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A JUST ENERGY TRANSITION ("JET") FOR SOUTH AFRICA

# **GRIDS OF THE FUTURE**

#### A Key Enabler for The Just Energy Transition and Sustainability

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# Leading to Two Major Transitions

Critical Path of a Just Energy Transition

# DIGITALISATION

**10X** 

More new connected apparatus than individuals by 2020 (IHS, March 2016; UNO stats.)



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**x6** 

81 bn GB in 2017, 403 bn GB in 2021 (Cisco)

In world-wide expenditure on

(International data corporation)

2017 and 2022

cognitive systems and AI between

ELECTRIFICATION

**50%** 

Of energy production will be solar or wind-driven by 2050  $(\ensuremath{\mathsf{BNEF}})$ 

30%

Of vehicle stocks will become electric by 2040 (BNEF)



In IT electricity consumption between 2020 and 2035 (Schneider Electric)



# **New JET Grid Architecture**

A gradual shift from a centralized balancing model to a distributed balancing model



#### Step 1 - Centralised

- Centralised
- One-way
- Consumers
- Limited storage
- Permanent assets



#### Step 2 - Decentralised

- Hybrid & scattered
- Works both ways
- Prosumers
- More storage
  - Permanent assets

#### **Energy Internet**



#### **Step 3 - Distributed**

- Decentralised +
- Storage is scaling
- Storage is mobile
  - Assets are autonomous to grid



#### The distribution network is central to the overall JET

Most DER connections, network losses and power quality issues occur at MV/LV network level





### Gaps in Current Processes of Municipalities

#### During the JET ٠

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## Electrical Digital Twin: To create the ultimate Energy Internet



Digital Power System Services

Digital Twin & Network Model Management

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# Looking at the Macro and Micro Perspectives

# Sustainable

**Impact** Recovery of Key/rare metals is essential and represents a huge economic opportunity

### Decentralized Markets

The global economy will be defined by a complex and continuously shifting set of economic relationships.

#### Digital Transformation

How soon can organizations shift to the new digital business and operating models.





Competency Gaps



Digital Mindset Adoption



# What does it mean for you?



**61%** of Utilities believe COVID-19 was a driver for customers' digital transformation.

Utilities that can provide continuous support for this customer journey are highly valued

Utilities who can demonstrate sustainability are increasingly viewed more favorably by customers





# We're shaping the grids of the future

#### Towards a Just Energy Transition

Grids of the Future pillars	C Sustainability Minimize environmental footprint	CONTROL CONTRO	Efficiency Ensure affordable energy	S Flexibility Maximize grid adaptability
Enablers	<ul> <li>Remove greenhouse gases (SF6)</li> <li>Deploy sustainable products &amp; circular economy practices</li> <li>Reduce energy losses</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ensure reliability</li> <li>Withstand stressful forces of climate change</li> <li>Limit cyber threats</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Increase operational efficiency</li> <li>Optimize asset management</li> <li>Converge grid edge planning &amp; operations</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Enable greater DER adoption while minimizing grid constraints</li> <li>Offer new grid services</li> <li>Compliance to Grid Code</li> </ul>





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# Thank you

