

## Texas RE Evolving Grid Workshop







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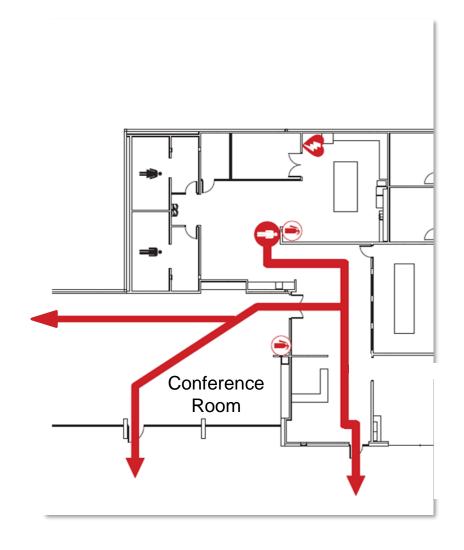




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#### Workshops

Women's Leadership in Grid Reliability and Security Conference | Recording

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Fall Standards, Security, and Reliability Workshop

2024 Fall Standards, Security, and Reliability Workshop | Recording



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2025 Spring Standards, Security, and Reliability Workshop | Recording



Cyber and Physical Security Workshop

2024 Cyber and Physical Security Workshop | Keynote | Panels: Critical Infrastructure, Threat Assessment, Grid Technologies, Security Posture



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### **Upcoming Texas RE Events**

















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#### **Texas Flood Relief**

### County-specific updates and relief information

- Kerr County
- Burnet County
- Travis County
- Williamson County

### **Kerr County Flood Relief Fund**

- Supports non-profit organizations, first responder agencies, and local government
- Involved in relief efforts for Hunt, Ingram, Kerrville, Center Point, and Comfort communities









## Navigating the Evolving Grid

**Evolving Grid Workshop** 

Jim Robb, President and Chief Executive Officer July 16, 2025



## Complex Risk Environment Results in Increased BPS Reliability Risk



### Resource Adequacy Challenges

- Retirements of traditional generation
- IBR growth/integration
- Natural gas interdependencies
- DER performance and visibility
- Load growth



#### **Energy & Environmental Policy**

- Electrification
- Emissions
- Siting and Permitting



### **Extreme Weather Complexities**

- Extreme not infrequent
- Broader deeper longer



### **Toxic-Soup Threat Landscape**

- S/W vulnerabilities
- Supply chain
- Ransomware
- Physical attacks



### Increasing concentration of risk

- Common mode failure
- Declining fuel diversity
- SAAS/Cloud applications
- GETS deployment

## Appropriate level of investment for hardening & resilience

- Extreme weather
- Coordinated Physical attack
- Interregional transfer capacity augmentation

### Loss of key essential reliability services

- Inertia/frequency response
- Reactive Power/voltage support
- Dispatchability

### **Expanding cyber attack surface**

- Industry Control Systems (ICSs)
- IBRs/DERs/EV Charging/Large Loads

### Rapidly evolving security needs

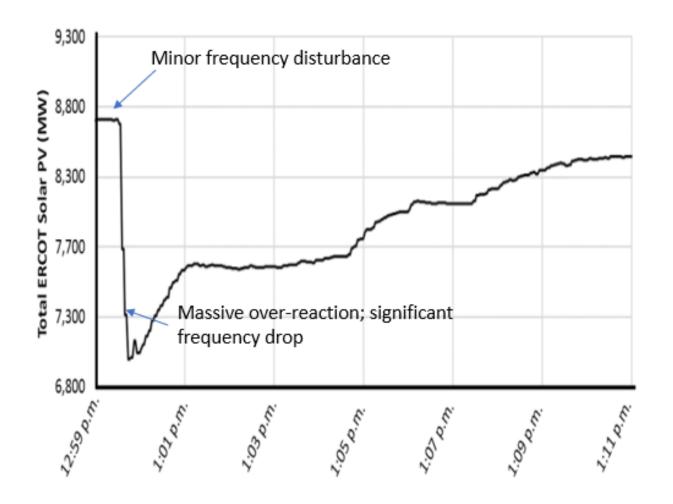
- Supply chain protections
- "One to many" attacks
- Low impact protections

