

## Synergy

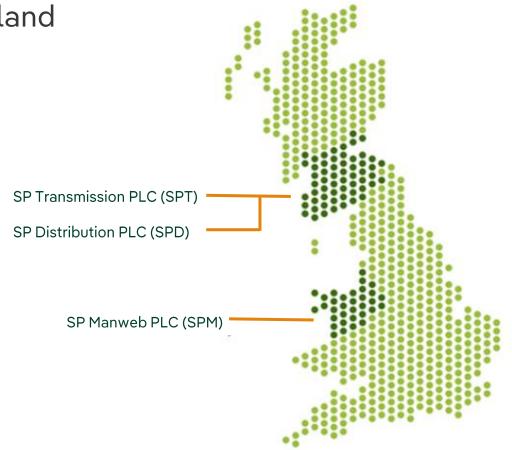
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**Future Networks** 

## **SP Energy Networks**



- TNO and DNO for Southern and Central Scotland
- DNO for Merseyside and North Wales
- 44,000km Overhead Lines
- 65,000km Underground Cables
- Over 3000 substations
- A Total of 3.5 Million Customers



## **Innovation Strategy**



#### The Future Networks team are delivering our innovation strategy through;

- Industry leading expertise
- Concentrating on creating a positive and lasting impact on the future of distribution and transmission
- Two major fields of focus black start and power electronics

#### **Black Start**

Black Start since 2015 Range of partners

Built expertise and capabilities

#### **Power Electronics**

Implementation across voltages on transmission and distribution networks

#### **Power Electronics**



#### **Phoenix**

Synchronous condensers + static compensator technologies - manage reduced inertia and voltage control on Transmission Network.

## **Angle-DC**

Medium Voltage DC (MVDC) link to Anglesey, a increased renewable generation integration.

## LV Engine

**Trial** of innovative **Smart Transformers** for the connection of **LCTs** 

£120m investment in RIIO-2
Business plan implementation of
synchronous condensers at
Eccles

**3** further sites planned to roll out **LV Engine Technology** within **RIIO-ED2** 

## **Transmission Network Reliability/Security**



#### **VISOR**

Greater visibility of network state and assets

#### **FITNESS**

Efficient and effective digital substation

#### **Distributed Restart**

DERs supporting the network and restoring power

## **Synthesis**

Advanced analytics and real-time control enabling rapid response to system disturbances



£13.59m further investment for SPT, estimated £40m for other GB Transmission business

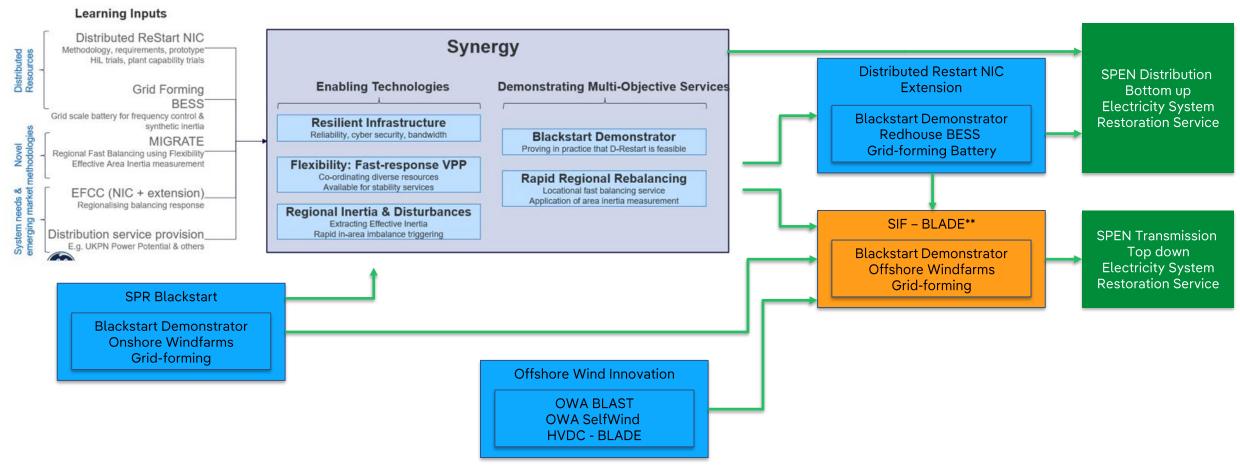
£54m investment in RIIO-2
Business plan - digital
substations - Westfield and
Hunterston

