

# NARUC Electric Vehicles State Working Group

ENERGIZING CHARGERS FASTER

OCTOBER 1, 2024, 3:00 - 4:30 PM ET

# Welcome

EV SWG Chair

**Commissioner Katherine Peretick, Michigan Public Service Commission**

EV SWG Vice Chair

**Commissioner Milt Doumit, Washington Utilities and Transportation  
Commission**

EV Commission Staff Leads

**Ryan Cheney, North Carolina Utilities Commission**

**Steve Olea, Arizona Corporate Commission**

NARUC Staff

**Danielle Sass Byrnett and Robert Bennett**

# Agenda

Feel free to enter  
questions into chat at  
any time

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3:00 PM	<b>Welcome and Announcements: Commissioner Peretick</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Agenda review</li><li>• New EV Case Study Catalog</li></ul>
3:05 PM	<b>Dhananjay “DJ”, Anand, Joint Office of Energy and Transportation (JOET)</b>
3:20 PM	<b>Britta Gross, Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI)</b>
3:35 PM	<b>Paul De Martini, Newport Consulting</b>
3:50 PM	<b>Speaker Q&amp;A</b>
4:05 PM	<b>Peer Sharing Discussion</b>
4:30 PM	<b>Adjourn</b>

EV Fact of the Week:  
**A Typical EV is 87%–91% Efficient Compared to 30% for a Conventional Gasoline Vehicle.** For more info and other facts, visit [DOE FOTW webpage](#).

# New EV Case Study Catalog

- ▶ NARUC CPI has developed a new EV Case Study Catalog to connect Commissioners and staff to existing reports on emerging utility regulatory approaches to EV questions.
- ▶ The Catalog features over 25 resources, including references to commission decisions, utility programs, pilots, and more from over 20 states. Some resources in the catalog cover several regulatory issues/topics, such as how to prepare the grid for medium and heavy-duty charging.
- ▶ <https://www.naruc.org/core-sectors/energy-resources-and-the-environment/electric-vehicles/ev-catalog/>

# Presentations on Energizing Chargers Faster

**Moderator:** Commissioner Katherine Peretick, Michigan Public Service Commission

## **Guest Speaker**

- **Dhananjay “DJ”, Anand, Joint Office of Energy and Transportation (JOET)**
  - iQMS and federal perspective on energizing chargers faster
- **Britta Gross, Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI)**
  - GridFast tool
- **Paul De Martini, Newport Consulting**
  - Flexible Ev Interconnection



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# **Building a Future Where Everyone Can Ride and Drive Electric**

DJ Anand, Standards and Reliability for  
**Sejal Shah, Senior Advisor, Electric Utility Programs and Policies**

October 1, 2024

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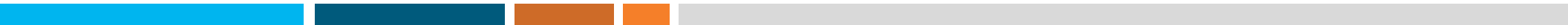
# AGENDA

- Joint Office Overview
- NEVI Update
- Energizing EV Chargers
- i2X: iQMS (Innovative Queue Management Solutions)

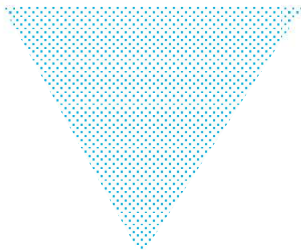




# Joint Office Overview



# Mission and Vision



## Mission

To accelerate an electrified transportation system that is affordable, convenient, equitable, reliable, and safe.

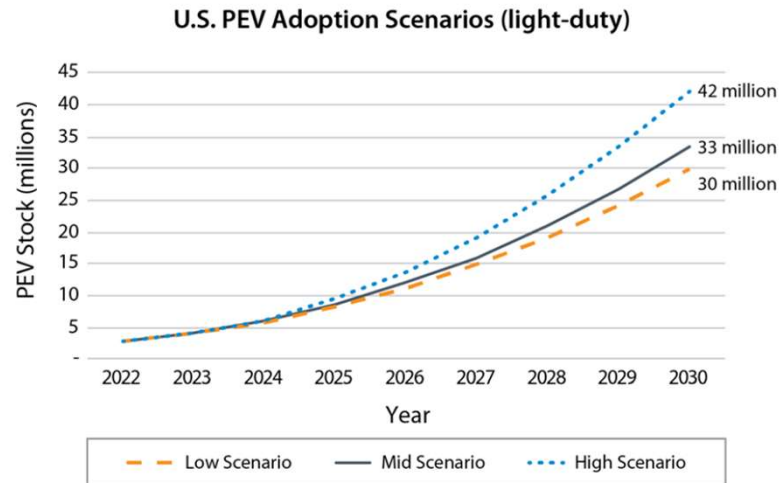
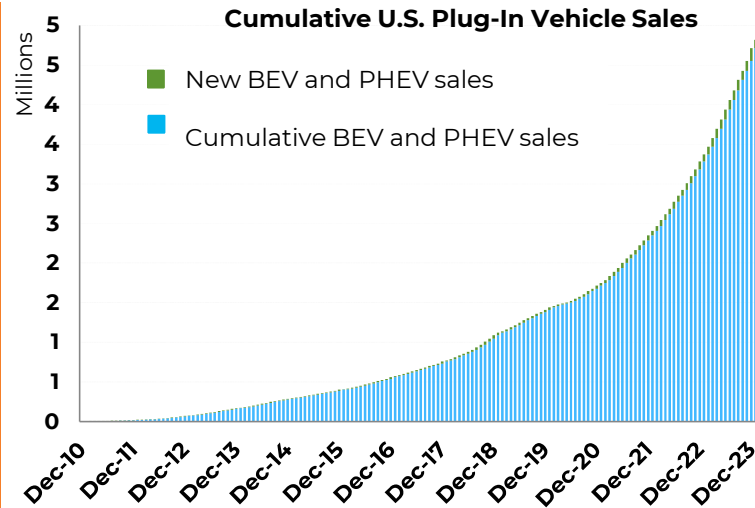
## Vision

A future where everyone can ride and drive electric.

**1 in every 10** vehicles sold is an **EV**

**CAGR remains positive**

Administration is prioritizing building a network of **500,000 public chargers by 2030**



<https://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy23osti/85654.pdf>

# Programs Supported by the Joint Office



**National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program (U.S. DOT)**  
**\$5 billion for states** to build a national EV charging network along corridors, including **\$148 million** awarded to repair and replace non-operational chargers.



**Charging & Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant Program (U.S. DOT)**  
**\$2.5 billion for communities** to build EV charging, as well as hydrogen, natural gas, and propane fueling infrastructure



**Low-No Emissions Grants Program for Transit (U.S. DOT)**  
**\$5.6 billion for transit agencies** to deploy low- and no-emission transit buses



**Clean School Bus Program (U.S. EPA)**  
**\$5 billion** in support of electric school bus deployments



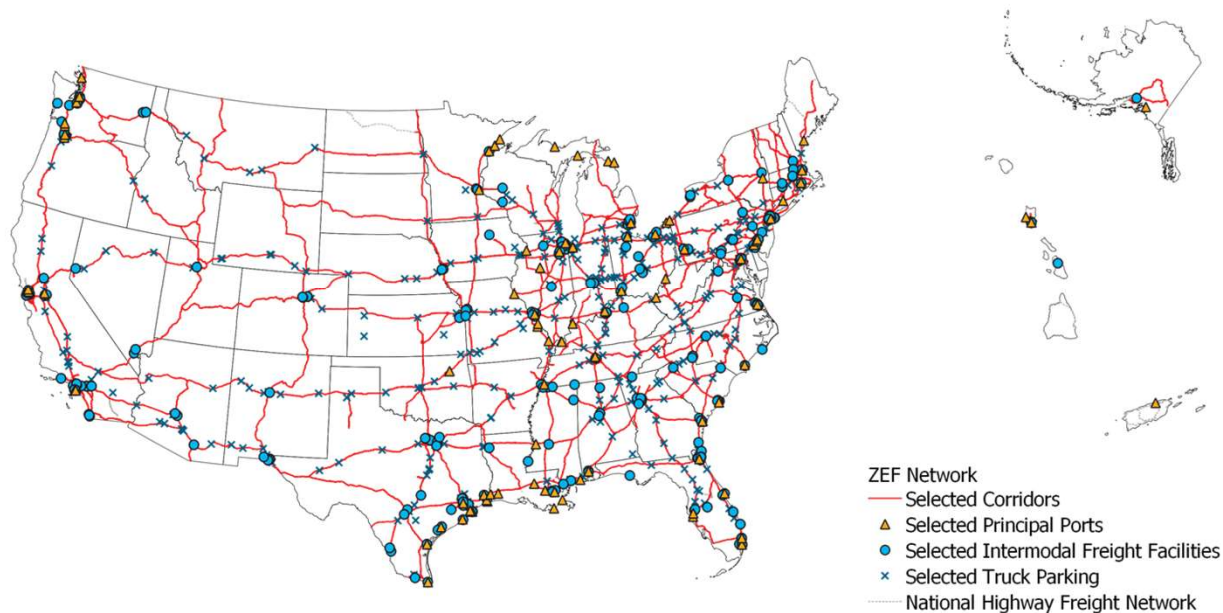
**Ride & Drive Funding Opportunity (Joint Office)**  
**\$46.5 million** to enhance charging resiliency and performance and enhance equitable access



**Communities Taking Charge Funding Opportunity (Joint Office)**  
**\$54 million** to expand community e-mobility access

# National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy

The *National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy* seeks to **align and accelerate cross-sector investments** in zero-emission medium- and heavy-duty vehicle (ZE-MHDV) infrastructure and **clearly signal the need to bolster electric grid and hydrogen planning** to achieve a zero-emission freight network by 2040.



