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**“Building a resilient and harmonized distribution industry
through innovation and technology”**

Power Factor Correction on CENORED MV Networks

STUDY AND ASSESSMENT



Overview Presentation Discussion and Overview



Project Background – DRIVE & NEED

Theory and Modelling

NETWORK AREA and SELECTED MV Retics

Network Assessment

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Financial Overview

Conclusion

Project NEED

The key drivers are the

economic aspect, to **reduce the overall DEMAND charge**, which is excessive due to very poor Power factors- in the region of 0.5 for certain retics.

Additional some energy / losses charges can be avoided.

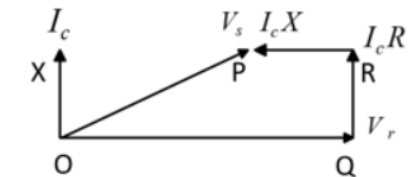
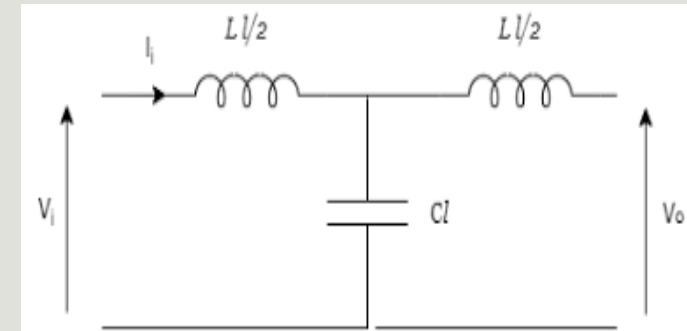
Several shunt installations are non-operational and need to be identified, causes of failure understood and be re-activated.

Ferranti (Line Charging) Effect Where's the problem?

“For long MAINLY TX / but also DX (Transmission and Distribution) Lines the receiving end voltage is greater than the sending end voltage during **light load** or no-load operation - Under No-load or light load condition, **the capacitance associated with the line generate more reactive power than the reactive power which is absorbed**, hence $V_r > V_s$. This effect is known as Ferranti effect”

Further, high LINE CHARGING becomes excessive for longer distances >300-500km. Higher Voltages (33kV) Distribution Lines are affected for CENORED's System.

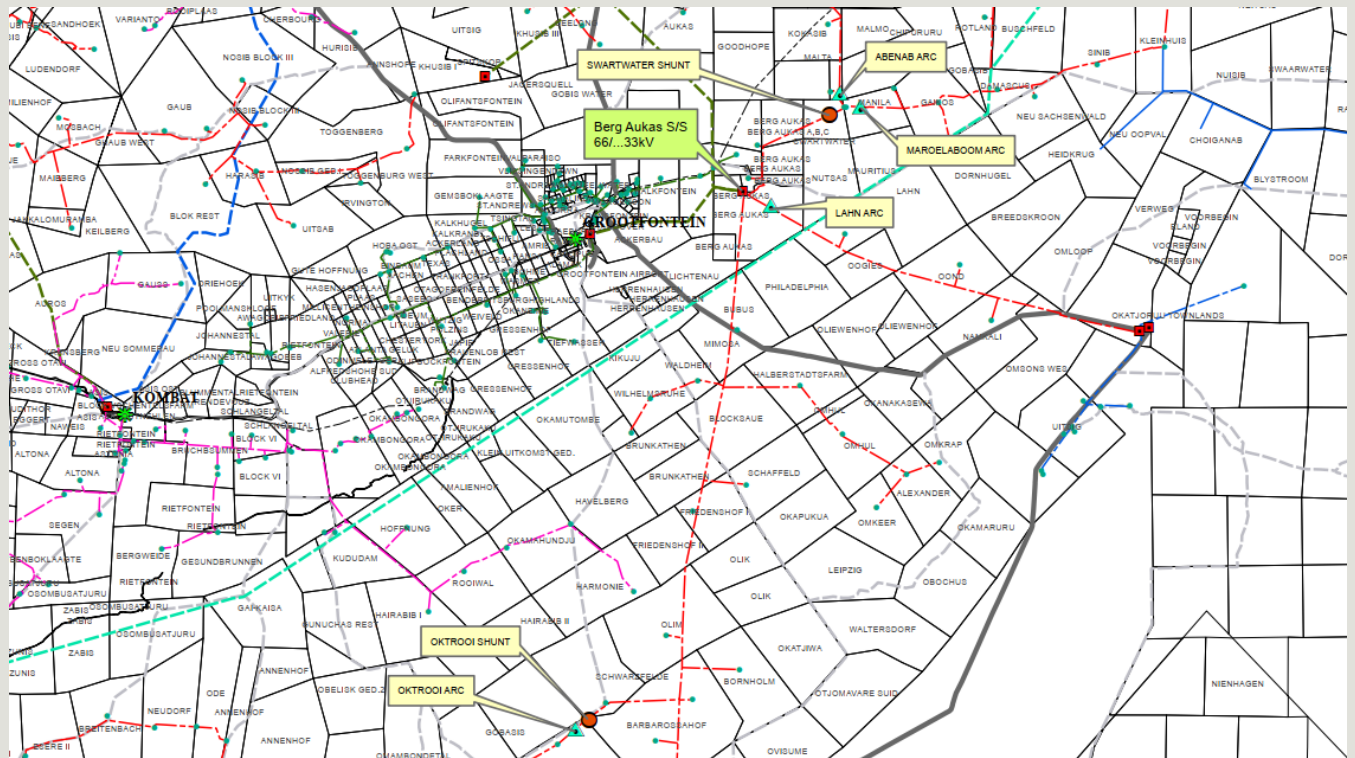
Impact of Voltage, relate to $Q = V^2 / X$ i.e. $X_c = V^2 / Q$, hence to focus on CENORED Distribution systems at 33kV only



