System Reliability Improvement through Lateral Reclosing and Transformer Self-resetting Interrupters

30th PPA Annual Conference – Saipan

Presented by

Ernst Camm

Senior Manager, Consulting & Analytical Services



Our Company Story

Over a century of INNOVATION focused on improving grid RELIABILITY

S&C's Vision: Empower People to Transform the Grid

Objectives:

- Reduce the duration of power outages from hours to seconds — or to no outage at all
- Design systems to withstand the impacts of major weather events



S&C solutions save 2.9B customer-outage minutes each year



Our Products and Services







Circuit-Switchers



Overhead Distribution Switches



IntelliRupters, TripSavers, Underground Distribution Switchgear

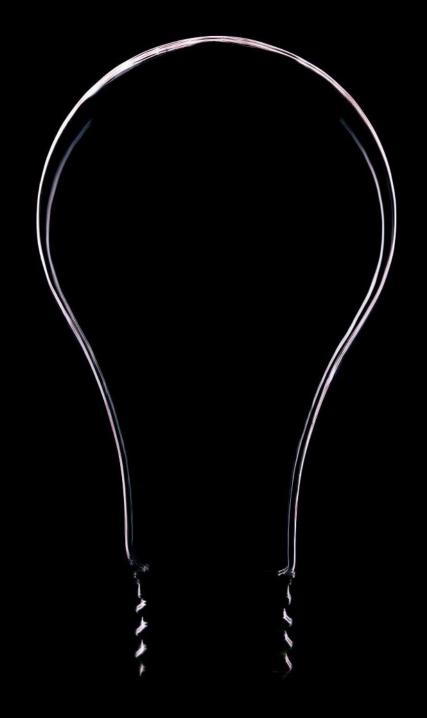


Engineering Services (Utility, Renewable, and Industrial Substations, Energy Storage Systems, Microgrids)