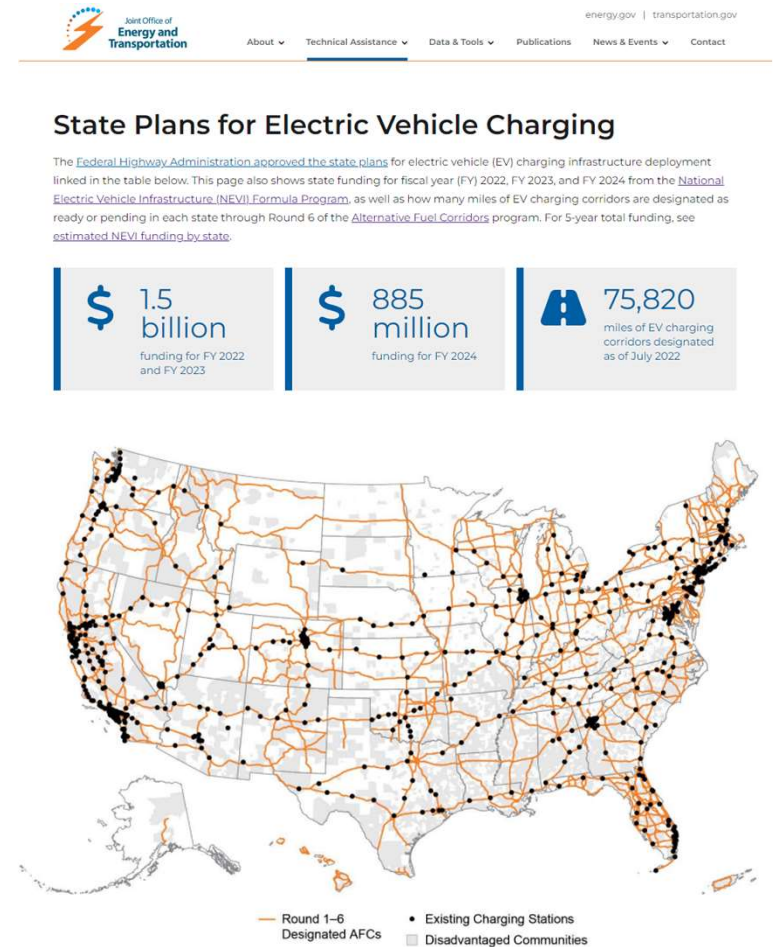


# NEVI Update



# NEVI Formula Program Updates

- **All 50 state plans plus DC and Puerto Rico approved** by FHWA
- **Unlocking \$2.4 billion** in FY22, FY23, and FY24 funding
- **States have released or are getting ready to release RFPs**

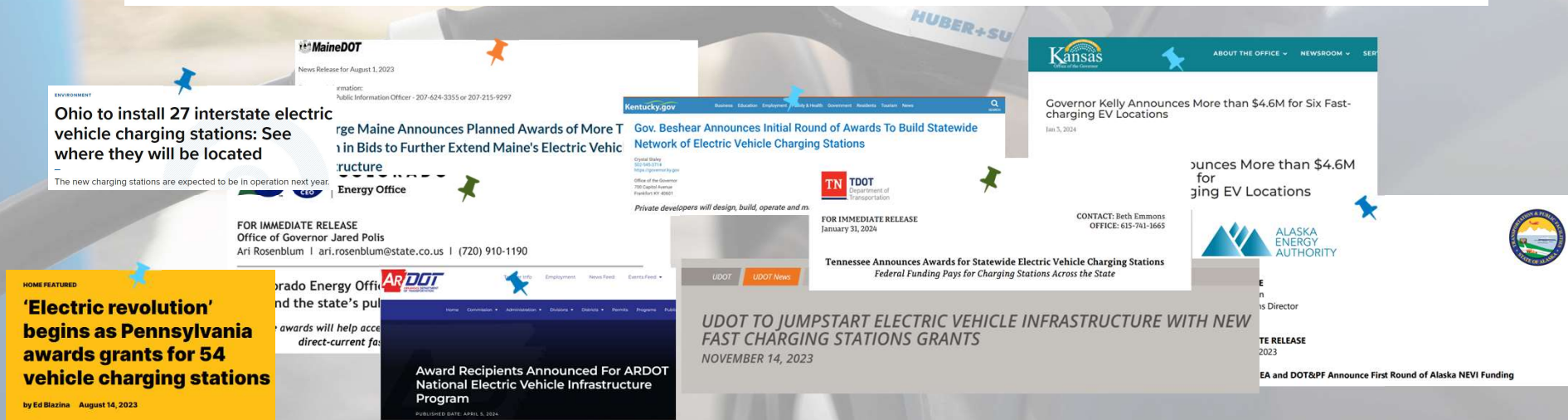


# NEVI Program Bulletin Board

**39** states/territories have released their solicitations

**28** states/territories have issued awards or have agreements in place for ~**670** station locations (**at least 2,876 fast charging ports**)!

**8** states have open NEVI stations (**15 stations and 61 funded ports** total)!





# Energizing EV Chargers



# Key Goals for Improving Charging Reliability

## 1. Simplify the ecosystem, improve the reliability

- Innovate within standards

## 2. Facilitate trust with standardization, security and data sharing

- Speak a common language

## 3. Create game changers and technology speed ups

- Take advantage of unique capabilities of national labs and select contractors

# EV Charging Minimum Standards



**Charging is a predictable and reliable experience**, by ensuring that there are consistent plug types (at least 4 CCS), power levels, and a minimum number of chargers capable of supporting drivers' fast charging needs;



**Chargers are working when drivers need them to**, by requiring a 97 percent uptime reliability requirement;



**Drivers can easily find a charger when they need to**, by providing publicly accessible data on locations, price, availability, and accessibility through mapping applications;

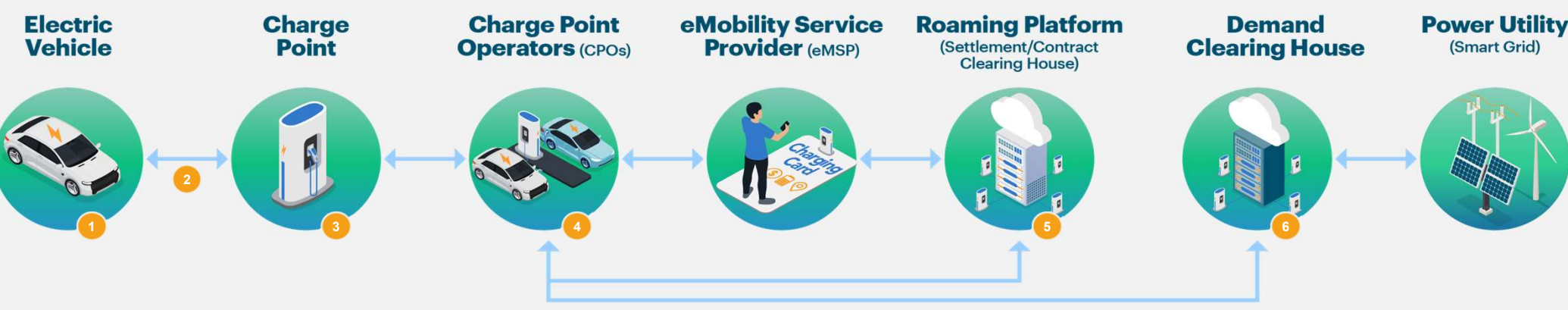


**Drivers do not have to use multiple apps and accounts to charge**, by facilitating several payment types



**Chargers will support drivers' needs well into the future**, by focusing on interoperability and ensuring that chargers and vehicles work seamlessly, similarly, and together

# The Electric Vehicle Charging Ecosystem

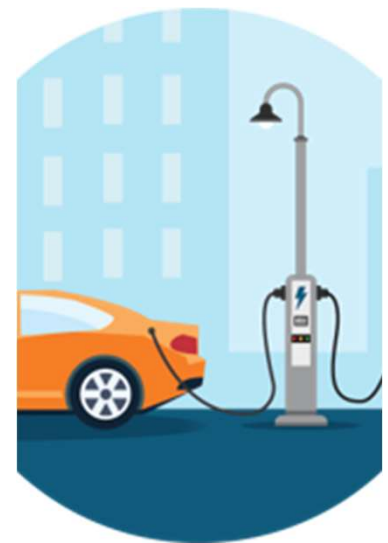


## CNO perspective

- EV charger networks have pressure to deploy quickly
- Given seasonality of funding (federal/state/utility), large number of service load request applications maybe submitted at a given time
- Electric utility tools/techniques/processes are NOT setup to handle this increased number of applications
- Feedback from EV charging infrastructure companies that queue timelines are essential for derisking, market balance and customer experience.

