



# VELCO 2009 Long Range Plan Analysis

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# Outline

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- 2018 transmission results
  - Results with Vermont Yankee permanently shut down
  - Results with Highgate permanently shut down
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# Content of the plan

- 2006 requirements continued in 2009
  - Criteria and assumptions
  - Identification of transmission deficiencies
  - Estimated date and costs
  - Public comments and VELCO responses
- Additional 2009 requirements from Docket 7081
  - Identification (only) of sub-transmission deficiencies
  - Identification of Affected Utilities and Lead Distribution Utility (DU) to be addressed by VSPC if disputed
  - Vermont System Planning Committee (VSPC) comments (to be added by VPSC) and VELCO responses
  - Non-Transmission Alternative (NTA) screening results

**Transmission** = facilities connected at 115 kV and higher

**Sub-transmission** = facilities between 34 kV and 70 kV

**Affected Utilities** = utility affected by a deficiency or whose load contribute to the deficiency

**Lead DU** = DU selected by affected utilities to facilitate decision making and lead the effort to conduct the NTA analysis

# Comparison with 2006 Analysis

## Changes due to Docket 7081 MOU

| 2006 Analysis  | 2009 Analysis   |
|--|---|
| <p><b><i>VSPC and public involvement:</i></b><br/> VSPC not yet created<br/> Public input requirements under 30 VSA 218c</p> | <p><b><i>VSPC and public involvement:</i></b><br/> VSPC input requirements<br/> Public input requirements under 30 VSA 218c and Docket 7081 MOU</p> |
| <p><b><i>Planning horizon:</i></b><br/> 10-yr load at 1310 MW (year 2016)<br/> 20-yr load not tested</p>                     | <p><b><i>Planning horizon:</i></b><br/> 10-yr load at 1275 MW (year 2018)<br/> 20-yr load at 1425 MW (year 2028)</p>                                |
| <p><b><i>Sub-transmission:</i></b><br/> Sub-transmission not analyzed</p>  | <p><b><i>Sub-transmission:</i></b><br/> Sub-transmission analyzed (7081 MOU)</p>  |
| <p><b><i>Non-transmission alternatives:</i></b><br/> Not screened</p>  | <p><b><i>Non-transmission alternatives:</i></b><br/> Screening included in report</p>   |

# Comparison with 2006 Analysis

## Changes due to Regional Planning Process

| 2006 Analysis  | 2009 Analysis  |
|--|--|
| <p><b>Regional input:</b><br/>No ISO-NE and TO involvement</p>   | <p><b>Regional input:</b><br/>Direct ISO-NE and TO involvement</p>   |
| <p><b>Flow assumptions:</b><br/>NY-NE flow: 1000, 0 &amp; -1000 MW<br/>East-West flow: -1000, 1200 &amp; 2500 MW</p> | <p><b>Flow assumptions:</b><br/>NY-NE flow: +/-1200 MW<br/>East-West flow: -1000 &amp; 2400 MW</p>   |
| <p><b>First contingency:</b><br/>Long-term outage</p>  | <p><b>First contingency:</b><br/>Long-term &amp; short-term outages</p>  |
| <p><b>Generation assumptions:</b><br/>86 MW in all cases</p>   | <p><b>Generation assumptions:</b><br/>All-lines-in: 88 MW<br/>With long-term facility out: 119 MW<br/>With short-term facility out: 150 MW</p> |

**NY-NE** = New York-New England power transfer interface  
**ISO-NE** = Independent System Operator in New England  
**TO** = Transmission Owner  
**All-lines-in** = no outages

**Long-term outage** = outage that is likely to exist for weeks at a time, such as outages of transformers, generators and cables  
**Short-term outage** = outage that is likely to exist for a few hours, such as outages of overhead lines

# Regional Interpretation of Design Criteria

- NERC planning standards
  - TPL-001 – No outages
  - TPL-002 – Outage of one element
  - TPL-003 – Outage of two or more elements
- ISO-NE planning standards
  - N-0, N-1, N-1-1
  - Stressed conditions
    - Extreme weather load (90/10)
    - Two largest generators unavailable and limited use of peaking units
    - Maximized regional power transfers

**NERC** = North American Electric reliability Council

**ISO-NE** = Independent System Operator of the New England electric system

**90/10** = 90% chance that the actual load will be at or lower than the forecast, 10% chance that it will exceed the forecast