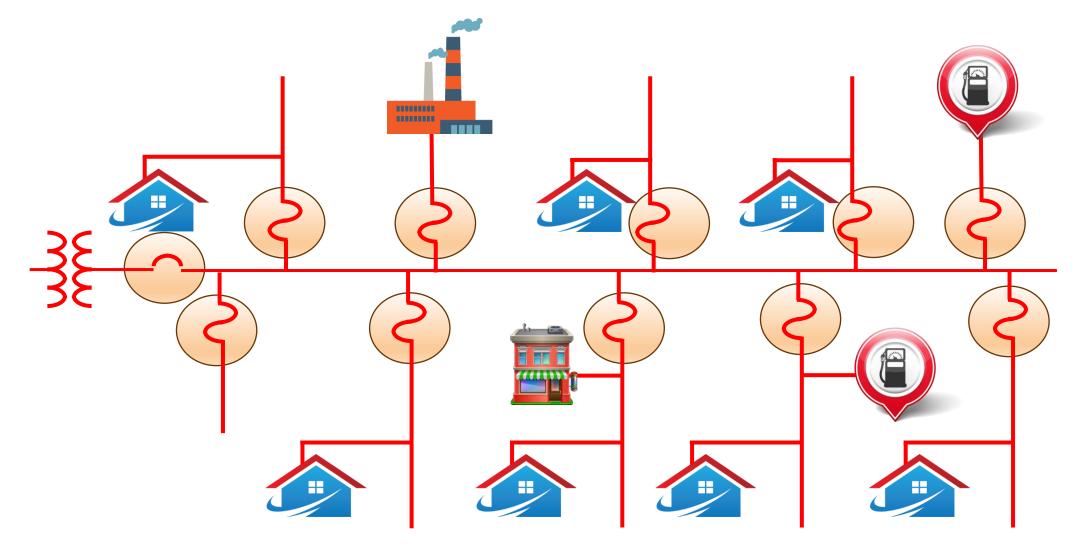
Consulting & Analytical Services



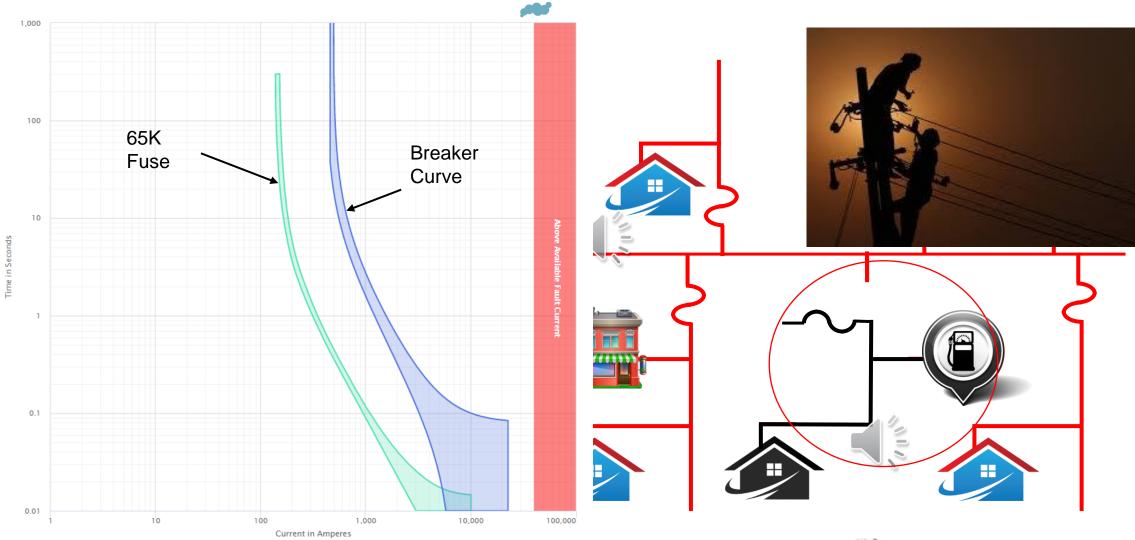


Traditional Distribution Grid

Feeder Circuit Breaker and Lateral Fuses Provide Protection



Fuse Blow Protection Strategy

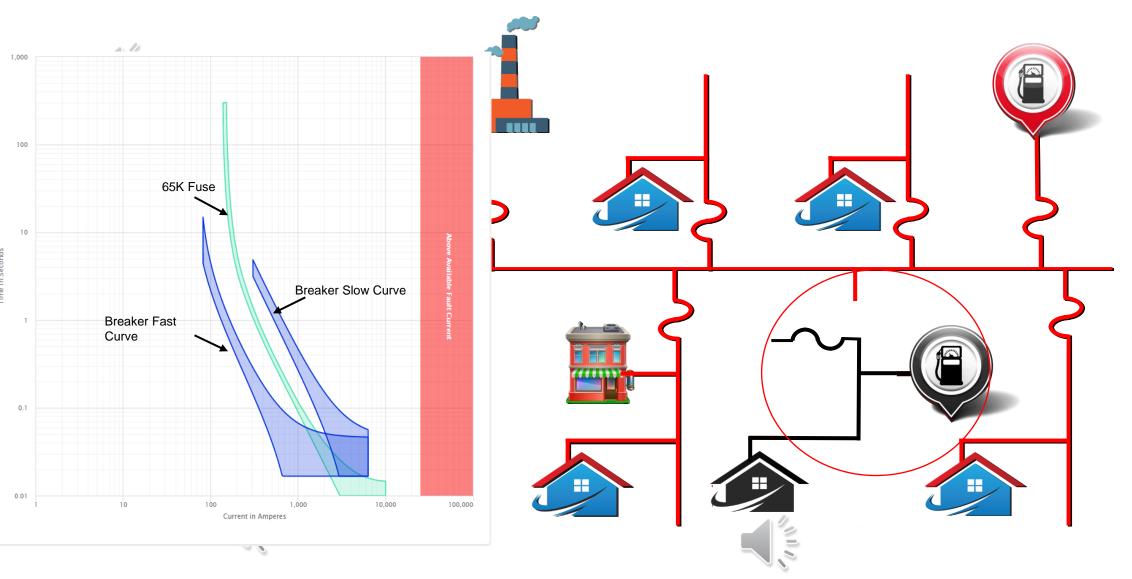


Fuse Blow Protection Strategy

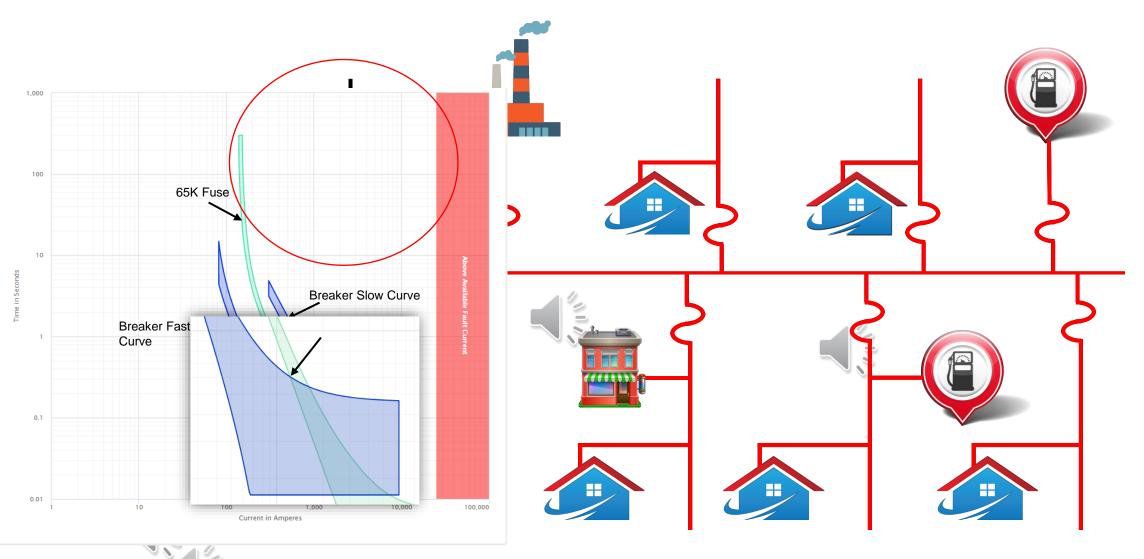
