



SCHWEITZER
ENGINEERING
LABORATORIES®

Wide-Area Distribution Synchrophasor System

Dr. Greg Zweigle

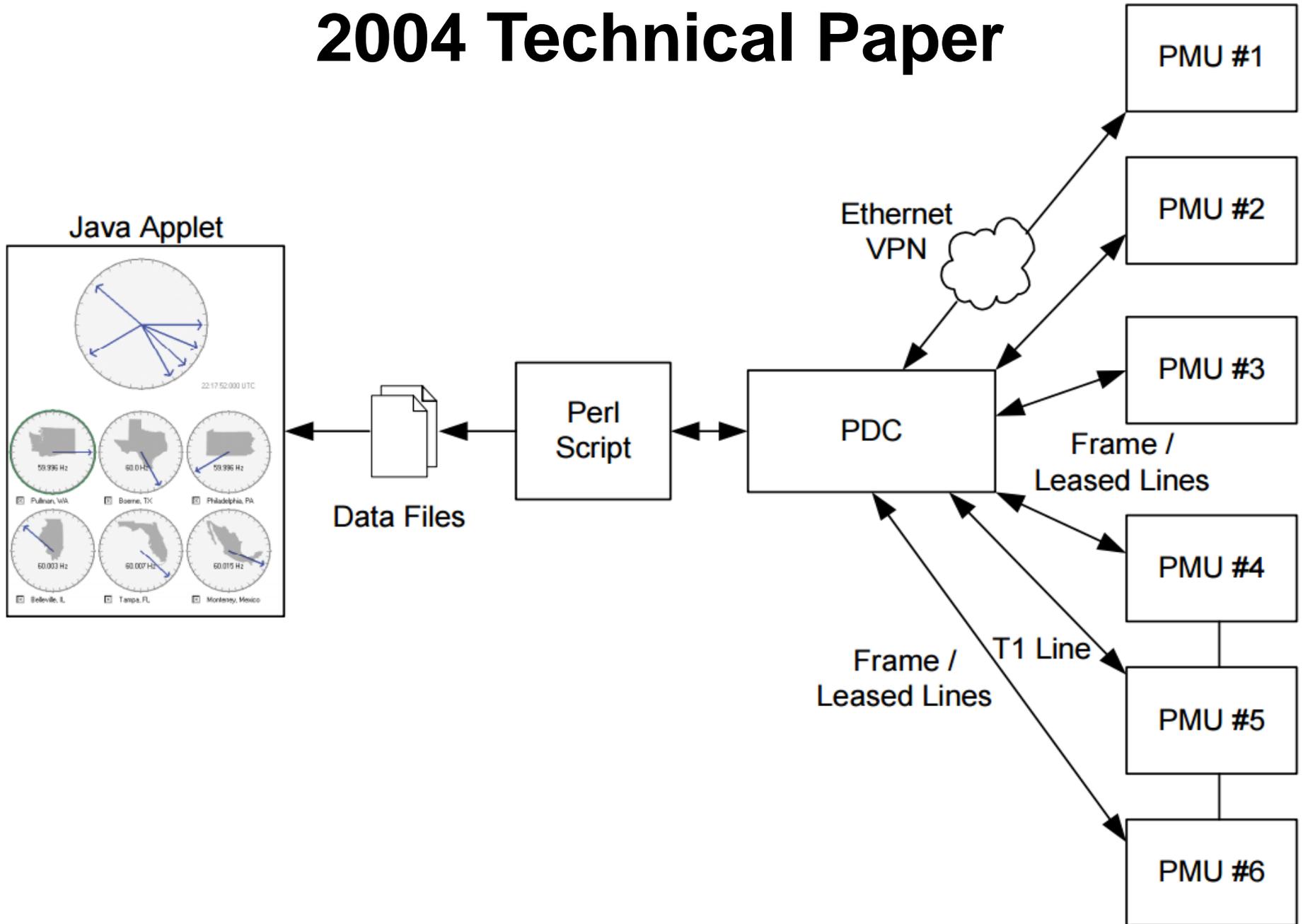
Dr. Ellery Blood

March 24, 2015

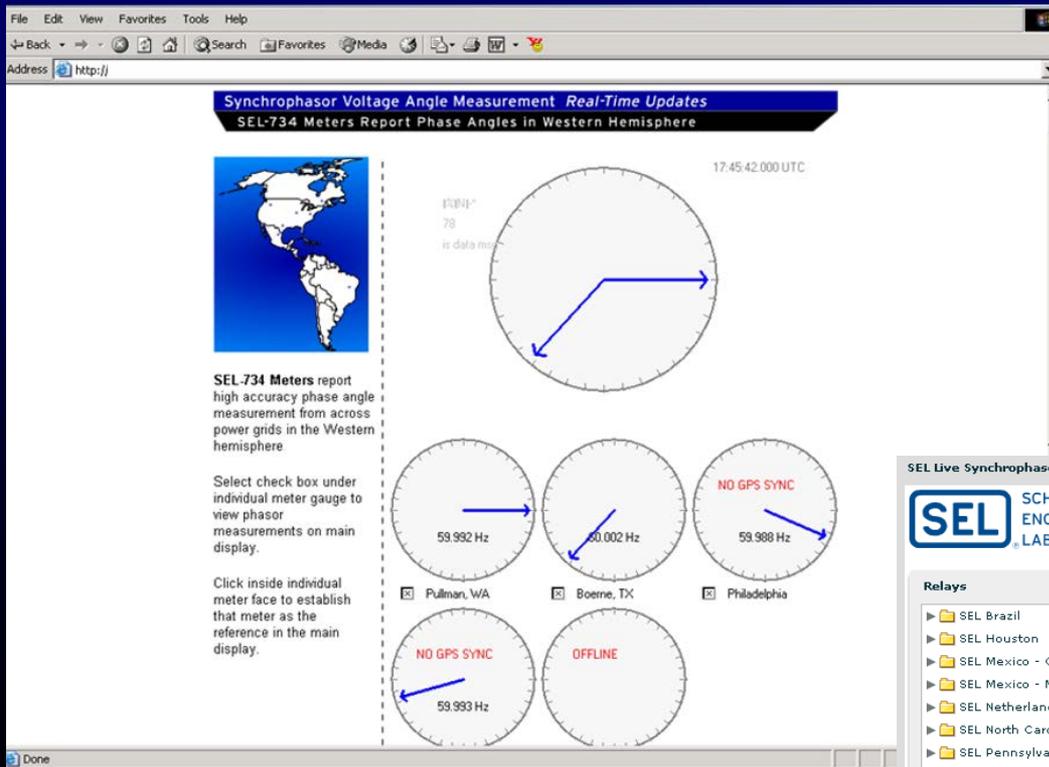
Wall-Outlet Connected PMUs & Web-Based Visualization



2004 Technical Paper

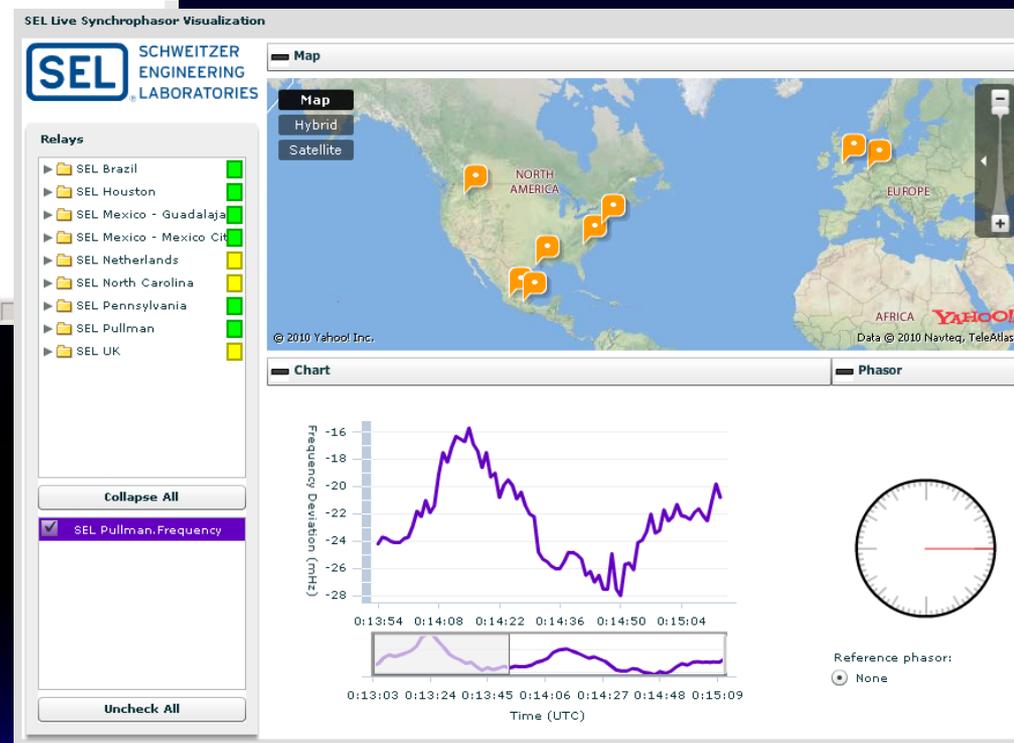


13 Years of Internet Synchronphasors



2003

2007



Present System: 2011 - today



Measurements (full production PMUs)

