



# EPRI Smart Grid Roadmap Methodology (SGRM)

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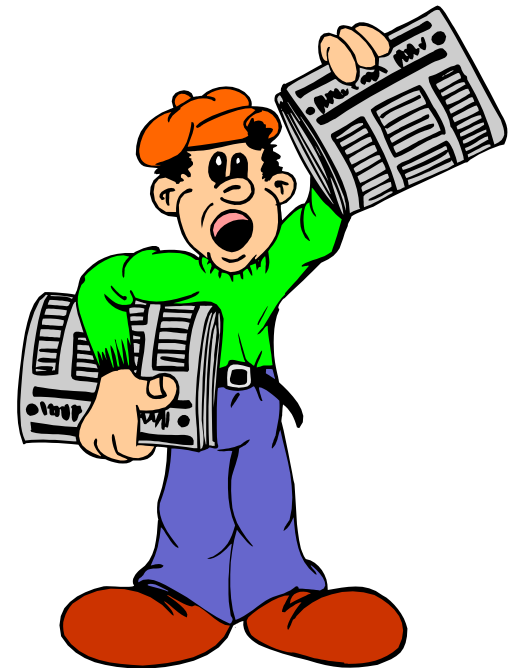
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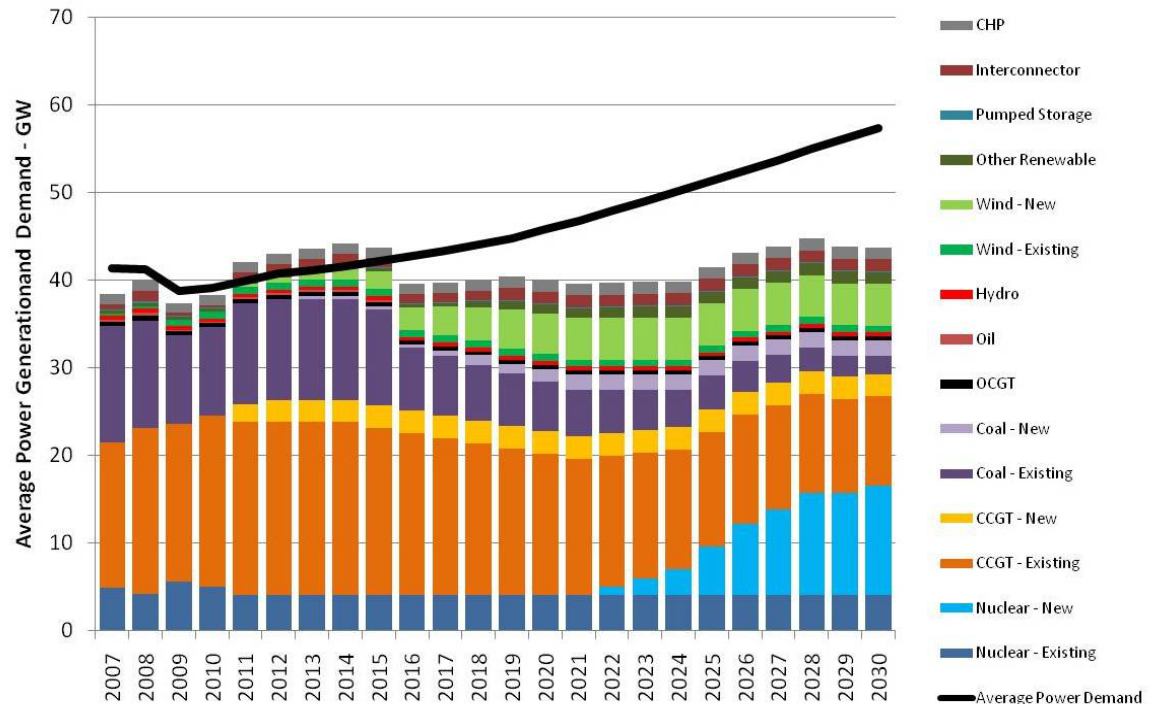
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# Agenda

- Changing Landscape
- Industry Challenges – Technology Adoption
- EPRI Objectives
- Benefits of Roadmaps
- Technology Adoption Process
- Smart Grid Roadmap Methodology:
  - Vision
  - Requirements
  - Assessments
  - Planning
  - Roadmap Implementation
- Conclusions



# Changing Landscape



## Societal pressures—Green

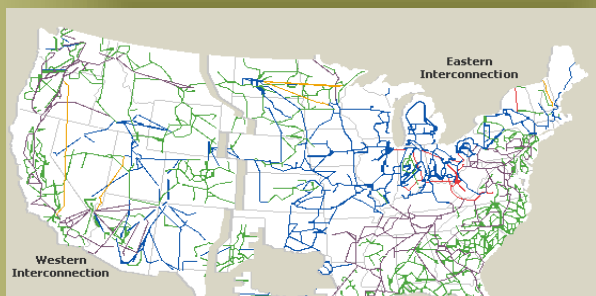
- Renewables
- Plug-in electric vehicles
- Environmental pressures

## Operating pressures

- Increasing power demand
- Aging infrastructure
- Retiring Personnel....

# Varied Focus = Varied Definitions

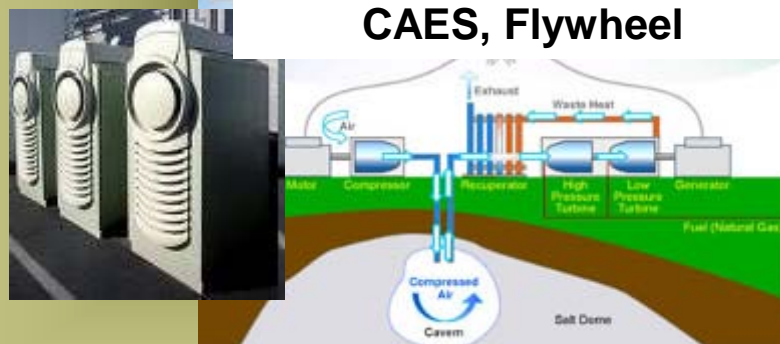
## Intelligent Transmission and Distribution Automation?



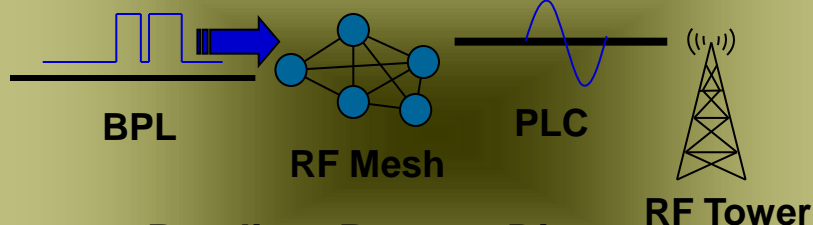
**Microgrids, Islanding, Switching, Sectionalizing**

## Distributed Generation and Storage?

**PV, Wind, Micro-Turbines, CAES, Flywheel**

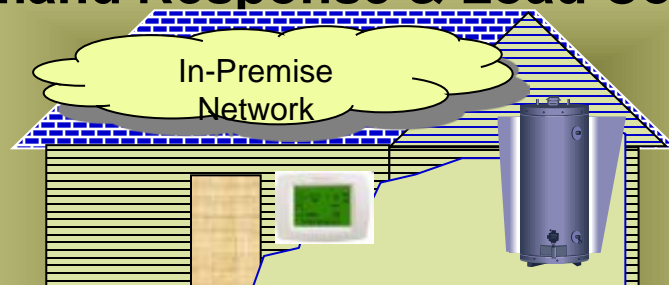


## Advanced Metering Infrastructure?



**Reading, Remote Disconnect, Capacitor Controls, Sensors, Wastewater**

## Demand Response & Load Control?



**In Premise Networks, Automated DR, Integrated Demand-Side Resources**

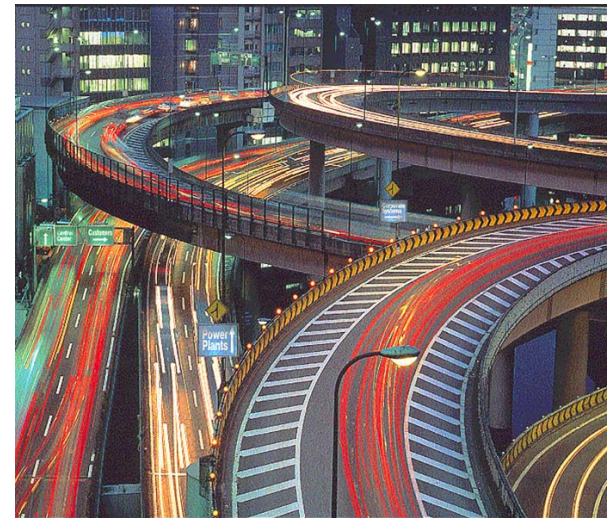
# Industry Challenges in Technology Adoption

- Obtaining executive support
- Developing a technology strategy that addresses business objectives and drivers
- Getting cross functional engagement and consensus
- Deriving requirements from all stakeholders
- Technology and standards assessment
- Implementation planning
- Managing the Roadmap (governance)
- Business case development (cross cutting)
- Managing risk
- Effective architecture development



# EPRI Objectives – Roadmaps and the SGRM

- Assist companies in the transition from understanding what the Smart Grid is generically ..... to achieving the most effective timing and adoption of Smart Grid technology in a way that uniquely maximizes the benefits and minimizes risks.
- Enable the company to develop a superior technology portfolio optimization plan.