**£5m Green Recovery Fund:** Synergy

**2023-SIF:** Black-start from the offshore

## **Electricity System Restoration Service - SPEN Pathway to Delivery**

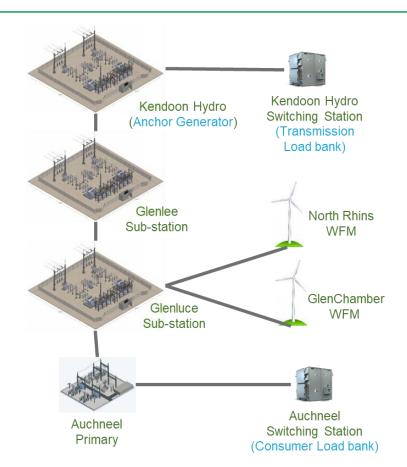


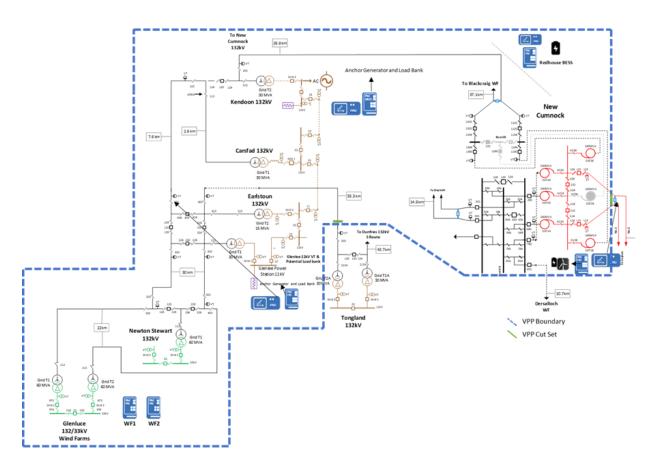


Demonstration in a live environment that the same infrastructure and set of resources can be used for *Blackstart*, *Frequency Response and Constraint*. This will comprise of the installation of advanced monitoring equipment, communication infrastructure and resource control technology in two SP Energy Network Regions.

## **Electricity System Restoration Service - Dumfries & Galloway**







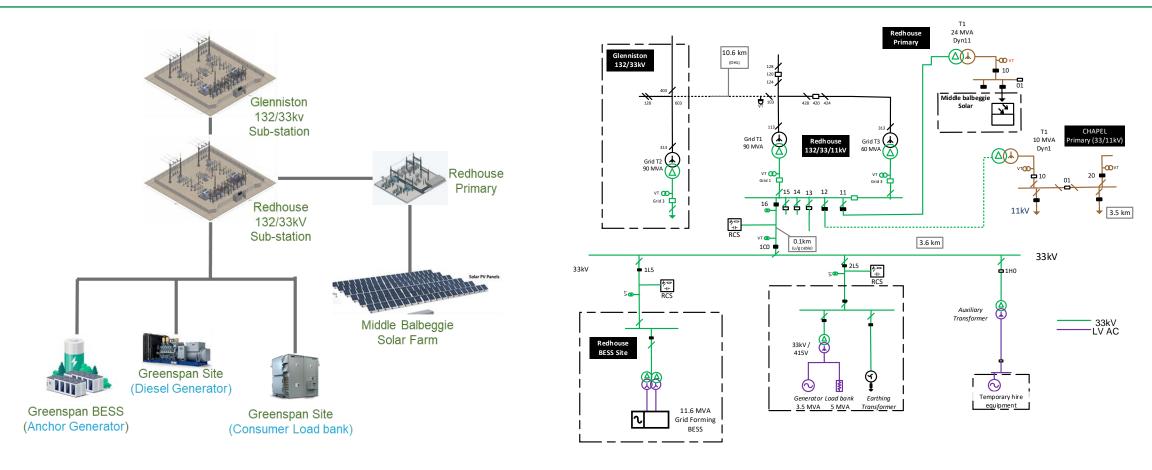
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Live testing to prove BaU solution for future Electricity System Restoration Service

