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China's Energy Transition: Developing the Energy Internet to Combat Climate Change

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Overview: A Modern "Smart Grid" -- Challenges of Clean Energy Integration into Power Grid



Source: Anderson et al, Proceedings of the IEEE, June 2011

1. China's Energy Transition Renewable Energy Development in China The Goal of China's Energy Transition is to build a Clean, Low-carbon, Safe, Efficient and Sustainable modern Energy System by the year 2050

(Renewable Energy 64.5%)



In 2014, the installed capacity of China reached 1350 GW.

In 2015, 35 GW PV and 150 GW Wind Power integrated to grid in China (24% Renewable Electricity). The penetration has been more then 30% for some provinces in north area.

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Great Challenges for Chinese Grid Operator

The 3 structure problems just like 3 mountains: the Chinese Grid Operator is bearing 3 mountains when operating the power system.



2. Fast Development of HVDC in China Power Systems



Note: A High-Voltage, Direct Current (HVDC) electric power transmission system (also called a electrical super highway) uses direct current for the bulk transmission of electrical power, in contrast with the more common alternating current (AC) systems. For long-distance transmission, HVDC systems are less expensive and suffer lower electrical losses.

3. Power System Evolution in China- Smart Integrated Energy Systems

- The <u>Smart Integrated Energy Systems</u> is the concept expansion of <u>Smart Grid</u> to "Integrated Energy System", is a <u>New Generation of Energy System</u> (<u>Energy Internet</u>); a new evolution trend of traditional power systems.
- In 2016, the China's National Energy Board issued guidance on promoting the development of Energy Internet -- <u>Internet + Smart Energy</u>
- 1. <u>Physical Energy System</u>: Energy Generation, Transmission & Distribution, Consumption (Electric Car, Energy Storage, Energy Efficiency, Demand Site Management).
- 2. <u>IoT for Energy</u>: Smart Meter, Energy & Information Management System, Big Data, etc.
- 3. <u>Financial System</u>: Started Energy Trading, Electricity Market/Retailer Market in China.
- In 2016, opened Electric Power Trading Centers and established Retailer Markets.



4. China's Plan for Distribution Grid Construction Investment Forecast (2015 to 2020)

China Energy Bureau's Action Plan for Distribution Grid Construction (2015-2020): Distribution Grid Construction investment is not less than 20,000 YI RMB (\$299 Billion USD) The average investment/year: 3400 YI RMB (\$50.7 Billion USD/year) from 2016 to 2020.

Investment Forecast: Distribution Grid Construction Action Plan (2015-2020)

Green: Investment in Electric Grid; Red: Investment in Generation; Blue: Investment in Distribution Grid;

Summary:

China's Smart Grid Development & Expansion (Energy Internet) provides solution of Clean Energy Integration into grid and aims to Achieve Environmental Sustainability !

Note: Exchange rate 1(USD): 6.7(RMB)





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