# Benefits of Smart Grid Roadmaps (Actual)

- Increased collaboration and cooperation between departments
- “Future-proofing” of technology investments – eg. minimize early obsolescence
- Utility now has greater understanding and approaches for mitigation of risks associated with technology
- Technology life-cycle management enhanced
- Governance model can lead to strong C-level sponsorship and the development of a cross functional Smart Grid leadership team.
- Helped to provide organizational direction and cross-cutting cooperation on the Smart Grid efforts
- Aided in optimizing the planning of technology investments
- Justified additional staff
- Many of the recommended initiatives are moving forward
- Roadmap team used the same SGRM to develop requirements for the new Advanced Metering Infrastructure – Meter Data Management Systems (AMI-MDMS).



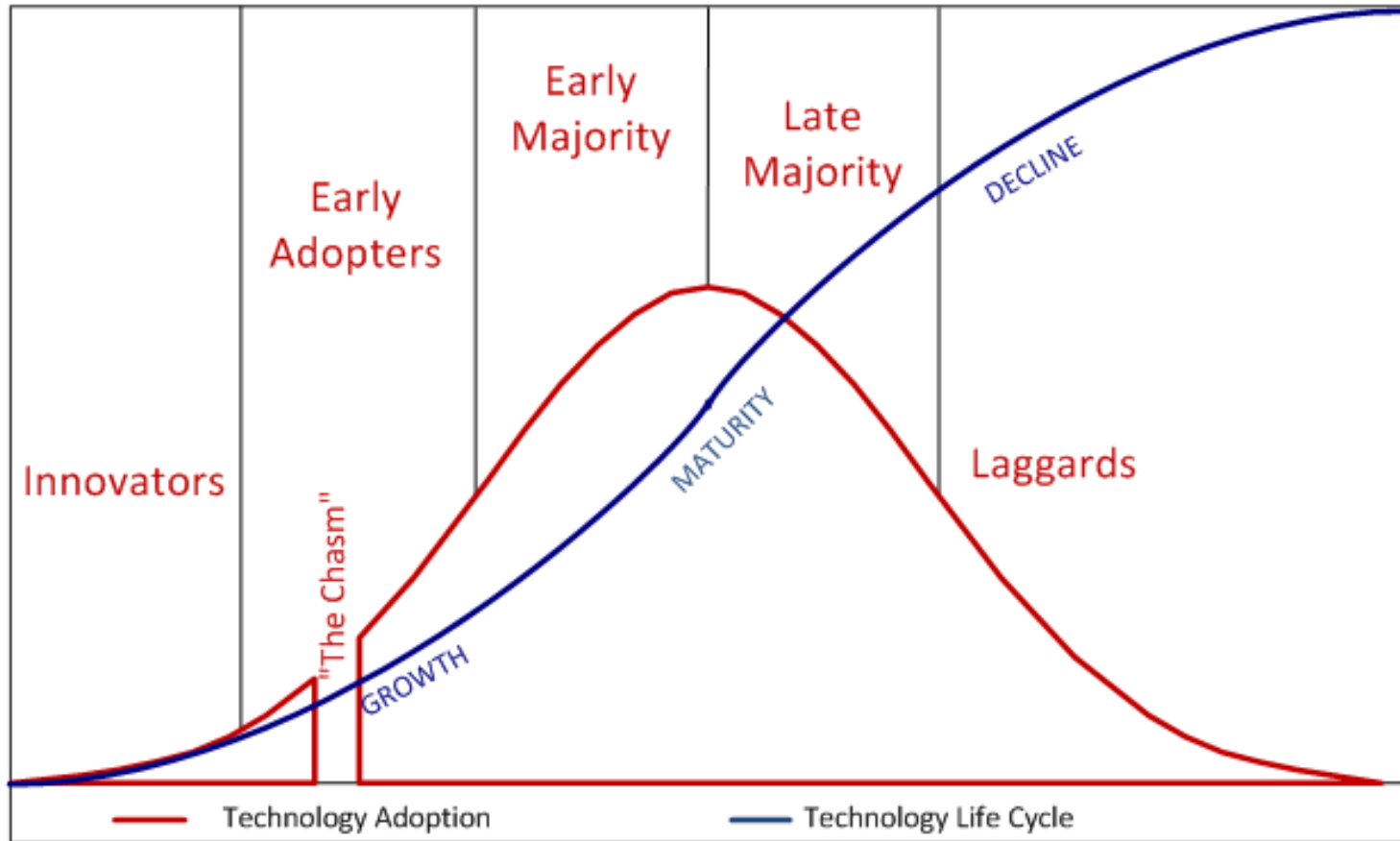
# Benefits of Smart Grid Roadmaps (Actual) - 2

- The Roadmap program provided renewed impetus and vision and a way of going forward with a model for what the future might look like
- Out of the original nine technology recommendations, the utility is moving forward to seven-eight (7-8) programs now and has a project underway to look at the ninth
- Provided a solid starting point for the utility's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) proposals and grant applications
- Enabled the utility to discover the potential future impacts of technological change such as Distributed Energy Resource (DER), Electric Vehicles (EV)
- Provided the impetus for the long term planning needed to achieve overall systems and data integration
- Used as a source of input for regulatory applications and general rate case documents

