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What is 'social' about the energy transition?

Hedda Ransan-Cooper

Battery Storage and Grid Integration Program
The Australian National University



1904 depiction of an acquisitive and influential energy company (Standard Oil) as an all powerful octopus





For an effective transition we need to:

- Understand contestation and conflict
- Anticipate issues/barriers
- Meet public expectations and deliver public benefit





Sociotechnical imaginaries



Meme generated by Kat Lucas-Healey

"Collectively held, institutionally stabilized, and publicly performed visions of desirable futures, animated by shared understandings of forms of social life and social order attainable through, and supportive of, advances in science and technology" (Sheila Jasanoff 2015)





Three Sociotechnical imaginaries for DER integration







Swarm

Individual Autarky Local autarky



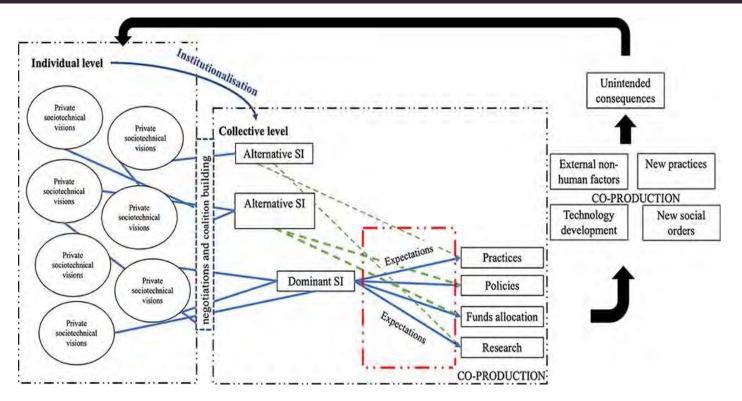


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Key questions

- What assumptions about the public underlies each imaginary?
- What are the potential distributional impacts? [who is being left out?]
- What different roles would people, businesses government etc need to take on to make this energy future transpire? What capacities are missing?



EV Grid Integration

EXAMINING GRID INTEGRATION IN A HIGH EV WORLD

Session One Stream One



L2 Charging Data Key Insights – Knowledge Sharing

ARENA

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Agenda

- Project Background
- Trial Context
 - o Project Summaries
 - o Data Available
 - o Participant Characterisation
- Key Insights
 - Unmanaged Charging
 - Smart Charging by Trial





Executive Summary – Key Learnings to Date

- Unmanaged Charging Patterns Trial participants tend to avoid charging patterns which negatively impact the grid
 - The average driver charged 4-5 kWh per day
 - Battery Electric Vehicle (BEV) customers typically charge overnight, did not exhibit behaviour of charging immediately when they arrive home, during typical system peak hours of (3-9pm)
 - Customers with rooftop solar panels coordinate charging during solar hours
 - Regional customers have larger charging load requirements than urban dwellers
 - Note large parts of the unmanaged control period were during COVID lockdowns
- Smart Charging Impacts EV charging load is highly flexible and responsive to incentives, both to shed demand during system peaks and shift demand to off-peak periods, overnight and during solar hours
 - Consistent price signals to customers result in significant voluntary charging behaviour changes on a daily basis, even with only a modest bill discount
 - o Opt-out behaviour remain low amongst all trials during controlled charging events
 - Controlled limiting of charging during smart charging events result in higher off peak demand immediately after for evening peak event, less evident for morning peak event
 - o Fixed incentives that require participation to provide demand response may have adverse consequences in mass-market







Background

Projects

Knowledge Sharing

Key Questions



ARENA's EV Projects Included in this Insight

Year Commenced	Project Name	ARENA Funding	State	Lead Organisation	Summary
2020	Electric Vehicle Orchestration Trial	\$2.9m	NSW, QLD, VIC, SA	agl	Demonstrate a range of smart and managed charging solutions including controlled, smart and vehicle-to-grid charging
2021	Dynamic Electric Vehicle Charging Trial	\$1.6m	ACT, VIC, TAS	EVGRID	Demonstrate the use of hardware based smart charging directed by signals from networks as opposed to electricity retailers
2020	Electric Vehicles Smart Charging Trial	\$0.8m	ACT, NSW, QLD, SA, VIC	origin	Demonstrate the benefits of and barriers to controlled smart charging for residential, commercial and industrial customers

Source: ARENA

- ARENA has funded a wide range of EV projects to support the uptake of renewable energy
- Data from the above projects have fed into this analysis
- All projects have targeted insights into behind-the-meter L2 charging and the potential for various forms of load control





The Role of the Knowledge Sharing Partner

- The ARENA Act specifies Knowledge Sharing as a function of ARENA and requires ARENA to:
 - Store and share information and knowledge about renewable energy technologies;
 - o Collect, analyse, interpret and disseminate information and knowledge relating to renewable energy technologies and projects; and
 - o Promote the sharing of information and knowledge about renewable energy technologies.
- Energeia, as ARENA's knowledge sharing partner for its EV portfolio, provides services including:
 - Reviewing current data arrangements from existing portfolios to maximise their value.
 - o Ensuring that the data requirements in future EV funding agreements can provide valuable insights for the EV portfolio.
 - Coordinating data collection and storage for the whole EV portfolio.
 - Analysing data collected through individual projects to provide aggregated insights on charging performance, customer behaviour and value.
 - o Producing aggregated insights and key themes emerging from the data in a form that is digestible and relevant to the industry





Key Stakeholder Questions about L2 Charging

Unmanaged Charging

- How charging varies by:
 - Day type
 - Season
 - Customer Class
 - Vehicle Type
 - Location
 - Charger Power

Notes: ¹Charging managed by a third party driven by real-time data

Response to Smart¹ Charging

- How response varies by:
 - Incentives
 - Frequency
 - Customer Class
 - Vehicle Type
 - Location
 - Charger Power
- Level of opt-out
- Level of technical issues



Trial Context

Project Summaries

Data Available

Participant Characterisation





Project Summaries



Summary of Charging Trials

Trial Component	Method	agl	EVGRID	origin	
Treatments Assessed	Grid Peak Management	Fixed (varies by state) and dynamic	Dynamic ¹	Fixed (3-9pm)	
Treatments / tosessed	Grid Off-Peak Management	×	Dynamic ²	Fixed (10am - 3 pm, 9pm - 5am)	
Method of	Incentive	Incentive Fixed (\$/day)		Time of Use	
Management	Charging Control	✓	✓	✓	
	Dynamic Notification Period	Day(s) Ahead	Day(s) Ahead	×	
Key Control Terms	Dynamic Events per Year	Unlimited	10	×	
	Control Opt-out	Unlimited via app	Manual, Once per Customer	Unlimited via app	
	Charger and Installation	Free charger and standard installation	Free charger and standard installation	\$1 charger and standard installation	
Reward / Incentive for Participation	Bill Discount	Up to \$200 each year + Carbon Neutral Energy Plan	×	10c/kWh for off-peak charging 25c/day for smart charging	
·	Monetary Bonus	×	\$300 cash bonus on trial completion	×	

Notes: 1 One ad-hoc events to date, 2 Two ad-hoc events to date, 3 Existing trial utilised fixed incentive, EV Grid to trial variable charging rates for customers

- Dynamic charging refers to the hours of an event being flexible, with customer notified beforehand
- All three providers offered participants a free charger with installation
- All trials allowed customers to override any charger control



Data Received



Data Received – Key Customer Characteristics

Provi	ider	Meter Data	Charge Detail Records	State	Available Participant Characteristics tate Postcode EV Make EV Model Annual km DNSP Charger Charger Rooftop Battery Existing									
	(CDRs)	State	rostcode Ly iviake	LVIVIANC	LV IVIOUEI	Driven	Ditar	Power	Model	Solar?	Storage?	Charger?		
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Origin	To:	Jun-22	Jun-22	✓	~	~	~		√	KVV				
EV Grid	From:	Jul-21	Jan-18	✓	,	✓	✓	✓	,	Amns		,	,	,
EV Grid	To:	Jul-22	Jul-22		V				√ Amp	Amps		~	~	V
ACI	From:	Oct-21	Jan-22	√						LAAZ	,			
AGL	To:	Jul-22	Jul-22							kW	~			

Source: AGL, EV Grid, Origin

- All 3 trials provided data on location of participants and installed chargers
- EV Grid provided additional data including:
 - Distance travelled per year
 - o Existing DER installed by customers
- AGL provided additional data including:
 - Charger type





Data Received – Participants and Observations

Summary of Customers, Charging and Control Events

Summary	AGL	Origin	EV Grid
Participant IDs in participant data	193	151	171
Participant IDs in meter data	183	144	165
Participant IDs in Charge Detail Records	182	155	166
Participant IDs All Datasets	182	144	165
Total Charge Detail Records (CDRs)	27,086	22,186	15,297
Smart Charging Event Source: AGI Days	143	146	3

- Each provider has provided participants based on trial sign-ups to date
- A Charge Detail Record (CDR) is a record produced after each charging transaction and includes information pertinent to billing such as time, duration and energy
 - There may be multiple CDRs per day for a given location
- Trials have a high data collection rate from active participants
- This data represents the data collected to date, complete data for all trials is anticipated to be available by early 2023
- It is important to note that the EV Grid is only planning to trial 10 smart charging events per year