Impacts of Fuse Blow Protection Strategy

- 1. Outage for customers on lateral even if a temporary fault
- 2. System reliability worsens (SAIDI and SAIFI increase)
- 3. Operational expenses increase due to unnecessary truck rolls

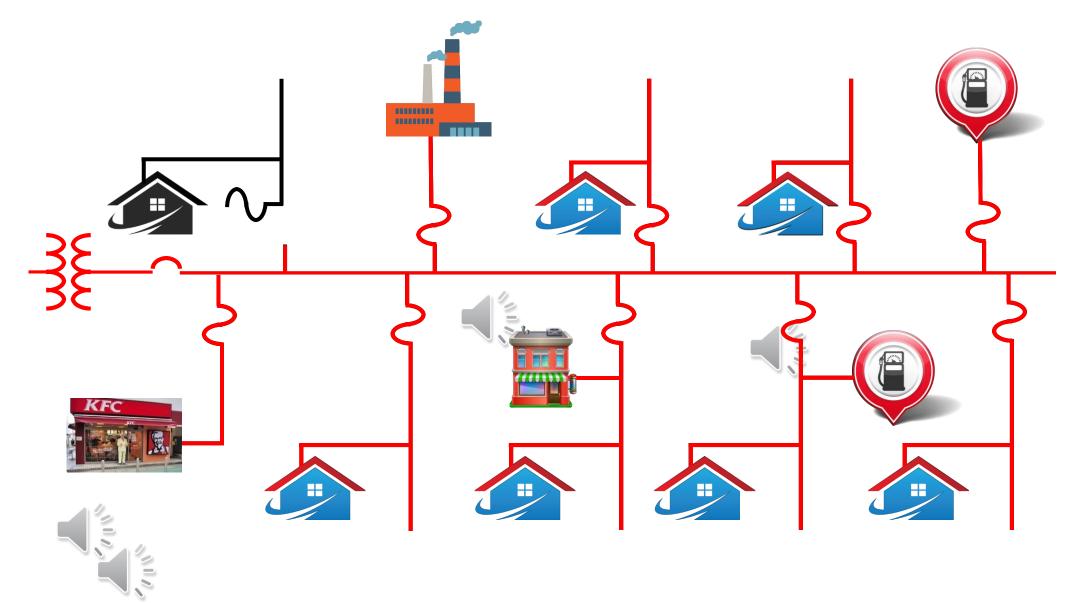
Fuse Saving Protection Strategy



Fuse Saving Protection Strategy: Coordination Limitation at Higher Fault Currents