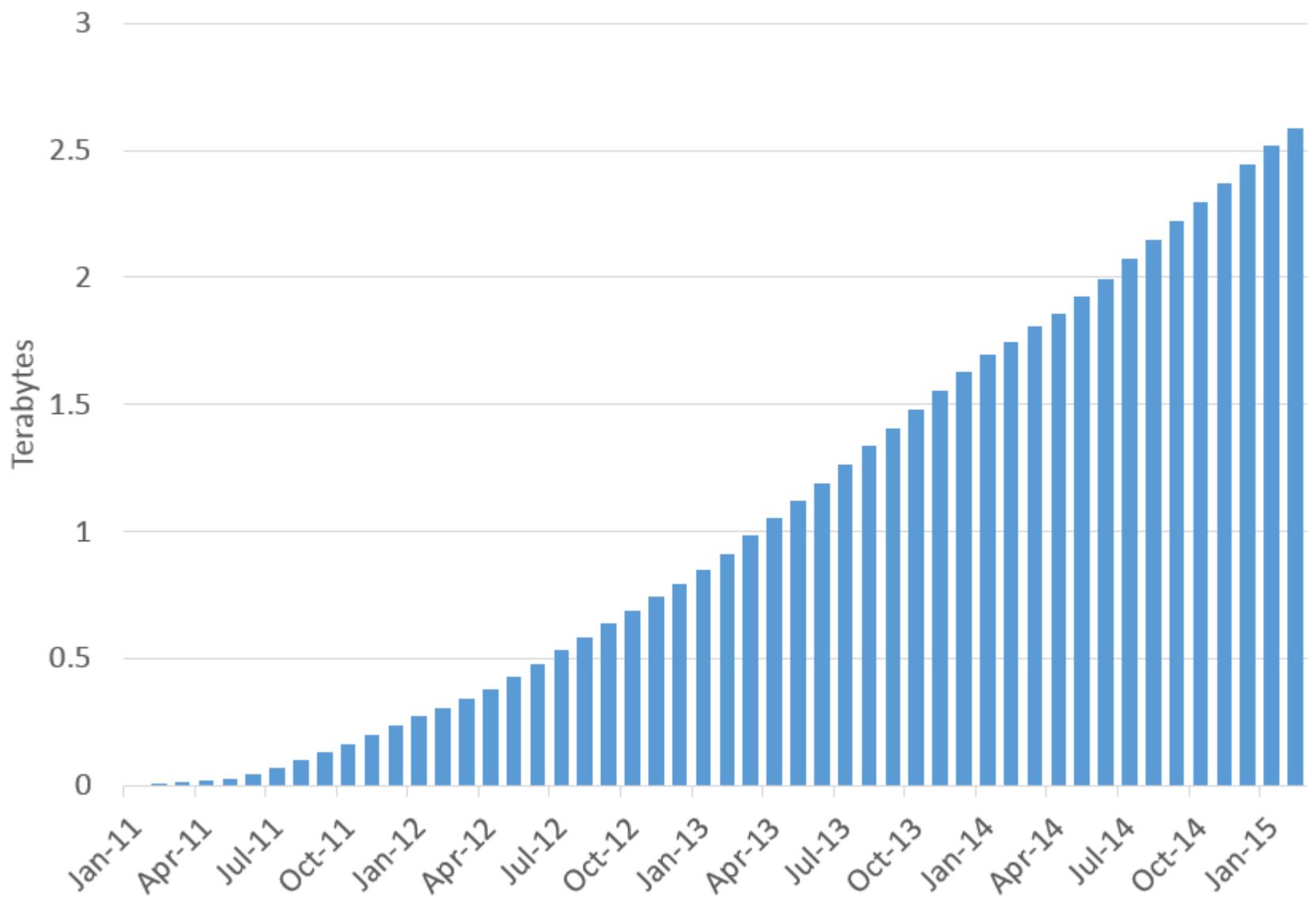
- Voltage magnitude
- Voltage angle
- Frequency
- df/dt
- Three phase (some locations)
- IEEE C37.118 accurate

Why?

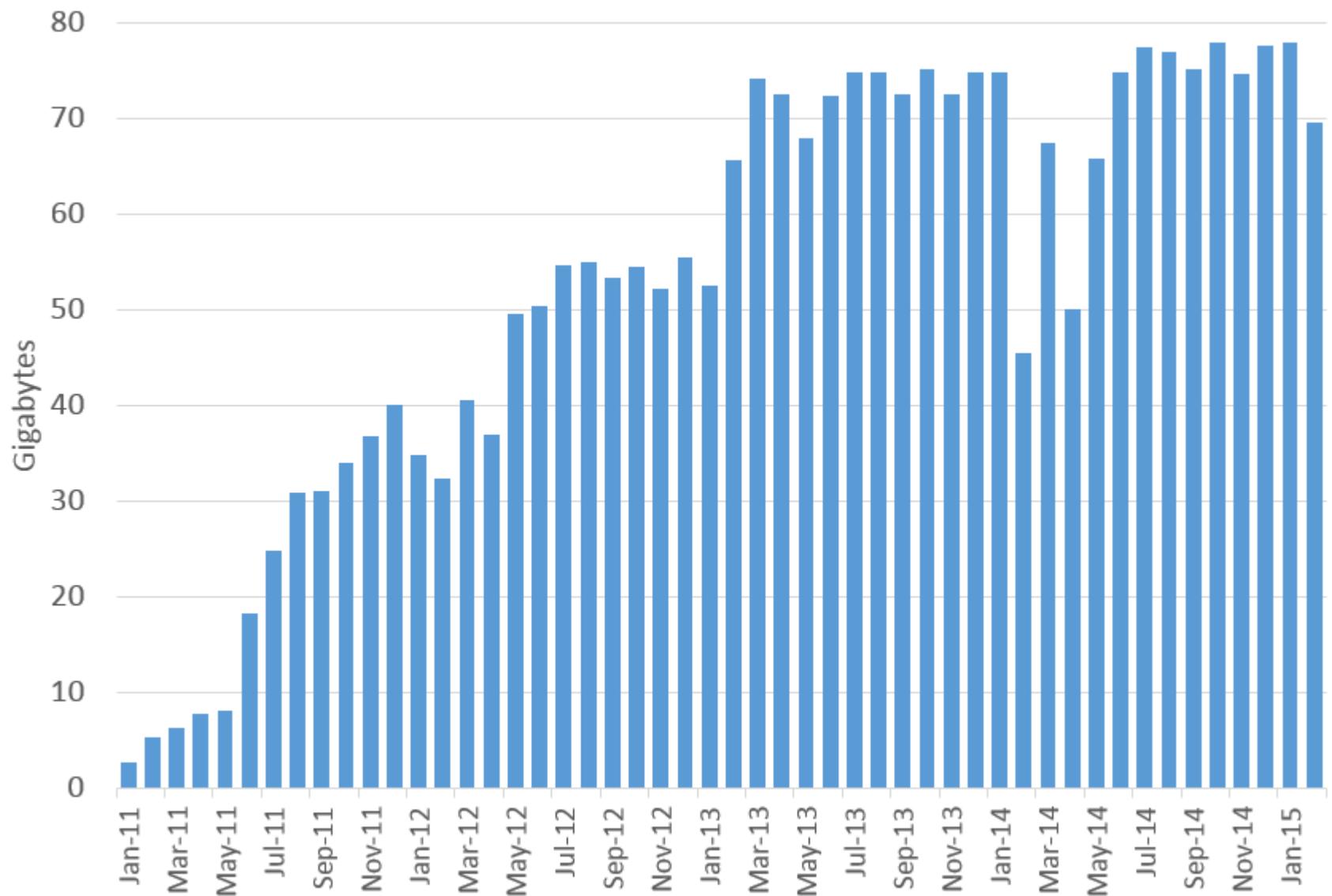
- System level testing
 - ◆ 24x7 365
 - ◆ Clocks, PMUs, PDCs, RTACs, network, software, visualization, analysis
- Research
 - ◆ Needs data!
 - ◆ Algorithm development
- <http://www.synchrophasors.com>

What Have We Learned and Seen?