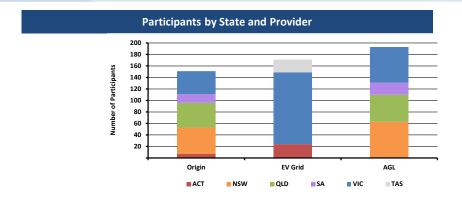




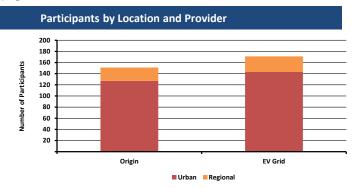
Participant Characteristics



Participants Involved by Location



Source: AGL, EV Grid, Origin

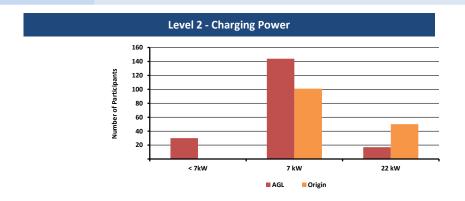


- Each provider is conducting their trials in different states:
 - o AGL QLD, NSW, SA, VIC
 - o Origin QLD, NSW, SA, VIC, ACT
 - o EV Grid VIC, ACT, TAS
- Origin has broken down their participants by residential and business customers:
 - 87 participants were residential; and
 - 64 participants were business
- Vast majority of trial participants to date were from capital cities

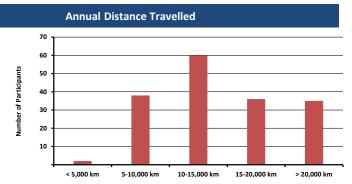




Charger Power and Customer Driving Distances



Source: AGL, Origin, Note: All EV Grid customers were given 7 kW chargers

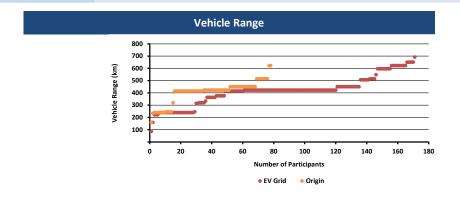


- Data available to further investigate the link between customer characteristics and behaviour
 - o Charging power
 - Annual driving distance
 - Vehicle make (i.e. battery / range)
 - Urban and Regional
- Majority of customers used a 7 kW charger, 90% of 22 kW chargers in Origin trial belong to business customers
- Distance travelled is self-reported, however majority 10-15,000 km/p.a., around AU passenger vehicle average

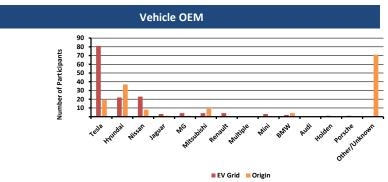




Vehicle Range and OEM



Source: Origin, EV Grid, Energeia, Note: Where vehicle model is known for origin



- Most vehicles trialled fell within the 400-500 km battery range, reflects the most popular models
 - o Tesla Model 3 and X
 - o Hyundai Kona and Ioniq
- Nissan Leaf also a popular choice, despite lower range
- Energeia investigation found no strong correlation between location of driver and vehicle range from trials







Key Insights

Unmanaged Charging

Smart Charging

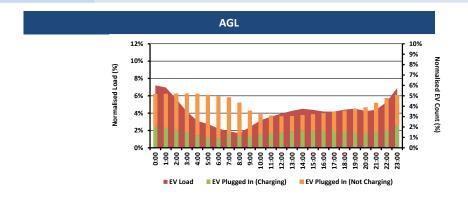




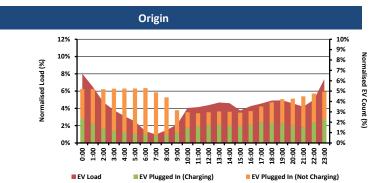
Unmanaged Charging



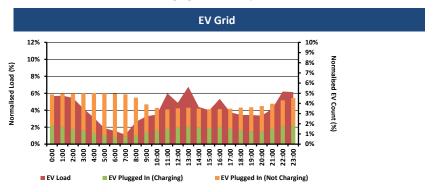
Average Unmanaged Hourly Charging Load Shape by Trial



Source: AGL, Note: 173 customers



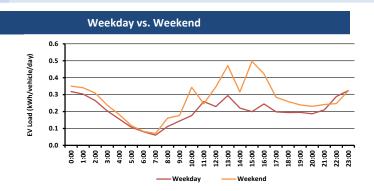
- Load normalisation on a kWh/day, count normalisation on total plug-ins/day
- Load increased when customers plug-in overnight, and is lowest in morning
- Increase in charging load in middle of the day suggests customers actively charged with solar PV
- No observable increase in load between 3-9pm, the traditional system peak time
- Note this does not include charging event load profiles



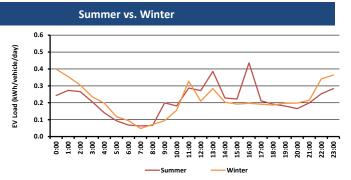
Source: Origin, Note: 67 customers (Residential Only)

Source: EV Grid, Note 164 customers

Average Hourly Charging Load – Time Variation



Source: Origin, EV Grid, AGL, Note: 67 Origin customers (period: Jun 20-Jul 21), 164 EV Grid customers (period: Jul 21-Aug 22), 144 AGL customers (period: Oct 21-Jan 22)



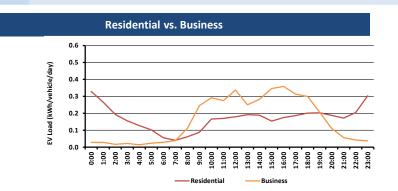
- Load averaged on a kWh/vehicle/day basis, not charging session
 - Participating customer who does not charge their vehicle on a given day contributed 0 kWh to load
- The upper chart shows weekend vs weekday profiles over the complete data set provided
- Weekend and weekday load shapes look similar, however weekend load was larger
 - Suggest sample customers drove their vehicles more on the weekends
- Summer and winter load shape and size were fairly similar



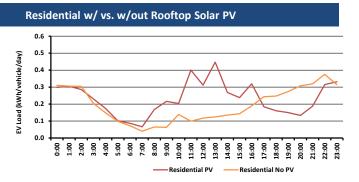


Source: Origin, EV Grid, Note: 66 Origin customers (period: Jun 20-Jul 21), 156 EV Grid customers (period: Jul 21-Aug 22)

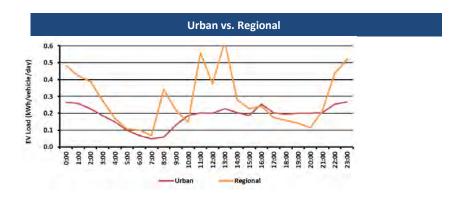
Average Charging Load Shape – Customer Variation



Source: Origin, Note: 67 Residential, 25 Business Customers



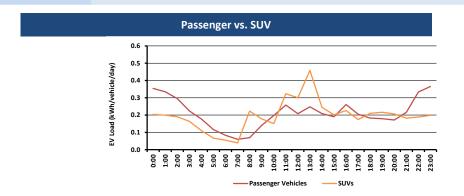
- Business participants contributed a small portion of the sample size collected, but have a distinct day time profile reflecting typical business hours
- Participants with rooftop solar PV were far more likely to charge in the daytime when solar production is highest
- Regional participant EVs had a much higher charging load than urban participants, reflective of typical driving distance



Source: EV Grid, Note: 123 w/ Solar PV, 48 w/out Solar PV

Source: EV Grid, Origin, Energeia, Note: 270 Urban, 52 Regional Customers

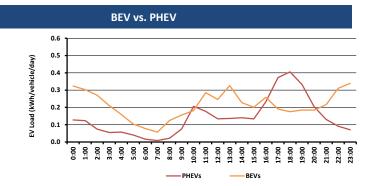
Average Charging Load Shape – Vehicle Variation

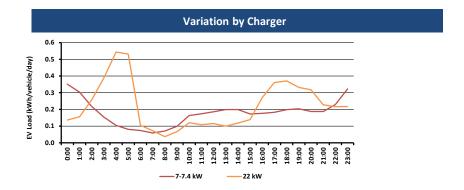


 SUV load shape was more skewed to middle of the day, potentially higher correlation with PV ownership

- PHEV owners tended to charge during early evening and had a lower charging load than BEVs, but very small sample size
- 22 kW charging is predominantly from business customers, which potentially explains load shape









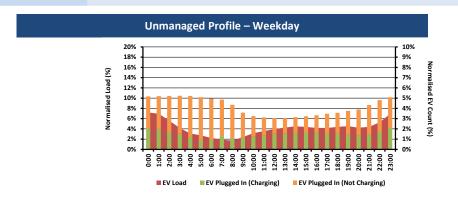
Smart Charging

AGL

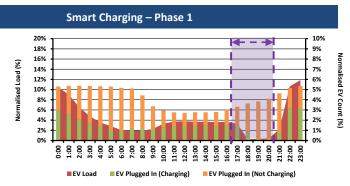


AGL – Unmanaged vs Smart Charging Profiles



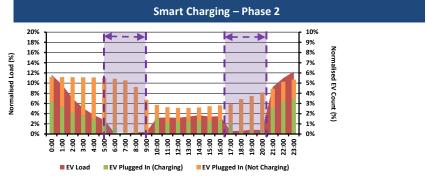


Source: AGL, Energeia Analysis, Note: 173 customers



Source: AGL, Energeia Analysis. Note: 152 customers. Period start and end time varies up to half an hour by state. Purple indicates smart charging period