phasor-diagram

Theory and Modelling

	Retic	VOLTAGE	Distance	Column1
1	TSCHUDI	33kV	}	387 km
2	PLATVELD	33kV		459.5 km
3 & 4	KAMAJAB	33kV		277.6 km
5&6	MT Etjo and Okamatapati	33kV		405 km
7	BERG AUKAS	33kV		222 km
8	Khorixas Palmwag	33kV	}	335.966 km
9	Ombika Halali	22kV		86 km
10	KOMBAT VALLEY	22kV		227 km
				2400.066 km



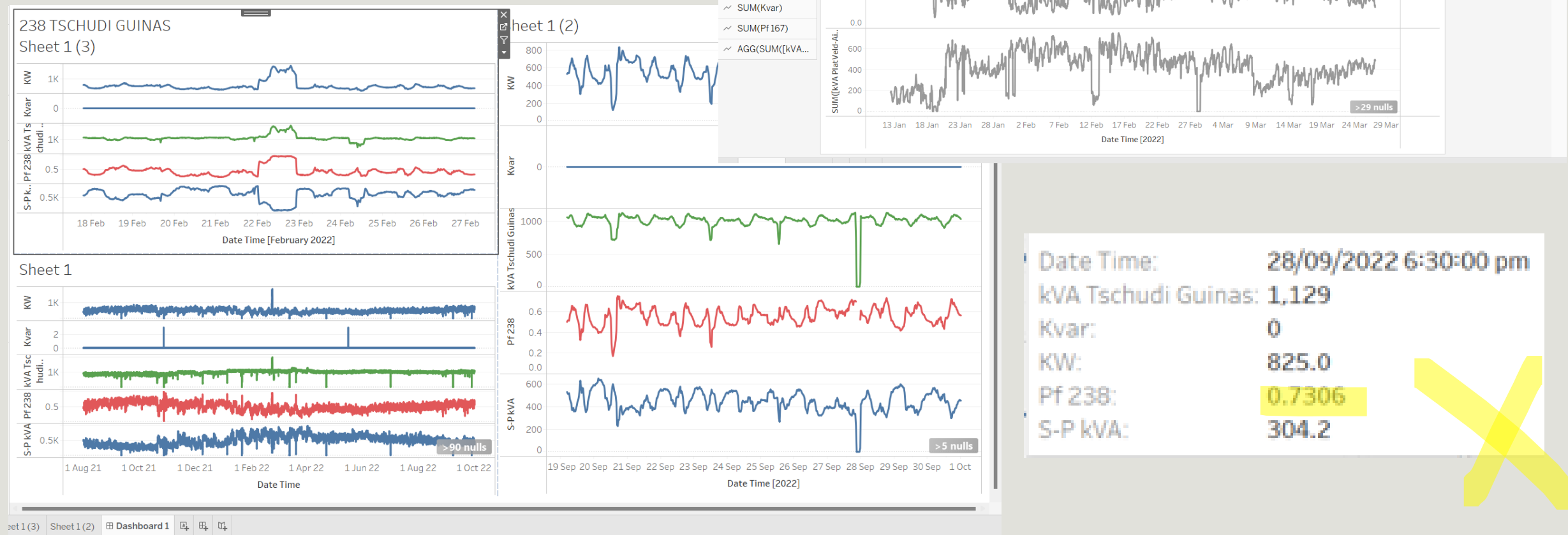
- Operating Drawings references
- LOAD PROFILES from Model Data
- PROTECTION SETTINGS / SIMULATION DATA INPUT

