

# Past, present and future of metering.

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### Introduction

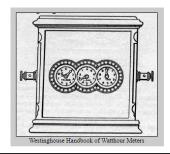
#### •The DC Lamp-Hour Meter –152 years

Samuel Gardiner Patented a DC Lamp-Hour Meter in 1872 that utilized an actuator which recorded hours when current was present.

#### •The AC Lamp-Hour Meter – 146 years

J.B. Fuller Patented an AC Lamp-Hour Meter in 1878 that utilized an armature which recorded hours when the two coils vibrated.

 Tesla Energy Solutions Pty Ltd.- established in 2008 Walvis Bay based, 100% Namibian owned.



### Introduction

•Electric metering systems were predominantly based on analog technology.

- Mechanical meters measured total electricity consumption & required manual reading utility personnel.
- •Labor-intensive, dependent and often prone to errors.
- •Foundation of electricity billing for many years.













### Metering Timeline I

The Rise of an Industry –1890's –1920's





**Diamond Meter Co.** 



Stanley Instrument Co.



**Federal Electric** 



Holcomb & Hoke



**SEMCO** -Sewickley Elec. Mfg. Co.



Duncan



Fort Wayne



**General Electric** 



Sangamo



Westinghouse



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## Metering Timeline II

#### The Depression Hits –1930's

•National Electrical Light Association (NELA) and Meter Committee disbanded in 1932

 Creation of Edison Electric Institute & Meter Committee in 1933 to continue the policy work of NELA

•The Big 4 Emerge –Duncan, Sangamo, GE, Westinghouse







## Metering Timeline III

1950's & 60's –Standardization

•All Meter Companies benefited from the large economic expansion post war.

•Standardization on S-Base, Commoditization, and Compatibility became key themes.









## Metering Timeline IV

1970's & 1980's – Modernization Begins

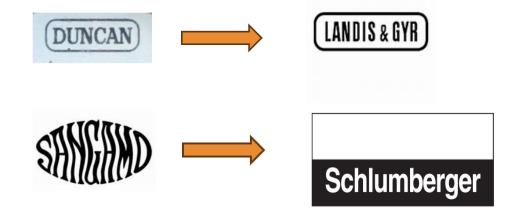
•Rise of the Electronic Meters –ABB E-1 Hybrid & The Legendary Scientific Columbus JEM-1

Introduction of Solid State Electronics creates big opportunities for measurement

In 1975 Both Duncan and Sangamo sells







## Metering Timeline V

- 1990's & 2000's-Data
- Rise of the Electronic Meters
- •AMR Systems begin to proliferate major cities
- •L&G (formerly Duncan) becomes L + G
- Schlumberger (formerly Sangamo) becomes Itron
- •Sensus enters market
- •Westinghouse purchased by ABB, then Elster becomes Honeywell
- •GE becomes Aclara then becomes Hubbell



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## Present: Smart Metering Systems

• Technological advancement revolutionized metering and lead to the emergence of smart metering systems.

- Key features of the present-day electric metering:
  - Digital Technology:
    - Smart meters leverage digital technology,
    - Enables accurate measurement and real-time monitoring of energy consumption.
    - Equipped with solid-state sensors and microprocessors for data collection.
  - Two-Way Communication:
    - Built-in communication capabilities allow smart meters to transmit data remotely between consumers and utility companies.
    - Eliminates the need for manual meter reading, reduces operational costs, and enables near real-time billing.













## Present: Smart Metering Systems

- Key features of the present-day electric metering, cont.:
- Data Analytics:
  - Generation of Big data for analysis and gaining valuable insights into energy consumption patterns.
  - Optimization of distribution networks and
  - Implementation demand response programs.

#### Consumer Empowerment:

- Provide consumers with detailed information on their energy usage,
- Enabling making informed decisions about energy efficiency and conservation.
- Promotes sustainability culture and empowers end-users to actively participate in managing their electricity consumption.











### Future: Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI)

#### Microgrid Integration:

- Increase in adoption of renewable energy sources & microgrids,
- Adaptation of metering systems to bidirectional power flow and complex energy management scenarios.