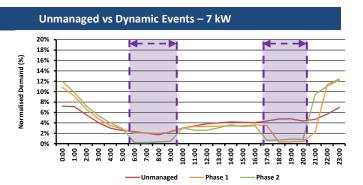
- The charts show unmanaged vs Phase 1 and Phase 2 of Smart Charging
 - Phase 1: Evening
 - o Phase 2: Morning + Evening
- AGL conducted smart charging every weekday throughout the entire trial period
- Potential to add control group to ensure unbiased comparator as baseline data was collected during lockdown affected months
- Post smart charging evening period much higher than unmanaged
- Interestingly, no major increase seen after the morning smart charging period during Phase 2, customers waited to charge



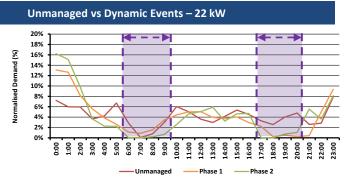
Source: AGL, Energeia Analysis. Note: 124 customers. Period start and end time varies up to half an hour by state. Purple indicates smart charging period

AGL—Smart Charging by Charging Power





Source: AGL, Energeia Analysis. Note: Unmanaged: 106 chargers, Phase 1: 110 chargers, Phase 2: 89 22 kW chargers. Evening period start and end time varies up to half an hour by state. Purple indicates smart charging period. Morning period occurs in Phase 2 only



Source: AGL, Energeia Analysis. Note: Unmanaged: 10 chargers, Phase 1: 11 chargers, Phase 2: 8 22 kW chargers. Evening period start and end time varies up to half an hour by state. Purple indicates smart charging period. Morning period occurs in Phase 2 only

- 7 kW charger customers were highly responsive to charging events, reflecting minimal opt-out
- 22 kW chargers responsive to evening event, however charging was already minimal during morning event under unmanaged circumstances
- Results provide evidence that bill discounts can be an effective incentive to entice smart charging
- Customers don't opt-out of frequent peak demand shedding events, instead shifting load to non-event times







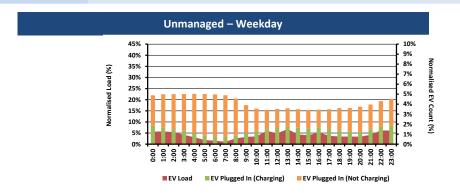
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EV Grid

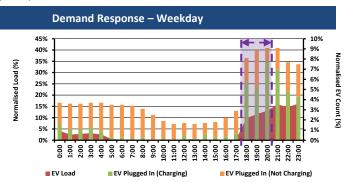




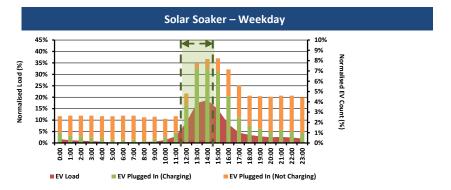
EV Grid – Unmanaged vs Smart Charging Profiles



Source: EV Grid, Energeia Analysis

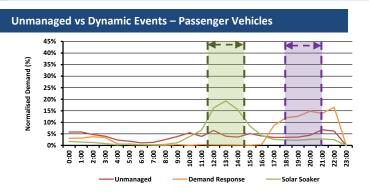


- The charts show unmanaged vs dynamic trials
 - Demand Response: 1 event, aimed to investigate ability to control demand in peak period
 - Solar Soaker: 2 events, aimed to incentivise demand during solar hours
- Trial figures contain all customers regardless of opt in/opt out
- Customers were requested to plug-in during the demand response event
 - Each DNSP set target level of output in response to local network demand during event

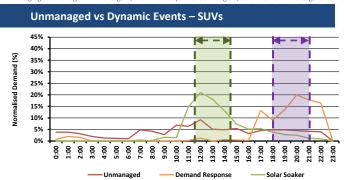




EV Grid – Smart Charging by Vehicle Type



Source: EV Grid, Energeia. Note: Green indicates incentive to charge, Purple indicates controlled charging. Unmanaged: 117 chargers, Demand Response: 80 chargers, Solar Soaker: 91 chargers.



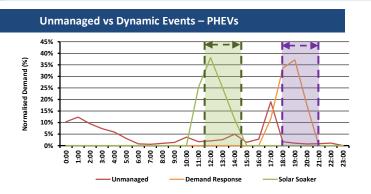
 No significant difference in responses to smart charging events between customers with a passenger vehicle or SUV



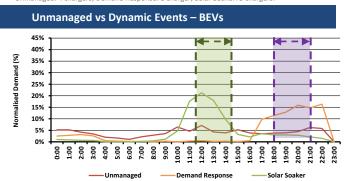




EV Grid – Smart Charging by Electrification Type



Source: EV Grid. Note: Green indicates incentive to charge, Purple indicates controlled charging. Unmanaged: 4 chargers, Demand Response: 1 charger, Solar Soaker: 3 chargers.



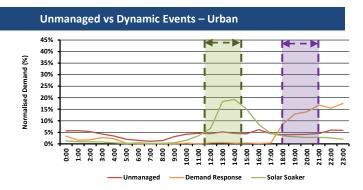
 PHEV customers were able to recharge their vehicles during the demand response event, whereas there is a load shift for BEV customers to post-event



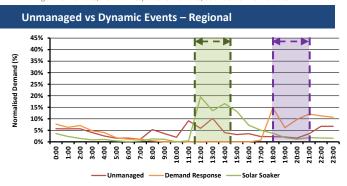


EV Grid – Smart Charging by Location





Source: EV Grid. Note: Green indicates incentive to charge, Purple indicates controlled charging. Unmanaged: 137 vehicles, Demand Response: 87 vehicles, Solar Soaker: 107 vehicles.



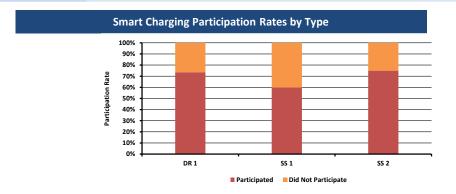
Source: EV Grid. Note: Green indicates incentive to charge, Purple indicates controlled charging. Unmanaged: 26 vehicles, Demand Response: 17 vehicles, Solar Soaker: 19 vehicles. Customer location did not appear to impact participation in the charging event



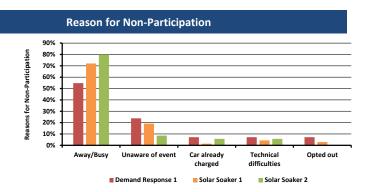




EV Grid – Smart Charging Opt-out Behaviour



Source: EV Grid



- From survey results, 25-40% did not participate in DR events on average
- Main reason for non-participation was due to being away from home during the event
- Lack of awareness decreased with each event
- Very few customers actively opted-out or had technical difficulties
- A monetary incentive with few events appears to be highly effective in encouraging smart charging
- However strict terms of participation can have counter-productive consequences if too many customers were to opt-out mid-event







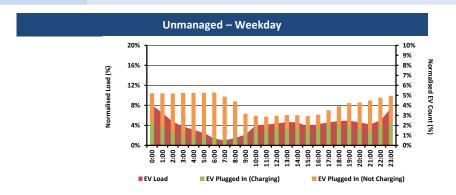
Smart Charging

Origin

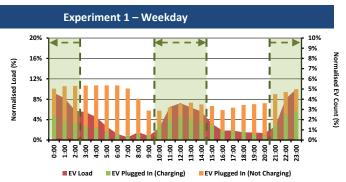


Origin – Unmanaged vs Smart Charging Profiles



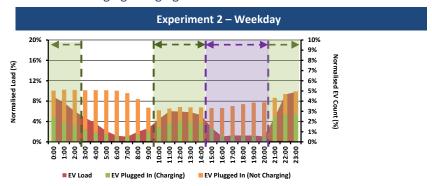


Source: Origin Energy, Energeia Analysis. Note: 67 vehicles



Source: Origin Energy, Energeia Analysis. Note: 68 vehicles. Green indicates charging incentive, purple indicates controlled charging (Experiment 2 only)

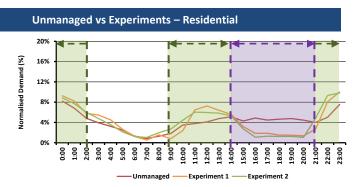
- The charts show Unmanaged vs experiments 1 and 2 across weekdays
 - Experiment 1 Off-peak smart charging incentive (10c/kWh midday and overnight)
 - Experiment 2 Additionally, a 3 9pm controlled smart charging period
- Impact of Experiment 1 significant, Experiment 2's impact more difficult to discern
 - Shows that voluntary incentives were effective in managing charging on their own



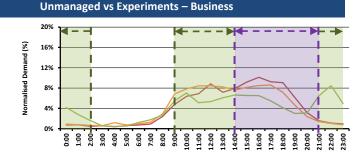
Source: Origin Energy, Energeia Analysis Note: 70 vehicles. Green indicates charging incentive, purple indicates controlled charging (Experiment 2 only)

Origin – Smart Charging by Customer Class





Source: Origin, Energeia Analysis. Note: Unmanaged: 67 vehicles, Exp 1: 68 vehicles, Exp 2: 70 vehicles. Green indicates charging incentive, purple indicates controlled charging (Experiment 2 only)



