# Using Data to Increase the Value Utilities Deliver to Customers

Wired Group

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# Wired Group Introduction

- Clients: advocates, regulators, associations, utility suppliers
- Expertise: electric distribution grids/utilities/businesses
  - DSM program development, marketing, evaluation
  - RPS compliance/PV Solar incentive program design
  - New rate development, offer design, and marketing
  - Distribution utility performance and compensation
  - Modern Grid: distribution, metering, communications

### Distinctive Competence: evaluations of smart grid deployments

- Boulder Colorado for Xcel Energy
- Duke Energy Cincinnati for Ohio PUC address to palvarez@wiredgroup.net

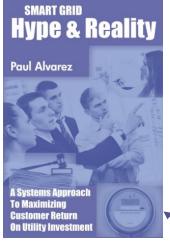








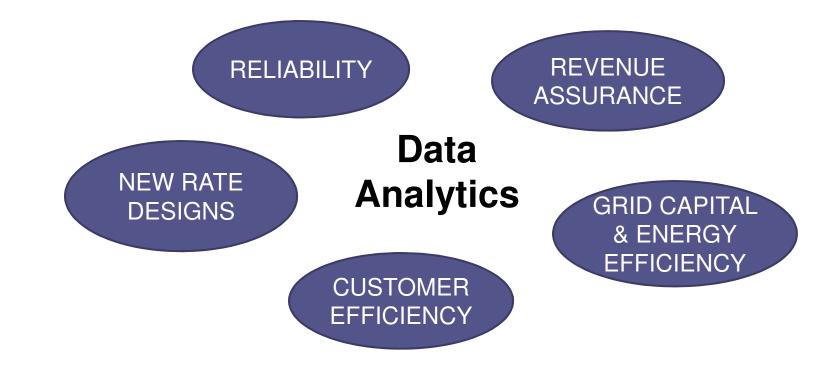
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### Preview

- 1. How utilities can use data to increase customer value from grid modernization investments
  - Q: To what degree do ratemaking mechanics discourage IOUs from maximizing smart grid value for customers?
- 2. How Regulators and Staff can use publiclyavailable data to encourage greater value through performance benchmarking

Data Analytics Are Critical to Improving the Customer Benefit-Cost Ratio . . .



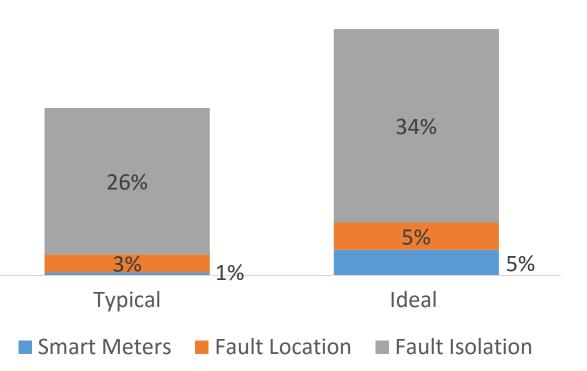
... But We Must Eliminate IOU \$ Penalties for Doing So!

### Reliability – Outage Restoration

# Observations on smart meter data and reliability

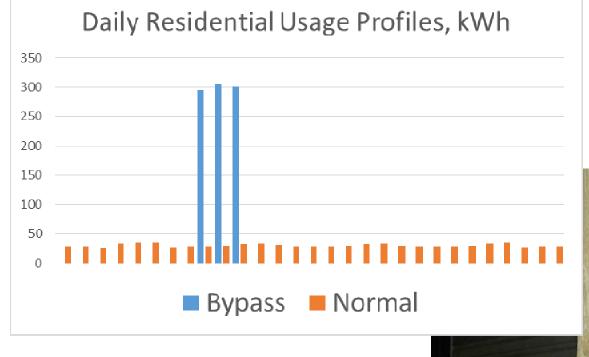
- "Last gasp"/OMS integration: not critical to CAIDI improvement
- Voltage data exception reporting: has some merit, but incidence typically low
- MASS METER PING to identify "nested outages": best CAIDI improvement from meter data.