NETWORK AREA and SELECTED MV Retics – DATA INPUT

Network Assessment

LOAD PROFILE ASSESSED FROM PROFILE

DATA - PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

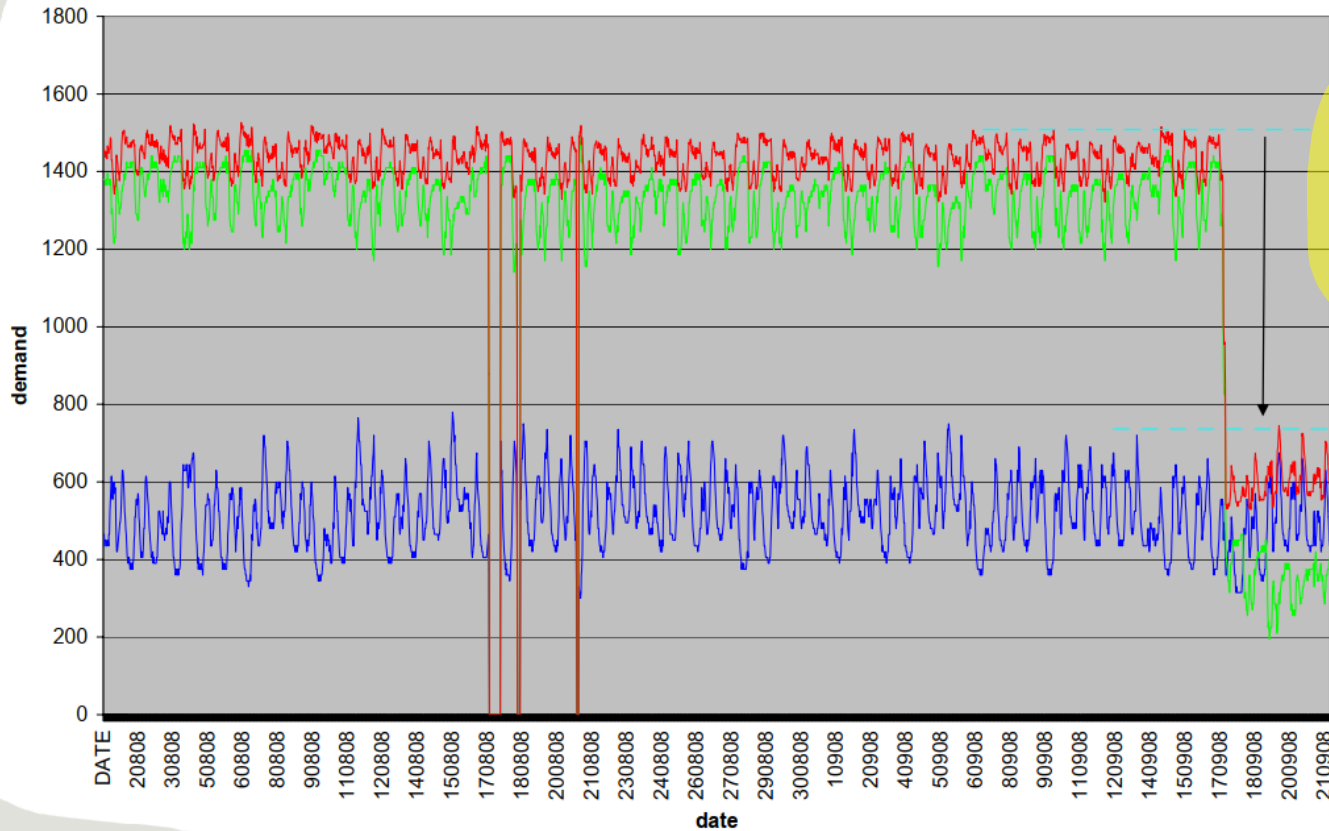


PERFORMANCE / Improvement References – WHAT & HOW?

