

# Northwest Energy Systems Symposium



Snohomish County PUD

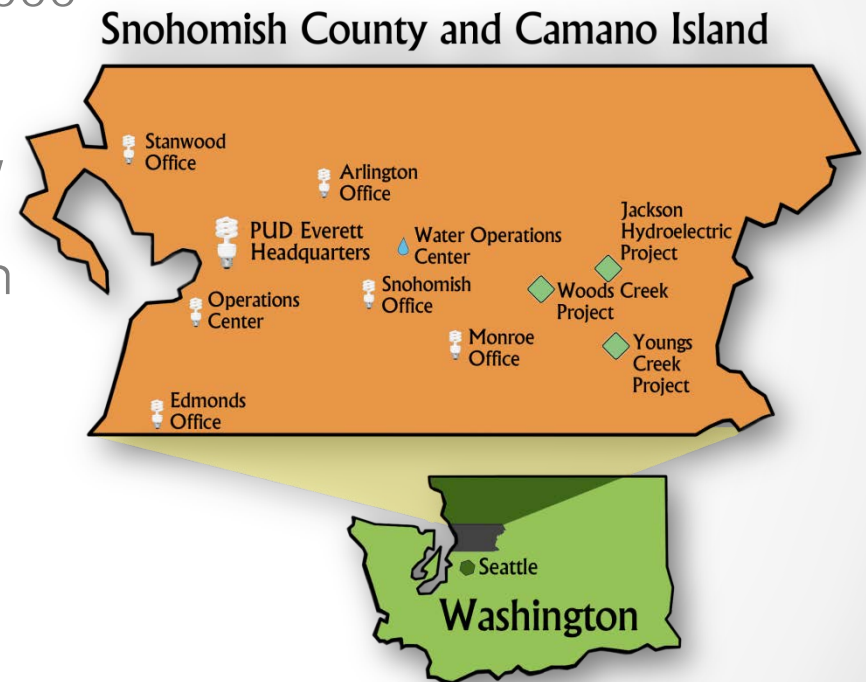
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# Snohomish County PUD Company Profile

- Total Electrical Customer: 324,000
- Energy Sales: 9,194,554 MWh
- Generating Capacity: 120 MW
- Residential Rates: 9.3¢ per kWh
- # of Substations: 86
- # of Circuits: 396
- Resource Mix: 8% Renewables