### **CAIDI Improvement by Capability**



Typical vs. Ideal Deployment

### Revenue Assurance – Meter Bypass Theft

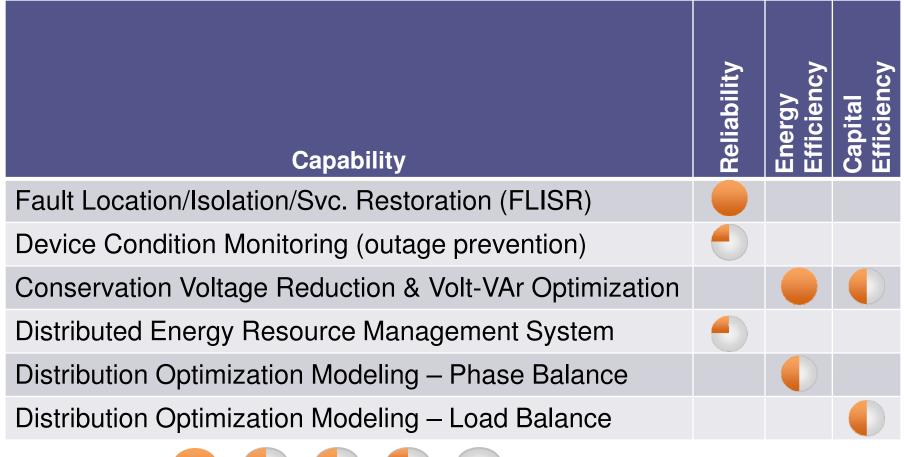


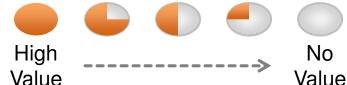
Enhancements to Validation, Editing, and Estimation (VEE) routines are needed to detect theft via bypass in meter data.



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### Grid Capital and Energy Efficiency: Advanced Distribution Management Systems

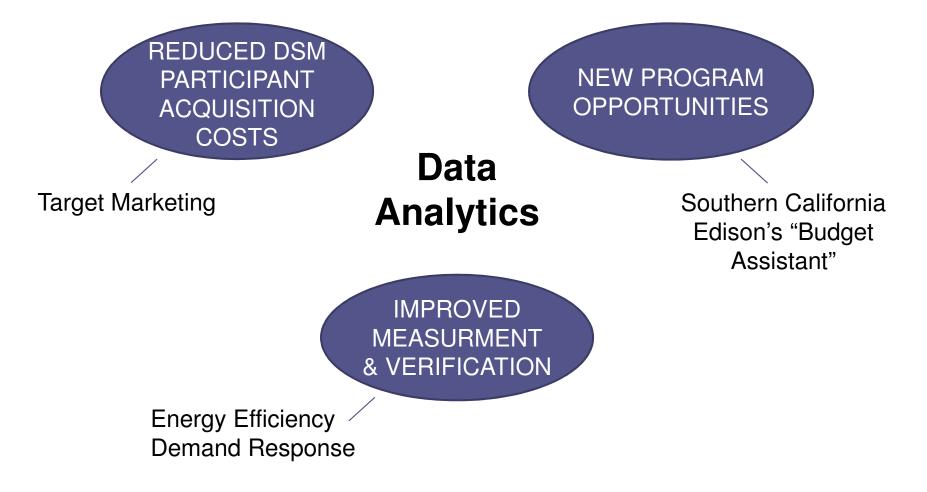




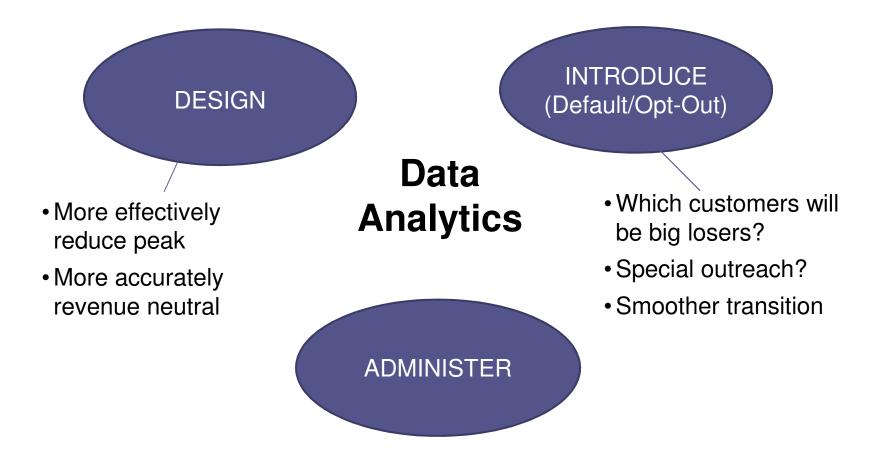
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# **Customer Efficiency: DSM Programs**