Source: Origin, Energeia Analysis. Note: Unmanaged: 25 vehicles, Exp 1: 26 vehicles, Exp 2: 53 vehicles. Green indicates charging incentive, purple indicates controlled charging (Experiment 2 only)

Unmanaged —— Experiment 1 —— Experiment 2

- Residential customers appeared more responsive to voluntary charging incentives than business customers
 - Business customers were not likely to interrupt workflow to participate in smart charging
 - Upfront opt out requirements from Experiment 2 for Businesses contributed to low participation in the control experiment
- Controlled charging of experiment 2 demonstrably effective in shifting business customer charging

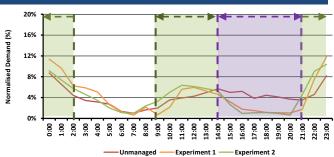




Origin – Smart Charging by Vehicle Type

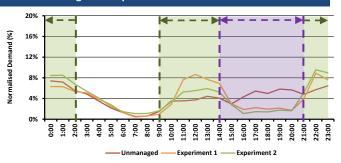


Unmanaged vs Experiments – Passenger Vehicles



Source: Origin, Energeia Analysis. Note: Unmanaged: 39 vehicles, Exp 1: 40 vehicles, Exp 2: 42 vehicles. Green indicates charging incentive, purple indicates controlled charging (Experiment 2 only)

Unmanaged vs Experiments - SUVs



Source: Origin, Energeia Analysis. Note: Unmanaged: 26 vehicles, Exp 1: 26 vehicles, Exp 2: 26 vehicles. Green indicates charging incentive, purple indicates controlled charging (Experiment 2 only)

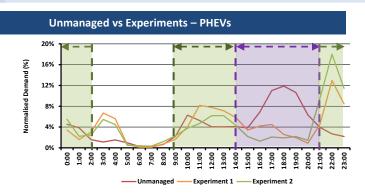
- SUV customers were more responsive to middle of the day charging incentives
- May correlate with solar PV ownership, but this information was not collected for this trial



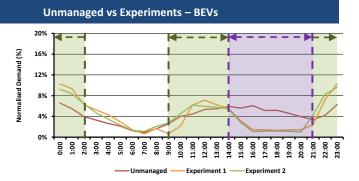


Origin – Smart Charging by Electrification Type





Source: Origin, Energeia Analysis. Note: Unmanaged: 8 vehicles, Exp 1: 8 vehicles, Exp 2: 8 vehicles. Green indicates charging incentive, purple indicates controlled charging (Experiment 2 only)



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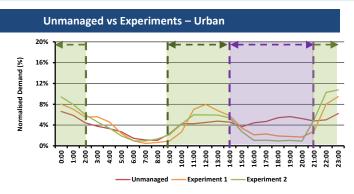
 PHEV drivers were highly responsive to smart charging incentives, despite typically charging during evening peak



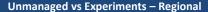


Origin – Smart Charging by Location





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Source: Origin, Energeia Analysis. Note: Unmanaged: 13 vehicles, Exp 1: 13 vehicles, Exp 2: 13 vehicles. Green indicates incentive to charge, purple indicates controlled charging (Experiment 2 only)

- Urban drivers were more inclined to participate in midday charging event
- Trial provides evidence that the EV load is highly response to price incentives
 - With a fixed schedule, customers were willing to shift their charging to off-peak times to receive a reward
 - Customers were not likely to opt-out of controlled charging during the peak, however its impact was minimal given voluntary shifting to off-peak





Thank You



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The bumpy road to V2G

Laura Jones

September 2022



REVS: Realising EV-to-grid Services

















ARENA funded \$2.4m toward this \$6.26m project



REVS: Realising EV-to-grid Services

Demonstration



51 V2G equipped EVs in ACT government fleet + ActewAGL



Contingency Frequency control

Beyond demonstration



Investigate technical, social, and economic factors



Model more vehicles, more services, and more value



Knowledge sharing



It's taking awfully long



Charger accreditation



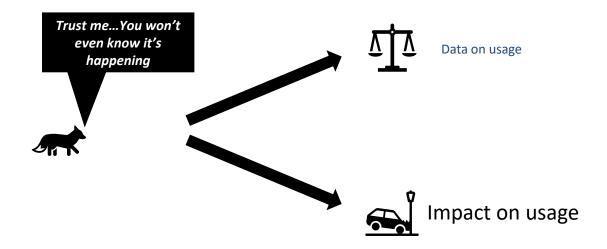
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Getting vehicles into fleets

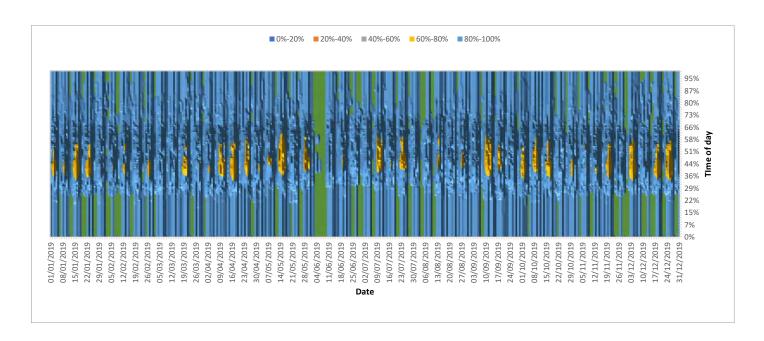


Pulling a thread



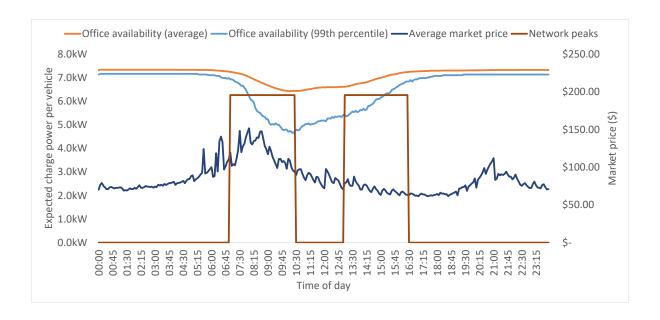


Vehicle usage as a fancy carpet



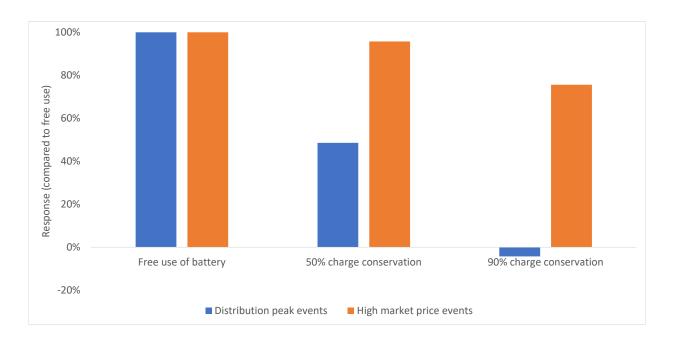


A day





But what about capacity?

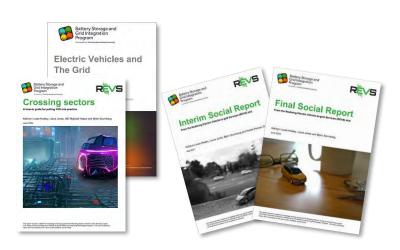




Knowledge Sharing







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DER Market Integration

EXAMINING GRID INTEGRATION IN A HIGH DER WORLD

Session One Stream Two

DER Market Integration

Mitch O'Neill, Grids Energy



What are DER Market Integration Trials?



Recently a group of DER market integration trials commenced which examine ways to simultaneously meet core four functions:

Market Services: providing system-level market services such as participating in current wholesale energy, FCAS, or RERT markets.

Network Services: providing capacity to local networks in order to defer or avoid the need for costly network upgrades.

Local Constraints: adhering to the local network capacity available to the DER.

Consumer Needs & Preferences: compelling products and offers created with appropriate value, information and protections that encourage consumer participation in the above three functions.



Technical Settings of the DER Market Trials



	<u>Project</u> Symphony	Project EDGE	<u>Project Edith</u>	<u>Project</u> <u>Converge</u>
Metering Point	Connection Point	Connection Point or Sub- metering	Connection Point	Connection Point
Energy Market Bidding	Bids into balancing and contingency reserve raise markets	Model consistent with Scheduled BDU from IESS	Current bidding process for FCAS	Bids first sent to DSO
<u>Local Constraints</u>	DOE	DOE	DOE	DOE
Local Constraints Communication Protocol	CSIP-AUS	CSIP-AUS (only using schema)	CSIP-AUS (extended with pricing)	CSIP-AUS
DOE allocation	Various	Various	Subscription model	Bid-Optimised
<u>Network</u> <u>Support</u>	Contracted Network Services	Local Services Exchange	Dynamic Network Price	Real-time RIT-D
<u>Data Transfer</u>	Platform integrations	Data-hub	Point-to-point	Point-to-point

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A convergence of approaches are in areas where there has been a large amount of industry collaboration and a common understanding.

A divergence of approaches occur in less explored areas.

Project EDGE



Demonstrating scalable and cost-effective solutions to DER integration in a world with many actors (DSOs, aggregators and consumers). Includes AEMO, Ausnet, Mondo and other aggregators.



Designed to inform short term reforms (IESS, FTA, scheduled lite) and longer term system architectures and processes that support a high level of DER participation.



