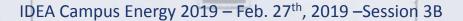


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## **University of Virginia Overview**

- Four buildings serve as State Emergency Shelters
- Dominion Energy local provider
- Three 34.5kV to 13.2kV electric substations serve the University with redundant service
- 62 MW peak demand across three substations

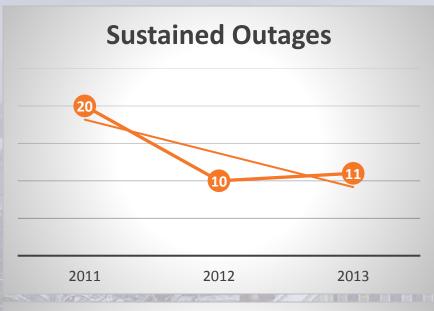
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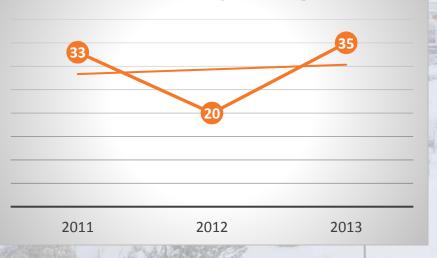




## **Identifying The Problem**



**Momentary Outages** 

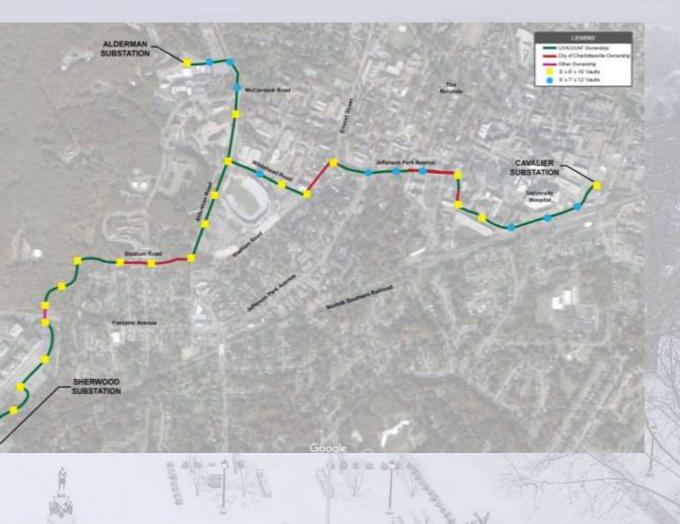


- Outages due to overhead exposure/ weather-trees (limited ROW), vehicle accidents, animals, fog, etc.
- What does an outage mean to Utility?
- Negative impact on research/healthcare
  operations
- Not conducive to world class research/healthcare
- In 2014, formed high level group from both UVa and Dominion Energy



# **Identifying The Solution and Design**

- Dedicated underground feeders
- Dedicated bus
- 90% improvement; near transmission grade
- 2.96 miles of concrete ductbank, 12.85 miles of 8" conduit
- Vaults every 500-600 LF





### Construction

- 12 months of Construction
- Completed December 2017
- Reclosing in underground distribution
  system for automatic restoral
- Main(NC)-Tie(NO)-Main(NC) arrangement to Main(NC)-Tie(NC)-Main(NO) to maximize benefits of underground circuit

