

Applying IEEE Std 1547-2018: What Public Utilities Commissions Need To Decide and Do

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Summary: IEEE 1547-2018 — What Does It Mean for Me?

- **Opportunities** to integrate DER reliably, securely, and efficiently into the grid
- **Actions required** to
 - Assign performance categories per DER technology and use case
 - Specify “preferred” utility-required profiles for DER functional settings
 - Specify certification for DER equipment and possibly verification for DER facilities

Energy Regulators
(e.g., PUCs)

- **Opportunities** to utilize advanced DER capabilities
 - Increase distribution hosting capacity
 - Improve bulk system reliability
- **Actions required** to specify
 - Functional settings ≠ “preferred”
 - Performance categories
 - Communication interface
- **Coordinate across T&D**

Utilities
(both T + D)

- **Opportunities** to interconnect larger amounts of DER
- **Clarity** regarding
 - Interconnection capabilities
 - Reference point of applicability
 - Functional settings
- **Potential need** for more sophisticated DER facility evaluations to verify compliance

DER Developers
(& Vendors)

- **Opportunities** for new business
 - Testing and certification of advanced DER units
 - Evaluation and verification of DER facilities
 - Support utilities in distribution planning with advanced DER functions
 - Support reliability coordinators in transmission planning with DER
 - Support DER developers in verification / compliance through DER evaluations

Others
(NRTLs, certifiers, consultants)

What you need to decide and do

1. When does this voluntary IEEE standard apply to you?
 - *How are your interconnection requirements specified and do they need to be revised?*
 - *Do you want to take advantage of advanced capabilities of new DERs going forward?*
 - *How many DERs may be installed prior to you adopting the new standard?*
 - *Do you want to go beyond leading interconnection requirements like CA Rule 21 and Hawai'ian Rule 14H?*

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 - *Distribution Utilities (Area Electric Power System Operators)*
 - *Regulators (Authorities Governing Interconnection Requirements, AGIRs)*
 - *DER owners/developers*
 - *RTOs/ISOs (Regional Reliability Coordinator)*
 - *May need input from DER vendors/equipment manufacturers*

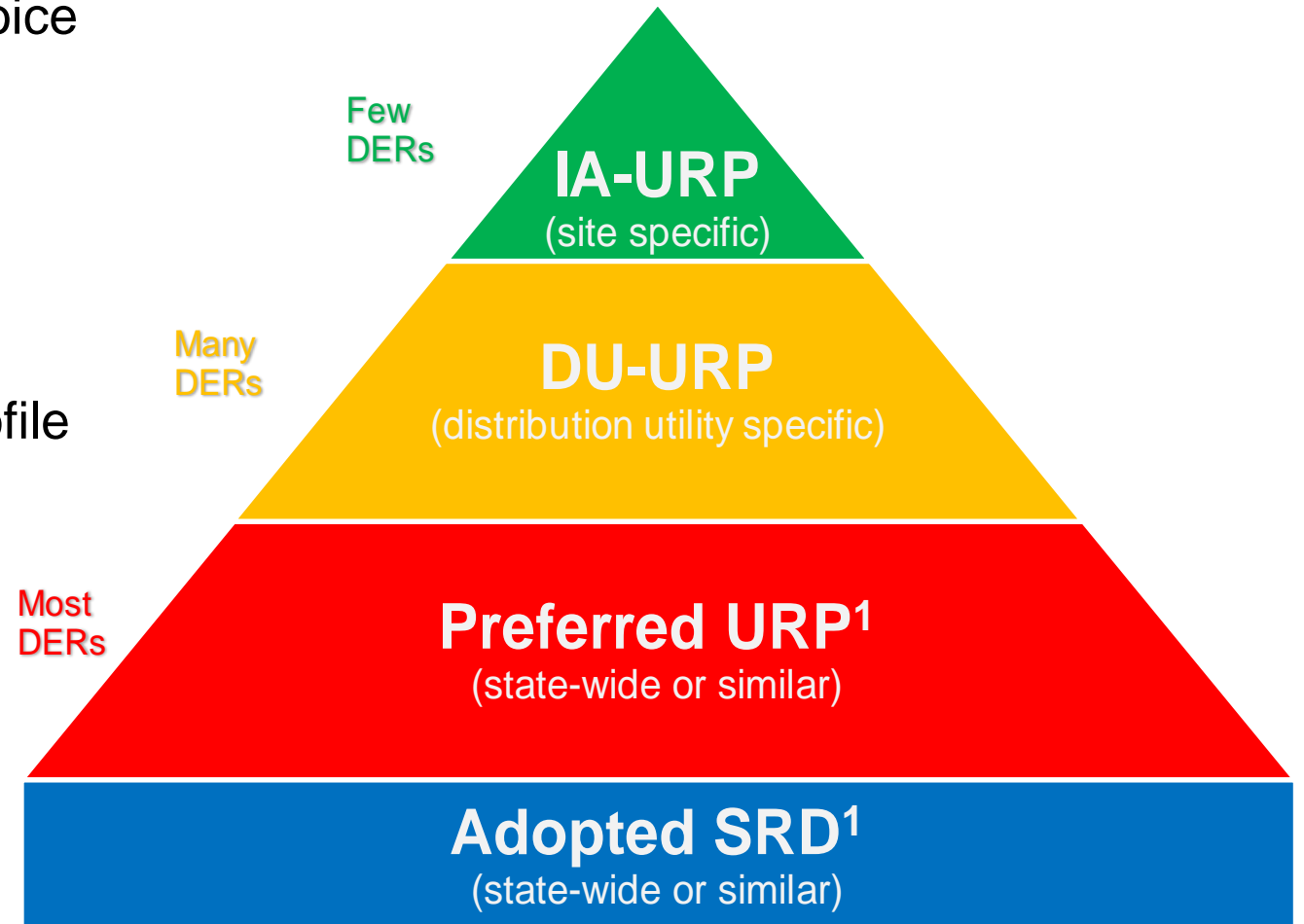
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 - *Voltage regulation – Utilities' and/or DER owners' interest*
 - *Ride-through - Reliability coordinators' interest*
 - *Communications – Utilities' and Market Operators' interest*