# Acknowledgments

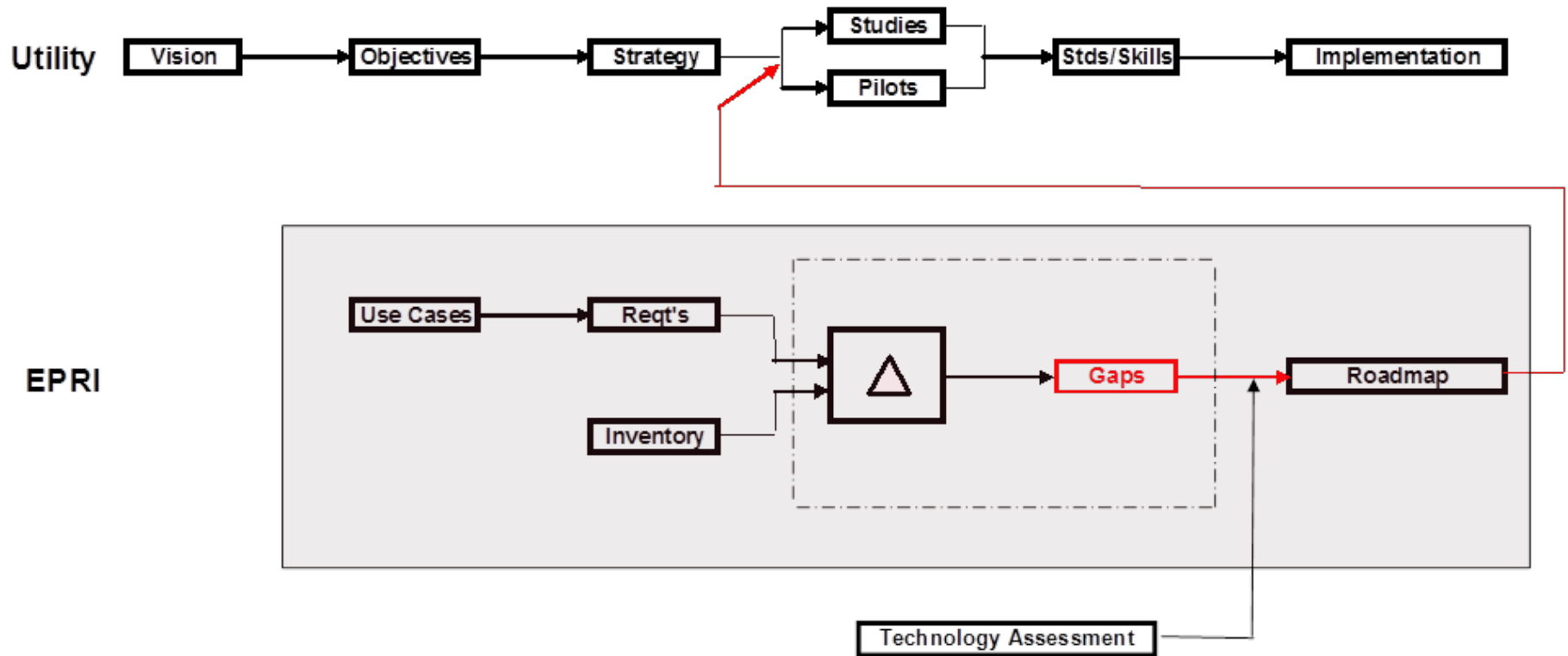


# Technology Adoption Policy Development



**The Technology Life Cycle vs Technology Adoption Policy**

# The Overall Technology Adoption Process



# Smart Grid Roadmap Methodology (SGRM)

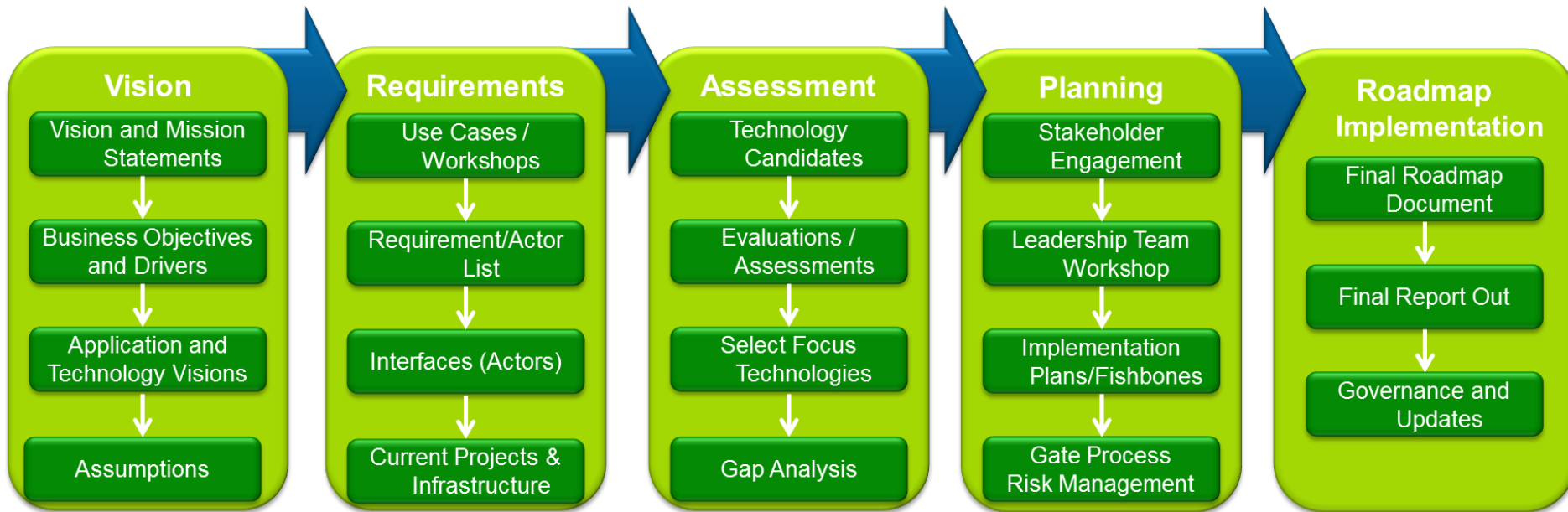
The SGRM comprises five key steps:

1. Vision
2. Requirements
3. Assessment
4. Planning
5. Roadmap Implementation



- Each step includes 3-4 tasks (methodologies) with options
- The SGRM is intended to be a flexible process

# Smart Grid Roadmap Methodology (SGRM)



# SGRM - Vision

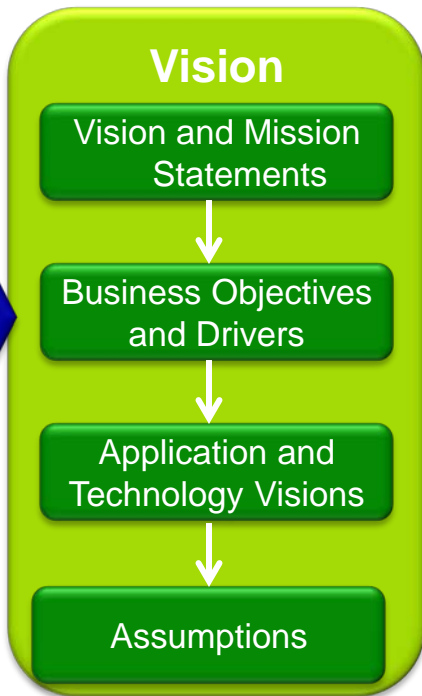
- The purpose of a Smart Grid vision statement is to succinctly summarize the utility/ISO's goal to both leverage the existing and adopt new technologies and standards to address the applicable business objectives and drivers.
- The process of defining a vision statement begins with identifying and evaluating the essential business objectives and drivers that can be addressed by technology investments.
- A vision statement is a summary of “what” the utility/ISO intends to accomplish and why.
- The purpose of a Smart Grid mission statement is different; to provide a summary of the essential “how” the vision statement will be accomplished.



# SGRM - Vision

Example business objectives related to technology are:

- Increase grid reliability, efficiency & situational awareness
- Facilitate resource integration including renewable resources and distributed energy resources
- Implement and maintain physical and cyber security
- Faster and better operational and business decisions
- Reduced operations and maintenance costs
- Enhanced service to our customers and the ability to offer value-added services
- Implement demand response to reduce peak demand
- Distribution grid management for protection & restoration
- Condition based maintenance of key assets
- PEV integration to meet customer needs
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- Meet or exceed all regulatory and policy mandates
- Safety

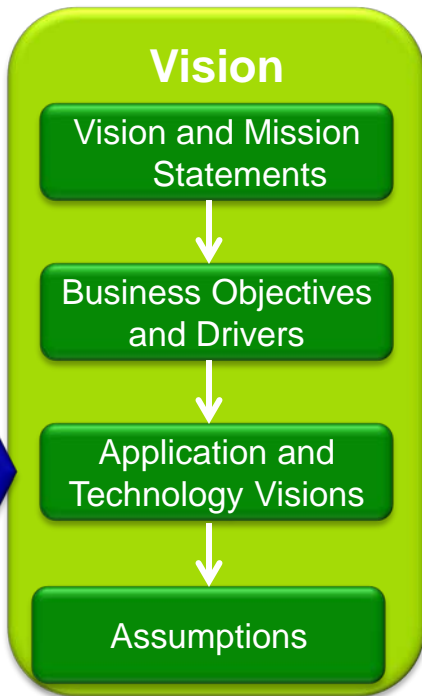




# SGRM - Vision

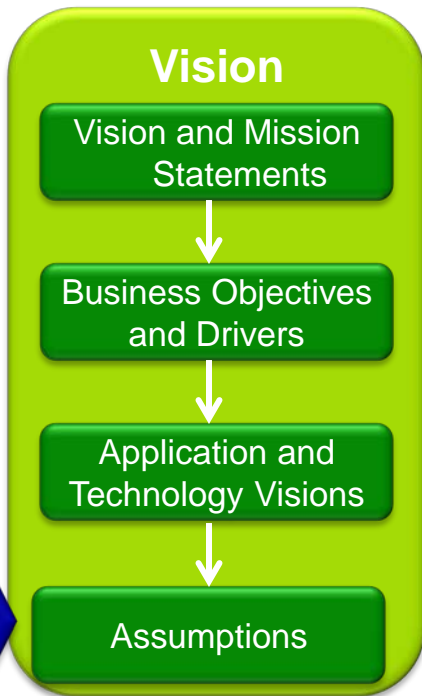
Examples of application and technology vision statements are:

- We will deploy a range of standards based technologies to facilitate the integration of distributed energy resources on our distribution network.
- Establish secure, two-way, real-time communications links to all customers to support customer engagement and interaction.
- Implement a digital communications link to each critical transmission substation that allows secure communications to multiple substation devices on the same physical communications link.
- We will provide local and wide area grid awareness, intelligence and decision making capability to effectively conduct grid operations necessary to optimize power delivery performance in terms of reliability, power quality, and economy.



