

# **NERC EMTTF Updates**

Supporting Widespread Adoption of EMT Modeling

Aung Thant, Senior Engineer, Engineering and Security Integration EMTTF Coordinator

ESIG Fall Workshop October 23, 2024





- EMTTF Strategy
- EMTTF Supporting EMT Adoption across North America
- NERC EMTTF Work Items Overview
- NERC Reliability Guidelines on EMT Modeling and Studies
- NERC EMTTF Work Items Updates
- Looking ahead to 2025



- Goal:
  - Widespread adoption of EMT modeling tool in interconnection and planning studies
- Approach:
  - Make EMT modeling more accessible and approachable
  - Create common understanding
  - Promote motivation
  - Decouple from other processes
  - Create a baseline, unified approach



## **Resources to set Industry up for Success**

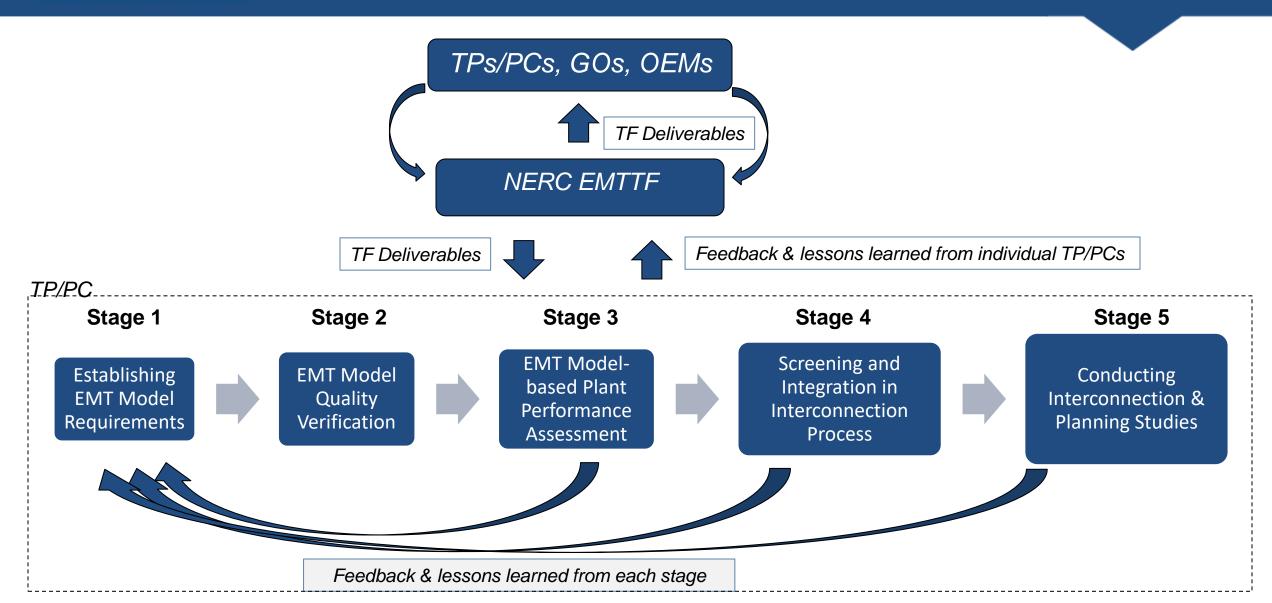
Work Item #	Description
1	EMT Modeling Standard Monitoring and Support
2	<b>Reliability Guideline</b> – Recommended Practices for Performing EMT System Studies for Inverter-Based Resources
3	Organized Repo of Curated EMT Modeling Resources ("EMT Curriculum")
4	<b>White Paper</b> : Case Study on Adoption of EMT Modeling and Studies in Interconnection and Planning Studies for BPS-connected IBRs
5	White Paper: EMT Analysis in Operations

#### **2024 Goals:**

- Publish Reliability Guideline (#2) and White Papers (#4, #5)
- Go LIVE Online EMT Repo (#3)

