



# Operationalizing Synchrophasor Technology at PG&E

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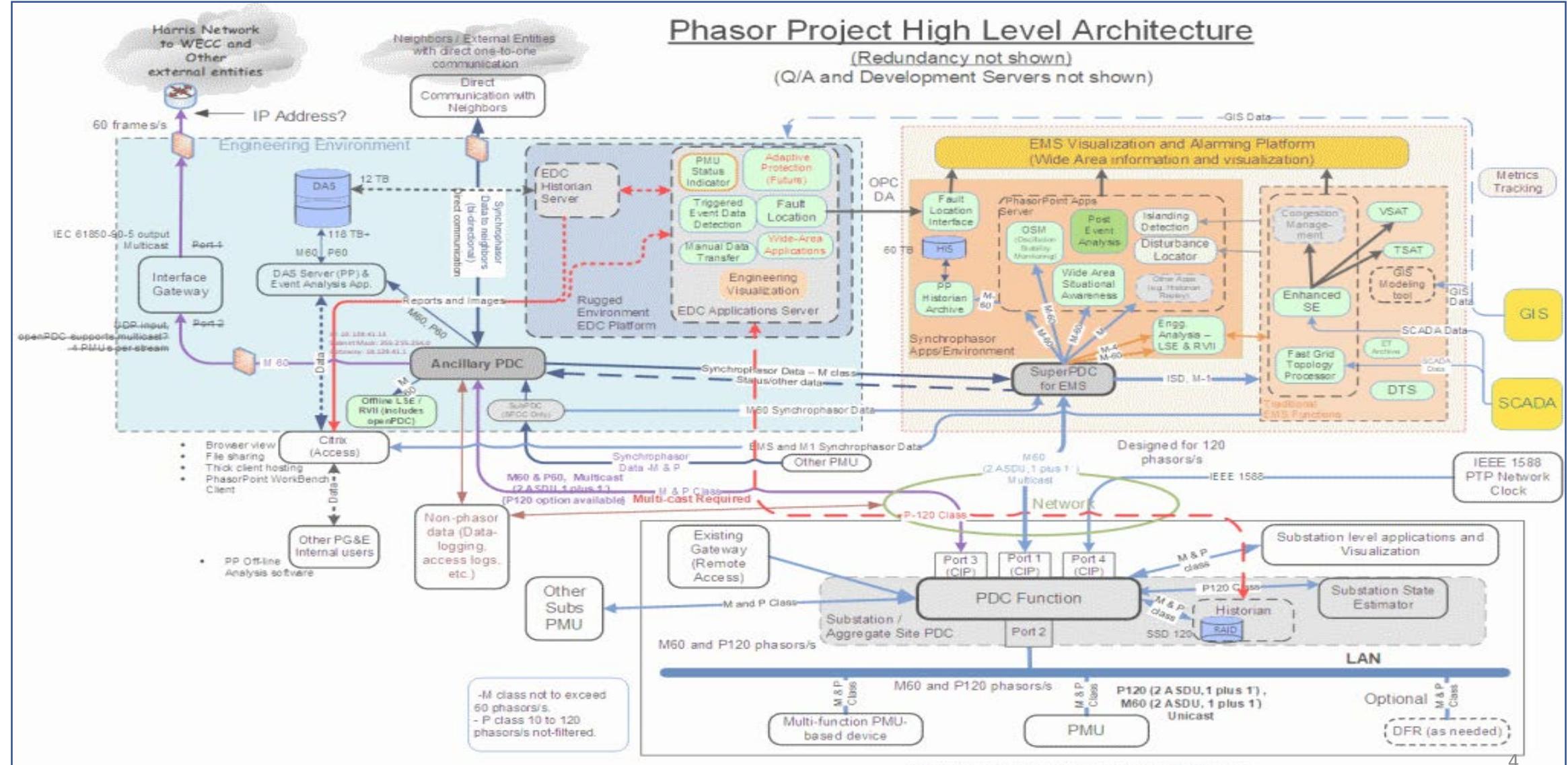
# PG&E

- There are approximately 20,000 employees who carry out Pacific Gas and Electric Company's primary business
- The company provides natural gas and electric service to approximately 16 million people throughout a 70,000-square-mile service area in northern and central California
- Service area stretches from Eureka in the north to Bakersfield in the south, and from the Pacific Ocean in the west to the Sierra Nevada in the east.
- 106,681 circuit miles of electric distribution lines and 18,466 circuit miles of interconnected transmission lines.
- 5.4 million electric customer accounts.
- 7,681 MW generation capacity (hydro, nuclear, fossil, and solar)

# PG&E Synchrophasor Program History

- PG&E Project Development and Proof-of-Concept (POC)
  - PG&E will participate in WECC wide project meetings and conference calls to coordinate its Synchrophasor project with other WISP participants to leverage areas of expertise and mutual collaborations.
  - PG&E will perform a proof-of-concept to validate interoperability, compatibility, and data integrity of various vendors' equipment that PG&E intends to use. Real-time Digital Simulators (RTDS) and test equipment will allow PG&E to test various operator and engineering tools.
  - PG&E will perform comprehensive system studies to determine the locations for PMUs, the phasor data concentrators and super phasor data concentrators based on a series of criteria including availability of PG&E's network.
- PMU and PDC Deployment
  - PG&E will design, procure, install and test phasor measurement units and phasor data concentrators at existing electric transmission substations within their service territory.
  - PG&E will use a combination of existing equipment and new equipment.
  - PG&E will upgrade its existing telecom infrastructure to handle the added traffic of transmitting phasor data from substations to its control centers.
- Data Storage and User Applications
  - PG&E will store phasor data for both real time (or near real time) operational use and for operational basis, training, system planning, engineering and post disturbance analyses.
  - Storage capacity will be installed at PG&E control centers.
  - PG&E's existing energy management system will be enhanced to include phasor data into the state estimator and situational awareness systems.
  - PG&E will develop new engineering tools taking advantage of the new phasor data.
  - PG&E synchrophasor system shall be designed to allow applications and functions to be added in the future.
- Data Sharing
  - PG&E will collaborate with its neighboring utilities, the CAISO and WECC to gather any additional phasor data to support the operation of the PG&E transmission system. Specifically, the project includes integration of the synchrophasor data from neighboring systems such as BPA, SDG&E, SCE, APS and IPC to engineer solutions for grid monitoring and training tools for PG&E's system operation and engineering. The footprint for PG&E's project covers the Pacific AC and DC systems surrounding PG&E and includes monitoring of critical 60kV, 115kV, 230kV, 345kV, and 500kV systems.
  - PG&E will provide an interface for WECC to make use of the phasor data. PG&E is assisting WECC in evaluating alternative solutions that would support data format provided by PG&E. However, WECC is responsible for any data format conversions if data conversion becomes necessary.

