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Electric Distribution Storm Hardening Initiatives

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Energy For New York City And Westchester

- 3.3 million electric customers
- Record System Load: 13,322 MW
- 36,000 miles of overhead transmission and distribution lines
- 94,000 miles of underground transmission and distribution lines
- 1.1 million gas customers
- 4,300 miles of gas mains
- 1,800 steam customers
- 105 miles of steam mains and lines





Storm Preparations: Guided by Corporate Coastal Storm Plan

- Plan triggered Oct. 24 based on National Weather Service forecasts
- Reviewed:

- 24/7 staffing plans
- Equipment vulnerability
- Inventories
- Protection plans for equipment in flood zones
- Need for outside assistance



Mutual Aid Base Camp at Rye Playland



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Superstorm Sandy Details

- Storm Classification: Hurricane/ Extratropical
- Sustained winds of 64 mph at LaGuardia Airport with a peak gust of 90 mph on Staten Island
- NYC experienced approximately 30 hours of storm conditions
 - Storm tide recorded at the Battery 14.06'
 - Largest Atlantic storm on record, spanning more than 1,000 miles
 - More than 8.5 million power outages across 21 states

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Impact of Sandy

- 1.1 million customer outages
- Lost 4,000 MW of generation
- 60% of 345 kV feeders lost
- 5 transmission substations
 - 11 Manhattan networks
 - 3 Staten Island area stations
- 2 steam stations and 561 steam customers impacted
- 398 gas services interrupted

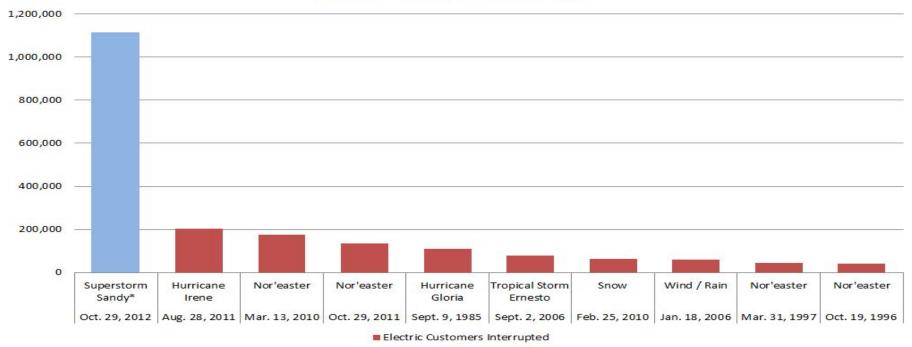
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System Performance Historical Storm Comparison

Electric Customers Interrupted



* includes outages caused by Nor'easter on Nov. 7, 2012

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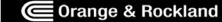
The East River: 14th Street and Avenue C





East River / E 13th Street Complex

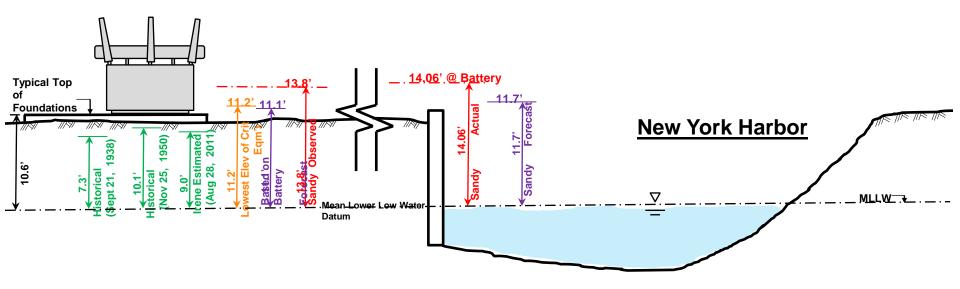




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Loss of Supply East River Complex

Datum Diagram (Not to Scale)