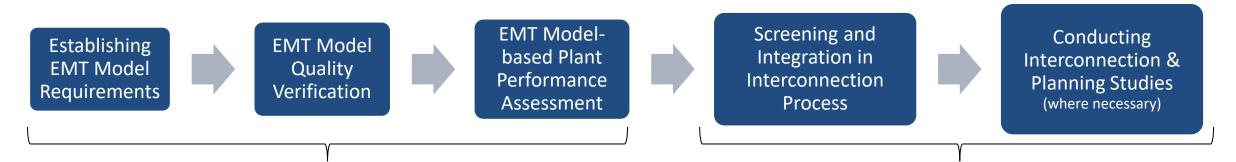


### **EMTTF Supporting EMT Adoption Across NA**





## **EMT Reliability Guidelines**



Reliability Guideline: EMT Modeling for BPS-connected IBRs: Recommended Model Requirements and Model Quality Verification March 2023 ("Vol. 1") Draft Reliability Guideline: Recommended Practices for Performing EMT System Studies for IBRs ("Vol. 2")

(Targeting publication in December 2024)



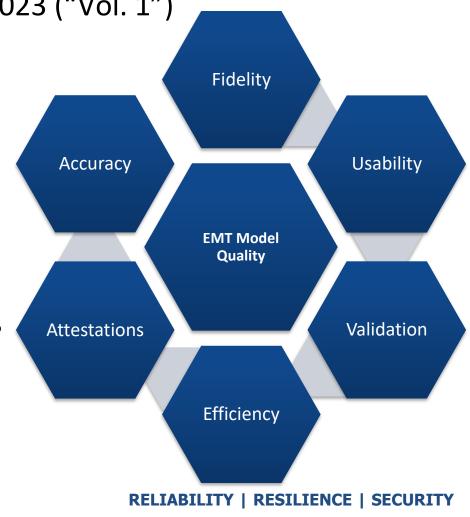
 Reliability Guideline: EMT Modeling for BPS-connected IBRs: Recommended Model Requirements and Model Quality Verification, March 2023 ("Vol. 1")

Model Quality, Verification and Attestations – E-MQA, P-MQA

- Sample Model Checklist
- Equipment-specific EMT Model Validation Reports
- Benchmark Positive Sequence Dynamic Models
- Model Verification Tests
  - Model Adequacy Tests: To verify usability, efficiency and accuracy requirements
  - o Functional Tests: To verify model configuration and response
    - Follow command? Limit output? Limit ramp rate? PFR? AVR? Iq injection?
  - Disturbance Ride-through Performance Tests



**Single Machine Infinite Bus Test Case** 



#### Verify documentation, attestations, check-list TP/ Establish model requirements Verify model quality: usability, efficiency Establish change criteria that require restudy Assess ride through performance PC Develop check-list Integrate plant model into system model P-MQA, E-MQA(s) EMT model package Modeling requirement Plant model documentation Check-list Equipment model documentation POI info – e.g. SCR, X/R Validation report Plant model verification test report Completed check-list Verify equipment-level model quality GO Integrate and configure individual OEM models into Enhance contractual terms and conditions with aggregate plant model OEMs and consultants for model support Confirm model parameter and configuration throughout facility lifecycle updates with OEM Verify plant model quality Change management Prepare P-MQA and plant model verification report Key parameters that affects ride-POI Info E-MQA Enhanced T&C's thru performance Validation report and test cases Modeling requirements Site specific initial parameters Equipment model documentation Check-list Model parameter and Certification of parameter and configuration updates by GO configuration updates Model development Model documentation Unit model validation against product (HIL, factory testing, field testing) Change management Traceability: make, model, f/w version, etc. Certify model parameter and configuration updates by GO **OEM** Prepare E-MQA

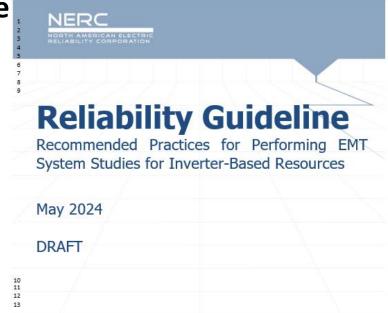
#### **EMT Guideline "Vol 1"**



- Reliability Guidelines Recommended Practices for Performing EMT System Studies for Inverter-Based Resource
  - 7 Chapters and 4 Appendixes
  - Out for 45-day industry review on July 1
  - Review period ends on August 15
  - Target publishing in December 2024

