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## The Standards Balancing Act

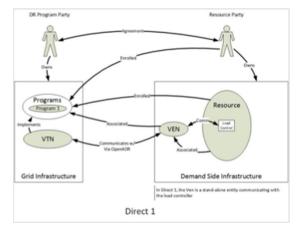
- Addressing diverse use cases results in wider applicability of the standard
- This requires greater flexibility in the standard to accommodate the diverse use cases
- Greater flexibility implies more optionality in the standard
- More optionality complicates interoperability based on the standard

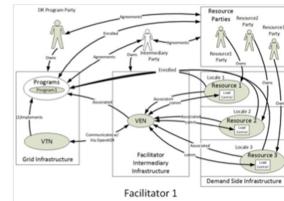




## **Evolution of OpenADR**

- Typical Early Deployments
  - One use case (CPP)
  - Physical VENs at DR sites
  - One service (EiEvent) only
  - One signal (SIMPLE) per event
  - No reporting
- Today's Expanded Deployments
  - Multiple use cases (Tstats, RTP, TOU, DER,...)
  - Virtual (cloud) VENs, Aggregators
  - Report, Registration, and Opt services
  - Nine signals (for price, control, dispatch,...)
  - Full (often customized) reporting







## What Does This Mean for OpenADR Implementations?

- What interoperability challenges exist with OpenADR now?
  - Are the challenges adequately addressed by reference implementations, the Implementation Guide, and other tools?
- Should OpenADR be modified to improve interoperability and to achieve wider use in the future?
  - If so, in what ways (protocol changes, documentation, etc.)?
- Workshop Participants:
  - Denver Hinds, Grid Evolution R&D, SMUD
  - Matt Hale, Cofounder, GridFabric
  - James Mater, GM Smart Grid, QualityLogic