Testing energy market participation for DER under new IESS and Scheduled Lite models. Allowing DER to be metered separately from household loads.



Examining information architectures suitable to transfer data between different parties. Testing hypothesis that a data exchange hub is more suitable than all actors individually connecting to each other.



Creating a local services exchange to efficiently procure DER services for localised network support.



Social science research through Deakin University.



Aiming for 1,000 customers total from multiple aggregators. Runs from July 2020 – mid 2023.

Project Converge



Trailing efficient ways to allocate network capacity, and removing barriers to rewarding DER for providing network support services. Includes Evoenergy, ANU, Zepben and funding from ACT Government.



Designed to test solutions that increase the amount of benefits created by DER without breaching the limits of the distribution network.



Preferentially allocating network capacity to DER that has lower energy costs (represented through market bids) to more efficiently dispatch DER. These are called shaped operating envelopes (SOEs) and are similar to how capacity is allocated on the transmission network.



Developing real-time systems to procure network support services from DER. These process improvements will allow network support to be procured more efficiently and in a simpler way for aggregator participation.



Aiming for 1,000 customers in total from multiple aggregators. Runs from August 2021 – January 2024.



Social science research through the Australian National University.



Project EDGE (Energy Demand & Generation Exchange)

ARENA DEIP Dive: DER Market Integration Stream

September 2022

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Project EDGE | A collaboration between AEMO, AusNet & Mondo









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Anoop Nambiar Mondo Power

Project EDGE (Energy Demand and Generation Exchange) is a collaboration between the Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO), AusNet Services (AusNet) and Mondo (collectively, the Project Partners), with financial support from the Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA).

Project EDGE is an ARENA-funded research project trialling a two sided DER marketplace, designed to provide evidence based insights for the NEM 2025 Reforms in line with the National Electricity Objective (NEO)





Research Plan

A detailed research plan has been developed by the University of Melbourne to guide the activities undertaken to ensure the data obtained supports the objectives of the project and can be used as part of an evidence base for change and development of the future energy market and systems.





Cost Benefit Analysis

The purpose of the CBA for Project EDGE is to identify and analyse whether the implementation of an operational DER marketplace is in the long-term interests of consumers consistent with the NEO. Deloitte Access Economics has been commissioned to conduct the CBA and will also assess under which scenarios adding more complexity and sophistication to the DER marketplace may be justified.





Customer Insights Study

Together with Deakin University, Project EDGE is running a multi- year consumer study that examines perceptions of, and decision-making around, Virtual Power Plants (VPPs) among potential residential and business customers, and current residential battery owners.

Wholesale Market serv

Passive

A range of DOE allocation methods is analysed (operational + techno-economic studies) Early evidence suggests that maximising renewable energy contributions into the market from DER results in higher benefits for all customers, compared to local network customer "fairness" based network access allocation methods

I Service Exchange













Allocate DOE











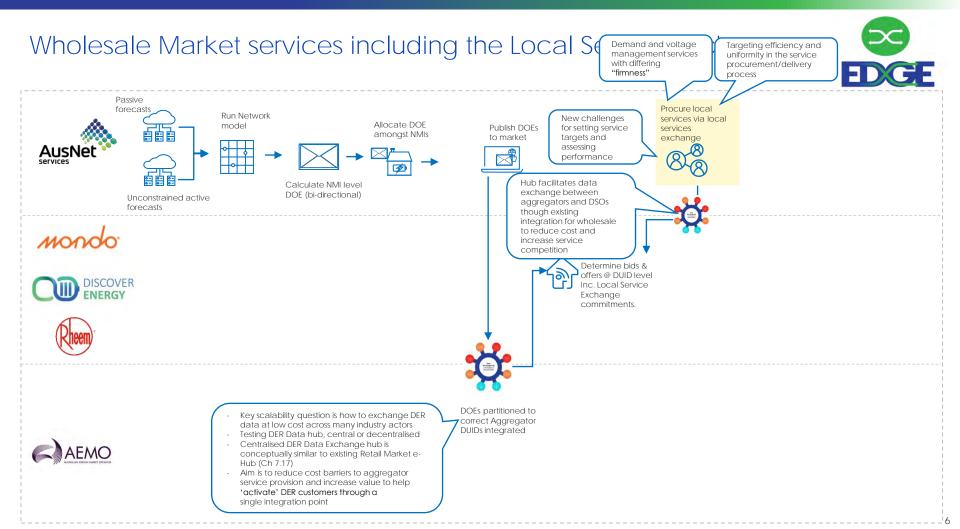


 Multiple DOE calculation methods tested (simple/complex)

Calculate NMI level DOE (bi-directional)

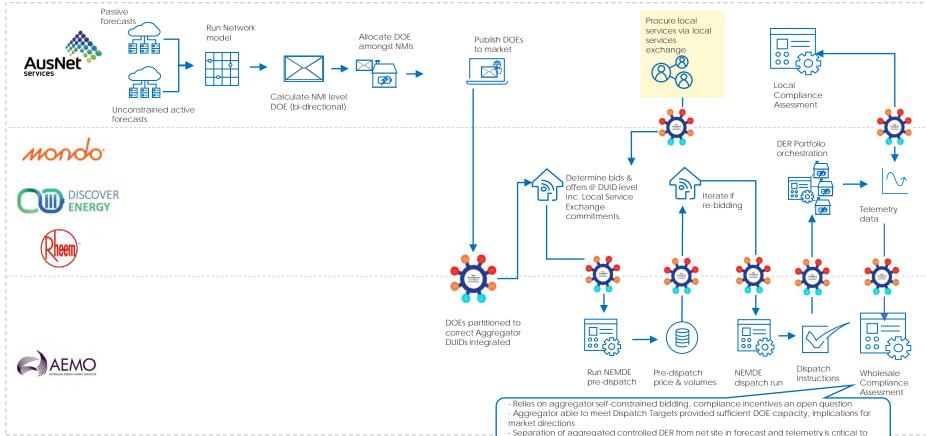
- Calculations use smart meter measurement data and network data
- Forecasting LV network conditions can be challenging
- Scaling implications need to be considered





Wholesale Market services including the Local Service Exchange

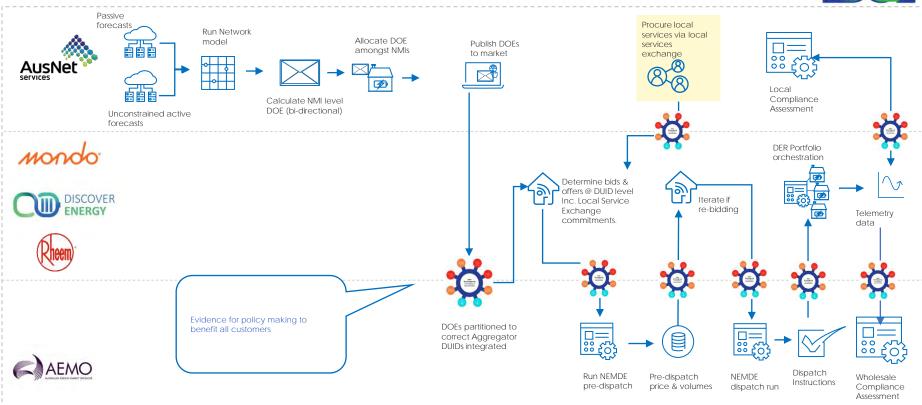




analysing VPP behaviour and system operations

Wholesale Market services including the Local Service Exchange





Project EDGE - A Snapshot





Project EDGE launched in July 2020 and since then, we have:

- Designed a Research plan
- Released 3 major Knowledge Sharing Reports along with the accompanying recorded public webinars
- Commenced a multi-year Customer Insights Study with DER and non-DER customers
- Presented at an international conference
- Commissioned a Cost Benefit Analysis



Key Upcoming Activities

- Welcoming two additional aggregators into the field trial
- Moving to the next phase of our Customer Insights Study
- Releasing our CBA Methodology
- Working with the University of Melbourne on their Techno-Economic Modelling work
- Using field trial evidence based insights for our Lesson Learned report in November

Project EDGE Publications



Publications	Publication Date
Project EDGE CBA Methodology Consultation Paper	July 2022
Project EDGE Public Interim Report	June 2022
Project EDGE Customer Insights Study	June 2022
Project EDGE Research Plan	March 2022
Project EDGE MVP Showcase	December 2021
Project EDGE Lessons Learned Report #1	May 2021
Project EDGE Public Webinar #1	March 2021
Project EDGE Factsheet	January 2021

For further news and knowledge sharing publications, please visit the Project EDGE Website

For any questions, comments or feedback, please contact: EDGE@aemo.com.au



Thanks for Listening!

Project Symphony

Our energy future

Project Symphony: a policy response for the WEM

September 2022

Presented by: Andrew Blaver

In partnership with:













Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet, the Ngunnawal people and we also acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which the project will operate the Whadjuk people and recognise their continuing connection to lands, waters, and communities. We also pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.