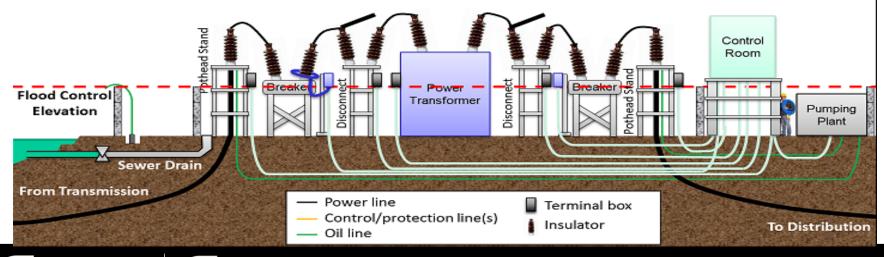


Final Hardening Measures 2014 through 2016

- Distributed and elevation adjustable relay panels
- Elevate control house

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- Elevate static terminal boxes
- Change controls to fiber optic
- Future design basis will accommodate new level for future projects

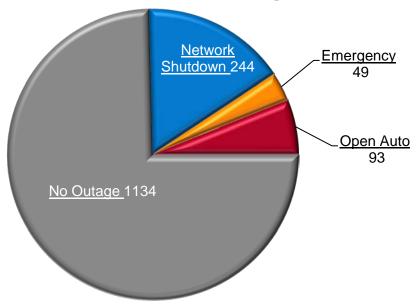


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Storm Hardening UG Networks Goals & Strategy

- Minimize preemptive feeder outages system wide
- Reduce damaged to equipment in the flood zone
- Reduce customer impact in flood zone networks
- Increase restoration speed for network shutdowns

Distribution Feeder Outages



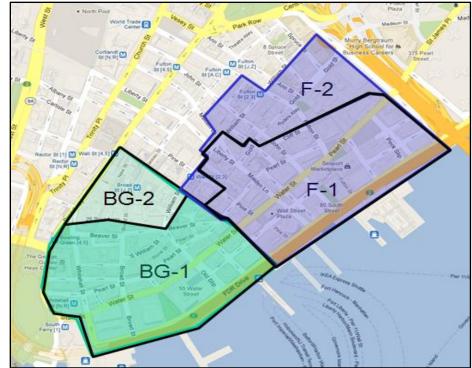
Storm Hardening Initiatives Underground Distribution

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- Network Reconfiguration
- Utilize Latest Technology
- Harden Components
- Mitigate Impact

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Facilitate Restoration



New Sub-Networks

Underground Network Initiatives High Tension Vaults - Isolation Switches

- Disconnects Customer Installation from Con Ed System
- Con Edison Feeder remains active
- Remote Control operation
- Quick Connect / Disconnect
- Faster Restoration Times



120V Network Protector Design Evolution

Replaces & phases out ventilated cabinets



Ventilated End Mounted Cabinet



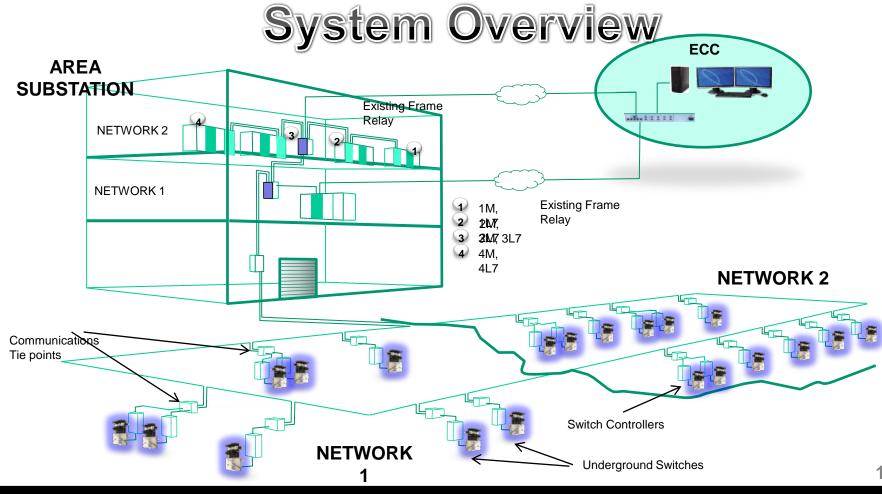
Submersible End Mounted Housing



Underground Network Initiatives Overview

- Reconfiguration of Fulton and Bowling Green networks
- Installation of isolation switches for Brighton Beach network
- Installation of isolation switches for High Tension Vaults in 2013 FEMA 100 Year + 3 Feet Flood Zone
- Replacement of all non-submersible 120/208V equipment in Flood Zone
- Development of submersible 265/460V housing