# Load Assumptions

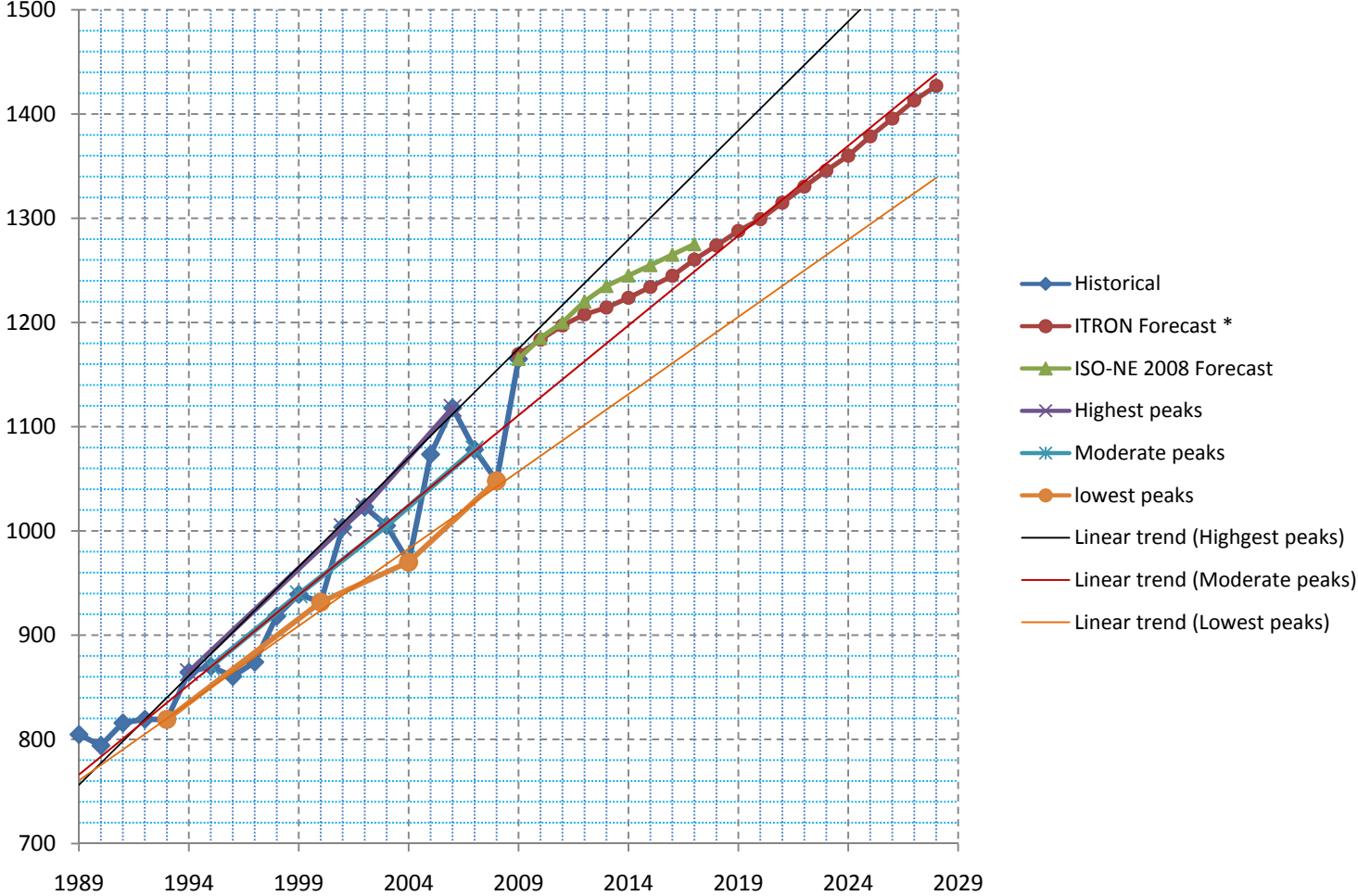
- 90/10 loads in all cases tested
  - 2018 projected load – 1275 MW (load and losses)
  - 2028 projected load – 1425 MW (load and losses)
- Newport block load supplied from Vermont
- Load power factor constant at 0.97 in all cases
  - Assumes ongoing power factor correction on the distribution and sub-transmission systems
- NY load remained constant in all cases
- Rest of New England load remained constant from 2016 to 2028

**Power factor** = Measure of real power in relation to reactive power, which are perpendicular to each other.

**Real power** = Part of the electrical power that does the work, i.e. heat, lighting

**Reactive power** = Part of the electrical power needed for the system to function properly. By-product of alternating current.