## Utility perspective

- Utilities ask to be engaged early in the project cycle
- Can not 'reserve' capacity for future projects
- Not used to prospective or exploratory siting requests
- EV adoption models mismatched with load growth models



# NEVI Utility Engagement



Utility information form



Pre-screened EV charging station sites

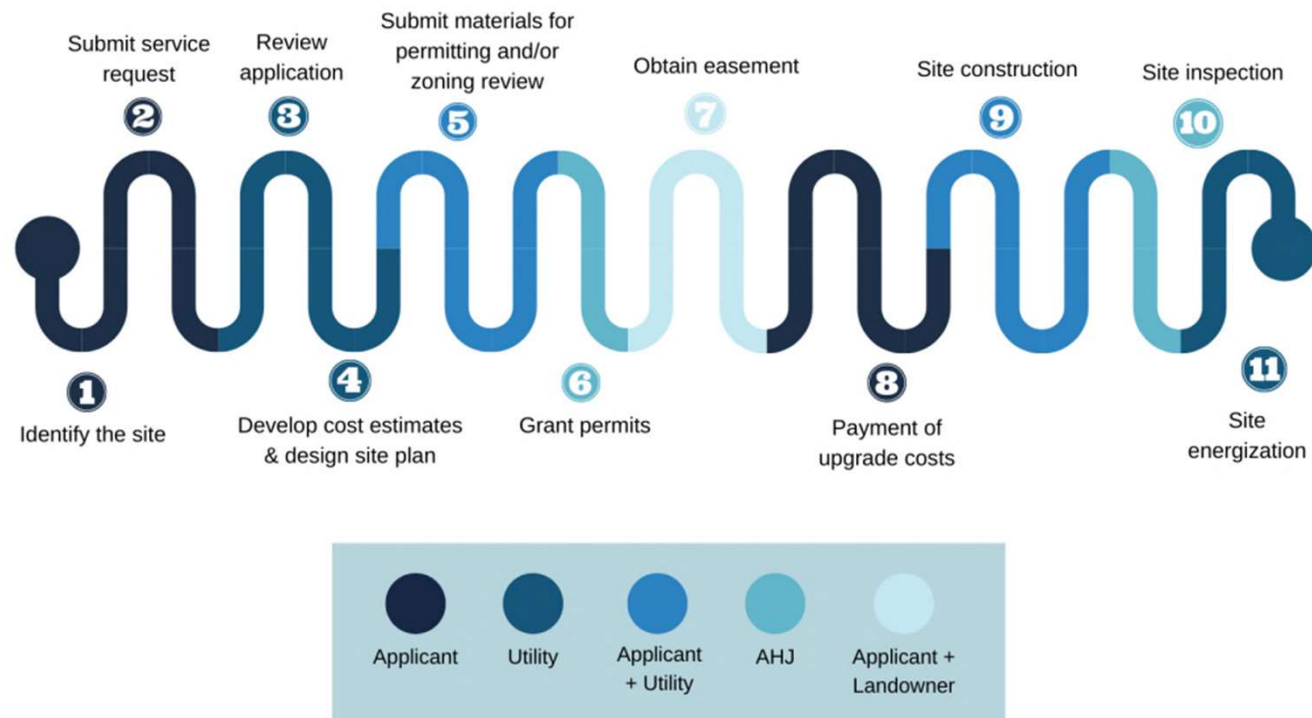


Participation by state DOTs in utility commission working groups

# Path to connecting EVSE to the electric grid

Issues to consider:

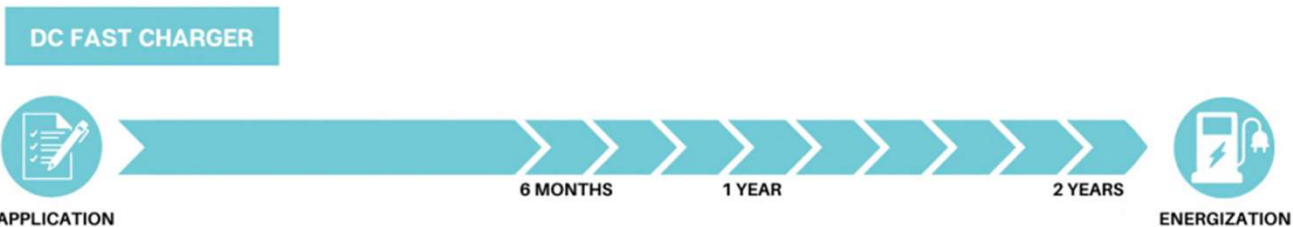
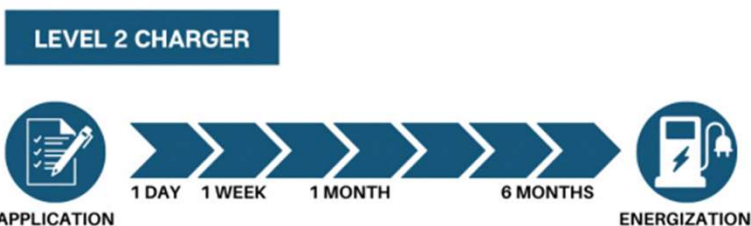
- utility engineer workload
- hosting capacity at the requested site
- obtaining permits
- satisfying connection requirements
- supply chain timelines



*Paving the Way: Emerging Best Practices for Electric Vehicle Charger Interconnection. IREC. June 2022*

# EV Charger Energization timelines

- Surveys of 6 EV charging station developers note 180 days for L2 and 720 for DCFC.
- Timelines are longer if utility side upgrades are not planned or further delays due to supply chain issues



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# Interconnection Innovation e-Xchange (i2X)

To enable a **simpler**, **faster**, and **fairer** interconnection of clean energy resources while enhancing the **reliability**, **resiliency**, and **security** of our **distribution and bulk-power electric grids**



## Stakeholder Engagement

Nation-wide engagement platform and collaborative working groups



## Data & Analytics

Collect and analyze interconnection data to inform solutions development



## Strategic Roadmap

Create roadmap to inform interconnection process improvements



## Technical Assistance

Leverage DOE laboratory expertise to support stakeholder roadmap implementation



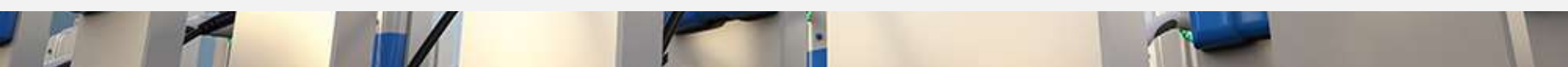


# Innovative Queue Management Solutions (iQMS)





Provide funding to **distribution utilities** to **rapidly prototype and pilot innovative solutions** to speed up interconnection queue processing for distributed generators or electric vehicle charging load requests (or both)



Total amount: \$11,200,000





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## Funding Notice: i2X Innovative Queue Management Solutions (iQMS) for Clean Energy Interconnection and Energization

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**Offices:** [Solar Energy Technologies Office](#), [Wind Energy Technologies Office](#), [Joint Office of Energy and Transportation](#) »

**Funding Amount:** \$11.2 million

**Apply to Track 1:** [Generator Interconnection](#) »

**Apply to Track 2:** [Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment Load Requests](#) »

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## Generator Track

**Phase 1 – Prepare (8 months):** Up to **20 utilities** will each be awarded **\$200,000** to take tangible actions towards determining the feasibility and value proposition of implementing a queue management optimization solution, combined with a plan to demonstrate this solution under real-world conditions, in Phase 2.

Results of Phase 1 and lessons learned will be shared publicly.

**Phase 2 – Demonstrate (16 months):** Up to **8 utilities** from Phase 1 will each receive **\$650,000** to complete their proposed implementation plan and demonstrate how the solution performs under real-world conditions and scenarios.

Results of these demonstrations and lessons learned will be shared publicly.

## Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) Service Load Request Track

**Phase 1 – Prepare (8 Months):** Up to **10 utilities** will each be awarded **\$100,000** to take tangible actions towards testing and validating a compelling value proposition of at least one new queue management optimization solution combined with a plan to demonstrate such solutions under real-world conditions in Phase 2 within the next 16 months.

The results of Phase 1 and lessons learned will be shared publicly.

**Phase 2 - Demonstrate (16 Months):** Up to **4 utilities** from Phase 1 will each receive **\$250,000** to complete the proposed implementation plan and demonstrate how the new solution set delivers expected results under real-world conditions.

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## Examples

- Techniques to incorporate load control and energy management systems into capacity planning.
- Automated analysis and reliability assessment.
- Flexible interconnection strategies including phased/incremental capacity approvals.
- Methods to incorporate feeder and grid edge measurements into capacity planning.
- Locational clustering for engineering studies on generation, load request, and storage.
- Locational templates for point of coupling requirements such as grid codes.
- Advanced hosting capacity services and tools.
- And more ...



All dates are subject to change  
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# NARUC - EVs2Scale2030 | eRoadMAP and GridFAST Overviews

1 October 2024

**Britta K. Gross**  
Director of Transportation

# Addressing the Barriers to Achieving EVs at Scale

A Three-Pillar Strategy to Address the Key Industry Gaps

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## COALITIONS & ROADMAPS

### Industry Forum Convenings

- Utility-OEM Forum
- Utility-Fleet Forum

### National EV Driver Research Board

### 50-state eRoadMAP™ to 2030

outlining EV loads, grid impacts, leadtimes, workforce, costs

### Enabling Regulatory and Oversight Framework

### Equity Blueprint & Workforce Development

## STRUCTURAL SYSTEM REFORMS

### Charging Infrastructure

- Reliability: Benchmarking, Standards
- Charging Innovation & Affordability

### Grid Readiness

- Streamlined Grid Interconnect
  - Expedited Interim Charging Solutions
- Managed Charging at Scale
- Interconnect Standards for V2H/V2B/V2G

## UNIFYING TOOLS & PILOTS

- Approved Product List (APL)
- NEVI/NEHC Coordination with EEI

- GridFAST™ Online Data Exchange
- OEM/Utility V2H/V2B Pilot
- EV Resilience/Evacuation Pilot

