

Improving Grid Reliability in the US

The Use of Emergency Generators in Emergency DR

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Introduction to EnerNOC

Market Leader in C&I Demand Response and Energy Efficiency

- More than 8,000 MW of Demand Response under management across 12,500 customer sites
- Over 500,000 MWh of Energy Efficiency achieved to date
- 100+ utility and grid operator partners

Strong Track Record

- Publicly traded on NASDAQ (ticker: ENOC)
- 2011 revenues of ~\$280 million
- 600+ full-time employees
- Headquarters in Boston

What is *Emergency* DR?

End users become part of the grid reliability solution

- Customers reduce their demand for electricity from the grid in response to ISO declared *Emergency* DR dispatch signal
- Customers receive payments for participation and risk reduction
 due to the reduced likelihood of outages
- Emergency DR is NOT economic DR or peak shaving



How does Emergency DR work?

Grid load is reduced through reduced consumption and/or on-site generation



Curtailment – Turning off lights, turning up cooling setpoints, turning off air handlers, shifting production schedules, escalators, elevators, water features, parking lights, signage, heating elements, etc.



Self Generation – facilities use properly permitted emergency back up generation to serve part or all of their facility load ISOs only dispatch Emergency DR for imminent emergencies Emergency DR dispatches follow rigorous procedures and reporting

- North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC) requires formal plans for Capacity and Energy Emergencies to be executed when dispatching Emergency DR
- When facing an energy shortfall a **grid operator must declare an Energy Emergency Alert Level 2** (EEA Alert 2); measures at this step can include:
 - Public appeals
 - Voltage reduction
 - Interruption of non-firm load
 - Emergency DR
 - Utility-side load conservation
- Following an EEA Alert 2 declaration, the grid operator must report back to the NERC on causes, measures taken to address the shortfall, and post-event mitigation

Emergency DR is only dispatched for emergencies – not high load or prices

PJM's procedures during a grid emergency

Their process during an emergency is very specific and regimented



Demand Response is a tangible resource

Emergency Demand Response is reliable and verifiable, as demonstrated in New England on August 2nd, 2006



Actual, Forecasted and Projected Actual with and without Demand Response

Emergency DR Program Tariffs - Overview

- PJM Emergency Load Response Program (ELRP)
 - Program timeframe: June 1 September 30, non-holiday weekdays
 - Program duration: Up to 6 hours per event, required to perform in first 10 events called by PJM (60 hours per year)
 - Called just prior to brownout
- Texas Emergency Interruptible Load Service (EILS)
 - Program timeframe: January 1 December 31, 24/7
 - Program duration: Maximum 6 dispatches and **24 hours per year**
 - Called just prior to brownout, next action is forced load shedding
- ISO New England Operating Procedure (OP) 4, Action 12
 - Program timeframe: January 1 December 31, business days (excluding national holidays) between 7 am and 7 pm
 - Program duration: No hourly limits, no maximum hours per year
 - Called coincident with initial brownout

Emergency DR Programs are Rarely dispatched The risk of dispatch to maximum hours is low

Location	Total events called, 2003- 2011	Cumulative event duration (hours)	Notes
ERCOT	2	30.5	• Extreme Weather Feb 2-3, 2011 for 28 hours, 15 min
ISO-NE	3	26	 Southwest Connecticut only dispatched in 2003 (16 hours) following 2003 blackout Connecticut only dispatched in 2005 (6 hours) All of New England dispatched in 2006 (4 hours)
NYISO	16	113	 No events called in 2004, 2008, or 2009 2 events (total 22 hours) of events dispatched immediately following 2003 blackout 5 events (total 35 hours) in 2006; majority of events responded to distribution system failure in NYC
PJM	14	61	 All events called in eastern PJM zones only; western zone have not been called No events called in 2003, 2004, 2008, and 2009