# Load Forecasts



\* The ITRON forecast was used for the Vermont analysis



# Generation Assumptions

- Two largest units unavailable (reference ISO-NE & TO design standards)
  - McNeil (51 MW) and half of Berlin (25 MW)
- Base load units running at full
  - Ryegate (20 MW), Coventry (8 MW), Moretown planned (4.8 MW)
- Wind and water generation at 10% of capacity
  - 5 MW for wind and 15 MW for hydro
- Limited use of peaking units
  - $\frac{1}{2}$  of Swanton planned (21 MW),  $\frac{4}{5}$  of Newport planned (8 MW),  $\frac{3}{4}$  of Essex (6 MW)
- System adjustments between the first and second contingencies
  - Adjust angle of phase angle regulators (Sand Bar, Granite and Blissville)
  - Allow transformer tap changers to move, and redispatch capacitor banks
  - Add generation within 30 minutes
    - 31 MW for long-term outages
    - 62 MW for short-term outages
- Not running – 48 MW (33%) of peaking units

**Base load unit** = Generation that is expected to run 24 hours a day

**Peaking unit** = Generation that is expected to run during the peak load, e.g. two hours near the peak demand hour

**Phase Angle Regulator (PAR)** = A device used to adjust flow on a line. It is also called a phase shifter.

# Transmission Performance Criteria

|  | Thermal criteria          | Voltage criteria   |   |
|--|---------------------------|--|---|
| System event   | For all facilities        | For 115 kV facilities  | For 230 kV and above  |
| NERC Category A<br>(All-lines-in)  | At or below normal rating | At or above 0.95 pu<br>and<br>At or below 1.05 pu                                | At or above 0.98 pu<br>and<br>At or below 1.05 pu                               |
| Category B, C, & D<br>(single or multi-element outages)<br><br>N-1 and N-1-1 | At or below LTE rating    | At or above 0.95 pu<br>and<br>At or below 1.05 pu<br>Delta V no greater than 10% | At or above 0.95 pu<br>and<br>At or below 1.05 pu<br>Delta V no greater than 5% |

**Thermal** = That which is related to current flow

**Normal rating** = Nearly continuous current capacity of a piece of equipment, such as a line, a transformer

**LTE rating** = Long-term (4 to 12 hours) emergency current capacity of a piece of equipment

**Voltage** = That which is needed to allow current to flow. The higher the voltage, the lower the current for the same power level

**pu** = per unit voltage, which is the ratio of the calculated voltage over the nominal/operating voltage level, such as 115 kV, 46 kV

**Delta V** = change in voltage before and after an outage

# Sub-transmission Performance Criteria

| <b>System event</b>                            | <b>Thermal criteria</b>      | <b>Voltage criteria</b>   |
|--|------------------------------|---|
| NERC Category A<br>(All-lines-in)              | At or below normal<br>rating | At or above 0.95 pu<br>and<br>At or below 1.05 pu                                   |
| NERC Category B<br>(single-element<br>outages) | At or below LTE<br>rating    | At or above 0.90 pu<br>and<br>At or below 1.05 pu<br>Delta V no greater<br>than 10% |
| N-1  |                              |   |

# Typical Reasons for Upgrades and Associated Solutions

| <b>Criteria Violations/Deficiencies</b>   | <b>Typical Solutions</b>                             |
|---|--|
| Voltage below voltage limit   | Capacitor banks                                      |
| Voltage above voltage limit   | Shunt reactors                                       |
| Voltage collapse on network   | Add another facility (line, transformer, substation) |
| Loss of load for loss of a transformer due to low voltage and very high overloads that cannot be resolved with sectionalization | Add another transformer                              |
| Flow above equipment capacity   | Replace equipment or add another facility            |

# Outages Examined

- Single element outages
  - Line, transformer, generator, Essex STATCOM, Highgate HVdc terminal
- Double-element outages for transmission only
  - DCT, breaker failure, Sandy Pond HVdc terminal
- First single element outage, then system adjustment, then another outage is tested for transmission only
  - Long-term outages as the first outage (studied in 2006)
    - Highgate HVdc, Vermont Yankee (VY) generator, PV-20 (Plattsburgh to Sand Bar 115 kV), 230/115 kV transformer at Littleton, and 345/115 kV transformers at West Rutland, Coolidge, Vernon and Vermont Yankee
  - Short-term outages, i.e. overhead lines, as the first outage (new in '09)
    - K-65 Queen City to Shelburne 115 kV
    - F-206 Comerford to Granite 230 kV line
    - 345 kV lines: 370 (New Haven to West Rutland), 350 (West Rutland to Coolidge), 340 (Coolidge to VY), 3321 (Coolidge to Newfane) and 3320 (Newfane to VY)