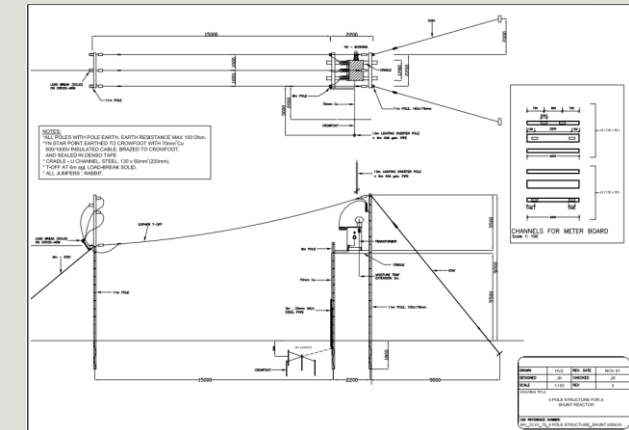
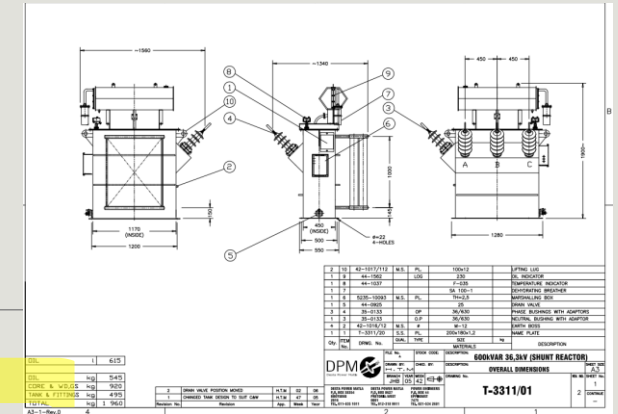
Typical Impact

