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WPS-141-1A Static var compensator (SVC) applications for improving transmission system performance



WCS-120-1 Static Var Compensator Applications



"I miss the palm tree, also, but at least we can have a refrigerator."

Agenda

- Introduction & FACTS (Flexible AC Transmission Systems) Overview
- System Study Consideration Steady State vs Dynamic
- SVC Technology Overview & Applications
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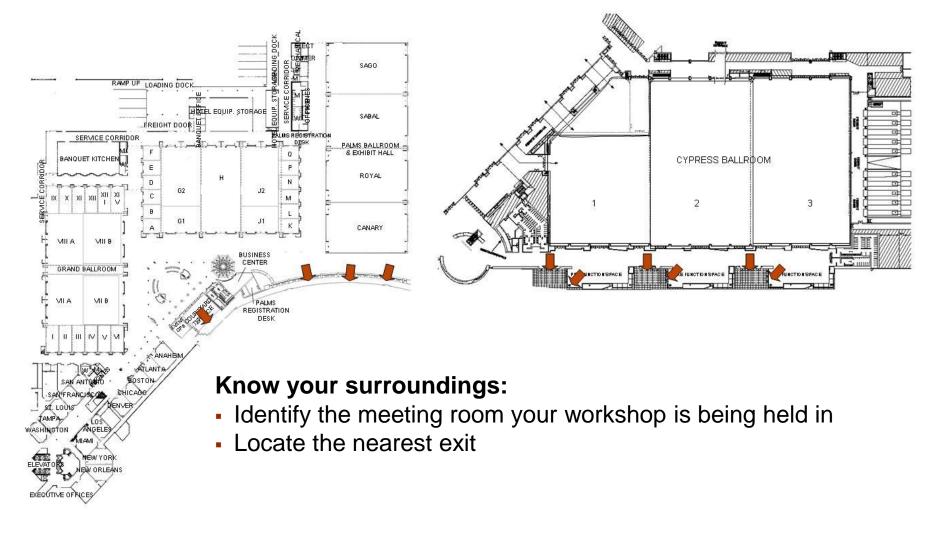


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FACTS Portfolio – Two main areas Flexible AC Transmission Systems

Shunt Compensation

- SVC
- STATCOM (SVC Light)
- Battery Energy Storage





Series Compensation

- Fixed
- Controllable



Typical Drivers for Dynamic Reactive Support (FACTS)

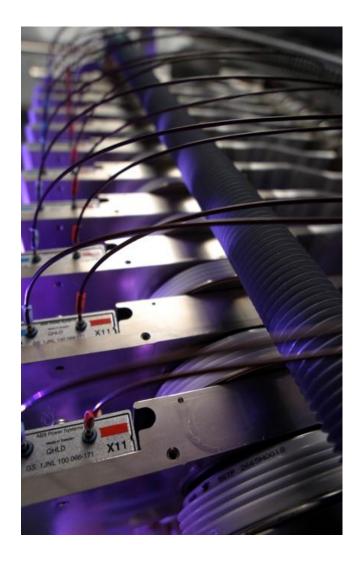
- Support Load Centers Importing Remote Generation
- Provides Stability During Dynamic Events
- Retire RMR or High Emission Generation
- Improve Power Quality & Mitigate Flicker
- Replace Synchronous Condensers
- Increase Transmission Capacity
- Power Oscillation Damping
- Phase Unbalance Control
- Improve Grid Reliability
- Voltage Recovery
- Voltage Profile



FACTS Offers a Toolbox of Solutions for Transmission Challenges



FACTS in Brief



Static Var Compensator (SVC)

- First units installed: Mid 1970's
- ABB Installations: More than 400 globally
- Simplified: Variable Shunt Impedance
- Technology: Fixed Capacitors (Filters), TCR/TSR, TSC