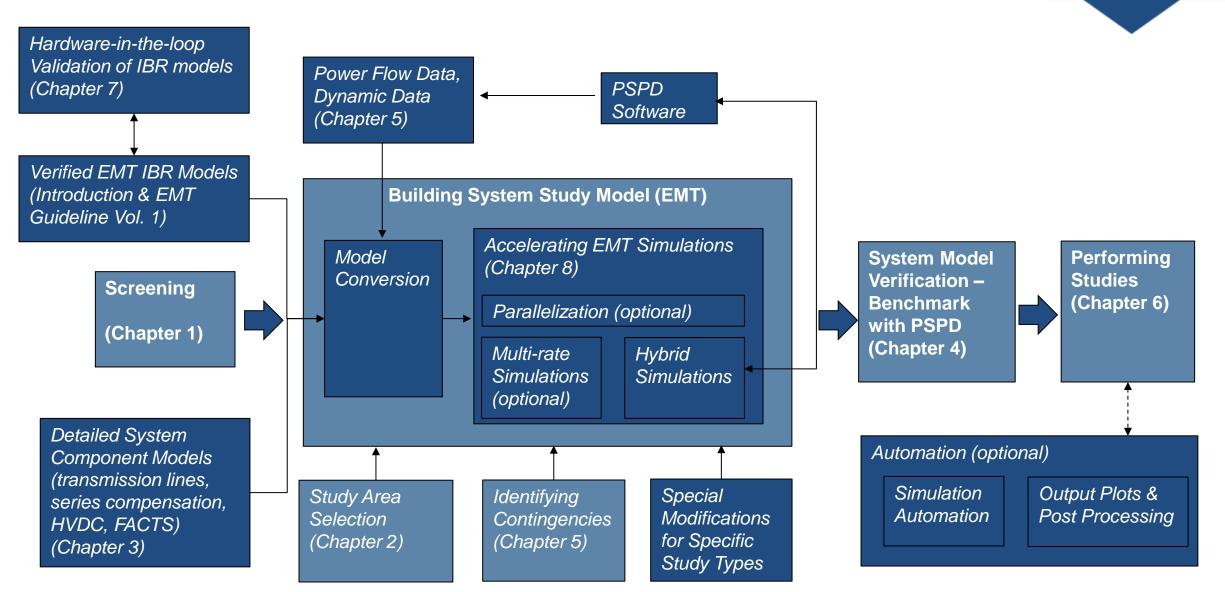
#### **Purpose**

- For transmission planning **engineers to know when and how to study** the impact of IBRs on the BPS in EMT domain.
- The focus is within the generator interconnection studies process, primarily system impact studies, and not conventional EMT studies such as insulation coordination, etc.





#### Work Item 2: EMT Guideline "Vol 2"





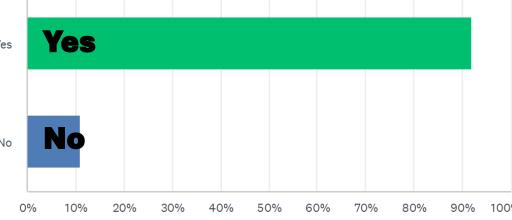
- White Paper: Case Study on Adoption of EMT Modeling and Studies in Interconnection and Planning Studies for BPS-connected IBRs
  - 46 Questions
  - Posted on compliance bulletin
  - 40+ organization participated

#### NORTH AMERICAN ELECTRIC RELIABILITY CORPORATION **EMTTF Work Item 4: EMT Modeling Adoption** Questionnaire To promote the use of electromagnetic transient (EMT) modeling and studies, the Electromagnetic Transient Modeling Task Force (EMTTF) has a dedicated team working on workplan item 4: White Paper: Case Study on Adoption of EMT Modeling and Studies in Interconnection and Planning Studies for BPS-connected IBRs. This study investigates best practices among system operators and transmission planners for interconnection and planning studies of inverter-based resources (IBRs) within the bulk power system (BPS). The EMTTF plans to publish this whitepaper based on its findings to enhance the understanding and utilization of EMT modeling in addressing the challenges and opportunities in the energy landscape with high penetration of IBRs. This questionnaire is designed to understand your organization's approaches, successes, challenges, and future direction regarding EMT modeling and studies for IBRs. Your insights will contribute to creating a comprehensive resource to help the energy industry optimize the integration and planning of these resources, promoting a more resilient and sustainable power system. All responses will be kept confidential and solely used for the whitepaper. \* 1. Your Information: First and Last Name Job Title Department

