

IDS Use in Electric Utility Field Networks

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Current State of IDS Usage

- Head End and Back Office
 - Traditional solutions typically applied
 - HIDS and NIDS options are available
- Field Networks
 - The further away from the head end systems, the less IDS is being deployed
 - Few, if any, HIDS solutions for embedded systems
 - Large number of nodes and smaller networks make NIDS cost prohibitive

ORNL Effort

- Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) is tasked with focusing on IDS needs for the electric power industry.
 - Support of DOE “Roadmap to Secure Control Systems in the Energy Sector”
 - Goals Include:
 - Capture the economic justification and business case for IDS deployment within the utility
 - Identify and catalog utility requirements for IDS
 - To assist this effort, ORNL would like input from the UtiliSec WG.

Work Discussion

- What are the utility requirements?
- What are the authoritative or guidance documents used in current deployment efforts? (NIST, ISO, IEC, IEEE, etc..)
- What are the barriers in current deployment efforts?
- What areas of the Smart Grid are the priority?
- Other concerns or comments?