Static Compensator (STATCOM) / SVC Light

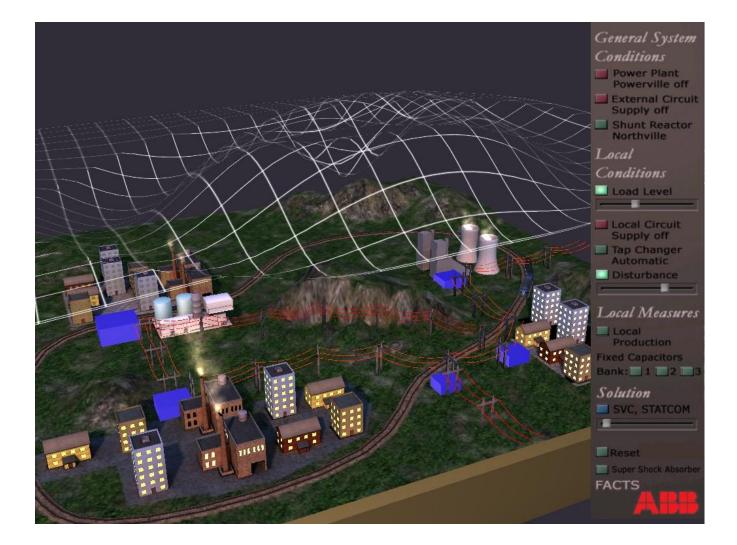
- First units installed: 1990's
- Simplified: Variable Voltage Source
- Technology: VSC (Voltage Source Converter)

Series Capacitor (SC)

- First units installed: 1950
- ABB Installations: More than 400 globally
- Simplified: Offset's inductance of line to "appear" shorter
- Technology: Fixed, Staged/Stepped, Thyristor Controlled



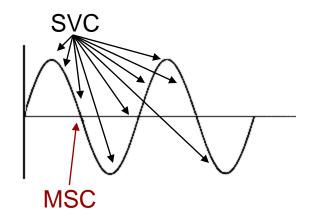
SVC Demo

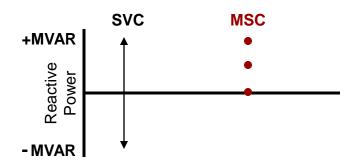




SVC vs. Shunt Capacitors

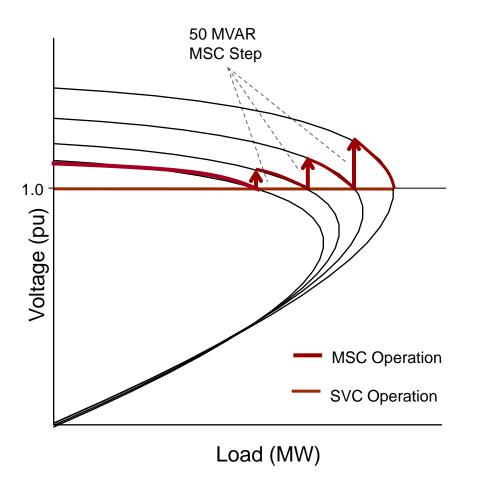
OPERATION	SVC	MSC
Switch-in Time	At most 3 ms	~50 - 200 ms
Discharge Time	None needed	5 – 15 min
Point of Wave	Any	zero crossing desired
Control Type	Continuous	Stepwise







SVC Vs. MSC Practical Operation



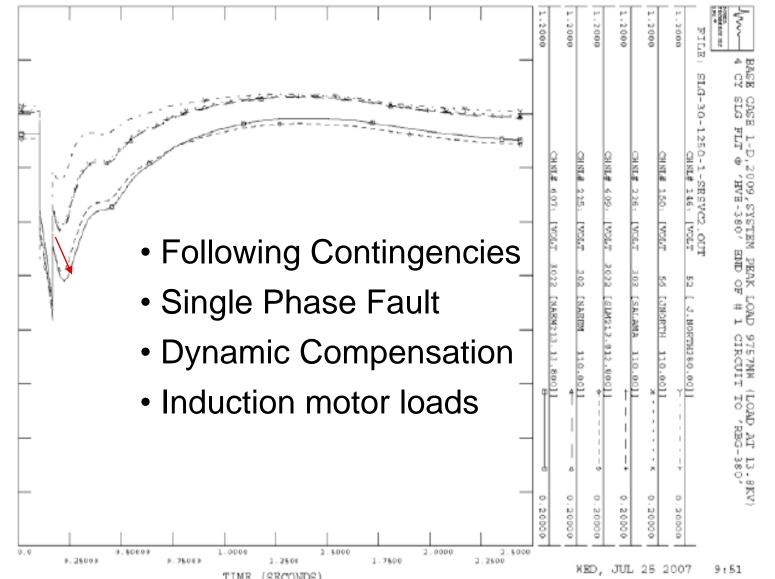
- Systems heavily compensated with shunt capacitor banks are more sensitive to changes in reactive power
- SVC's can provide continuous range, therefore limiting the effects of capacitor bank switching
- For this reason, using an SVC to automatically control MSC banks can be very effective.