**DCT** = Double circuit tower outage that trips lines supported by the same poles

**Breaker failures** = outage that trips elements adjacent to a breaker

# Development Stage of Upgrades

- Upgrades are at the conceptual stage except for the Lyndonville project
  - Cost estimates are based on 2008 dollars
  - Cost estimates are conceptual
    - Cost estimates are based on similar experience from recent system reinforcement projects
    - Substation costs do not account for physical conditions and soil conditions
      - Assumed no additional land
      - Assumed no soil replacement
    - Line costs are based on per mile figures and do not account for physical conditions
      - Assumed no additional right-of-way
      - Assumed no right-of-way clearing
      - Assumed wood pole construction
  - Priorities are based on the planning stage of the project, load exposure, and need dates

# List of Deficiencies

| Repeated from 2006                            | New in 2009                                  |
|---|--|
| Loss of Middlebury transformer                | Loss of Bennington station                   |
| Loss of Blissville transformer                | VY-Vernon Rd line overload                   |
| Loss of Hartford transformer                  | Loss of Vernon autotransformer               |
| Loss of North Rutland/Cold River transformers | Coolidge-Ascutney line overload              |
| Loss of Ascutney Transformer & substation     | Ascutney-Ascutney Tap line overload          |
| Loss of St Johnsbury transformer              | Williston-Tafts Corner line overload         |
| Loss of St Albans transformers                | Loss of Chelsea transformer                  |
| Loss of Barre transformer                     | High voltage at light load                   |
| Loss of Georgia station                       | System wide low transmission voltage         |
| Coolidge autotransformer overload             | System wide transmission voltage instability |
| Coolidge-Cold River line overload             |  |
| Cold River-North Rutland overload             |  |
| West Rutland-Florence overload                |  |
| New Haven-Williston overload                  |  |
| Low voltage and voltage instability           |  |

# Upgrades in Southern VT

| <u>Location</u>                      | <u>Upgrade - NEW</u>               | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>   |                           |                |                 |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|---------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| VY to Vernon Rd<br>115 kV K-186 line | Rebuild to higher rating           | Line overloaded for loss of Fitzwilliam transformer and breaker failures at Fitzwilliam  |                           |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>                      | <u>Year of Need</u>                | <u>Estimated cost</u>  | <u>Affected DUs</u>       | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Bulk                                 | 2009                               | \$5M to \$10M  | CVPS, GMP,<br>(NU, NGRID) | CVPS           | 9               |
| <u>Location</u>                      | <u>Upgrade - NEW</u>               | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>   |                           |                |                 |
| Vernon                               | Install 2nd 345/115 kV transformer | Loss of the Vermont Yankee transformer overloads the Keene-Monadnock 115 kV T-198 line, with the Vernon transformer out of service |                           |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>                      | <u>Year of Need</u>                | <u>Estimated cost</u>  | <u>Affected DUs</u>       | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Bulk                                 | 2010                               | \$15M to \$30M   | CVPS, GMP,<br>(NU, NGRID) | CVPS           | 10              |
| <u>Location</u>                      | <u>Upgrade -NEW</u>                | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>   |                           |                |                 |
| Bennington                           | Rebuild to ring station            | Breaker failures cause voltage collapse  |                           |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>                      | <u>Year of Need</u>                | <u>Estimated cost</u>  | <u>Affected DUs</u>       | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Bulk                                 | 2009                               | \$10M to \$20M   | CVPS,GMP,(NGRID)          | CVPS           | 14              |

Loss of = Outage of    Out of service = First contingency    Costs are rough 2008 dollars, conceptual projects



# Upgrades in Central VT – part 1

| <u>Location</u>    | <u>Upgrade</u>   | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>  |                     |                |                 |
|--------------------|--|---|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Middlebury         | Install 2 <sup>nd</sup> 115/46 kV transformer & Rebuild to ring station                            | Loss of transformer and breaker failures cause voltage collapse<br>Timing depends on CVPS 46 kV line project                                |                     |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>    | <u>Year of Need</u>  | <u>Estimated cost</u>   | <u>Affected DUs</u> | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Predominantly Bulk | 2009   | \$10M to \$20M  | CVPS                | CVPS           | 2               |
| <u>Location</u>    | <u>Upgrade</u>   | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>  |                     |                |                 |
| Blissville         | Install 2 <sup>nd</sup> 115/46 kV transformer & Rebuild to ring station.<br>Install capacitor bank | Loss of transformer causes low voltages and overloads, which will result in loss of load<br>Loss of 350 causes low voltage on 115 kV system |                     |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>    | <u>Year of Need</u>  | <u>Estimated cost</u>   | <u>Affected DUs</u> | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Predominantly Bulk | 2009   | \$15M to \$30M  | CVPS                | CVPS           | 5               |