# SGRM - Vision

- Documenting assumptions can be a useful way of communicating to the rest of the organization:
  - the basis on which the Roadmap will be developed
  - the support needed in the short term
  - the key elements needed in the longer term
- Example assumptions are:
  - cross functional participation
  - management support
  - guiding principles



# Communicating the Vision

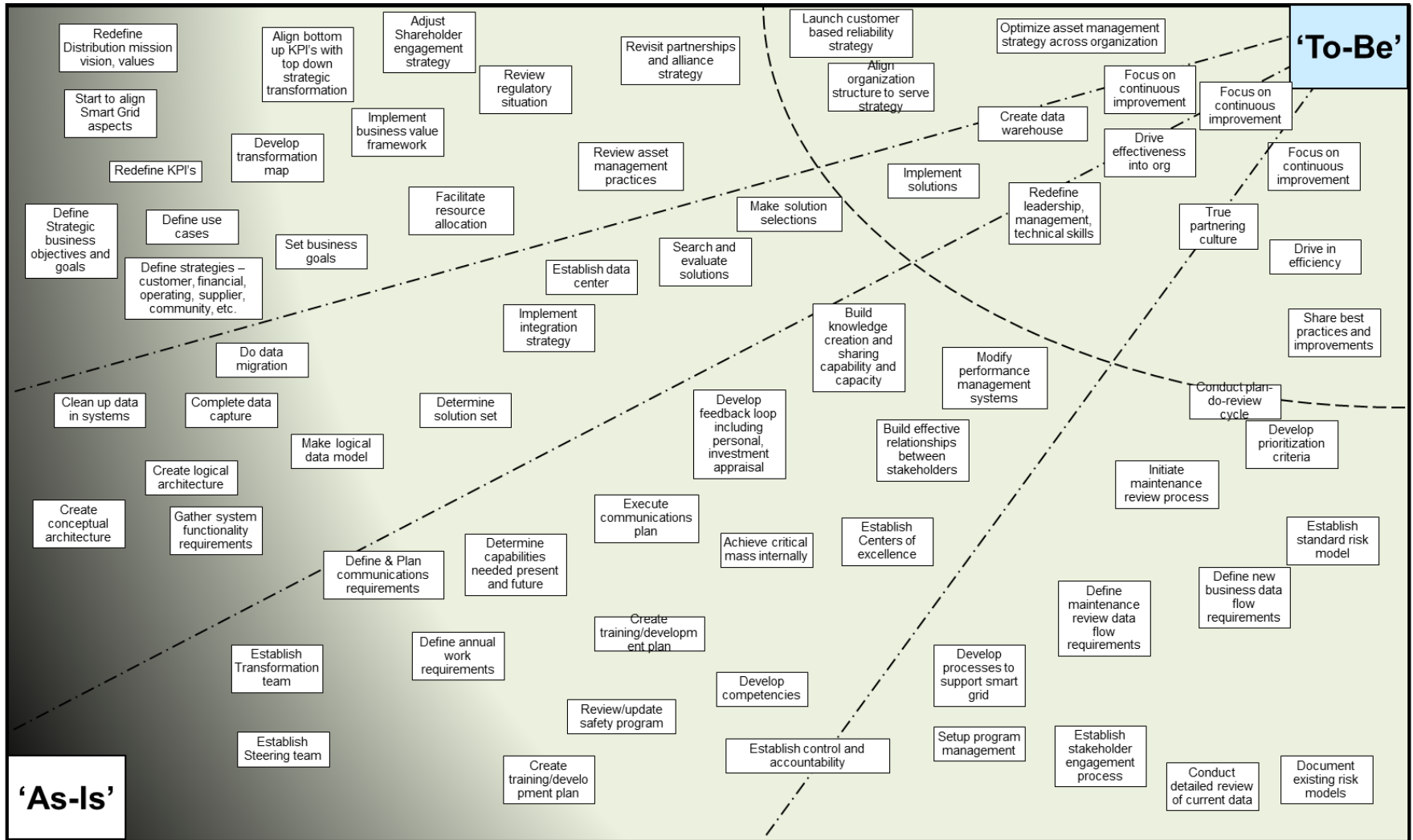
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Year 1

Common Infrastructure Year 2 &3

Foundation & Applications Year 4+

Org Strategy

Technology

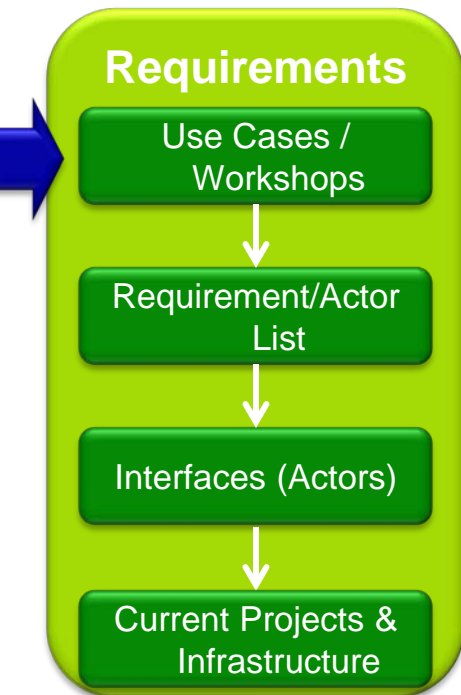


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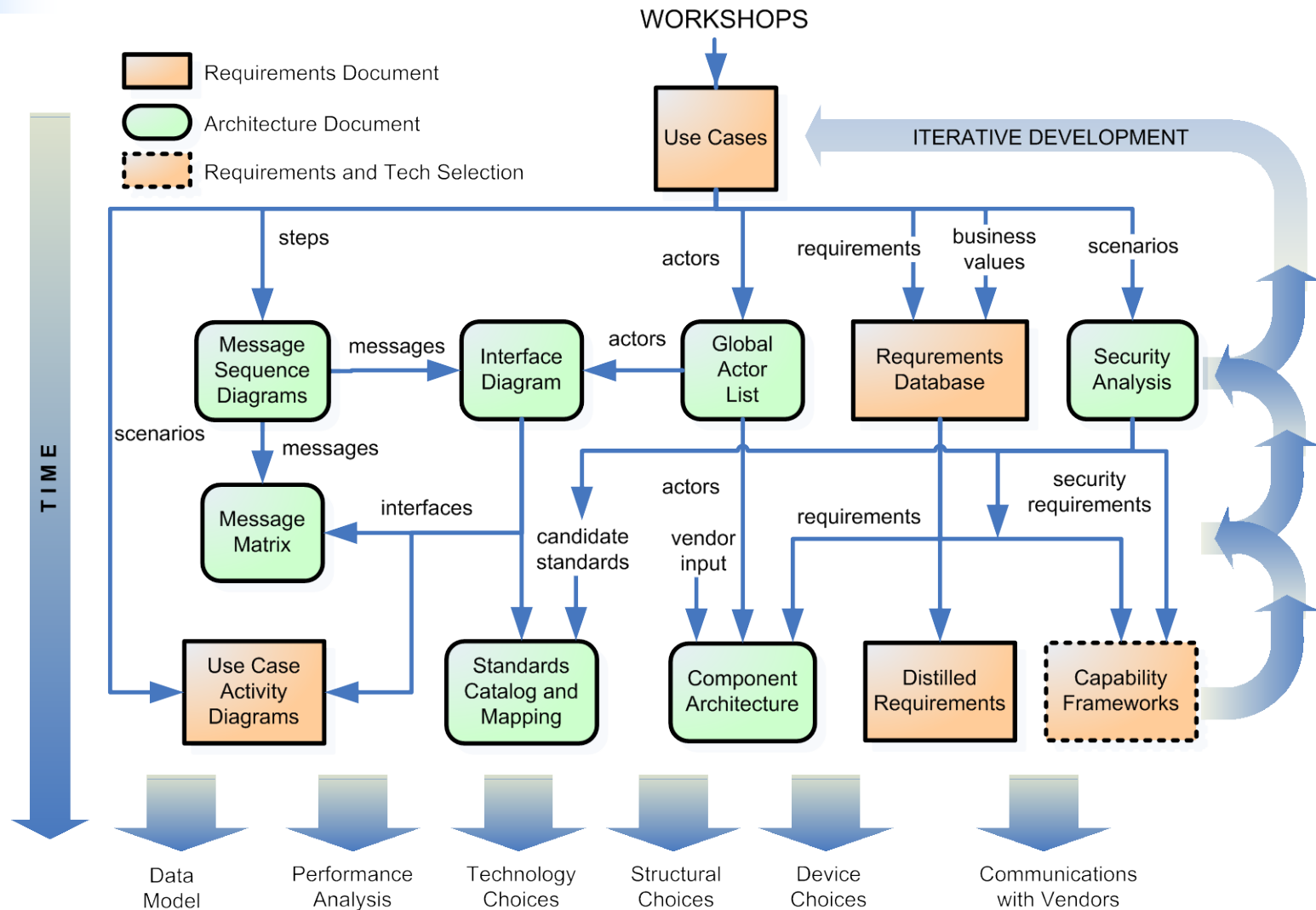
# SGRM - Requirements

How do use cases aid in developing requirements?

