

The Drive Behind BPL in 2005:  
Internal Applications and Standards

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Internal Applications Overview

BPL Internal Applications Overview

- On the Grid
  - Asset Management
    - Power outage notification
    - Predictive maintenance
  - Systems Optimization
    - Enhanced SCADA
- At the Premises
  - Advanced Metering
    - AMR
    - Remote Connect/Disconnect
  - Load Management
    - Energy management

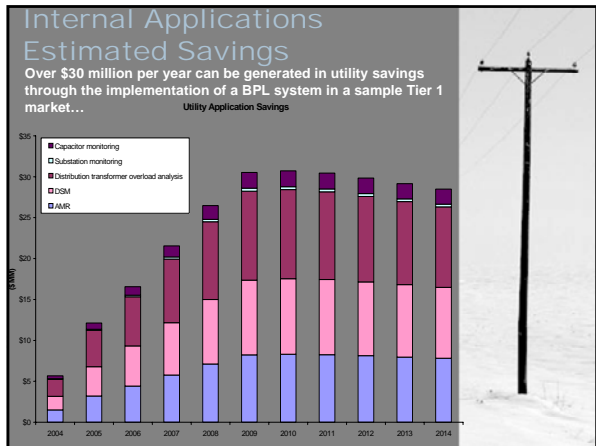
| Utility Applications   |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Automatic meter reading</li> <li>• Capacitor control</li> <li>• Copper wire system replacement</li> <li>• Demand prediction</li> <li>• Detection and diagnosis of events at capacitors and regulators</li> <li>• Distribution transformer overload analysis</li> <li>• Line testing</li> <li>• Outage localization and fault characterization</li> <li>• Phase loss detection</li> <li>• Power quality monitoring</li> <li>• Safety check for isolated circuits</li> <li>• SCADA delivery</li> <li>• Substation monitoring</li> <li>• URD outage diagnosis</li> </ul> |

At the Premises Applications Key Drivers

- AMR
  - Improved demand side information and consumer feedback
  - Regulators desire more reliability and better demand management
- Load Mgmt
  - Energy costs spiking
  - LM technology maturing and equipment costs decreasing
  - Environmental issues (e.g., green power)
  - Good business and good PR with the communities that utilities serve.

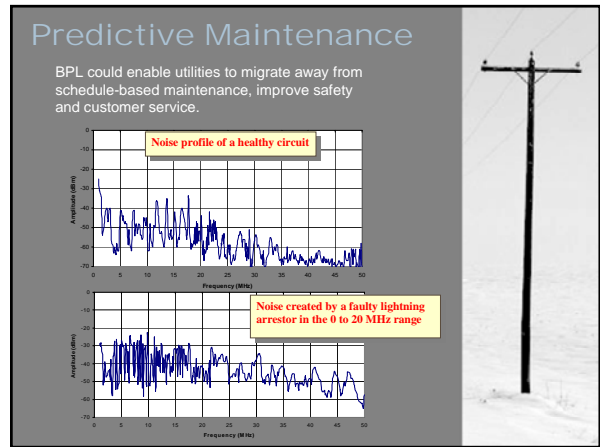
On the Grid Applications Key Drivers cont'd

- Asset Management
  - Post August 14 concerns
    - Reliability, maintenance
  - Stray voltage
- Systems Optimization
  - Visionary smart grid efforts by EPRI and CEA
  - Enormous potential cost-savings opportunity from these applications



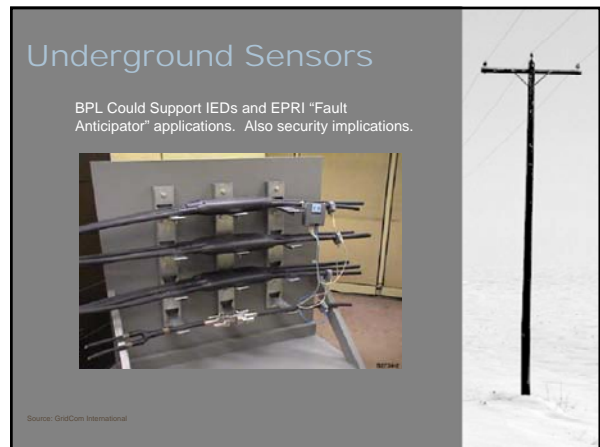
### Internal Applications BPL Case Studies

- ### ConEdison
- Distribution Asset Management
    - Predictive Maintenance
  - Systems Optimization
    - Advanced SCADA
  - Load Management
    - Deferred Substation costs
  - Activities
    - Deploying in Steam Tunnels for remote sensors, VoIP
    - Suburban deployment testing outage management



### Estimated efficiency gains – 30/50/80% examples

| Efficiency Level                              | 30%                 | 50%                 | 80%                 |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| UG Labor & Maintenance/Ft                     | \$ 11               | \$ 11               | \$ 11               |
| Cost/Device                                   | \$ 5,000            | \$ 5,000            | \$ 5,000            |
| Feet/Device                                   | 1,500               | 1,500               | 1,500               |
| <b>Vintage Coverage Area (Ft)</b>             | <b>377,211</b>      | <b>377,211</b>      | <b>377,211</b>      |
| <b>Efficiency Potential for Cov Area (Ft)</b> | <b>113,163</b>      | <b>188,606</b>      | <b>301,769</b>      |
| <b>\$ that could be redirected</b>            | <b>\$ 1,244,796</b> | <b>\$ 2,074,661</b> | <b>\$ 3,319,457</b> |
| <b># of devices</b>                           | <b>251</b>          | <b>251</b>          | <b>251</b>          |
| <b>Cost of Devices</b>                        | <b>\$ 1,257,370</b> | <b>\$ 1,257,370</b> | <b>\$ 1,257,370</b> |
| <b>Benefit (Detriment) of implementation</b>  | <b>\$ (12,574)</b>  | <b>\$ 817,291</b>   | <b>\$ 2,062,087</b> |

