# Subregional RTEP Committee - Mid-Atlantic FirstEnergy Supplemental Projects

November 18, 2019

## Solutions

Stakeholders must submit any comments within 10 days of this meeting in order to provide time necessary to consider these comments prior to the next phase of the M-3 process



## Met-Ed Transmission Zone M-3 Process Campbelltown – Middletown – North Hershey 69 kV Line Rebuild

Need Number: ME-2019-039

Process Stage: Solutions Meeting 11/18/2019
Previously presented: Need Meeting 7/31/2019

**Project Driver:** 

Equipment Material Condition, Performance and Risk

#### **Specific Assumption Reference:**

Line Condition Rebuild/Replacement

- Age/condition of wood pole transmission line structures
- Age/condition of steel tower or steel pole transmission line structures
- Age/condition of transmission line conductors

**System Performance Projects** 

Substation/line equipment limits

#### **Problem Statement:**

Campbelltown – Middletown – North Hershey 69 kV line sections are exhibiting deterioration.

- Total line distance is approximately 19.7 miles.
- 260 out of 407 structures failed inspection (64% failure rate).
- Failure reasons include age, decay, woodpecker holes.

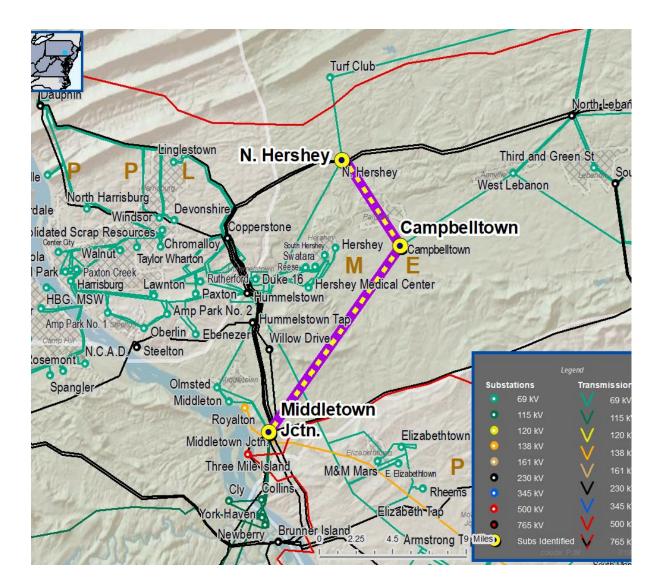
Transmission line ratings are limited by terminal equipment:

Campbelltown – Campbelltown Tap 69 kV line (substation conductor, disconnect switches, relaying)

- Existing line rating: 71/91 MVA (SN/SE)
- Existing conductor rating: 139/169 MVA (SN/SE)

Middletown – Wood St Tap 69 kV line (disconnect switches, line relaying, substation conductor)

- Existing line rating: 82/103 MVA (SN/SE)
- Existing conductor rating: 139/169 MVA (SN/SE)





## Met-Ed Transmission Zone M-3 Process Campbelltown – Middletown – North Hershey 69 kV Line Rebuild

Need Number: ME-2019-039

Process Stage: Solutions Meeting 11/18/2019

**Proposed Solution:** 

Rebuild and reconductor approximately 15.1 miles of the 19.7 mile line Replace line relaying, substation conductor, and disconnect switches

Cost: \$30.9 M

## **Transmission Line Ratings:**

Middletown – Wood St Tap 69 kV Line:

Before Proposed Solution: 82/103 MVA (SN/SE)

After Proposed Solution: 139/169 MVA (SN/SE)

Wood St Tap – Mill Street 69 kV Line:

Before Proposed Solution: 80/96 MVA (SN/SE)

After Proposed Solution: 139/169 MVA (SN/SE)

Mill Street – Campbelltown Tap 69 kV Line:

Before Proposed Solution: 74/90 MVA (SN/SE)

After Proposed Solution: 139/169 MVA (SN/SE)

■ Campbelltown Tap – North Hershey 69 kV Line:

Before Proposed Solution: 74/90 MVA (SN/SE)

After Proposed Solution: 136/169 MVA (SN/SE)

■ Campbelltown – Campbelltown Tap 69 kV Line:

Before Proposed Solution: 71/91 MVA (SN/SE)

After Proposed Solution: 82/103 MVA (SN/SE)