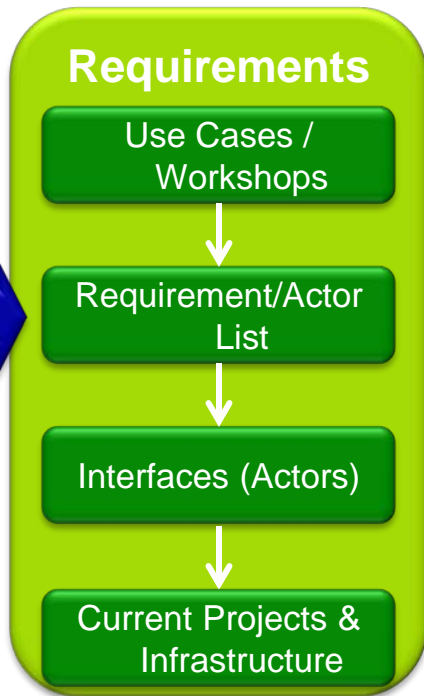
1. A use case is simply a “**story**” that includes various “**actors**” and the “**steps**” they take to achieve a particular functional goal.
2. By considering the actions of the **all stakeholders** and actors working to achieve this functional goal, a completed use case results in the documentation of multiple **scenarios**, each containing a **sequence of steps** that trace an end-to-end path.
3. These sequential steps describe the functions that the proposed systems and processes must provide, directly leading to the **requirements** for the given use case.



# EPRI IntelliGrid - Requirements and Design



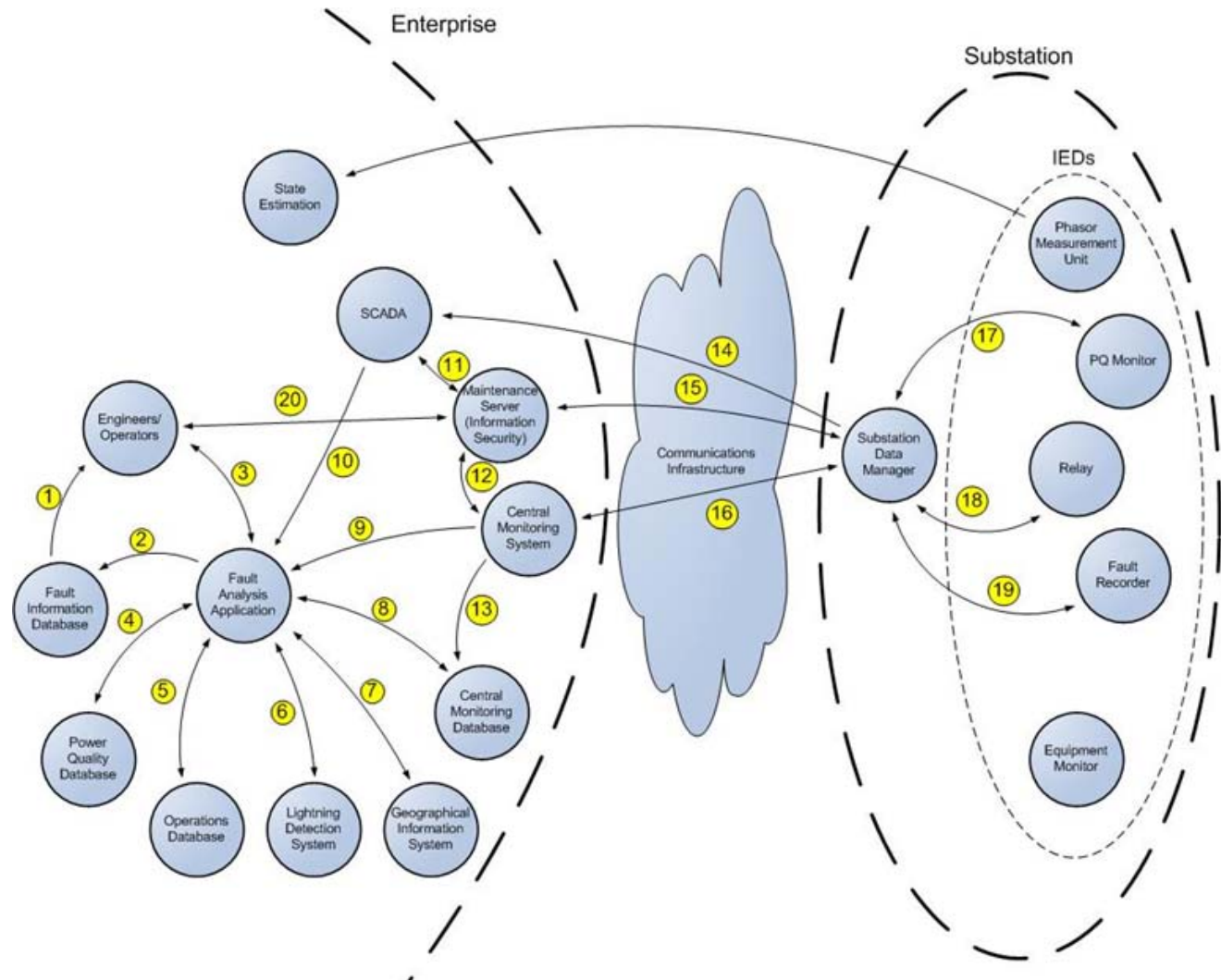
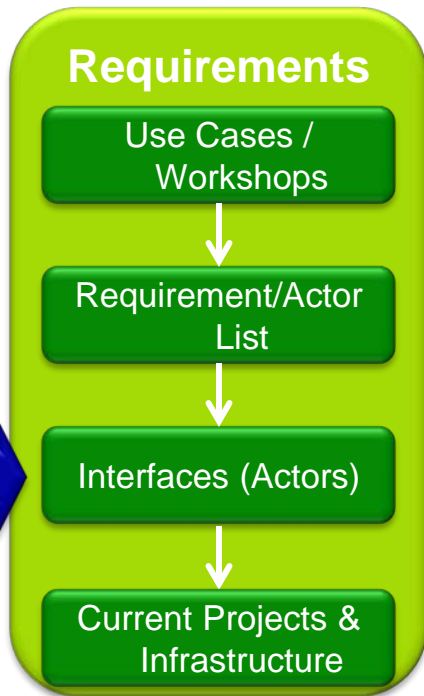
# SGRM - Requirements



Actor/ Component	Reqd ID	FR or NFR	Requirement Description
<b><u>Distribution Load Shed Application</u></b>			
Communications System	1.0	FR	Communications system shall securely support reliable remote access from the Distribution Load Shed application to the substation relays controlling the breakers.
Communications System	1.1	NFR	All aspects of the communications infrastructure used to enable the Distribution Load Shed application shall comply with the Cyber Security Policy and applicable NERC requirements.
Communications System	1.2	NFR	All aspects of the communications infrastructure used to enable the Distribution Load Shed application shall be designed for a high level of availability.
Distribution Load Shed application	1.3	NFR	All software and hardware equipment used operate the Distribution Load Shed application shall be designed for a high level of availability.
Operator – TCC or ISO	2.0	FR	The Distribution Load Shed application shall accept input data from the TCC operator.
Operators – TCC and SOC	3.0		

Actor	Type
Operator - SOC	Person
SOC	System
Operator - TCC	Person
TCC	System
Reliability Coordinators / MISO	System
Bulk Power Marketing staff	System
DRAACS	Application
DLRC, TLRC	Applications
Planning	Person
OMS/CIS	System
Communications system	System
Communications processor and RTU	Device
Relays	Device
Customer	Person
GIS	Application