# EVs2Scale2030 Advisory Board



Chair: **PG&E**, Patti Poppe

**Ameren**, Mark Fronmuller

**ComEd**, Gil Quiniones

**GRE**, Jeff Haase

**LCRA**, Khalil Shalabi

**National Grid**, Rudy Wynter

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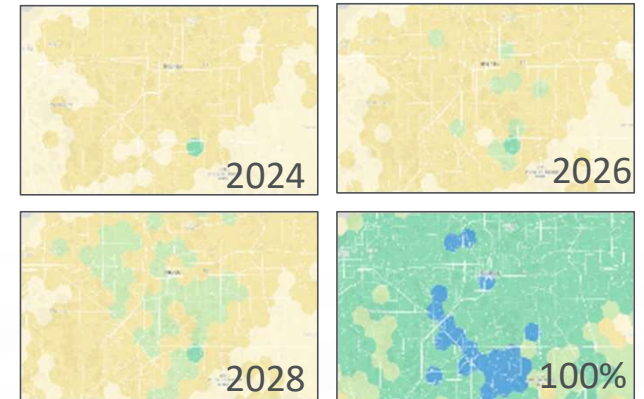


# General Problem to be Addressed

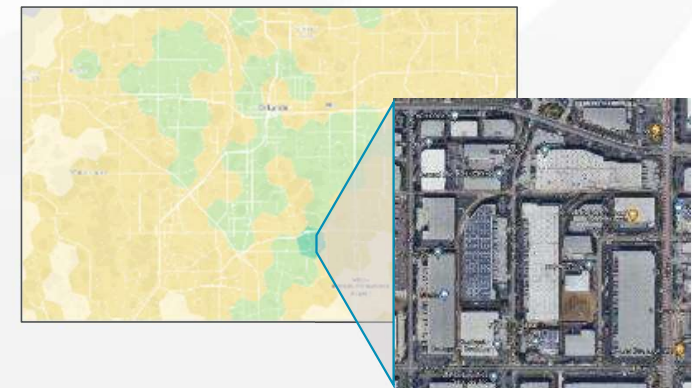
Where and when will loads appear on the grid?

<https://eroadmap.epri.com/>

Fleet Electrification Over Time

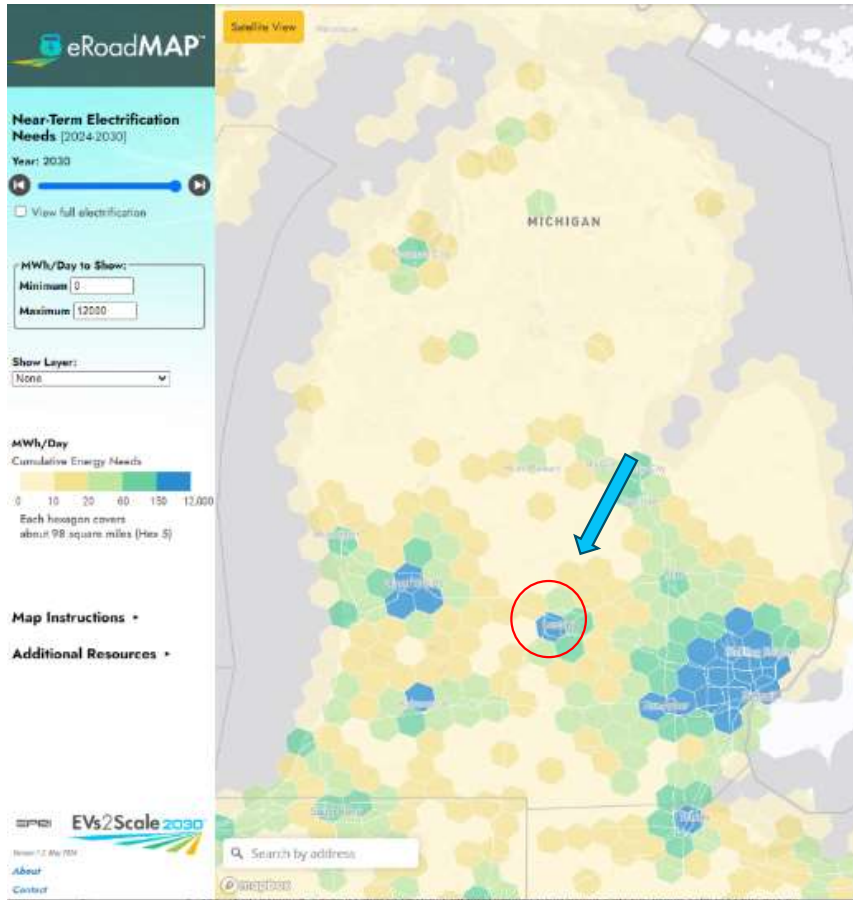


Fleet activity aggregated to Hex8 Level (protects proprietary fleet data)



eRoadMAP: Interactive Load Map to Hex8 Resolution (0.28 mi<sup>2</sup>)

# Interactive Energy Map: Michigan, 2030



# Interactive Energy Map: Lansing Area

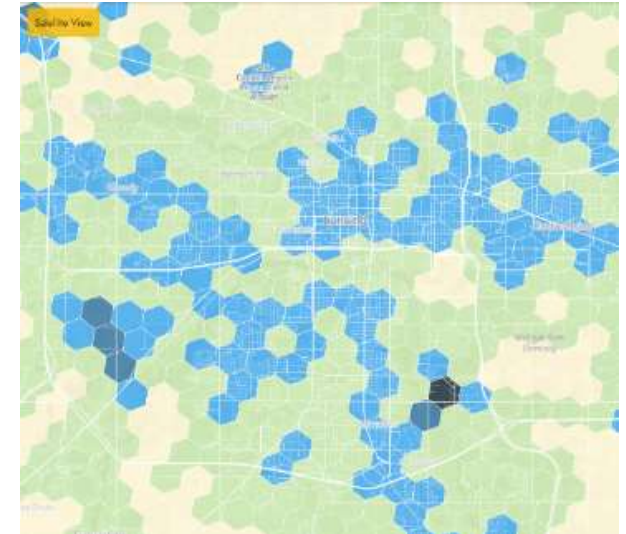
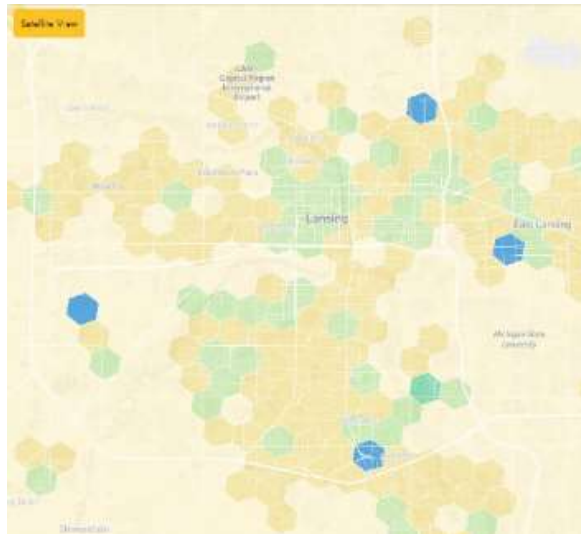
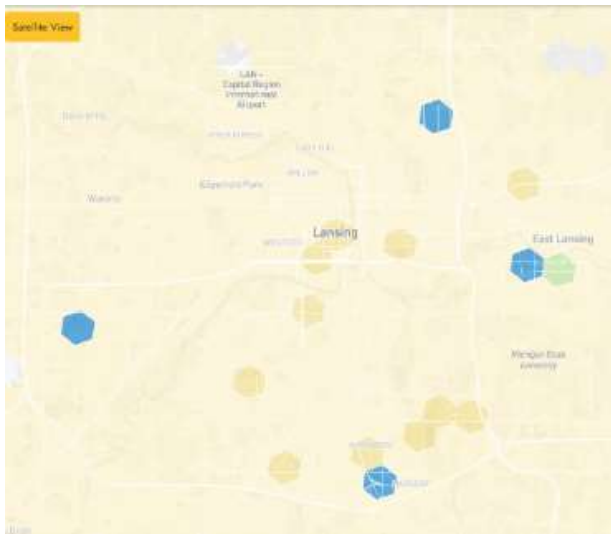
2027 to 2030 to Full Electrification Comparison



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Full Electrification



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# Interactive Energy Map: Lansing Area