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■ *Utility-Required Profiles (URPs)*



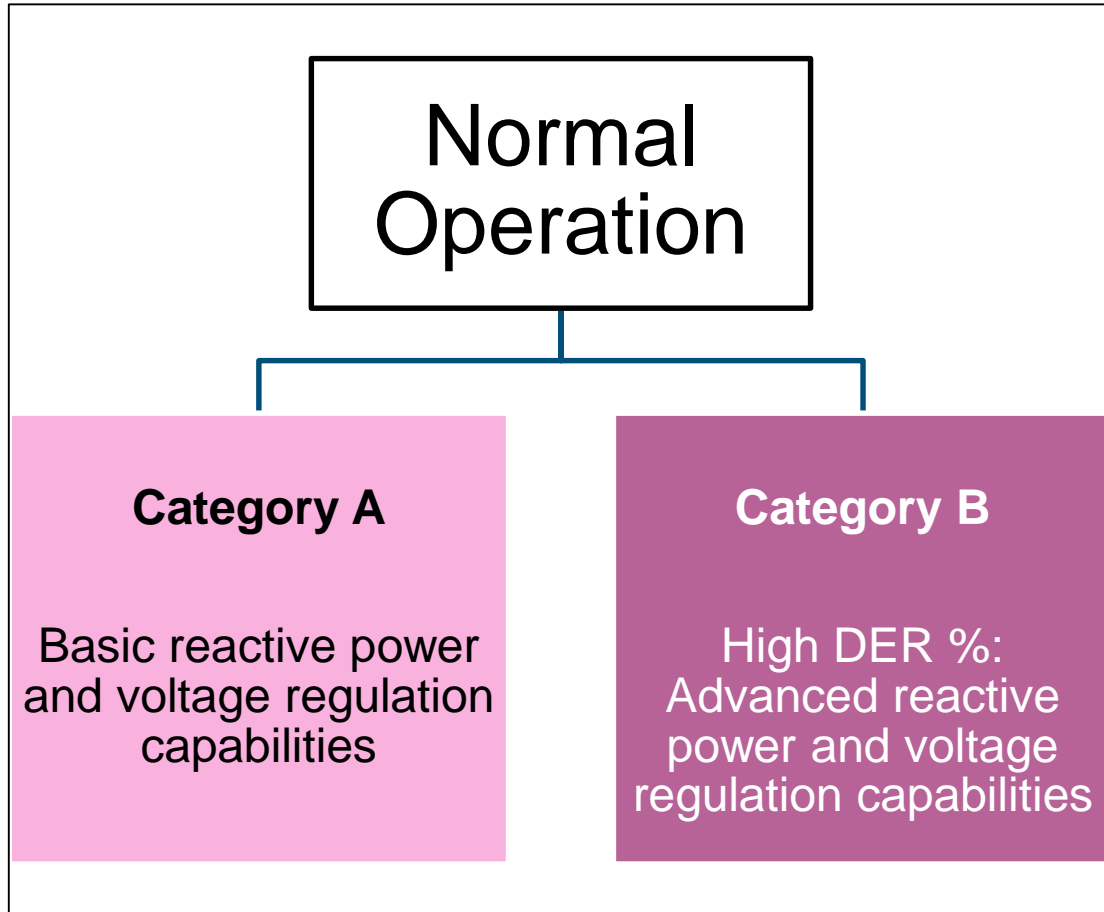
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 5. Determine DER communication protocol(s).
- *SunSpec Modbus*
 - *IEEE Std. 1815 (DNP3)*
 - *IEEE Std. 2030.5*