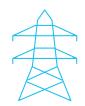
About the Wholesale Electricity Market



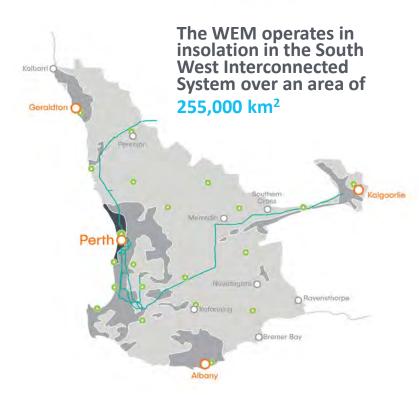
2+ million people connected



2GW grid connected solar



7800kmTransmission
network



4396MW & 761MW Demand peak & low









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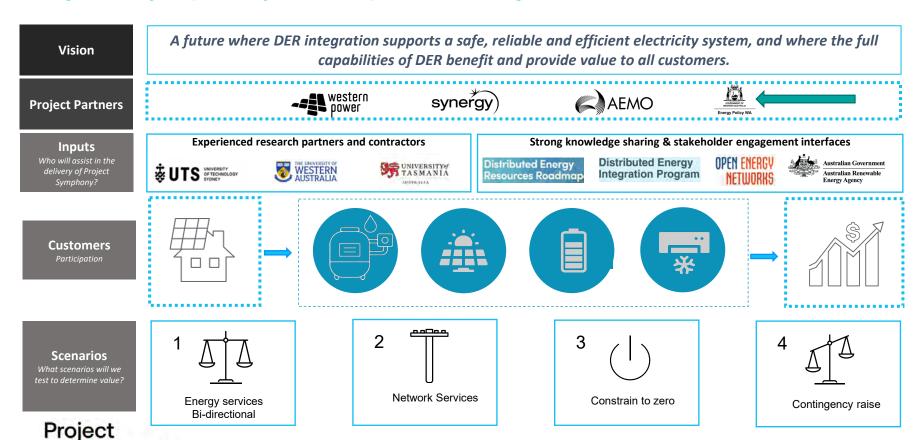




Project Symphony – Scope and Objectives

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Our energy future









Lessons learnt



Given the Project is closely linked with energy policy and regulation, it is recommended where possible, to **have policy makers participate in governance and delivery** of strategically important projects in the energy sector.



Lessons Learnt
Milestone 1
Lessons learnt for the 'Scoping and Planning' phase of the project



Lessons Learnt
Milestone 2
Lessons learnt for the 'Build
and Integrate' phase of the
project

- 1. Active strategic and tactical participation by the government agency responsible for providing energy policy advice to the WA Minister for Energy.
- 2. Energy Policy WA (EPWA) is the Chair of the Project Symphony Steering Committee, while also actively participating in day-to-day delivery of the project.
- 3. Having EPWA as the policy maker involved at a project level continues to be beneficial in helping partners achieve greater clarity, understanding and alignment on future 'DER orchestration' roles and responsibilities.









Background – Distributed Energy Resources in the WEM

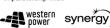
We are at the front edge of a **sustained expansion of Distributed Energy Resources (DER)**. DER are smaller scale devices that can either *use*, *generate* or *store* electricity, are mostly owned by customers, and are *passively* connected to the local distribution network.



Aggregated rooftop solar is on track to becoming **the largest, cleanest and cheapest source** of electricity generation.





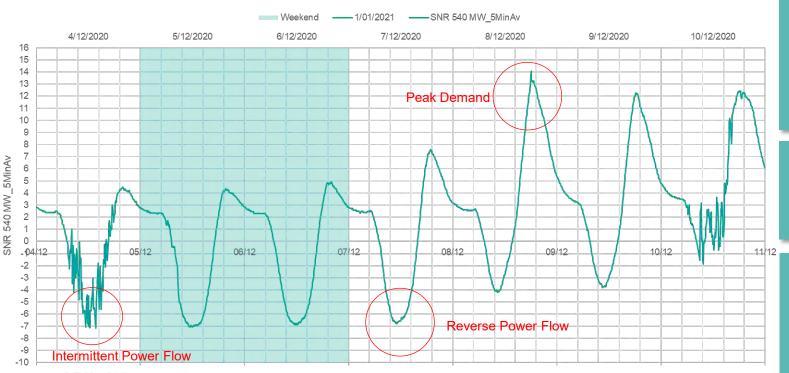






Background – Challenges and Opportunities

SNR 540 SOUTHERN RIVER 4-Dec-2020 to 10-Dec-2020



High Voltage (HV) Network: we have high visibility and control of connected generators to safely operate the network

Medium Voltage (MV) Network: we have medium visibility and control...

Low Voltage (LV)
Network: we have
very low visibility and
almost no control...and
the largest generator
(in aggregate) is now
connected here...

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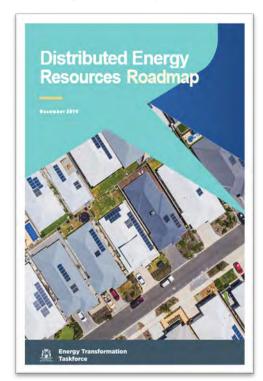






In partnership with:

Project Symphony was developed as a policy response



The Minister for Energy released the Government's DER Roadmap on 4 April 2020 to: "Deliver a future where DER is integral to a safe, reliable and efficient electricity system, and where the full capabilities of DER can provide benefits and value to all customers."

Action	Roadmap Element	Owner	Description	Priority	
22	DER Orchestration	Synergy EPWA Western Power	By July 2020, commence a comprehensive VPP technology pilot to demonstrate the end to end technical capability of DER in the SWIS, andtransition to market participation testing.	High	
23	DER Orchestration	Synergy AEMO	By July 2022, complete a comprehensive VPP market participation pilot that tests the incorporation of aggregated DER into energy markets	High	
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Various closely related and dependent Roadmap actions related to Technology Integration and DER Participation.





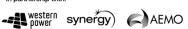




Policy Response









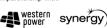


DER Orchestration Roles & Responsibilities

- Multiple workshops with Western Power (as DSO) and AEMO (as DMO) last year.
- Draft EPWA Information Paper
 - Outlines background current context in SWIS/WEM
 - Identifies many DER orchestration issues
 - Sets-out settled & unsettled policy positions, detailing reasons
- Provides certainty in critical policy areas on forward direction to guide investment decisions











Key Themes on decisions made



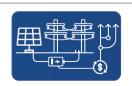
Optimise distribution network access



Build required technology and market infrastructure



Align customer incentives and protect rights



Integrate and phase implementation



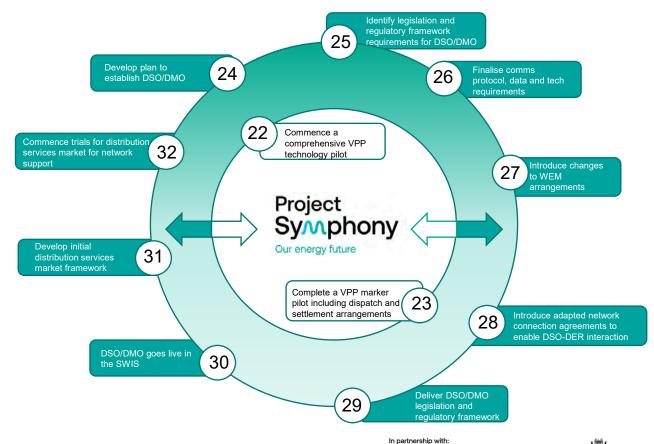






Project Symphony and its role in shaping future policy

- Project Symphony will continue to inform DER participation
- Some policy positions need to wait for project learning outcomes:
 - Technical / IT / Comms capabilities
 - Process DSO / DMO interaction
 - 3. VPP data requirements
 - Unknown & unexpected issues











Project Symphony Success Criteria & Achievements to Date

Customer participation

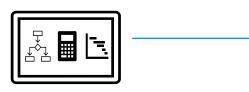




256/500 customers with a

combined 632/900 assets

Technology solutions



MVP completed.

Full end to end testing for Network Support Services completed with continued integration testing for the Constrain to Zero scenarios up to the launch of the stability period in October

Value





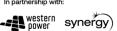
\$1.4B

Potential economic value.

Cost Benefit Analysis

Scope of work finalised and tender process underway

Project Symphony Our energy future













Price-responsive devices are shifting the current paradigm

Increasingly sophisticated resources



Rooftop solar



Batteries



Capabilities and features



Price-responsive



Can actively change output in response to signals



Can be aggregated into virtual power plants to participate in energy markets

Opportunity to reward customers with flexible demand for responding to market conditions



ENERGY SECURITY BOARD Post-2025 recommendation for a two-sided market

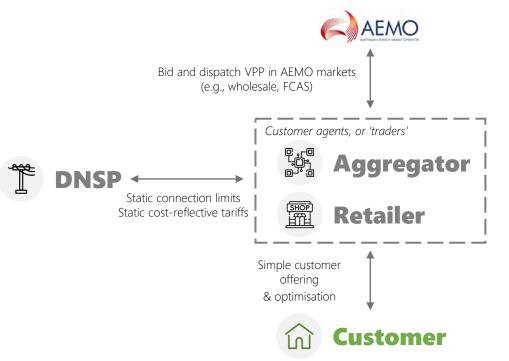
The ESB's CER Implementation Plan prioritises activities and reforms aimed at:

- **1. Rewarding** customers for their flexible demand
- **2. Integrating** flexible distributed customer resources into the market at all levels, safely and effectively



Current network services can create barriers to efficient VPPs

Aggregating price-responsive resources as VPPs



- Current network tariffs may inefficiently inhibit the use of price-responsive resources because they do not always reflect network constraints
- Network limits may be too constraining during normal operation as it aims to ensure safe operation in worst case scenarios



Improve the efficiency of VPPs by:

- Moving from current static cost-reflective tariffs into more dynamic pricing
- Moving from static connection limits into 'full' dynamic operating envelopes

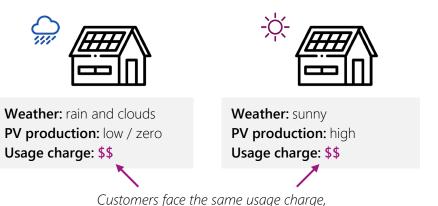




Evolution to dynamic network pricing

Current network pricing

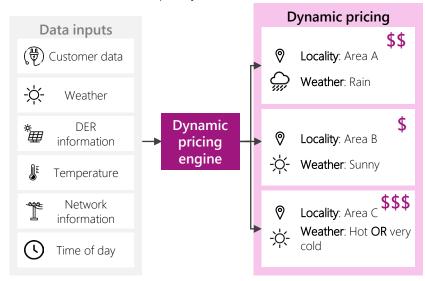
- Averaged across regions 'postage stamp pricing'
- Do not fully differentiate available network capacity by time and location – do not reflect enough what is happening 'on the ground'



regardless of real-time conditions (e.g. weather)

Dynamic network pricing

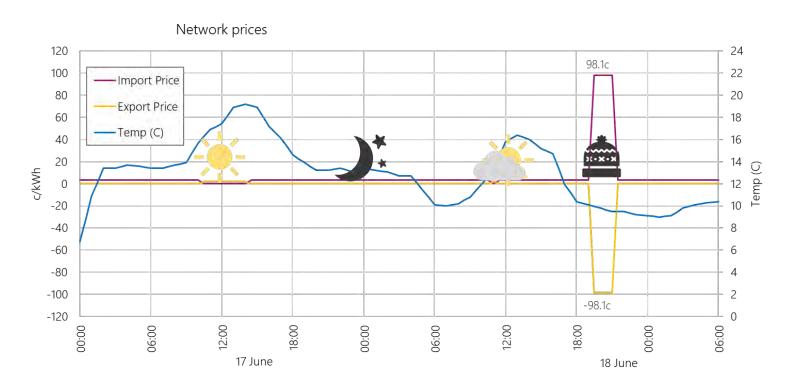
- What? Considers the cost to serve customers and operate the network, based on operational conditions
- How? Using time and location-specific incentives to make unused network capacity available to DER







Current Dynamic Network Price





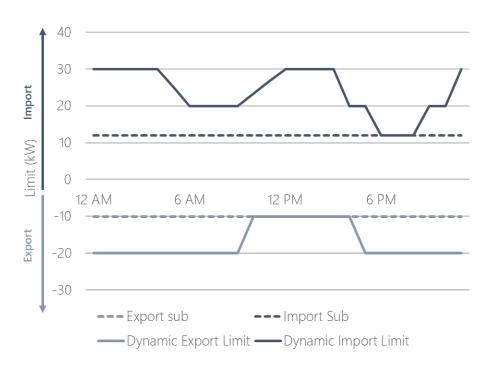


Edith network service model

Three-part tariff:

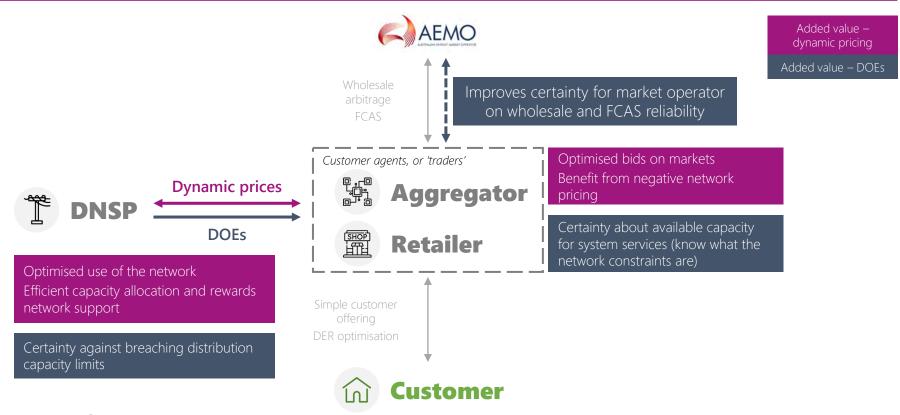
- 1. Fixed charge: residual cost recovery
- 2. DOE subscription charge: LRMC based
- 3. Dynamic Energy price (5 minutes):
 - Below subscription: free or low charge
 - Above subscription: weather dependent LRMC with some residual cost recovery

Over time we will introduce more factors (e.g. network constraint forecasts, locational variation, reactive power support).





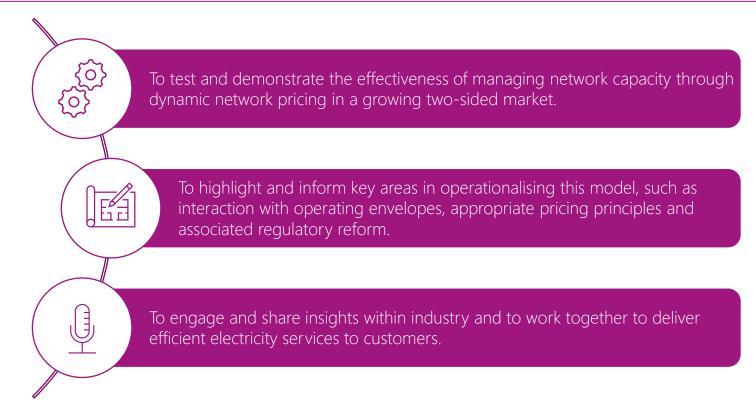
Evolving network services could increase value for all







Why we're doing a rapid demonstration

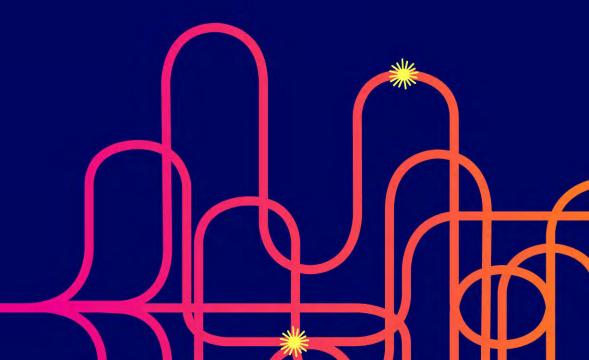








Project Converge



Team Converge



Lead, Demonstrations, Customer

Social and Technical Research, Development and Demonstration

Technology Development, Integration and Support

Financial and Policy Support







Battery Storage and Grid Integration Program





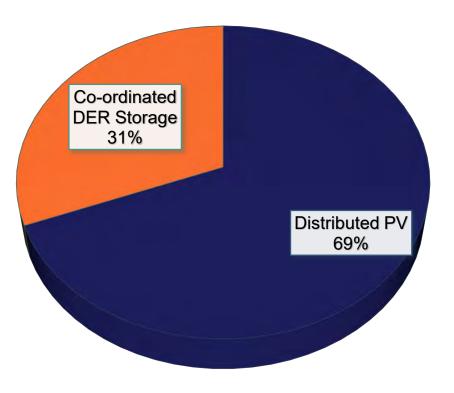


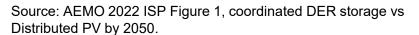
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DOE v SOE

DER CUSTOMERS







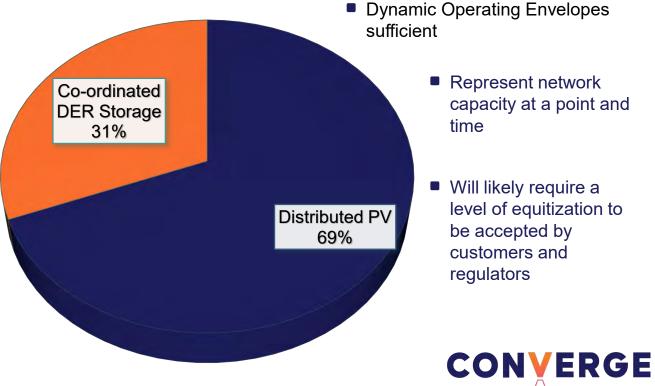


Dynamic Operating Envelope



SOE v DOE

DER CUSTOMERS



Source: AEMO 2022 ISP Figure 1, coordinated DER storage vs Distributed PV by 2050.