SVC Design Studies Specification Development

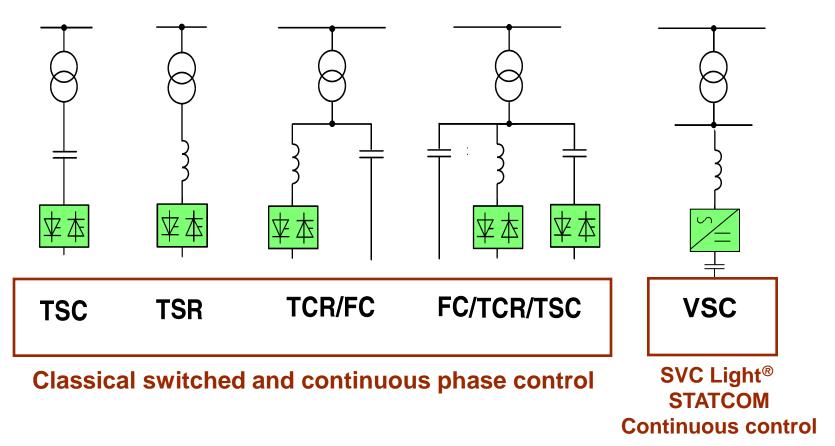
- SVC sizing studies
 - Steady state load flow studies
 - Different load levels and generation scenarios, voltage profiles
 - Short circuit levels
 - Dynamic Studies
 - Post contingency behavior
 - Load modeling important, ie fraction of motor load
 - Requirements on SVC control response
- Harmonic impedance study
- Background harmonics (measurement)
- Power oscillation damping requirements

Example Simulation Dynamic vs. Steady State Vars



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SVC & SVC Light Building Blocks

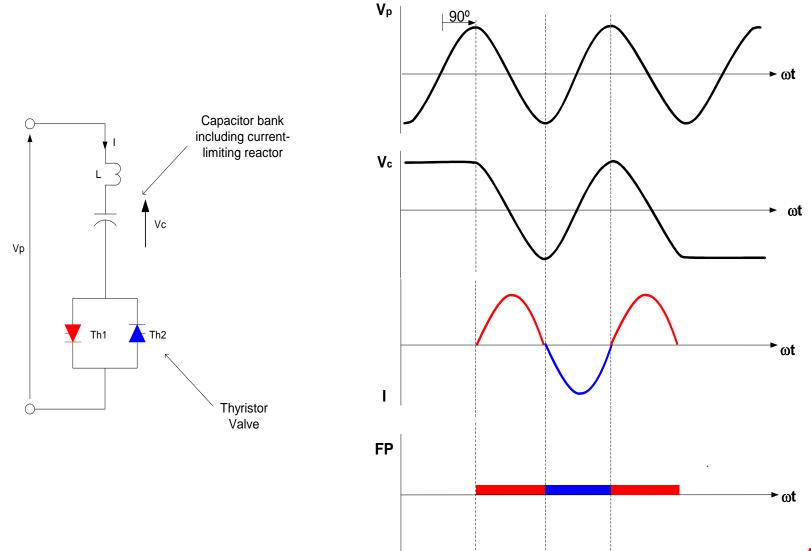


TCR: Thyristor Controlled Reactor **TSR:** Thyristor Switched Reactor **TSC:** Thyristor Switched Capacitor

