

Renewable Energy Integration – Challenges and Practices

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1 Challenges Faced by China



- 76% of coal resources and 80% of wind/solar resources, is located in North, Northeast and Northwest.
- 80% of the hydropower resources is located in Southwest.
- Over 2/3 of the power demand
 concentrates in East and Central *
 China.
- Distance from energy bases to load centers:800 km ~ 3000 km
- China needs to develop remote and bulk power transmission to optimize the power allocation nationwide.

PV Power

Coal Hvdro

Wind Power

Load Centers

1 Large-scale Renewable Energy ---Rapid development



- Hydro power : 290 GW, ranking No.1 in the world;
- Wind power : 91.42 GW, ranking No.1 in the world;
- PV power : 18.1GW, ranking No.2 in the world;
- Wind power has been the third biggest power source in China.



1 Large-scale Renewable Energy ---Development plan



Wind:200GW

Solar: 50GW

2020

10GW

10GW

1GW

20GW

27GW

3GW

Wind:100GW Solar: 21GW

2015

2015

Large PV station

Distributed PV

2020年

Distributed PV

Large PV station

CSP

CSP

- RE development strategy in the "Twelfth Five-Year Plan" : Centralization + Distribution.
 - 8 large-scale wind power bases are in plan and construction, each of them is with the capacity of more than 10GW.



2 Main characteristics of wind power



- Main characteristics of wind power
 - Fluctuation of power output
 - Different generation technology
 - Distribution characteristics



- The use of power electronic equipment in wind power brings changes to the characteristics of power system operation and security.
 - > Weak adaptability to disturbance
 - > Weak support to power grid



2 Challenges



- Impacts on power balance
- Impacts on reactive power and voltage
- Impacts on power quality
- Low voltage and high voltage fault ride through capability



Source: IEA Wind Task 25, 2009

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3 Power grid enhancement





3 Large capacity energy storage





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Pumped Hydro

Fly Wheels



- Use different energy storage technologies to resolve problems
 - Power Balance
 - Frequency Regulation
 - Power Quality



3 Energy storage application



The Wind-PV-Storage-Transmission Pilot project locates at the Zhangbei county, 200km northwest of Beijing.

- Phase I : 100MW Wind Power, 40MW PV power, 20MW energy storage and a 220KV smart transformer substation.
- Phase II : 400MW Wind Power, 60MW PV power, 50MW energy storage.
- ◆ Fully demonstrate the effect of the wind/PV/Storage/Transmission coordinated operation, Wind/PV/storage ≈conventional power sources.



3 Other practices



- Improvement of wind power forecasting
 - 16 wind power/PV prediction systems in dispatching centers, covering nearly 400 wind/PV power stations, the total capacity more than 50 GW, the average absolute error is about 10%
- Coordinated planning and development between wind power and transmission grid, considering simultaneously

Reactive power and voltage control

- Wind farm should have required reactive power capacity to compensate the reactive power losses locally.
- Flexible HVDC transmission application
- Technical standards development and application
- Facility testing

3 Testing of wind farm grid code







4 Distributed Generation Integration





4 Measures in consideration



- Development of local load for energy consumption
 Hydrogen production
- Energy storage application to achieve balance within clusters
- Coordination among different clusters in the region

4 Standardization Efforts



Establishment of National microgrid and DER integration TC

Responsible for developing microgrid and DER integration standards system and yearly development plan; developing related standards and standards promotion; participating international standardization activities on behalf of SAC

Publish of microgrid and DER integration standards system

Covering planning and design, commissioning, integration test, operation and control, etc.

Development of 8 national standards, 6 industry standards, and 3
 SGCC standards



Any question?

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