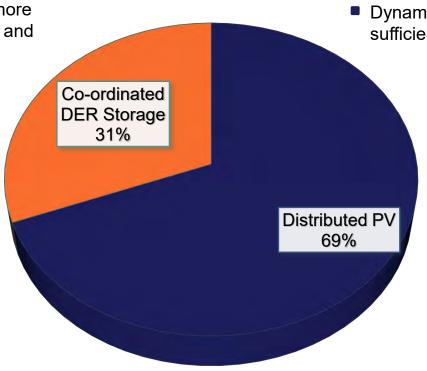
SOE v DOE

 Advanced Aggregators want more than DOEs: Network Services and Market Participation

 Want an efficient mechanism for providing Network Support to DNSPs

 Want to maximise network connection capacity for market access



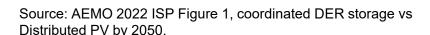


 Dynamic Operating Envelopes sufficient

> Represent network capacity at a point and time

 Will likely require a level of equitization to be accepted by customers and regulators

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Objectives for **SOEs**



- 1. A single robust system for DOEs and SOEs
- 2. Re-uses and builds on the concepts and infrastructure of DOEs
- 3. Maximise the distribution network capacity in line with wholesale markets (a form of co-optimisation)- i.e. is **Market Aware**
- 4. Aggregator system changes are incremental, standardised, and build on DOE integration effort.
- 5. Network support is automated, accessed with low transaction costs, is explicit and transparent

Shaped Operating Envelopes



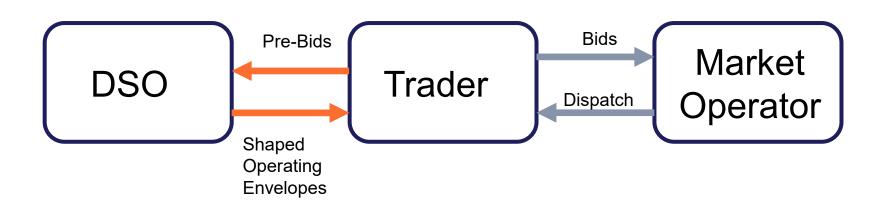


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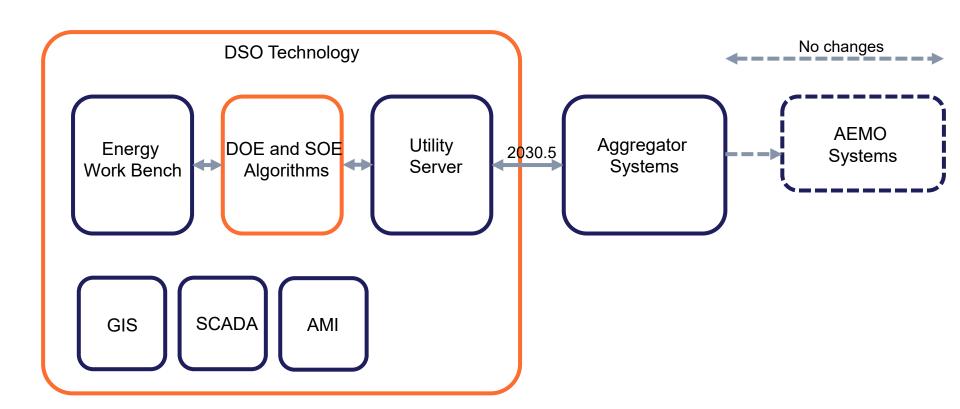


Shaped Operating Envelope





Converge Trial Architecture



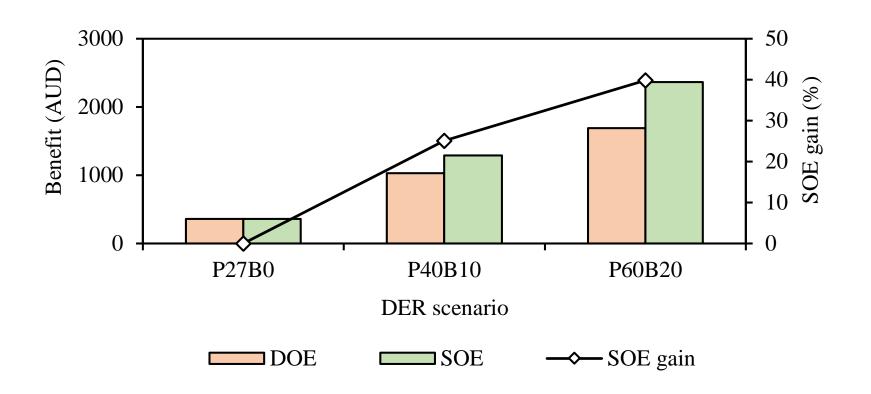


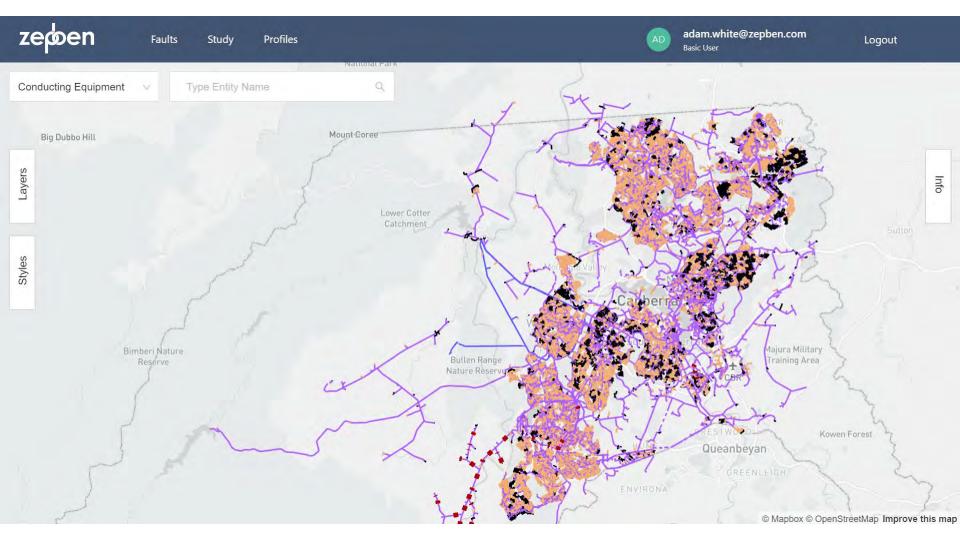
SOE Algorithm

- 1. Optimal Power Flow approach, similar to NEMDE
- 2. Uses load and pricing intentions from DER to solve.
- Reliant on a minimum level of data for solving the algorithm- electrical network model, aggregator load and pricing.
- 4. Is performant but scaling requires more computing resources.









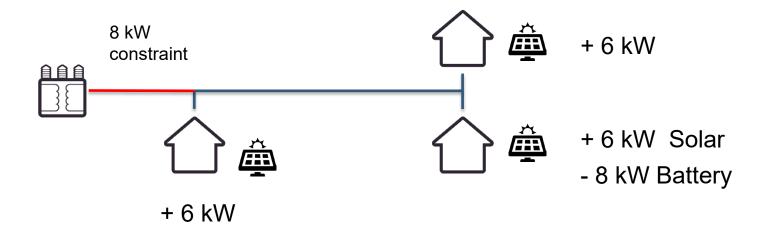


Recap on RIT-D



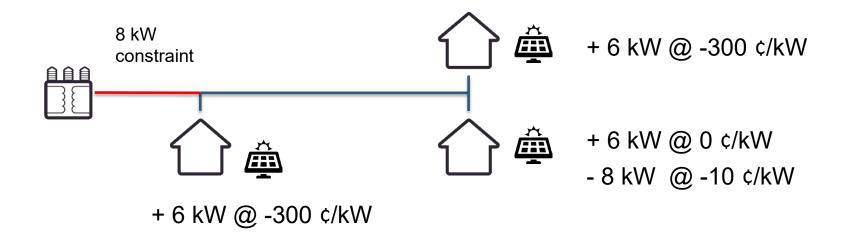
- 1. RIT-d "maximises the present value of the net economic benefit to all those who produce, consume and transport electricity in the NEM"
- 2. Net economic benefit equals the **market benefits** less **costs**
- 3. Needs to be conducted in a timeframe that allows for the lead time of the network options i.e. 18months +
- 4. As we move to a more congested distribution network, with DER that can support different load patterns, the RIT-d can be calculated in closer to real-time timeframes



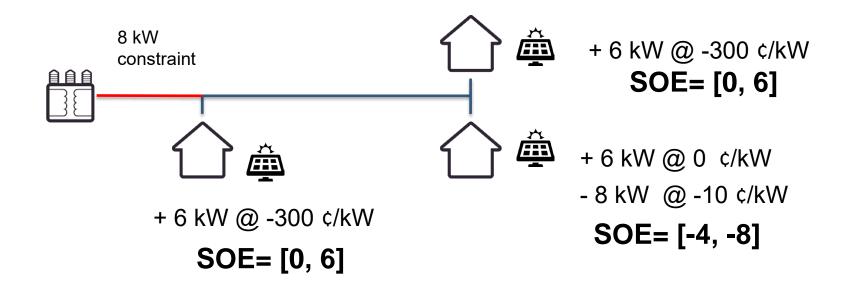


DOEs allocated at transformer level would give an export envelope of 8/3 kW (2.67kW).









Customer and Roles



Customer Roles



Aggregators are engaged on a commercial basis by Evoenergy.

Trialling variety of engagement options in cohort with Aggregator and their partner organisations.

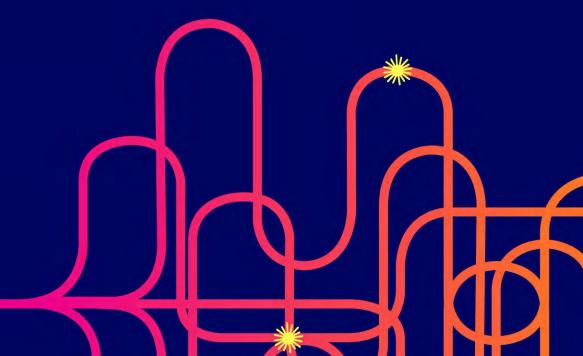
This allows research and testing of network support type programs that arise after the DER has been installed and is operating.

Understanding this element is critical in understanding how SOEs can scale.



CONVERGE

Thank you.





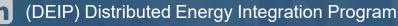
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