# Upgrades in Central VT – part 2

| <u>Location</u>    | <u>Upgrade</u>  | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>   |                     |                |                 |
|--------------------|---|--|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Hartford           | Install 2 <sup>nd</sup> 115/46 kV transformer & Rebuild to ring station | Loss of transformer causes low voltages and overloads, which will result in loss of load.<br>Breaker failures cause voltage collapse |                     |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>    | <u>Year of Need</u>   | <u>Estimated cost</u>  | <u>Affected DUs</u> | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Predominantly Bulk | 2009  | \$15M to \$30M   | CVPS, GMP, WEC      | CVPS           | 6               |
| <u>Location</u>    | <u>Upgrade-NEW</u>  | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>   |                     |                |                 |
| Chelsea            | Install 2 <sup>nd</sup> 115/46 kV transformer & Rebuild to ring station | Loss of transformer causes low voltages<br>Loss of Granite-Hartford line causes voltage collapse                                     |                     |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>    | <u>Year of Need</u>   | <u>Estimated cost</u>  | <u>Affected DUs</u> | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Predominantly Bulk | 2018  | \$15M to \$30M   | CVPS, GMP, WEC      | CVPS           | 19              |

# Upgrades in Central VT – part 3

| <u>Location</u>    | <u>Upgrade</u>   | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>   |                     |                |                             |
|--------------------|--|--|---------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| South Rutland      | Construct new station with a 115/46 kV transformer   | Loss of North Rutland or Cold River transformer causes sub-transmission and transformer overloads, which will result in loss of load   |                     |                |                             |
| <u>Category</u>    | <u>Year of Need</u>  | <u>Estimated cost</u>  | <u>Affected DUs</u> | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u>             |
| Predominantly Bulk | 2009   | \$15M to \$30M   | CVPS                | CVPS           | 4                           |
| <u>Location</u>    | <u>Upgrade</u>   | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>   |                     |                |                             |
| Ascutney           | Install 2 <sup>nd</sup> 115/46 kV transformer & Rebuild to breaker-and-a-half station<br>Install capacitor banks | Loss of transformer causes low voltages and overloads, which will result in loss of load.<br>Breaker failures cause voltage collapse<br>Loss of K-31 or 350 causes low voltage |                     |                |                             |
| <u>Category</u>    | <u>Year of Need</u>  | <u>Estimated cost</u>  | <u>Affected DUs</u> | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u>             |
| Predominantly Bulk | 2013 for transformer<br>2009 for capacitor banks   | \$22M to \$44M   | CVPS, Ludlow        | CVPS           | 7 for cap<br>15 for transfm |

# Upgrades in Central VT – part 4

| <u>Location</u> | <u>Upgrade -NEW</u>                       | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>   |   |                |                 |
|-----------------|---|--|---|----------------|-----------------|
| West Rutland    | Install capacitor banks and shunt reactor | Loss of 350 or 370 causes low voltage. High voltages during low load levels. |   |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u> | <u>Year of Need</u>                       | <u>Estimated cost</u>  | <u>Affected DUs</u>                       | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Bulk            | 2009                                      | \$6M to \$12M  | All DUs except Readsboro and Jacksonville | CVPS           | 7               |

# Upgrades in Central VT – part 5

| <u>Location</u> | <u>Upgrade</u>  | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>  |                                      |                |                                 |
|-----------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|
| Coolidge        | Install 2 <sup>nd</sup> 345/115 kV transformer<br>Install shunt reactor | Loss of transformer causes low voltages and overloads<br>High voltages during low load levels |                                      |                |                                 |
| <u>Category</u> | <u>Year of Need</u>   | <u>Estimated cost</u>   | <u>Affected DUs</u>                  | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u>                 |
| Bulk            | 2016 for transformer<br>2011 for reactor                                | \$24M to \$48M  | NU, NGRID, NY, All DUs except R & J* | CVPS           | 7 for reactor<br>16 for transfm |

| <u>Location</u>                         | <u>Upgrade</u>           | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>  |                           |                |                 |
|---|--------------------------|---|---------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Coolidge-Cold River<br>115 kV K-32 line | Rebuild to higher rating | Line overloaded with the 350 line out of service and for loss of K-31 |                           |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>                         | <u>Year of Need</u>      | <u>Estimated cost</u>   | <u>Affected DUs</u>       | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Bulk                                    | 2013                     | \$35M to \$70M  | NY, All DUs except R & J* | CVPS           | 13              |