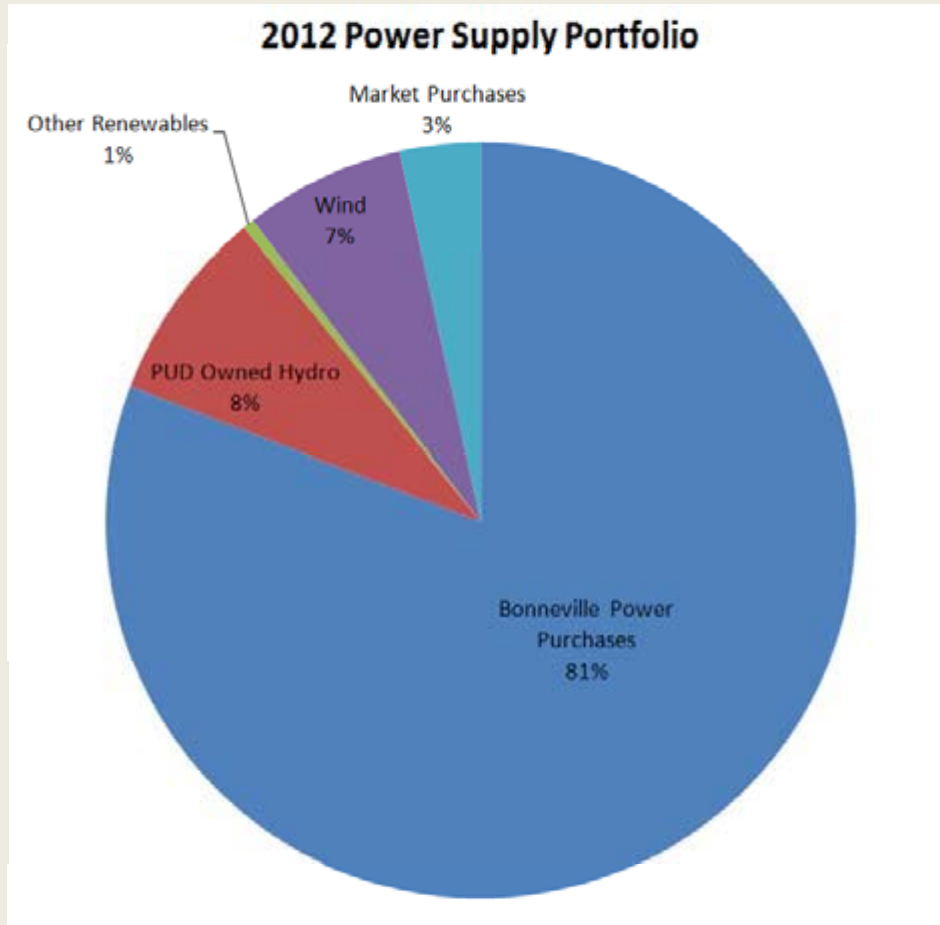
# Energy Storage



- **Various Types**
  - Large Batteries, Flywheels, Compressed Air, Pumped Hydro
  - Connected directly to the Electrical System
- **Allows the generated power to be stored until it is needed by the end customer.**



# Why is Energy Storage needed?

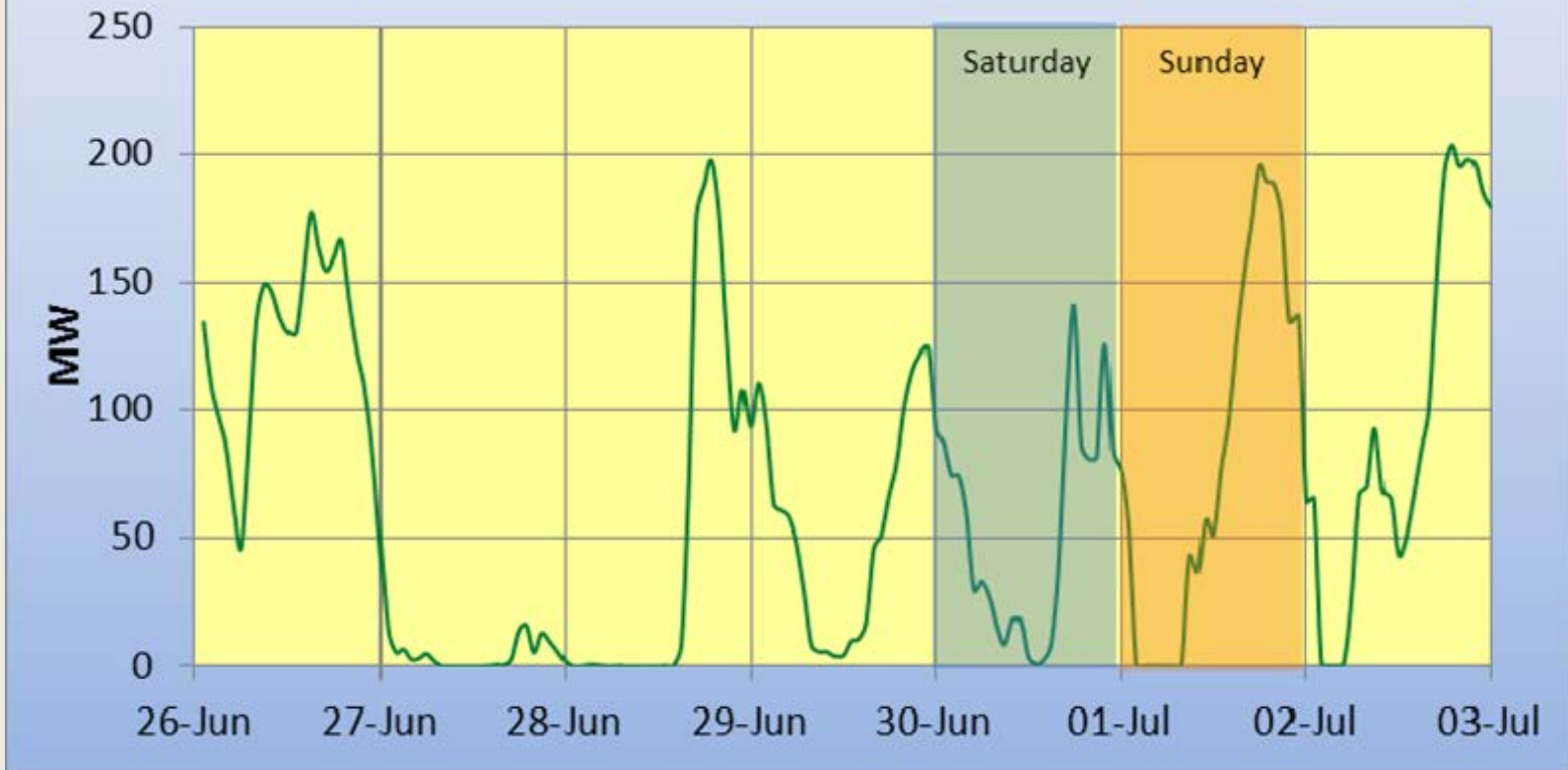


**Challenge:**  
Meet load growth and renewable portfolio standard requirements without the use of fossil fuels

# Renewable Energy is Variable



## Snohomish's Aggregated Wind



# Other Use Cases



- Integration of Distributed Generation
- Increased Reliability
- Optimize use of electric system
  - Maximize use of existing infrastructure and limit further expansion.



