



Item 7.3: Passport Program Update

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Urgent Board of Directors Meeting

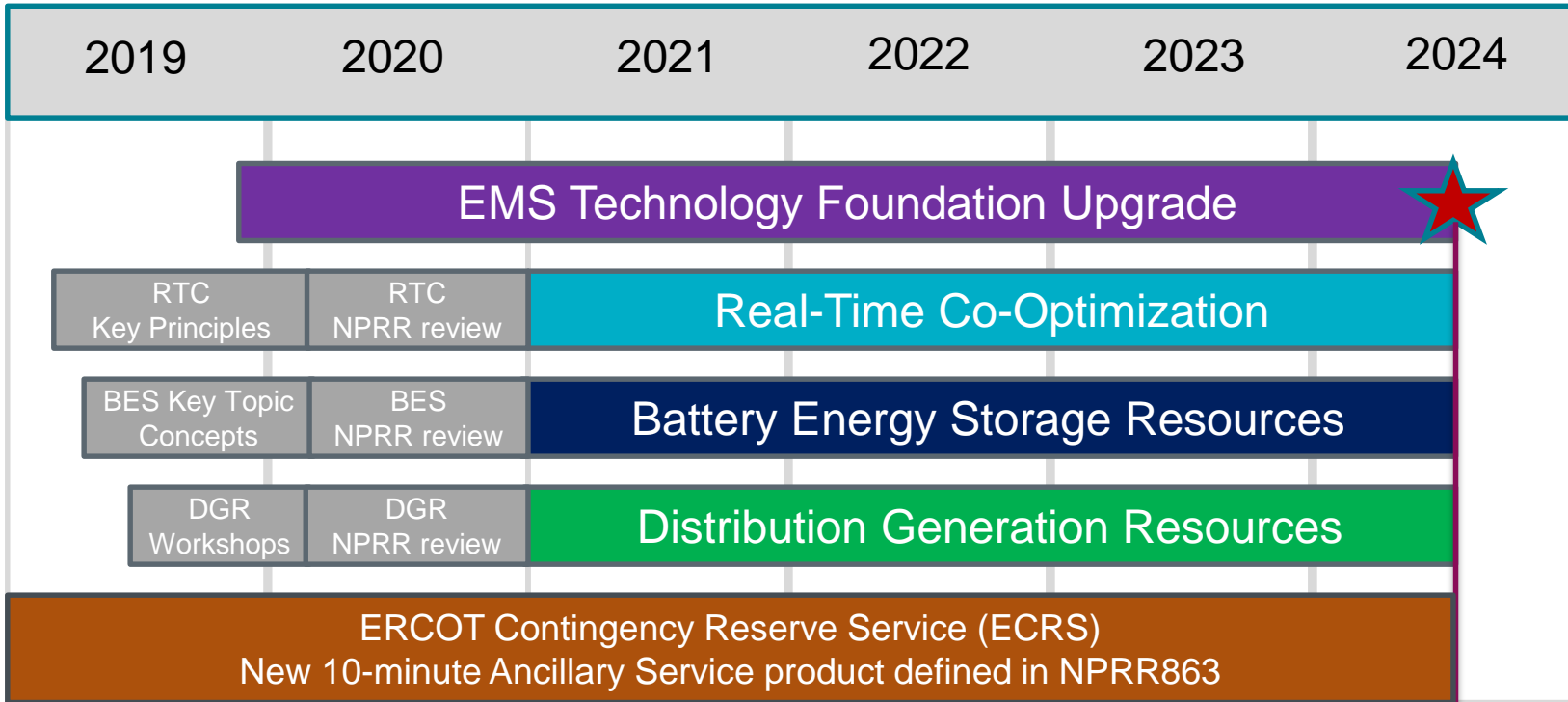
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Passport Update

- Scope of Passport
- Passport Sequence of Milestones through 2024
- Passport Near-Term Milestones through 2021
- Current Status
- Future NPRR consideration

Passport Scope and Delivery



“Pre-Passport” deliveries before 2024:

- Distribution Generation Resource (DGR) enhancements to re-open registration
- Battery storage functionality enhancements