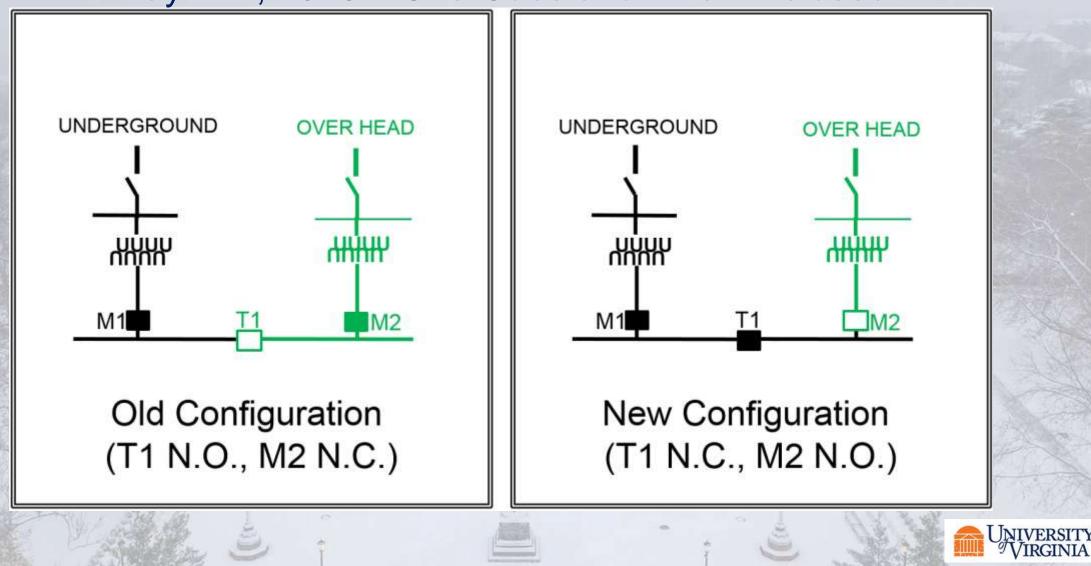




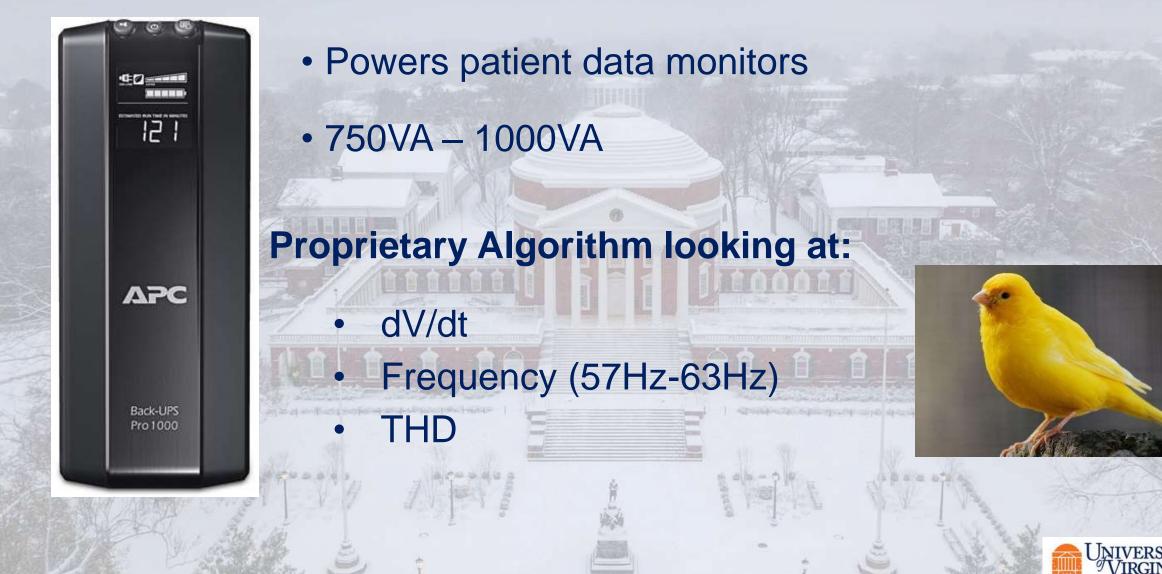


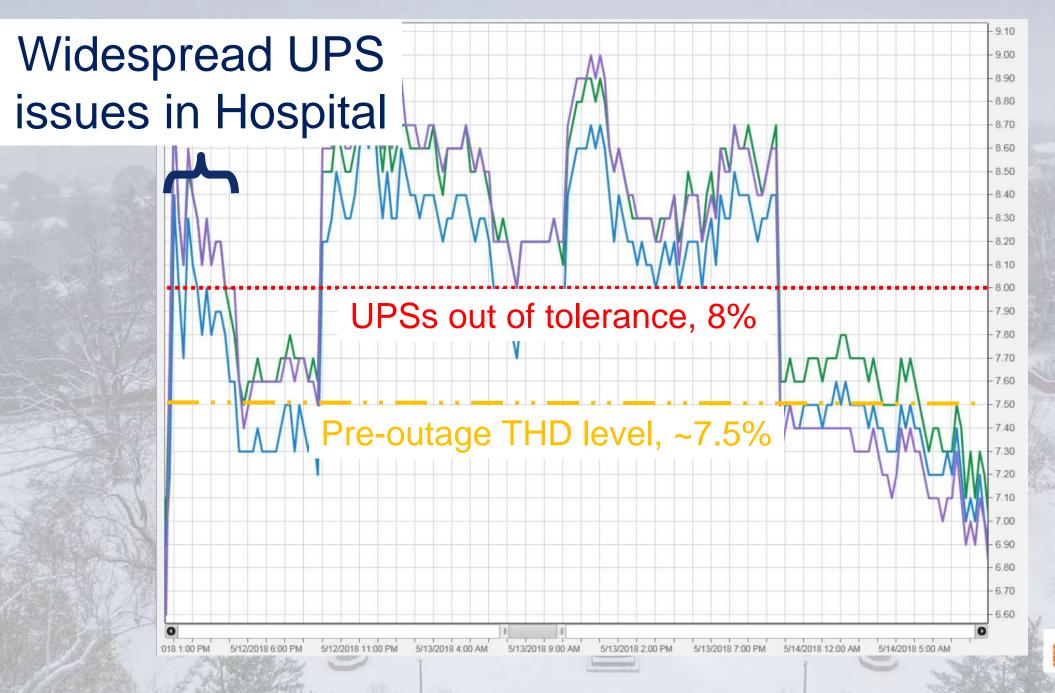


#### May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018 UVa Substation Tie T1 closed

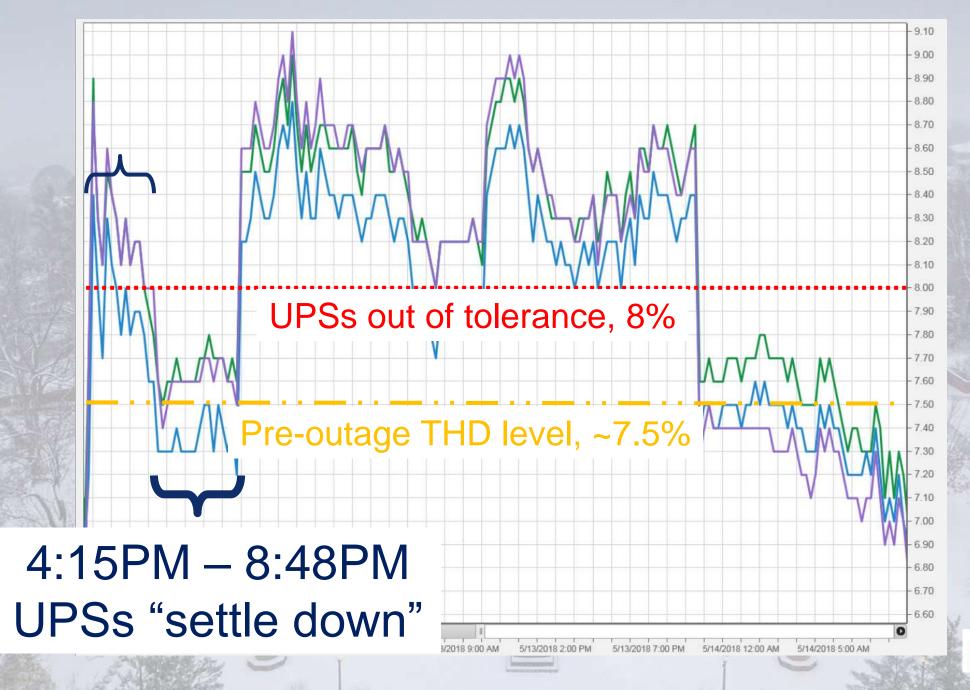


## **Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS)**