## Island Merge within the Galloway Region

#### **Electricity System Restoration Service & WACS - Central & Fife**





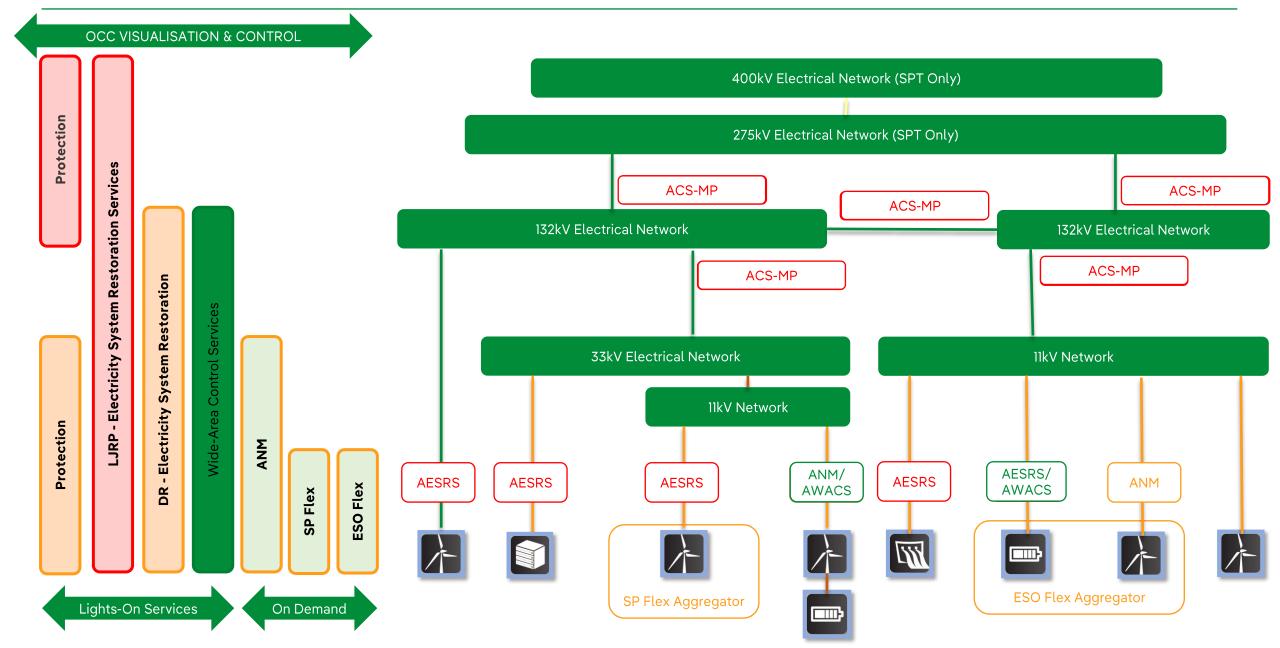
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Wide area fast VPP - Scotland fast balancing service using BESS