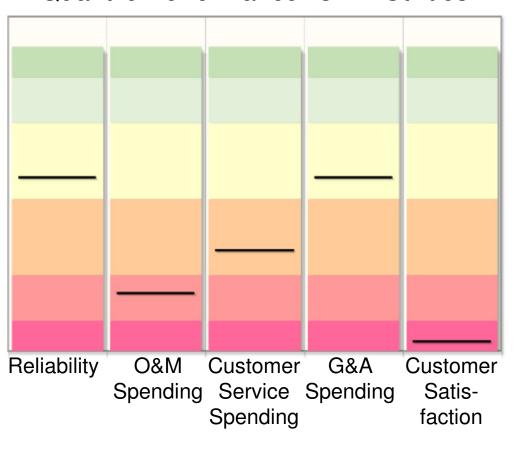
# New Rate Designs (3-Part, TVR, etc.)



### The Utility Evaluator™

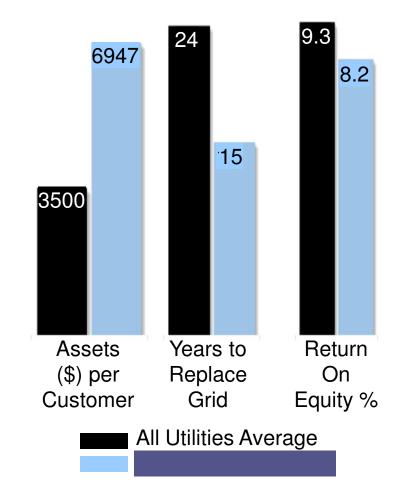
- Internet-based software application
- Aggregates public data into actionable information
  - Financial data from FERC Form 1
  - Operational data from EIA Form 861
  - Customer Satisfaction from JD Powers & Associates
  - Regulatory filings, SEC filings, ACEEE, others
- Benchmarks key performance indicators & trends (reliability, costs, satisfaction, ROE, DSM, etc.)
- Enables peer grouping by utility characteristics (load, customer, business, regulatory, demographic)

