# System Level Solutions



### **SMETS2 to OpenADR**

A product journey in digital energy, from SMETS2 in GB Smart Metering to Integrated Demand Side Response in energy flexibility systems







#### **SLS CORE COMPETENCIES**



IP Cores & FPGA Design



Hardware Design





Software Development Client Servicing



#### Whose story is this?

- System Level Solutions (SLS)
  - Operations in USA, UK and India
  - Focus on Industrial IoT, and utility-grade wireless solutions, digital energy, EVSEs
  - In-house capability for hardware, firmware, wireless & cloud solutions
  - *Key* & *unique role in GB Smart Metering inc. reference implementations* & *testing*
- Proteus Switchgear



- UK manufacturer of over 35 years
- Specialising in the production of industrial, commercial and domestic switchgear products with a full complement of circuit protective devices
- Standard product offerings and fully bespoke units, tailored to customer needs to suit any individual installation.



#### How is this relevant to OpenADR adoption?





#### Take a basic energy asset as an example



- OK, it's "just a switch" but a very important high-quality product
- Widely adopted and highly trusted by a safety conscious marketplace
- Clearly it needs to participate in the digital energy environment
- Customers want to source this product via the same means and have the same high confidence but use it within a flexibility scenario.



#### **Digital Energy - Product Motivations**

- Reuse technology beyond typical metering oriented installations
- Integrate existing energy assets into the secure digital system with minimal asset change
- Maintain product and expertise of the energy asset & its provider
- Partner rather than take-over or compete to create ESA's
- Compliment the marketplace rather than value chain land grab
- Do things which others are not doing (low volume, difficult, etc.)
- We are just a small part of the system and solution do that bit well.



#### **Product collaboration – for any energy asset**

Introduction of a non-invasive secure digital control and communications module

A complete integrated but modular digitised Energy Smart Asset ready to participate in flexibility services







#### **High Level Modular Block Diagram**





#### Where else has this approach been used?







#### Why we are ready for OpenADR & IDSR...

- Product approach remains applicable for the GB IDSR marketplace
- The digital piece of the energy asset still has the same fundamental design components, we know how to do that including OpenADR
- We can apply CNI-grade security knowhow to a new digital energy domain
- We know what to adopt from Smart Metering, and what not to repeat
- We know there are even more industry actors in energy flexibility scenarios compared to smart metering, and regulation must enable and facilitate that collaboration, but not define it explicitly
- We know this programme must be less prescriptive overall, more market led than smart metering, in order to yield the product innovation required.

#### **About SLS**

We are a Product and Service Company into Hardware & Software Established in 2001 as Turnkey Solution Provider

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Years and

counting

# 100+300+Active projects<br/>across the globeIn-house<br/>staff

#### **Quick Facts**

- No. of Business Verticals : 8+
- Operating Bases : India, UK, USA
- Part of the Make-In-India initiative
- In-house Design & Manufacturing Capability
- No. of Manufacturing Plants : 2







#### Subsidiaries







Verticals

**FPGA/IP Core** 















## **Thank You**



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