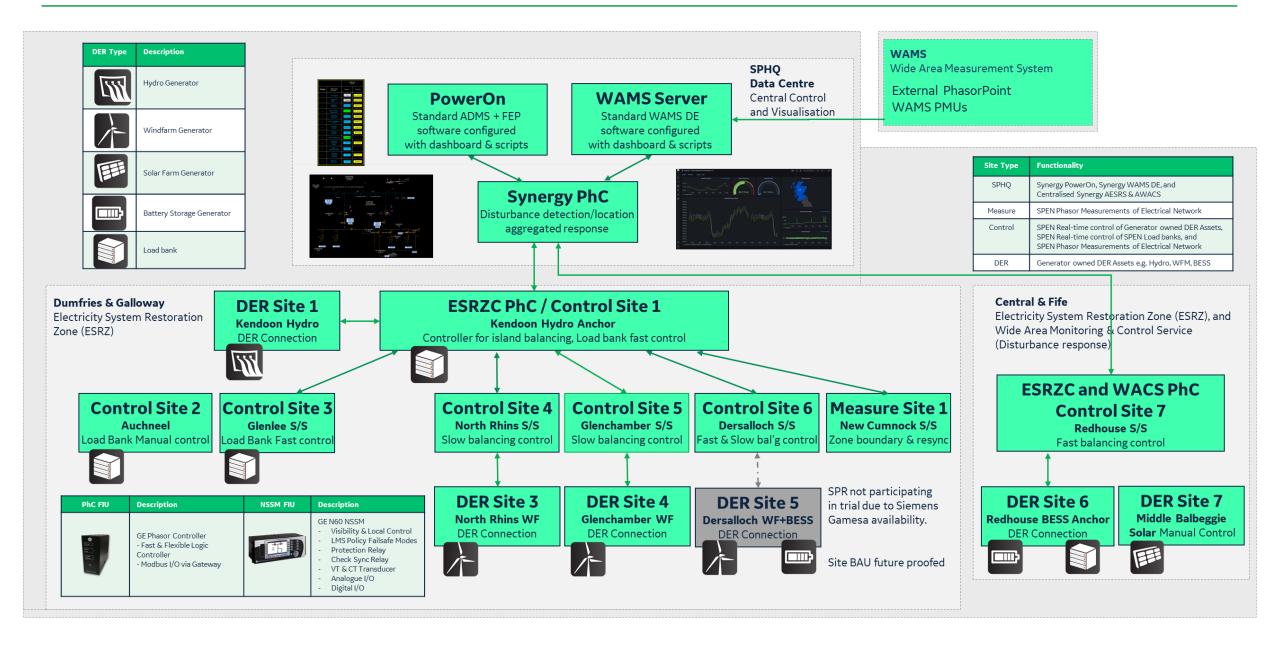
#### **Protection and Control Systems - Tiered Hierarchy of Control**





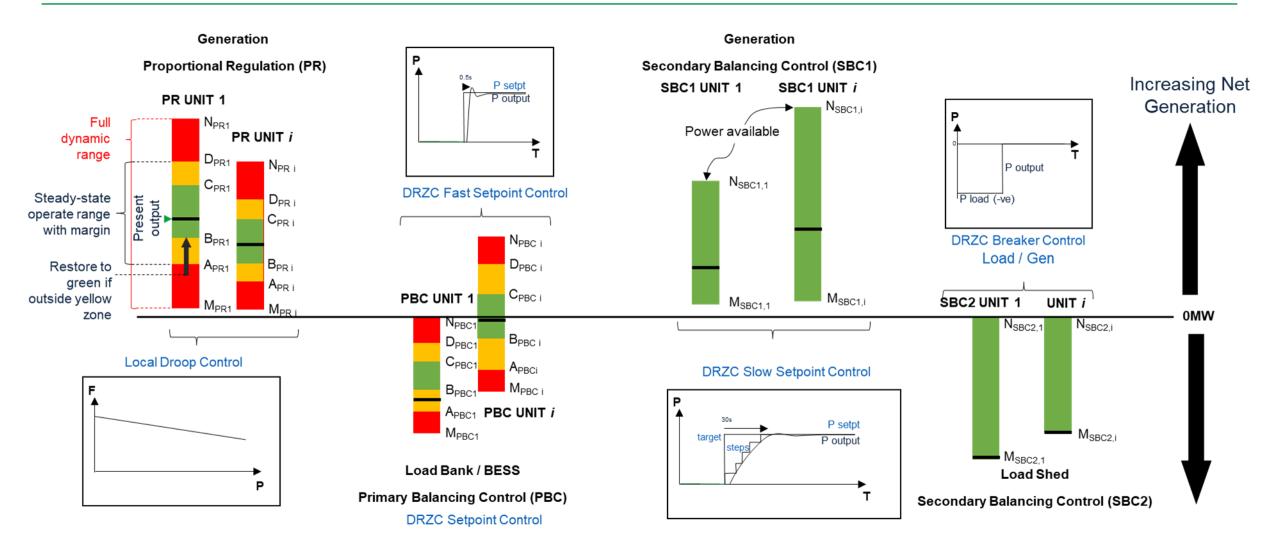
#### **Advanced Energy Management Systems - Tiered Hierarchy of Control**





