Customer Services

Operation and Maintenance

Focus on your core business and have your HVDC and other FACTS systems managed, operated, and maintained by industry experts.

Power electronics-based facilities such as High-Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) and Flexible AC Transmission Systems (FACTS) contribute significant benefits to modern power systems. For example:

- HVDC systems enable the transmission of electrical energy over long distances and allow the asynchronous interconnection of grids.
- FACTS devices increase the reliability of AC networks and help reduce power delivery costs.

Siemens offers a broad array of operation and maintenance (O&M) services and “care-free packages” for these HVDC and FACTS facilities.

We work closely with our customers to develop balanced service packages customized to their specific situation.

We are able to guarantee a defined performance level for the assets (e.g., a given availability), thus enabling the system and the owners to derive maximum benefits from these strategic and high-value assets.

We make sure that our service packages meet the needs and expectations of our customers relative to the technical, financial and regulatory performance of their assets.

Operation and Maintenance Contracts

Siemens provides services for a wide range of facilities, including long distance (overhead and underground/undersea) and back-to-back HVDC installations, as well as Static VAr Compensators (SVC), synchronous condensers and offshore wind platforms.

The responsibility for the operation and maintenance of these facilities – or specific targeted functions thereof – is transferred to us for a fixed period of time (such as three or more years).

The operational risk is transferred to Siemens and Key Performance Indicators (such as continuity of service or availability) are established to guarantee the agreed technical and budget performance.

Investment decisions and individual core functions may remain with the asset owner or may be assumed by Siemens.

Photo: HVDC Valve Hall

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Our core service elements include:

Operation services
- Control room operation (24/7)
- Remote monitoring
- Call centers
- Metering operations
- Energy management and automation

Maintenance services
- Field services
- Preventive and corrective maintenance
- Repairs
- Emergency response
- Inspection
- Spare part management

Management services
- Asset strategy planning
- Asset management
- Development and implementation of management plans, O&M strategies, operation manuals and asset standards
- Risk management and emergency/business continuity planning
- Environmental, health & safety services

Special service projects
- Commissioning and start-up/takeover services.

Our value proposition
- Concentrate on your core business – we manage your network assets expertly for you. We bring to the table competences that may not be present in your organization. You can leverage our knowledge and expertise to hedge against operation and maintenance risks that may not be at the core of your business.
- The network operation costs will be predictable and guaranteed. Our service package is truly “care-free.” Our operation and management experience, processes and methodologies enable you to increase the profitability and efficiency of your assets.

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