2027 to 2030 to Full Electrification Comparison

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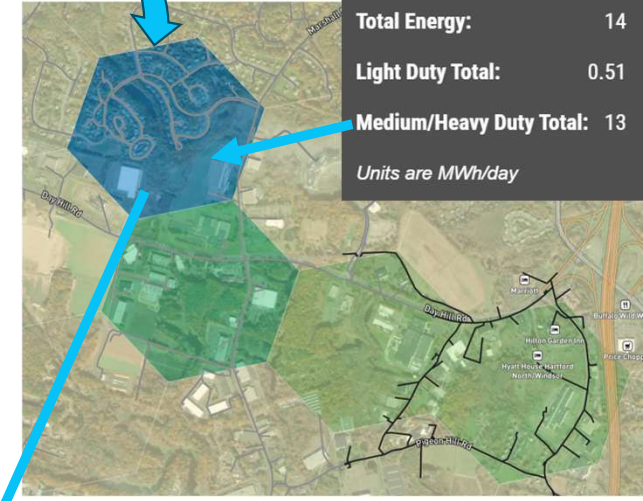
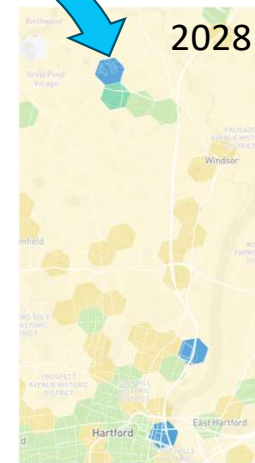
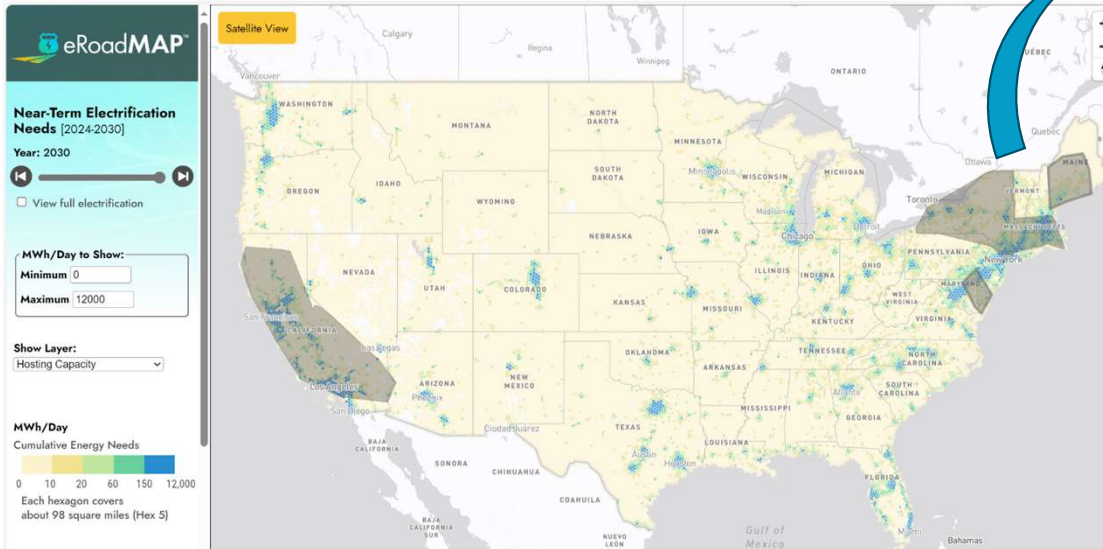
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# eRoadMAP | Grid Hosting Capacity Maps

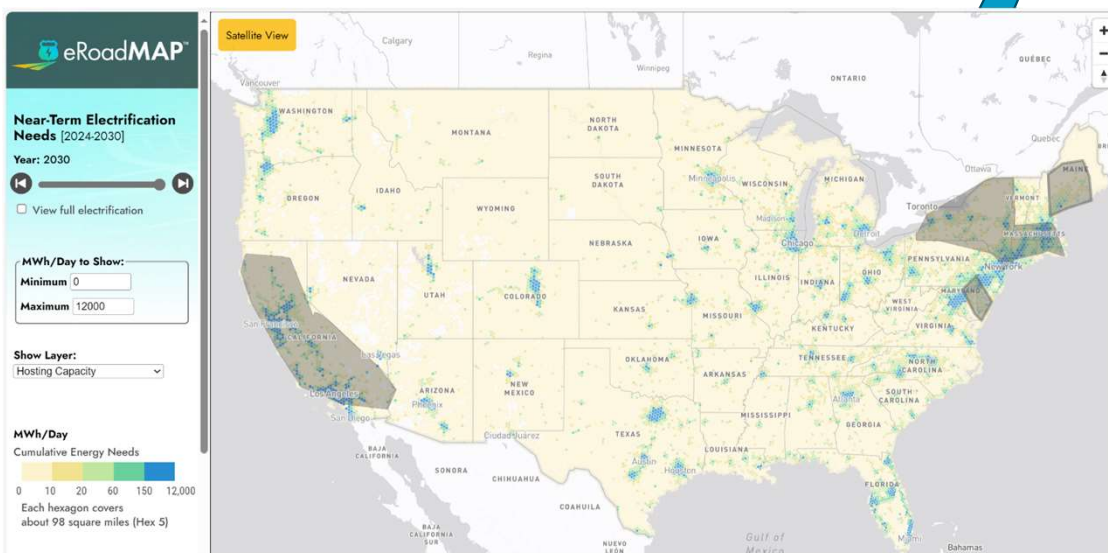


Totals for this Hexagon	
Total Energy:	14
Light Duty Total:	0.51
Medium/Heavy Duty Total:	13
Units are MWh/day	

Line Capacity	
Circuit:	3B02, Substation: BLOOMFIELD
Load Capacity (MW):	0.4
Data Source:	Eversource Connecticut
Updated by Utility:	Unknown
Retrieved by EPRI:	May 13, 2024

In 2028, 13 MWh (energy) forecast north of Hartford, CT; Eversource showing estimated 0.4MW (power) available. Note, major logistics provider in this area.

# eRoadMAP | Grid Hosting Capacity Maps

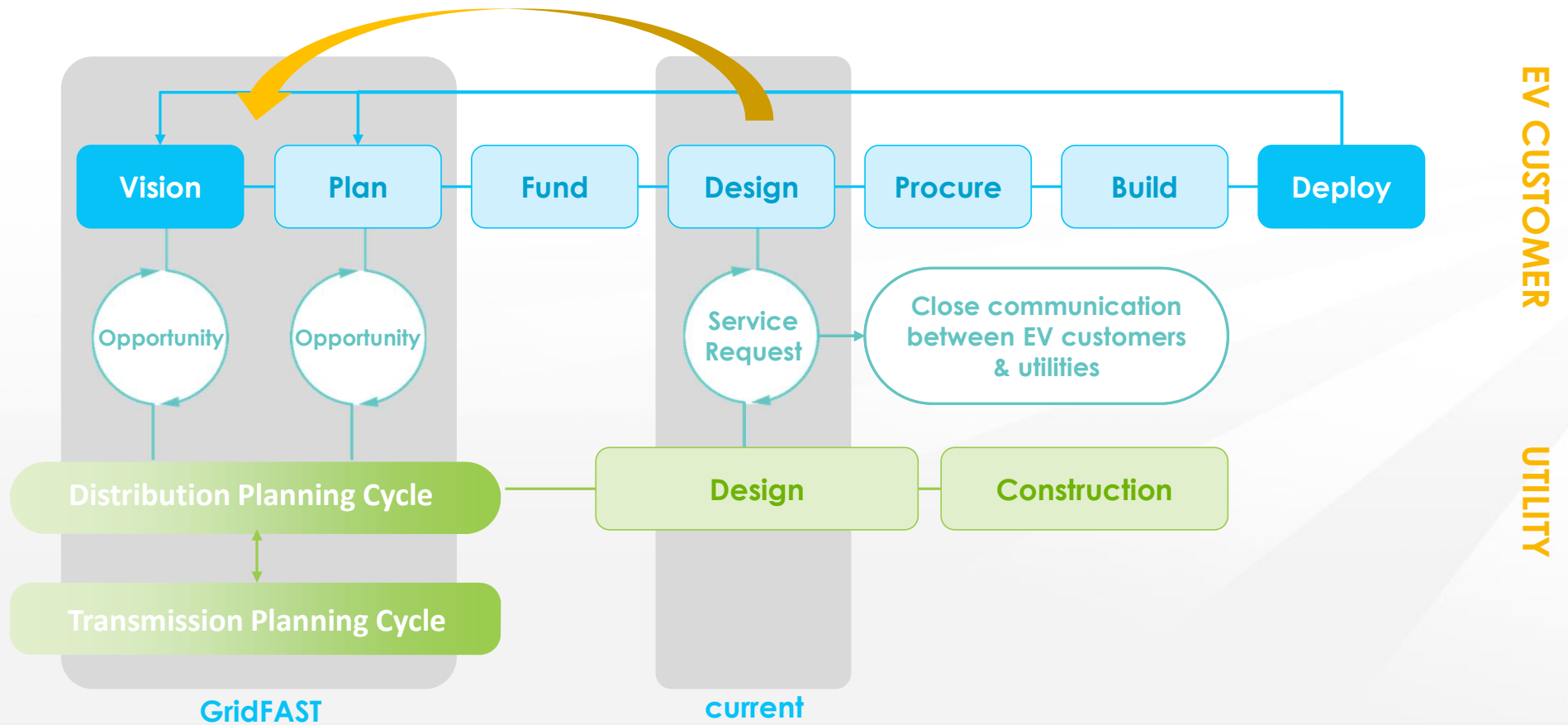


## Load Capacity Maps from 14 Utilities include:

- **California:** PG&E, SCE, LADWP
- **Connecticut:** Eversource, United Illuminating
- **Delaware:** Pepco Holdings
- **Maine:** Central Maine Power
- **Massachusetts:** National Grid
- **Maryland:** Pepco Holdings
- **New York:** National Grid, ConEd, Orange & Rockland, Central Hudson, NYSEG, Rochester G&E
- **New Jersey:** Orange & Rockland
- **Rhode Island:** Rhode Island Energy

# Grid Interconnection Problem Statement

How might we help EV customers and utilities get actionable information earlier?