### 2014 Performance Dashboard for:

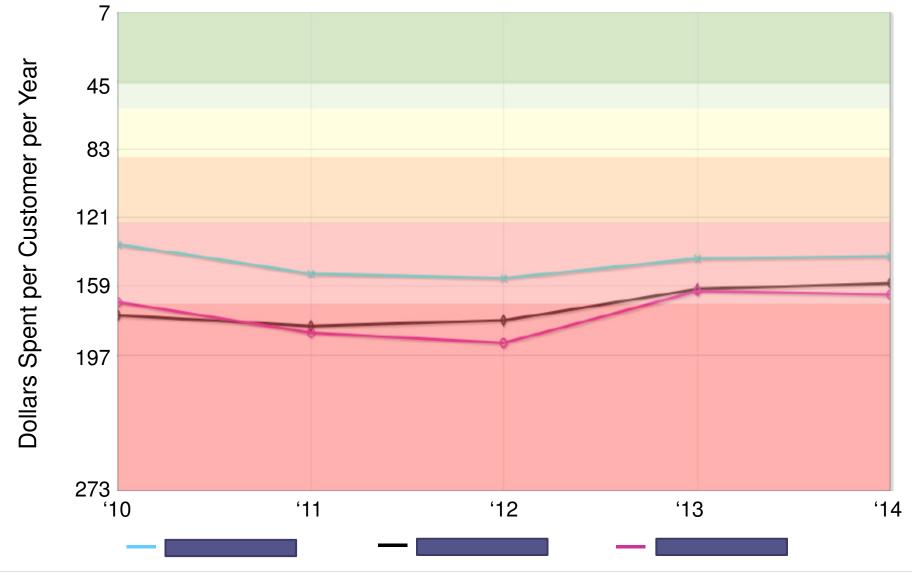


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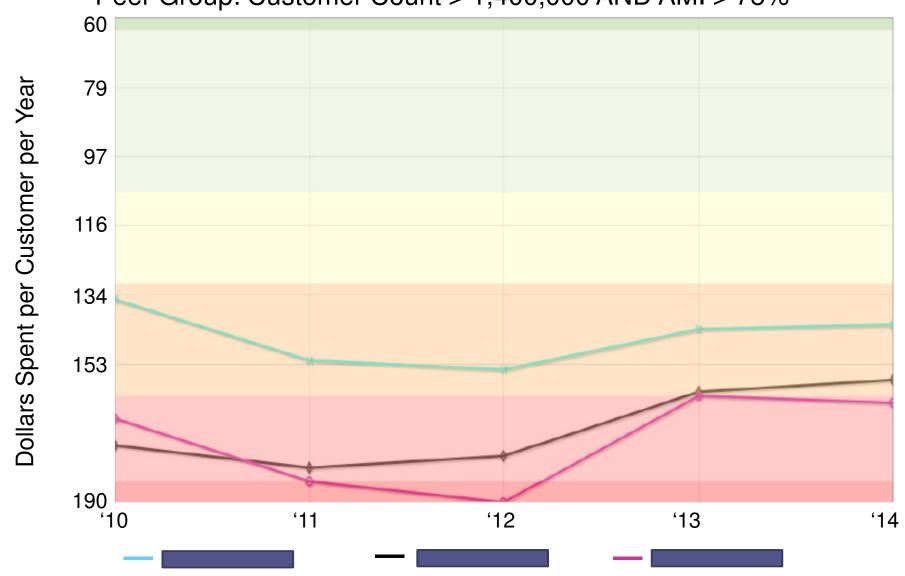
Performance vs. All Utilities Average



### Key Performance Indicator: Billing & Customer Service Spend per Customer Peer Group: All Utilities



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Key Performance Indicator: Billing & Customer Service Spend per Customer Peer Group: Customer Count > 1,400,000 AND AMI > 75%

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### Thank You!

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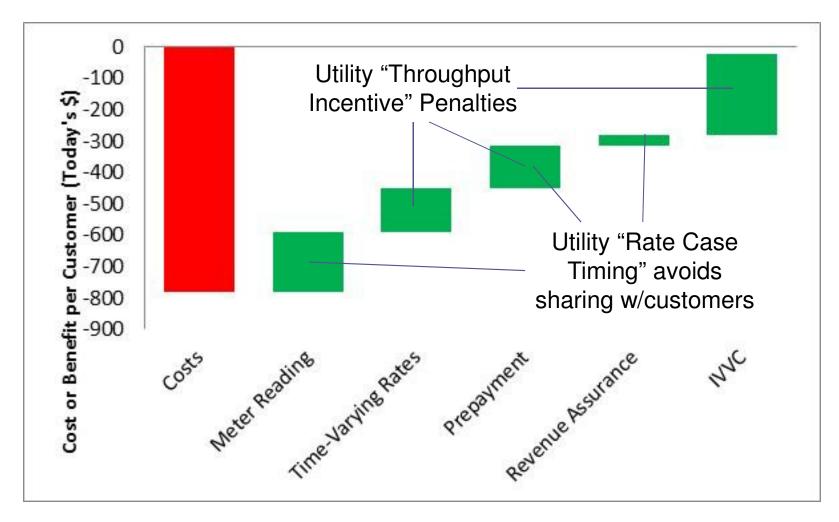
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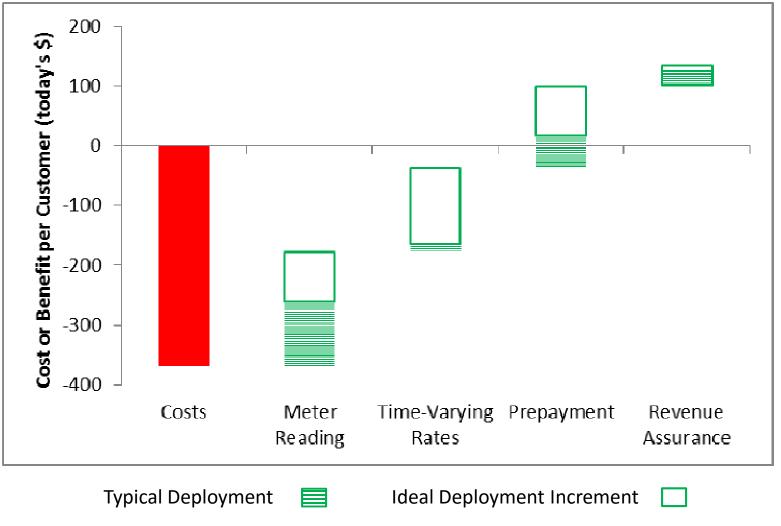
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### AMI & DA \$ Benefit-Cost/Customer, Ideal Case