# Modular Energy Storage Architecture (MESA)



- **Current grid energy storage offerings**
  - Expensive (\$100k for 25 kw-hr system) →
  - Lack modularity
  - Lack interoperability
  - Lack scalability
  - Lack standardization
  - Monolithic; vendors operate beyond core expertise
- **Large gap between battery manufacturers and utilities**
  - Core suppliers cannot easily serve core customers

For \$30k you can get 24kw-hr of Li-ion storage with a Nissan Leaf wrapped around it...



# Opportunity



- **Implications:**
  - Utility market for significant-scale battery based storage is very small and slow growing
  - Projects to-date are either highly optimized one-off niche projects, or small learning/demonstration projects
  - Decreasing battery prices alone are unlikely to stimulate utility energy storage market growth significantly
- **Opportunity: focus on architecture and standardization**
  - Develop and deploy “Modular Energy Storage Architecture” (MESA)

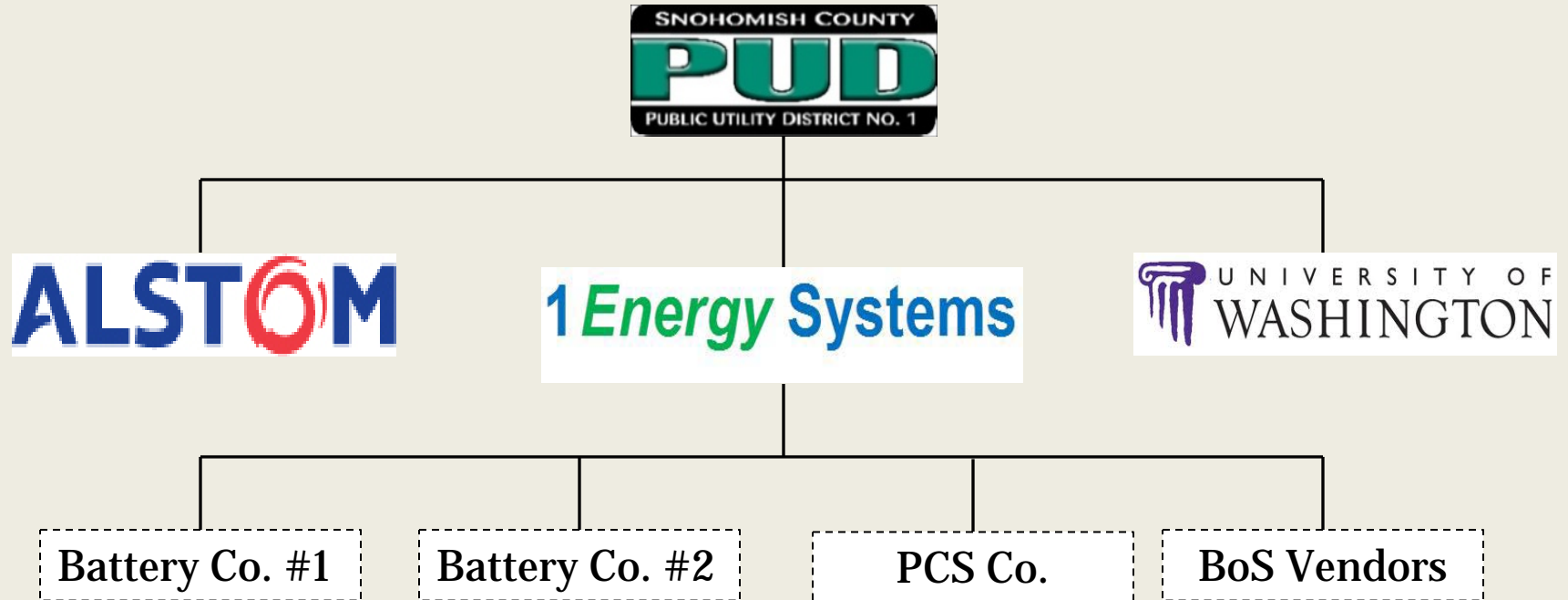


# Project Specifics



- **2MW/1MWH Lithium – Ion System**
- **Deploy at Hardeson Substation**
- **Integrate into SCADA system and Power Scheduling software**