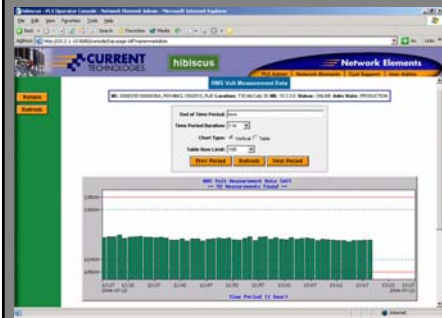


## HECO

- Advanced Metering
  - TOU rates, remote data collection
  - Labor productivity enhancements
- Load Management
  - Water heaters, air conditioners
- Activities
  - Led effort to develop a low-cost IP-addressable meter.
  - Testing advanced metering



## Advanced Metering Low Voltage Monitoring



## Activities



- Ramping up from limited tests in residential environment to test wider utility applications
- Demonstrations held for PUC, DBEDT, Military, Local CLECs/ISPs, Verizon, Oceanic, Media, Developers, Hospitality Industry



## DUKE POWER

### Metering



- Read existing meters
- Load Research
- Price Signals
- Pre-Paid metering
- Service Disconnect
- On-Demand Reads
- Outage restoration
- Gas & Water readings

### Distribution Optimization

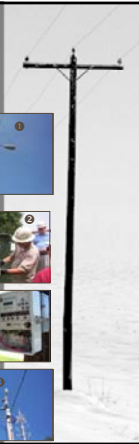
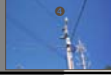


- Bank Meters
- Substation Equipment
- Distribution equipment
  - Capacitors
  - Reclosers
  - End of circuit Voltage
- Outage Detection
- Fault Location



## Activities

- 1 ITRON ERT meter collector
  - Enables hybrid AMR solution leveraging existing infrastructure
  - Enables electric, gas and water meter reads
- 2 Form 9 Polyphase transformer rated IP meter
  - Replacement for exception route meter
  - Enables remote reading and programming
- 3 Switched capacitor bank control model
  - Existing utility equipment
  - Enables remote reading and programming
- 4 Security camera at substation
  - New utility application
  - Remote monitoring of facilities



## UPLC Internal Applications Committee

- UPLC Driving Development of Internal Applications
  - Chair: Tim Frost, ConEdison
  - UPLC Annual Conference, Winter Conference
    - Identifies applications, creative solutions
  - Next steps
    - Information collection/sharing
    - Collaborative solutions



## Standards Overview and Update



## Background

- IEEE BPL Working Group focused on hardware/installation standards for BPL (P1675)
- IEEE BPL Study Group formed in 2004 to explore other possible standards for BPL
  - Meetings:
    - Piscataway, NJ, Oct. 13, 2004
      - Attendance: approximately 20
      - Tasks: develop recommendations, whitepaper
    - San Diego, CA, Jan. 14, 2005
      - Attendance: approximately 40
      - Tasks: develop PARs, continue work on whitepaper
- Other developments
  - HomePlug Access BPL standard
  - Universal Powerline Alliance
  - CE-Powerline Alliance



## Emissions

- Leadership: Aron Viner, Ambient
- Approach: technical, not regulatory
- Going forward:
  - Support ongoing standards efforts related to emissions at ETSI, CENELEC and CISPR
  - Compatibility w/ wireline & wireless devices
- Benefits:
  - For manufacturers: measurement methods
  - For operators: help detect, mitigate interference



## MAC/PHY

- Leadership:
  - Jim Mollenkopf, Current Technologies
  - Jean-Philippe Faure, Itevo-Schneider Electric
- Approach: ComSoc-led effort, overseen by Study Group
- Going forward:
  - Representatives from various standards groups working together
  - Draft PAR for compatibility b/w in-home & access.
- Benefits:
  - Coexistence and interoperability
  - Scale



## Media

- Leadership: Bruce Renz, Amperion
- Approach: build on field tests/other efforts
- Going forward:
  - Draw from ETSI, OPERA, EPRI and academic efforts
  - Develop common techniques for ways to measure/predict channel performance
- Benefits
  - Serve as a guide for improving BPL performance and interference mitigation



## Installation and Hardware

- Leadership:
  - Terry Burns, APS
  - Yehuda Cern, Ambient
  - Cindy Bambini, Ameren
- Approach: Work w/in existing standards to the extent possible
- Going forward:
  - Subgroups for hardware and installation
  - Needs utility participation
- Benefits:
  - Promotes safety
  - Lowers cost



## Education

- Leadership: John Newbury, Open University
- Approach: Practical
- Going forward:
  - Develop Recommendation
  - Support from academics/industry
- Benefit
  - Qualified workforce



## Conclusions

- Internal applications are in development and will be critical to utility adoption and widespread deployment of BPL
- Standards efforts coalescing under IEEE.
  - Removes uncertainty
  - Improves performance
  - Drives equipment production and interoperability
- UPLC next steps
  - BPL Symposium; IEEE Study Group Mtg. at UTC Annual Conference, May 22-25, Los Angeles, California
  - 2005 BPL Business Case Study



## Questions?

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