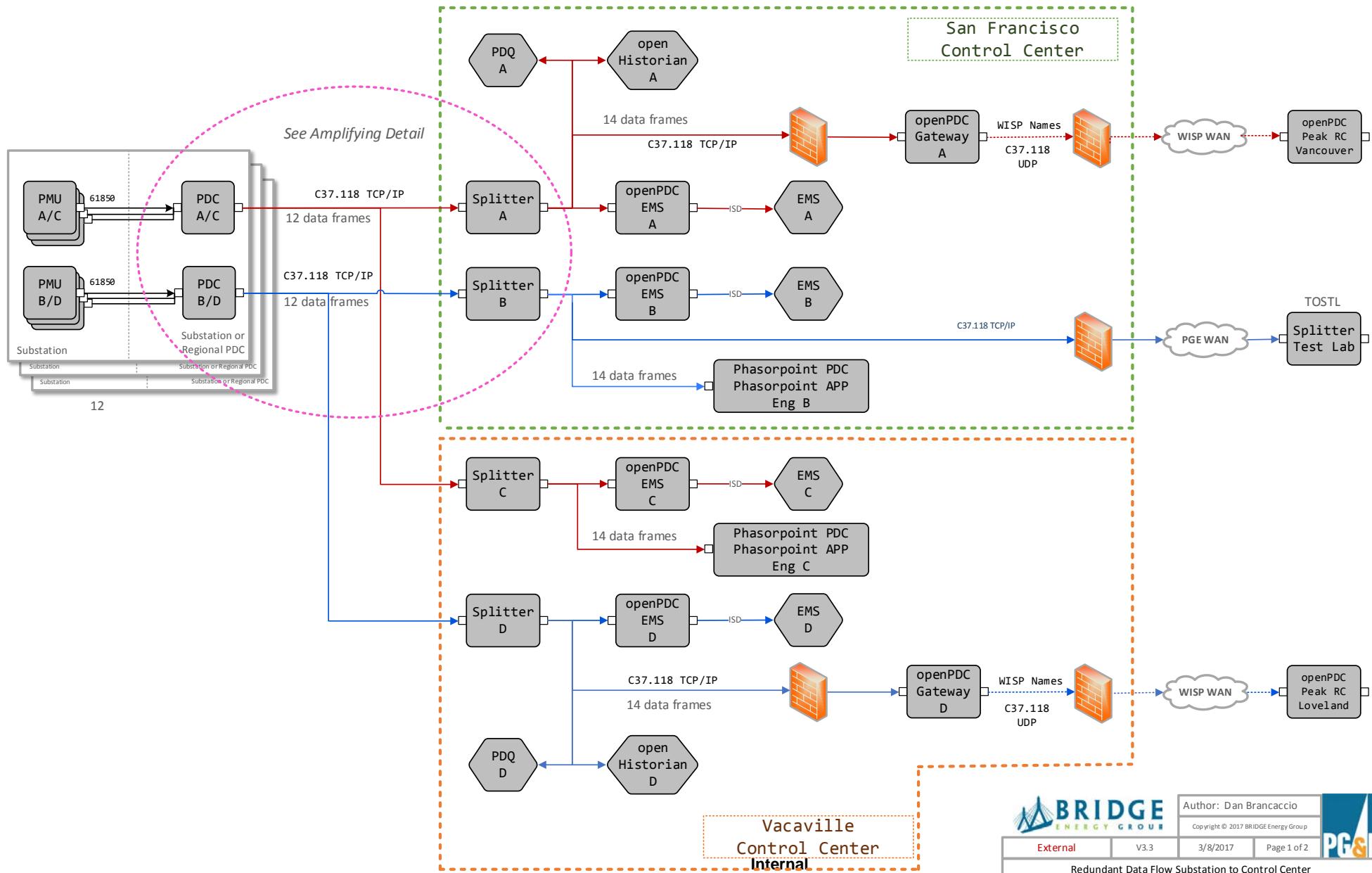
# PG&E Synchrophasor Program History



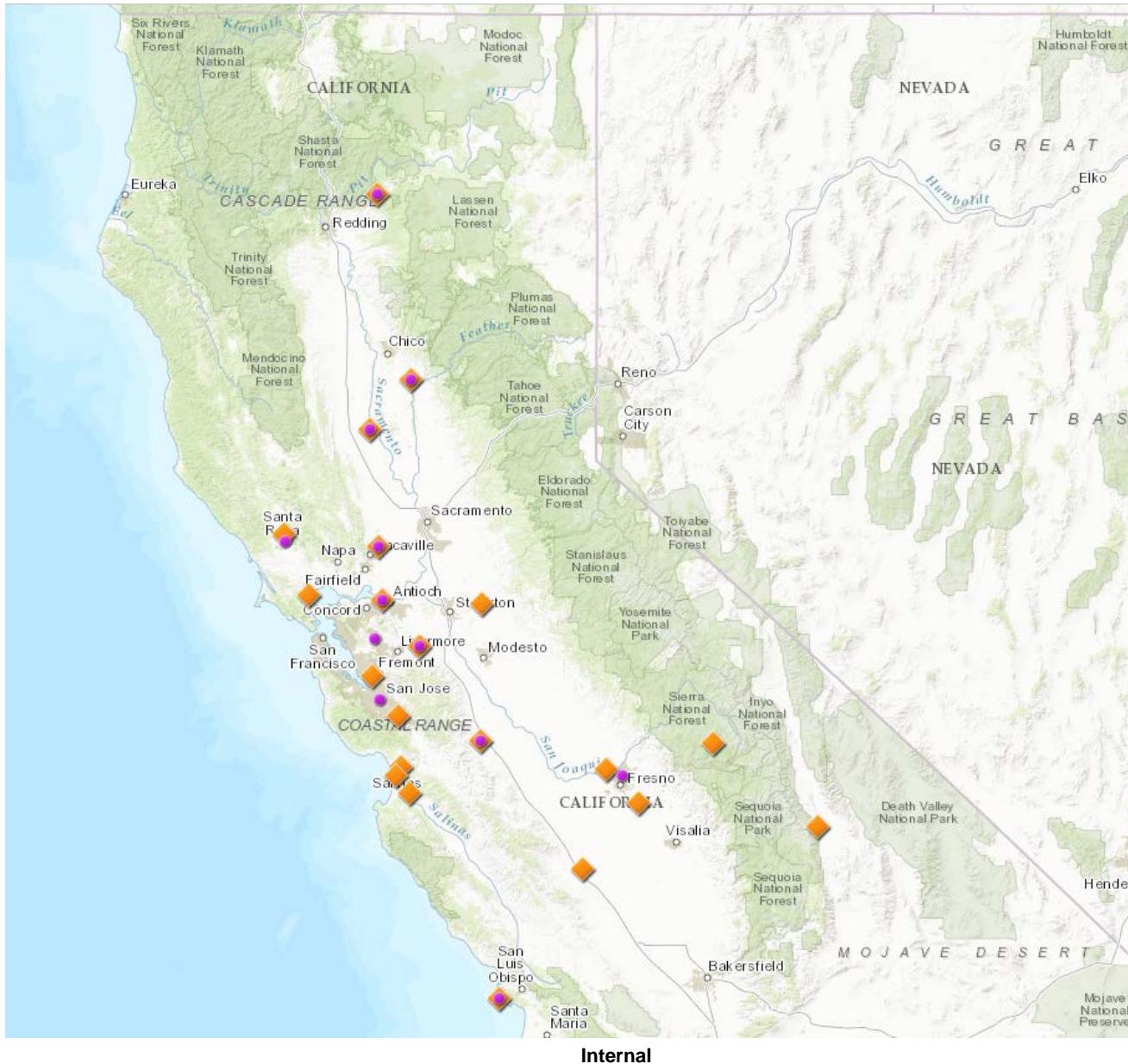
# PG&E Synchrophasor Deployment Today

- Transmission
  - PMUs in 21 substations
  - 202 PMUs, 101 redundant measurement locations
  - 24 Substation PDCs, 12 redundant locations
  - 4 control center PDCs, 2 redundant locations
  - 4 redundant Archives
    - openHistorian, PhasorPoint archive – Hitachi Direct Connect SAN 60 TB (2) 120 TB (2)
- Generation
  - 3 PMUs, one each generator at combined cycle plant
  - 1 PDC
  - Archive OSIsoft PI, openHistorian, SEL SynchroWAVE
  - Visualization, SEL SynchroWAVE, open source Grafana
- Transmission Operations Synchrophasor Test Lab (TOSTL)

# Architecture Transmission



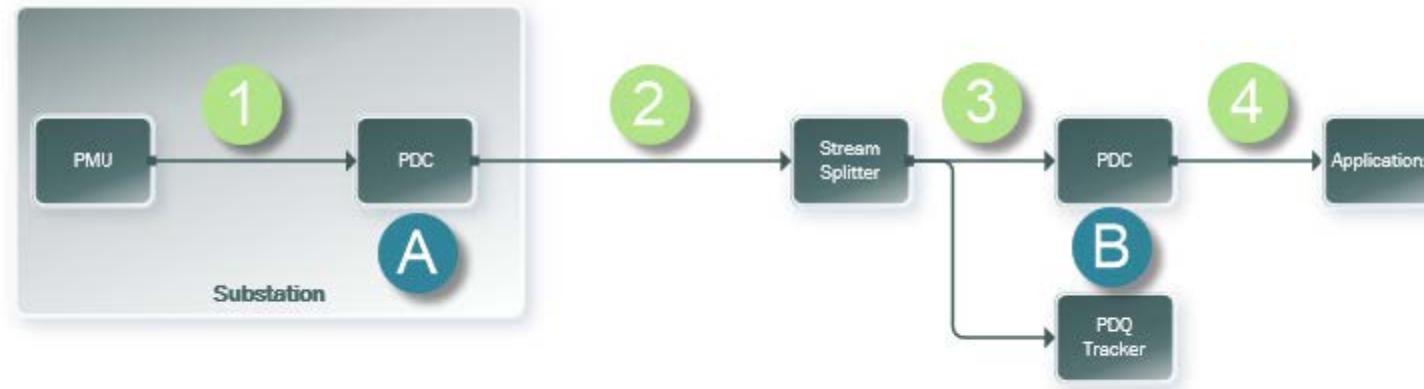
# Transmission PMUs and PDCs



# Data Availability effort

- Simplify data path
  - Identify all data paths
  - Move point to point paths inside control center where possible using GPA Synchrophasor Stream Splitter
- Switch protocol
  - Switch from IEC 61850-90-5 to IEEE C37.118-2005 Substation PDC to Control Center
  - Switch from UDP Multicast to TCP/IP Unicast
- Review naming convention
  - Internal naming convention consistent and usable
  - Comply with WISP naming convention for sharing data with Peak RC and other entities
- Deploy data availability measurement tools
- Regular interaction with network communication group
- Attend Monthly Peak RC SPDQ meeting