You need to decide how *stringent* requirements should be for different resources

Normal and Abnormal Performance Categories

Performance categories for **Normal Operation** **Reactive power and voltage regulation**



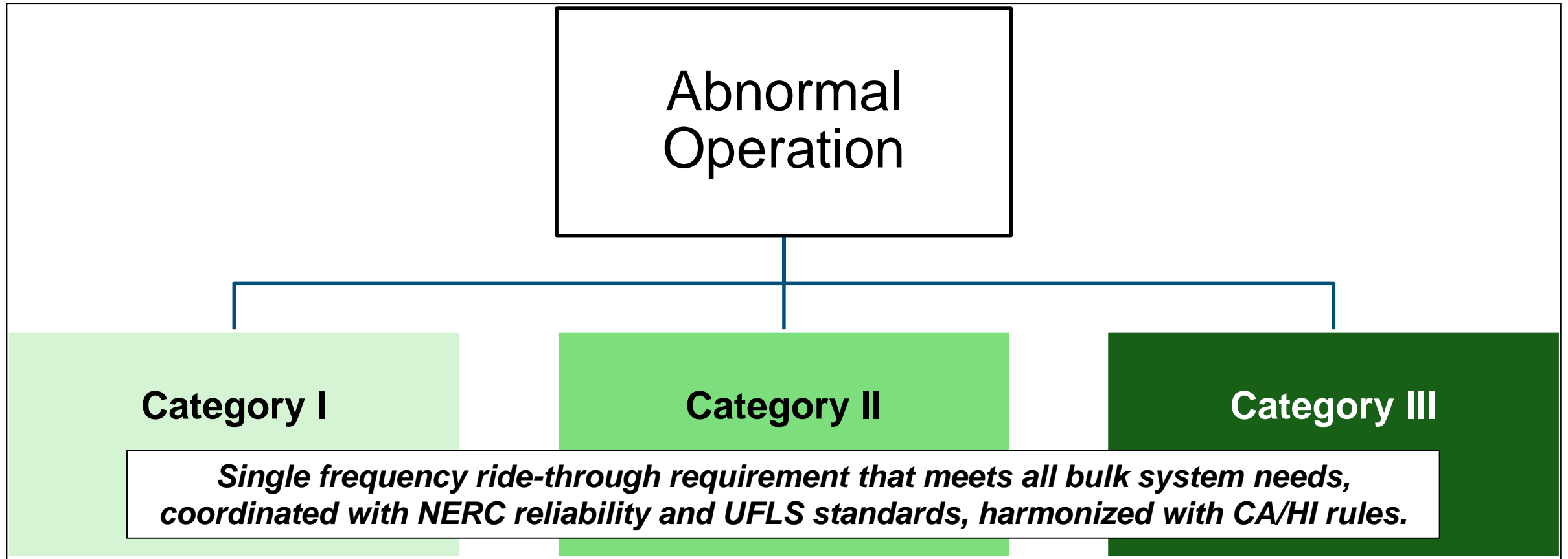
Regulators (AGIRs) need to work with:

- Distribution utilities, because voltage affects the *local* distribution grid
- DER owners/developers, because this can affect costs (e.g., inverter sizing) and benefits (active power output)

Decisions to be made:

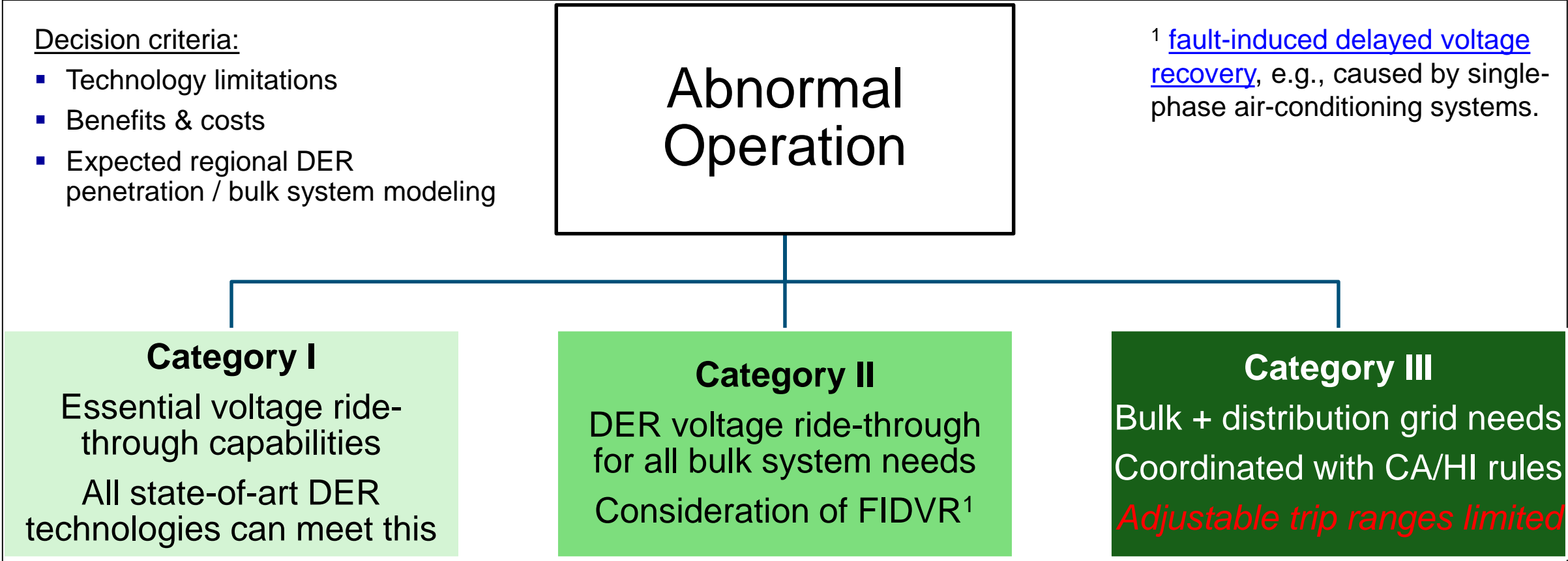
- May assign technology-specific normal DER performance categories (e.g., Cat. B for inverters)
- May activate certain functions and specify 'preferred' functional settings for a region (e.g., how aggressively the DER tries to manage voltage)