FC: Fixed/Filter Capacitor VSC: Voltage Source Converter

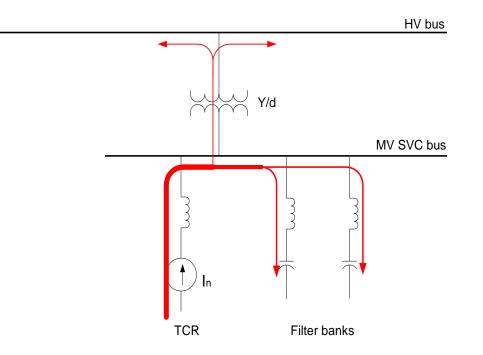


Thyristor Switched Capacitor





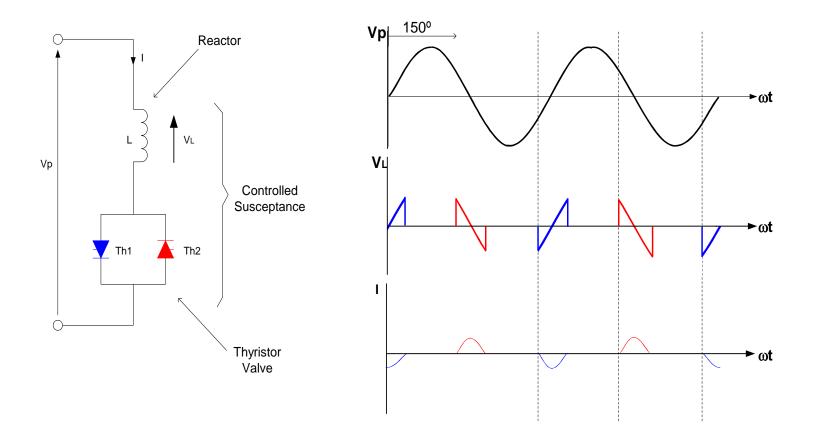
TCR Harmonics & Filters





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Thyristor Controlled Reactor







Drivers for the Tucson Electric Power SVC



Problem:

 Potential for voltage collapse, especially during warm summer months

Causes:

- High concentration of air conditioning motor loads
- Heavy loading conditions
- Minimal local generation
- Outages of critical EHV infrastructure

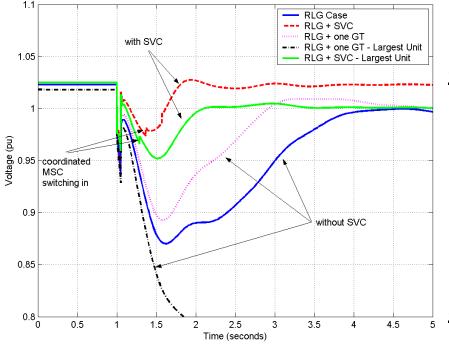
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- 138 kV, -75 / +200 Mvar Static Var Compensator (SVC)
- Commissioned Summer of 2008

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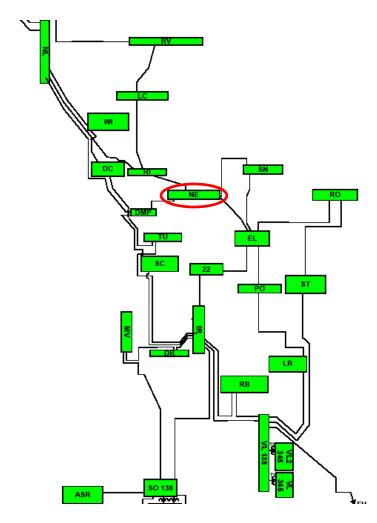
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Local TEP 138 kV System

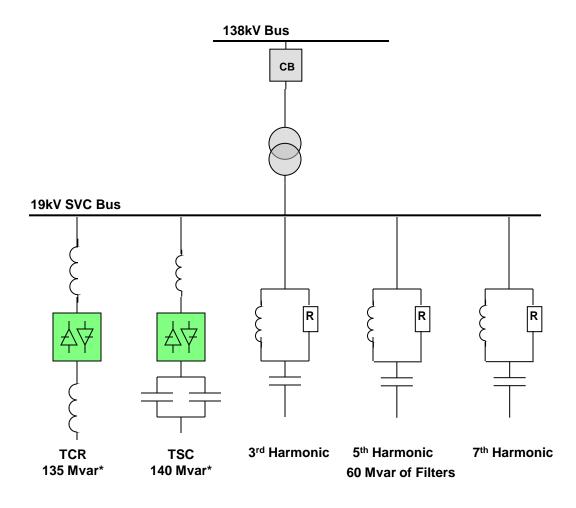


Reason For Chosen Location:

- Proximity to city of Tucson
- Multiple lines converge
- Cost optimal location considering...
 - Required SVC size
 - Available footprint
 - Available connection points

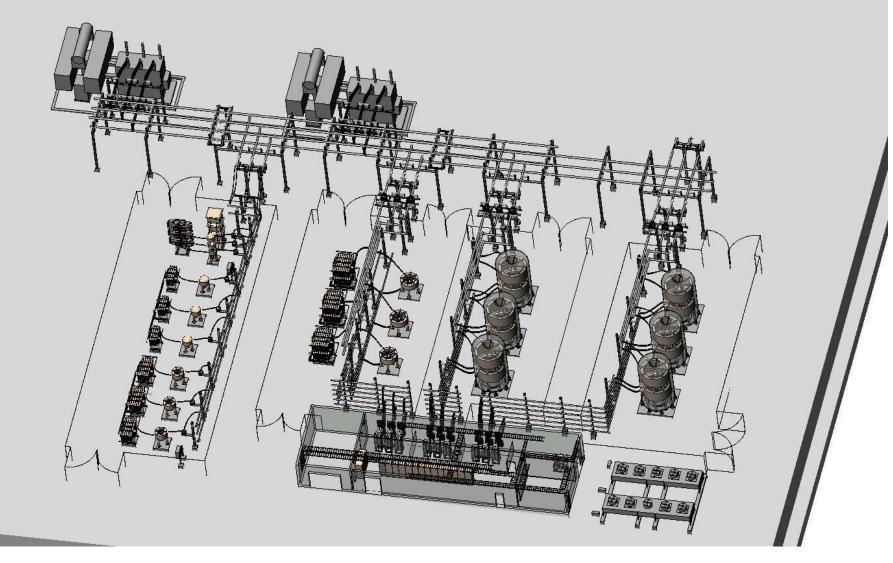