# Understand how your architecture effects your availability statistics



The PDC “hides” data availability problems

Availability issues at location 1 appear as data errors at location 2

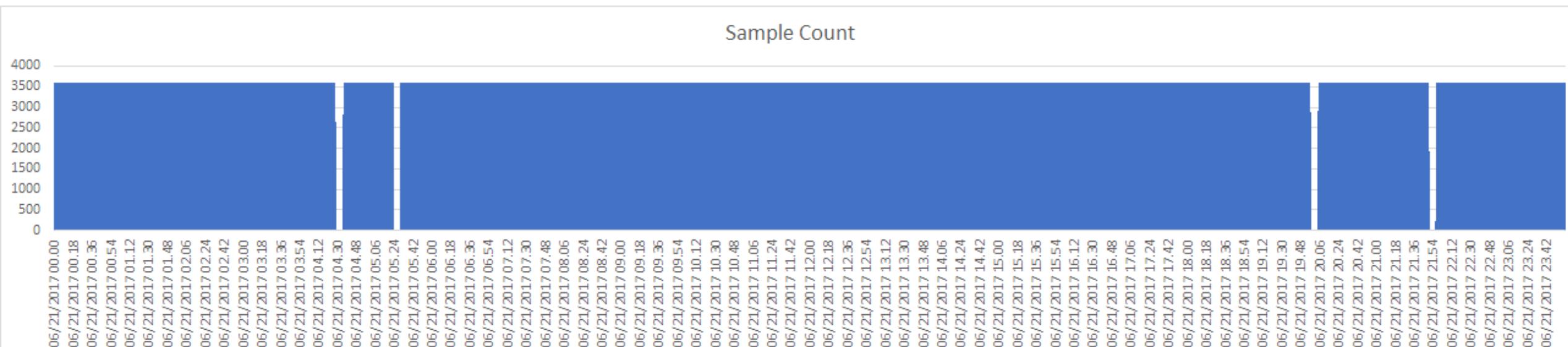
Availability issues at location 2 are unchanged at location 3 but appear as data errors at location 4

Availability issues at location 2 cause all the PMUs reporting to PDC A to have the same availability issues as seen by PDC B or the PDQTracker

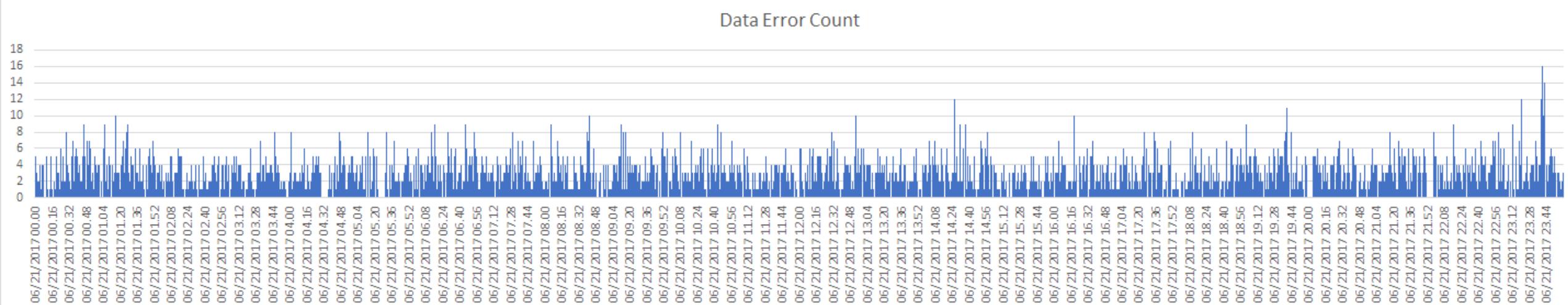
Data Availability 98.21% what does it mean?

- 60 Hz sample rate delivers 5,184,000 samples per day
- An availability of 98.21% means 92,793 samples did not get delivered
- To address the dropped data frames you need to know how they are distributed

# Discrete time slices



# Spread out over entire day (4407 data errors)



# Data to Peak RC

Improvements

# Availability Today

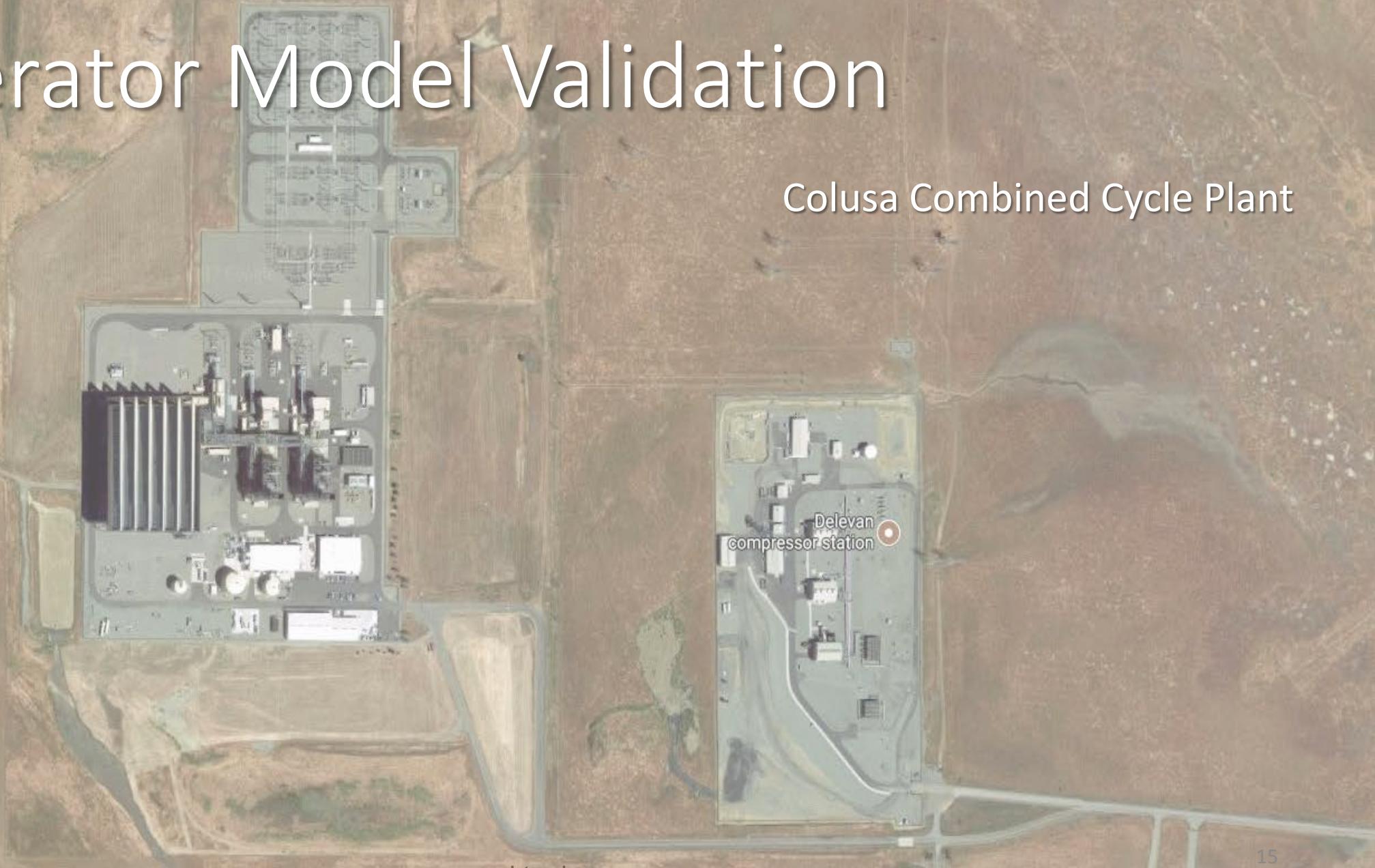
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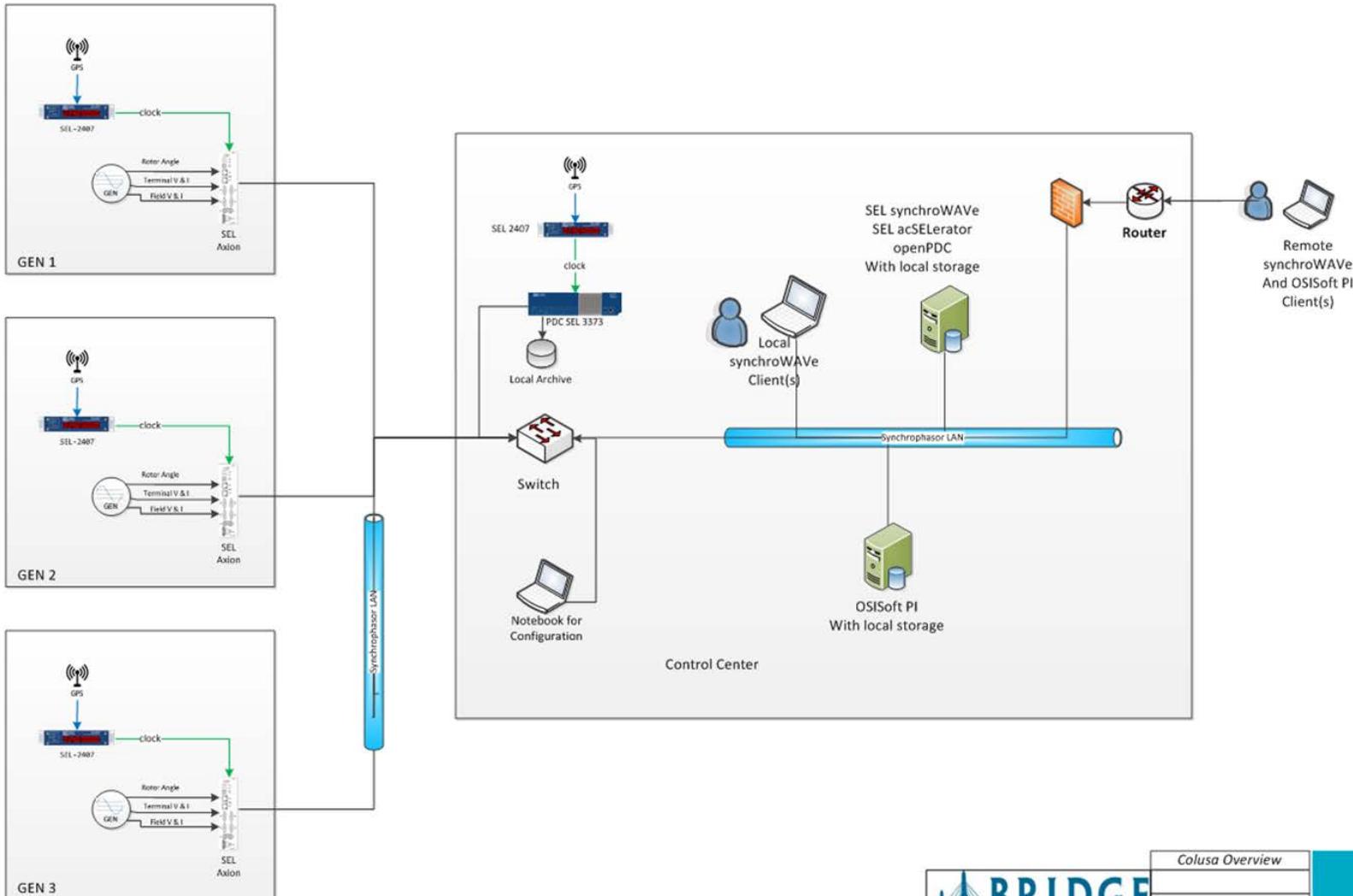
Previously only 2 PMUs were being sent to Peak RC with availability around 60% and a latency of almost 20 seconds