### **Alternatives Considered:**

Maintain existing condition

Projected In-Service: 6/30/2021

Project Status: Conceptual



	Legend
500 kV	
345 kV	
230 kV	
138 kV	
115 kV	
69 kV	
46 kV	
34.5 kV	
23 kV	
New	



## Met-Ed Transmission Zone M-3 Process Middletown Junction – Olmsted – Middletown 69 kV Line Terminal Upgrades

Need Number: ME-2019-042

Process Stage: Solutions Meeting 11/18/2019
Previously presented: Need Meeting 7/31/2019

**Project Driver:** 

Equipment Material Condition, Performance and Risk

## **Specific Assumption Reference:**

**System Condition Projects** 

Substation Condition Rebuild/Replacement

**System Performance Projects** 

Substation/line equipment limits

#### **Problem Statement:**

Middletown Junction – Olmstead - Middletown 69 kV line – Terminal equipment has an increased risk of failure (circuit breaker, disconnect switches, line relaying) due to obsolescence of equipment. Limited spare parts are available.

- Circuit breakers are 50+ years old with Type U bushings
- Circuit breakers have a history of failed compressor belt
- Circuit breaker has failing dielectric strength

Transmission line rating is limited by terminal equipment: Middletown Junction – Olmstead 69 kV line (line relaying)

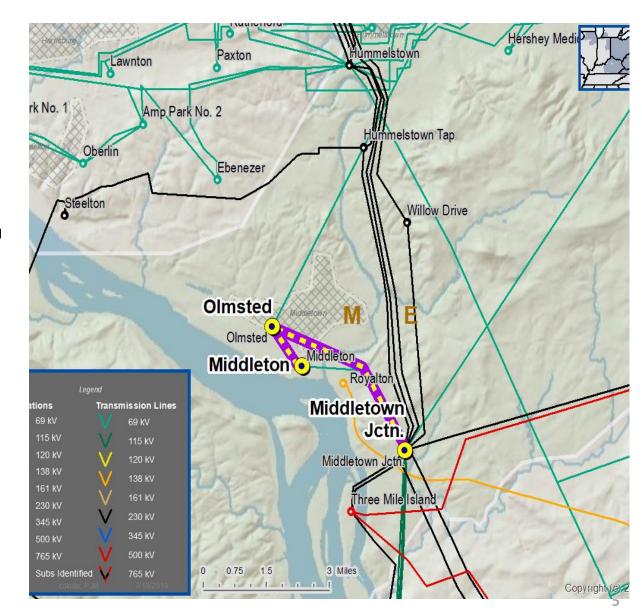
- Existing line rating: 62/72 MVA (SN/SE)
- Existing conductor rating: 62/77 MVA (SN/SE)

Wood Street Tap – Wood Street 69 kV line (substation conductor)

- Existing line rating: 38/49 MVA (SN/SE)
- Existing conductor rating: 53/64 (SN/SE)

Wood Street Tap - Middletown 69 kV line (substation conductor, disconnect switches, relaying)

- Existing line rating: 51/66 MVA (SN/SE)
- Existing conductor rating: 139/169 MVA (SN/SE)





## Met-Ed Transmission Zone M-3 Process Middletown Junction – Olmsted – Middletown 69 kV Line Terminal Upgrades

69 kV

Need Number: ME-2019-042

**Process Stage:** Solutions Meeting 11/18/2019

**Proposed Solution:** 

Middletown Junction 69 kV substation:

Replace circuit breaker, disconnect switches, line relaying

Middletown 69 kV substation:

Replace circuit breaker, disconnect switches, line relaying, substation

conductor

Cost \$1.6 M

## **Transmission Line Ratings:**

Middletown Junction – Olmsted 69 kV line

Before Proposed Solution: 62/72 MVA (SN/SE)

After Proposed Solution: 62/77 MVA (SN/SE)

■ Wood St Tap – Middletown 69 kV line

Before Proposed Solution: 51/66 MVA (SN/SE)

After Proposed Solution: 139/169 MVA (SN/SE)

## **Alternatives Considered:**

Maintain existing condition

**Projected In-Service:** 12/31/2020

**Project Status:** Conceptual



	Legend
500 kV	
345 kV	
230 kV	
138 kV	
115 kV	
69 kV	
46 kV	
34.5 kV	
23 kV	
New	



Need Number: ME-2019-045

Process Stage: Solutions Meeting 11/18/2019
Previously presented: Need Meeting 7/31/2019

**Project Driver:** 

Equipment Material Condition, Performance and Risk

**Specific Assumption Reference:** 

**System Condition Projects** 

Substation Condition Rebuild/Replacement

**System Performance Projects** 

Substation/line equipment limits

#### **Problem Statement:**

Baldy – East Topton 69 kV line – Terminal equipment has an increased risk of failure (circuit breaker and line relaying) due to obsolescence of equipment. Limited spare parts are available.