#### Internet of Things (IoT) Connectivity:

- Utilization of IoT technologies to connect various devices within the distribution network,
- Enable seamless communication and data exchange.

#### Predictive Analytics:

- Advancement of algorithms and Artificial Intelligence (AI) to enhanced predictive analytics.
- Enable forecasting of energy demands,
- Optimization of grid operations, and prevention of system failures or outages.

#### •Energy Storage Integration:

- Monitoring and optimizing energy storage systems,
- Facilitating the effective integration of energy storage into the grid infrastructure.



# Applications: Concepts



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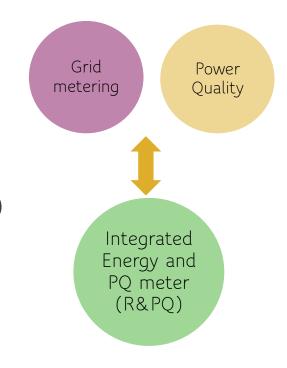
Bathy's meter in 1914

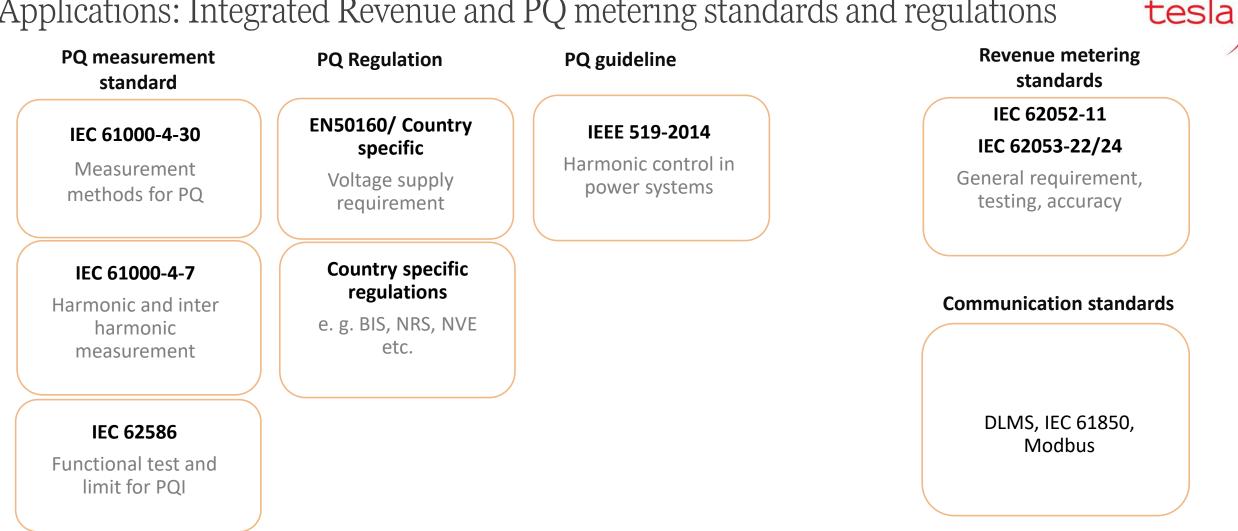


### Applications: Integrated Revenue and PQ metering

#### **Present Practices**

- PQ is measured at PCC / Select Consumers
- Individual device for Revenue Metering and PQ Metering
- Devices work on multiple protocols
- Energy Consumption and PQ data is analyzed separately
- Advantages of Revenue combo Power Quality Metering (R&PQ)
  - Supports Revenue Grade Metering
    - Features like Time of Use/ Multi-Tariff Support
    - Integration with AMR systems over DLMS
  - "Class A" PQ measurements