TEP SVC Single Line Diagram



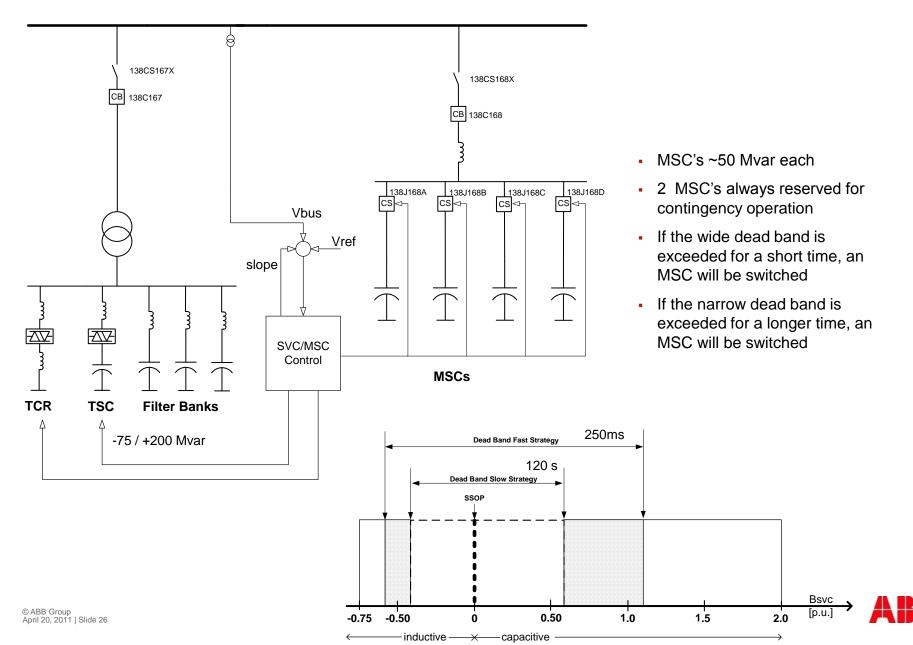


SVC Layout

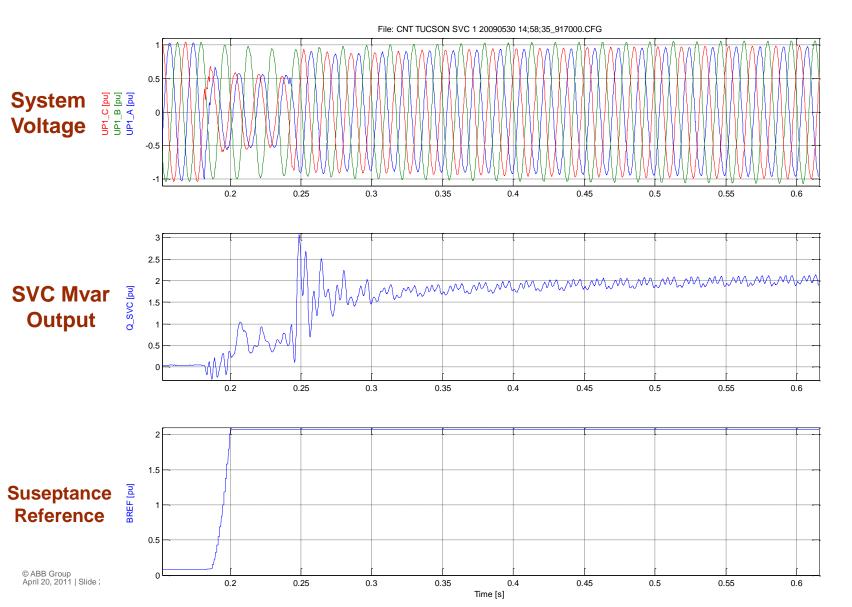




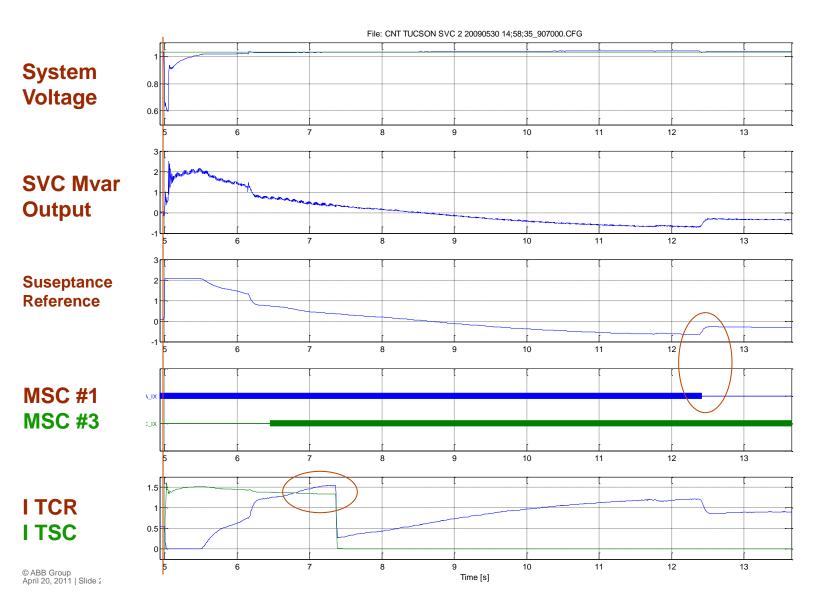
Control of Mechanically Switched Capacitor Banks