Emergency DR keeps the lights on

The ELRP improves grid reliability



Emergency DR benefits the environment

Infrequent emergency DR dispatches prevent larger environmental issues

- If the grid fails, every emergency generator in the area will operate for an extended period of time
 - The existing emergency generator fleet includes many poorly maintained, nonpermitted generators
 - DR programs only utilize curtailment or properly permitted generation
- After a grid failure it can take days to restore conditions to normal operating levels, affecting public health and safety
 - During the August 2003 eastern blackout many millions of gallons of untreated sewage from NYC was dumped into rivers due to power failure
- Study prepared for EPA¹ shows that DR programs benefit air quality
- Emergency engines already exist; therefore, no pollution from construction, no land use issues, no water use issues, no transmission needed

¹ Study by Synapse Energy Economics , 2003

Emergency DR events do not correlate with high Ozone days

See Analysis of Emergency DR and Ozone Concentrations; February, 2012

Date	Geographic Extent	Duration (Hours)	High O ₃ Day?	Notes
September 24, 2010	Mid Atlantic (subset)	6	Yes	
September 23, 2010	Mid Atlantic (subset)	5.5-6 depending on zone	Yes in MD; No in DE	
August 11, 2010	Pepco Only (DC Only)	6	Yes	August 9-11 were exceedance days; August 10 higher than 11
July 7, 2010	Mid Atlantic (subset)	4-5.5 depending on zone	Yes	July 5-6 recorded higher concentrations
June 11, 2010	Pepco Only	4.2	No	
May 26, 2010	Pepco Only (DC Only)	2.7	No	
August 8, 2007	Mid Atlantic	4-5 depending on zone	No	August 6 and 7 had exceedances
August 2, 2006	Mid Atlantic	4	No in MD, Yes in DE	
August 3, 2006	Mid Atlantic	5	No in MD, Yes in DE	
July 27, 2005	Mid Atlantic and Dominion	4	Yes	July 25-26 recorded higher concentrations
August 4, 2005	Mid Atlantic	3	Yes	

EPA set a precedent in GHG reporting regulation The EPA included emergency DR in the emergency generator definition in the Greenhouse Gas reporting standards

The EPA carved out emergency DR, **without an hours limitation**, in the emergency generator definition in Final Rule of the GHG reporting regulation:

An emergency generator operates only during emergency situations, for training of personnel under simulated emergency conditions, as part of emergency demand response procedures, or for standard performance testing procedures as required by law or by the generator manufacturer. A generator that serves as a back-up power source under conditions of load shedding, peak shaving, power interruptions pursuant to an interruptible power service agreement, or scheduled facility maintenance shall not be considered an emergency generator.

Source: 40 CFR 98.6

- Emergency engines participating in emergency DR are emergency generators and thus exempt from the GHG reporting regulation
- Engines participating in non-emergency DR are not considered emergency generators and are not exempt from the GHG reporting regulation

State Air Regulators recognize the value of DR

Most permitting agencies allow the operation of emergency engines for emergency DR

States/Counties that allow use of emergency DR in air regulations

Connecticut* Pennsylvania Massachusetts* Maryland* Vermont* Virginia* **Rhode Island*** West Virginia New Hampshire* Illinois Indiana Maine New York Michigan Ohio* Texas States/Counties that do not currently support emergency DR in air regulations Delaware Washington, DC New Jersey

States noted with * required regulatory change to facilitate emergency DR participation by emergency engines

Arguments for increasing the 15 hour limitation

- **ISOs must follow NERC Standards** when dispatching DR for emergencies; owners, CSPs, cannot dispatch them.
- Emergency DR Programs are rarely dispatched but provide low cost insurance against emergencies, but they must meet tariff requirements that specify minimum hours of availability for participation
- There is NO increase in total hours the engines can be run; must fit within the existing 100 hour limit.
- Emergency DR events can substitute for testing hours
- Numerous states allow emergency engines to participate in emergency DR; no state limits participation to 15 hours
- Cost per ton of saved emissions in the hundreds of thousands of dollars

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