\* R & J = Readsboro and Jacksonville

# Upgrades in Central VT – part 6

| <u>Location</u>                           | <u>Upgrade- NEW</u>         | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>  |                                      |                |                 |
|---|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Coolidge-Ascutney<br>115 kV K-31 line     | Rebuild to higher<br>rating | Line overloaded with the F-206 line out of service and<br>for loss of I135N/J135N DCT |                                      |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>                           | <u>Year of Need</u>         | <u>Estimated cost</u>   | <u>Affected DUs</u>                  | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Bulk                                      | 2009                        | \$25M to \$50M  | CVPS, Ludlow,<br>GMP,<br>(NU, NGRID) | CVPS           | 8               |
| <u>Location</u>                           | <u>Upgrade - NEW</u>        | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>  |                                      |                |                 |
| Ascutney-Ascutney<br>Tap 115 kV K149 line | Rebuild to higher<br>rating | Line overloaded with the F-206 line out of service and<br>for loss of I135N/J135N DCT |                                      |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>                           | <u>Year of Need</u>         | <u>Estimated cost</u>   | <u>Affected DUs</u>                  | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Bulk                                      | 2013                        | \$5M to \$10M   | CVPS, GMP,<br>(NU, NGRID)            | CVPS           | 11              |

# Upgrades in Northeastern VT

| <u>Location</u>    | <u>Upgrade</u>  | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>                  |   |                |                 |
|--------------------|---|---|---|----------------|-----------------|
| St Johnsbury       | Construct new station with 115/34.5 kV transformer. Install capacitor banks | Loss of transformer causes voltage collapse |   |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>    | <u>Year of Need</u>   | <u>Estimated cost</u>                       | <u>Affected DUs</u>   | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Predominantly Bulk | 2009  | \$22M                                       | CVPS, Lyndonville for station.<br>CVPS, Lyndonville, & VEC for capctr banks | CVPS           | 1               |
|                    | <u>Upgrade - NEW</u>  | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>                  |   |                |                 |
| Newport            | Install capacitor bank  | Loss of K-60 line causes voltage collapse   |   |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>    | <u>Year of Need</u>   | <u>Estimated cost</u>                       | <u>Affected DUs</u>   | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Predominantly Bulk | 2009  | \$1M to \$2M                                | VEC   | VEC            | 7               |

# Upgrades in Northwestern VT – part 1

| <u>Location</u>   | <u>Upgrade</u>   | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>  |                     |                |                 |
|-------------------|--|---|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| St Albans         | Construct new ring station with two 115/34.5 kV transformers | Loss of St Albans tap causes voltage collapse<br>Transformers overload for loss of either transformer or loss of East Fairfax transformer |                     |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>   | <u>Year of Need</u>  | <u>Estimated cost</u>   | <u>Affected DUs</u> | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Primarily Bulk    | 2009   | \$25M to \$50M  | CVPS, VEC           | CVPS           | 3               |
| <u>Location</u>   | <u>Upgrade</u>   | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>  |                     |                |                 |
| Georgia           | Rebuild to ring station                                      | Breaker failures cause voltage collapse   |                     |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>   | <u>Year of Need</u>  | <u>Estimated cost</u>   | <u>Affected DUs</u> | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Primarily Bulk    | 2009   | \$20M to \$40M  | CVPS, VEC, Swanton  | VEC            | 3               |
| <u>Location</u>   | <u>Upgrade-New</u>   | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>  |                     |                |                 |
| Georgia-St Albans | Construct new Georgia-St Albans 115 kV line                  | Voltage instability with the Georgia-St Albans line section opened  |                     |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>   | <u>Year of Need</u>  | <u>Estimated cost</u>   | <u>Affected DUs</u> | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Primarily Bulk    | 2009   | \$15M to \$30M  | CVPS, VEC, Swanton  | VEC            | 3               |