600kVAR 36,3kV (SHUNT REACTOR)
OVERALL DIMENSIONS

- Demand - Shunt reactor system correction

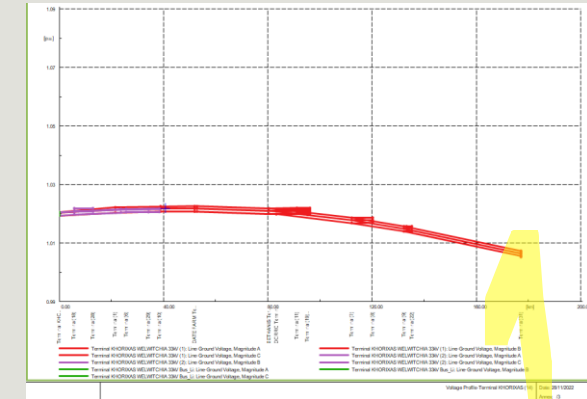
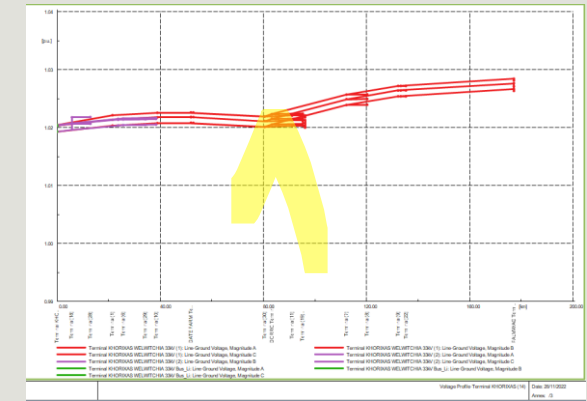
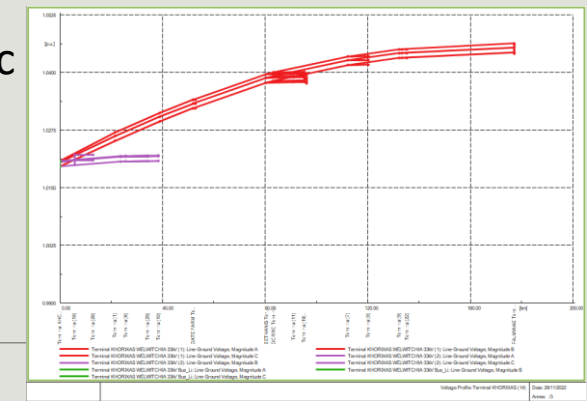
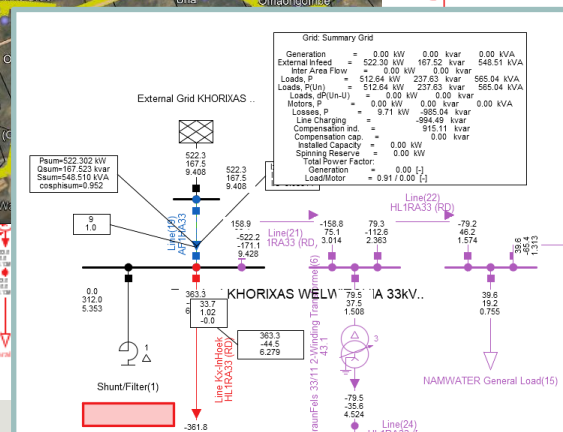
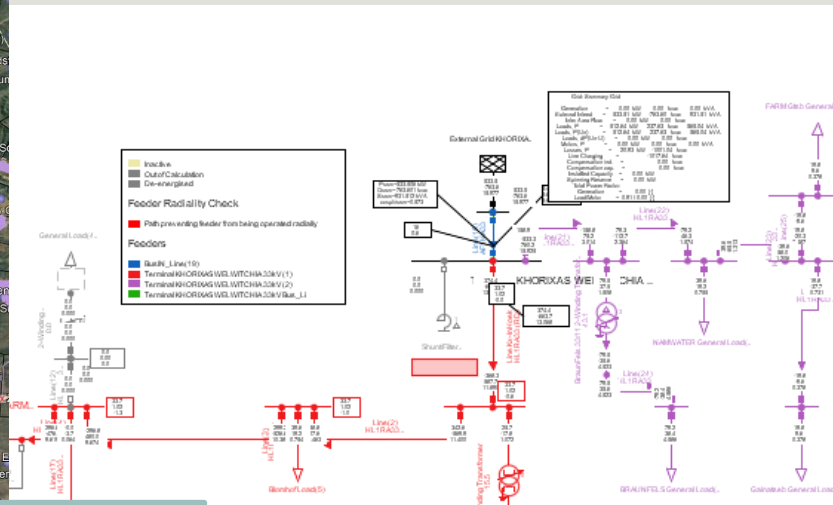
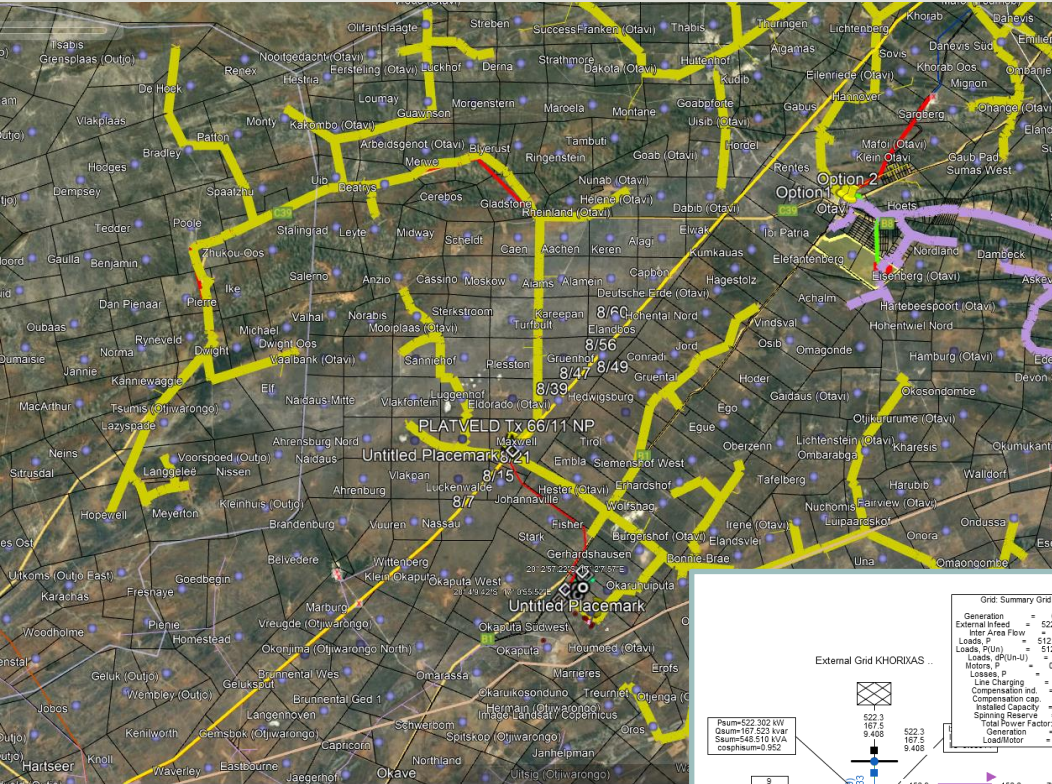


