Subregional RTEP Committee – Mid-Atlantic FirstEnergy (Met-Ed) Supplemental Projects

April 20, 2023

Needs

Stakeholders must submit any comments within 10 days of this meeting in order to provide time necessary to consider these comments prior to the next phase of the M-3 process



Met-Ed Transmission Zone M-3 Process Hokes 69 kV Substation

Need Number: ME-2023-003

Process State: Needs Meeting 4/20/2023

Project Driver:

Operational Flexibility and Efficiency

Specific Assumption Reference:

System Performance Projects

- Add/Expand Bus Configuration
- Load at risk in planning and operational scenarios
- Reduce the amount of exposed potential local load loss during contingency conditions
- Eliminate simultaneous outages to multiple networked elements

Problem Statement:

Hokes 69 kV Substation is a straight bus configuration.

The loss of Hokes Substation results in loss of approximately 23 MW of load and approximately 2636 customers.

Substation consists of:

- Three 69 kV transmission lines
- Two 69-13.2 kV distribution transformers





Met-Ed Transmission Zone M-3 Process South Lebanon 69 kV Substation

Need Number: ME-2023-004

Process State: Needs Meeting 4/20/2023

Project Driver:

Operational Flexibility and Efficiency

Specific Assumption Reference:

System Performance Projects

- Add/Expand Bus Configuration
- Load at risk in planning and operational scenarios
- Reduce the amount of exposed potential local load loss during contingency conditions
- Eliminate simultaneous outages to multiple networked elements

Problem Statement:

The 69 kV bus at South Lebanon Substation is a straight bus.

The loss of the 69 kV bus at South Lebanon Substation results in loss of approximately 30 MW of load and approximately 5301 customers. Substation consists of:

- Two 230-69 kV transformers
- Two 230 kV transmission lines
- Four 69 kV transmission lines
- Two 69-13.2 kV distribution transformers



Solutions

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Need Number: ME-2022-003

Process Stage: Solution Meeting: 04/20/2023
Previously Presented: Need Meeting: 04/19/2022
Project Driver:

Customer Service

Specific Assumption Reference:

Customer request will be evaluated per FirstEnergy's "Requirements for Transmission Connected Facilities" document and "Transmission Planning Criteria" document.

Problem Statement:

Customer Connection – Met-Ed's existing McKnights Gap 69-13.2 kV substation transformer experienced a failure. The customer has requested to re-build the substation as a mod sub.

Requested in-service date is 12/29/2023

Met-Ed Transmission Zone M-3 Process McKnights Gap 69 kV Substation





Met-Ed Transmission Zone M-3 Process McKnights Gap 69 kV Substation

Need Number: ME-2022-003

Process Stage: Solution Meeting 4/20/2023

Proposed Solution:

Rebuild McKnights Gap 69-13.2 kV Substation

McKnights Gap 69 kV Substation

Install new 69 kV switches

Alternatives Considered:

No feasible alternatives to meet customer's request

Estimated Project Cost: \$0.8M

Projected In-Service: 12/29/2023

Project Status: Conceptual

Model: 2022 RTEP model for 2026 Summer (50/50)



Legend		
500 kV		
345 kV		
230 kV		
138 kV		
115 kV		
69 kV		
46 kV		
34.5 kV		
23 kV		
New		



Met-Ed Transmission Zone M-3 Process North Boyertown – West Boyertown 69 kV Line

Barto edenburg North Boyertown North Boyertown County Line West Boyertown West,Boyertown Middle Creek ansmission Lines 59 KV P **Ringing Rocks** 138 kV 230 kV 500 kV 4 Miles 765 kV Copyright:(c)

Need Number: ME-2019-044

Process Stage: Solution Meeting: 4/20/2023

Previously Presented: Need Presented: 7/31/2019

Project Driver:

Equipment Material Condition, Performance and Risk

Specific Assumption Reference:

Line Condition Rebuild/Replacement

- Age/condition of wood pole transmission line structures
- Age/condition of steel tower or steel pole transmission line structures
- Age/condition of transmission line conductors

System Performance Projects

Substation/line equipment limits

Problem Statement:

North Boyertown – West Boyertown 69 kV line is exhibiting deterioration.

- Total line distance is approximately 3.6 miles.
- 42 out of 71 structures failed inspection (59% failure rate).
- Failure reasons include age, sound, and bayonet pole.

Thermal loading on the North Boyertown – West Boyertown 69 kV line is ~88% of the SE rating for loss of the North Boyertown – Cabot 69 kV line section (bus 204606 to bus 204834).

(2018 RTEP Model – 2023 Summer)

Transmission line ratings are limited by terminal equipment: (substation conductor, line relaying)

- Existing line rating: 71/72 MVA (SN/SE)
- Existing conductor rating: 80/96 MVA (SN/SE)



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Need Number: ME-2019-044

Process State: Solutions Meeting: 04/20/2023

Proposed Solution:

Rebuild and reconductor North Boyertown – West Boyertown 69 kV Line

North Boyertown 69 kV Substation

Replace substation conductor

West Boyertown 69 kV Substation

Replace substation conductor

Transmission Line Rating:

North Boyertown – West Boyertown 69 kV line:
 Before Proposed Solution: 80/96 MVA (SN/SE) 90/114 MVA (WN/WE)
 After Proposed Solution: 139/169 MVA (SN/SE) 158/201 MVA (WN/WE)

Alternatives Considered:

• Maintain existing condition

Estimated Project Cost: \$10.3M Projected In-Service: 12/31/2027 Project Status: Conceptual Model: 2018 RTEP model for 2023 Summer (50/50)





Questions?



Appendix

High level M-3 Meeting Schedule

Assumptions

Activity	Timing
Posting of TO Assumptions Meeting information	20 days before Assumptions Meeting
Stakeholder comments	10 days after Assumptions Meeting

Needs

Solutions

Submission o Supplementa Projects & Lo Plan

TOs and Stakeholders Post Needs Meeting slides	10 days before Needs Meeting
Stakeholder comments	10 days after Needs Meeting
Activity	Timing

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10 days after Solutions Meeting

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al	Do No Harm (DNH) analysis for selected solution	Prior to posting selected solution
ocal	Post selected solution(s)	Following completion of DNH analysis
	Stakeholder comments	10 days prior to Local Plan Submission for integration into RTEP
	Local Plan submitted to PJM for integration into RTEP	Following review and consideration of comments received after posting of selected solutions

Activity

Stakeholder comments

Revision History

4/20/2023 – V1 – Original version posted to pjm.com