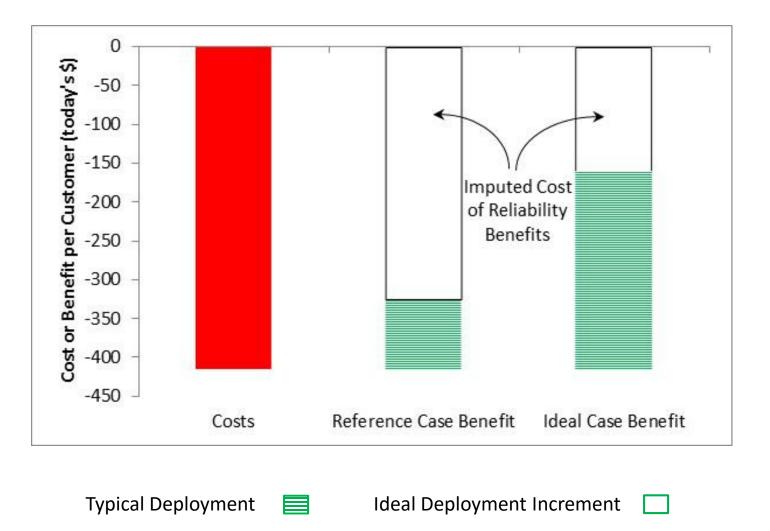
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### Smart Meter Benefit-Cost/Customer, 10 years



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### **Distribution Automation Benefit-Cost/Customer**



# MISSIONE DATA empowering energy savings

NARUC Winter Committee Meetings Energy Resources & The Environment Better Decisions with Data

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# QUESTIONS



Before the Committee:

- 1. Should affirmative policies be established?
- 2. What implementation steps exist today?
- 3. What are boundaries between basic, platform and competitive services?

# CONTEXT



Why consider consumer data access policies?

- 1. Digital technology and distributed energy advances prompt a review of the role of data.
- 2. Data access is ubiquitous in all other sectors of the consumer economy.
- 3. Economic, operational & environmental benefits easily reach into the billions of dollars.
- 4. Competitively neutral approaches will foster innovation

# INTRODUCTION



- ~40 companies
- Active participant in proceedings nationwide (NY, TX, IL, CA, CO, MN...)
- Our Belief:

Consumers should have convenient, useful access to best available information



# **DATA POLICY**



- 1. Consumers have an affirmative right to access best available information about their own energy use, including:
  - Historical interval data
  - Direct, real-time information (as available)
  - Bill charges and tariffs
- 2. Consumers can share information with trusted service providers (i.e., market engagement)
- 3. Information access included as component of basic service (implementation costs included in rates)

# **POLICY CONSISTENCY**



#### FEDERAL: EISA, NBP, ARRA, Green Button

"Provision to consumers of timely information and control options..."

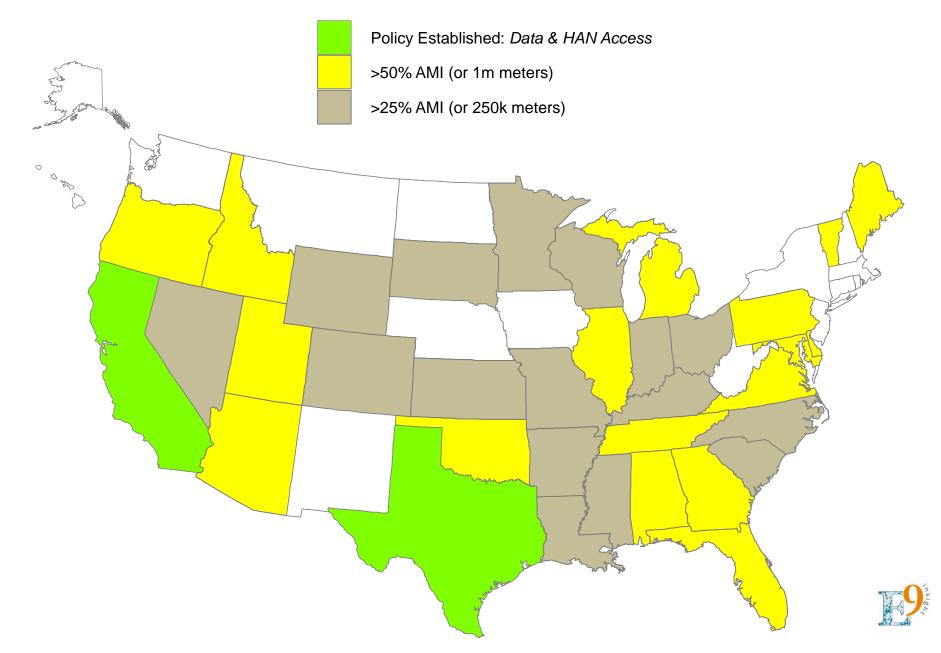
#### NEW YORK: 09-M-0074 (AMI Functional Requirements)