# Generator Model Validation

Colusa Combined Cycle Plant



# Architecture Generation





Colusa Generation



Zoom Out Last 24 hours



## Rotor to Voltage Phase Angle offset

Rotor Angle



Metric	Current
STG	48.03
CTG-2	48.48
CTG-1	51.21

## Colusa MW

Colusa MW Total

**565.9 MW**

## Colusa MVAR

Colusa MVAR

**-26.5 Mvar**

## Colusa Generator voltage

Voltage

Metric	Current
STG	17.93 K
CTG-2	17.93 K
CTG-1	17.88 K

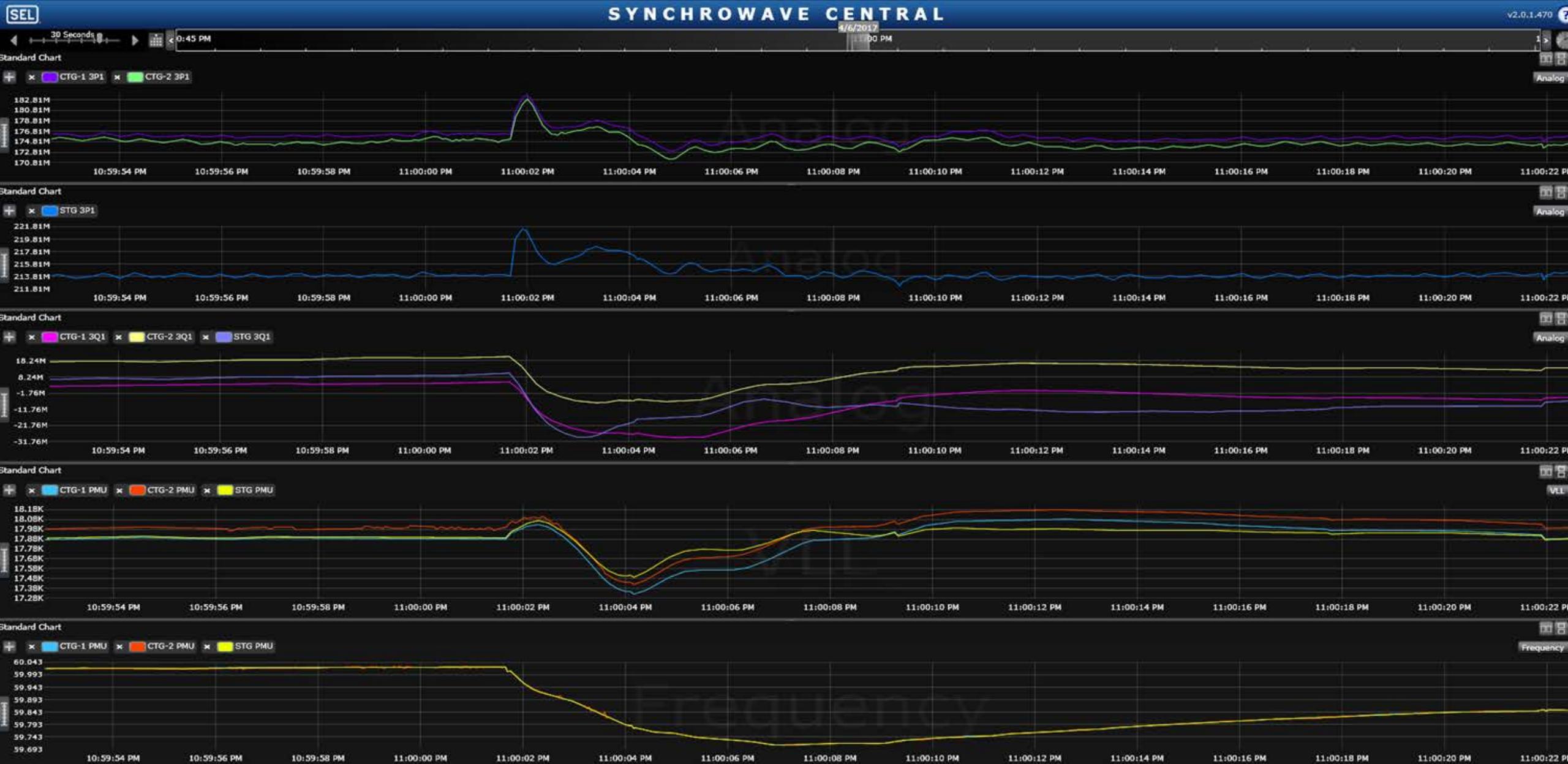