Performance categories for **Abnormal Operation** *Frequency ride-through*



Challenge: Coordination with unintentional islanding prevention

Performance categories for **Abnormal Operation** *Voltage ride-through*



Challenge: Coordination with utility reclosing practices

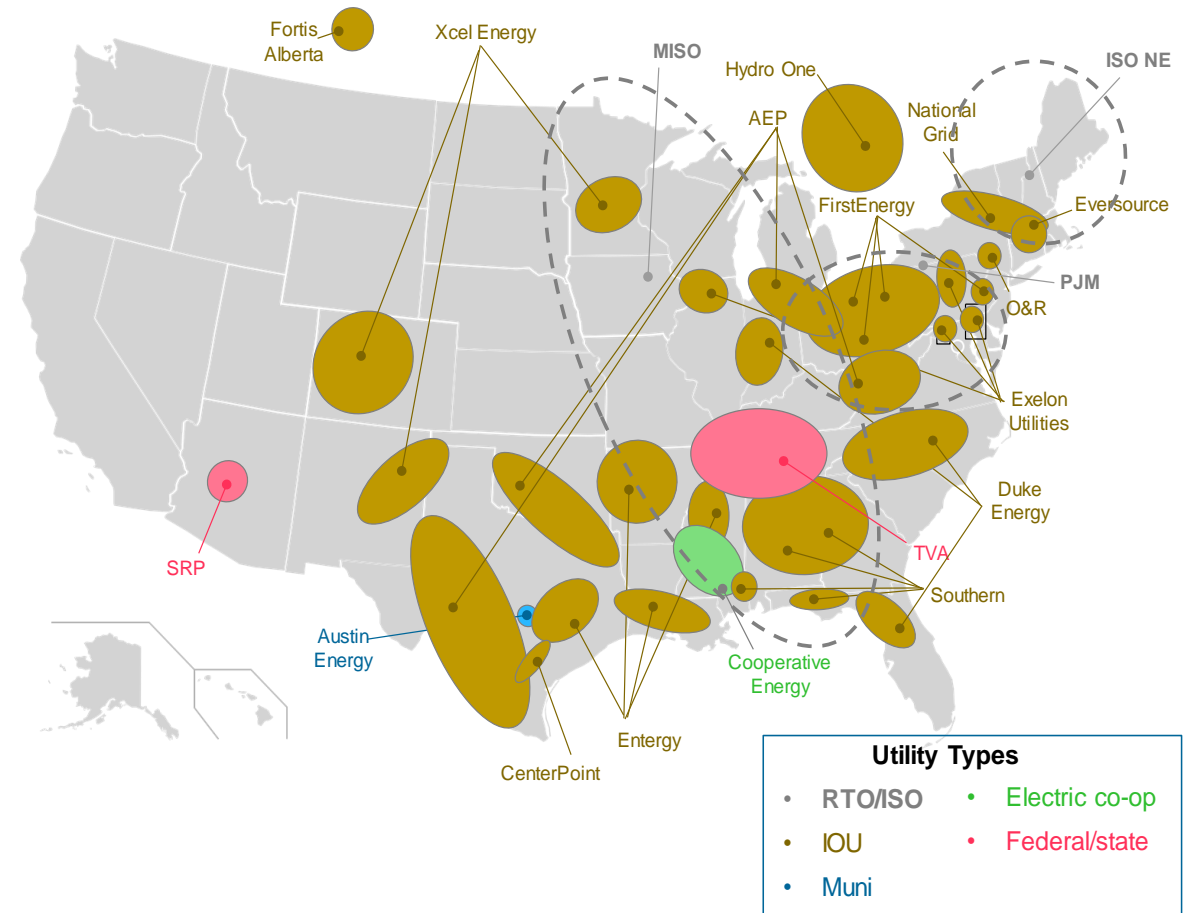
You may need to coordinate functional settings between distribution and transmission utilities

Functional settings, ranges of allowable settings, and default values

Moving forward...

- Need for education and knowledge transfer prior to opening formal proceedings:
 - Distribution and transmission owners/planners
 - State regulators, policymakers
- May use a stopgap solution for equipment certification while IEEE P1547.1 (test & verification procedures) still being revised
 - Adopt parts of IEEE 1547-2018 with UL 1741 SA-certified “grid support utility interactive” inverters
- Collaborative learning opportunities in
 - [EPRI project “Navigating DER Interconnection Standards & Practices”](#) (near-term, EPRI members only)
 - [IEEE P1547.2 \(Application Guide for IEEE 1547\)](#) (mid-term, public stakeholders)

Utilities interested in the application of IEEE Std 1547-2018 in the short- or near-term





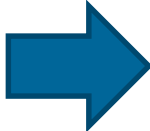
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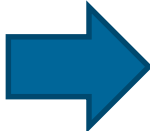
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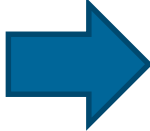
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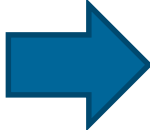
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Road Map to Unlock Benefits of “Advanced DERs”

1. Decide on DER capabilities (i.e., adopt IEEE Std 1547-2018)
 - Specify DER performance & functional capabilities / categories.
 - Specify DER communication protocol(s).
 - Specify ‘preferred settings’ for autonomous functions.