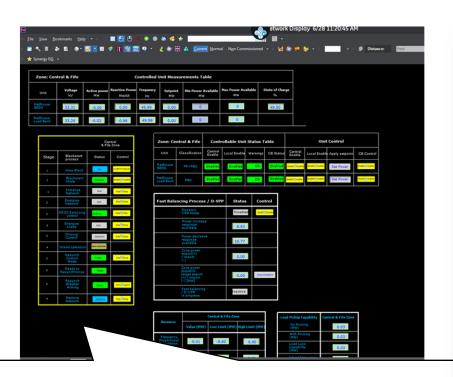
## **Advanced Energy Management Systems - Balancing Controls**





#### **Active Electricity System Restoration Service**











#### **ADMS Dashboard**

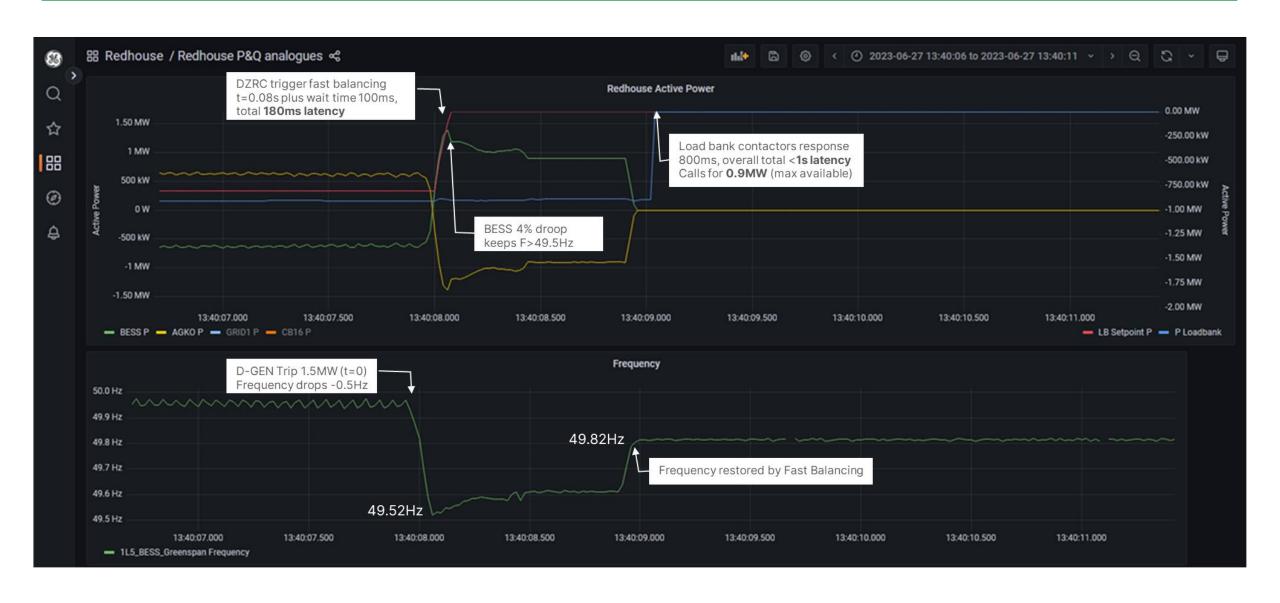
- Controlled unit measurements PQV, setpoints, min/max available
- Control status and user interaction
- Workflow including DRZC zone automation processes

#### **WAMS Dashboard**

- Dynamic trend charts
- Controlled unit PQV, frequency
- Resync boundary VFδ differences to align
- Zone control activity status

