

Wireless Communications for the Smart Grid

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Global energy supply gap

Aging architecture

Aging workforce

Regulatory compliance and penalties

Movement to Alternative Energy Resources, Distributed Energy Resources and Plug-in Electric Hybrid Vehicles (PHEV)

Pressure from investors to improve ROI

Physical and cyber-security concerns

Public policy changes



Smart Grid automation is M2M data communications-centric

It includes technologies that use secure communications to:

- Enable utilities to monitor & control the electric grid
- Provide improved customer service
- Improve worker productivity
- Promote alternative energy resources
- Make more efficient use of the electric grid and generation resources

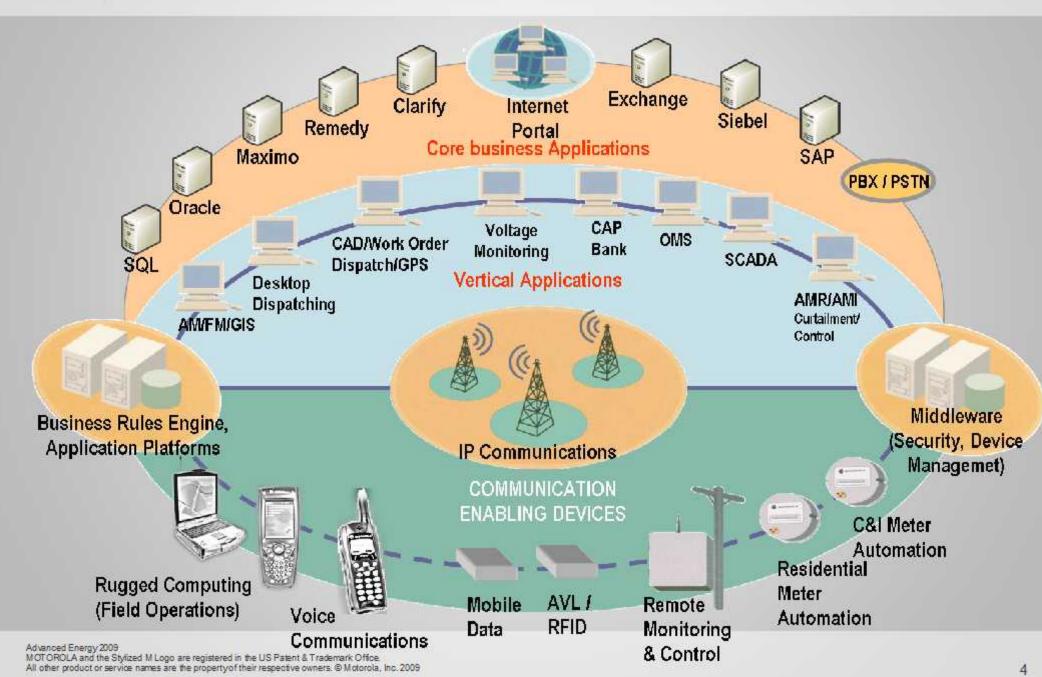
Smart Grid application timing, coverage, latency, bandwidth, security and business case requirements are varied

This often results in data application silos ... the "Un-Connected Utility"

Secure wireless communications will play an important role in the Smart Grid

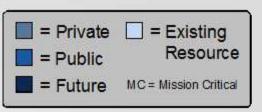


A "Connected Utility"





There Are Many Network Options



		Utility	Generation	Transmission	Substation	Distribution	Customer	Brand Office / Warehouse	Vehicle	Employee
DATA VOICE	WAN	Private, Licensed, MC						Priv	vate, Licensed, I	AC
		Public / Non-MC			Public/ Non-MC			Public / Non-MC		
	LAN	WiFi		WiFi			WiFi			
	WAN	Existing Fiber								
		Public Cellular Data			Public Cellular Data					
		Private, Licensed, MC				Private, Licensed, MC				
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	MAN					WiMAX / LTE				
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							Mesh			
							HomePlug			
	PAN	Bluetooth					Blueto	oth		
						Zigb ee	Zigbee			
		Near Field (NFC)			Near Field			Near Field		Near Field
		RFID					RFID			
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Consider The Five C's When Choosing Networks

Control

The ability to control your network - particularly in the event of disasters

Coverage

Covering your entire service territory – even very remote areas

Capacity

Ensuring enough data capacity – for today's applications and future applications

Capabilities

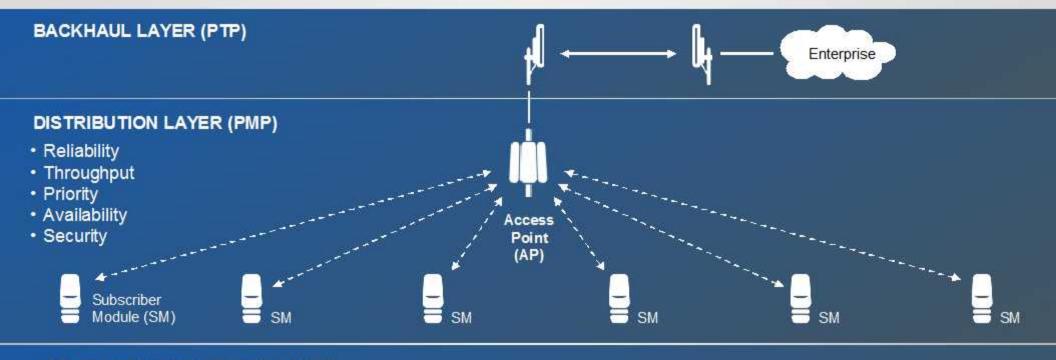
Robust, secure, and proven capabilities for current and future requirements

