

SPIDERS Industry Day Implementation Considerations



Drivers for DoD Microgrids

- Military missions are growing more dependent on state-side installations for operations and logistics
- The US power grid is becoming increasingly fragile
- Threats of physical and cyber attacks on the grid are increasing
- Prolonged utility outages due to natural disasters are occurring more frequently
- Mandates to reduce reliance on fossil fuels

SPIDERS CONOPS

SPIDERS JCTD Objectives

- Provide a Cyber-secure microgrid for Enhanced Mission Assurance
 - Increase reliability of traditional backup generation
 - Reduce fossil fuel consumption of generators
 - Integrate renewable generation in islanded mode
 - Implement a cyber-secure control system

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Do No Harm!

- Maintain reliable legacy systems
 - Existing generation assets
 - Automatic Transfer Switches (ATS)
 - Existing distribution networks
- Avoid additional failure points
- Fail-safe modes should match existing conditions

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Minimize Changes to Existing Infrastructure

- Maximize value through use of existing assets
- Utilize existing infrastructure to increase reliability and maintainability of systems
- Address existing deficiencies in power systems

Minimize Disruption to Ongoing Operations

- Critical Missions can't afford lengthy construction and testing outages
- Seamless transition to/from utility power is crucial during testing and operation

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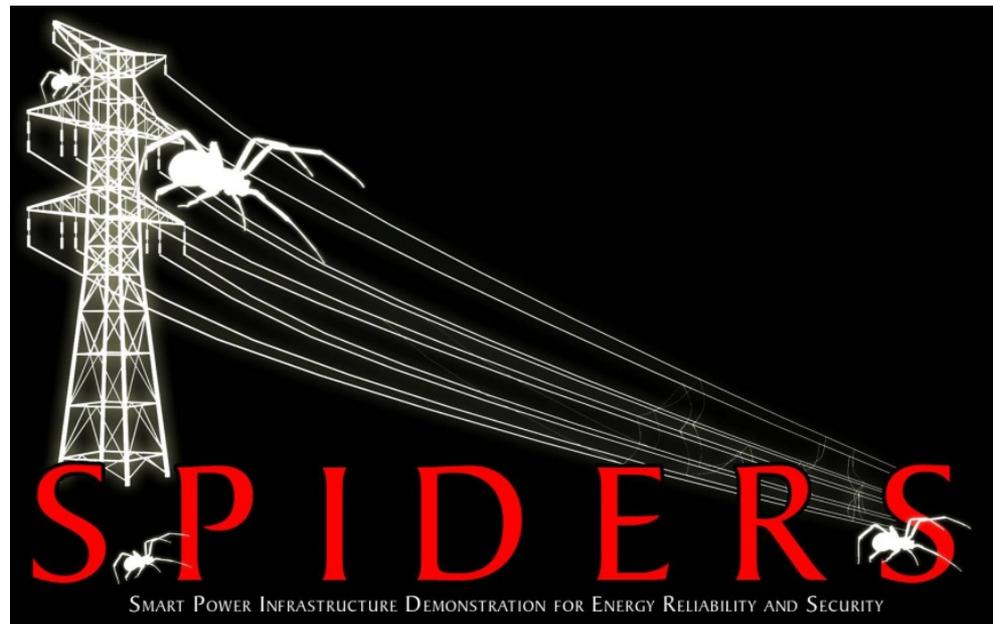
Enhance Grid-tied Operations

- Improve generator testing capabilities through parallel operation with utility
 - Increase generator certainty
 - Reduce wet-stacking
- Support peak shaving opportunities
- Support grid services

SPIDERS Phase I

Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam

Technical Approach



Site Orientation



Mamala
Substation

Renewable
Island

WWTP

JBP HH Microgrid Overview

- Serves 400-700kW critical load (WWTP)
- Two electrically isolated generators and busses
- 150kW PV array

1600 kW
generator
(400 kW load)

800 kW
generator
(100 kW load)

