NIST Smart Grid Program

Working with industry to coordinate development of interoperability standards

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National Institute of Standards and Technology

- Non-regulatory agency in the U.S. Department of Commerce
 - Measurement science research (3 Nobel Prize winning scientists)
 - Lead role in coordinating U.S. government standards activities



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- U.S. National Metrology Institute (strong connections and collaborations with international metrology community)
- > Strong partnerships with industry, academia, government
- > Research, calibrations, standard reference materials, ...
- Engineering, IT, Physical Measurement, Material Measurement Labs



Paradigm Shift Prioritization Policies **Partnerships** People Plan Processes

Produce Results

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From:Vertically integrated monopolies

Smart Grid

Paradigm Shift

- Centralized generation
- Limited awareness
- Hierarchical network
- Deterministic control
- Generation to meet demand
- Proprietary architectures and interfaces

To:

- Restructured competitive markets
- More distributed generation
- Sensors everywhere
- Interconnected microgrids
- Stochastic control
- Responsive demand and generation
- Open standards





Prioritization - Smart Grid is National Priority



"We'll fund a better, smarter electricity grid and train workers to build it..." President Barack Obama

- "It is the policy of the United States to support the modernization of the Nation's electricity [system]... to achieve...a Smart Grid."
- U.S. Congress, Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007

A POLICY FRAMEWORK FOR THE 21st CENTURY GRID: Enabling Our Secure Energy Future

JUNE 2011



http://www.whitehouse.gov/ostp

Policies – Includes Key Role for Standards



The Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 gives NIST "primary responsibility to coordinate development of a framework that includes ... standards ... to achieve interoperability of smart grid devices and systems..." White House June 2011 Policy Framework includes 4 key Federal policy recommendations: enable cost-effective smart grid investments, unlock innovation, empower and inform consumers, and secure the grid



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Policies – Includes Key Role for Standards



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- U.S. Federal government will continue to catalyze development and adoption of open standards
 - Standards help ensure that today's investments will be valuable in the future
 - Standards help catalyze innovation
 - Standards support consumer choice
 - Standards help lower prices
 - Standards highlight best practices as utilities face difficult choices
 - Standards help open markets



Policies – Includes Key Role for Standards



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- Regulators should publicly embrace interoperability standards and take appropriate action regarding development and implementation
- FERC Order RM 11-2-000 (2011) ٠ encouraged utilities, smart grid product manufacturers, regulators, and other smart grid stakeholders to actively participate in the NIST interoperability framework process to work on the development of interoperability standards and to refer to that process for guidance on smart grid standards



Partnerships – U.S. Gov't Roles in Smart Grid

Public Consultation, Utility Engagement, Agency Coordination



\$ Funding R&D National Labs

Industry Coordination, R&D

> National Institute of Standards and Technology U.S. Department of Commerce

Interagency Coordination PLUS additional agencies State Regulators NARUC – National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners



Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Standards Developing Organizations Regulatory Structure, plus NERC – North American Electric Reliability Corporation NAESB – North American Energy Standards Board

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Partnerships – Standards Development



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People – White House Kickoff Meeting



- May 18, 2009: Meeting chaired by Secretaries of Energy and Commerce
- 66 CEOs and senior executives, federal and state regulators

 Commitment of industry CEOs for their people (staff) to participate in NIST process to accelerate development of a smart grid roadmap





Plan: NIST Three Phase Plan to work with industry to accelerate standards

2010

PHASE 1 Identify an initial set of existing consensus standards and develop a roadmap to fill gaps

Summer 2009 Workshops

Smart Grid Interoperability Panel Established Nov 2009

> NIST Smart Grid Interoperability Framework 1.0 Released Jan 2010

PHASE 2 Establish Smart Grid Interoperability Panel (SGIP) public-private forum with governance for ongoing efforts

> PHASE 3 Testing and Certification Framework

> > 2011

NIST Framework 2.0 Released Feb 2012

SGIP 2.0

2012



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Public Process – multiple stakeholders input

- Three public workshops in 2009
- More than 1500 participants
- Hundreds of companies, organizations, agencies
- Online collaboration wiki
- Public Federal Register Notices
- Web conferences
- All information publicly available on-line



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Produced Results: NIST Smart Grid Framework