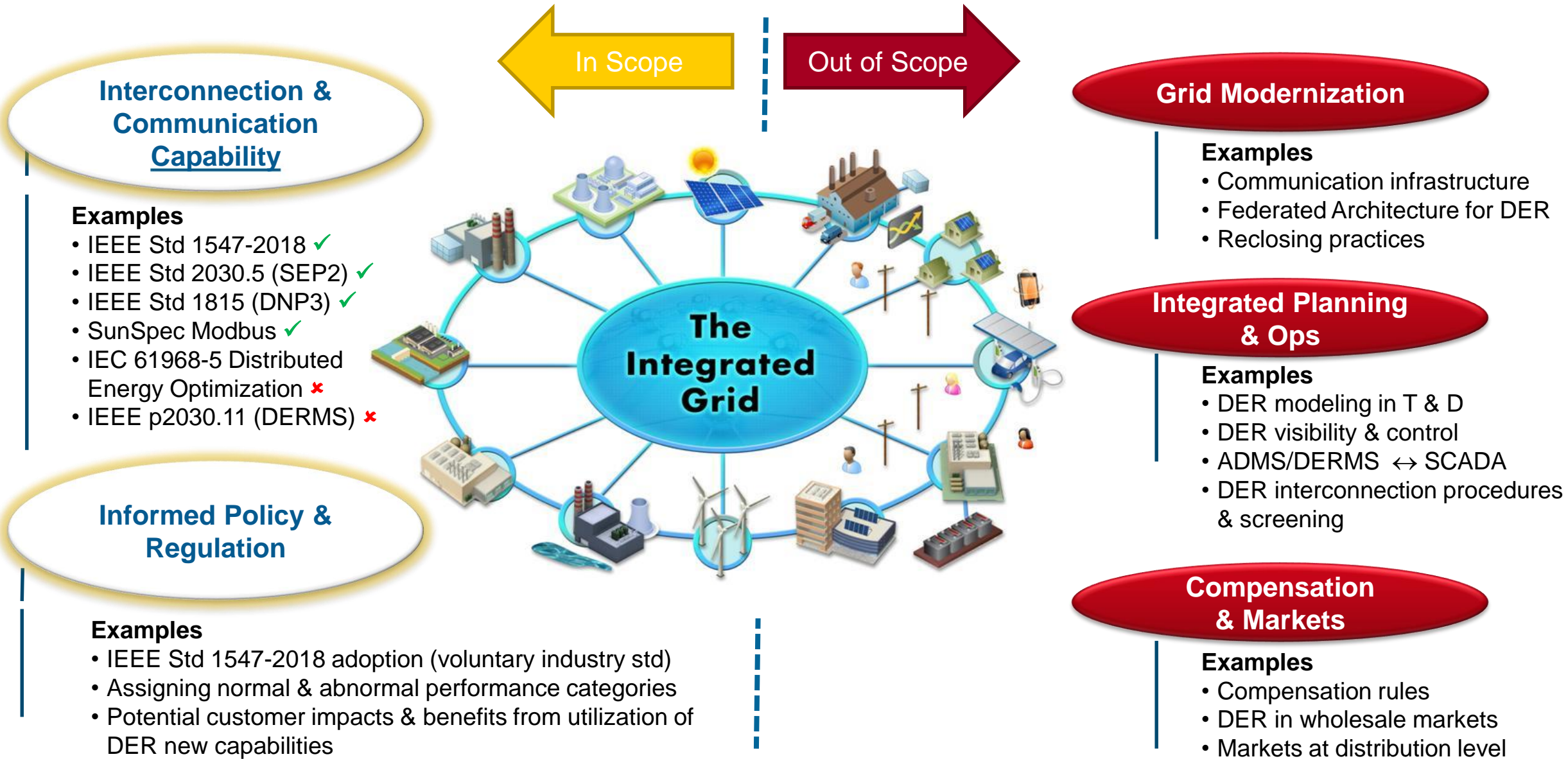
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2. Update interconnection procedures & screenings
 - Criteria for “fast track”, new supplemental screens.
 - Utilization of autonomous functions: activate certain functions and determine ‘custom settings’.

maximize DER hosting capacity **D**
3. Deploy communication infrastructure
 - Determine when it is time to integrate DER via communications.
 - Select communication networks and architecture.

make the system flexible **T + D**
4. Integrate DERs into grid operations and markets
 - Clarify compensation and market rules.
 - Utilization of communication-based functions.