480V
distribution

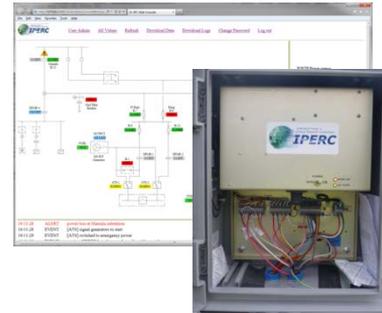
150 kW
PV Array



SPIDERS Phase I System



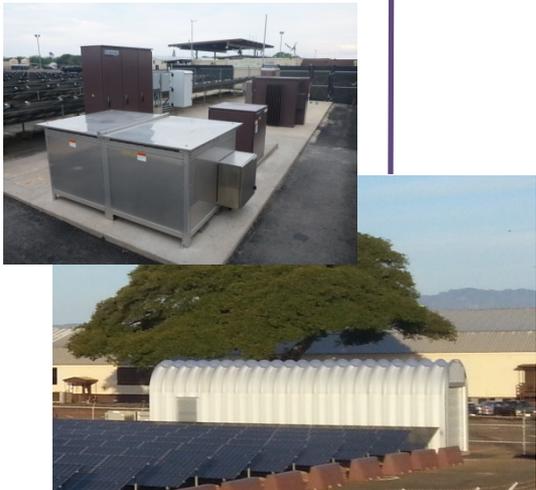
Mamala
Substation



Microgrid
Control
System

Fort Kam 15kV Feeder

Renewable
Island



800kW
Generator



1600kW
Generator



Critical
WWTP
Loads

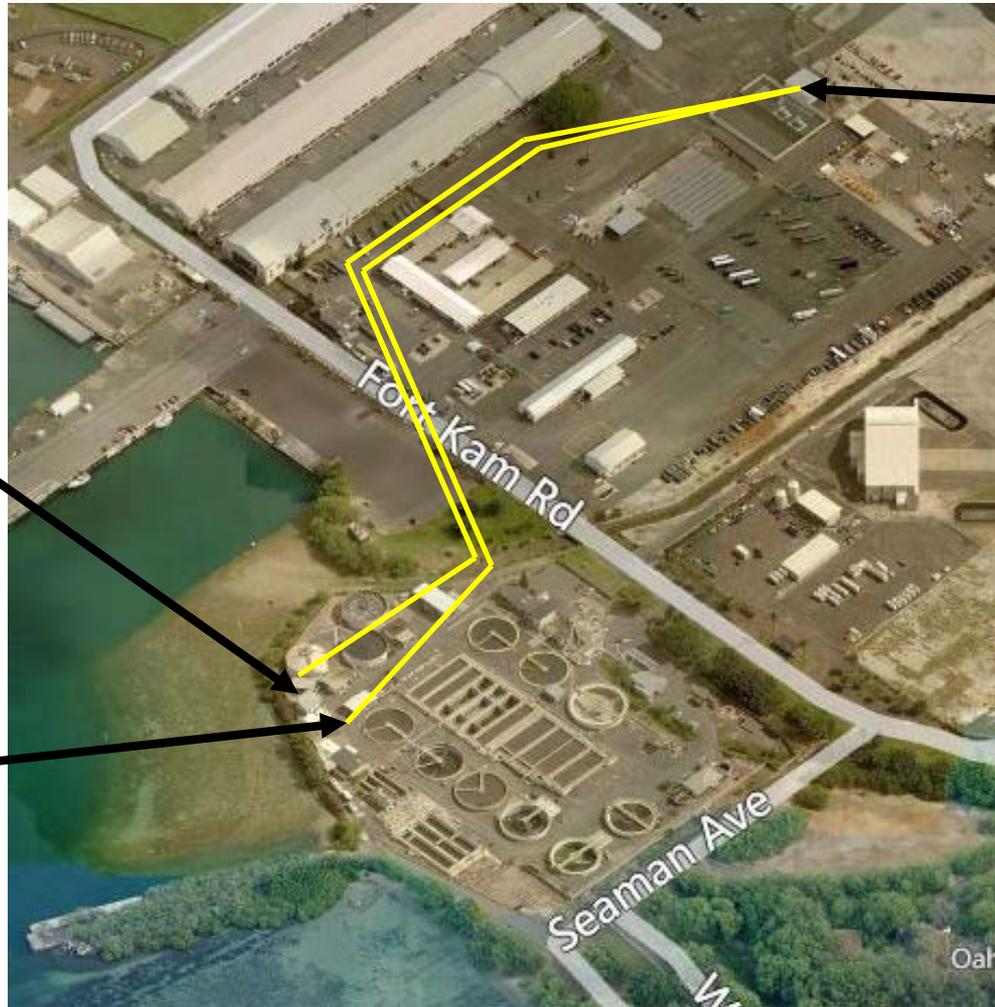
What has SPIDERS Phase I Demonstrated?

