

Tehachapi Wind Energy Storage Project

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Overview

- Battery
 - Li-ion
 - 32 MWh usable
 - Manufactured by LG Chem
- Power conversion
 - 9 MVA
 - 12 kV connected
 - Manufactured by ABB



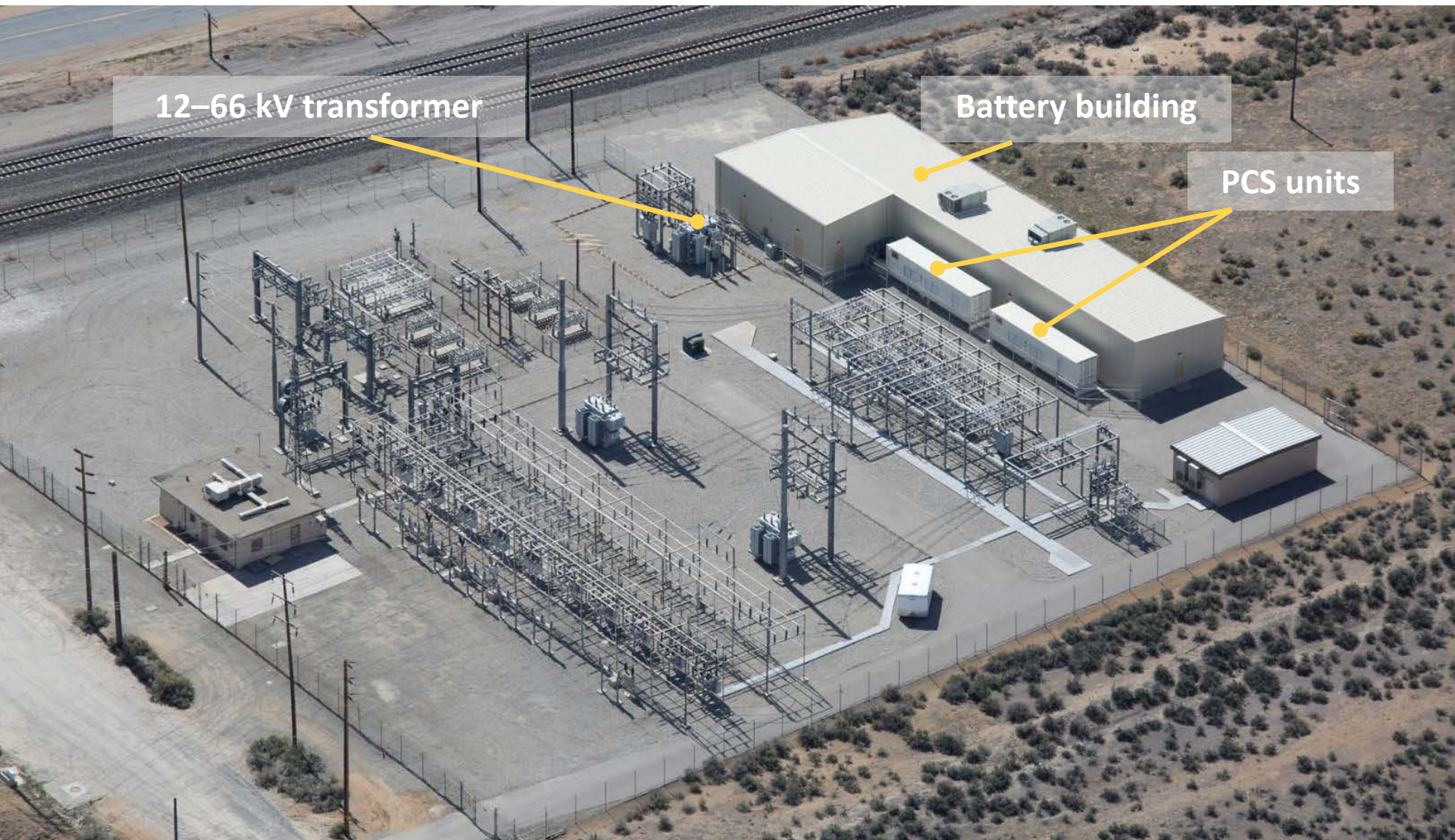


Facility



- Located near Tehachapi, in California's largest wind resource area
- 4,500 MW of wind development potential, driving grid infrastructure
- Installed at SCE's Monolith Substation
- Connected at sub-transmission level through a 12–66 kV transformer

Layout



Timeline

A photograph of a large server room. In the foreground, several rows of server racks are visible, each filled with numerous circuit boards and components. The racks are organized in a grid-like fashion. Above the racks, a complex network of overhead cable trays and conduits is visible, with many cables running horizontally across the ceiling. The room is brightly lit, and the overall atmosphere is one of a high-tech, industrial environment.