Cost

A cost-effective solution that meets your business case



Leveraging Private Backhaul Applications



APPLICATION AND ACCESS LAYER





Hotspot Video















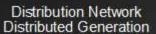












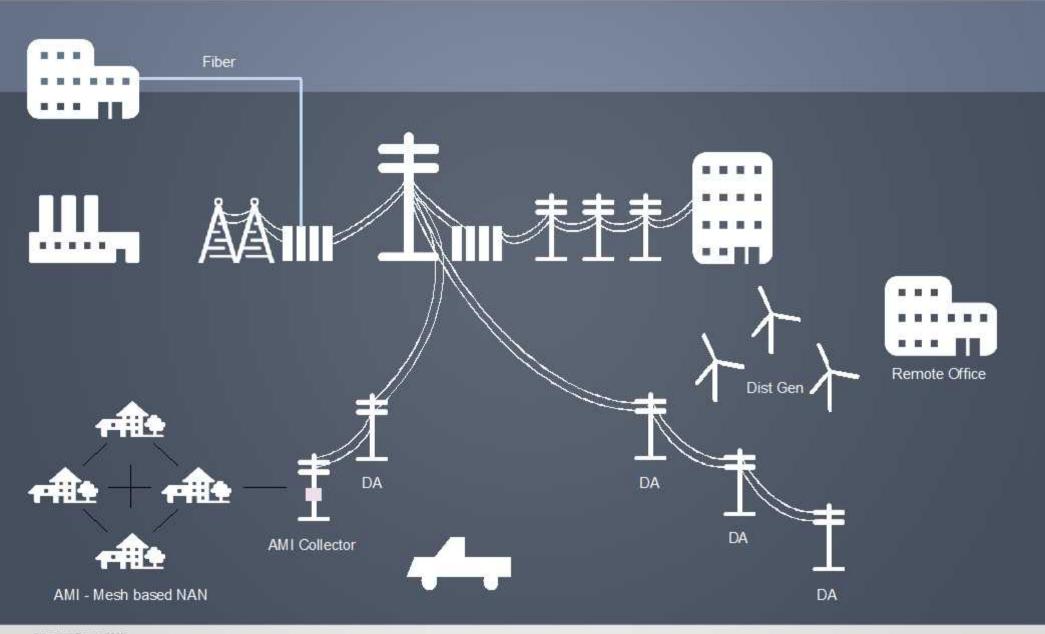


Urban, Suburban and Rural Customers



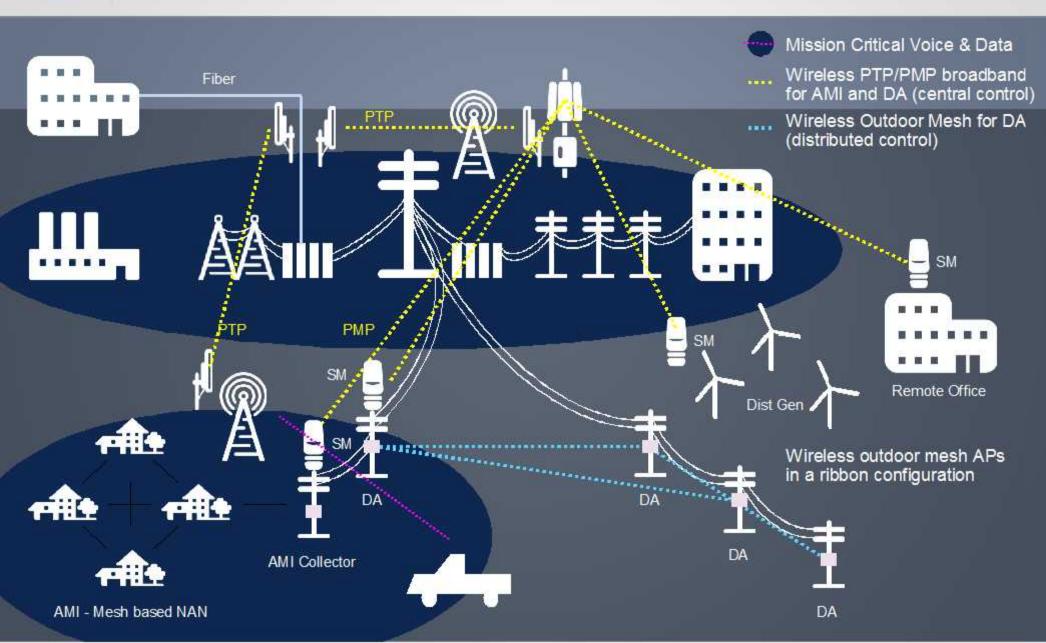


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Unlicensed Spectrum used today in the Smart Grid

- 900 MHz, 2.4 GHz
- Interference is inevitable
- Security and reliability of unlicensed spectrum is difficult
- Coverage is limited by the unlicensed band power limits

Licensed spectrum and private networks afford more flexibility in coverage, security and deployment

Data bandwidth use always exceeds early projections

More than one wireless network will be used in the Smart Grid

Achieving the entire Smart Grid vision will require access to licensed spectrum