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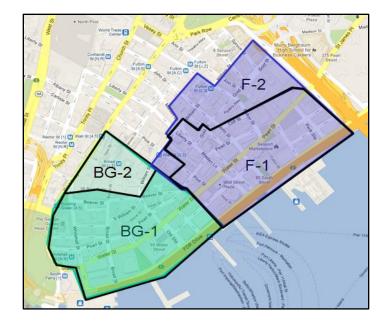
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Benefits of New Partitioning System

- Minimize customer interruption
 - 1,789 Residential households
 - 441 Commercial
 - 46,745 Employees
- Faster Restoration

- Substations remain online
- Ability to restore individual circuits
- Transmission Planning Tool
- Year round benefit for feeder processing



Sandy's Impact:

Significant Damage to Overhead System

- 70 percent of customers served by overhead systems lost power
- Primary concern of safety
- Worked with city and municipalities to clear roads of trees and debris



Storm Recovery Pole & Transformer Usage			
	Poles	Transformers	Cable [miles]
Sandy Total CECONY	972	922	143.46
Irene Total CECONY	91	163	31.11

Improve Autoloop Reliability

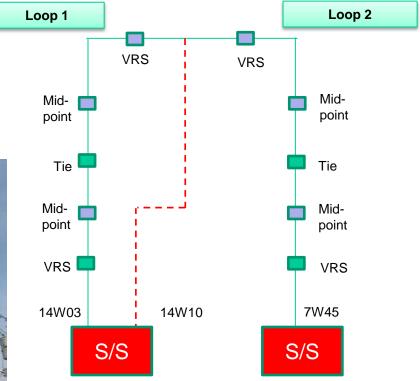
- Additional supply feeders
- Divide large autoloops into smaller loops
- Upgrade wire and pole sizes to improve resiliency
- Use of more resilient aerial cable
- Sacrificial components to minimize damage

Overhead Distribution Initiatives

Auto Loop - Overview

- Extend new feeder
- Split Auto-loop into two loops
- New storm hardened cable





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Overhead Distribution

- Advanced Equipment
- Selective Undergrounding
- Reduce Segment Size
- Sacrificial Components









Spacer Cable

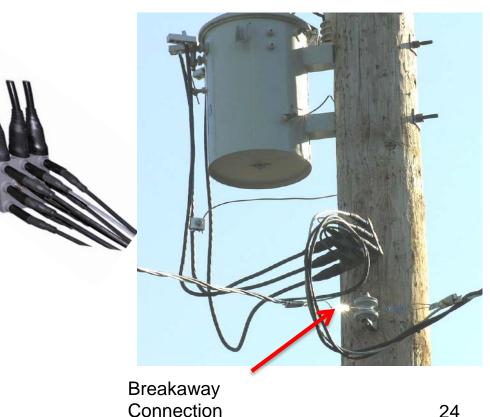
- Low profile design reduces risk of tree contact
- High strength messenger provides greater resiliance against falling limbs
- Cable jacket reduces momentary outages from wind or incidental tree contact



 Compact configuration reduces tree trimming

Breakaway Connectors

- Service connection breaks away at pole when force exceeds 500lbs
- Service cable is disconnected and denergized
- Separate breakaway for each individual service
- Accommodates single, double or triple service configurations



Isolation Devices (Fused Bypass)





Selective Undergrounding

 Meeting with Municipalities to determine critical circuits to harden.







Harden Components: New Pole Designs





Enhanced Line Clearance Program

- Foundation program continued to ensure 10 X 10 X 15 Clearance every three years is achieved on High Voltage Feeders.
- Increased removal of damaged or unhealthy hazard trees near High Voltage feeders
- Obtain additional clearance on High Voltage Feeders that have higher outage rates and affect customers more frequently
- Obtain additional clearance on Feeders where we are performing significant Storm Hardening work





Ten feet underneath.

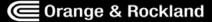
Ten feet underneath or sides.



Ten feet on the side.







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