(0) It Takes Lots Of Storage



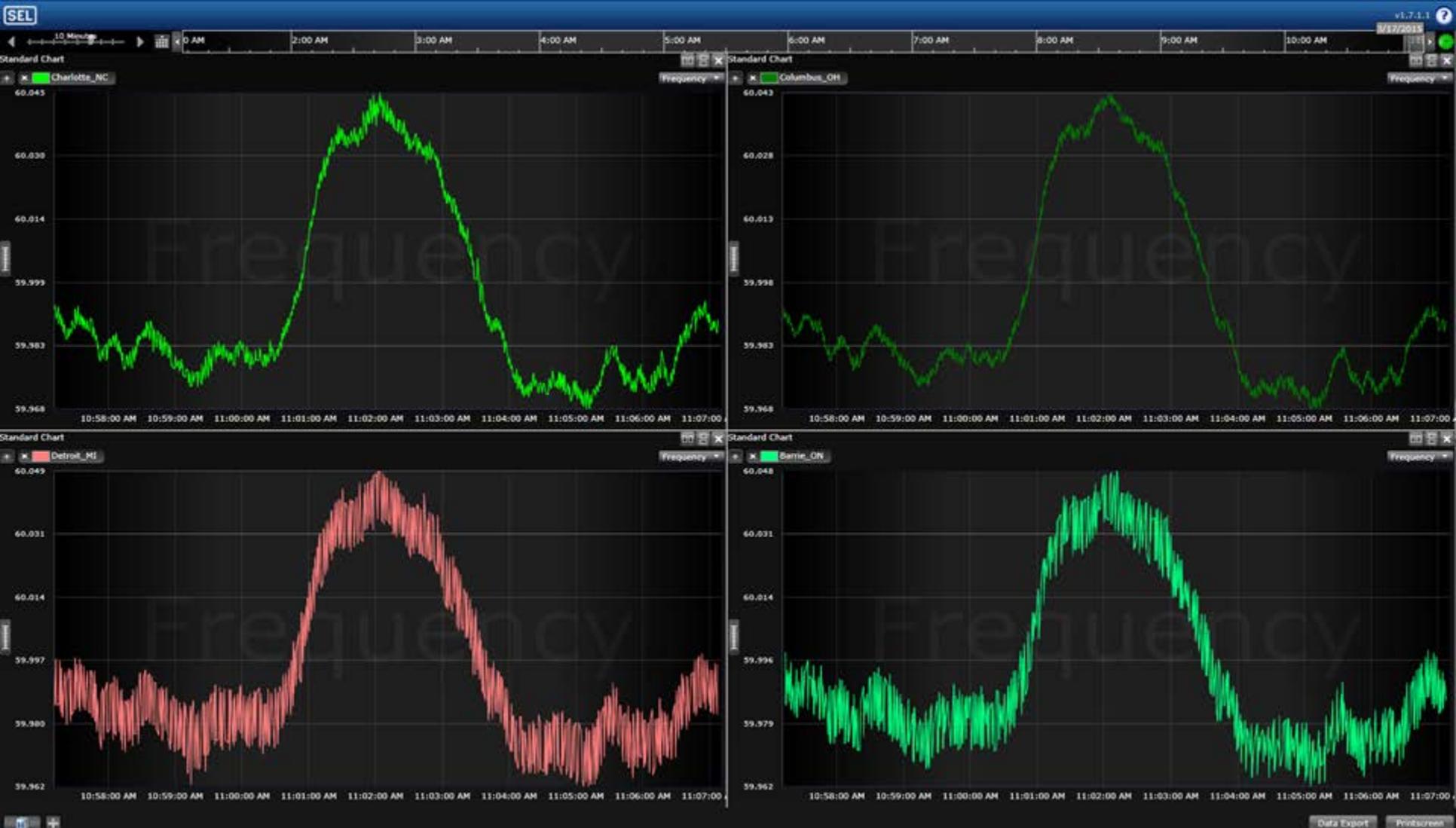
Gigabytes Per Month



(1) Local Conditions Can Be Noisy

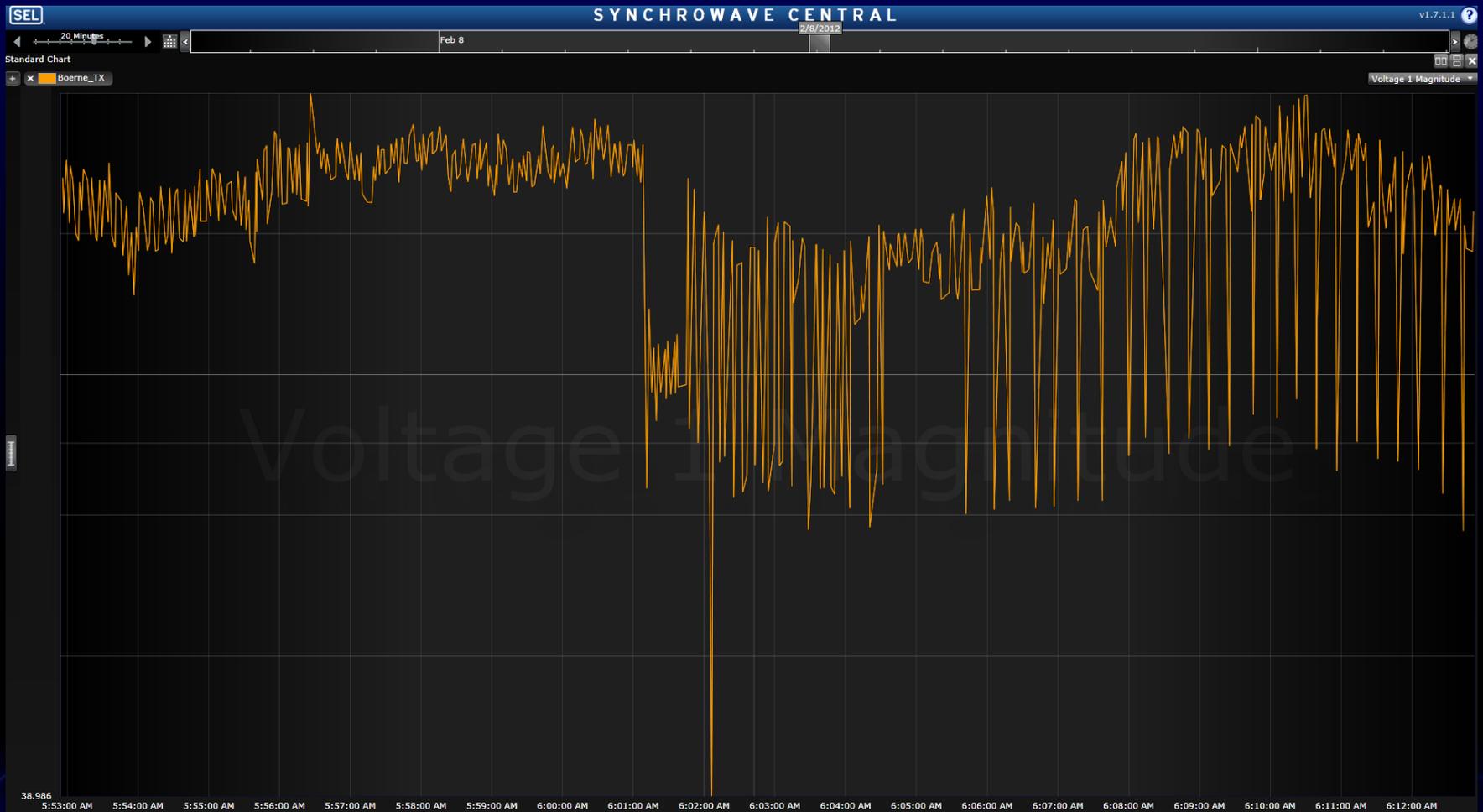


Better and Less-Better Locations...