Fuse Saving Protection Strategy



Fuse Saving Protection Strategy

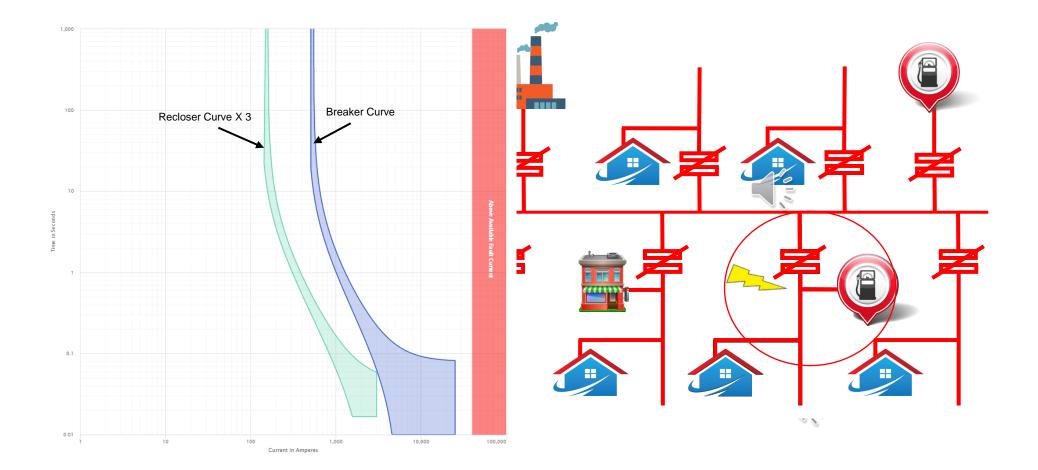
Impacts of Fuse Saving Protection Strategy

- 1. Outage for customers on lateral if temporary fault persists after 1st CB trip
- 2. Momentary outage for all customers on feeder after 1st CB trip
- 3. System reliability worsens (SAIFI and MAIFI increases)
- 4. Operational expenses increase due to unnecessary truck rolls

Disrupt the status quo.

13

Lateral Reclosing with S&C's TripSaver[®] II Cutout-Mounted Recloser



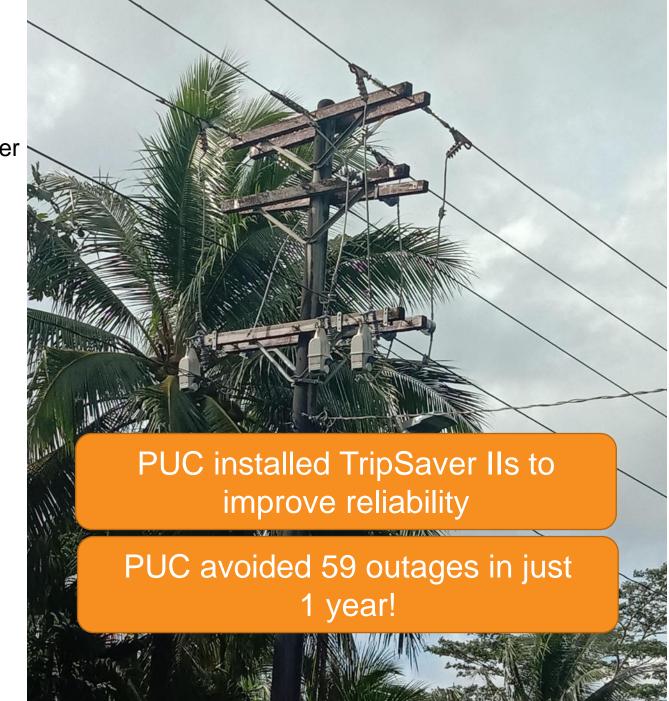
S&C's TripSaver II Cutout-mounted Recloser

- 1. Self-powered
- 2. Electronically-controlled vacuum interrupter
- 3. Mounted in a standard S&C cutout
- 4. No batteries required
- 5. No replaceable parts
- 6. No to very little maintenance

TripSaver II Ratings		
Amperes Continuous Current Amperes Interrupting	40, 100, and 200 A 6300 A	
Voltage	15 and 25 kV	
Frequency	50 and 60 Hz	



 Lateral Reclosing with S&C's TripSaver[®] II Cutout-Mounted Recloser



Lateral Reclosing with TripSaver II

Impacts of Lateral Reclosing with TripSaver II

1. No outages on laterals due to temporary faults

- Recloses up to 3 times on lateral faults
- For temporary faults, automatically restores power to lateral
- 2. For persistent faults, drops open to indicate problem location
- 3. System reliability improves (SAIFI decreases)
- 4. Operational expenses decrease due to elimination of unnecessary truck rolls for temporary faults

The Business Case for Lateral Reclosing with TripSaver II

1. Reduce truck roll cost	Eliminate truck rolls due to temporary faults
2. Reduce electricity user interruption costs	Eliminate outages/interruptions due to temporary faults
3. Reduce carbon emissions	Eliminate truck rolls due to temporary faults

Because of the 59 outages avoided in 1 year, we estimate PUC:
(1) Avoided truck rolls and realized operational savings effectively paying for the TripSaver II deployment in less than 1 year
(2) Saved customers thousands of dollars of interruption costs
(3) Avoided nearly 456 kg of CO₂ emissions using a light commercial vehicle or Ute for truck rolls



Trailblazers wanted.