Real-Time Co-optimization Scope

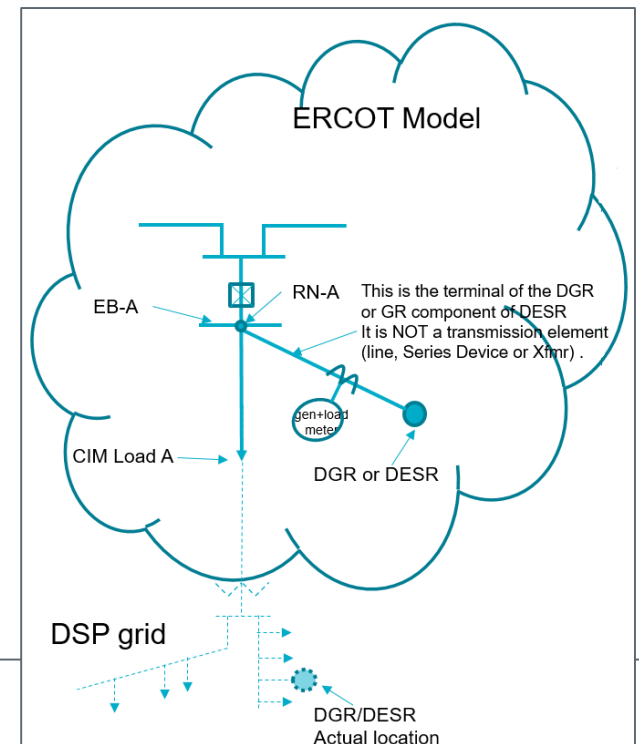
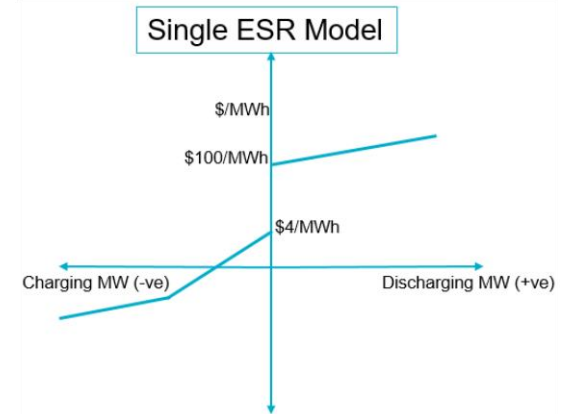
- Real-Time Market (RTM) will be expanded to clear Energy and Ancillary Services (AS) every five minutes
 - Already in place at most ISOs; ERCOT currently co-optimizes in Day-Ahead Market (DAM)
- Real-Time Co-Optimization (RTC) design also creates benefits and changes:
 - Provides ability for ERCOT to select and dispatch full capability of Resources (previously AS capacity was managed by Market Participants based on their DAM awards).
 - Retires an Adjustment Period AS market
 - Reliability Unit Commitment (RUC) will also co-optimize the full capability of Resources
 - DAM will allow virtual AS Offers
- Operating Reserve Demand Curve (ORDC) price adders will be discontinued, and replaced by converting ORDC into AS Demand Curves for each AS and reflected in Real-Time energy and AS prices.



Passport Storage and Distribution Level Scope

- Modeling and Dispatching Battery Energy Storage as a Single Device
 - Same device can be a Load when charging and a generator when discharging.

- Distribution-Level Generator or Energy Storage
 - Device can be within Distribution System and still be dispatched by ERCOT with improved mapping techniques.



Passport Protocol Scope

Design	Revision Requests*
Real-Time Co-optimization	NPRR1007 – 1013
Battery Energy Storage Resources	NPRR1014 & 1029
Distribution Generation Resources	NPRR1016 (mapping improvements only)
ERCOT Contingency Reserve Service	NPRR863 (ECSR only)

Merging these requirements into design scenarios, for example:

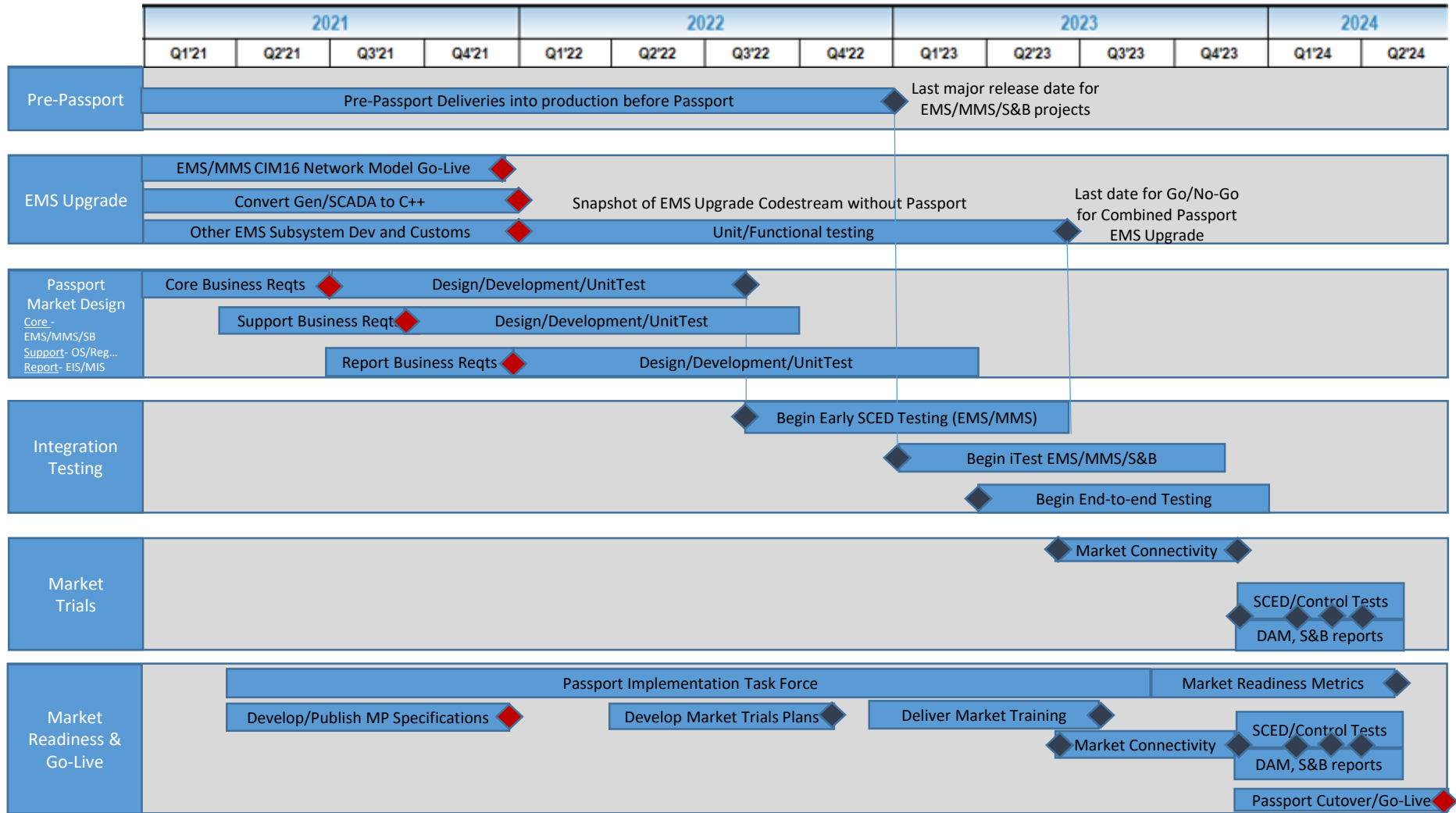
Security-Constrained Economic Dispatch (SCED) is being re-developed to economically co-optimize and award all AS (an RTC requirement), including the clearing of a new Energy Storage Resource (ESR) type (Battery Energy Storage Resource requirement where a single model Resource can inject or withdraw), and the ESR is within the Distribution System (per Distribution Generation Resource requirement), and can be awarded a new 10-minute AS (ECSR requirement).

*Additional supporting Market Guide changes are also within Passport scope.