Non-Random Noise Happens Too

“Sure enough, you press the power save button on the fax and the pulses go away. You wake it back up, and they come back. Looks like we can turn the problem on and off! I should be on CSI :)



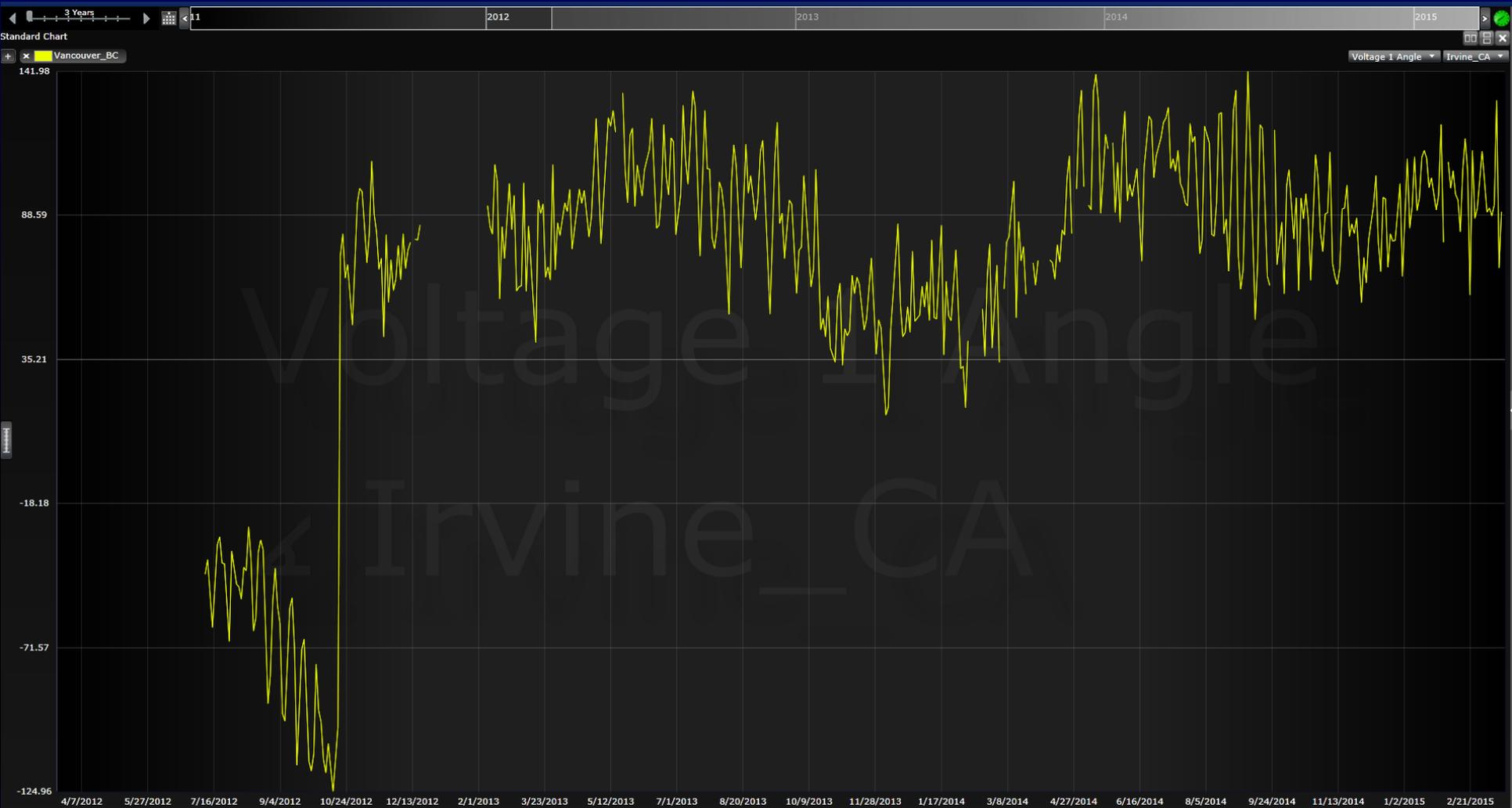
(2) Unknown Absolute Angle But Can Measure Angle Variation



