

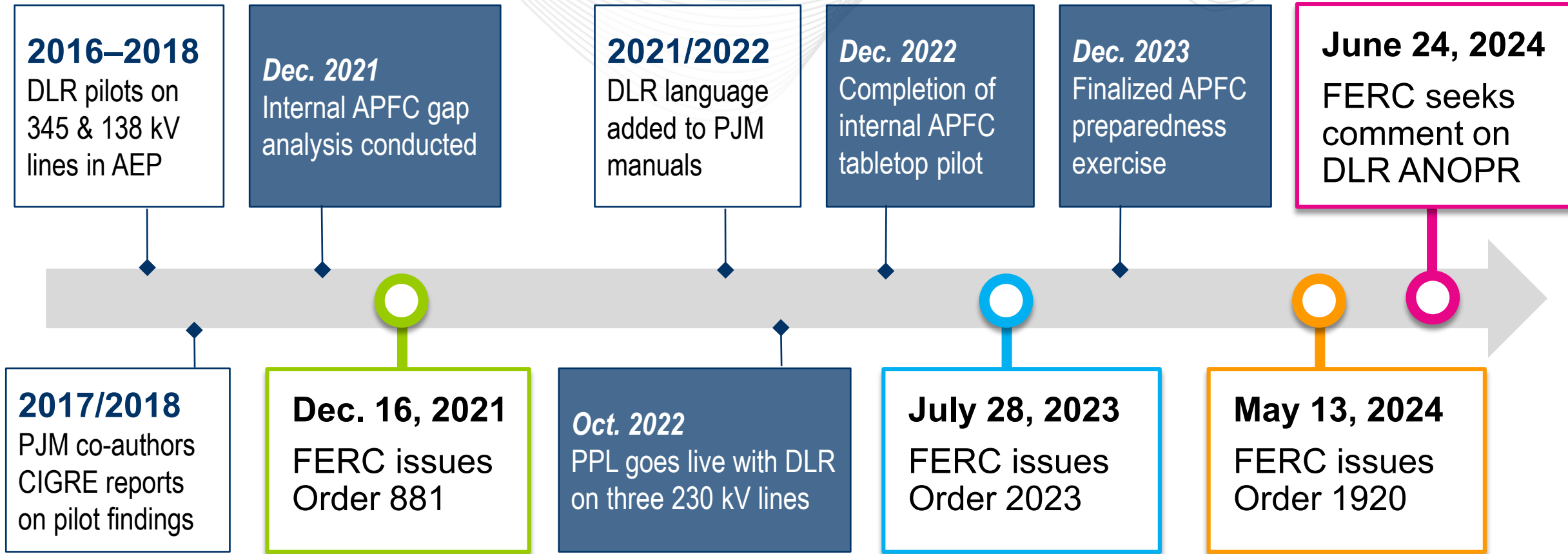


# Innovation & Grid-Enhancing Technologies at PJM

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*All led to PJM's 2024 commitment to publicly publish a series of GETs Technical Application Guides.*

## Policy Developments

- **FERC Order 881** – Provides regulatory support
- Standards for implementation created by NERC

## Pilots

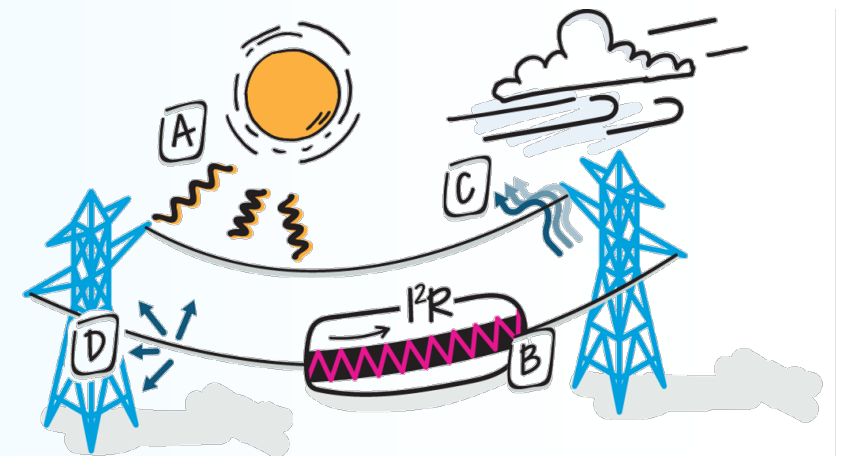
- **12+ pilots conducted** across PJM footprint
- Infrastructure/implementation issues in PJM addressed

## Outcomes

- DLR devices in production in PJM footprint
- **Enhanced Grid Operations** – PJM system is ready

### Dynamic Line Rating Devices:

- Use advanced sensors and software to monitor real-time environmental conditions of a transmission line.
- Monitor real-time environmental conditions, like temperature and wind speed, to calculate actual line rating.