- Stable operation of the Microgrid with PV and diesel power sources in parallel
- High penetration of renewable sources in a microgrid (up to 90% PV penetration)
- Transmission of generator load sharing control signals over long distances
- Creation of a secure control network for a Microgrid per DIACAP Guidelines (PRA Accreditation process)

Generator Synchronization Path

1600 kW
Generator
Controller

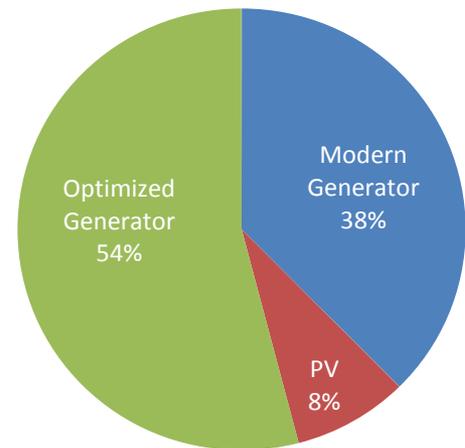
800 kW
Generator
Controller



Mamala
Substation
Breaker

What has SPIDERS Phase I Demonstrated?

- Fail-safe control that reverts to traditional backup power modes
- Enhanced generator testing: ability to test generators at any load without interrupting WWTP
- 30% reduction in diesel fuel consumption when in SPIDERS power mode



SPIDERS Phase II

Fort Carson, CO

Technical Approach



Fort Carson Microgrid Overview

- Serves Tier 1, 2 & 3 building loads (2,000 kW) on multiple circuits
- Integrates existing generation assets
 - Three, large diesel generators
 - 2MW PV Array
- Develop bi-directional PEV charging
 - Energy storage
 - Grid services
 - Power factor correction



