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# DIGITAL TWINS APPLIED TO INFRASTRUCTURE SENSING

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### **GE Vernova Portfolio of Businesses: ONE-OF-A-KIND**



- Power Market Assessments
- Investment Decision Analysis



#### **Grid Operations ... A wide range of timescales**





#### **Embracing the Energy Transition**:



Challenges and Adaptations for Power Utilities



The four main pillars supporting increased flexibility of renewable energy transition Image: IRENA

## Grid modernization necessary for rapid progress in the energy transition - Data-driven decision-making helps ensure the world's electric grids are reliable, efficient, and resilient



Electric utility equipment loaded with sensors, automation, data communications and software orchestration, can adapt dynamically to fluctuating sources of energy whether those electrons come from gas-powered generators or wind-powered turbines

Converting a substation from analog to digital brings real-time computing power, data analytics, and actionable intelligence to the management of complex, bidirectional energy flows.



#### **Digital Substation**



Gain actionable intelligence and unlock new values of your substation data



Reduce CAPEX by eliminating duplicated hardware (CT, VT are no longer required)



Reduce engineering work through simplified system drawings



Improve workforce safety (miles of copper wires are replaced with fiber-optic cables)



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Reduce substation footprint by up to 50% through a smaller control Easier, faster and remote commissioning / testing

Improve system reliability through increased situational awareness and asset utilization

#### **Advanced Motor Monitoring and Diagnostics**



Integrated cost-effective monitoring and diagnostics solution that leverages existing relay data without need for additional devices or sensors to detect electrical, mechanical or thermal abnormalities before they become critical motor failures

Advanced motor monitoring and trending provides condition-based status of electrical conditions that can affect motor performance and life including:

- · Stator inter-turn insulation degradation
- · Phase-to-phase insulation degradation
- Stator ground fault failure

Continuous, proactive monitoring of **Thermal Capacity Used (TCU)** for early identification of thermal stresses including:

- Extreme starting conditions
- Harmonics

- Locked Rotor
- Unbalance Current

Utilizing Electrical Signal Analysis (ESA) / Motor Current Signature Analysis (MCSA) to identify common mechanical abnormalities including:

- Broken Rotor Bars
- Bearing Failures
- Foundation Looseness
- Misalignments

#### **Dynamic System Rating**



Reduces grid congestion and increase more renewables onto the grid

To deliver end to end dynamic system rating which will increase capacity and utilization of existing grid by combining

- **Dynamic Line rating**
- Dynamic Power Rating and
- Optimal Power Flow Control

Dynamic system rating is a process of collecting phasor measurement unit data and determining upper limit of active power that can be safely transmitted preventing network voltage collapse



#### Wide Area Management System and Control (WAMS-WAMC)



Make visible the invisible – A new vision of the network

Wide Area Management Systems (WAMS) leverage the use of synchronized high-resolution data from phasor measurement units (PMUs) to monitor and improve the performance of transmission and distribution networks.

By providing the fast frequency response needed for low inertia power systems, WAMS can help manage increased renewable penetration in the grid.



#### **Our FLEX solution set**



Flexible. Reliable. intelligent

FLEXIQ – digital platform that provides design, operations and fleet management solutions to enable grid compliance and maximize lifetime customer value

FLEXRESERVOIR – systems integrated battery energy storage & power electronics solution, for multiple configurations and market applications

FLEXINVERTER\* – containerized solution that delivers a reliable, cost-effective, plug & play, factory integrated power conversion platform for utility scale solar and storage applications



#### FLEXIQ Control System (Plant Control, Dispatcher, and MD)





#### Wind PowerUp Turn up. Tune up.



The PowerUp platform uses a suite of performance dials and levers to fine tune a wind turbine's operation and help enhance its energy production.







Torque









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Aerodynamics





#### **Digital Hydro Solutions**







#### **Benefits of Digital Twin**



Digital twins are a key piece of the digital transformation puzzle. They create an accurate virtual replica of physical objects, assets, and systems to boost productivity, streamline operations and increase profits.



#### Increased reliability and availability

**Reduced risk** 

Lower maintenance costs

Improved production

Faster-time-to-value

