

OpenADR 2.0b use case study: Aggregated PV generation curtailment and beyond.

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HECO Rule 24: Customer Grid Supply Plus (CGS+)

- Pursuant to HPUC Decision and Order No. 34924, issued October 20, 2017
- CGS+ added "Communication and Controls" to the existing CGS export tariff.
- The new tariff shall enable the Hawaiian Electric Companies (Company) to:
 - 1) Remotely measure, monitor, evaluate distributed energy resources.
 - 2) Verify technical compliance, Generating Facility performance, and power quality.
 - 3) If necessary, control the Generating Facility.



HECO Rule 24: Customer Grid Supply Plus (CGS+)

- A Customer-Generator may effectuate such Communication and Controls by electing to either:
 - 1) have the Company install a separate smart production meter to be owned, installed or operated by the Company; or
 - 2) contract separately with a third-party aggregator where the Company will accept aggregated data from such aggregators that can meet the Company's technical requirements for reliability of data collection and provision to the Company.



Aggregated PV generation curtailment

- When the Company determines that curtailment of energy becomes necessary pursuant to the rules of the tariff, all Generating Facilities enrolled under the Customer Grid Supply Plus program may be curtailed as a single block.
- Curtailment may also be effected in increments in order to manage the impact to the Company's system (ramp rate).
- Grid Supply Plus participants shall only be curtailed after all other curtailable resources on the Company's system have first been curtailed.



Communication and control under the CGS+ aggregator option using OpenADR 2.0b

- Communication and Control Hardware
 - E-Gear Energy Management Controller (EMC)
- OpenADR Software
 - Nebland software NOVA stack
- Security
 - E-Gear Device Cloud
- Aggregation Platform
 - E-Gear Aggregator Tools
- Certification







Nebland software NOVA stack to add OpenADR 2.0b support









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Certification



Certificate of System Conformance Awarded to

E-Gear, LLC

E-Gear NOVA Server (Firmware v. 1.0)

Certified Sep 3, 2018 to OpenADR 2.0b Test Plan 1.1.2

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Current residential aggregated resource on Oahu

- 158 Systems
- 140 Connected to BESS
- 800 kW of PV generation
- 3.64 MWh of BESS





Moving beyond generation curtailment into BESS control

- OpenADR "SIMPLE" signal, which has been found to be limited, can only be set to one of four values: 0, 1, 2, or 3
 - 0 = Run Normal
 - 1= Start Charging
 - 2 = Discharge Battery
 - 3 = Stop Charging
- Currently integrating and testing the "LOAD_DISPATCH" signal where power is adjusted in the OpenADR signal and a requested change can be expressed as follows:
 - Relative to a baseline (or current power) using either a delta or a multiplier
 - To a defied discrete level using a positive or negative integer between -10 and +10
 - Hold shall be represented by a rate of 0





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