# GridFAST | Addressing 15 Pain Points in Grid Interconnection



## Vision & Strategy

Provide tools to educate fleets and make the case for electrification

Help fleets forecast where/when to electrify (beyond 2 years) to drive more certainty in fleet plans

Create a standard practice (across utilities) to gather fleet plans early so utilities can incorporate into D&T planning

Validate fleet plans so utilities can confidently invest in costly grid upgrades

Help smaller utilities establish EV processes so they can better support EV projects

## Plan & Forecast

Kickstart fleet communications with the right utility/POC to eliminate nonvalue-added fleet efforts

Educate fleets on electricity and utility processes and programs to eliminate nonvalue-added utility efforts

Help fleets gain more accurate insights into grid capacity, upgrade timelines and costs, so they can select more viable locations

Help utilities provide real-time, updated feeder capacity data so fleets can select more viable sites before submitting a formal request

Help fleets model and calculate charging and power scenarios to minimize costly and potentially unnecessary grid upgrades

Provide fleets with smart, interactive tools to alleviate utility bottlenecks (e.g., staff shortages) without having to wait for a utility engineer

## Funding

Help fleets understand how to qualify/apply for grant and incentive programs so they have full transparency into the process ahead of time

## Design & Engineering

Create a standardized process for service requests across the utility industry to minimize time-consuming and repetitive workload

Help utilities provide more timeline transparency to fleets (e.g. supply chain delays, resourcing, permits, easements) so fleets can account for it in their project planning

## Approvals & Procurement

Set a standard for fleet x utility best practices to minimize back and forth and timeline delays

# GridFAST vision

Improve transparency in EV charging planning to inform grid investments and accelerate grid interconnects

2024-2035 plans defining loads, locations, timing

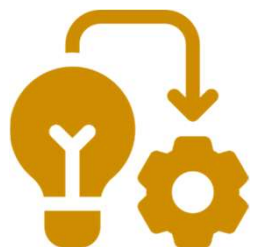


**GridFAST**  
Secure online data exchange platform

Utility hosting capacity indicating grid readiness, timing to support EV charging loads



# How GridFAST works



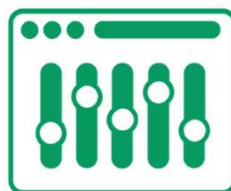
## Project Input

EV customers enter their project concepts into GridFAST, and can view hosting capacity maps, if available



## Utility Match

GridFAST matches EV projects to the relevant utility to start the exchange based on vetted information



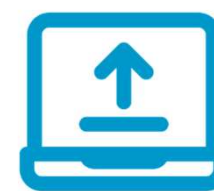
## Capacity Information Exchange

GridFAST is an easy and secure system for utilities to provide program and processes info to EV customers



## Preparation of Service Request

EV customers finalize project details



## Service Request

EV customer information in GridFAST submitted to utility when they're ready to move forward

# EV Common Service Application Prototype

## Common Utility Questions

- Customer Contact Info (primary, contractor, energy billing,...)
- Site Address
- Charging Characteristics (charger ownership,...)
- Service and EV Load Info (kW, voltage, panel size,...)
- Document Uploads (site plan,...)
- Project Delivery (ISD,...)

## Custom Utility Questions

### SCE

- Meter access details
- Total site square footage

### ConEd

### SMUD

- Overhead vs. underground service
- Meter access details
- On-site generation?

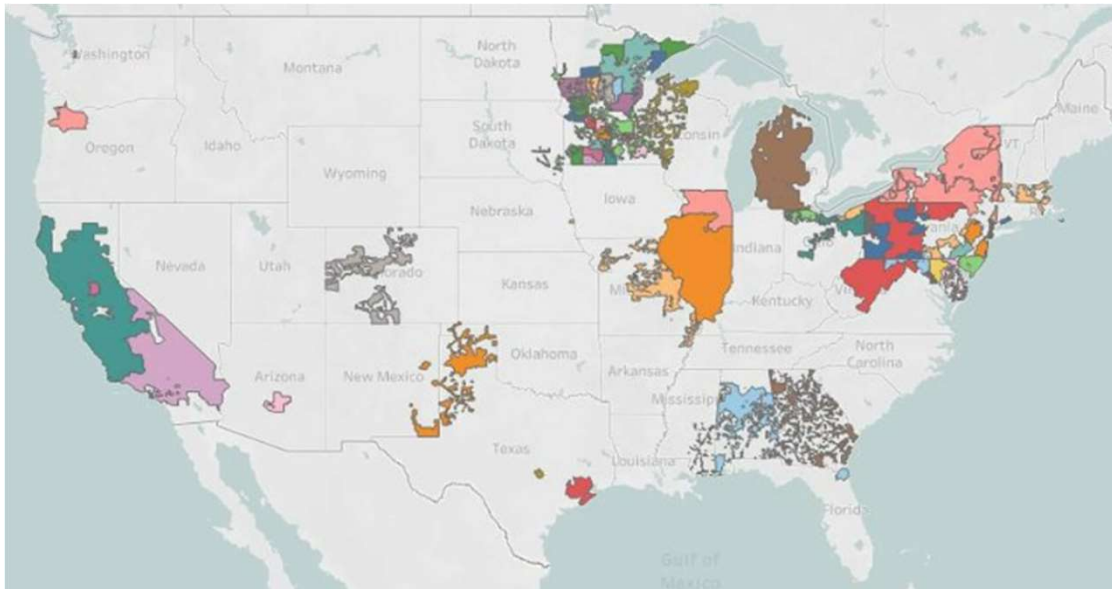
### National Grid

### PG&E

- Request due to natural disaster?
- Desired electric rate
- Pre-assessment needed?
- Building Permit?

### Exelon

# Staged Rollout

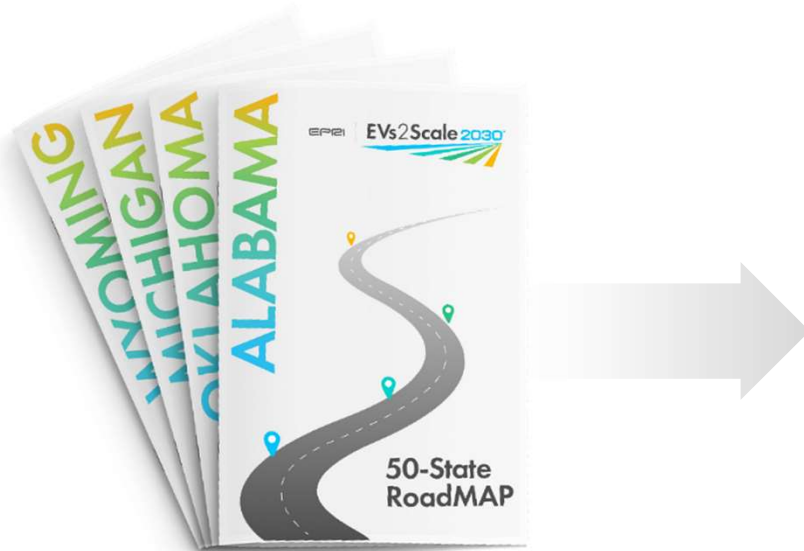


## Deployment

- **Proactive campaign to utilities** (onboarding resources, utility training, ...)
- **Staged campaign for EV customers**, starting with leading EV customers first
- Continue to refine GridFAST based on user feedback

- **Late 2024:** Early Internal Access for EVs2Scale Member Utilities
- **Early 2025:** Phase 1 Operational Launch for EVs2Scale Members and leading EV customers
- **General Rollout: TBD**

# Regulatory/Policy Outreach



- 13 states completed
  - AZ, CA, CO, FL, GA, IL, MA, MD, MI, NM, NY, PA, TX
- Previewing with the task force and EVs2Scale members on the best forums and key stakeholders to share with
- Summarizes key messaging
- Coordinating with the EPRI-ATE proactive grid build task force

## COMING In OCTOBER:

A **50-State/National Outreach Package** for regulators, legislators, consumer advocates, and federal agencies that leverages eRoadMAP™ and GridFAST™ to build a case for proactive grid investment that enables timely scale

# Released Reports + Tools

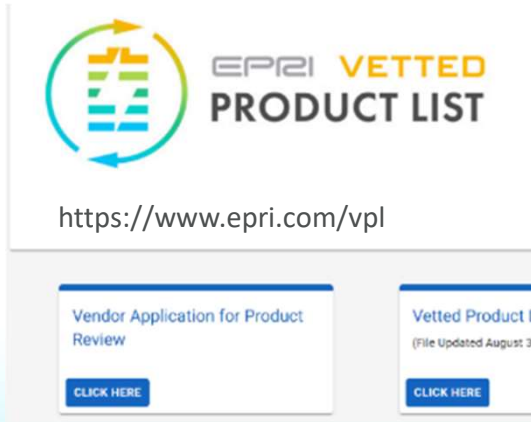
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## EVs2Scale Website



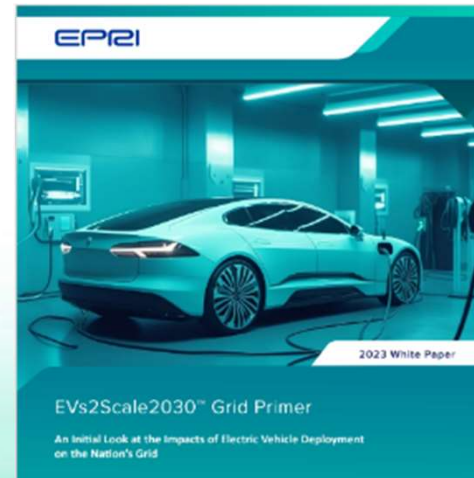
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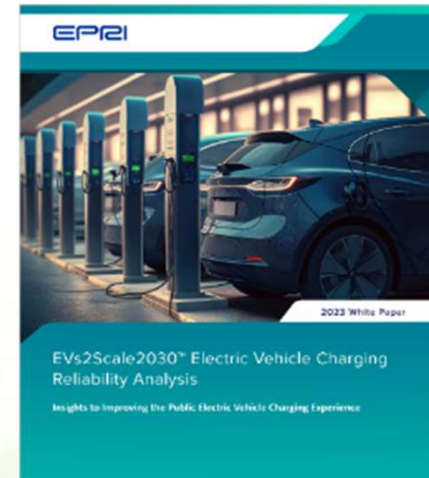
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# Flexible EV Charging Service Connections