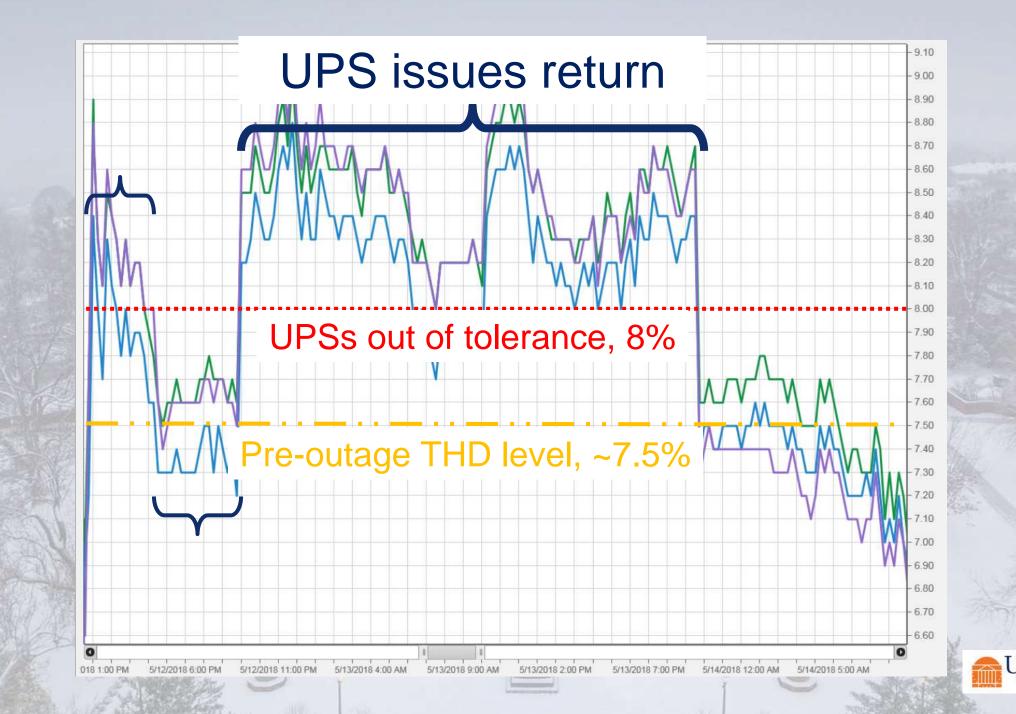




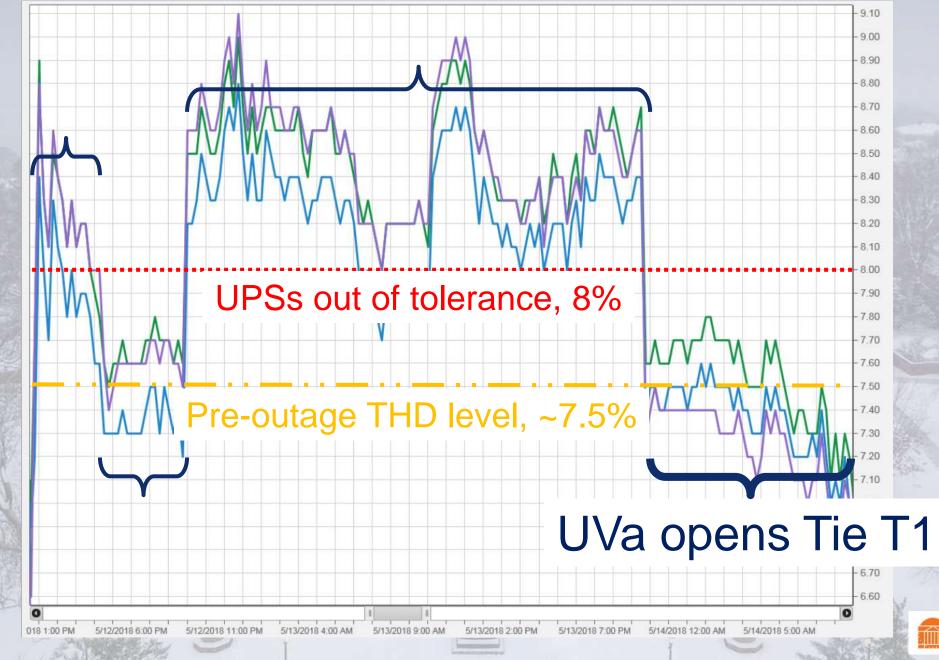




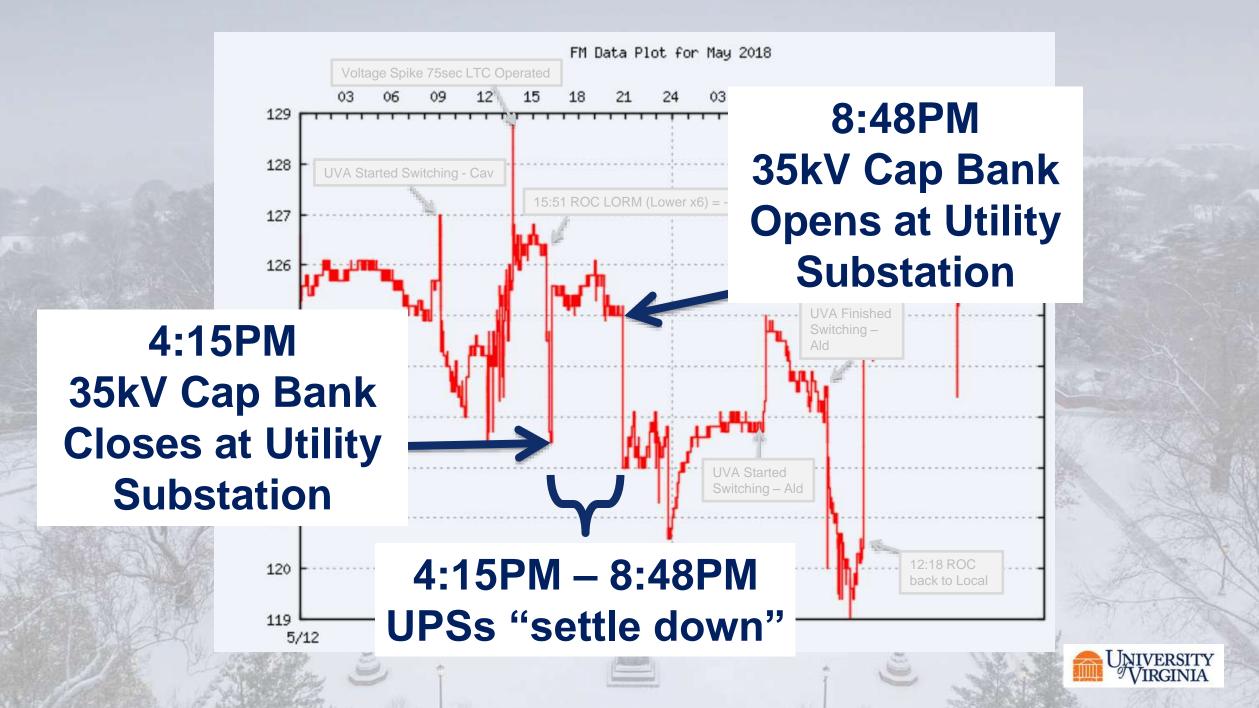




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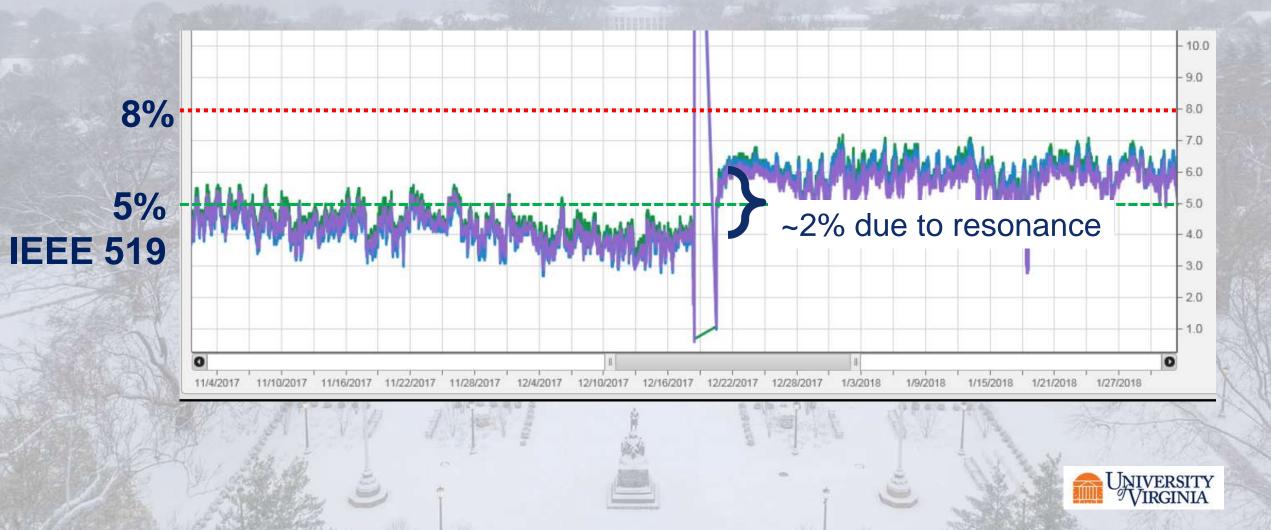








#### Dec. 19th, 2017 Underground Circuits energized



# **Confirming Hypothesis**

### Utility opens cap bank at UVa Substation



# **Confirming Hypothesis**

#### UVa closes Tie T1, Returns system to auto



## **Contributing Factors**

- System Frequency Response
  - Underground Circuit resonance
  - Short-Circuit Capacity (I<sub>SC</sub>/I<sub>L</sub>)
  - Capacitor banks (voltage support, power factor improvement)
- Non-linear loads (harmonic current sources)
  - VFDs, Inverters, Switch Mode Power Supplies
- Combining loads onto a single bus
- Temperature/Season



### **Dealing with Resonance**

 Cap Bank at Utility's 115kV/35kV substation out of automatic operation, manually closed

Cap Bank at UVa's 35kV/13.2kV substation opened

 35kV Line Reactors modeled and sized by Utility to be installed to allow Cap banks to go back into operation (Spring 2019)



### **Investigating Harmonic Current Sources**

Feeder	Amps	<b>I5(%)</b>	l5 (Amps)
Hospital MCCs	76A	18.6%	14.1A
Heat Plant Equipment	42A	12.6%	5.3A