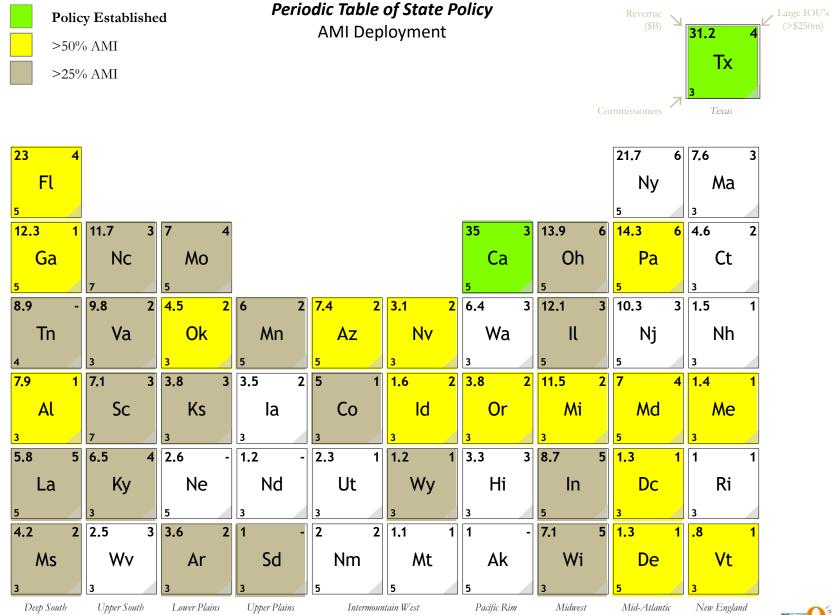
"AMI systems must have the ability to provide customers direct, real-time access to electric meter data. The data access must be provided in an open, non-proprietary format.

#### <u>REV</u>: Commission Orders, Staff Findings, Party Comments

"It is essential to have a means to facilitate transactions and delivery of data..." and "A key objective is to provide mass-market customers with convenient access to their energy usage information, and facilitate their ability to share that information with vendors they select."

### **Data Policy & Advanced Metering**







### US Electricity Market

Integrated \$145.8 B 37%		Restructured \$83.0 B 21%	Retail \$39.9 B 14%	US Electricity Sales: • \$391.6B annual retail sales • ~\$1.07B per day <i>Investor-owned: (73%)</i> • 37% integrated • 21% restructured • 14% retail <i>Publicly-owned: (27%)</i> • 10% municipal • 11% cooperative • 6% other public power
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# **IMPLEMENTATION**



GREEN BUTTON CONNECT is available for immediate implementation by all utilities in the United States.

### **GREEN BUTTON CONNECT offers...**

- Customer Convenience and Benefit
- Industry Infrastructure (standards, certification, functionality)
- Implementation Experience (CA, IL, DC)
- Market Development and "Animation"

### **GREEN BUTTON**



### **1. "DOWNLOAD MY DATA"**

File transfer "snapshot" of energy use

### **2.** "CONNECT MY DATA"

- Direct "subscription" to ongoing customer information
- Eliminates "manual" touch from consumer

# **CONCERNS RAISED**



#### Cost:

- Costs and benefits must be addressed in open forum (all other state assessments have determined enormous benefits)
- 1% residential energy reduction represents \$1.75B
- Cost estimates must distinguish between:
  - Legacy system upgrades: (OAuth, user authentication, etc. to enable secure and authorized web services)
  - Information model: Costs attributable to GB data configuration

# **FINAL THOUGHT**



Commissions and Staff have opportunity to demarcate basic service, platform service and competitive markets:

- BASIC: Features and services to modernize grid infrastructure and align with customer expectations (included in rates)
- PLATFORM: Enhanced features required to engage market participants in fulfilling platform functions (based on grid neutrality and implementation costs)
- COMPETITIVE: Investor-based market offerings and regulated earnings (with Commission oversight of utility participation)