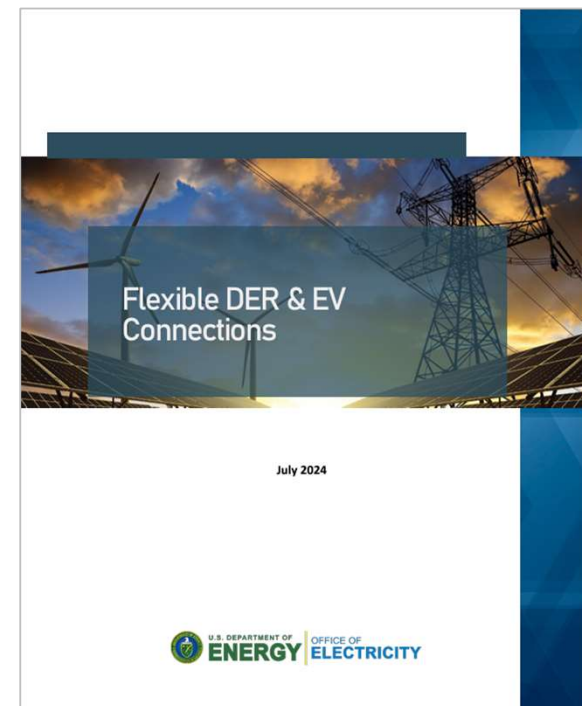
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# Flexible DER & EV Connections

*Flexible connections are an intermediate solution to address constrained distribution feeders*

- Introduces and elaborates on three key concepts associated with interconnection strategies for DER and EV charging for constrained distribution:
  - **Dynamic operating envelope**
  - Flexible DER interconnections, and
  - **Flexible EV Charging service connections.**
- Informs regulatory decision processes by presenting emerging flexible connection strategies and case examples
- Provides a strategic framework for enhancing DER integration and electrification.

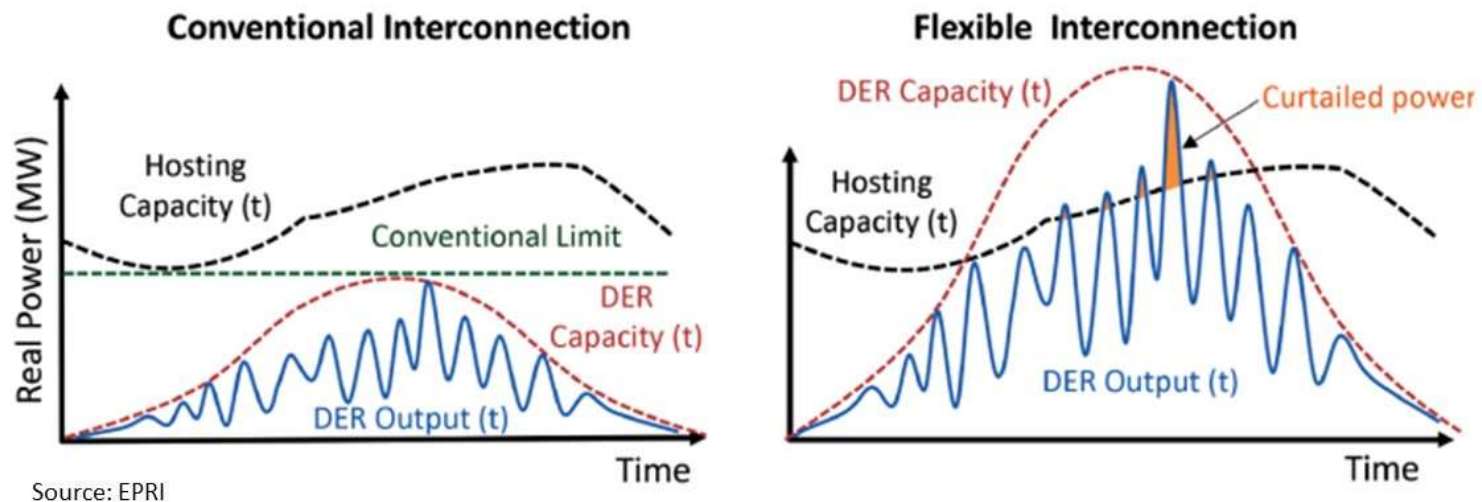


<https://www.energy.gov/sites/default/files/2024-08/Flexible%20DER%20%20EV%20Connections%20July%202024.pdf>



# Flexible Connections

Flexible connections are methods to improve distribution system utilization allowing more DER interconnections and service connections for EV charging while lowering the cost of integration



Flexible connection strategies involve shaping DER and EV charging exports and imports to remain within distribution system operating parameters (e.g., capacity limits, voltage limits) during periods when distribution systems are constrained

# Hosting Capacity Analysis vs. Dynamic Operating Envelope

## Hosting Capacity Analysis

- Hosting capacity refers to the amount of DER/EV charging energy that can be integrated into a distribution system before requiring control adjustments of DERs or distribution infrastructure upgrades to maintain safety and reliability.
- Hosting capacity is based on three key operating parameters:
  - Thermal Capacity
  - Voltage Limits
  - Protection Coordination
- Hosting capacity analysis typically provides **a static assessment considering steady-state conditions such as peak load scenarios** for DER/EV Charging integration.

## Dynamic Operating Envelope

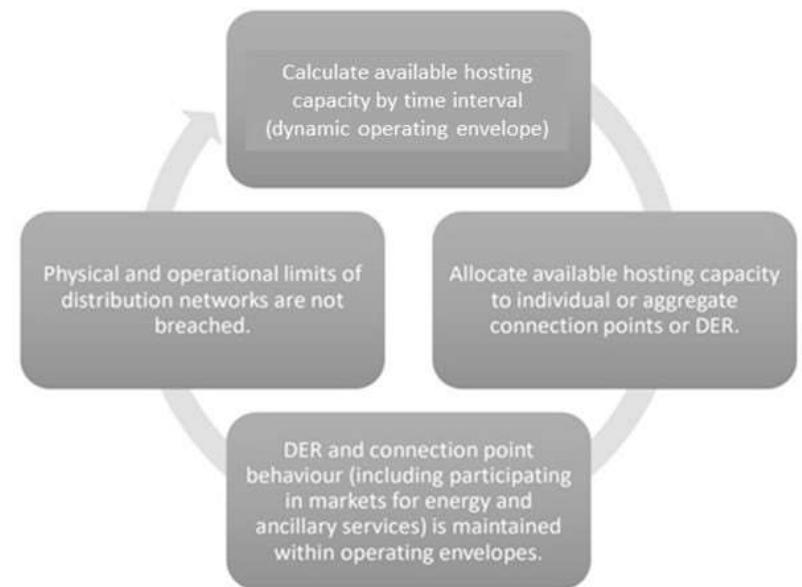
- A dynamic operating envelope establishes the **upper and lower bounds for a given time interval for allowable import or export power** at a point of interconnection.
- These **upper and lower bounds can change from one time interval to the next**, based on system conditions and anticipated constraints.
- Dynamic operating envelopes introduce a more sophisticated method to determine available energy export/import limits to connect new distributed generation, storage, and larger EV charging loads based on forecast and real-time grid conditions.
- Forecasted power flows are typically used since real-time granular distribution grid data availability is limited.



# Dynamic Operating Envelope

The variable operating limits for DER export/EV charging are the dynamic operating envelope

- Determining operating envelopes involves **identifying the specific locations of DER/EV Charging connection points** within the network to understand how **real and reactive power exports and/or imports** at these points will **affect the voltage, thermal, and protection constraints**.
- The operating envelope for each DER export/EV charging load is calculated for **each time interval, typically hourly over a year**.
- This results in seasonal, monthly, or daily **time-specific operating limits for DER/EV charging based on available distribution capacity at each time interval**.
- The initial use of dynamic operating envelopes today is done prospectively through **customer-controlled time-based import/export limits or via utility direct-controlled curtailment and derates** of DERs/EV Charging.



Source: Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA)

# Flexible Interconnections/Service Connection Approaches

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## Customer Controlled Solutions

- Customer-controlled solutions **empower end-users to actively manage their DER/EV Charger in response to dynamic operating envelopes provided by the distribution utility.**
- These solutions involve **customer control systems that automatically adjust** electricity consumption and energy exports to align with the dynamic operating envelope parameters.
- This can **enable faster and lower-cost service connections**, particularly for EV fleet operators and large public charging facilities.

## Utility Direct Controlled Solutions

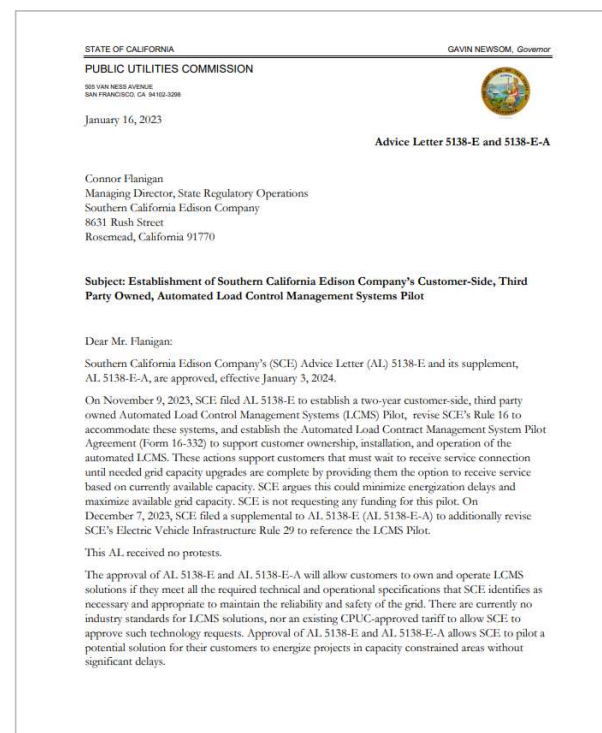
- Utility-controlled flexible interconnection and EV flexible service connections involve **utility curtailment of DER/EV Charging based on the grid's capacity.**
- Utility uses its operational system analytics and **control capability to interface with customers' smart inverters, PCS systems, EV telematics, and/or smart chargers.**
- A method is needed to determine **how much reduction (in charging or energy export) is required and from which DER/EV charger.**



# Customer Controlled: SCE Load Control Management Systems (LCMS) Pilot

## LCMS Pilot allows customers to manage their EV charging demand within limits set by SCE

- Southern California Edison (SCE) has implemented a two-year Automated LCMS Pilot, designed to allow customers to receive electrical service connection based on the currently available grid capacity instead of delaying the customer EV charging interconnection until required grid upgrades are completed to support full capacity charging.
- The customer's LCMS can reduce charging levels, disconnect specific devices, or stop charging at specific chargers to remain within distribution grid operating limits. Customers are responsible for purchasing, installing, and operating their LCMS.