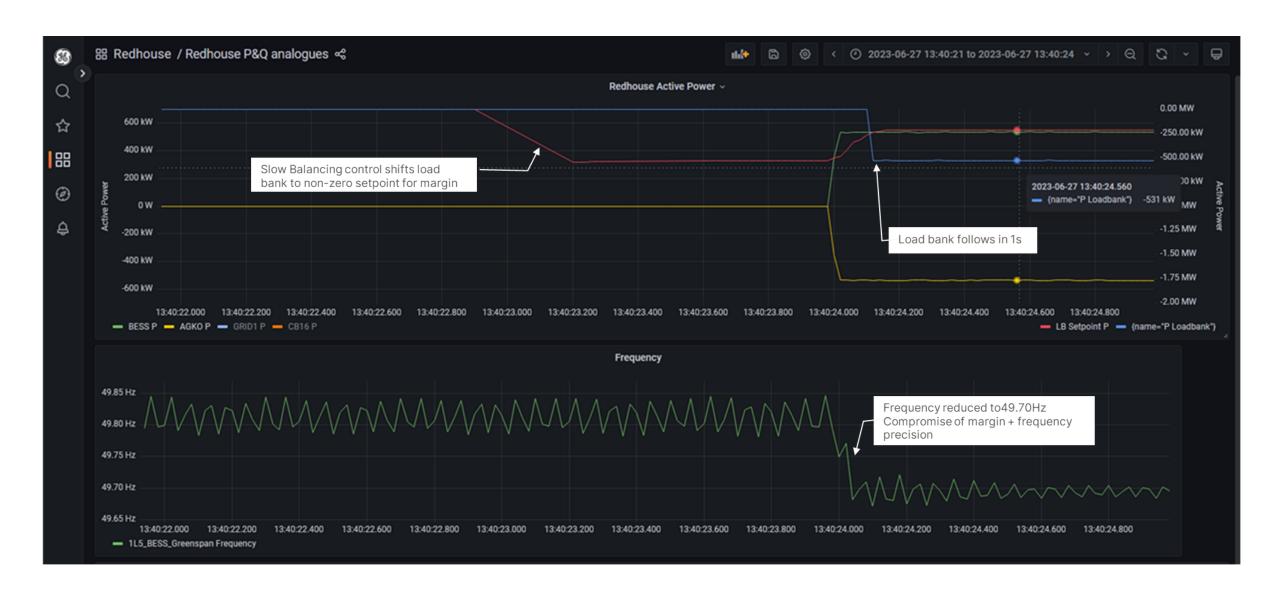
## Fast Balancing Response to D-GEN 1.5MW trip Redhouse





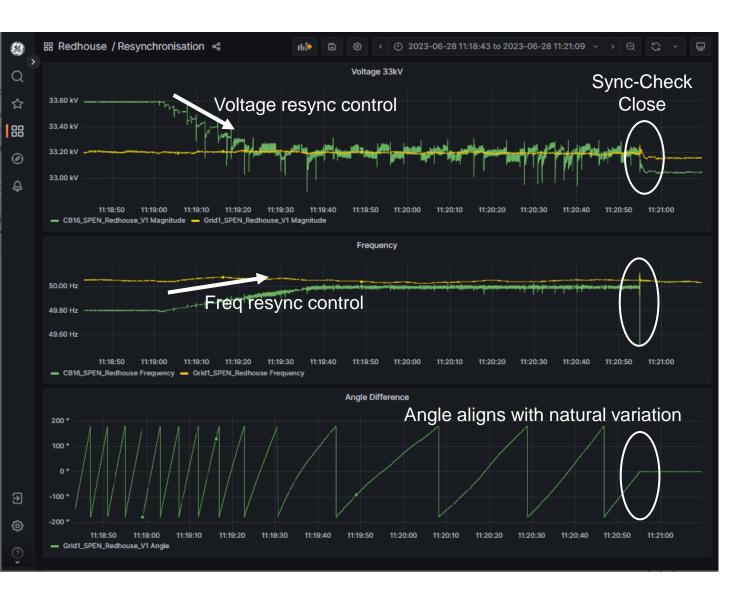
#### Slow Balancing Response after D-GEN trip Redhouse





## **Resynchronisation Control and Relay Closure**





Resync Control Mode brings zone voltage and frequency into alignment with external grid through P&Q setpoint control, shifting position on droop line.