## Colusa Generator Current

Current

Metric	Current
STG	7823
CTG-2	5191
CTG-1	5229

Internal

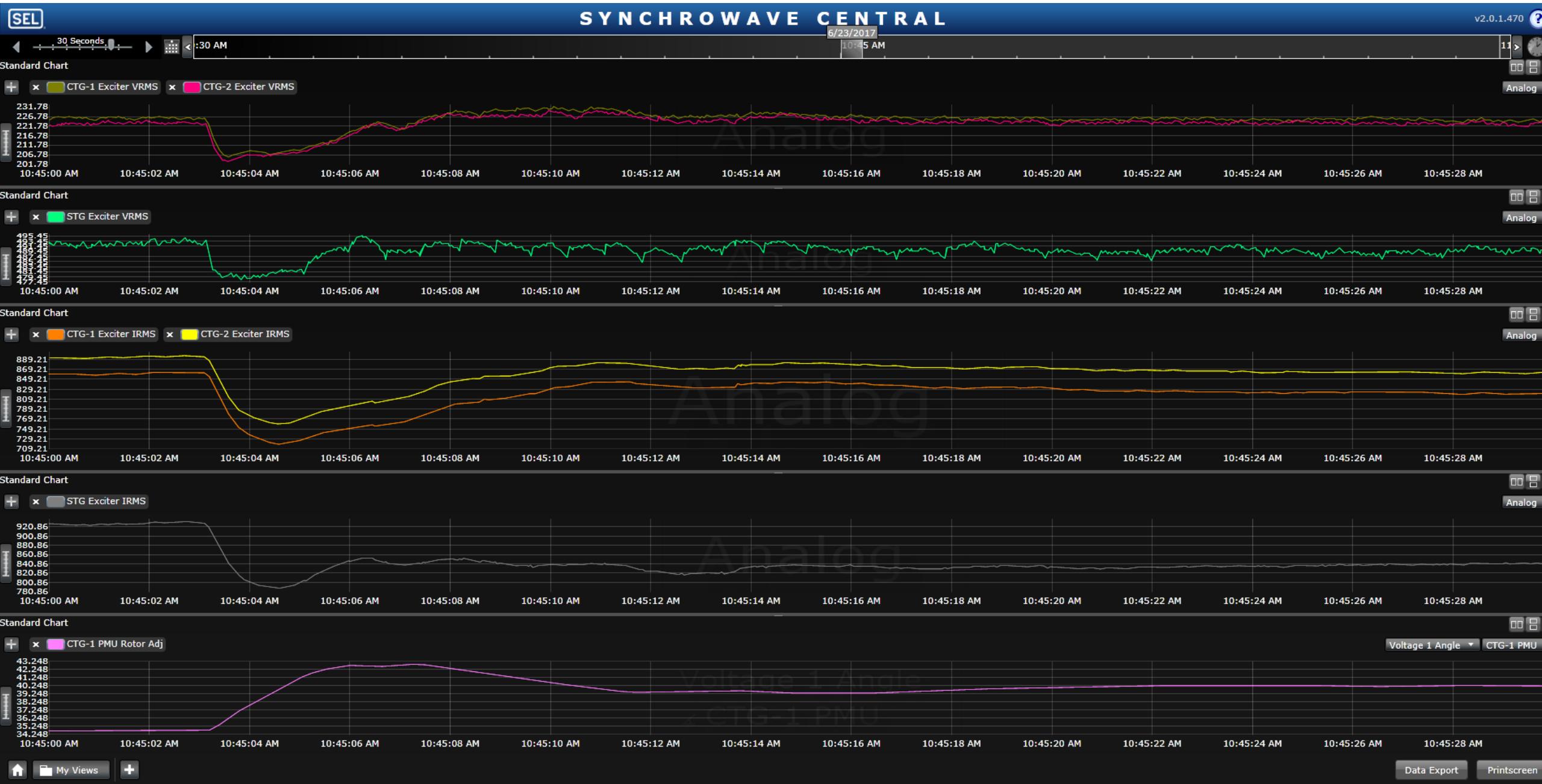
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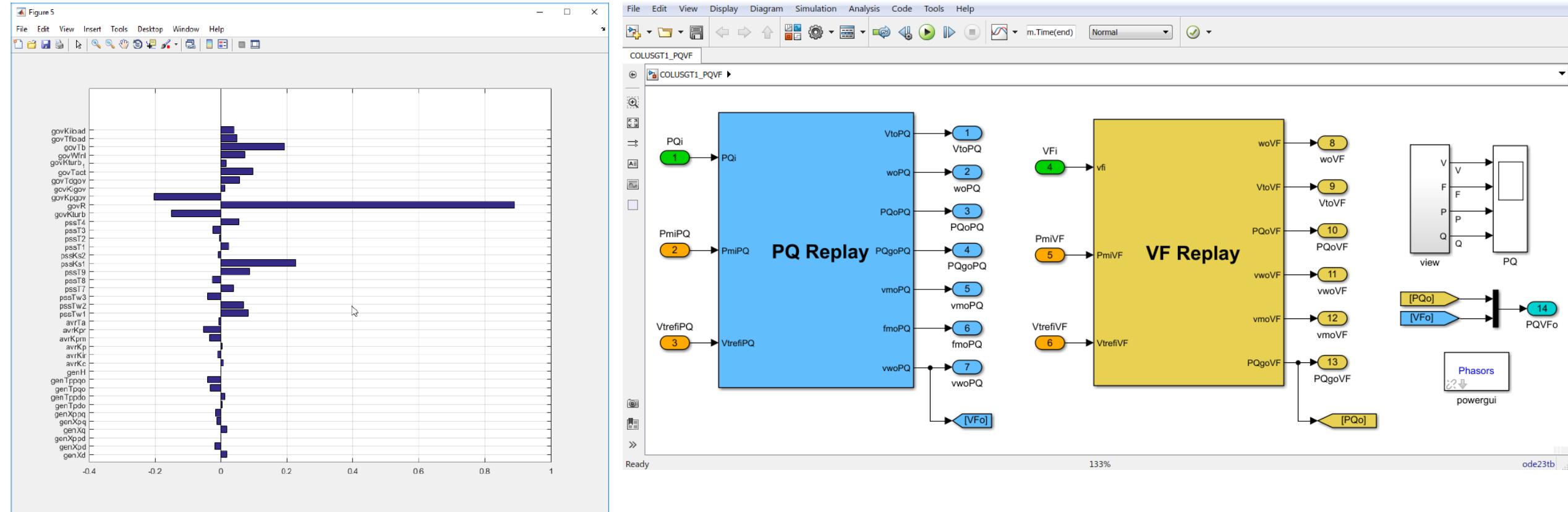
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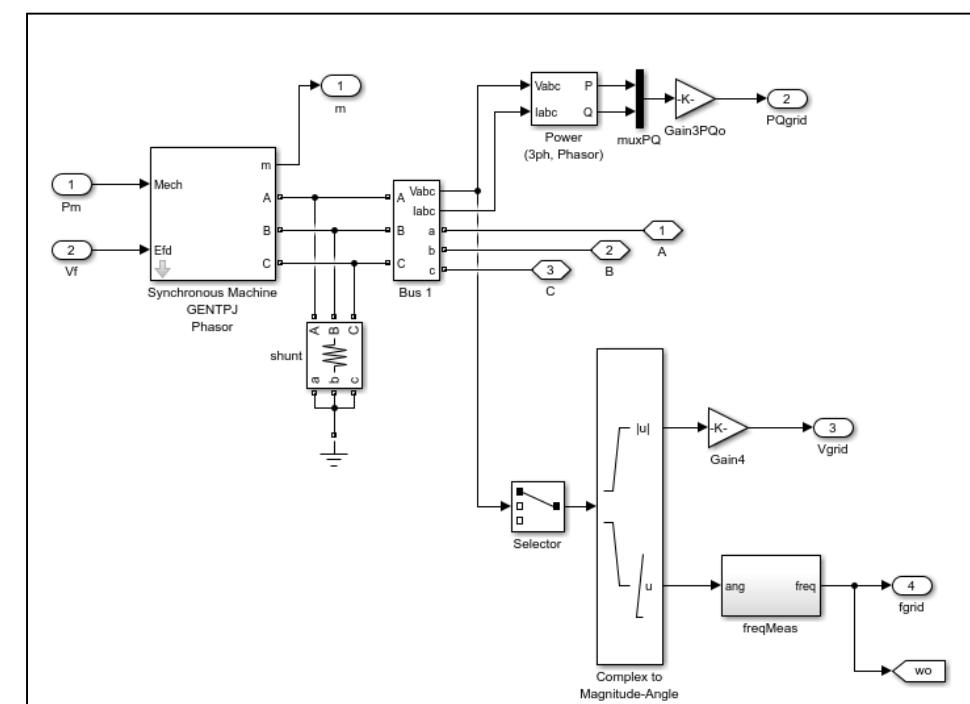
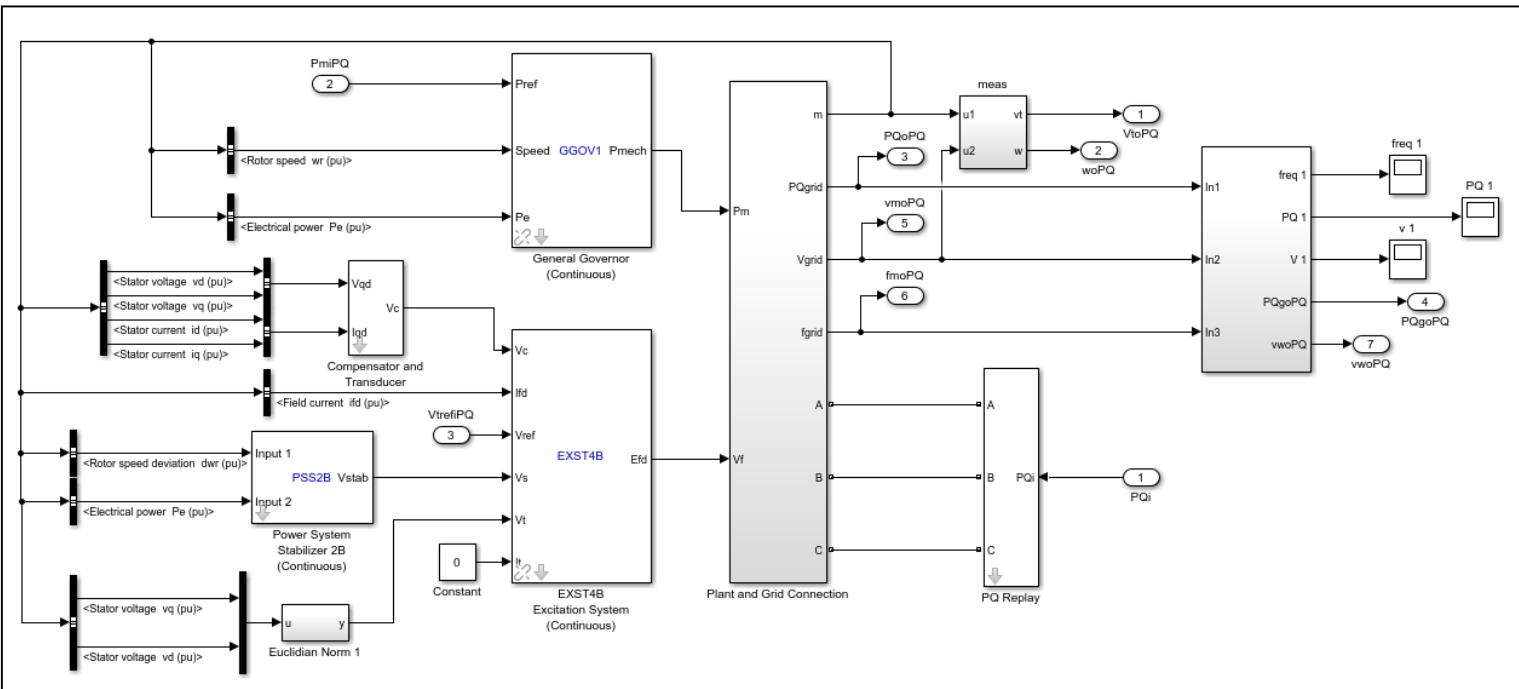
# RAS Event 6-23-2017 (Colusa Exciter Voltage & Current and Rotor Angle)