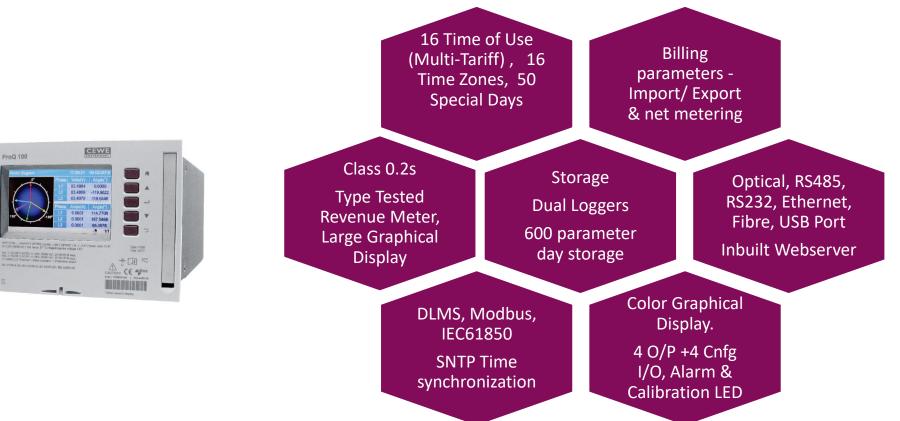




Applications: Integrated Revenue and PQ metering standards and regulations



### Application: Revenue Metering Features



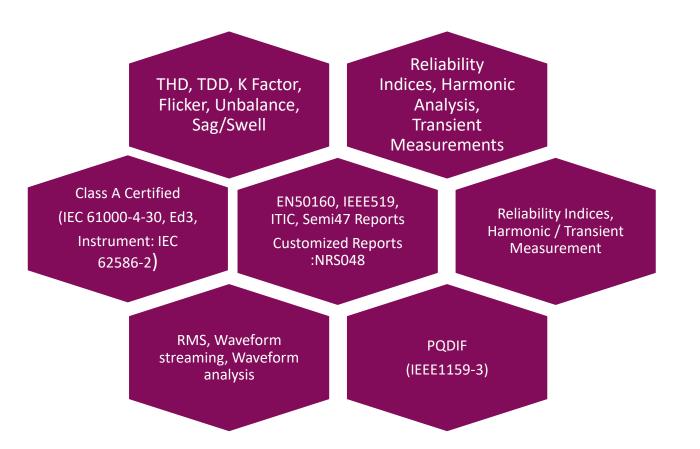




## Application: PQ Features









# Application: Integrated Metering

#### Revenue & Power Quality Meter : ProQ100

Energy accuracy: IEC 62053-22, 0.2S

Wide range

2 calibration and 2 alarm LED

Dual auxiliary supply

Extensive logging - dual loggers

Multi-tariff support

Event / alert recording

Flexible tariff configuration

Delta value logging support

Non-liner error compensation for CT ratio

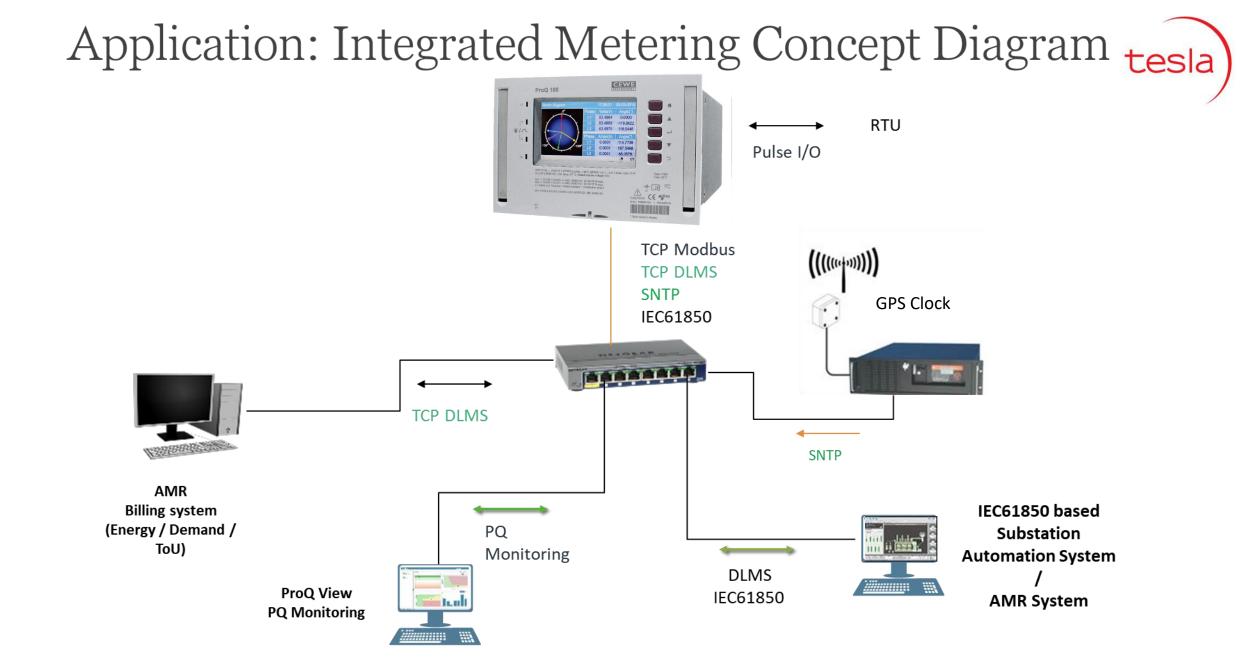
- Design: IEC61000-4-30 Ed. 3, Class A
- Compliance report (eg EN50160/ZRS)
- K Factor / TDD/ Direction of Harmonics
- PQ parameters logging and reporting