# **THANK YOU**



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# **AUTHENTICATION**



#### OAuth 2.0 Is THE Standard to Authorize Data Access

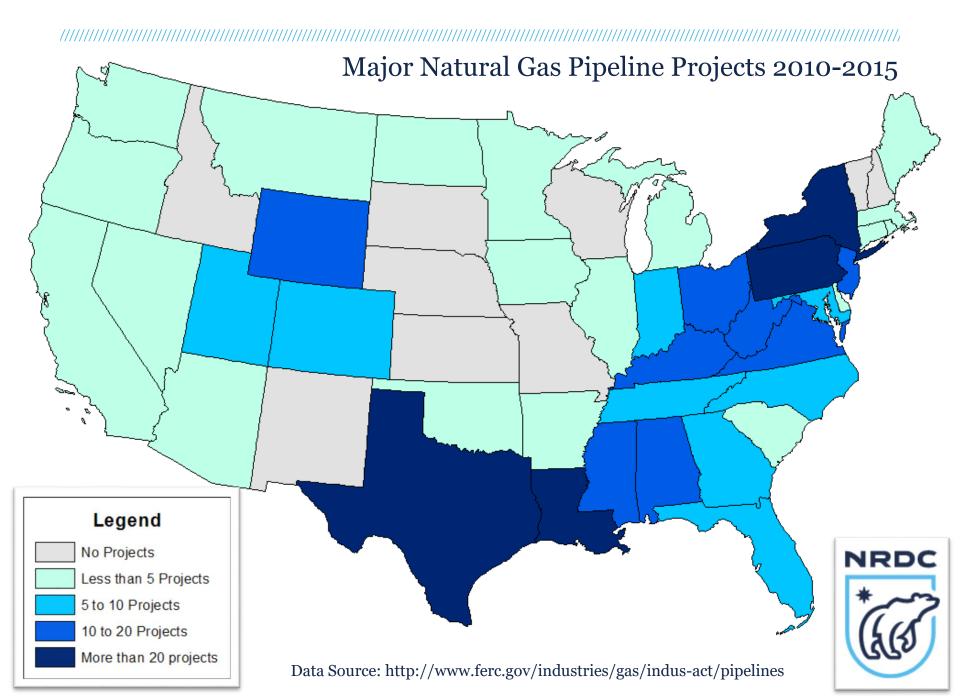
- GOOGLE: "Google APIs use the <u>OAuth 2.0</u> protocol for authentication and authorization. Google supports common OAuth 2.0 scenarios such as those for web server, installed, and client-side applications." (https://developers.google.com/identity/protocols/OAuth2)
- PAYPAL: "The PayPal REST API uses the <u>OAuth 2.0</u> protocol to authorize calls. OAuth is an industry-standard open standard for authorization used by many companies to provide secure access to protected resources." (https://developer.paypal.com/docs/integration/direct/paypal-oauth2/)
- YAHOO: "OAuth 2.0 is an updated version of the OAuth protocol that supercedes OAuth 1.0 and 1.0a. OAuth is an open standard for authorization that Yahoo uses to grant access to user data." (https://developer.yahoo.com/oauth2/guide/)
- TWITTER: "The 3-legged <u>OAuth</u> flow allows your application to obtain an access token by redirecting a user to Twitter and having them authorize your application." (https://dev.twitter.com/oauth/3-legged)