# SGRM - Requirements

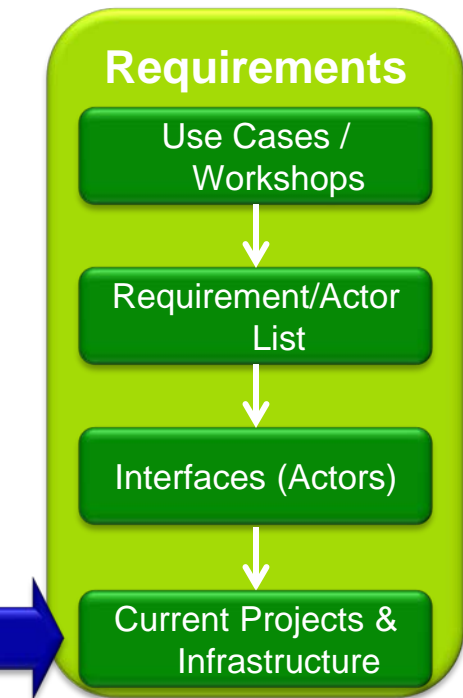


Typical Actor Interface Diagram

# SGRM - Requirements

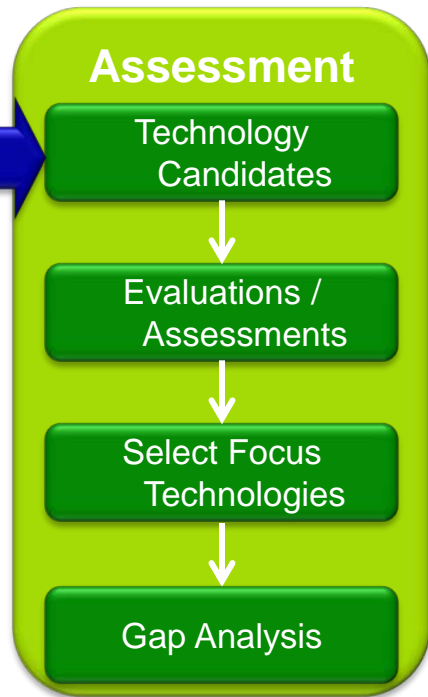
Documenting current projects and infrastructure is a key step that supports:

- the gap analysis (part of the Assessment step),
- the technology recommendations
- establishes the starting point (tail of the fish) for the implementation plans (part of the Planning step)





# SGRM - Assessment



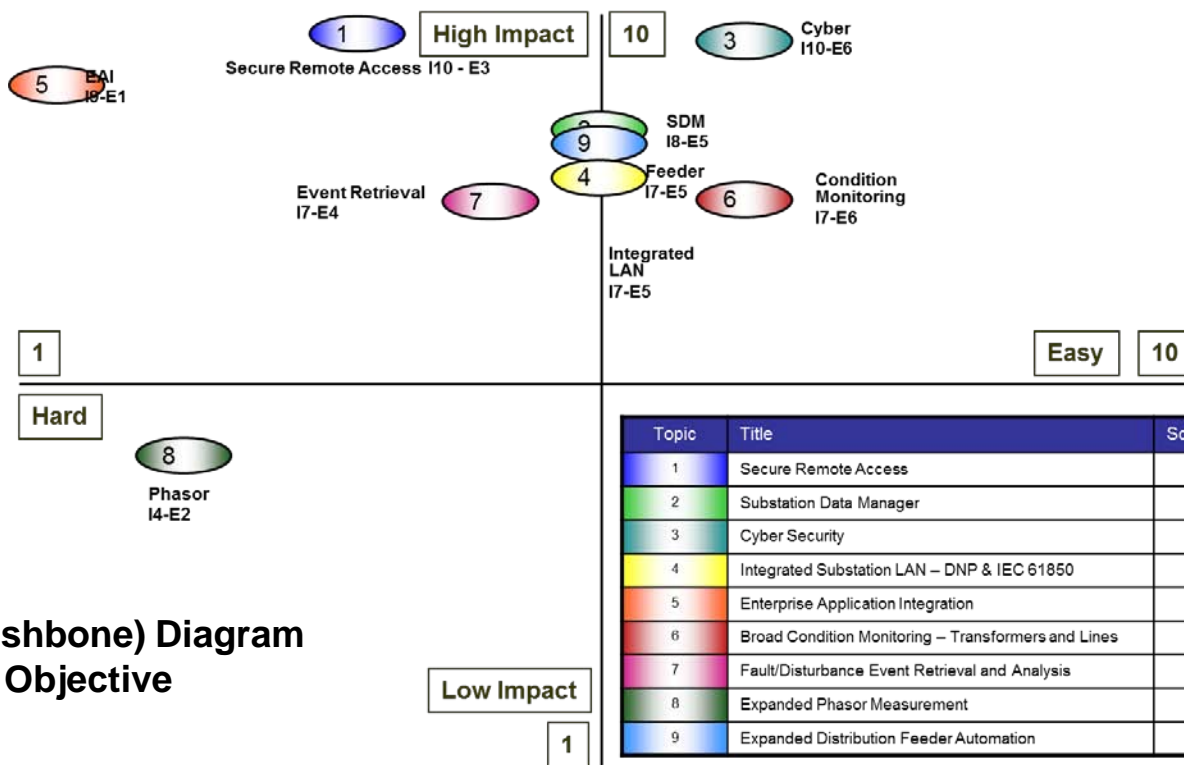
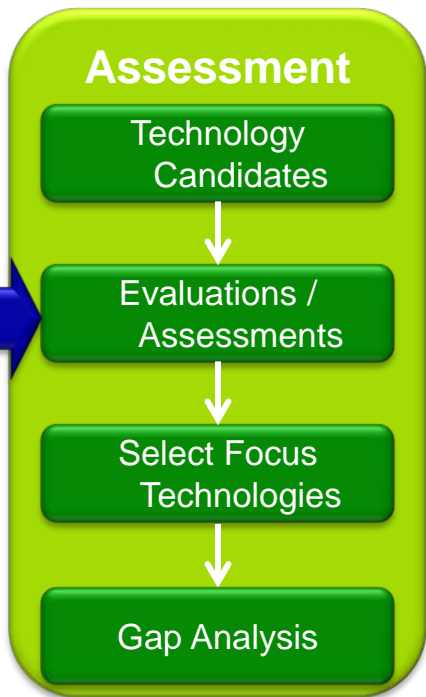
Transmission	Distribution	Customer
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conservation voltage control</li> <li>Flex A/C Trans Sys (if selected FACTS technologies)</li> <li>Dynamic rating of lines &amp; transformers – sensors &amp; applications</li> <li>Substation meters and power quality</li> <li>(DFRs-ethernet) S/S fault recorders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Volt/VAR control (incl. capacitor control)</li> <li>WASA and other phasor applications</li> <li>PMU, PDCs &amp; GPS clocks</li> <li>Transmission Fault location – including application</li> <li>(Xfmr mon. + more) Equipment monitoring sensors and applications</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Building control and automation (non utility control)</li> <li>Load control applications</li> <li>Smart appliances</li> <li>HAN devices and communications protocols</li> <li>Home energy management</li> <li>Web-based information access</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Communications network operations (SNMP, Syslog, HPNA)</li> <li>Substation data managers</li> <li>Wireless comms in substations</li> <li>Substation LANs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wide remote access to substations (crossbow)</li> <li>Core Networking and Security Protocols</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Electric vehicles</li> <li>LED lights</li> <li>Flash heaters</li> <li>CF lights</li> </ul>
Communications	Information	Standards
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Central (Non-Operational) Data Gateway / Central Monitoring System - Enterprise integration               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- CYME model</li> <li>- Lightning data</li> <li>- GIS integration</li> </ul> </li> <li>Data historian (eg PI)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IEC 60870-6 (ICCP)</li> <li>IEC 62351 (cyber security)</li> <li>IEC 61970 &amp; IEC 61968 (CIM)</li> <li>IEC 61850</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wi-Fi (IEEE 802.11)</li> <li>WiMax (IEEE 802.16)</li> <li>Zigbee (IEEE 802.15.4)</li> <li>NASPInet</li> <li>IEEE C37.118 to IEC 61850 (90-5)</li> <li>IRIG-B to IEEE C37.238 (1588)</li> <li>IEEE 1815 (DNP3) to IEC 61850 (1815.1)</li> </ul>