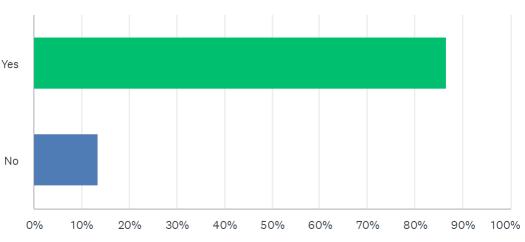


#### **Survey Results (subset)**

 Are you aware of NERC Reliability Guideline on EMT Yes Modeling for BPS-connected IBR — Recommended Model Requirements and Verification Practices?



 Are you aware of NERC EMT Standard Authorization Request (SAR) that seeks to include EMT modeling in related standards such as TPL, MOD, and FAC?

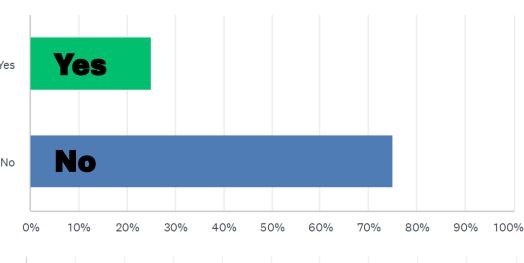


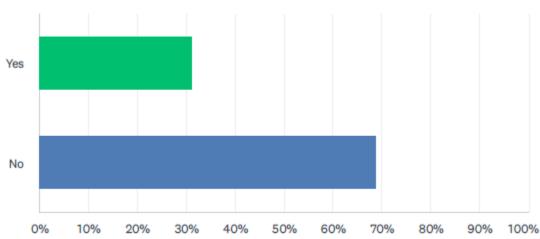


#### **Survey Results**

• Do you require submission of unit model validation <sup>Yes</sup> report which compares EMT model to either lab or HIL test of actual inverter unit?

 Do you plan to develop EMT model for the entire system within your organization footprint?



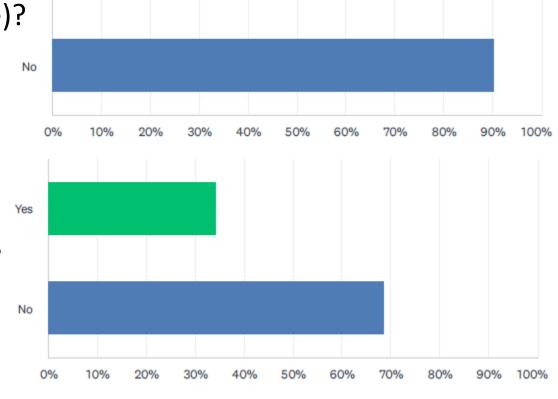




#### **Survey Results**

 Are you running EMT Transient hybrid simulation (co-simulation between EMT and Phasor software)?

 Do you replicate system events using EMT models for validation purposes?

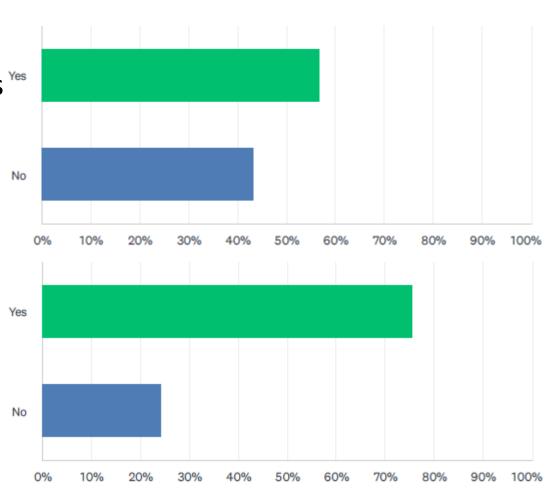




#### **Survey Results**

• Do you require GOs/GOPs to report when changes happen in the field, such as firmware upgrades to the controllers and hardware updates?