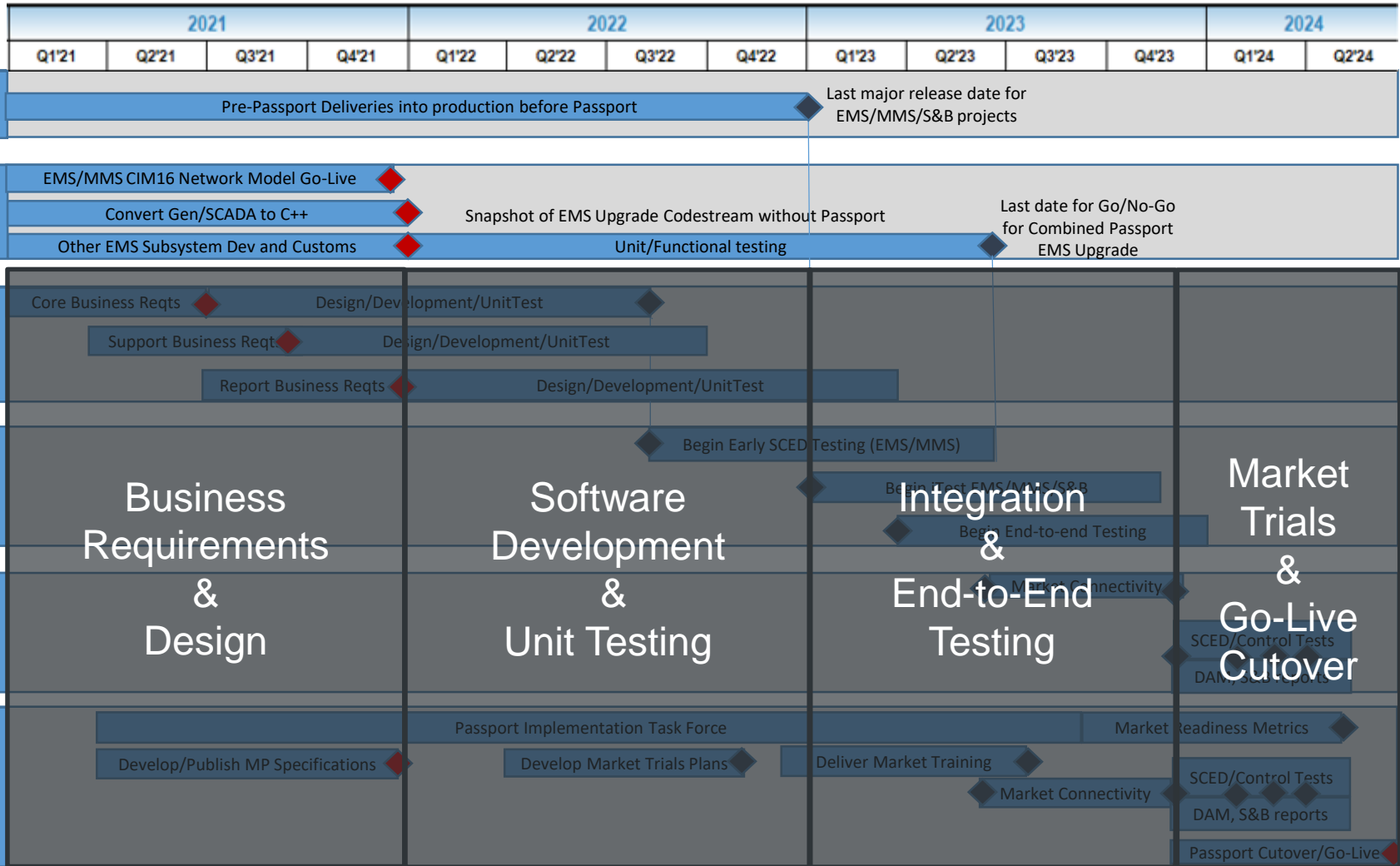
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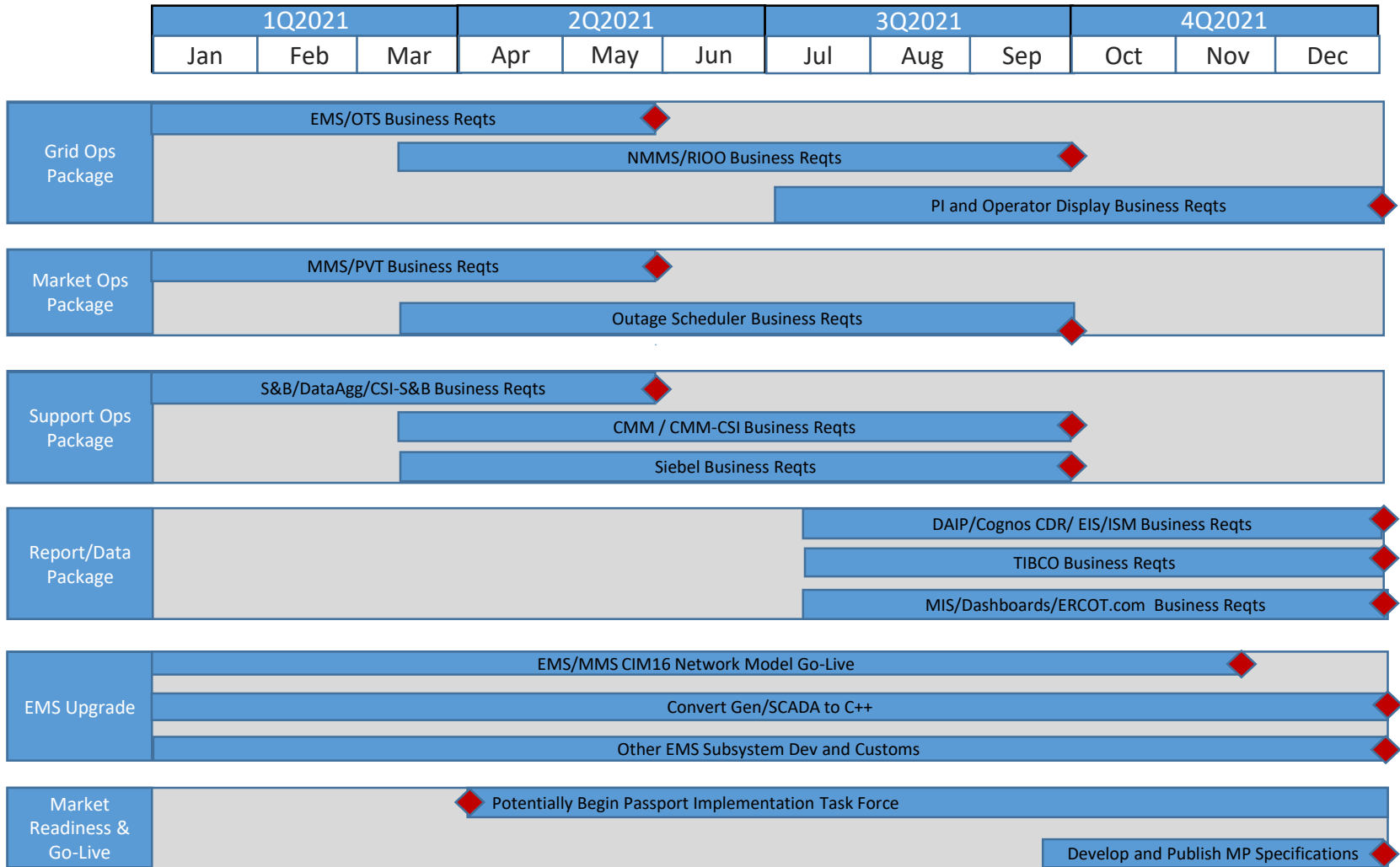


