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Open-Source Desktop Environment/User Interface for Gridlab-D and OpenDSS

In fairness to the industry, Gridlab-D is not used by power utilities, and many have selected EPRI OpenDSS as their preferred open-source planning tool.

In order to increase the adoption of Gridlab-D, and meet the needs of utility planners, we recommend that user interfaces be developed for both Gridlab-D and EPRI OpenDSS (both a cyber secure web-based environment and a desktop environment).

We believe that developing an easier, smarter, and transparent desktop and secure on-demand cloud computing mobile web application for both Gridlab-D and OpenDSS will provide the “shrink-wrapping”, interoperability, data security, data management, visualization, reporting, error checking, and automation features necessary to deliver a modern environment that democratizes access, increases collaboration, and enables a broader class of users to benefit from the latest advances in CPUC supported open-source power system modeling tools and analytics research.