

2020 & 2021 PJM Restoration Drills Summary East and West

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Situation Background

- RTO-wide Spring Restoration Drill normally held ~mid-May
- Individual TO Restoration Drills normally held ~Sept-Oct-Nov
- COVID-19 impacted scheduling
- Developed a new plan that meets NERC compliance obligations (two drills, invite applicable GOPs: EOP-006-3)
- West and East Restoration Drills were born
 - 2020 West: Oct. 6 & 7
 - 2020 East: Oct. 28 & 29



- Provides an opportunity for members to:
 - Validate their individual restoration plan
 - Identify any issues that may need to be addressed
- "Practice makes perfect"
- Drills require 100% participation from all Transmission Owners between both PJM West and East for NERC compliance (GOP's participated if identified in the TO restoration plan)
- PJM coordinates the drill via the DTS
- PJM awards NERC CEH's for drill participants



Logistical Information/Challenges

- 3rd Control Room/Milford Dispatch Training Simulator room
 - Dual function
 - Swapping no small task
- Simulator work stations were set up in the Valley Forge CTC
- 4 PJM Dispatchers at each location + some on site support staff
- Simulator, SOT and SMT support staff worked from home
- PJM Dispatchers utilized the Dispatch Training Simulator to model each TO's progress and provide a wide area overview
- Dispatch Training Simulator DIMA was available* for both drills



- West Drill
 - 136 Participants
 - 1396 CEHs awarded
- East Drill
 - 188 Participants
 - 1877 CEHs awarded
- On-line Refresh (both drills)
 - 344 CEHs awarded



Overall Satisfaction Rating: 4.16/5.0

| Participant Company | | K&S Level | | | Importance | Effectiveness | Overall |
|---------------------|--------|-----------|------------------|--------------------|-------------|---------------|---------|
| | BEFORE | AFTER | LevelRestoration | LevelExplain Philo | of Exercise | of Exercise | Rating |
| | 3.43 | 3.93 | 4.00 | 3.93 | 4.71 | 4.43 | 4.07 |
| | 4.33 | 4.67 | 4.33 | 4.67 | 4.83 | 4.50 | 4.67 |
| | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| | 3.00 | 3.75 | 3.67 | 3.50 | 5.00 | 4.33 | 4.00 |
| | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| | 3.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 5.00 | 4.50 | 4.50 |
| | 1.00 | 4.00 | 3.00 | 4.00 | 5.00 | 3.00 | 5.00 |
| | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| | 3.60 | 4.20 | 4.40 | 4.40 | 5.00 | 4.60 | 4.60 |
| | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| | 3.50 | 3.75 | 3.50 | 3.25 | 4.25 | 3.75 | 3.75 |
| | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| | 4.17 | 4.58 | 4.67 | 4.67 | 4.67 | 4.67 | 4.67 |
| | 4.00 | 4.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 4.00 | 5.00 | 3.00 |
| | 3.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 5.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| | 4.00 | 4.67 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 4.67 | 5.00 | 3.33 |
| | 4.00 | 4.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 4.00 | 3.00 |
| | 3.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 3.00 | 5.00 | 4.00 | 2.00 |
| | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 4.00 |
| | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 4.00 |
| | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| | 4.00 | 4.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 3.00 | 4.00 |
| | 3.00 | 4.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 4.00 |
| | 2.00 | 4.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 4.00 | 5.00 | 4.00 |
| | 2.67 | 3.67 | 3.67 | 3.67 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 4.33 |
| | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| | 4.00 | 4.50 | 5.00 | 4.00 | 5.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 4.00 | 5.00 |
| | 4.00 | 4.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 |
| | 3.00 | 4.00 | 3.00 | 4.00 | 5.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| Grand Average | 3.73 | 4.20 | 4.24 | 4.25 | 4.69 | 4.38 | 4.16 |



Communication Checks

- PJM provided a WebEx based meeting to review drill expectations, logistics, and answer any outstanding questions
- PJM performed communication checks with each participant to verify inbound/outgoing calls were received
- PJM requested, if possible, no real-time numbers to be utilized for the drill
 - All TO's were able to comply
 - Various GOP's limitations led to many using real-time numbers

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- Minor SharePoint issues on Day 1 of West; quickly resolved
- Overall feedback (Both drills)
 - Great way to keep track of information
 - Enabled (companies) to submit our forms in a timely manner
 - Good way to keep up with restoration
 - Much cleaner that using paper or fax
 - Requested an online training presentation available prior to the drill
 - Majority of feedback was very positive



- WebEx issues for the West Drill
 - Available muting features were not sufficient
 - Poor identification, COVID related
 - Led to no TO reports during conf. call updates
- Corrected for East Drill
 - Working with Cisco
 - Different WebEx environment
 - Requiring Registration*



2021 Specific Background

- COVID-19 again impacted scheduling
- Decided to continue the two Restoration Drill format
 - 2021 West: March 17 & 18
 - 2021 East: April 7 & 8
- By design, these two drills met all PJM and member NERC compliance obligations for the full 2021 year

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- At Milford, SOT Training area and a conference room off the control room, simulators were set up for 2 PJM Dispatchers at each area
- There were 4 PJM Dispatchers at the simulator work stations in the Valley Forge CTC, with some on site support staff
- Simulator, SOT and SMT support staff worked from home
- PJM Dispatchers utilized the Dispatch Training Simulator to model each TO's progress and provide a wide area overview.



Participation & CEH

- West Drill
 - 155 Participants
 - CEHs awarded 1617
- East Drill
 - 208 Participants
 - CEHs awarded 2063
- On-line Refresh (both drills)
 - 195 CEHs Awarded



Satisfaction Rating

Overall satisfaction rating was 4.30/5.0

| Category | 2021 East Restoration Drill Average | 2021 West Restoration Drill Average | Grand Average |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------|
| K&S Level BEFORE | 3.86 | 3.80 | 3.83 |
| K&S Level AFTER | 4.35 | 4.16 | 4.26 |
| Confidence LevelRestoration | 4.38 | 4.31 | 4.35 |
| Confidence LevelExplain Philo | 4.35 | 4.25 | 4.30 |
| Importance of Exercise | 4.93 | 4.75 | 4.84 |
| Effectiveness of Exercise | 4.65 | 4.31 | 4.49 |
| Overall Rating | 4.36 | 4.24 | 4.30 |

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2021 Communication Checks & SharePoint

- Comm Check included more demonstrations and walk-throughs as well all of the "classic" agenda items
- SharePoint gains made from 2020 were significant and wellutilized by members
- Positive feedback on the changes to both with additional feedback on how to further improve
- Continued openness toward feedback for all aspects of the drill

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Nuclear Offsite Sources

- "Target restoration of at least one offsite source for safe shutdown to all nuclear units within 4 hours" – Drill Objective M36
- All drills, 2020 & 2021, West and East, achieved this objective
- Improved tracking of the progress of getting both (two required)
 offsite sources to each of nuclear units required for start-up via a
 new SharePoint form
- No issues achieving these objectives were raised



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