- 02/09/2010 – Project started
- 10/13/2010 – DOE contract signed
- 02/28/2011 – Original vendor contract signed
- 10/16/2012 – Original vendor filed for bankruptcy
- 03/27/2013 – New vendor contract signed
- 07/18/2014 – System commissioning & acceptance completed; start of M&V
- 12/31/2014 – First technical performance report delivered
- 04/21/2015 – PCS MV transformers replaced

Objectives

- Test a large-scale BESS as a system reliability and market-driven device
 - **Dual control interfaces**
 - **13 operational uses**
- Integrate battery storage technology into SCE's grid
 - Test and demonstrate smart inverter technology
 - Assess performance and life cycle of grid-connected lithium-ion BESS
 - Expand expertise in energy storage technologies and operations

8 core tests

Under grid operator control (EMS)

1. Voltage regulation
2. Voltage regulation + any other mode
3. Charge under high line load, discharge under low line load
4. Charge off peak, discharge on peak
5. Smooth renewables

Under market control (GMS)

6. Frequency regulation
7. Energy & spin/non-spin reserves
8. Follow energy price signal

M&V schedule

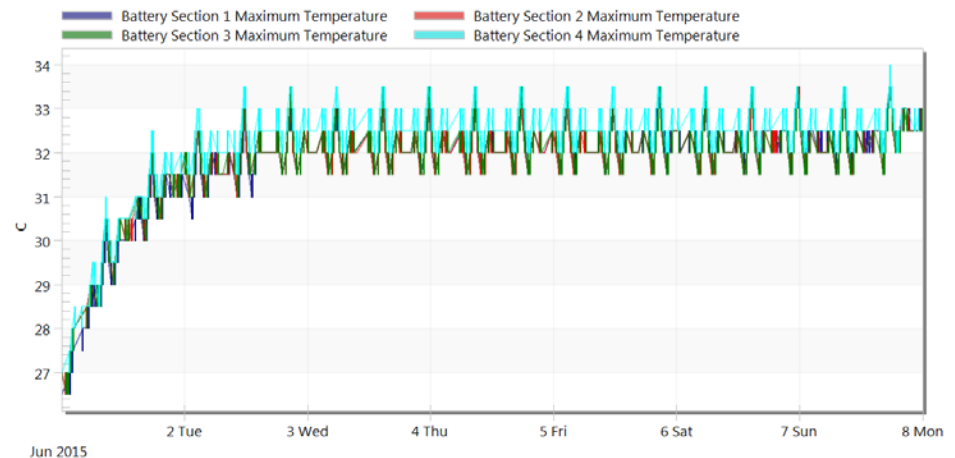
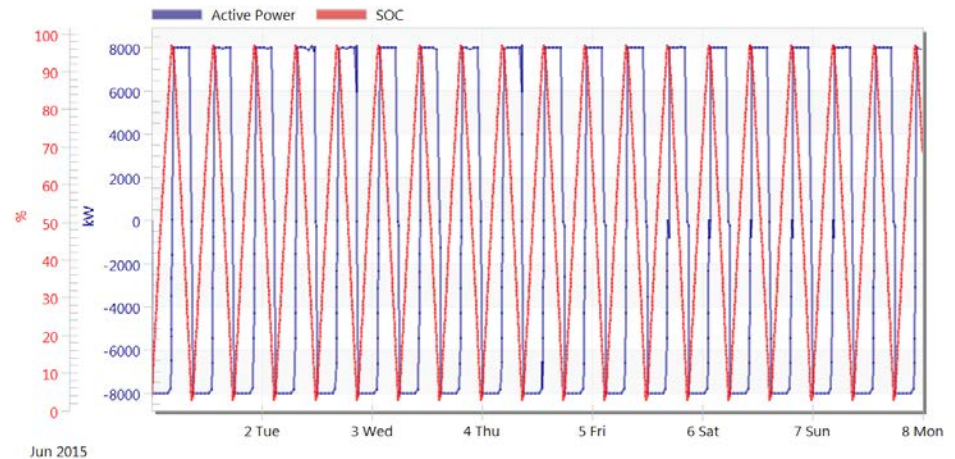
- Late 2014, May 2015: Characterization testing
 - Constant cycling performance, round trip efficiency
- June–July 2015: EMS short-term testing
 - Core tests 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
- September 2015: GMS short-term testing
 - Core tests 6, 7, 8
- October 2015–June 2016
 - (2) EMS long-term testing periods
 - (2) GMS long-term testing periods