- Published January 2010, Release 2.0 February 2012
 - Extensive public input and review
- Smart Grid Vision & Reference Model
- Identifies 100 standards
- Priority Action Plan projects to fill key gaps
- Testing & certification framework
- Companion cyber security strategy
- Smart Grid Interoperability Panel

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NIST Smart Grid Framework 1.0 January 2010

NIST Smart Grid Reference Model (Release 2.0)



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SGIP NIST Smart Grid Interoperability Panel

- Public-private partnership created in Nov. 2009
- Approx. 750 member organizations, 1900+ participants
- Open, public process with international participation
- Coordinates standards development
 - Identifies Requirements
 - Prioritizes standards development programs
 - Works with over 20 SDOs including IEC, ISO, ITU, IEEE, ...
 - Significant international participation
- Web-based participation



SGIP Twiki: http://collaborate.nist.gov/twikisggrid/bin/view/SmartGrid/SGIP

Partnerships – International

- International standardization outreach NIST
 - IEC SG3 Strategic Group on Smart Grid
 - USNC (US National Committee) activities
 - IEEE, other liaisons
 - APEC, ISGAN, various international fora ...
 - Many bilateral interactions ...
- Smart Grid Interoperability Panel
 - International Task Force
 - International Meeting (Montreal, Canada, July 2011)
 - Letters of Intent (including Japan, Korea, EU, Ecuador, Columbia in preparation...)
 - International membership examples: State Grid of China, Korea Smart Grid Association, Inmetro (Brazil), BC Hydro (Canada), Comision Federal de Electricidad (Mexico), Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation (Japan) and many other multinational companies,



Partnerships: Coordination with Smart Grid – Coordination Group and European Standards Bodies CEN, CENELAC, ETSI

- Regular Meetings of SC-CG, NIST and SGIP (latest June 2012)
- NIST/ SG-CG Joint White Paper
 - Published at Grid Week 2011 in Washington DC
- Common Goals:
 - Strive for global solutions where appropriate within the constraints of our policy objectives
 - Don't reinvent the wheel
 - Flexible standards framework
 - Common conceptual model
 - System level top down approach
 - Organization and processes for standardization
 - Synchronization of work
- Areas of Collaboration:



 Key messages, architecture, standards priorities, testing/certification, information exchange

Partnerships: APEC Workshop-Regulatory Approaches to Smart Grid Investment and Deployment

- NIST-organized workshop held May 16-17, 2012 in Quebec City, Quebec, Canada after the international 5th World Forum on Energy Regulation
- Goals: Share information and increase APEC regulators' understanding of how interoperability supports regulatory goals; offer private sector perspectives; and strengthen coordination and communication among regulators in the APEC region
- Outcomes:
 - Efficient development of standards and interoperability will reap key benefits for electricity regulators
 - There is a need for more robust engagements between the standards community and regulators
 - The standards community could benefit from an analysis of the needs of regulators to understand the standards process and its implications for the modernization of electric grids and the trade in smart grid technologies.
 - There is a need for the development and communication of best practices for regulators in providing input to the standards community.
 - Continued education and outreach on standards interoperability issues will be beneficial and we should identify organizations and forums for this task.

Process: Smart Grid Interoperability Panel



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Produced Results: SGIP Catalog of Standards

Criteria for inclusion

- Formalized SGIP process for evaluation and decision to include
- Requires reviews by architecture, cybersecurity, and domain expert committees
- Criteria
 - Relevant to advancing interoperability of Smart Grid devices and systems
 - Accepted by the community
 - Suitable for deployment
 - Focuses on interfaces to facilitate integration and promote implementation flexibility
 - Documented and maintained by multi-member organization

Information included in catalog for each standard

- Development organization and process
- Support, conformance, certification, and testing
- Application domains targeted by the standard
- Interoperability categories covered by the standard (organizational, informational, technical layers)
- Cybersecurity and privacy aspects
- Recommendations resulting from reviews



Produced Results: Green Button Initiative

- Common-sense idea that electricity customers should be able to download <u>their own energy usage information</u> in a consumer- and computer-friendly electronic format from their utility's secure website.
- Result of collaboration among White House, DOE, NIST, state regulators, utilities, vendors, SGIP, and North American Energy Standards Board

Green Button Download My Data reenbuttondata.org & ist.gov/smartgrid/ utton.cfm

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