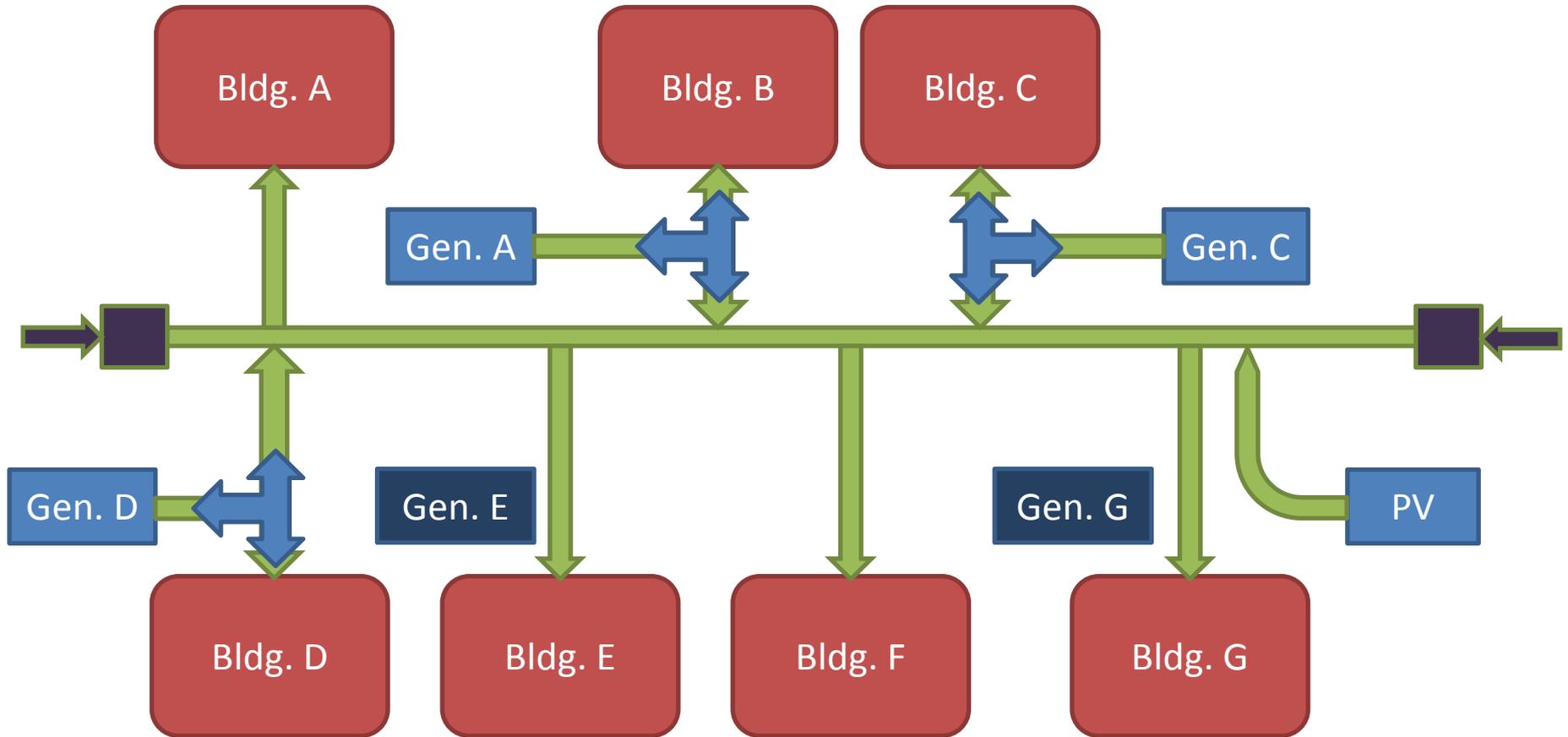
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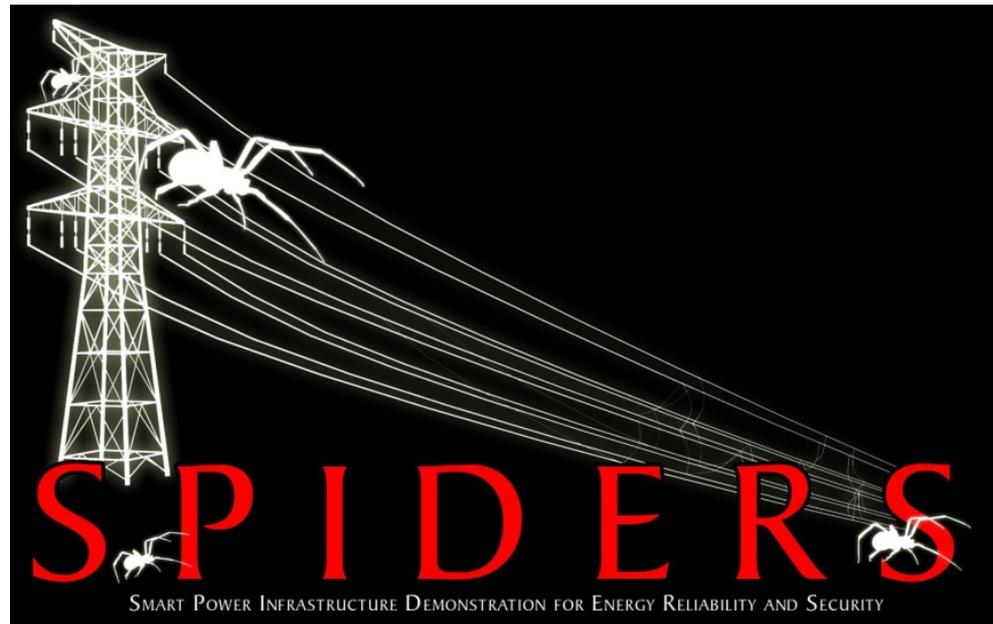
Specker
Avenue