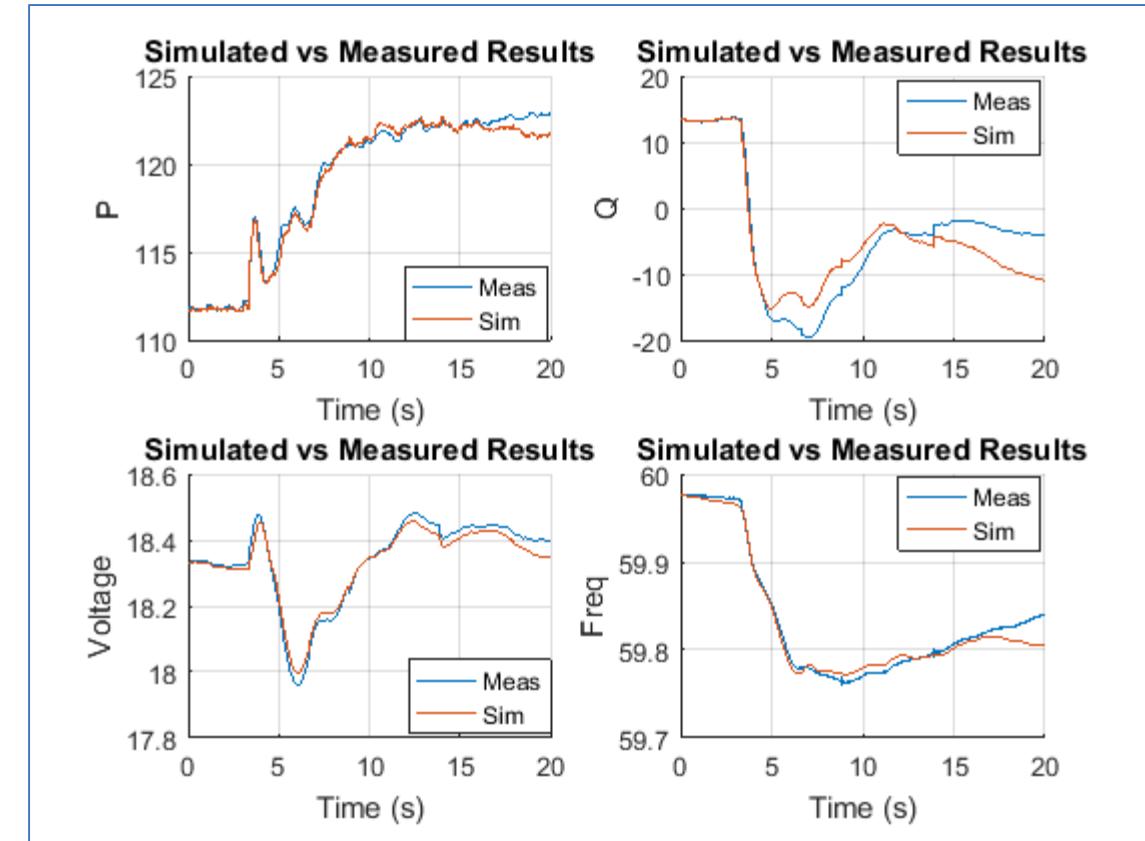
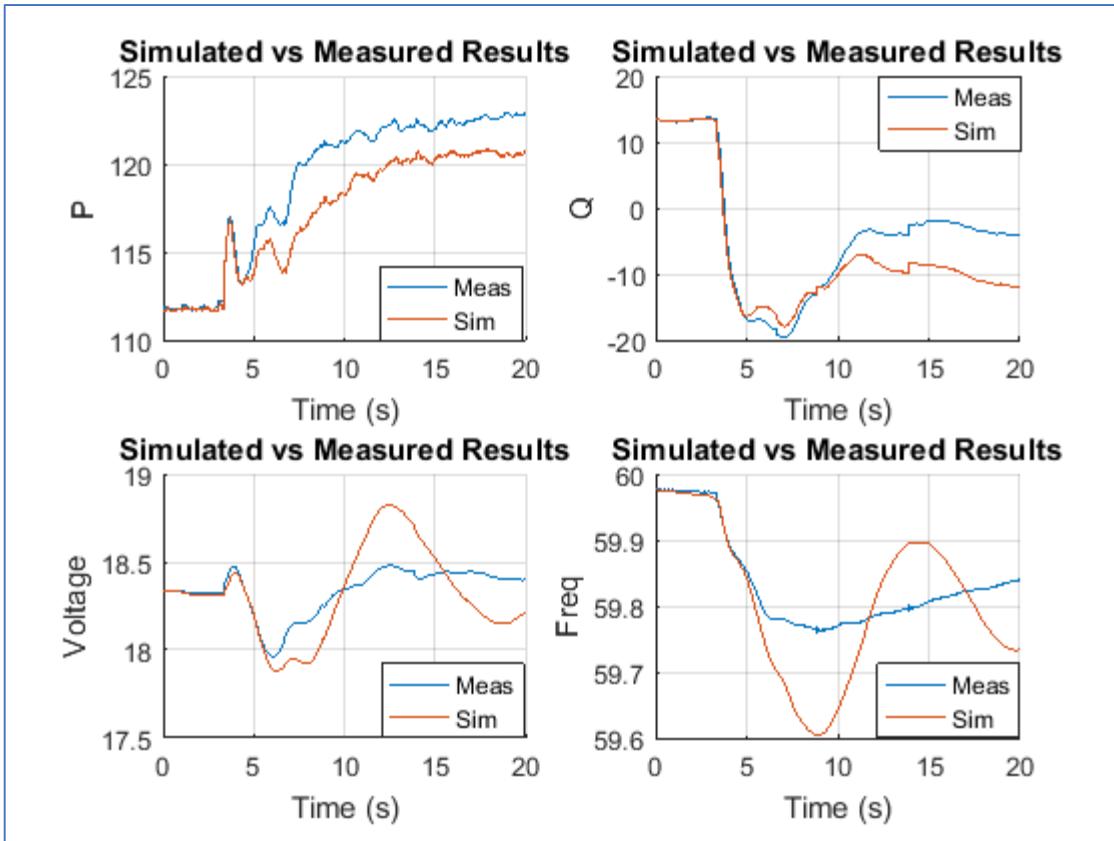
# MathWorks Simulink Modeling and Parameter Estimation Tool