Source: EPRI

## Key Smart Grid Technologies and Standards by Domain

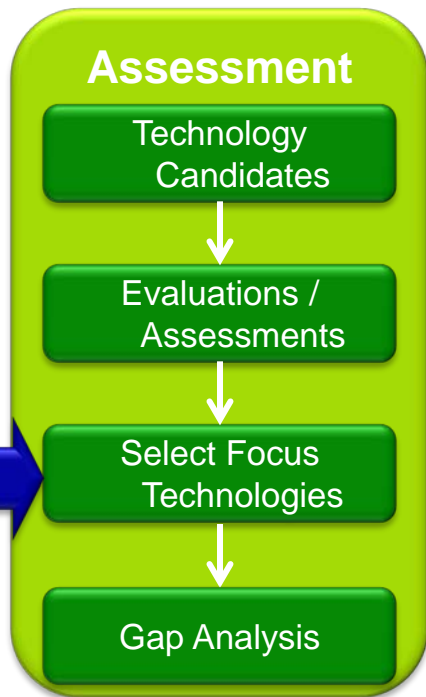
# SGRM - Assessment

- For the EPRI SG Roadmaps we have deployed a number of technology assessment methods.
- One of the simpler approaches used involves ranking a technology by impact and effort



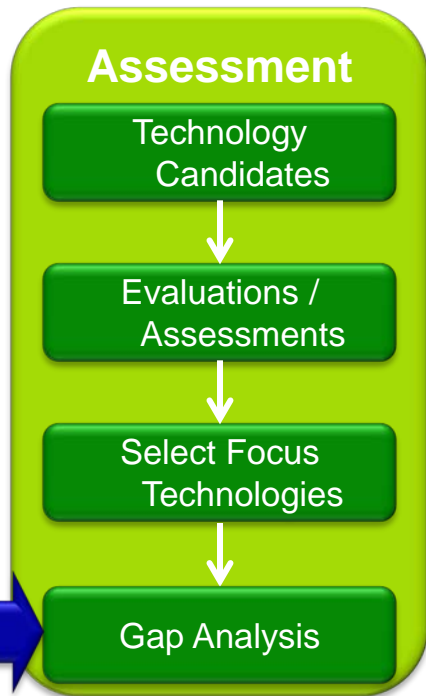
Example of an Ishikawa (Fishbone) Diagram Showing Gaps and Objective

# SGRM - Assessment



- Once the assessments are completed, the utility's Smart Grid Roadmap team, with facilitation by EPRI, is in a position to select the top candidate technologies, applications or standards for further focus.
- Upon selection, a new vision or objective statement is developed for each of the focus technologies. This statement will be used in the development of the gap analysis as well as the implementation plans.

# SGRM - Assessment



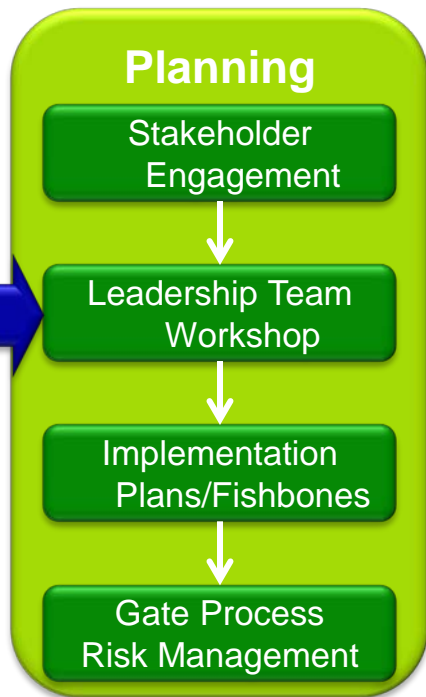
- Once the focus technologies are selected and the objective statements are developed, the next task is to assess the industry best practice, maturity, benefit/rationale, challenges, current status, issues, concerns, degree of deployment, plans underway for that technology.
- The simple form gap analysis is then assembled by comparing the current situation to the objective statement for each focus technology.

# SGRM - Planning



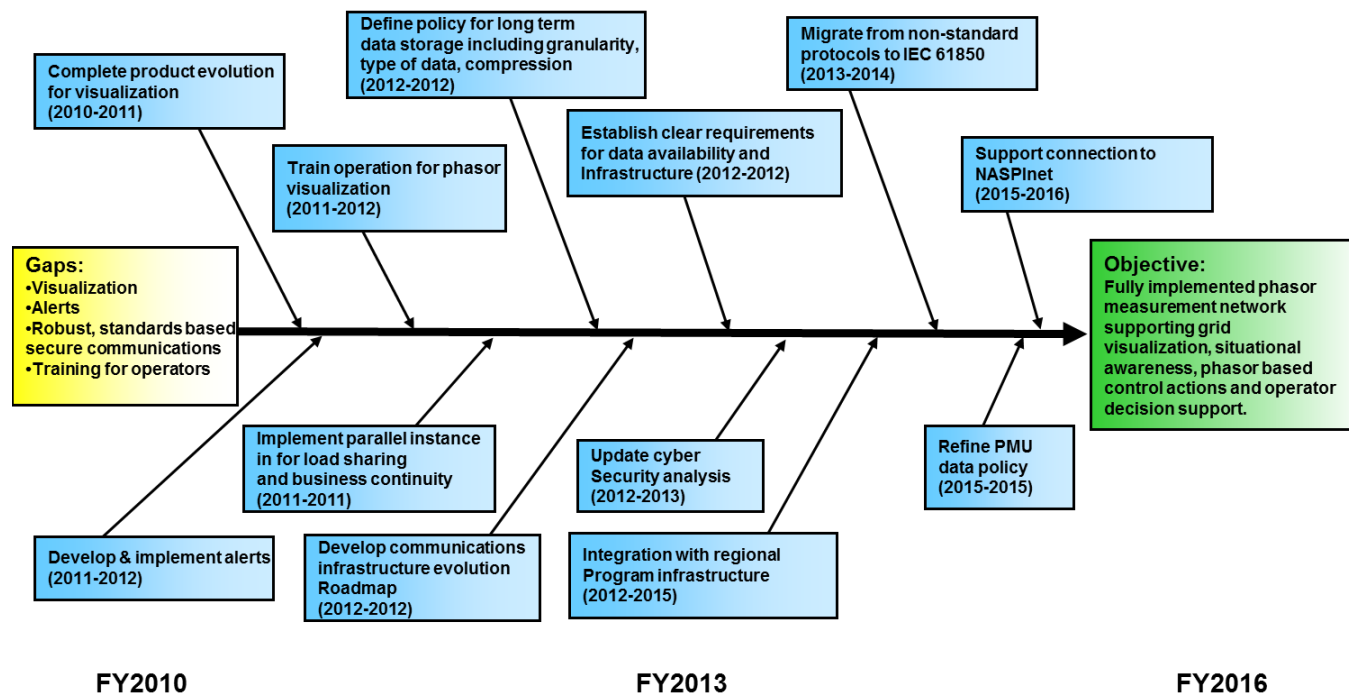
- It is important to ensure that all stakeholders impacted by a possible technology decision have the opportunity to have input in aspects of the decision.
- This can also be an opportunity for the subject matter experts (SMEs), knowledgeable in the area of the technology, to assume ownership of the selected technology for the next tasks.
- The SMEs may present the needed material to the utility's Smart Grid leadership team. The same individuals are central in the development of the Ishikawa (fishbone) diagrams for each of the selected technologies.

# SGRM - Planning



- The Leadership Team Workshop is the optional task of presenting the Roadmap findings to the utility's Smart Grid Leadership team for validation.
- This task, if successfully completed, can have a significant impact on the successful adoption of the technologies.
- Possible outcomes of this workshop could be:
  - approval to proceed to the next stage of adoption (per the Stage Gate process),
  - approval to spend \$\$ for short term,
  - broad cross functional support for a program.