(3) Daily Summer Angle Variation



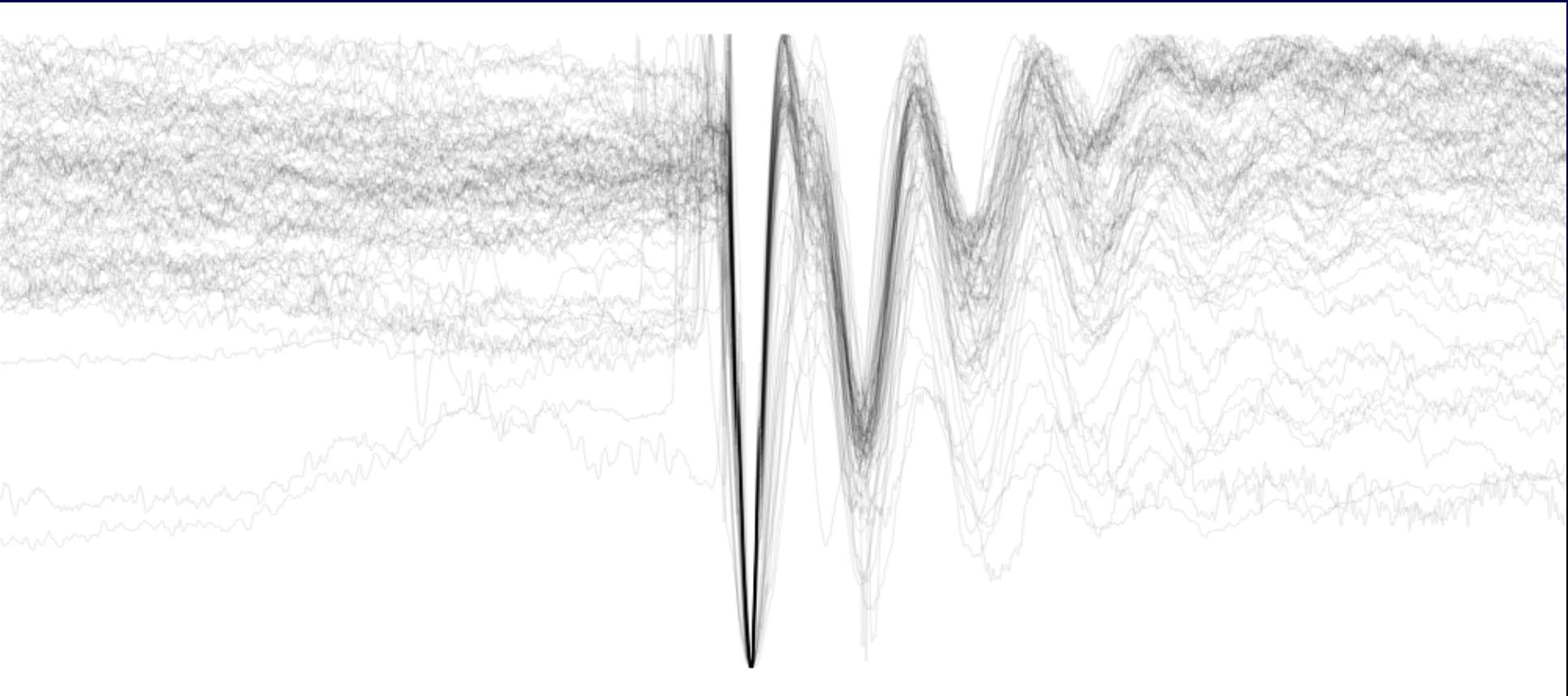
(4) Our Angle Can Get Moved Too



(5) We See Many Oscillations



Many Oscillations

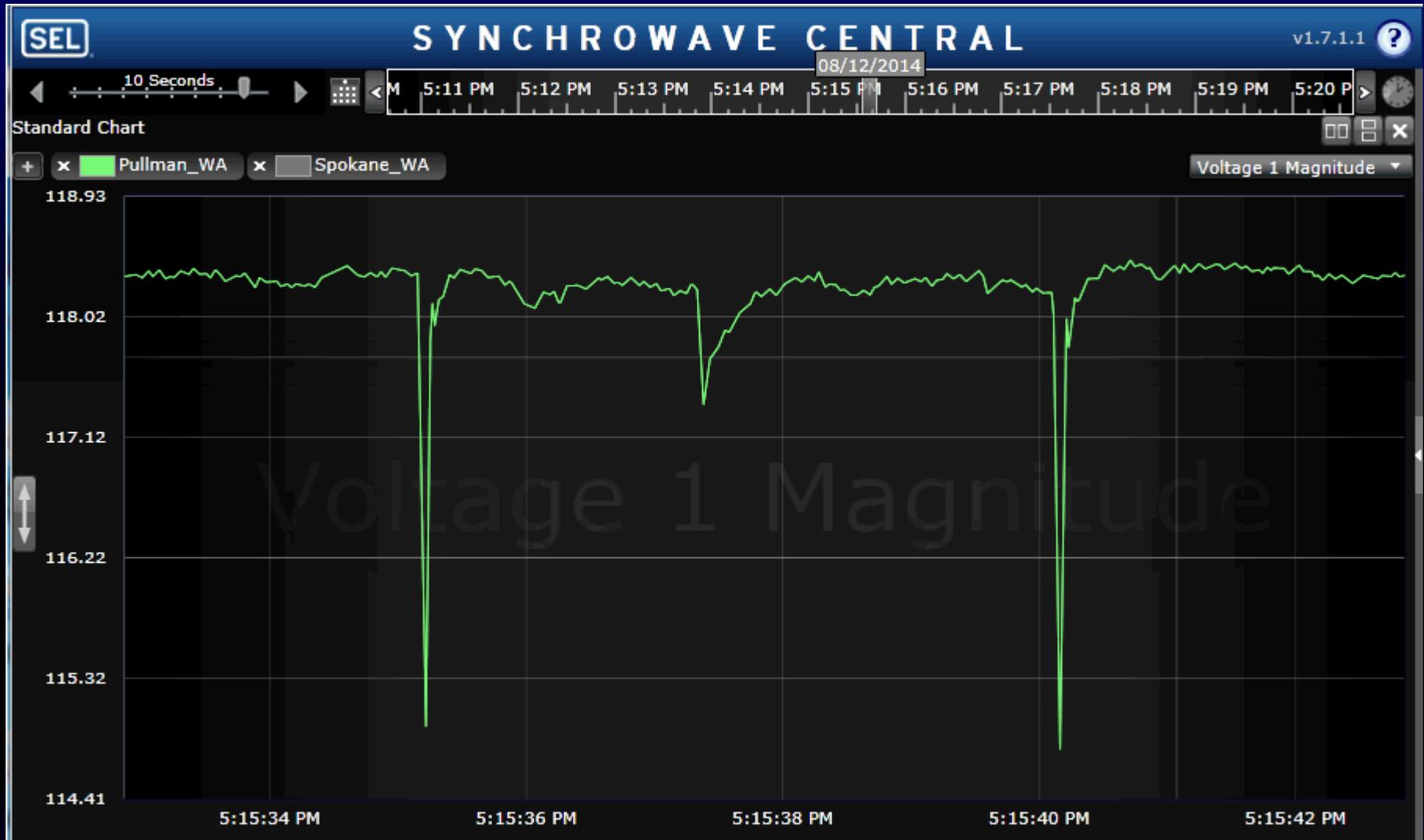


Can Correlate Some Oscillations To Public Data



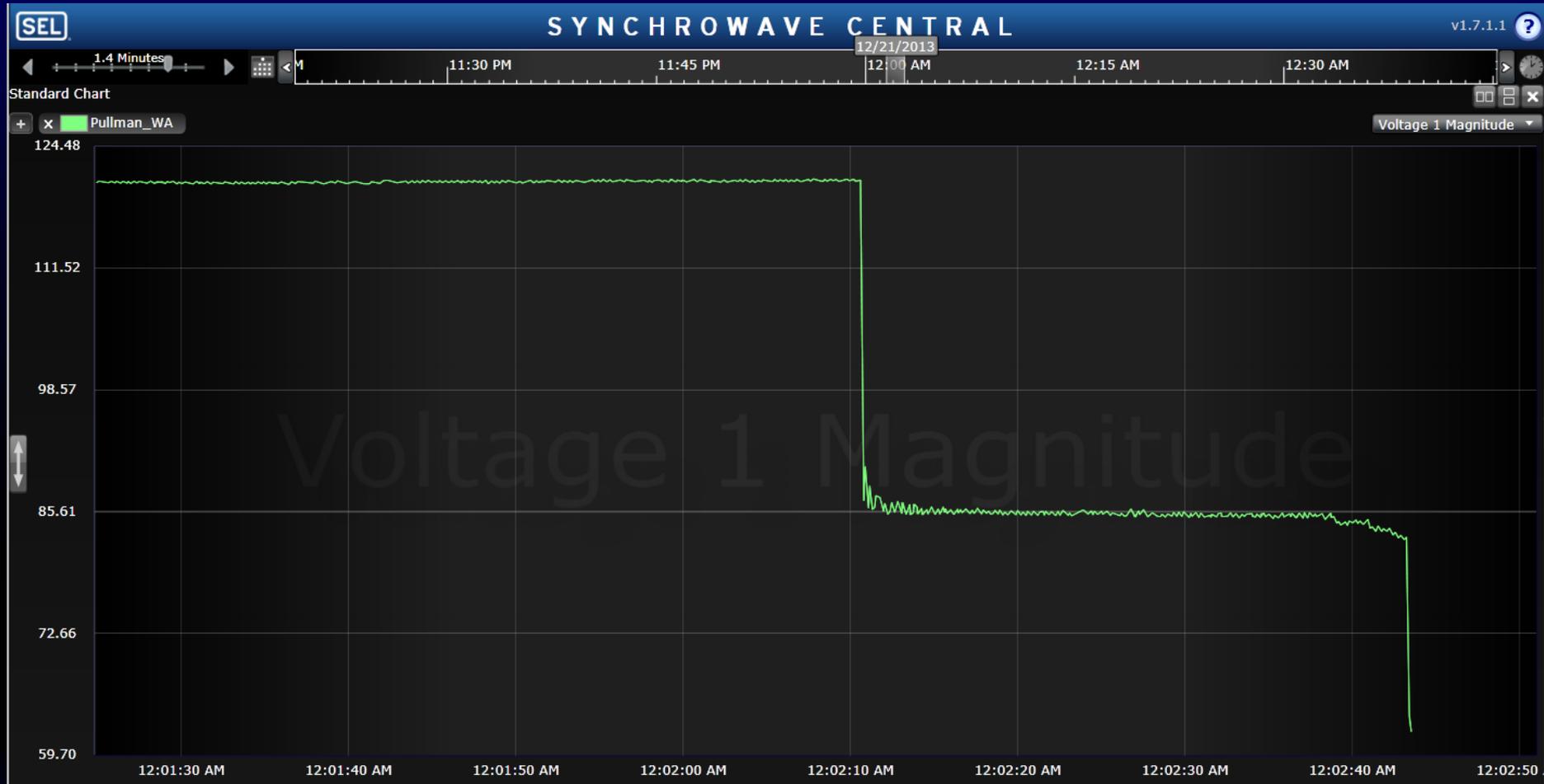
*Grand Coulee-Schultz
500 kV
5/21/2012 9:07AM*