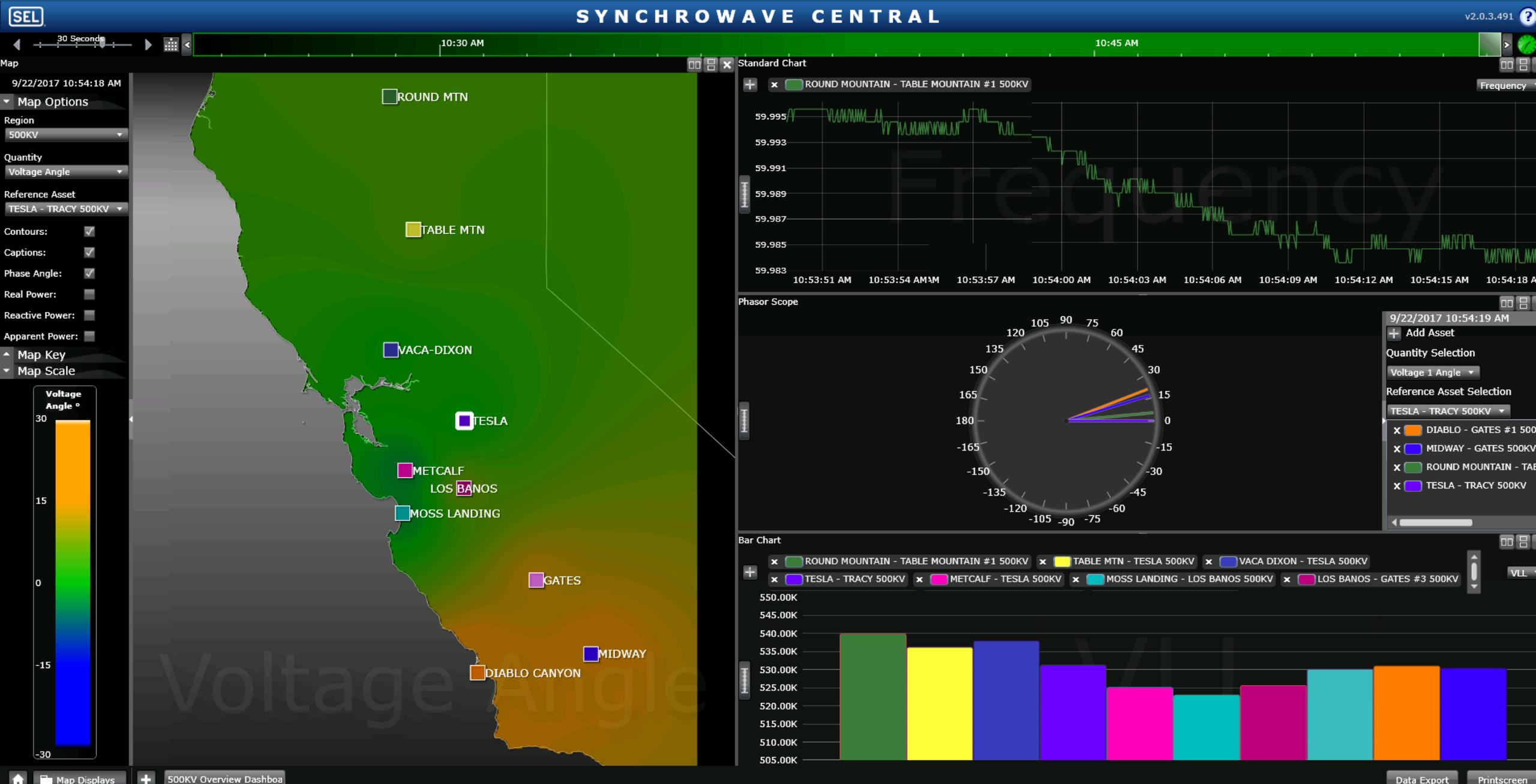
# MathWorks Generator Model



# 6-23-2017 RAS Event: CTG-1 Original Parameters vs PQVF Optimized Parameters



# SYNCHROWAVE Central 500 kV Overview



# PhasorPoint 500 kV Overview

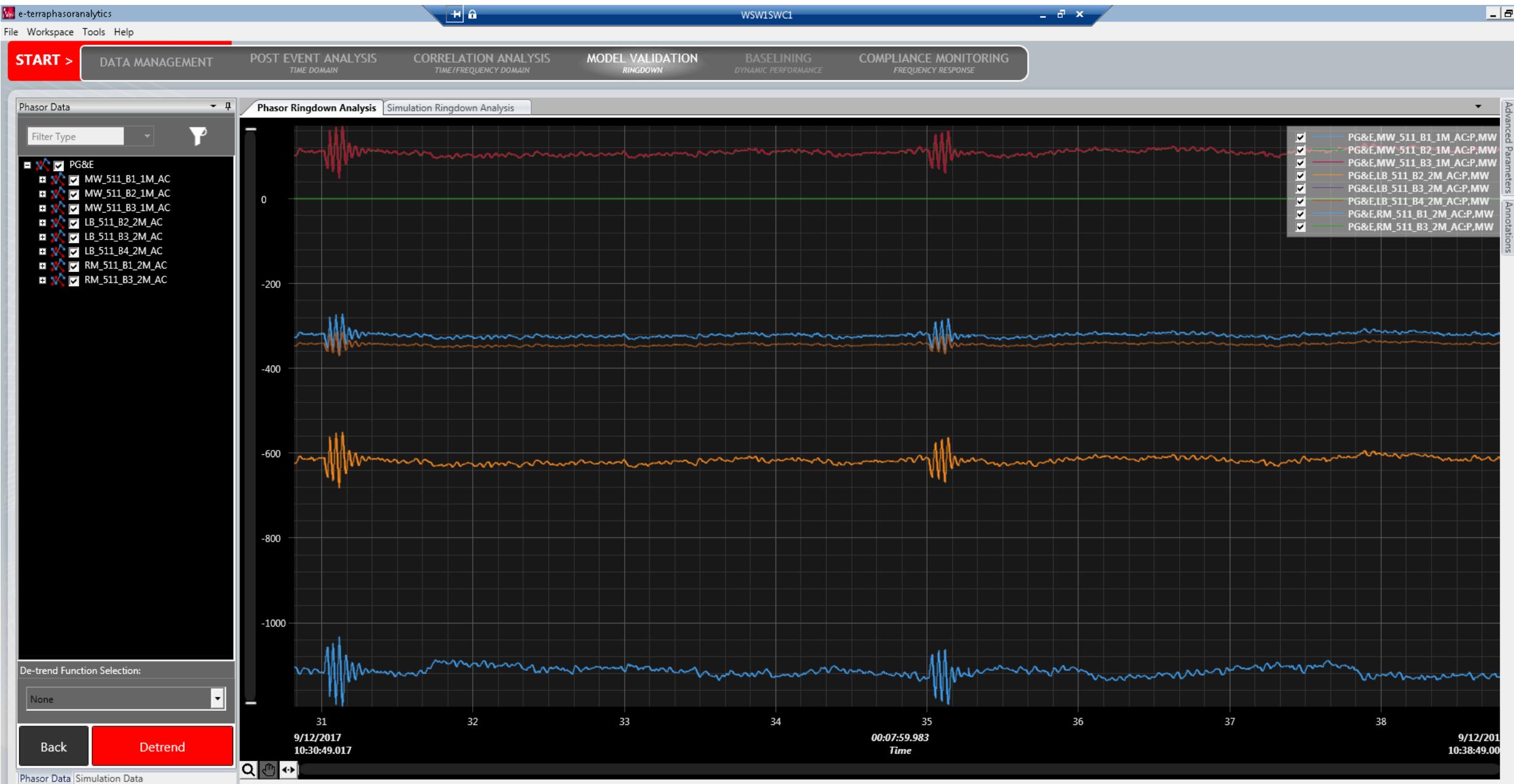
Overview	Voltage	Frequency	Voltage Condition	Frequency Condition	Angle Condition	Admin	Oscillatory Stability	P & Q	Islanding	System Disturbance	Live Data	Historical Data	Events	Short Circuit Capacity	Power Angle Stability
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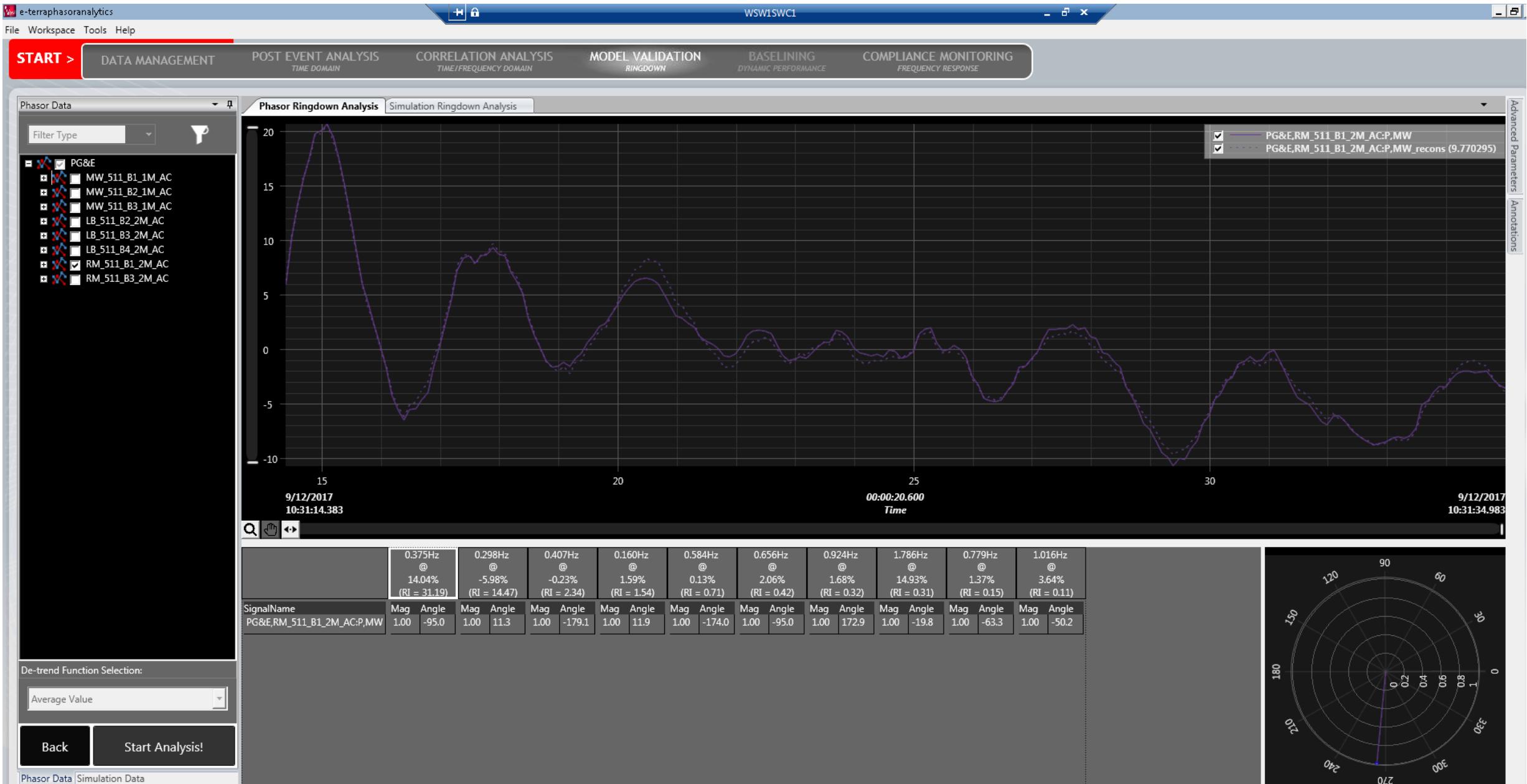
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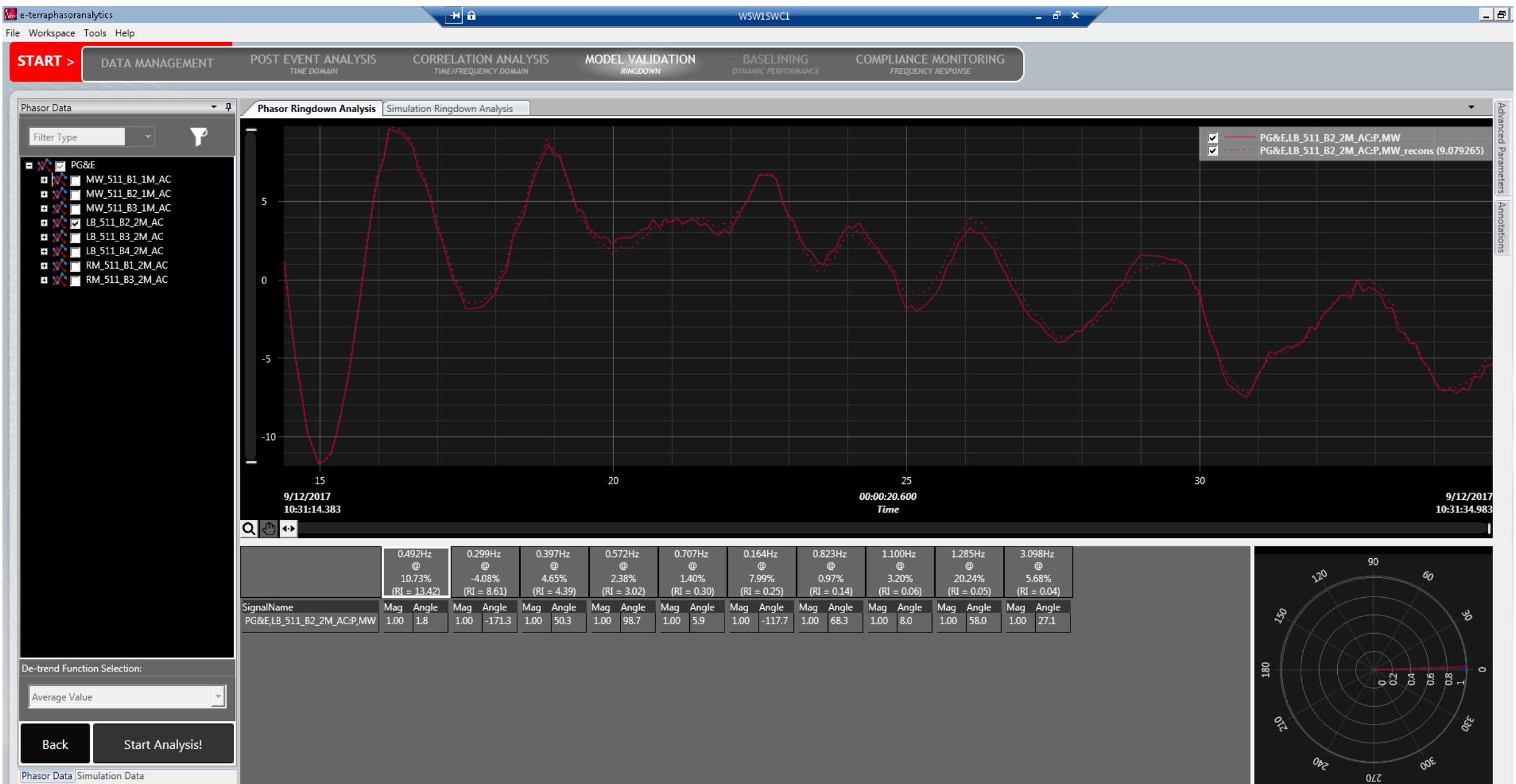
# PhasorAnalytics: BPA PDCI Modulation Test 6-6-2017



