



## **Costs and Benefits** of the Smart Grid

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#### **EPRI Smart Grid Demonstration Initiative**





### **Status of Host-Site Demonstrations**

	Demonstration Host Sites	Planning	Deploving	Collection	Analysis_	
	American Electric Power					
	Con Edison		-			
	Duke Energy		-			
	Electricité de France			_	2	
	Ergon Energy	<u> </u>	-			
	ESB Networks					
	Exelon (ComEd/PECO)					
	Hawaiian Electric Co	_	<u> </u>			
	Hvdro-Québec		5			
	KCP&L					
	PNM Resources		_			
	SMUD		-			
	Southern California Edison		-			
	Southern Company		-			
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#### **Goal of the CBA Process: Maximizing Learning** Maximize learning from Smart Grid projects by Advancing understanding of where, how, and why Smart Grid technologies perform as they do Promoting transferability of results For *learning* to be maximized: Methodologies must be credible Results must be verifiable by others We address these goals by applying the Scientific Method: Formulating, testing, and modifying hypotheses through experimentation, observation, and measurement. © 2011 Electric Power Research Institute, Inc. All rights reserved 5 **Overview of Smart Grid Evaluation Process** Determine Smart Grid Determine Smart Grid Benefits Assets Impacts **Functions** (physical measures) (monetized) List Technologies, Describe Systems' Compare project Monetize physical Intended Functions Devices, & Systems performance to measures baseline case Example metrics: Example measures: Examples: Examples: · Fuel savings • Volt/VAR control · kWh reduction · AMI/Smart meters · Capacity savings • Dynamic · Peak kW reduction Distribution · Reduced outage costs Automation **Capability Rating** · Loss reductions Customer bill · 2-way communication · Flow control • Outage reductions reductions Smart Appliances • Intelligent line • Improved asset • Reductions in CO<sub>2</sub>, switching utilization • Intelligent Electronic Hg, etc. Devices (IEDs) · Real-time load management

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- Some benefits occur far from site of deployment.
- Prior to experimentation and measurement, impacts and benefits must be traced back to physical, measurable quantities local to the project.
- Hypotheses for experimentation are developed to drive experimental design, to expose measurable quantities.





# Issues

- Monetizing Benefits
- Timing of Costs and Benefits
- Hard and Soft Benefits
- •Who pays, and who benefits?
- Marginal rates and marginal costs (the "Lost Revenue" problem)

>	Beneficiaries				
	Utilities	Customers	Society		
Economic					
Environmental					
Reliability & Power Quality					
Security & Safety					



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