the companies are to move to the new model may delay the fixing of vulnerabilities currently in the system.
  —The Data glut
    • Storing it
    • Making sense of it
• An example in Iraq
  —Cost of diesel vs. use of solar
Did you know?

• Google Power Meter
  - Google partners with your energy provider through a google gadget to monitor and manage your power usage

• Microsoft Hohm
  - Also allows you to monitor and manage your power usage
  - You can compare your energy usage to your neighbors’
  - Build a project list with the goal of reducing energy consumption
Questions?

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