System characterization testing, May 2015

- 4 MW cycle test
 - 1 cycle per day with a rest at 30 % SOC
- 8 MW cycle test
 - 2 cycles per day with a rest at 30 % SOC
- 8 MW cycle test w/o rest
 - Back-to-back cycling at full power

| Auxiliary Loads | Average RTE |
|-----------------|-------------|
| Not included | 88.6 % |
| Included | 87.4 % |

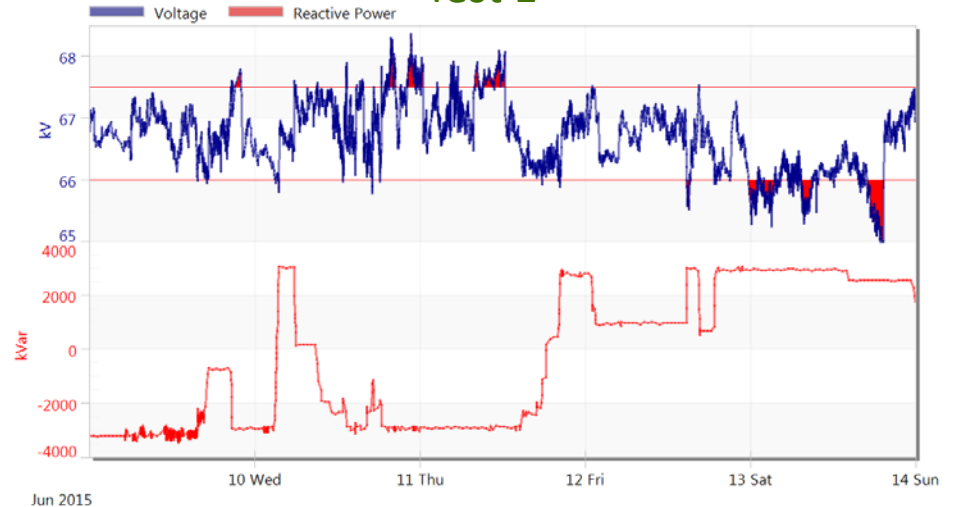
*For 8 MW cycle test w/o rest, as measured at 66 kV.
All results are preliminary. Final results will be
presented in the TPR.*



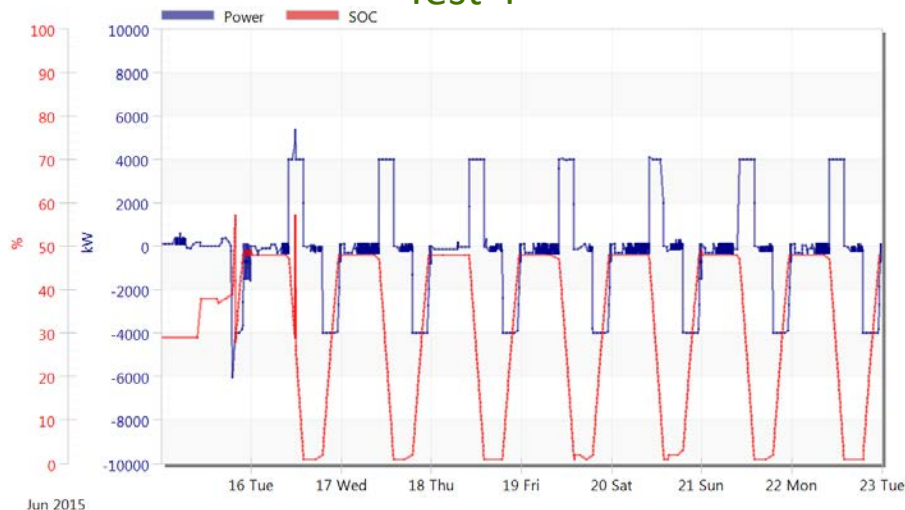
EMS short term testing, June–July 2015

- Test 1: Voltage regulation
 - System dispatched correctly
 - Limited effect due to size of system relative to bus conditions
- Test 4: Charge off peak, discharge on peak
 - Schedule-based dispatch
 - System operated correctly with one PCS off line

Test 1



Test 4



- Test 3: Charge under high line load, discharge under low line load
 - System dispatched correctly
 - Limited effect due to size of system relative to line loading
- Test 5: Smooth renewables
 - Difficulty in selecting proper renewable plant output scaling and maximum allowable ramp rates for optimal operation

Operational issues & takeaways

| Issues | Takeaways |
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| PCS MV transformer failure & replacement | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use off-the-shelf designs• Specify quick and easy modular component replacement |
| Substation availability | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Permanent interconnection required for long-term operation |
| PCS temperature trips | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Need for remote filter monitoring |
| Battery module failures & replacements | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Need for additional level of BMS power saving mode• Consider spare module storage and maintenance |





Thank you