Shunts (typically sized 300kVAR and 600kVAR are installed at optimal locations – enclosed the impact of 2x 600kVAR Shunts, designed for 36kV

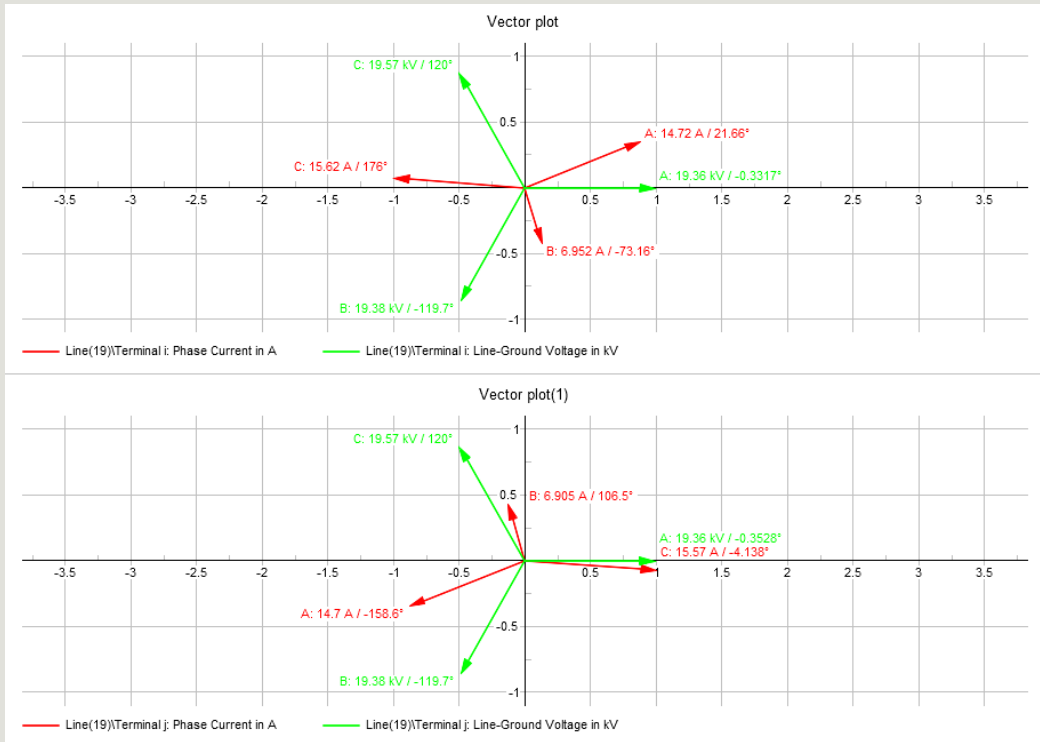


Modelling of Networks – Profile, P.Q.S – Load Scaling SHUNT placement

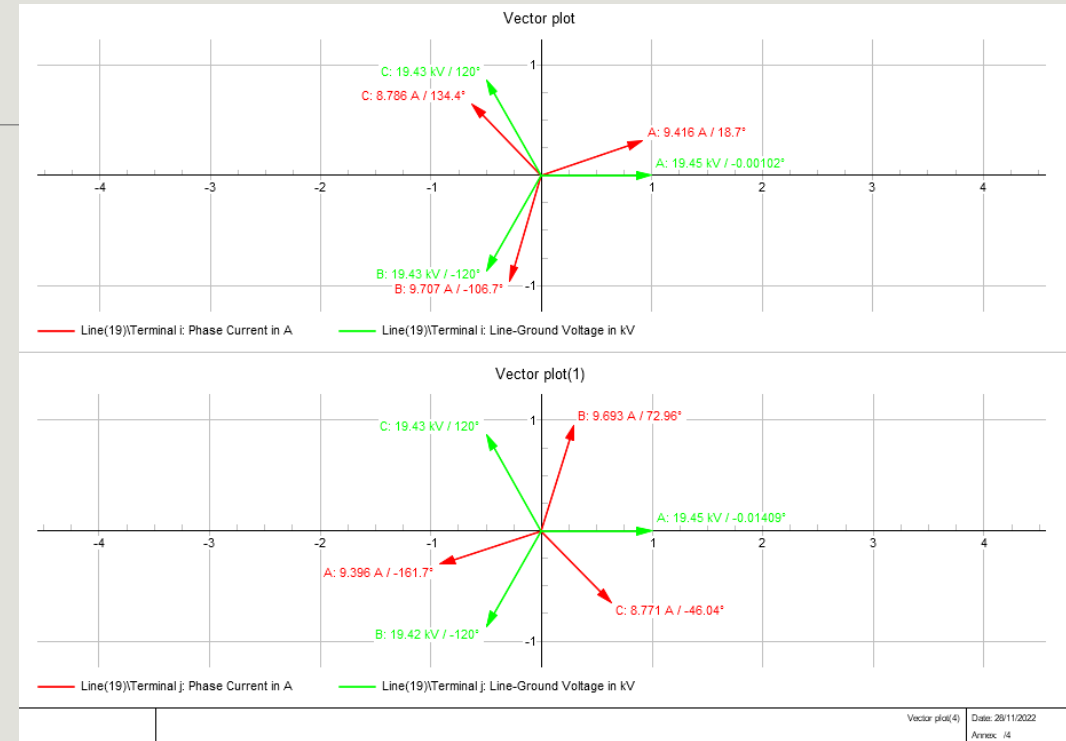
Shunt placement modeled – Retic WITHOUT, WITH at 50% and END of LINE –
Conclude – not extremely critical – select for best access and operation (preferred > 50%)



Modelling of Networks – Operational issue considered



Imbalance 6A / 14A / 15A



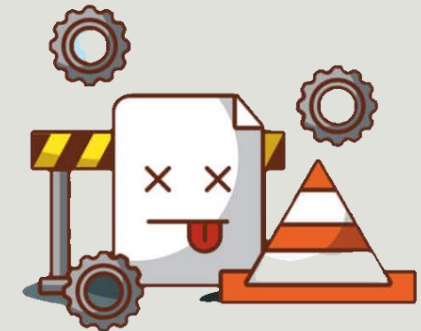
NORMAL OPERATION

If a shunt phase fails ...
significant imbalance
can trip the protection

FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT AND FIXES

2_174 Kamanjab - Anker	no shunt - ADD 1 Shunt	N\$ 258,048.00
3_238 Tschudi - Guinas	no shunt - ADD 4 Shunts	N\$ 875,520.00
4_167 Platveld – Aims	AS PER OD 5 SHUNTS Installed- CHECK- FIX- REPAIR-RECOMMISSION defective	N\$ 642,240.00
5_179 Omatako Base – Mt Etjo	no shunts? ONE INSTALLED_ ADD 1.	N\$ 316,800.00

N\$ 2 Million SAVING – per annum



1. CENORED implements stringent measures to ensure that **ALL shunts** are **operational**.
2. CENORED will further **interrogate** the **data** retrieved from its meters (**pre month end / monthly**)- as this would allow the technicians and engineers to identify non-operational shunts – hence avoid future high (DEMAND) bills.
3. **accountability / system ownership among CENORED** electricians and technicians will be emphasized on – to ensure SHUNT OPERATION , FLAGGING (by QoS) –
4. All **protection Coordination** will be revised and assessed, to ensure shunts do not trip on single phasing / energizing / operation.
5. **ROLL-OUT / REVIEW** of Shunt installations as required will be undertaken.
6. **QoS Project** to automatically notify on Power Factor setpoint violation.





END

QUESTIONS