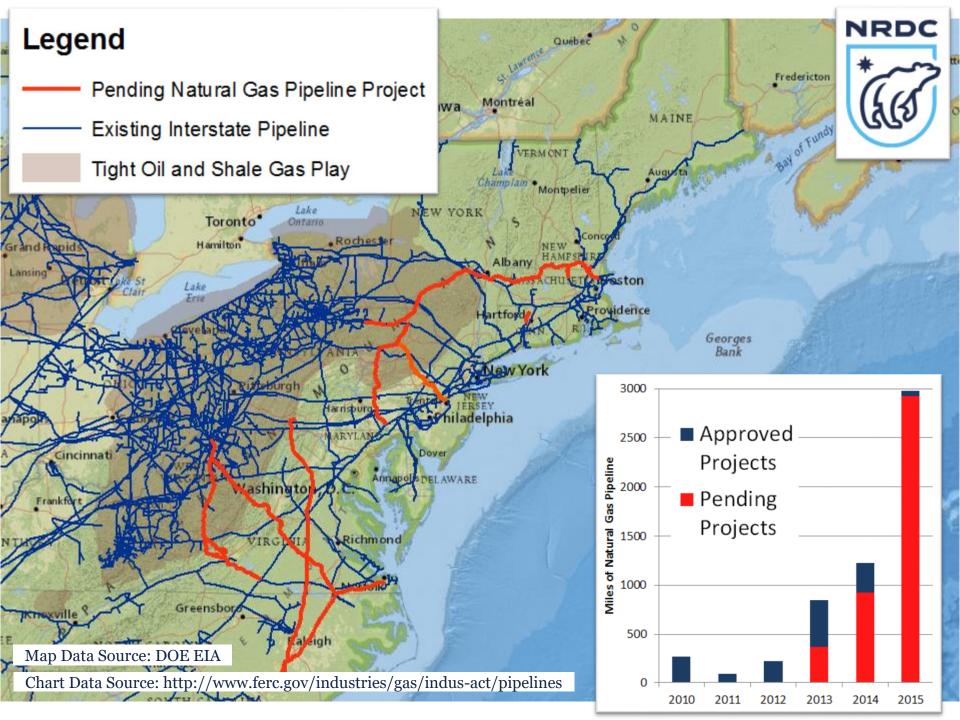
# **GREEN BUTTON & EDI**



Green Button is a superior standard, consistent with modern industry norms and support infrastructure. EDI is a legacy protocol with no established transition pathway.

- EDI does not segregate personally identifiable information (PII)
- Green Button Data is flexible with regard to PII
- Green Button supports integrated business-to-business (B2B) and direct-to-consumer applications
- Green Button Connect has robust security & authorization
- Costs of data standard (Green Button) are negligible. (Costs are dominated by secure web service with authentication and authorization, regardless of data standard.)





A Different Kind of ENERGY COMPANY



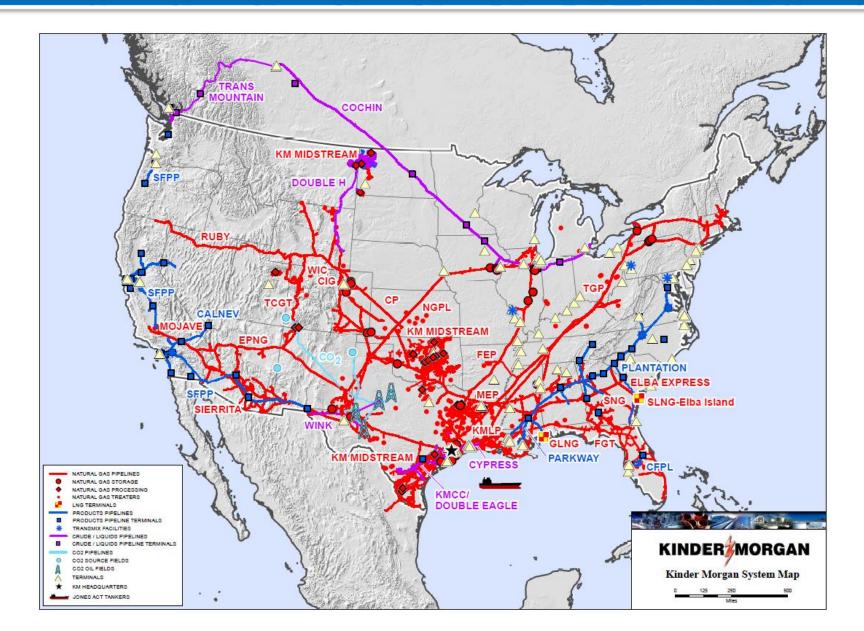
### Natural Gas Pipeline Siting - Easy, Right?

### Stakeholder Outreach

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### Kinder Morgan Asset Map



### Stakeholder Outreach for Pipeline Projects

#### Outreach

- Coordination between public affairs and other areas of the project including right-of-way, environmental, safety, operations and legal.
- Identify and engage a wide variety of constituents along and near the project area.
- Utilize all communication platforms to help explain information, providing updates throughout the life of the project.

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### Stakeholder Outreach for Pipeline Projects





The environmental survey

# The pre-construction survey



The archaeological survey





### **Typical Customer Class Load Curves**

Average of Four Monthly Summer Peak Days