■ East Topton circuit breaker is 40+ years old with Type U bushings and has a history of failed oil dielectric strength

Transmission line rating is limited by terminal equipment:

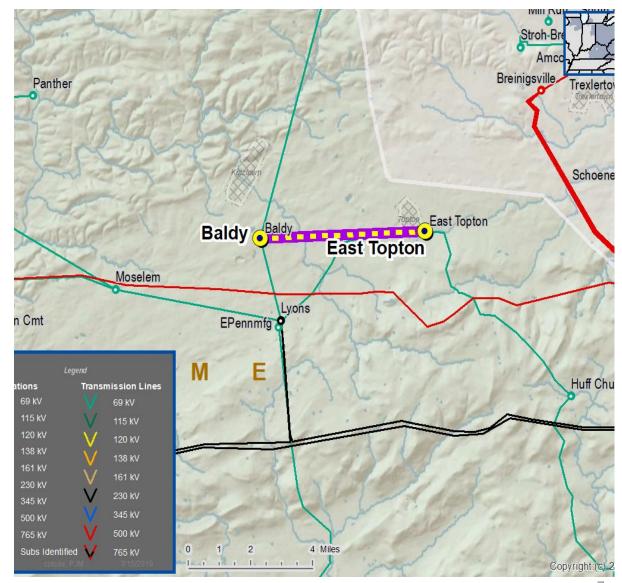
Baldy - Kutztown 69 kV line (substation conductor)

- Existing line rating: 76/90 MVA (SN/SE)
- Existing conductor rating: 80/96 MVA (SN/SE)

Kutztown – East Topton 69 kV line (substation conductor, line relaying)

- Existing line rating: 62/62 MVA (SN/SE)
- Existing conductor rating: 80/96 MVA (SN/SE)

## Met-Ed Transmission Zone M-3 Process Baldy – East Topton 69 kV Line Terminal Upgrade





## Met-Ed Transmission Zone M-3 Process Baldy – East Topton 69 kV Line Terminal Upgrade

Need Number: ME-2019-045

**Process Stage:** Solutions Meeting 11/18/2019

**Proposed Solution:**Baldy 69 kV substation

Replace line relaying and substation conductor

East Topton 69 kV substation

Replace circuit breaker, line relaying, and substation conductor

Cost: \$0.7 M

## **Transmission Line Ratings**

Baldy – Kutztown 69 kV line

Before Proposed Solution: 76/90 MVA (SN/SE)

After Proposed Solution: 80/96 MVA (SN/SE)

Kutztown – East Topton 69 kV line

Before Proposed Solution: 62/62 MVA (SN/SE)

After Proposed Solution: 80/96 MVA (SN/SE)

## **Alternatives Considered:**

Maintain existing condition

**Projected In-Service: 12/31/2020** 

**Project Status:** Conceptual



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500 kV		
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Need Number: ME-2019-046, ME-2019-050, and ME-2019-052

**Process Stage:** Solutions Meeting 11/18/2019 **Previously presented:** Need Meeting 7/31/2019

**Project Driver:** 

Equipment Material Condition, Performance and Risk, Operational Flexibility and Efficiency

## **Specific Assumption Reference:**

System Performance Projects Global Factors

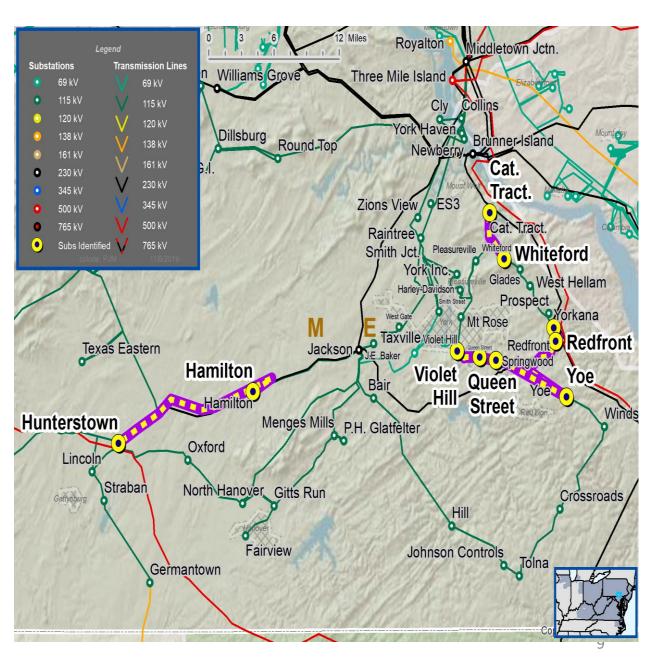
- System reliability and performance
- Substation/line equipment limits

