

ANGLE - DC

Operation AC to DC



WHO ARE WE?

We are SP Energy Networks, part of the Iberdrola Group, leaders in sustainable innovation. As a Distribution and Transmission Network Operator we keep electricity flowing to homes and businesses throughout Central and Southern Scotland, North Wales, Merseyside, Cheshire and North Shropshire.

We do this through the network of overhead lines and underground cables which we own and maintain.

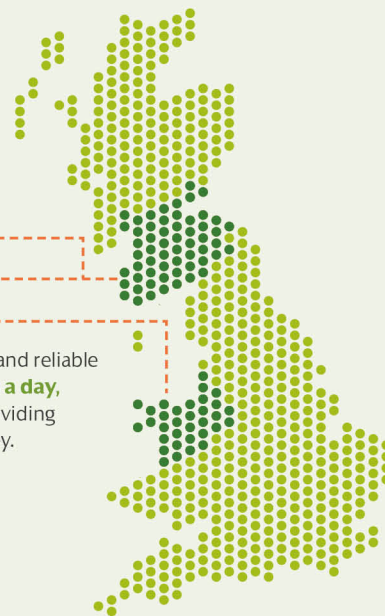
Our three regulated electricity licences are:

SP Transmission (SPT)

SP Distribution (SPD)

SP Manweb (SPM)

Our aim is to deliver a safe and reliable electricity supply **24 hours a day, 365 days a year** whilst providing exceptional value for money.

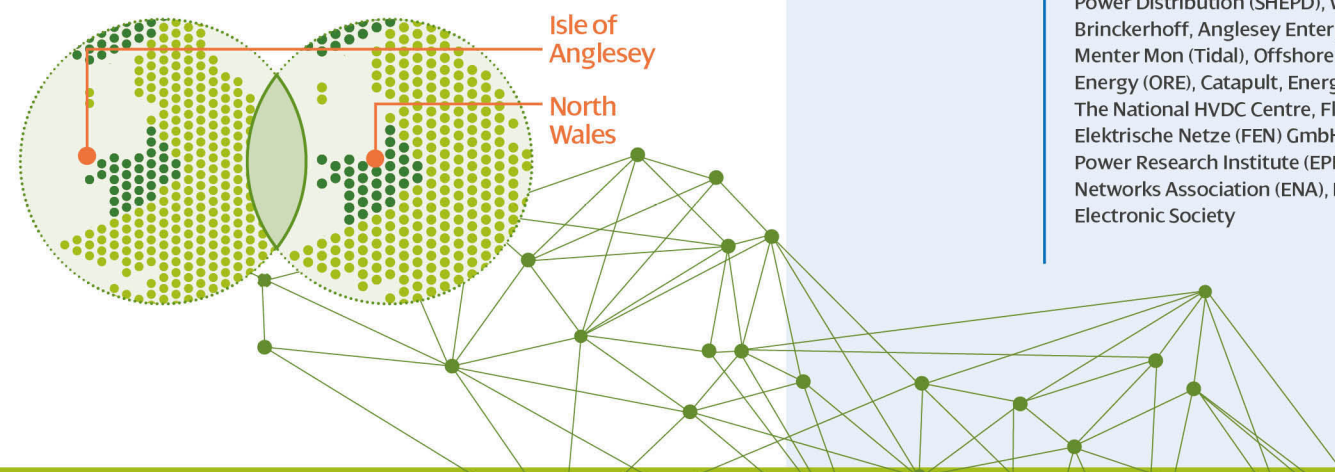


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Angle-DC is a smart and flexible method for reinforcing distribution networks. The project is creating a controllable bidirectional Direct Current (DC) link between two sections of our network, Isle of Anglesey and North Wales. Angle-DC is converting existing 33kV Alternating Current (AC) assets to DC.

This innovative project will adapt existing electronic technologies to build Medium Voltage DC (MVDC) link. This will smooth the way for the integration of increasing volumes of renewable generation and accommodate the growth of electricity demand. Angle-DC is building confidence in deploying MVDC technologies by other UK Distribution Network Operators and triggering the MVDC supply chain.