**Voltage instability** = phenomenon where the voltage does not behave as expected when real or reactive power changes



# Upgrades in Northwestern VT – part 2

| <u>Location</u>    | <u>Upgrade - NEW</u>  | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>  |                     |                |                 |
|--------------------|---|---|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Queen City         | Install capacitor bank  | Loss of K-25 causes low voltages  |                     |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>    | <u>Year of Need</u>   | <u>Estimated cost</u>   | <u>Affected DUs</u> | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Bulk               | 2009  | \$2M to \$4M  | GMP, BED, VEC, CVPS | GMP            | 7               |
| <u>Location</u>    | <u>Upgrade</u>  | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>  |                     |                |                 |
| Barre              | Install 2 <sup>nd</sup> 115/34.5 kV transformer & Rebuild to ring station | Loss of transformer causes low voltages and overloads, which will result in loss of load. |                     |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>    | <u>Year of Need</u>   | <u>Estimated cost</u>   | <u>Affected DUs</u> | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Predominantly bulk | 2018 *  | \$10M to \$20M  | GMP, WEC            | GMP            | 18              |

\* Barre timing assumes higher rating on line 3325 (Berlin-Mountain view Tap-Montpelier 34.5 kV). Otherwise, the timing is 2009. Sub-transmission deficiency on last slide.

# Upgrades in Northwestern VT – part 3

| <u>Location</u>      | <u>Upgrade - NEW</u>  | <u>Reasons for upgrade</u>   |   |                |                 |
|----------------------|---|--|---|----------------|-----------------|
| Plattsburgh to Essex | Construct 230 kV line from Plattsburgh to Essex in parallel with 115 kV lines | Severe voltage concerns and multiple overloads beyond 10-yr horizon<br>Severe voltage concerns and multiple overloads with Highgate removed within 10-yr horizon |   |                |                 |
| <u>Category</u>      | <u>Year of Need</u>   | <u>Estimated cost</u>  | <u>Affected DUs</u>                     | <u>Lead DU</u> | <u>Priority</u> |
| Bulk                 | *Note   | \$200M to \$300M   | All DUs except Readsboro & Jacksonville | GMP            | *Note           |

\* Note: The timing depends on multiple factors, including the remaining life of existing facilities, recent operating events, ISO-NE interests, as well as regional coordinated planning between New England and New York. For example, if Highgate remains available for dispatch even if the contracts are not renewed, the year of need would be approximately 2021. If Highgate is unavailable, the timing is 2016. However, if the condition of the underwater cables is such that they need to be replaced, the upgrade may be needed sooner.

# Sub-transmission Results

- Thermal and voltage Results provided in three main sections
  - Sub-transmission contingency performance
  - Transformer contingency performance
  - Transmission contingency performance
- Deficiencies in **BOLD** remained unresolved after proposed transmission system upgrades

# Sub-transmission Contingency Performance - Thermal

| Location   | Deficiencies                                   | Year of Need | Affected DUs | Lead DU |
|------------|--|--------------|--------------|---------|
| St Albans  | Fairfax Falls to Milton                        | 2009         | CVPS         | CVPS    |
| St Albans  | Nason St to Nason V                            | 2009         | CVPS         | CVPS    |
| St Albans  | North St Albans to Nat Carbide                 | 2009         | CVPS         | CVPS    |
| Rutland    | North Rutland to East Rutland to South Rutland | 2009         | CVPS         | CVPS    |
| Montpelier | Berlin to Mountain View Tap to Montpelier      | 2009         | GMP, WEC     | GMP     |

All items were not resolved by transformer upgrades  
Affected DUs make final determination of deficiencies and solutions

# Sub-transmission Contingency Performance – Voltage

| Location                       | Deficiencies                                  | Year of Need | Affected DUs              | Lead DU     |
|--------------------------------|---|--------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| St Albans                      | Low voltage                                   | 2009         | CVPS, VEC                 | CVPS        |
| <b>Chelsea/<br/>Hartford</b>   | <b>Low voltage</b>                            | <b>2013</b>  | <b>CVPS, GMP,<br/>WEC</b> | <b>CVPS</b> |
| <b>Ascutney</b>                | <b>Low voltage &amp;<br/>voltage collapse</b> | <b>2009</b>  | <b>CVPS</b>               | <b>CVPS</b> |
| <b>Rutland/<br/>Cold River</b> | <b>Low voltage</b>                            | <b>2009</b>  | <b>CVPS</b>               | <b>CVPS</b> |
| Blissville                     | Low voltage                                   | 2018         | CVPS                      | CVPS        |

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 Affected DUs make final determination of deficiencies and solutions