New Grid Edge Protection Solution:

VacuFuse[®] II Self-Resetting Interrupter





Place arrester on the transformer



Risk fuse link damage caused by repeated surges, resulting in sneakouts

SCENARIO 2

Connect arrester upstream of fuse



Expose transformer to potential surges caused by longer arrester lead lengths

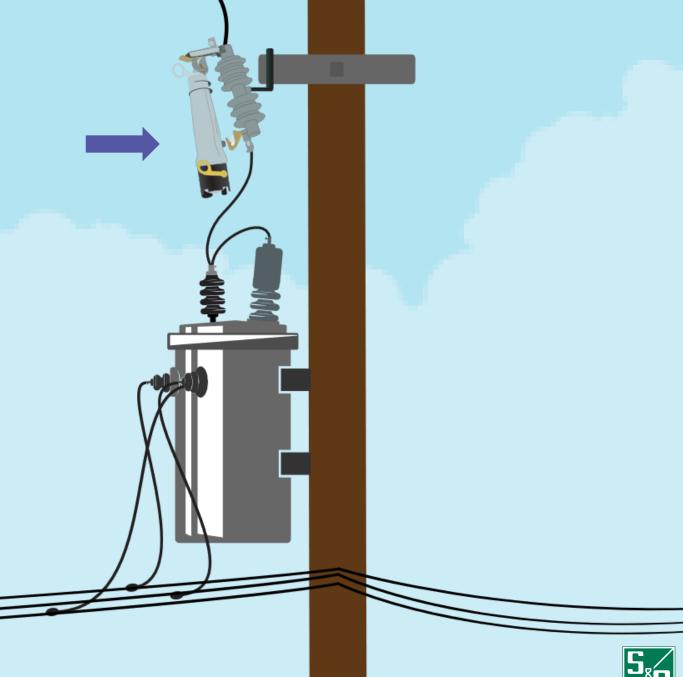


Solution

Replace your transformer fuse with a VacuFuse II interrupter

- Won't cause sneakouts!
- Automatically resets after a fault
- Helps protect your transformer





- VacuFuse II Self-Resetting Interrupter
- 1. Self-powered
- 2. Electronically-controlled vacuum interrupter
- 3. Mounted in a standard S&C cutout
- 4. No batteries required
- 5. No replaceable parts
- 6. No to very little maintenance

Vacufuse II Ratings			
Amperes Continuous Current Amperes Interrupting	20 A 6300 A		
Phase-to-Neutral Voltage	7.2–9.0 kV	7.2–15.5 kV	
Frequency	50 and 60 Hz		



Eliminate Nuisance Fuse Operations with VacuFuse[®] II Self-Resetting Interrupter