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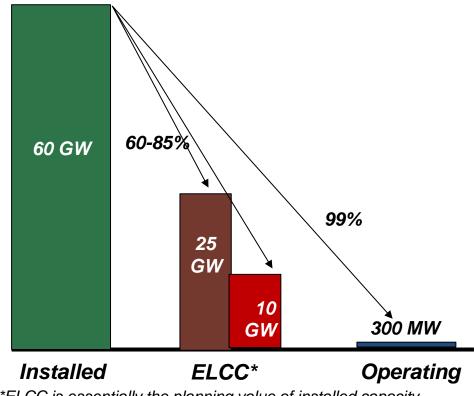


## Challenges with Renewable Integration: Common Mode/Common Condition Failure

#### **ERCOT Solar Production June 4, 2022**



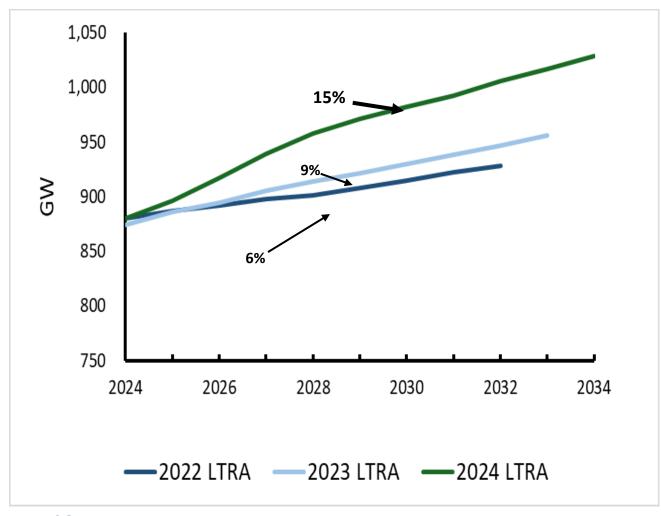
June 6, 2023, Wind Production
North American Mid-Continent