138 kV Phase to Phase Fault SVC Transient Fault Recorder



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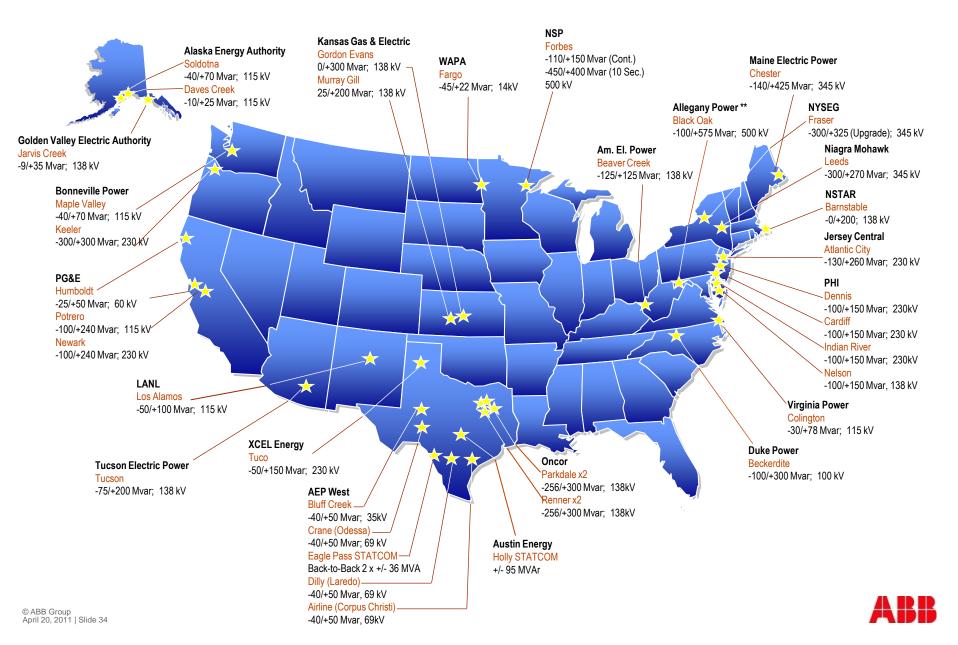


Predicted SVC Sound Propagation





ABB SVC & STATCOM Utility Installations in the US

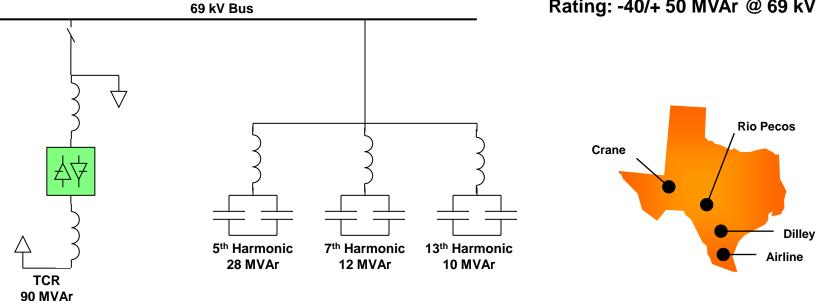


AEP Direct Connect - Single Line Diagram



Benefits

- **Reduced Losses**
- Smaller Footprint
- Reduced Delivery Time
- **Reduced Maintenance Costs**
- Reduced Equipment Delivery Risk
- Higher availability/reliability (w/o spare transformer)



Rating: -40/+ 50 MVAr @ 69 kV

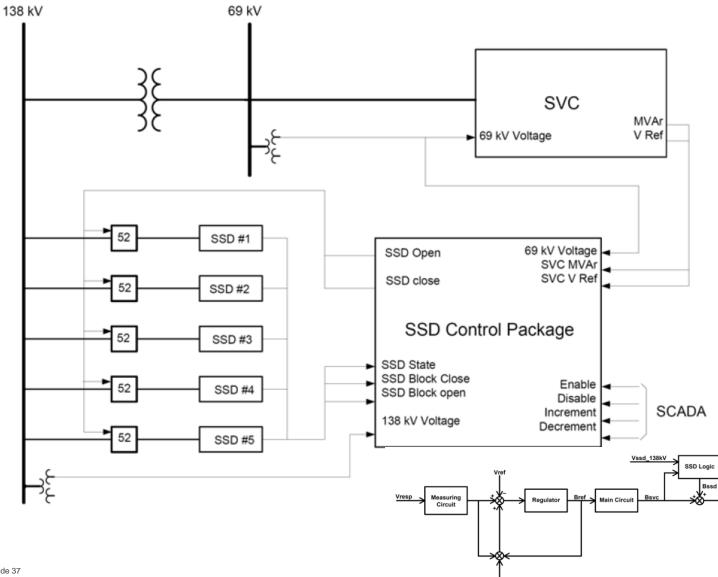


AEP Direct Connect SVC & Static Shunt Device Locations





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AEP Direct Connect Site Photos, Texas



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