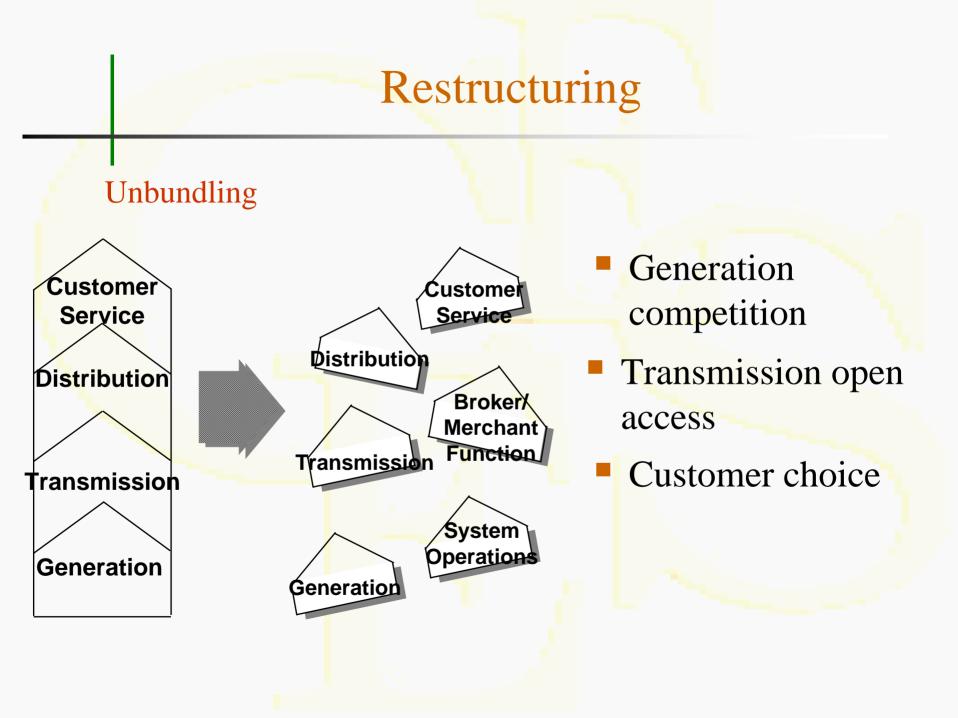
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Transmission Operation: Time for Paradigm Shift?



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Transmission Operation

- Traditional practice
- Congestion management

Is the traditional transmission operation evolved for the vertically integrated monopoly compatible to the restructured industry?

Old Paradigm

Philosophy

- » Preventive control
- » (n-1) criterion

Operational planning

- » Setting limits
 - Physical
 - Stability,

Real-time operation

- » Security-constrained dispatch
- » Contingency analysis and re-dispatch

Justification

- (n-1) criterion
 - » Obligation to serve
- Preventive control
 - » Reliability justification for capital investment
 - » Cost redistribution within a company
 - » Technology not possible for post-contingency control

Prediction: Blackout will happen again. old approach

Can blackout be avoided? Yes.

alternative approach

August 14, 2003 blackout happened.

Load Shedding

- Power balance
 - Fundamental physical law
 - » Spatial and temporal
- Power imbalance causes
 - » Overload
 - » Instability
- Control strategy
 - » Remove imbalance

- Protective relays disconnect
 - » Generators
 - » Transmission lines
- Cascading outages result in blackout
- Load shedding is the most effective measure for blackout prevention

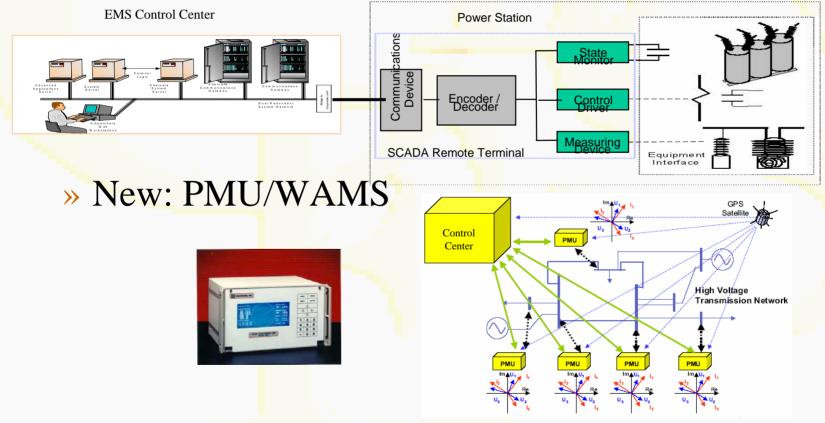
Alternative Approach

- Value of service (load demand)
- Preventive control = \$\$
 - » Supply-side measures
- Load shedding = \$\$
 - » Demand-side measures
- Value balance
 - » Stochastic
- Post-contingency control

Feasibility (1)

Post-contingency control

» Control center: RTU/SCADA



Feasibility (2)

Load shedding

- » Traditional: Under-frequency, under voltage
- » New: Direct load control
- Value of service
 - » Interruptible load
 - » Priority service

Conclusion

- The philosophy underlining traditional transmission operation is rooted in an industry that is a vertically integrated monopoly.
- A fresh look at the transmission reliability practice seems warranted.
- We propose a new approach based on:
 - » Value of service
 - » Post-contingency control
- Post-contingency control is on the verge of being technically feasible. There were programs on the value of service.



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