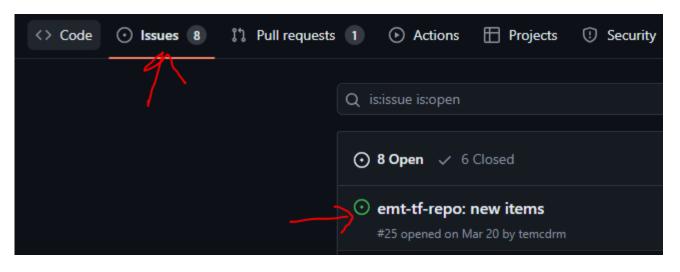
 Do you leverage or plan to rely on parallel processing for improved study efficiency?







- Organized Repository of Curated EMT Modeling Resources ("EMT Curriculum")
  - Temporary location: <a href="https://github.com/pnnl/i2x/tree/develop/emt-tf-repo">https://github.com/pnnl/i2x/tree/develop/emt-tf-repo</a>
  - Open to public
  - Issue reporting and tracking for the published items (e.g. this model has an issue under "X" conditions)
  - Public can request/suggest new items (new reference material, models, scripts, etc.)
  - Change management

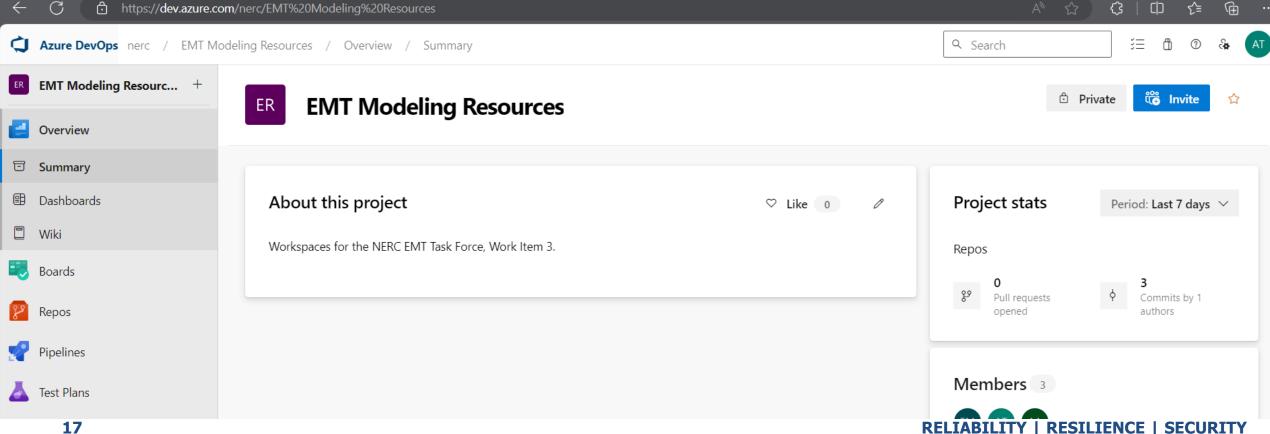


# Repository for EMT Studies This repository contains workspace for the NERC EMT Task Force, Work Item 3. Link to introduction Link to spreadsheet of references Link to issue forum for new contributions Link to demonstration video



## Work Item 3 : EMT Repo

- Organized Repository of Curated EMT Modeling Resources ("EMT Curriculum")
  - Permanent location: Under construction on Azure DevOps platform