PV Array

Fort Carson Microgrid Overview



SPIDERS Microgrid Planning & Design Considerations



Site Data Package Requirements

- Understand existing electrical topology
 - Substation/PCC Interface (breakers or switches)
 - Certainty of distribution configuration
 - Utility load management responsibilities
 - Grounding reference points
- Prioritization of Loads
 - Based on mission criticality of operation
 - Consider cost-benefits of adding critical loads, omitting non-critical loads

Site Data Package Requirements

- Understand load profiles
 - Peak and average loads
 - Availability of meter data
 - Ensure renewable output does not exceed load
- Control communications networks
 - Dedicated networks for cyber security
 - Ownership of data lines and pathways
 - Security and segmentation of data lines

Site Data Package Requirements

- Utility Operations Preferences
 - Utilization of visibility provided by microgrid control system
 - Automatic or manual initiation of microgrid modes
 - Pre-emptive islanding
 - Power reliability of control stations
 - Notifications to utility providers

Codes and Standards

- Unified Facility Criteria (UFC)
- Applicable Building Codes
- Site Specific Criteria
 - Installation standards
 - Corrosive environments
 - Temperature extremes

Changes to Codes and Standards

- For Buildings with 500kW and Larger Generators
 - Require Automatic Transfer Switches to have remote inputs to command switch to stay on emergency or normal source
 - Provide closed transition transfer switches
 - Require Generators to have load sharing capabilities
 - Require conduits for bypass breakers be installed to service transformer
 - Consider installing SPIDERS bypass breakers on generators
 - Consider standardizing on common generator size

Changes to Codes and Standards

- For Buildings with 100kW and Larger PV Arrays
 - Require reverse power monitoring of generator to shut down PV array
 - Require remote shutdown of PV array by microgrid controller
 - Require dedicated power meter on PV array to transmit output to microgrid controller
 - Consider VAR compensation
 - Consider connecting inverters directly to main switchboard

Interconnection Considerations

- Utility Requirements for UL-listing
 - Anti-islanding features of inverters
 - Lack of test standards for microgrid features (i.e. EVSE)
- System Stability
 - UL Listing of typical grid-tied equipment requires voltage and frequency stability for operation
 - Increased use of PV (unity power factor output) reduces power factor from utility, potentially increasing utility rates from penalties
 - Variability of many renewable types requires spinning reserve in the system to compensate for sharp drops in renewable output

Interconnection Considerations

- Utility Requirements
 - Mixed resource microgrid can require multiple interconnect agreements
 - Work with utilities to widen operating frequencies and voltages for PV arrays
 - No clear requirements for bi-directional electric vehicle charging stations or batteries which operate at non-unity power factor

Interconnection Considerations

- Third-party Renewable PPA's
 - Large renewable assets should be available for backup power use
 - PPA contracts should allow for microgrid control interface to system
 - PV array design should allow for segmentation of output into manageable “blocks” (250kW inverters rather than 1MW blocks)
 - PPA/EUL access agreements should consider future microgrid construction/access
 - DOD must define ICS IA “ownership”
 - PV should be distributed throughout system



IA Considerations

- Determine control system Accreditation Authority
 - Certification of ICS not standard in the DOD
- Determine control system Ownership
 - Yet to be defined for Phase II

Questions?