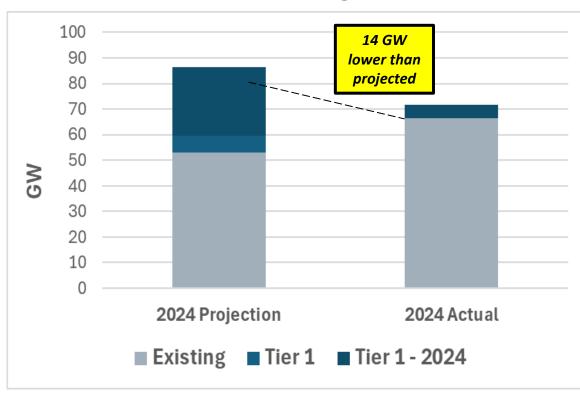


### **Growing Resource Adequacy Risk**

### **10-year BPS Summer Peak Demand Growth**



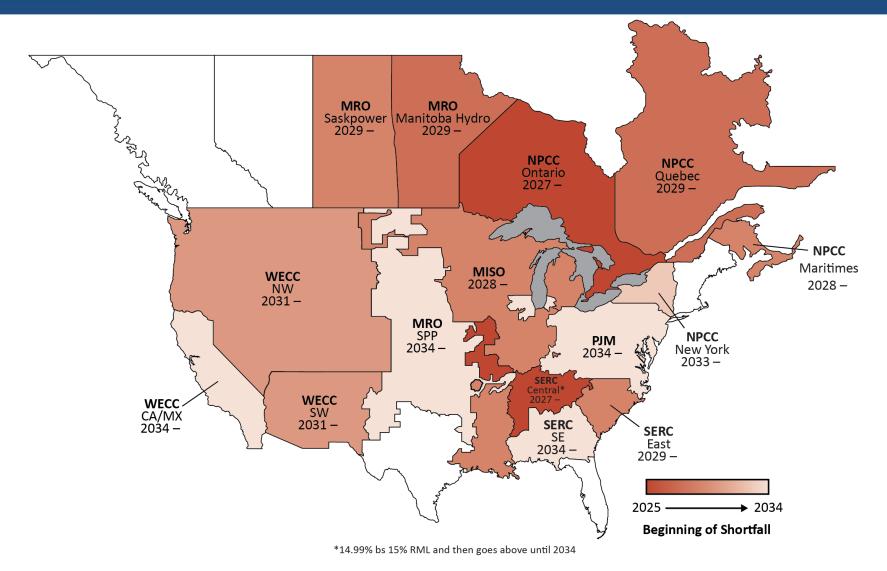
### Resource Additions Slowing



Solar On-Peak Capacity | prior-year projection v. current year actual

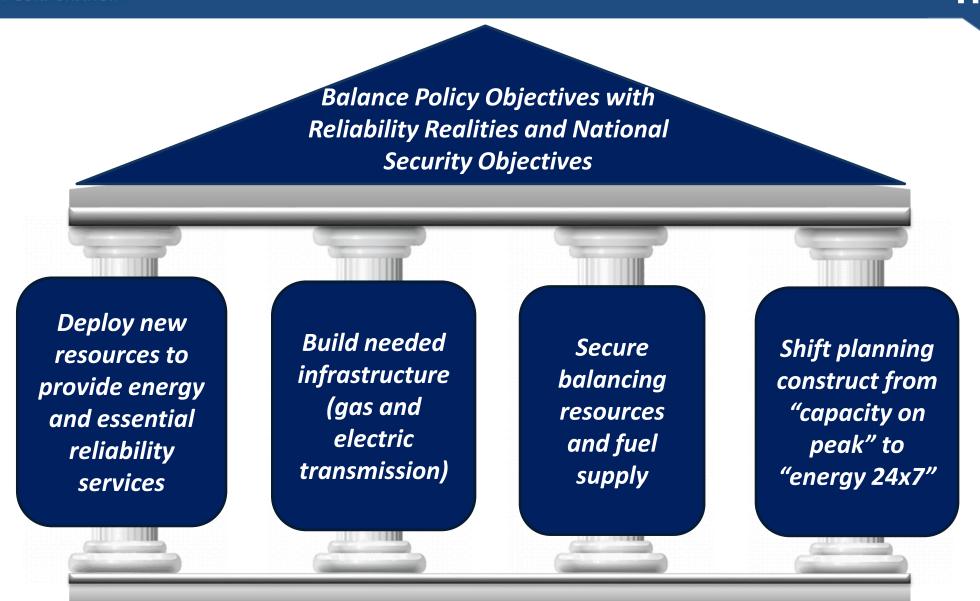


## Resource Deficiencies Across North America — 5-10 Years



Generator retirements through 2034 (thermal): 78 GW confirmed + 37 GW announced

## Reliability Priorities to Support the Energy Transition







### **Questions and Answers**





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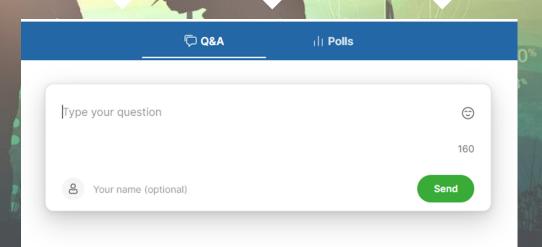
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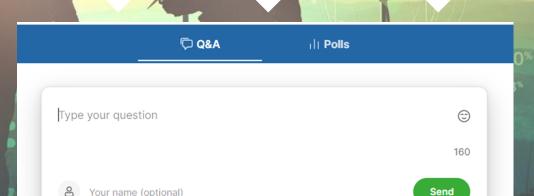
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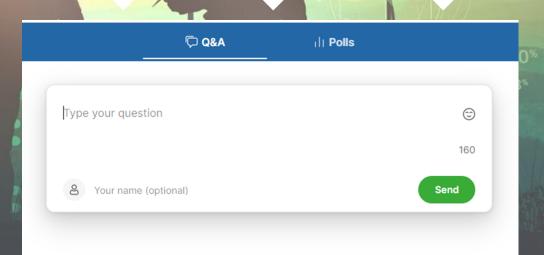
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