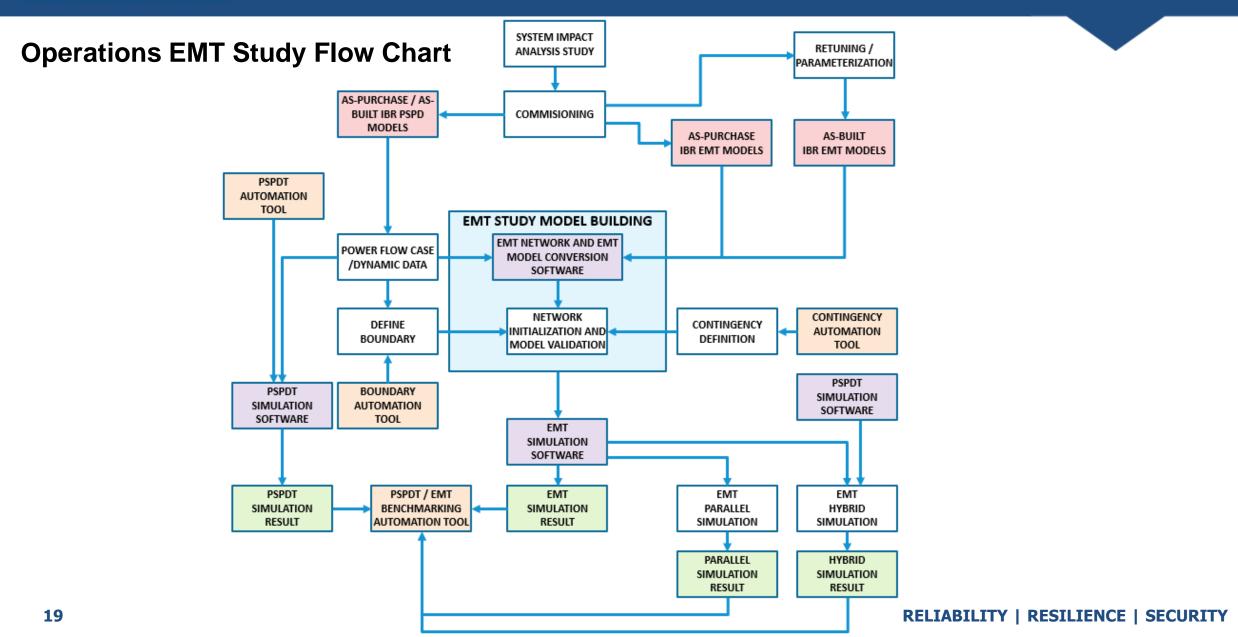




- Organized Repository of Curated EMT Modeling Resources ("EMT Curriculum")
  - New Item: EMT Model Portability white paper
  - Everyone is invited to review and provide feedback
  - Next revision: incorporate IEEE/Cigre "Power System DLL Models/Standard" into CIM



## **Work Item 5: EMT Analysis in Operations**





- EMT modeling and requirements for IBR-related reliability studies continues to evolve
  - Revision to EMT Modeling Guideline (2023) is needed and should be a living document
  - Need to equip vendors, developers up to date guidance to meet the requirements
- Continue to drive harmonization/consistency across the industry, thus, increasing the efficiency for the vendors and developers
  - IEEE/CIGRE DLL Standard
  - Model portability
  - General training
  - Better support by software vendor common test harnesses (with maximum flexibility and adaptability)

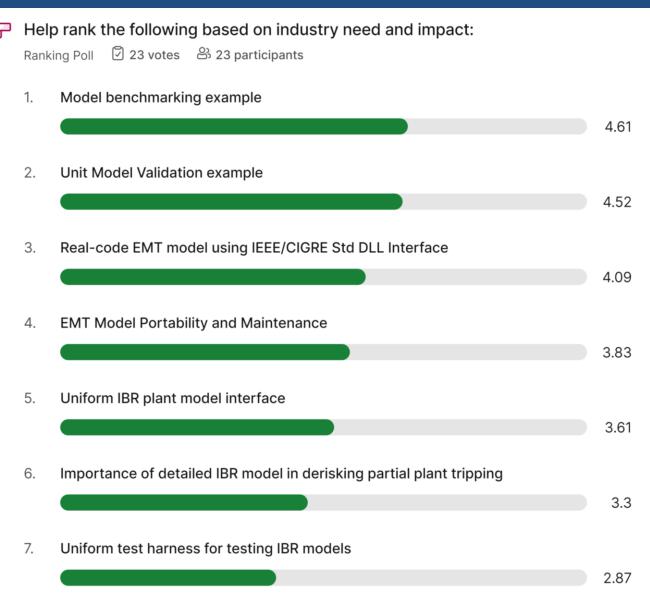


- As industry experience grows, the lessons learned need to be captured and shared broadly.
- As EMT adoption grows, we can expect more strain on the already constrained resources.
- Continue to support Project 2022-04 EMT Modeling
- May evolve into a working group (EMTWG?)



## **Looking Ahead to 2025**

- Poll during September meeting
- Over 50 attended the meeting
- 23 participated in the poll





#### Get Involved!

- Meets monthly on every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday between 11 − 12:30 pm Pacific
- Sub-groups meet more frequently to work on work items
- Website
  - https://www.nerc.com/comm/RSTC/Pages/EMTTF.aspx





## **Questions and Answers**