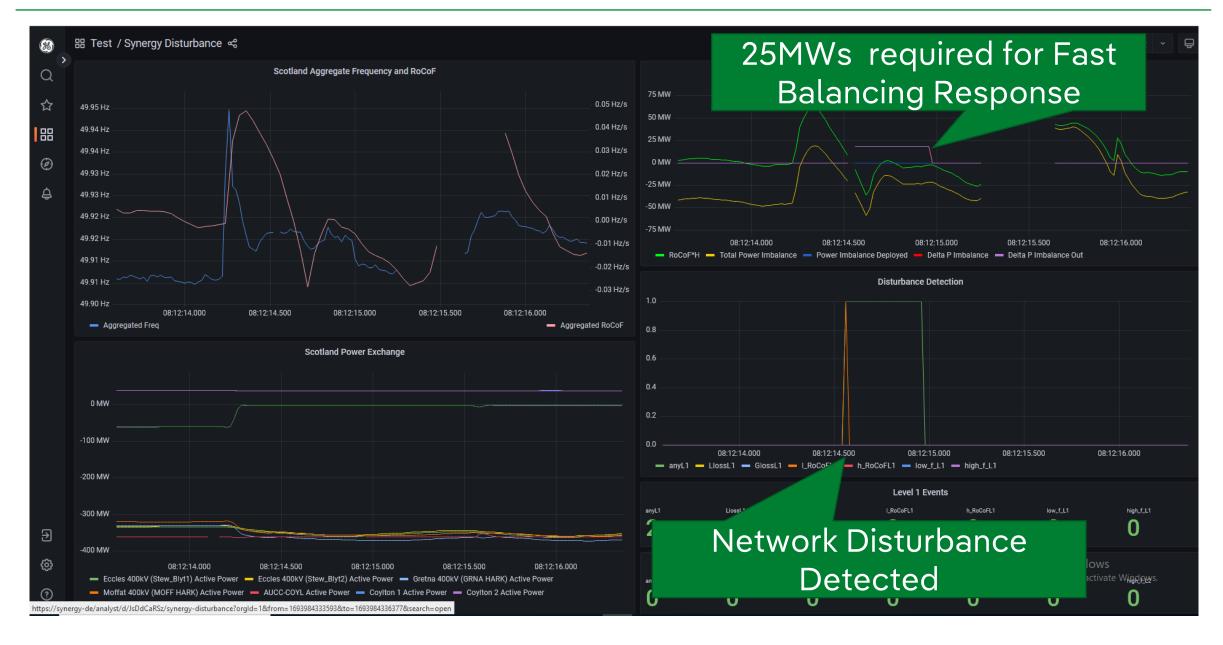
**Resync Boundary** can be remote from anchor generator.

**Sync-Check Relay** function on N60 PMU armed from ADMS

Process view & success observed by WAMS, next actions can be initiated (automated if required) e.g. back to grid-following, frequency droop control off, local earth removed

#### **Active Wide Area Control Services - Network Disturbances**





#### Further Needs for ESRS & AWACS to transition to BAU



Real-time co-ordinated zone control is proven; next steps for BAU services:

- 1. Track and forecast generation + stored energy reserve sufficiency to deliver service when called
- 2. Confirm that zone has sufficient fast disturbance response capability
- 3. Dispatcher training environment with dynamic hardware-in-the-loop simulator
- 4. Wide Area Monitoring to enable multiple vertical services e.g. AESRS, FCM, CRM, and Digital Twin
- 5. System Integrity Detection Schemes and Protection Schemes

Zone Outlook Manager Project

HiL Simulation Project

**Further PMU deployments** 

Oscillation Stability
Management, Effective
Inertia, Frequency &
Voltage Control

# Questions