Installing 480V Harmonic Filters w/in Hospital



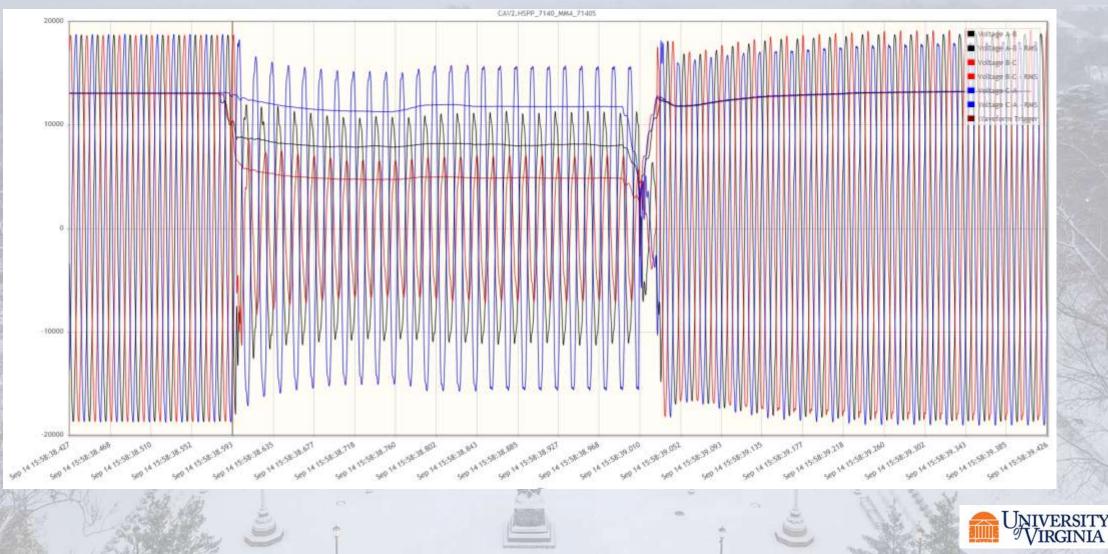
### **Benefits of Duct Bank & Dedicated Bus**

- >1 hour of voltage loss avoided
- Avoided events due to weather-trees, vehicle accidents, animals, fog, etc.
- Dedicated bus helps to isolate UVa from non-UVa circuits in heavily wooded areas
- Greatly reduced impact of sags



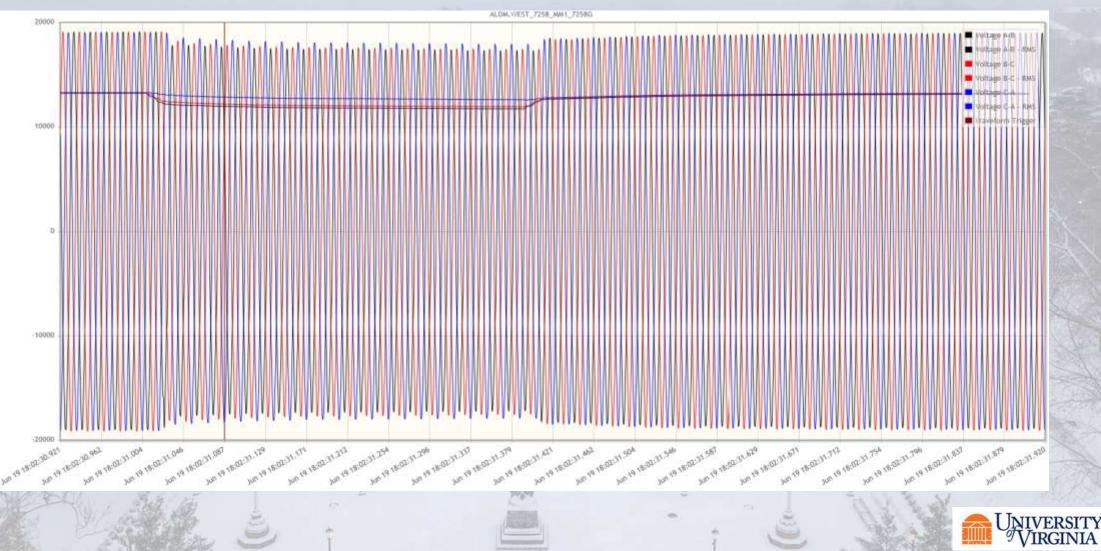
### Pre 35kV Duct Bank:

#### An event on 9/14/2017



### Post 35kV Duct Bank:

#### An event on 6/19/2018



### Conclusions

• Keep an eye on Harmonics!

- Strive to meet IEEE-519 recommendations
- Archive historical trend data
- Develop partnership w/ your local Utility

In-house engineering







Spentruly and spectra powers.