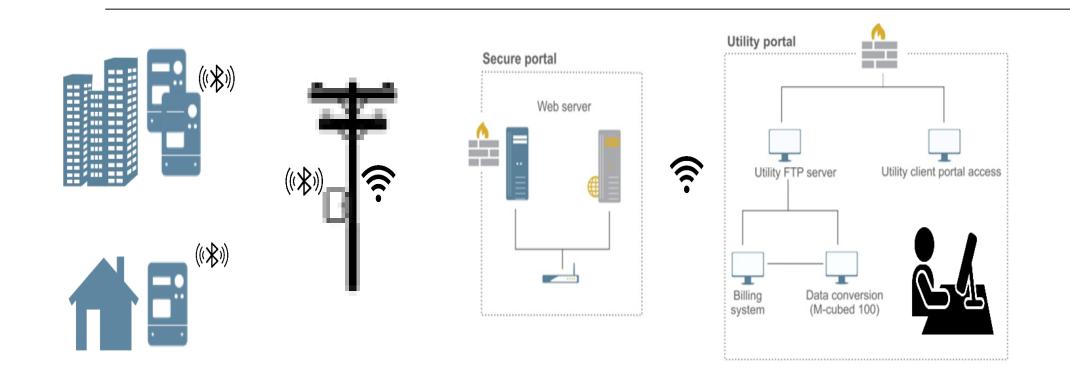
- Multiple Communications protocols: Modbus (RTU/TCP), DLMS (RTU/TCP), IEC61850, PQDIF, SNTP
- Six communication ports: Optical, RS232, RS485, Ethernet, Ethernet (FO), USB
- Pulse I/O: 4 pulse inputs and 4 configurable as inputs/outputs



PROQ helps in achieving an Integrated metering solution (R&PQ metering)



### Application II: Smart Reading via Bluetooth based solution

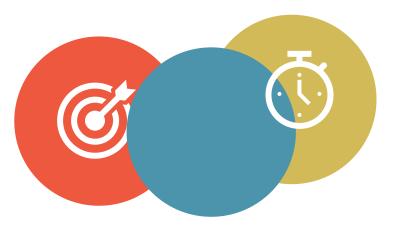


### Conclusion

•Remarkable advancements in distribution networks.

•Pushed innovation envelopes and concepts:

- IOT
- Predictive analysis
- Big Data
- Machine Learning
- Artificial Intelligence
  - Artificial Neural Networks
- Industry 4.0
- Condition Monitoring and Diagnosis (CMD)



Thank You!

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