# Transformer Contingency Performance Thermal

| Location               | Deficiencies                              | Year of Need | Affected DUs    | Lead DU     |
|------------------------|---|--------------|-----------------|-------------|
| St Albans              | Nason St to Nason V                       | 2009         | CVPS, VEC       | CVPS        |
| Hartford               | Taftsville-Norwich Tap                    | 2009         | CVPS, GMP, WEC  | CVPS        |
| Ascutney               | Windsor-Hibridge                          | 2010         | CVPS            | CVPS        |
| <b>Ascutney</b>        | <b>Ascutney-Lafayette</b>                 | <b>2010</b>  | <b>CVPS</b>     | <b>CVPS</b> |
| <b>Ascutney</b>        | <b>North Springfield-Riverside</b>        | <b>2009</b>  | <b>CVPS</b>     | <b>CVPS</b> |
| Ascutney               | Riverside-South Street                    | 2013         | CVPS            | CVPS        |
| <b>Rutland</b>         | <b>North Rutland-South Rutland</b>        | <b>2009</b>  | <b>CVPS</b>     | <b>CVPS</b> |
| Rutland/<br>Blissville | North Rutland-West Rutland-<br>Blissville | 2009         | CVPS            | CVPS        |
| <b>Montpelier</b>      | <b>Berlin-Mnt View-Montpelier</b>         | <b>2009</b>  | <b>GMP, WEC</b> | <b>GMP</b>  |
| Montpelier             | Berlin-Montpelier                         | 2018         | GMP, WEC        | GMP         |

Items in **BOLD** were not resolved by transformer upgrades

Affected DUs make final determination of deficiencies and solutions

# Transformer Contingency Performance Voltage

| Location               | Deficiencies       | Year of Need | Affected DUs | Lead DU     |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| Middlebury             | Voltage collapse   | 2009         | CVPS         | CVPS        |
| Hartford               | Low voltage        | 2009         | CVPS, GMP    | CVPS        |
| Chelsea                | Low voltage        | 2013         | CVPS, WEC    | CVPS        |
| <b>Ascutney</b>        | <b>Low voltage</b> | <b>2009</b>  | <b>CVPS</b>  | <b>CVPS</b> |
| Rutland/<br>Cold River | Low voltage        | 2018         | CVPS         | CVPS        |
| Blissville             | Low voltage        | 2018         | CVPS         | CVPS        |
| Barre                  | Low voltage        | 2018         | GMP, WEC     | GMP         |

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Affected DUs make final determination of deficiencies and solutions

# Transmission Contingency Performance Thermal

| Location                        | Deficiencies                                    | Year of Need | Affected DUs        | Lead DU     |
|---------------------------------|---|--------------|---------------------|-------------|
| <b>Ascutney/<br/>Cold River</b> | <b>Wallingford-Cavendish</b>                    | <b>2009</b>  | <b>CVPS, Ludlow</b> | <b>CVPS</b> |
| St Albans                       | Nason St-Nason V                                | 2011         | CVPS, VEC           | CVPS        |
| Blissville                      | Blissville-Hydeville                            | 2018         | CVPS                | CVPS        |
| <b>Montpelier</b>               | <b>Berlin-Mountain View Tap-<br/>Montpelier</b> | <b>2016</b>  | <b>GMP, WEC</b>     | <b>GMP</b>  |
| Barre                           | Barre-North End-South End                       | 2018         | GMP, WEC            | GMP         |

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# Transmission Contingency Performance Voltage

| Location        | Deficiencies                   | Year of Need | Affected DUs        | Lead DU     |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------|
| St Albans       | Low voltage & Voltage Collapse | 2009         | CVPS, VEC           | CVPS        |
| St Johnsbury    | Low voltage                    | 2016         | CVPS, Lyndonville   | CVPS        |
| <b>Ascutney</b> | <b>Low voltage</b>             | <b>2009</b>  | <b>CVPS, Ludlow</b> | <b>CVPS</b> |
| <b>Chelsea</b>  | <b>Low voltage</b>             | <b>2009</b>  | <b>CVPS, WEC</b>    | <b>CVPS</b> |
| Hartford        | Low voltage                    | 2009         | CVPS, GMP           | CVPS        |
| Blissville      | Low voltage                    | 2009         | CVPS                | CVPS        |
| Rutland         | Low voltage                    | 2016         | CVPS                | CVPS        |
| Barre           | Low voltage                    | 2018         | GMP, WEC            | GMP         |

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Questions?