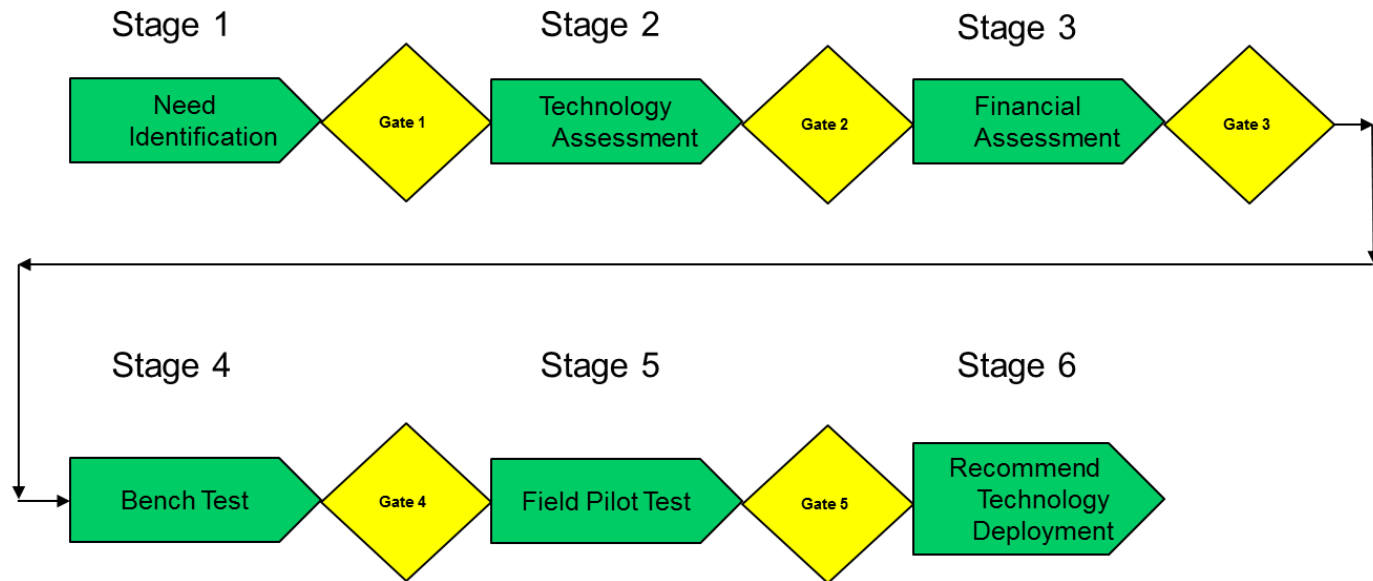
# SGRM - Planning



**Example of an Ishikawa (Fishbone) Diagram Showing Gaps and Objective**

The fishbone diagram (above) is a technology implementation plan that shows the gap or current situation as the “tail” of the fish and the future objective as the “head” of the fish. The “scales” shown are the steps in order that will be implemented to achieve the objective. The objective can be any of the steps in the stage gate process. The estimated time frame is shown as well.

# SGRM - Planning



**Example of a Technology Adoption Stage Gate Process**

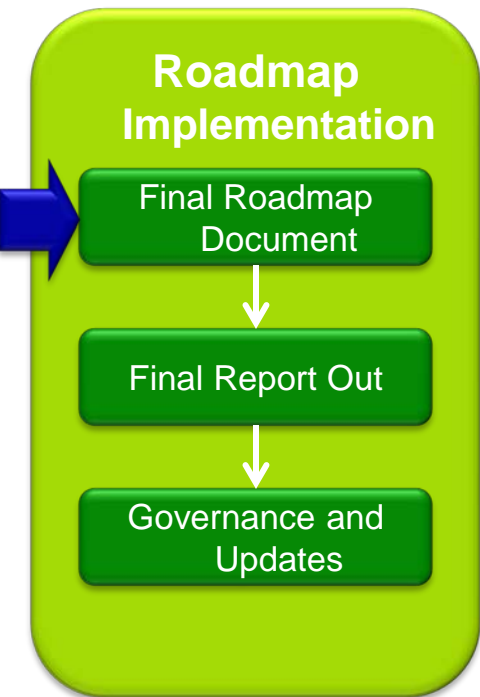
The stage gate process is an excellent tool for managing the implementation of multiple complex technologies. Each stage includes a gate or review process with formal requirements and the information necessary for the review team to make an informed decision on proceeding to the next stage. Normally a cost benefit analysis is developed (with increasing detail) for each gate review. This process is also valuable in identifying and mitigating business risks.



# SGRM – Roadmap Implementation

A typical Roadmap document will include:

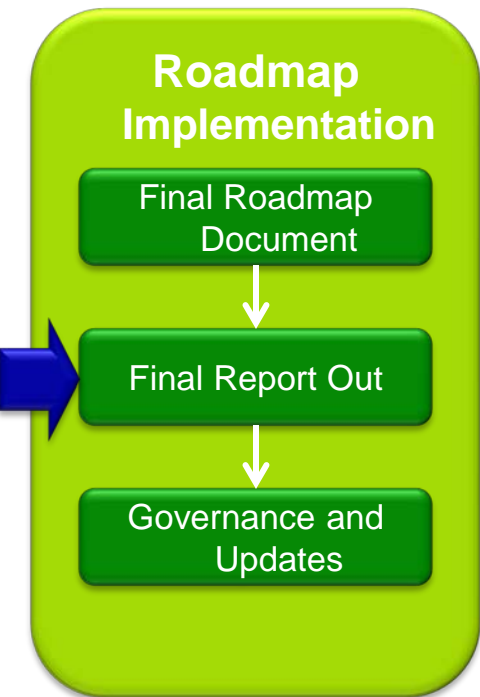
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- Chapter 2- Utility Team and Vision
- Chapter 3- The Requirements Development Process
- Chapter 4- Use Cases
- Chapter 5- Requirements Summary
- Chapter 6- Technology Assessment
- Chapter 7- Existing Infrastructure Overview
- Chapter 8- Developing the Future Infrastructure- Strategy and Roadmap
- Chapter 9- Managing the Roadmap- Dealing with Changes
- Appendices: Project Plans, Use Case Diagrams, Applicable Standards, Acronyms and Definitions



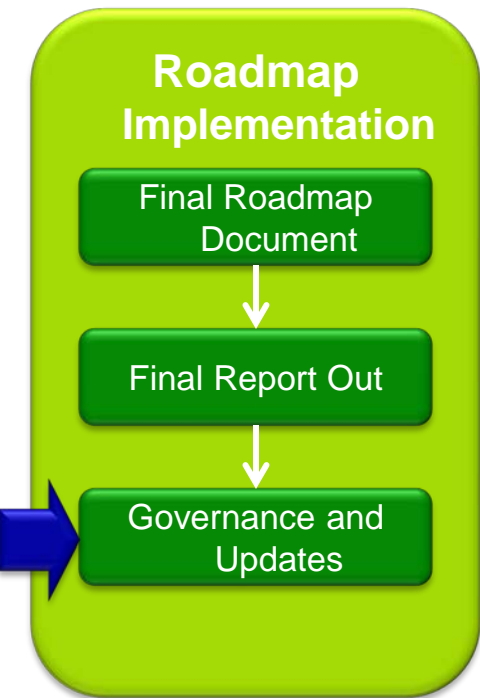
# SGRM - Roadmap

To ensure the largest possible benefit is derived from the Roadmap effort, the final report presentations need to be delivered to three key sets of stakeholders. Those key presentations should be to the following:

- The C level sponsor or the Smart Grid Executive Oversight Committee.
- The Smart Grid Technology Steering Committee
- Director, Manager, Engineering and other staff stakeholders



# SGRM - Roadmap



Experience has shown that the leadership and governance policies and capabilities of an organization are by far the biggest determinants of the degree of impact of a Roadmap development. Example elements of governance are:

- Establish a Visible, Long Term, Roadmap Leadership Team (RLT) with C-Level (VP or higher) Support.
- Develop a RLT Governance Model
- Develop Personnel Skills to Support Infrastructure
- Participate in Standards and Industry Groups
- Monitor and Manage the Progress
- Modify the Roadmap Based on Technology Assessments and Trials
- Update the Roadmap periodically

# CONCLUSIONS

- A roadmap links regulatory policy, corporate business strategy, and customer needs with vendor, technology, and standards adoption decisions.
- Roadmapping allows a team to clearly relate planned features and system performance metrics in terms of value for the customer.
- As its name implies, roadmaps explicitly incorporate a time ordered string of events and actions.
- Roadmapping helps ensure that the team has access to technologies, personnel, best practices and other capabilities at the time they are needed to carry out the overall strategy.
- Roadmaps generally identify gaps in a company's technology evolution and adoption plan and organizational change management plan. These gaps become apparent quickly and can be addressed in a timely fashion.

## CONCLUSIONS (2)

- Roadmapping allows a disciplined approach to driver identification and prioritizing capital expenditures based on those drivers. At every step of the roadmap process focus is maintained on the basics of customer needs, regulatory compliance, institutional capability and technology investment.
- Roadmaps help set realistic targets for what can be accomplished in your organization given existing infrastructure, personnel, ability to adapt to and adopt new technology, and the regulatory environment. Realistic targets help build buy-in to the roadmap and underlying strategy and allow all stakeholders to see the positive results of the process.
- Roadmapping is an effective communication tool internal to the organization as well as externally for consumers, regulators, and vendors.

# CONCLUSIONS (3)

- Roadmaps also allow the team to see when a detour is required to act on external events and other unforeseen circumstances. Part of the process involves identifying risks along the way so the events that might require a change in direction are not a complete surprise.



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