**Upgrade Relay Schemes** 

- Relay schemes that have a history of misoperation
- Obsolete and difficult to repair communication equipment (DTT, Blocking, etc.)
- Communication technology upgrades
- Bus protection schemes

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## Met-Ed Transmission Zone M-3 Process





## **Problem Statement:**

- FirstEnergy has identified protection schemes using a certain vintage of relays and communication equipment that have a history of misoperation.
- Proper operation of the protection scheme requires all the separate components perform adequately during a fault.
- In many cases the protection equipment cannot be repaired due to a lack of replacement part and available expertise in the outdated technology.
- Transmission line ratings are limited by terminal equipment.

ME-2019-	Transmission Line / Substation Locations	Existing Line Rating (SN / SE)	Existing Conductor Rating (SN / SE)	Limiting Terminal Equipment
046	Hamilton – Hunterstown 115 kV Line	221/263	232/282	Substation Conductor
050	Caterpillar Tractor – Whiteford 115 kV Line Whiteford – Glades 115 kV Line	232/277 184/223	232/282 184/223	Line Trap
052	Violet Hill – Queen Street 115 kV Line Queen Street – Springwood 115 kV Line Springwood – Yoe 115 kV Line Yoe – Redfront 115 kV Line Redfront – Yorkana 115 kV Line	204/266 232/282 232/282 184/223 184/223	232/282 232/282 232/282 184/223 184/223	Substation Conductor





**Proposed Solution:** 

ME-2019-	Transmission Line / Substation Locations	New MVA Line Rating (SN / SE)	Scope of Work	Estimate Costs (\$ M)	Target ISD
046	Hamilton – Hunterstown 115 kV Line	232/282	<ul> <li>Hamilton 115 kV Substation – Replace line relaying, substation conductor, circuit breaker</li> <li>Hunterstown 115 kV Substation – Replace line relaying</li> </ul>	\$1.6M	6/1/2020
050	Caterpillar Tractor – Whiteford 115 kV Line Whiteford – Glades 115 kV Line	232/282 184/223	<ul> <li>Caterpillar Tractor 115 kV Substation – Replace line relaying, line trap</li> <li>Glades 115 kV Substation – Replace line relaying</li> </ul>	\$1.0M	4/1/2021
052	Violet Hill – Queen Street 115 kV Line Queen Street – Springwood 115 kV Line Springwood – Yoe 115 kV Line Yoe – Redfront 115 kV Line Redfront – Yorkana 115 kV Line	232/282 232/282 232/282 184/223 184/223	<ul> <li>Violet Hill 115 kV Substation – Replace line relaying, substation conductor</li> <li>-</li> <li>Yorkana 115 kV Substation – Replace line relaying</li> </ul>	\$0.7M	12/1/2020

#### **Alternatives Considered:**

Maintain existing condition

No topology changes, no bubble diagram required.

All projects are in the Conceptual phase.

# Questions?



# Appendix

# High level M-3 Meeting Schedule

Assumptions	Activity	Timing		
- r	Posting of TO Assumptions Meeting information	20 days before Assumptions Meeting		
	Stakeholder comments	10 days after Assumptions Meeting		
Needs	Activity	Timing		
	TOs and Stakeholders Post Needs Meeting slides	10 days before Needs Meeting		
	Stakeholder comments	10 days after Needs Meeting		
Solutions	Activity	Timing		
	TOs and Stakeholders Post Solutions Meeting slides	10 days before Solutions Meeting		
	Stakeholder comments	10 days after Solutions Meeting		
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Submission of	Activity	Timing		
Supplemental	Do No Harm (DNH) analysis for selected solution	Prior to posting selected solution		
Projects & Local	Post selected solution(s)	Following completion of DNH analysis		
Plan	Stakeholder comments	10 days prior to Local Plan Submission for integration into RTEP		
	Local Plan submitted to PJM for integration into RTEP	Following review and consideration of comments received after posting of selected solutions		

## **Revision History**

11/08/2019 – V1 – Original version posted to pjm.com