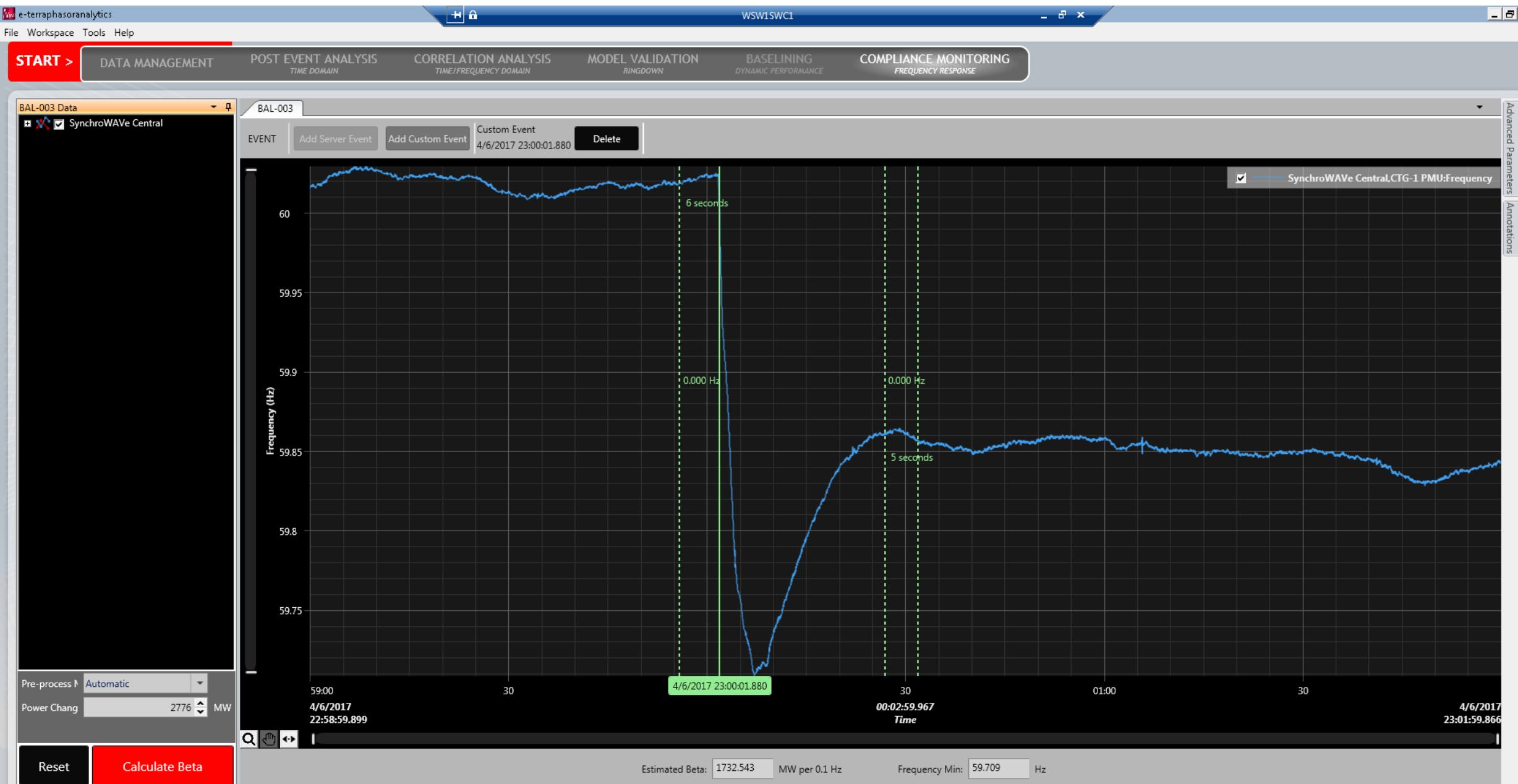
# Ringdown: Malin – Round Mountain #1 500 kV Line



# Ringdown: Los Banos – Midway #2 500 kV Line



# PhasorAnalytics: Frequency Response



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