# Project Organization



# Project Deliverables and Schedule

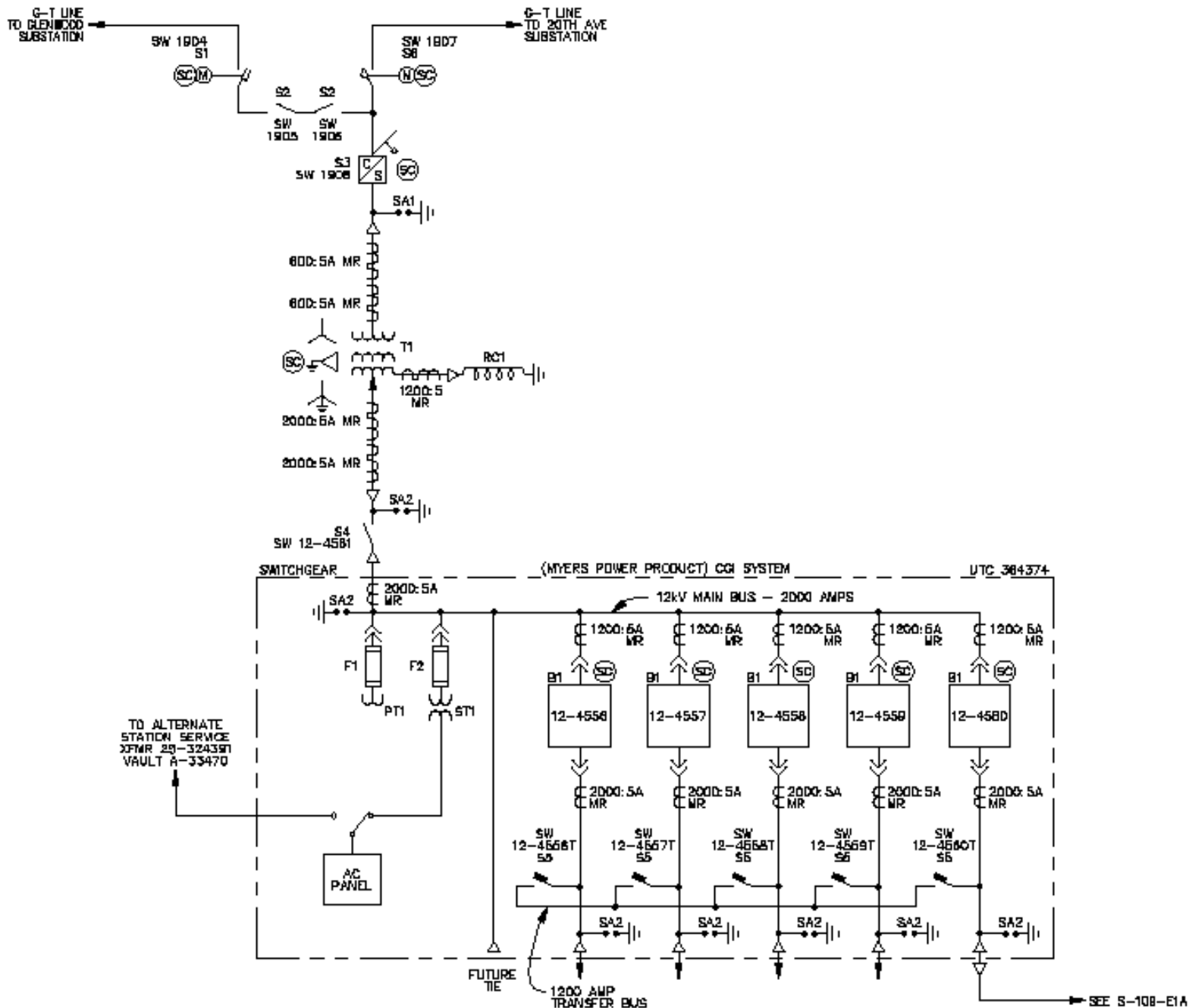


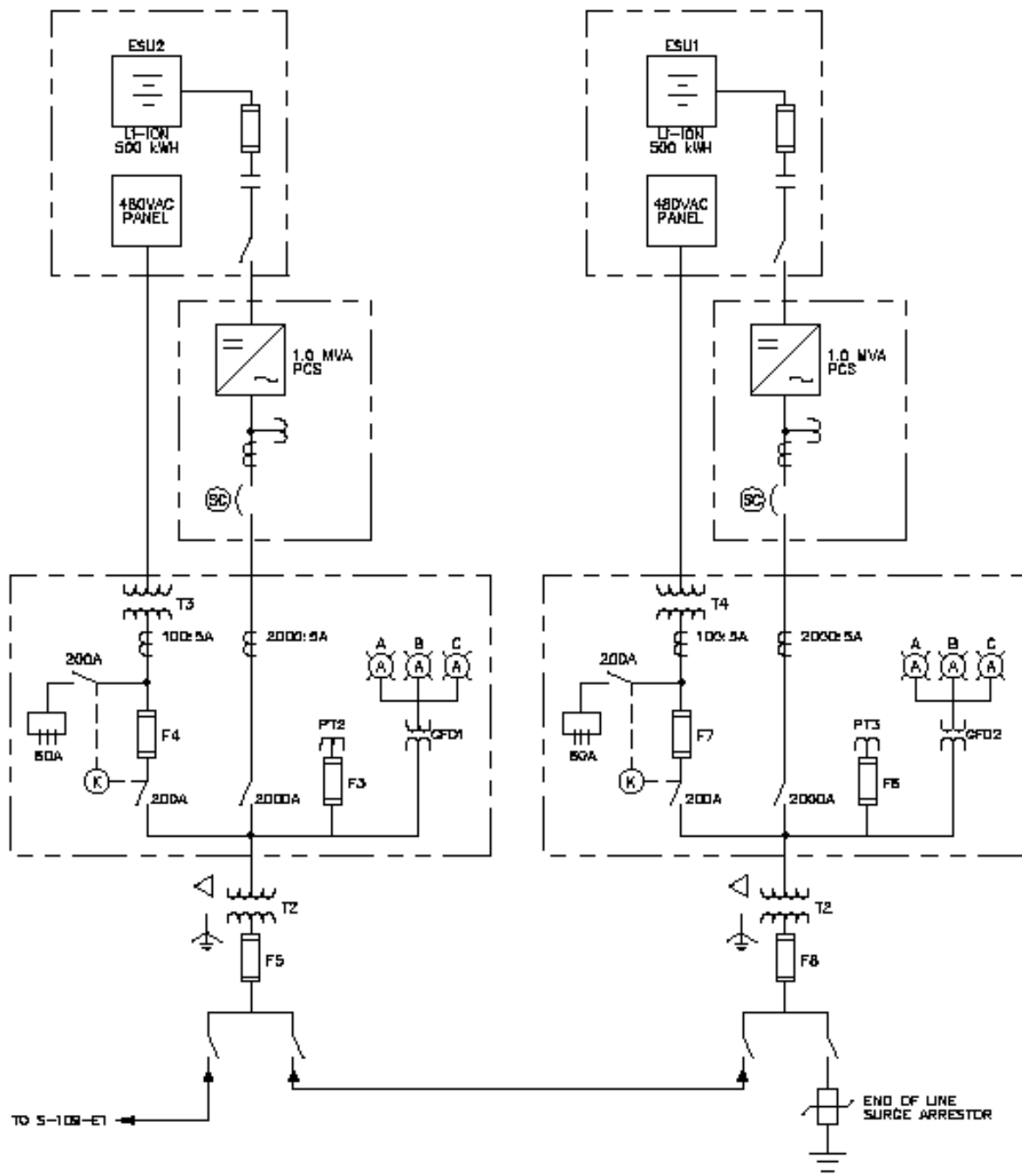
- **Deliverables**

- Design, deploy, and test first modular, component-based utility energy storage system
- Demonstrate multi-vendor solution (batteries, PCS, software)
- Integrate into District's communication and control systems.

- **Schedule**

- Design: through 1Q 2014
- Implementation: 2Q 2014 through 4Q 2014





# System Design



- **Communications**
- **Protection**
  - Utility relaying
  - Arc Flash Detection
- **Operating Modes**
  - Charge Discharge, Generation/Load Following, Peak Limiting, Fixed PF, PF Limiting, Schedules, Real Power Smoothing, Dynamic Volt-Watt Mode
- **Fire Suppression System**
  - Hardwired SCADA alarm
  - Strobe Light

# Design continued



- **Permitting**
- **Hazardous Material Management Plan**
  - Response to Emergency
  - Handling and transport of batteries
  - Spill response
- **Maintenance of System**
  - Batteries typically not 100% discharged
  - Cooling System
- **Design requires input from various stakeholders across utility**