



# AMI Program Phase I Technology Assessment

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### AMI Phase I

AMI Program will use a multi-phased approach to development and deployment of a next generation advanced metering infrastructure over a 7  $\frac{1}{2}$  year timeframe.



### SCE AMI Business Case – Directional Cost/Benefit

# Address fundamental cost drivers for last business case

- Telecom network coverage, performance, reliability and system management
- Meter failures and life-cycle performance
- Interoperability & system security
- End-to-end data management

#### Re-evaluate Aug 1st added functionality

- Interface to A/C load control thru PCT
- Remote service turn on/off

Identify additional uses for system based on tangible customer and business value

# Develop new conceptual estimate of overall business case





SCE Aug., 2005 Supplemental Testimony supporting Phase I

## Phase I Program Scope



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#### AMI Phase I Summary Schedule



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### **Development Challenges**

Collaborate with vendors to achieve the right balance among Marketability, Functionality and Openness

Marketability

Leverage OpenAMI, Intelligrid, Gridwise, CEC PCT, ANSI & other standards and reference design initiatives

**Openness** 

Engage other utilities & vendors in development process to generate interest and feedback

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**Functionality** 

Durable open design that will support a solid positive business case that provides customer value

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# **Building Block Approach**





#### Communications



Local Area Network Wide Area Network Interface Home Area Network Interface (HAN)

- PQ Metrics
- Integrated Disconnect
- Integrated Intelligence
- Enhanced Memory
- >15 Year MTTF

- Full Two-way
- Upgradeability
- Multiple integrated WAN options
- Minimal network Administration
- Self registry capabilities
- Reliability
- 3 X 3
- Security



Usage / Cost Profiling Messaging Etc... Lighting Controls

Electronic Ballast Wall Switches Area lighting Etc...



A/C Compressor Pool pump Outlet device Intelligent Circuit Breakers Etc...



Display Confirmation Data capabilities Etc...

# SCE AMI Technology Assessment Approach



# SCE AMI System Architecture Principles

# Specific technologies will be evaluated based on their ability to enable these overall AMI system behaviors and design principles.

*Availability* is the percentage of the scheduled uptime during which a system is actually available to users. Availability affects service at many levels.

*Reliability* is the probability that a component will perform its required functions for the duration of a specified time.

*Interoperability (a.k.a.) Openness* is the degree to which the system's configuration permits transparent access and integration among multi-vendor equipment and applications.

*Serviceability* - The ease with which corrective maintenance or preventative maintenance can be performed on a system. Higher serviceability improves availability and reduces service cost. Serviceability is a broad definition which includes the following system behaviors and design principles.

*Manageability* is the degree to which available system administration and application management resources can maintain and operate the system. It is the degree to which the configuration minimizes maintenance requirements and supports problem evaluation and easily replaceable components.

•*Maintainability* is the probability that a failed component is returned or restored to a specified condition when maintenance is performed by personnel with specific skill levels, using prescribed procedures and resources

•*Extensibility* is a system design principle where the implementation takes into consideration future growth. It is a systemic measure of the ability to extend a system and the level of effort required to implement the extension. Extensions can be through the addition of new functionality or through modification of existing functionality. The central theme is to provide for change while minimizing impact to existing system functions.

*Securability* is similar to manageability in the way it affects the solution. Securability includes: Authentication; Authorization; Confidentiality; Data Integrity; Non-repudiation; and Availability.

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## SCE AMI System Architecture Principle - Example

Create a requirement for interoperability that is supported by multiple meter and communications vendors and is commercially viable in the NA utility market ("3x3")

**3x3 Example:** A meter manufacturer's residential product can successfully integrate with three different communication solutions



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## Next Steps

### • RFI response clarification interviews: Feb. 13 – Mar.10

- Kema will be contacting each firm to set-up phone interviews
- Please be prepared to clarify responses given to RFI
- Interviews will be limited in scope to answers already provided and therefore, we expect that NDAs will not be required at this stage
- If you have or will soon have product available for testing please be prepared to discuss timing and the opportunity for us to witness testing at your facility prior to our acceptance for our lab testing.

### • Release of SCE's AMI Requirements: by early April

- Business and functional requirements will be emailed directly to each firm
- Requirements will also be posted on our website
- Please ensure that we have your current contact info we have updated our database based on your RFI responses

For more information and updates on the AMI program including key work products, procurements, business cases and filings. visit our website @ www.sce.com/ami

Any inquires about the December RFI should be forwarded to Paul Kasick, Manager AMI Technology Assessment, <u>AMITechnology@sce.com.</u>