(6) Weather Induced Local Outages

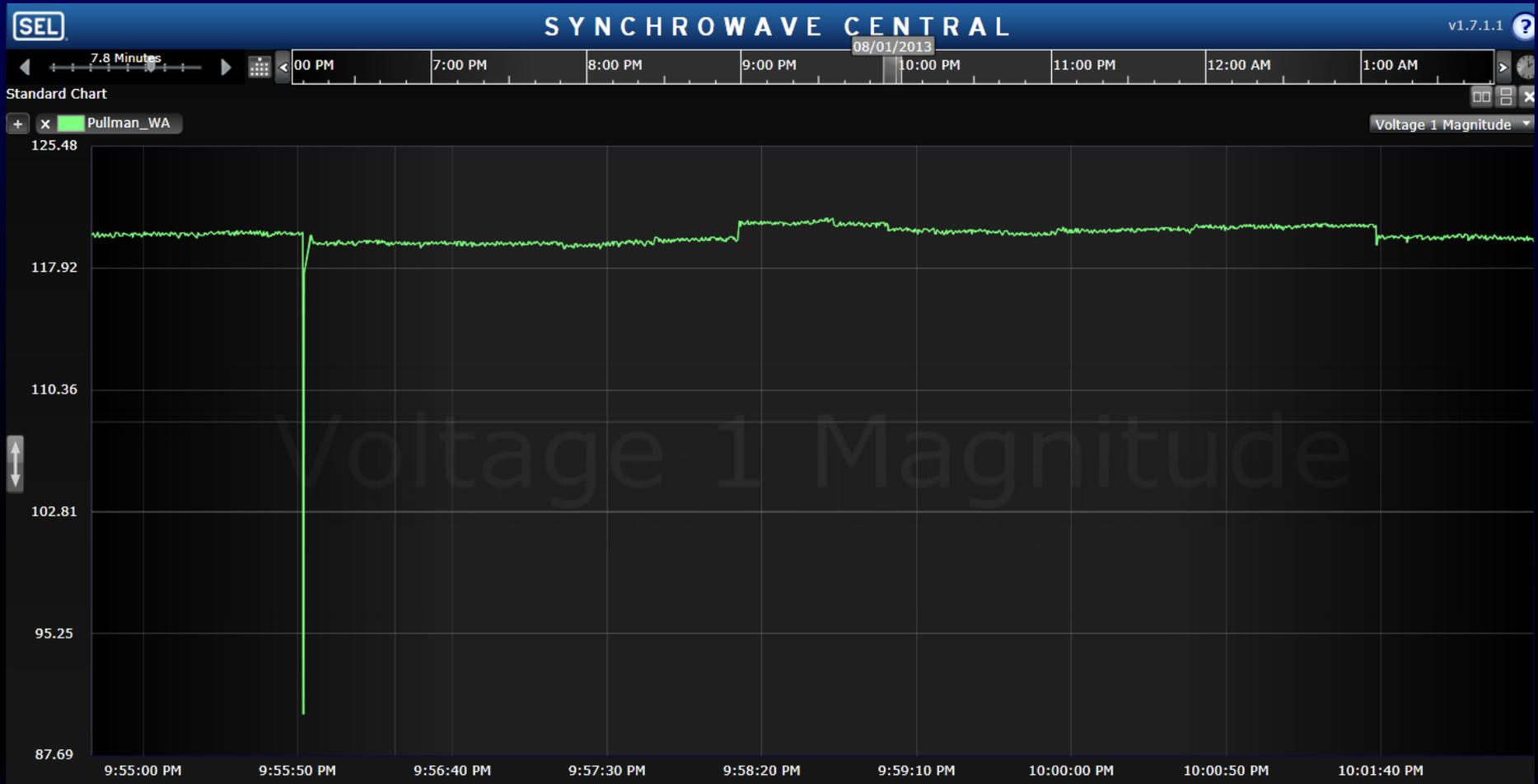


(7) Outages Local To Our Buildings

We're measuring the computer network's tolerance to low voltage?