LINK BETWEEN TWO SECTIONS



PROJECT PARTNERS

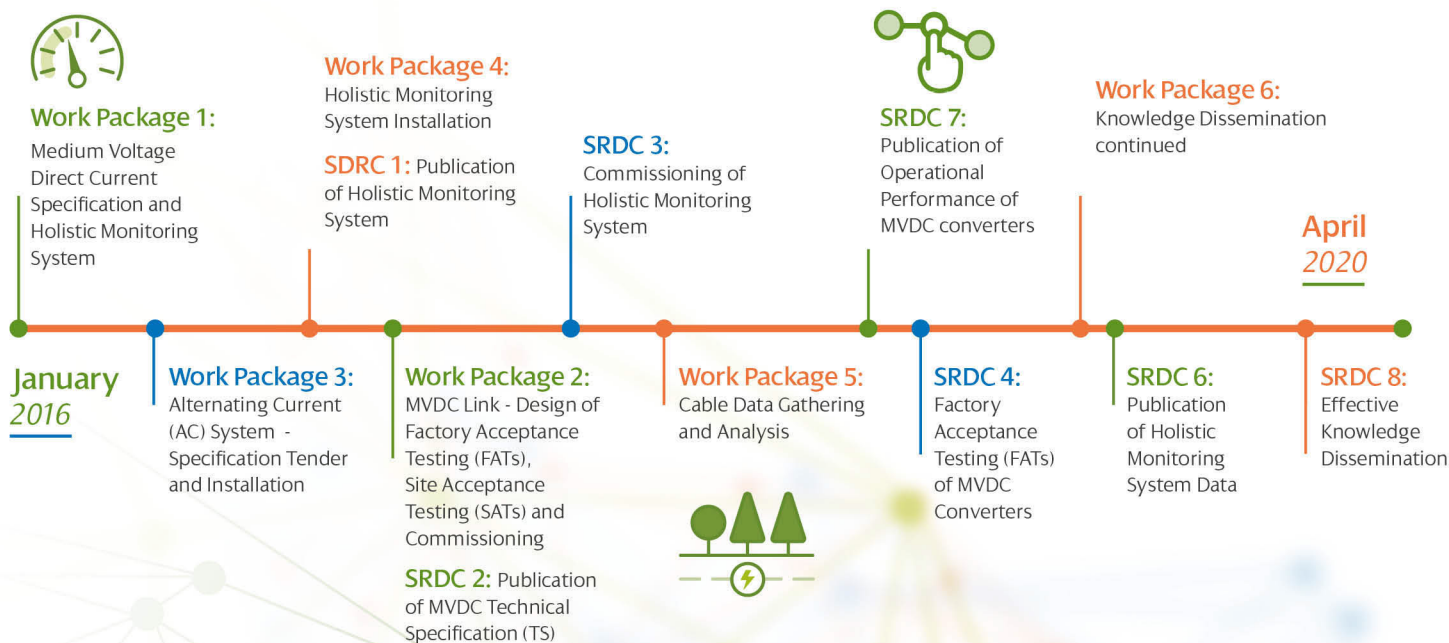
Project Partners	GE Power Conversion
Academic Partners	Cardiff University
Project Supporters	Welsh Government, Isle of Anglesey County Council, Western Power Distribution (WPD), Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution (SHEPD), WSP Parsons Brinckerhoff, Anglesey Enterprise Zone, Menter Mon (Tidal), Offshore Renewable Energy (ORE), Catapult, Energy Island, The National HVDC Centre, Flexible Elektrische Netze (FEN) GmbH, Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), Energy Networks Association (ENA), Power Electronic Society

BENEFITS FOR CUSTOMERS

- Increasing the capacity for load and generation connections. Reduced sleeving of Horizon Nuclear Power transfer via the parallel 33kV network.
- Enhanced power flow through an existing circuit to defer reinforcement which may be necessary for some connection requests.
- More precise control of the flow of power in the distribution circuit for improved efficiency to avoid naturally occurring AC overloads. This prevents the possibility of overload of the circuit, helping to reduce the number of faults.
- Control of voltage at either end of the distribution circuit to enhance the flow of electricity to customers.
- Control of reactive power flow at both ends of the distribution circuit.
- To lower losses and save wasted energy in the wider distribution network due to the improved voltage control.
- Rapid support to the system voltage during faults to enhance the electricity quality of supply to our customers.
- Fault level decoupling between distribution systems.
- Enables faster access to the network for renewable connections. This helps customers who wish to connect low carbon technologies such as wind turbines and photovoltaics to the network.



TIMESCALE



SRDC = Successful Delivery Reward Criteria

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