## PPL Implementation

- **230 kV** lines on Harwood-Susquehanna (1 & 2) and Cumberland-Juniata
- In-service since October 2022 with no operational concerns  
*Cumberland-Juniata decommissioned December 2023*
- Cumberland-Juniata congestion decreased from \$66 M in the 2021–2022 winter to \$1.6 M in the 2022–2023 winter.\*

*This does not consider potential congestion pushed to other areas or upgrades that also impacted congestion.*

## AEP Pilot

- **345 kV** Cook-Olive line
- Three sensors
- Data monitored November 2016 to August 2017
- Simulated line congestion decreased by \$11 M with overall congestion savings of \$4.2 M.\*\*

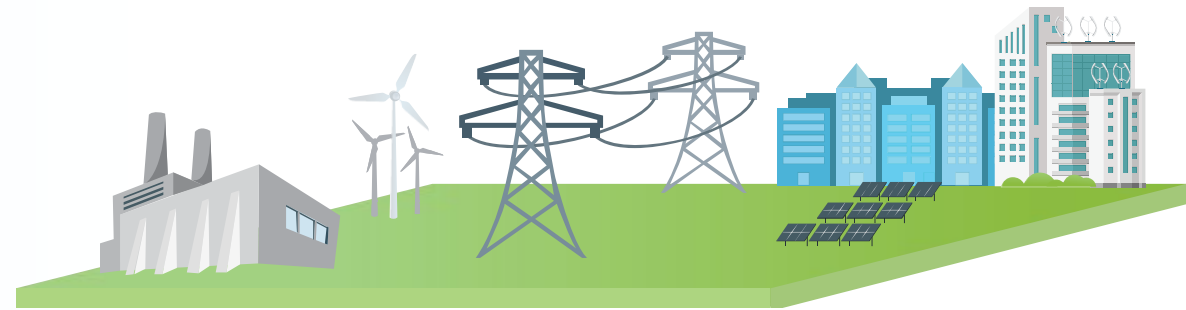
[\\*PPL Supplemental Comments](#)

[\\*\\*2021 Operating Committee presentation](#)

## Topology Control at PJM:

- Operational tool used to evaluate the entirety of the PJM footprint and interaction with our neighbors
- The topology control software in place today identifies benefits from known transmission switching and makes recommendations to alleviate constraints.
- Increases operational flexibility and lowers generation costs

**Topology control is used to redirect power flows.**



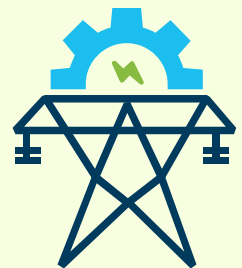
### **PJM software runs every 15 minutes**

Advances on the practice of manually identifying topology changes



### **Provides ongoing assessment of network configurations and recommended actions**

Suggested actions are appropriate and identified where system reliability can be maintained.



**Topology optimization identifies** topology reconfigurations based on system conditions to minimize off-cost operations.

## Benefits:

- Reconfiguration can help reduce congestion.
- Manage potential overloads on the system in real time and near real time

## Other Considerations:

- Potential for degradation of equipment
- Reliability risk from frequent switching



## PJM utilizes transmission switching for reliability in two primary ways:

### MANUAL IDENTIFICATION

- Maintain a predefined list to address specific system conditions such as outage or common constraints
- Coordinated with the TO

### OPTIMIZATION

- A real-time tool (Real-time Topology Control) runs every 15 minutes to programmatically evaluate trending thermal issues and recommends optimal switching.
- Manually studied by PJM and vetted with the TO prior to implementing



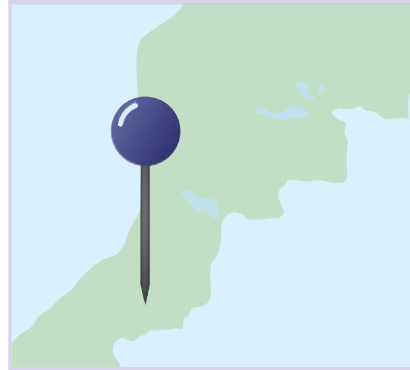


0.5 MW / 1.5 MWh  
total system capacity

10 kW / 39.2 kWh  
per installation



Elk Neck  
Peninsula,  
Cecil County,  
Maryland



**1<sup>st</sup>** virtual  
power  
plant  
in PJM's  
wholesale market

(residential battery aggregation)

Powers  
homes for  
**~30<sup>h</sup>**  
during outages

**10-year**  
pilot program

**100+**  
residential battery  
storage systems



In March 2021,  
FERC issued  
Order 2222



Wholesale market  
operators required to  
develop a market  
participation model  
for DER aggregation



PJM and Delmarva  
Power partnered  
to explore the new  
Elk Neck Battery  
Storage VPP.



## Policy Developments

- **FERC issued a policy statement providing guidance.**
- Three potential issues:
  1. Double recovery of costs
  2. Adverse impacts on wholesale markets
  3. Level of operational control of the storage resource by an RTO

## Phase 1 at PJM

- PJM Planning Committee conducted process to consider SATA.
- Developed transmission planning criteria and a proposed solution

## Next Steps

- **New stakeholder effort –**  
October – 2nd Read at MRC
- Problem Statement/Issue Charge for SATA