Improves Customer Satisfaction



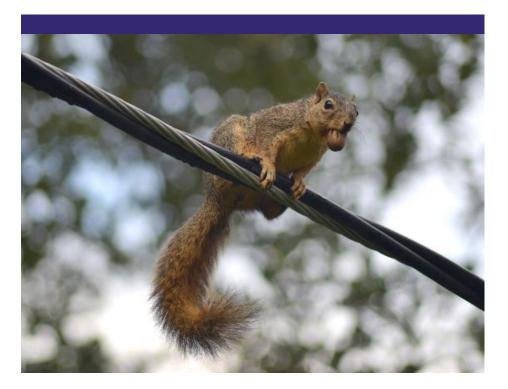


Offers Simple Deployment & Easy Operation

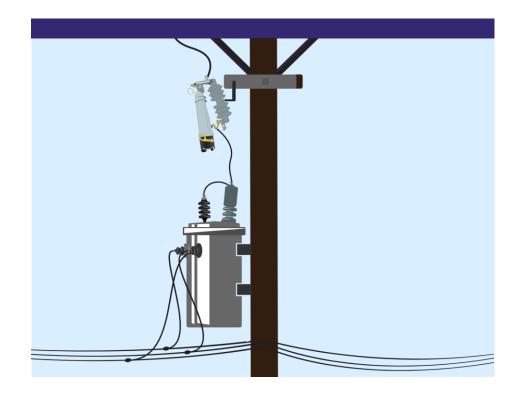
Delivers Coordination Stability



Improves Customer Satisfaction



Automatically Clears Temporary Faults



No Sneakouts! Place Arresters Where Most Effective—on the Transformer



Easy Operation

Added safety features

Automatic Delayed Close After 45 Seconds





Delivers Coordination Stability & Other Advantages Over Fuses

No degradation of TCC curves over time



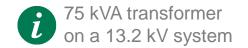
Ensures Dependable & Repeatable Operation

Even after **repeated exposure** to faults or surge events

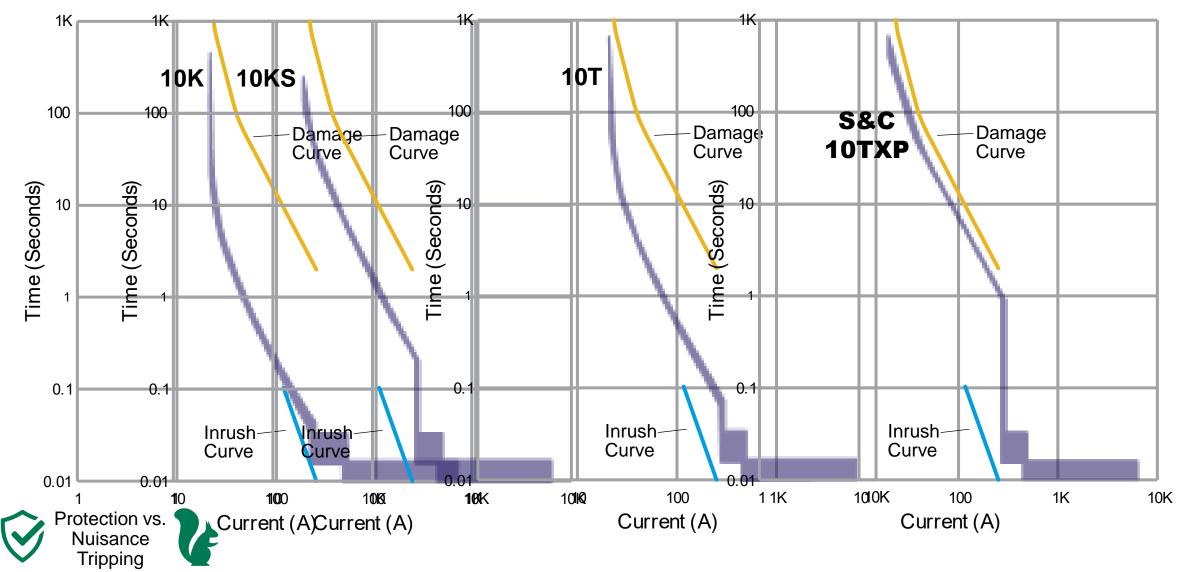
Lets you place arresters on the transformer tank for the **best protection**



Delivers Coordination Stability



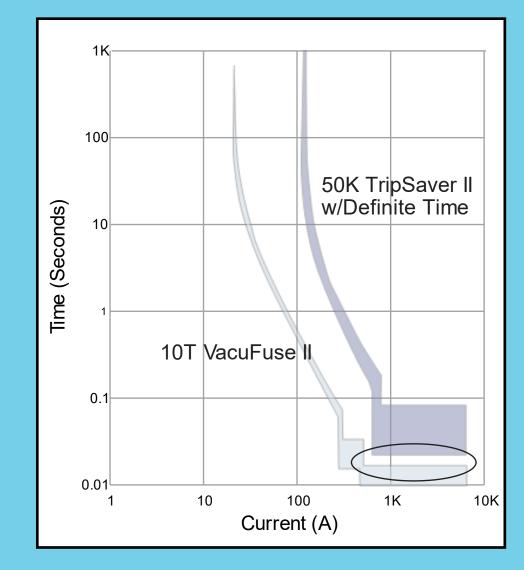
Emulated TCC curve





For even greater protection, add a **Tripsaver® II Cutout-Mounted Recloser upstream**







In Summary... TripSaver II and VacuFuse II



Improve Reliability and Customer Satisfaction







Help You Achieve Your Goals!