Establishment of Southern California Edison Company's Customer-Side, Third Party Owned, Automated Load Control Management Systems Pilot (Advice Letter 5138-E and 5138-E-A), January 2023. Available online: <https://www.sce.com/regulatory/advice-letters>

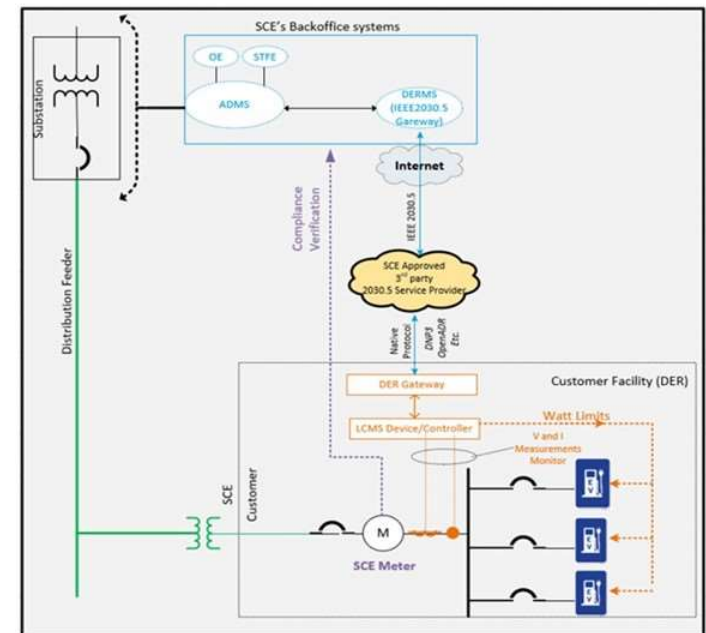


# SCE Load Control Management Systems (LCMS) Pilot

## LCMS Pilot allows 2 options for customers to receive operating limits from SCE

- The customer LCMS technology requires certification from Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratories (NRTLs) for performance validation.
- Customer has 2 options:
  - **Localized Autonomous LCMS:** Operates independently without real-time external communication, using pre-programmed limits to manage power usage. Under the localized autonomous option, authorized personnel can program the customer's LCMS locally to implement the SCE-provided limits, or it can be programmed remotely via approved communications.
  - **Utility Communication-Based LCMS:** Receives power limits in real-time or day-ahead from SCE through communication protocols, which informs a customer's LCMS. Under the utility communications-based option, the LCMS receives power limits From SCE through communication channels utilizing protocols such as IEEE 2030.5.

LCMS Pilot Conceptual Architecture

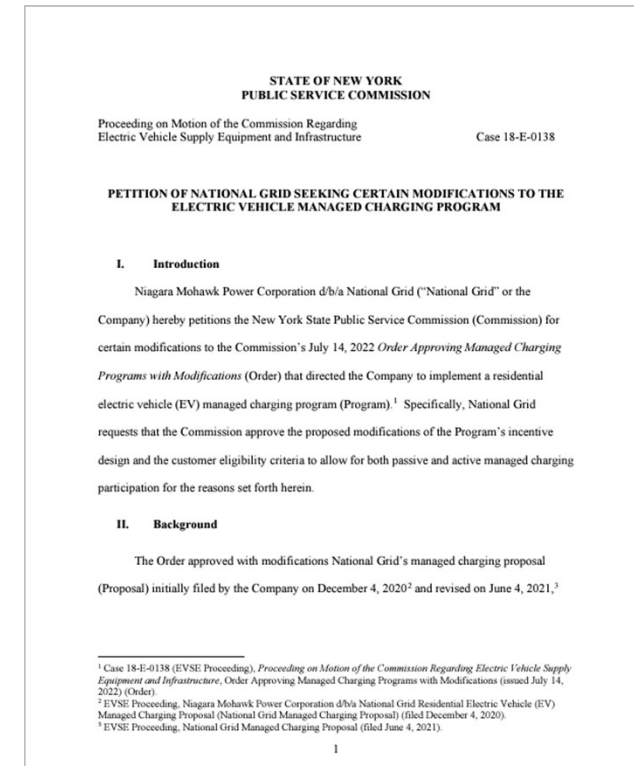


Source: SCE

# Utility Controlled: National Grid EV Charge Smart Plan Demo

National Grid EV Charge Smart Plan program employs active and passive managed charging strategies

- National Grid aims to enhance the connection and management of EV charging on the grid. The demonstration is focused on **light-duty vehicles' smart charging on cars and at residences.**
- Active managed charging involves real-time utility control over charging activities, while passive managed charging relies on time-of-use rates and customer behavior to shift charging to off-peak periods.
- National Grid's EV Charge Smart Plan leverages advanced technology and a subscription-based model to manage and optimize EV charging. **The architecture integrates telematics from EV manufacturers and networked Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) to provide real-time data and control over EV charging activities.**



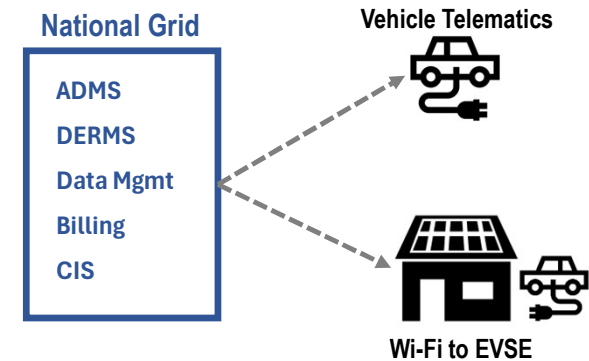
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# Utility Controlled: National Grid EV Charge Smart Plan Demo

## EV Charge Smart Plan program employs active and passive managed charging strategies for LDVs

- National Grid **utilizes EV manufacturers' telematics systems** (i.e., BMW & Tesla) to gather real-time data on EV charging sessions and **precise control over the charging process**, enabling smart scheduling to maximize off-peak charging and minimize grid constraints.
- Program **also controls networked EVSEs connected to home Wi-Fi**. National Grid sends commands to the charger to start or stop charging based on grid conditions and predefined schedules.
- National Grid's **data management system collects and analyzes charging data to optimize performance** for reliability and make necessary **adjustments to improve customer satisfaction**.
- The program has successfully demonstrated its technical capabilities and National Grid has proposed refinements to improve the program's effectiveness.



However, the program has faced and continues to address several technical challenges, including data loss from EV telematics and EVSE integrations, telecommunications failures, inconsistent smart charging performance, and interoperability issues following over-the-air software updates from EV or EVSE manufacturers.

# Utility Curtailment Determination Methods

Utility-controlled solutions require the utility to determine how much reduction is needed from which DER/EV charger

## Last-in-first-out (LIFO)

- EV Charger that applies for service connection first is curtailed last. This approach **prioritizes EV Chargers that have applied for service connection earlier**, affording them lower curtailment compared to those EV Chargers that connect later.
- By reducing the risk of curtailment for early applicants, this policy encourages early development of EV Charging facilities. However, **as more EV Chargers are added**, the LIFO mechanism could disadvantage **newer connections, potentially making them economically unfeasible** and limiting network utilization.

## Pro Rata

- In this approach, **all EV Chargers in an area experience a proportionate reduction** in their energy consumption from the grid.
- This approach can **potentially enable more EV Chargers to function**, albeit at a reduced charging rate as compared to the LIFO approach.
- The **downside is that as EV Charger adoption rises, the frequency of distribution constraints and curtailments may grow**, and EV owners may have less confidence in the availability and capability of impacted chargers.

Both approaches are relatively immature for DER & EV charging curtailment with flexible connections



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# Thank you

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# Questions and Answers

**Moderator:** Commissioner Katherine Peretick, Michigan Public Service Commission

**Guest Speaker**

- Dhananjay “DJ”, Anand, Joint Office of Energy and Transportation (JOET)
- Britta Gross, Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI)
- Paul De Martini, Newport Consulting

## Member EV Roundtable

Please share the situation from your perspective:

- How are or can utility regulators play a role in speeding up service load request timelines?
- Are regulators putting in any rules to help accelerate the timelines?
- How are you working with the state DOTs? Are they reaching out about NEVI and CFI award timeframes and needs?
- How are commissions considering possible EVSE public/fleet queue order priority rules?
- How are commissions handling EVSE/fleet requests for remaining distribution capacity from a cost perspective?

# Upcoming 2024 EVSWG Topic

Date (Last Tues. of the month)	Future 2024 EV SWG Topics
October 29, 2024	Vehicle to Grid (V2G)
December 10, 2024	Innovative Charging Solutions

Next EV SWG Meeting:  
**October 29**, 3:00-4:30  
pm ET via Zoom

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