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Passport Near-Term Milestones through 2021



Passport Current Status

- Business Requirements for core Passport systems are in-flight
 - Market Management System (MMS) and Settlements & Billing (S&B) Business Requirements are slightly ahead of schedule.
 - Energy Management System (EMS) Business Requirements have resource constraints, but are currently recoverable.
- EMS Upgrade
 - Vendor has been delivering software releases on-schedule
 - ERCOT EMS Upgrade team is on-schedule

- Budget

(Dollars in Millions)

2024 Passport Program	Budget
Real-Time Co-Optimization (RTC)	\$ 51.6
Energy Management System (EMS) Upgrade 2024	27.1
Battery Energy Storage (BES)	5.1
NPRR 863 ERCOT Contingency Reserve Service (ECRS)	1.2
Distributed Generation Resources (DGR)	0.5
Passport Program Projects	<u>\$ 85.5</u>

- More details in February 2021 Board F&A Report



Future Stakeholder Discussions

- Limited resources and project funding for initiatives beyond the large projects identified below until 2024.

FFR Advancement

BES Pre-Passport Project

DGR Pre-Passport

Passport Program

- Strict controls are needed to ensure delivery of these large projects on time and within budget.
 - Internal discipline for ERCOT to focus on the strategic efforts above, and still be aligned to deliver other critical work within the project portfolio and operations.
 - Initiated discussions with the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) on how to manage on-going influx of NPRRs while focusing on delivery of these strategic initiatives.
 - Proposal to leverage existing processes (internally and externally) and provide an initial Passport assessment and feasibility of delivery for any proposed system design changes, and then allow for discussion of timing of when to analyze changes for designs to occur after Passport implementation.
 - Still allow bandwidth for changes that are critical to reliability or instructed by Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT).



Wrap-up and Questions

- ERCOT plans to regularly present Passport updates and is open to Board direction on content.
- ERCOT will be working with TAC leadership on scope and timing for a Passport Implementation Task Force.
- ERCOT will continue to work internally and externally on controls for managing NPRRs and other future changes that overlap with Passport scope or resources.
- Questions?
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