Coordination of T & D fcts/ objectives) **T + D**

Scope of 1547 Session



Example of assigning performance categories for Abnormal Operation

DER Type		DER Application Purpose						
		Retail Self Generation	Combined Heat and Power	Waste Fuel Recovery	Renewable Energy	Merchant Generation ^a	Critical Backup ^b	Peak Shaving
		A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	Engine or turbine driven synchronous generator	Category I	Category I	Category I	Category I	Category I	Category I	Category I
2	Wind turbines (all types)	Category II	N/A	N/A	Category II	Category II	N/A	N/A
3	Inverters sourced by solar PV	Category II ^c	N/A	N/A	Category II ^c	Category II ^c	N/A	N/A
4	Inverters sourced by fuel cells	Category I	Category I	Category I	Category I	Category II	Category I	N/A
5	Synchronous hydrogenerators	Category I	N/A	N/A	Category I	Category I	Category I	N/A
6	Other inverter applications	Category II	Category II	Category II	Category II	Category II	Category II	N/A
7	Inverters sourced by energy storage	Category II	N/A	N/A	N/A	Category II	Category II	Category II
8	Other synchronous generators	Category I	Category I	Category I	Category I	Category I	Category I	N/A
9	Other Induction generators	Category II	Category II	Category II	Category II	Category II	Category II	Category II

NOTE a—Merchant generation in this table is intended to characterize DER facilities installed for the express purpose of exporting power, and is not intended to imply only FERC-jurisdictional generation or other regulatory definitions.

NOTE b—Only applies to critical backup generation interconnected to the Area EPS for the purposes of periodic testing. If backup generation is also used for merchant generation or other purposes, the performance requirements of those purposes apply.

NOTE c—Category III should be required where DER penetration on a distribution feeder exceeds [% VALUE TO BE SPECIFIED BY AGIR], or on the distribution system supplied from a given distribution substation bus exceeds [% VALUE TO BE SPECIFIED BY AGIR].

Comparison of Existing Standards, State/PUC Rules, and Listing/Certification Standards for Distributed Energy Resources

Function set	Advanced Functions Capability	Interconnection Standards			State/ PUC Rules		Listing/ Certification		
		IEEE 1547-2003	IEEE 1547a-2014	IEEE 1547 - 2018*	CA Rule 21 - 2015	HI Rule 14H - 2015	UL 1741	UL 1741(SA) 2016	IEEE 1547.1-201?*
Static	Adjustable Trip Settings		√	‡					Δ
Controlling	Active Power Curtailment			‡					Δ
	Disable Permit Service (Remote Shut-Off)			‡					Δ
	Ramp Rate Control			‡					Δ
Freq. Support	L/H Frequency Ride-Through			‡	‡				Δ
	ROCOF Ride-Through			‡					Δ
	Frequency-Watt	X	√	‡		‡		Δ	Δ
Voltage Support	L/H Voltage Ride-Through (L/H VRT)			‡	‡	‡		Δ	Δ
	Dynamic Voltage Support during L/H VRT			√					
	Voltage Phase Angle Jump Ride-Through			‡					Δ
	Fixed Power Factor	√	√	‡	‡	‡	√	Δ	Δ
	Fixed Reactive Power	√	√	‡			√		Δ
	Volt-Var	X	√	‡	‡	‡		Δ	Δ
	Volt-Watt	X	√	‡	‡	‡		Δ	Δ
Watt-Var	X		‡					Δ	

IEEE Std 1547 2018 is most comprehensive and makes all capabilities mandatory

Testing / Verification is as important as the requirements

* Final requirements not confirmed.

Legend: X Prohibited, √ Allowed by Mutual Agreement, ‡ Capability Required, Δ Test and Verification Defined

Leading practices

Leading examples in application of IEEE Std 1547-2018 and moving forward...

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Minnesota PUC

- Very sophisticated, well-structured, and transparent stakeholder process.
- Revised DER interconnection screenings (Phase 1) last year.
- Now working on revision of interconnection requirements (Phase 2) this year.

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