(8) Voltage & Step Changes



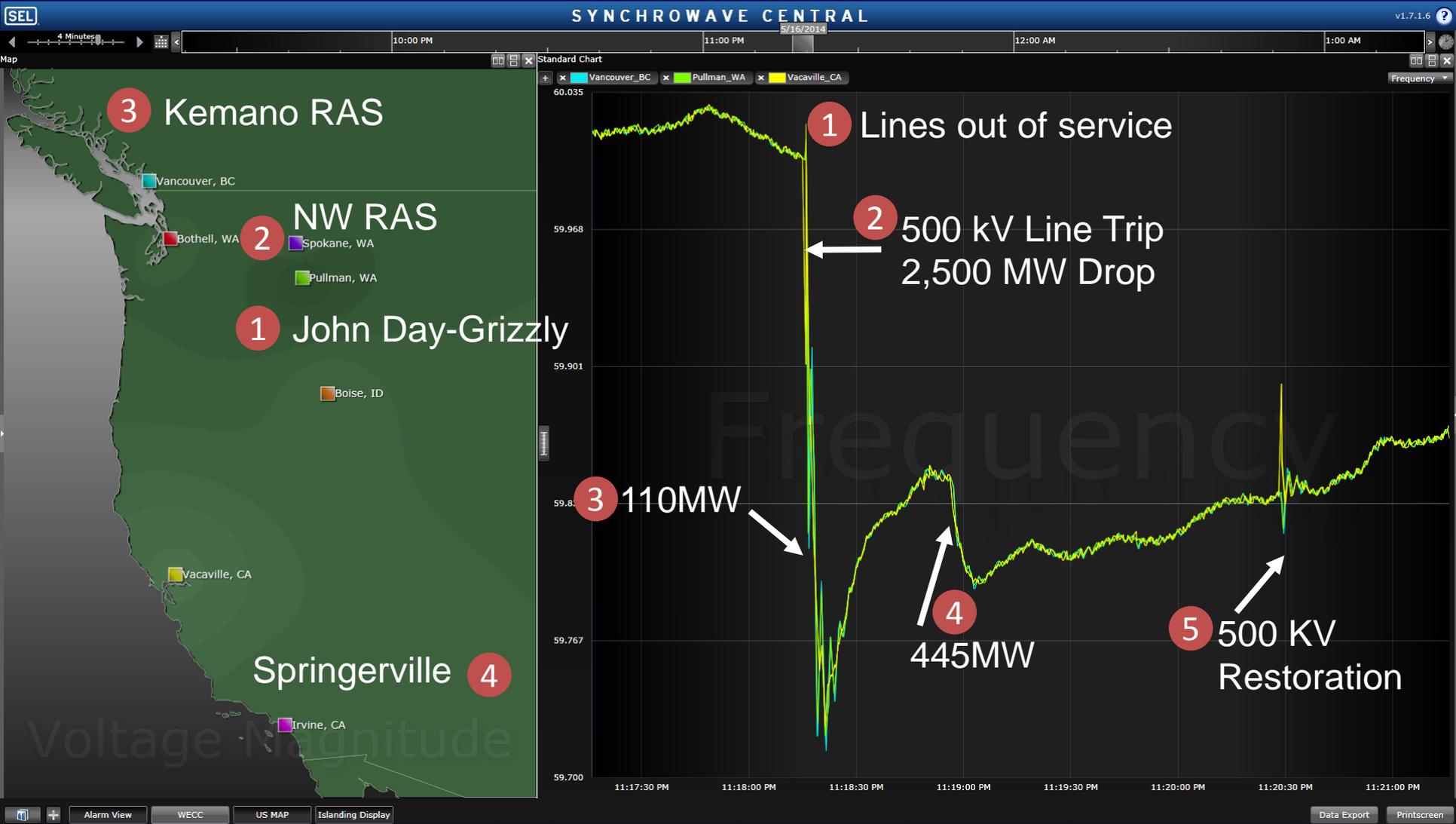
(9) Analysis of System Wide Events

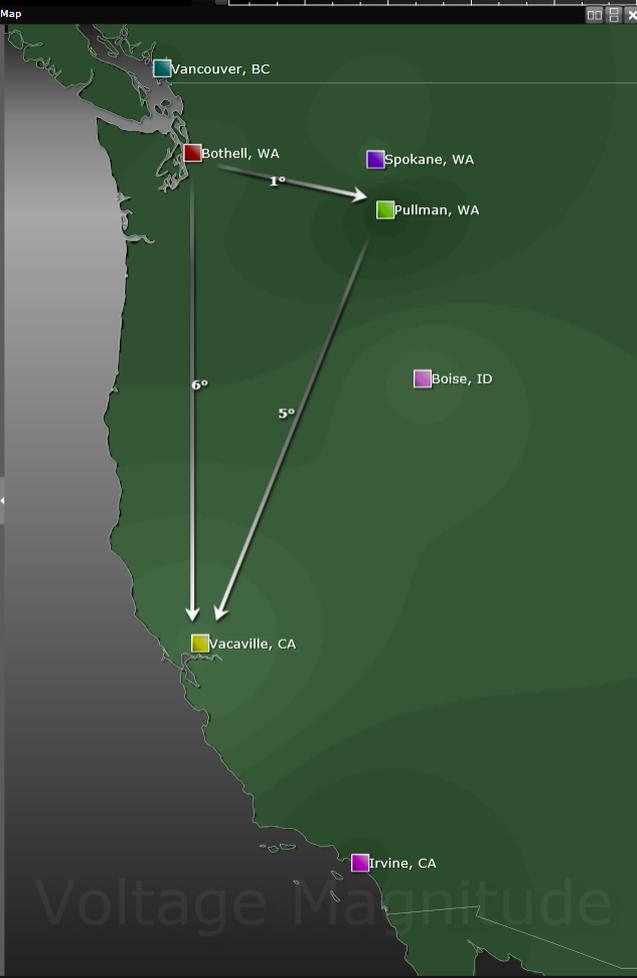
May 2013 – 2500 MW loss

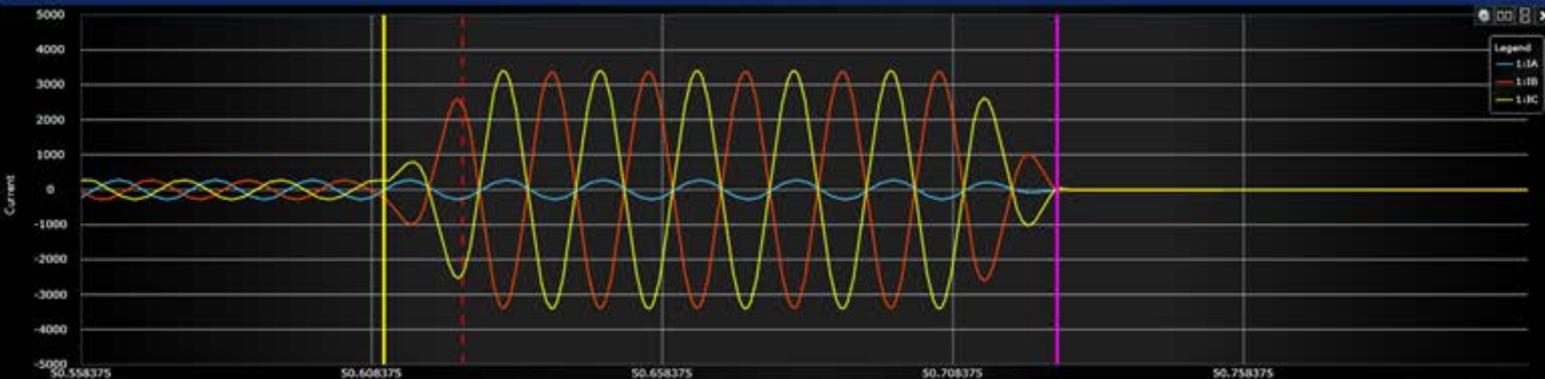
May 2014 – 2900 MW loss



May 16, 2014





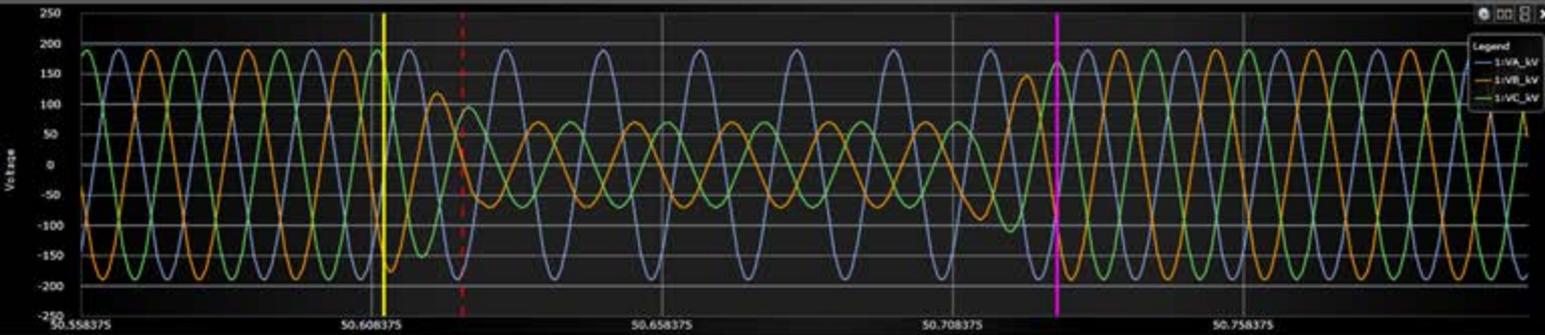


Events

1 983-333L

File:
FID:
Event: BC T
Fault Location:
Frequency: 60 Hz
Targets:

Relay Settings Adjust Time



Custom Calculations

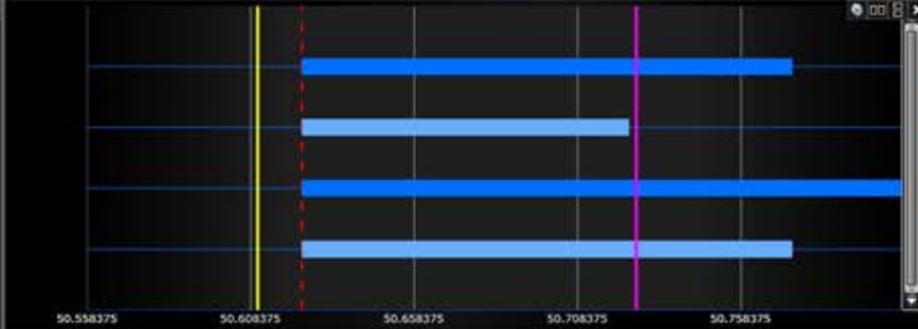
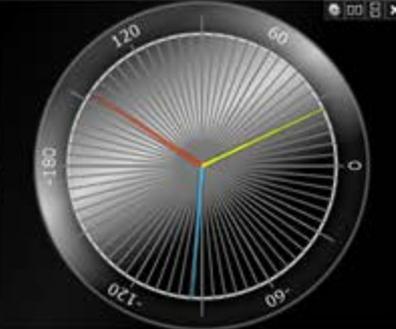
Displayed Quantities

Cc	Name	Mag	Angle
1	I1A_PhaseI	201	-93.9
2	I1B_PhaseI	199	146
3	I1C_PhaseI	201	25.7

