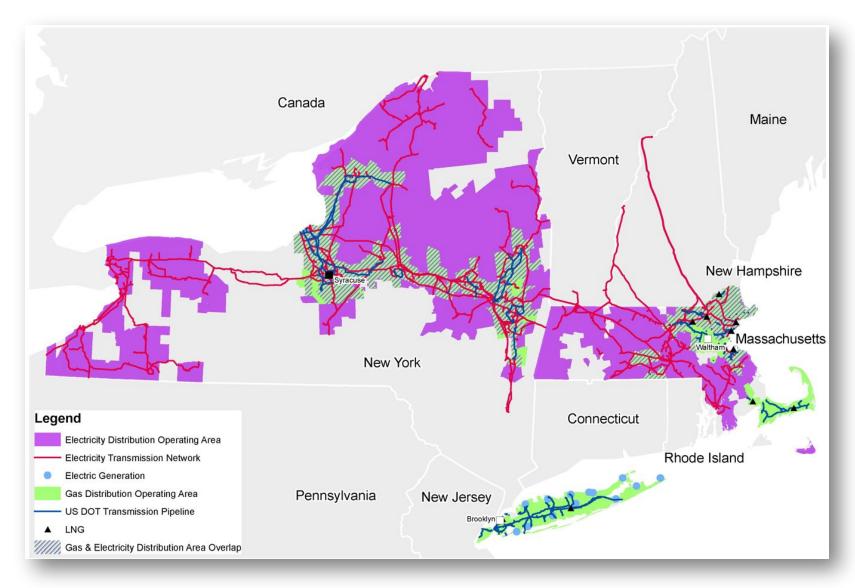


# **Introduction to National Grid**



- Electric, natural gas, and clean energy delivery company serving more than 20 million people through our networks in New York and Massachusetts
- Make-Ready EV programs in New York and Massachusetts
- Over 4,600 charging ports installed, 49% in environmental justice and disadvantaged communities
- Electrify our entire internal light-duty fleet by 2030. We plan to electrify 1,617 vehicles in the US by 2030.

### The Problem

The forecasted demand for power from public highway charging will be significant even as soon as 2030.

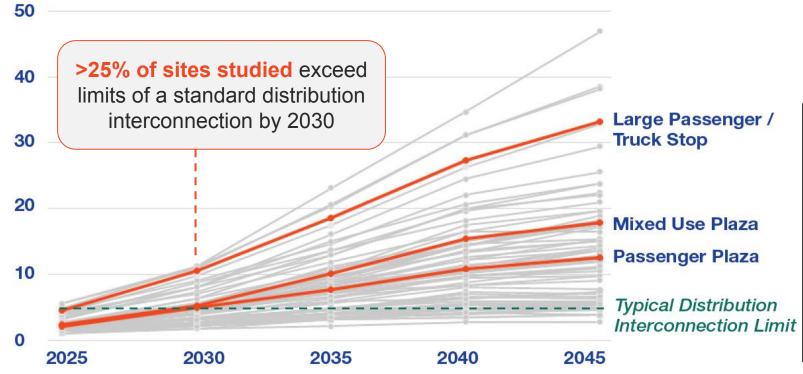






#### Projected charging capacity for 71 Northeastern highway sites

Megawatts of power to meet annual peak demand, over time



- Adoption of electric MHDV significantly increases the power demand after 2030.
- Delivering this amount of power will require upgrading a site's grid interconnection, potentially at transmission level.
- RMI analysis indicates that the IRA will bring EV trucks within cost parity with ICE vehicles sooner than in our study.

Note: Analysis seeks to match ZEV goals for New York + Massachusetts, makes simplifying assumption that all ZEVs are electric. See study for discussion of assumptions, including role of hydrogen fueling and impact on capacity.

# The Key Obstacle/Challenge to Solving the Problem

We need to identify the most cost-effective sites and develop an interconnection process that is fit for purpose.

- □ Site Identification State Energy Agencies, DOTs, and utilities should collaborate to identify the best sites
  - Long-term, collaborative planning which considers traffic patterns and electric infrastructure location and capacity will allow us to guide charging to the most cost-effective sites.
  - This approach will drive down costs, improve resilience, and accommodate the exponential EV growth.
- □ Interconnection Process The current process is not well-suited for public highway fast charging
  - The magnitude of power demand will require T&D upgrades, and potentially transmission level interconnections.
  - EVSE developers will have trouble making a business case with the level of T&D interconnection costs expected.
  - T&D upgrades require much longer timelines than EVSE installation.
  - Anticipatory planning and investment in the T&D infrastructure is required to enable and facilitate market adoption.

# **Benefits**

Coordinating deployment of highway charging and anticipatory grid investments can accelerate transportation electrification and help meet driver needs over time.

- Reduce range anxiety and encourage greater EV adoption.
- Achieve climate goals and improved air quality in Boston and across the state.
- Lower total system costs by planning long-term, eliminating duplicative investments, and identifying where large-scale charging infrastructure can be most easily deployed.
- Avoid long wait times for drivers by eliminating bottlenecks to charging deployment.
- Seamlessly enable the EV transition for passenger and commercial vehicles.

# **Final Statement**

Regarding Clean Transportation, to achieve Boston's climate, health and equity goals, a critical obstacle to collectively overcome in 12 months is......

Developing the approach to most efficiently and cost-effectively enable grid infrastructure to serve highway charging



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