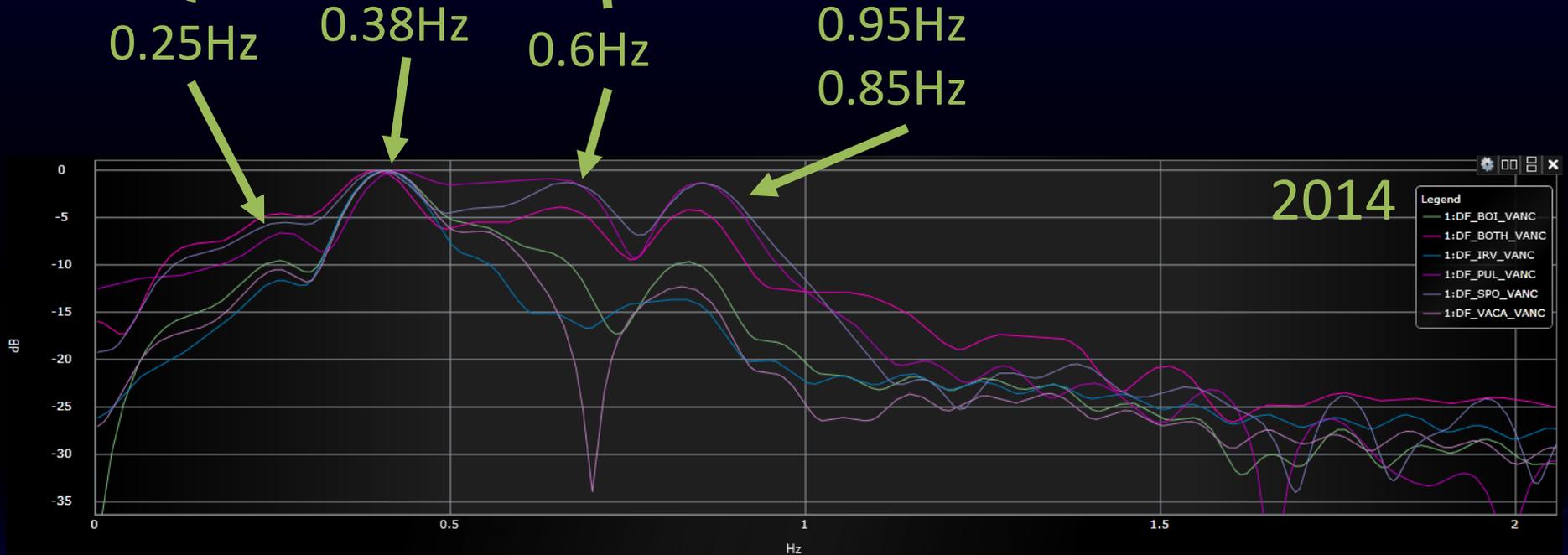
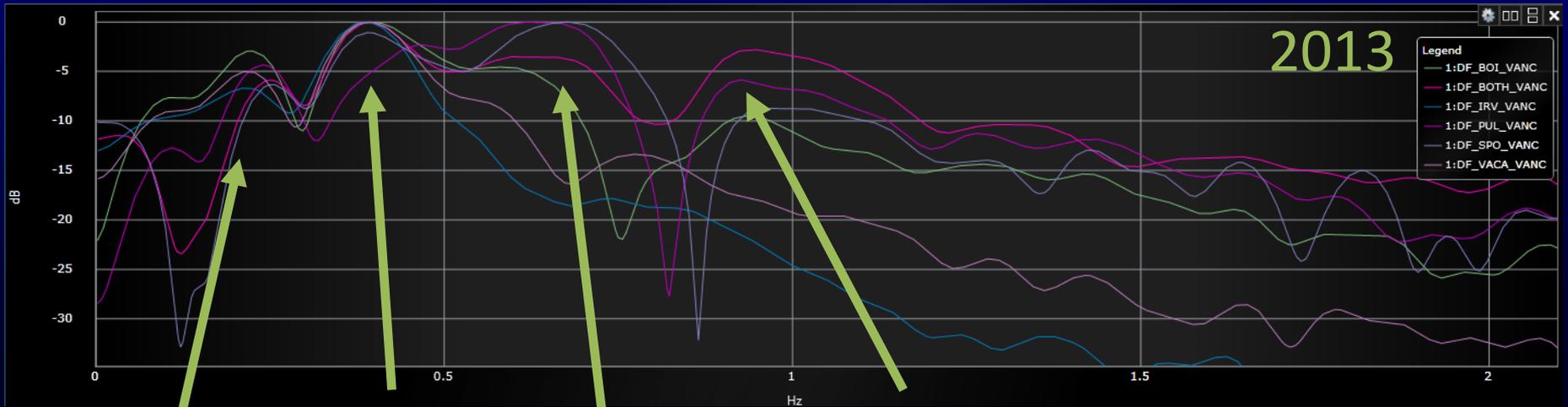
Chart Options

Show Magnitudes

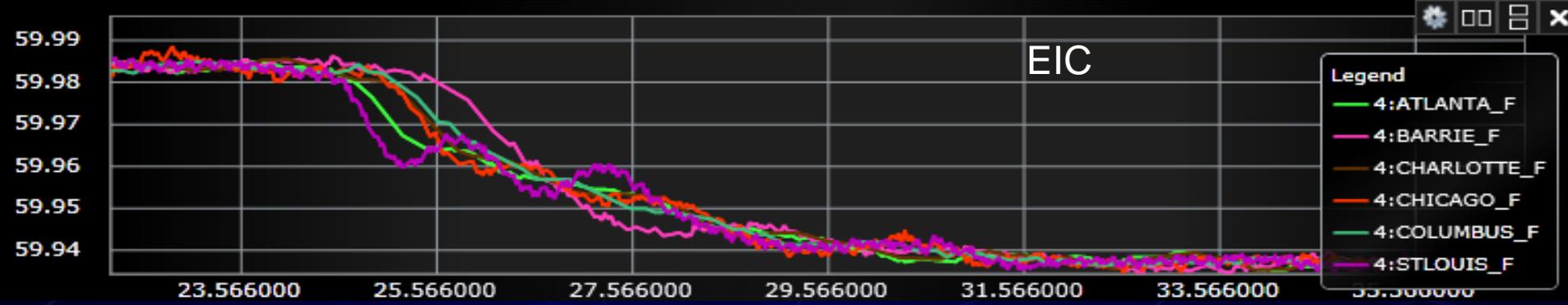
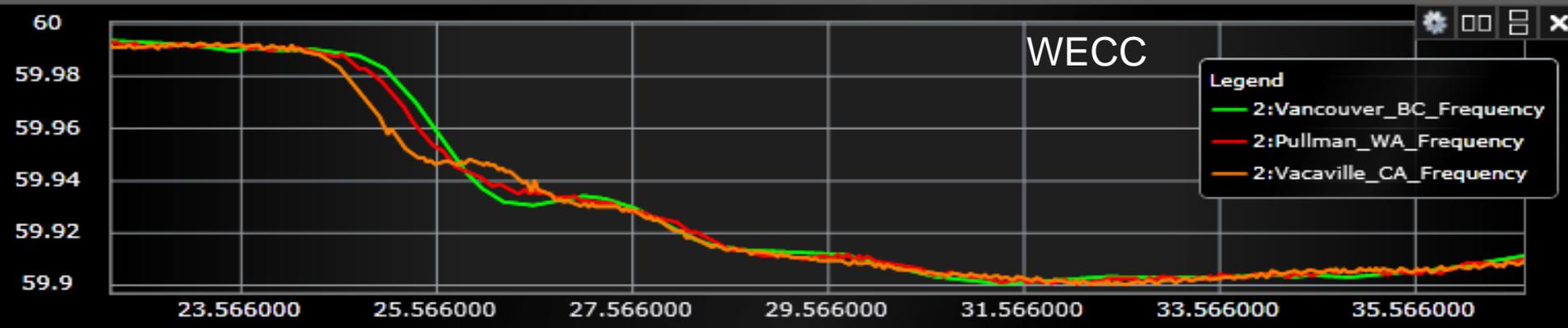
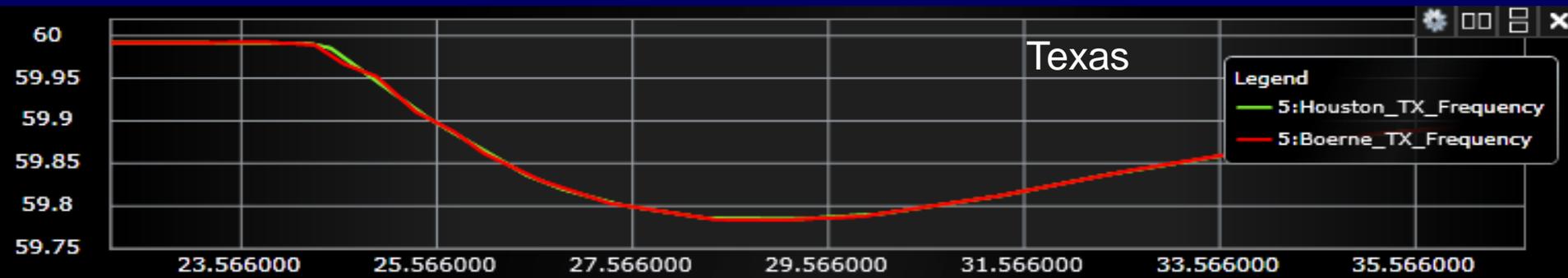
Cursor Selection: **Cursor 0**



(10) FFT Event Comparison



(11) Comparing Across The U.S.A



Normal Frequency Variations



(12) Phase Jumps



St. Patrick's Day Event?



(13) Field Engineers “Borrow” Our PMUs

“Hi Greg,
Sorry, we were doing some IRIG testing and needed the PMU.
It should be back now.”

