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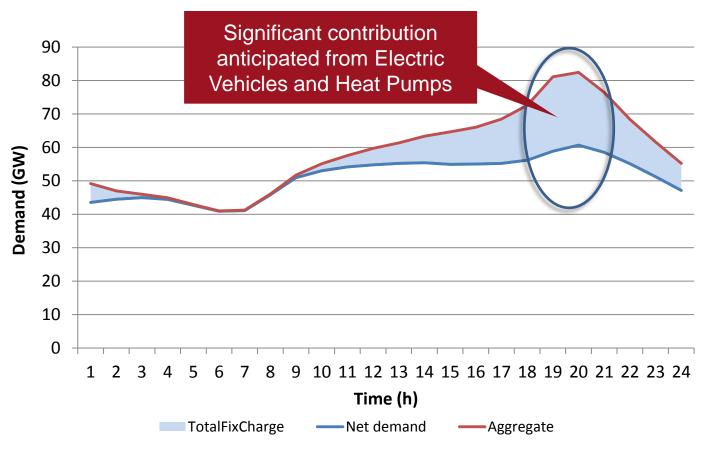
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## 2010: Where we were at the start of the project





Source: "Benefits of Advanced Smart Metering for Demand Response based Control of Distribution Networks" Imperial College London, ENA, SEDG

#### 2010: Next steps for DNOs



Update the assumptions used in the previous study, plus other models used, to account for the impact of Low Carbon Technologies (LCT) uptake:

- Models
  - Element Energy Model predict load and LCT uptake
  - Transform Model industry model to reflect LCT uptake on generic networks
  - Load Related Expenditure model specific modelled networks
- Load Forecasting
  - Inform the business plan and investment decisions
  - Build a forecast of the effect of demand and uptake over time
- Further insight into the ability to control or influence demand



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#### **Electric Vehicle Trials**



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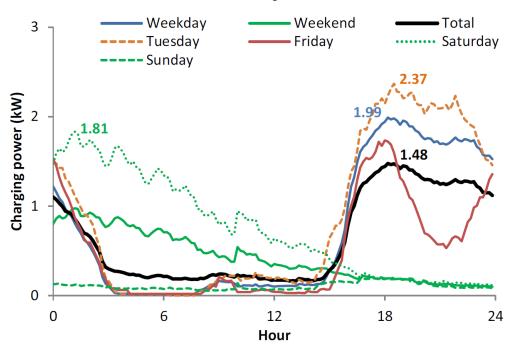
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## There is no typical 'commercial' EV demand profile



#### Average heavy duty commercial EV charging profile for different days of week



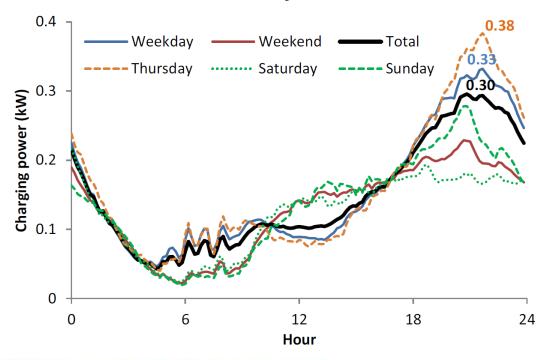
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# Residential EVs represent an additional 0.3kW contribution to peak demand per household



#### Average residential EV charging profile for different days of week



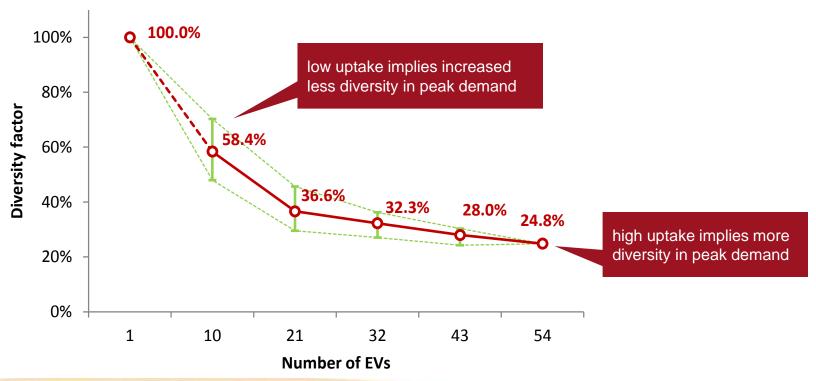
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# Newly developed residential EV demand diversity curves support network planning



#### Residential EV demand diversity



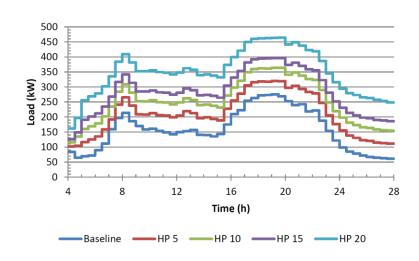
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## Extreme weather conditions (sub-zero) significantly increases the peak demand from HPs



E.g. average temperature of -4°C and a penetration level of 20% of household owning heat pumps increases peak daily load by 72% above baseline



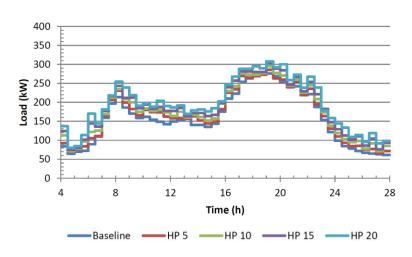


Figure 23: Transformer loading under weather scenario 1 conditions (av. temperature, -4°C)

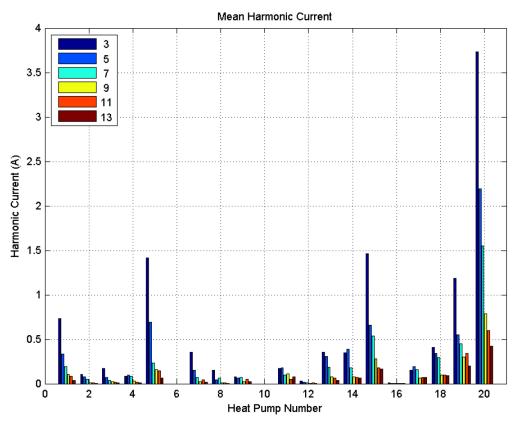
Figure 26: Transformer loading under weather scenario 4 (av. temperature 7°C)

Source: LCL Report B4\*

M. Bilton, N. E. Chike, M. Woolf, P. Djapic, M. Wilcox, G. Strbac, "Impact of low voltage – connected low carbon technologies on network utilisation", Report B4 for the "Low Carbon London" LCNF project: Imperial College London, 2014.

## HPs were found to contribute various levels of power quality disturbance





Mean current magnitude of the 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, 11th, 13th harmonics for all of the heat pumps

Source: LCL Report B3\*

N. Bottrell, E. Ortega, M. Bilton, T. Green, G. Strbac, "Impact of low voltage – connected low carbon technologies on power quality", Report B3 for the "Low Carbon London" LCNF project: Imperial College London, 2014.



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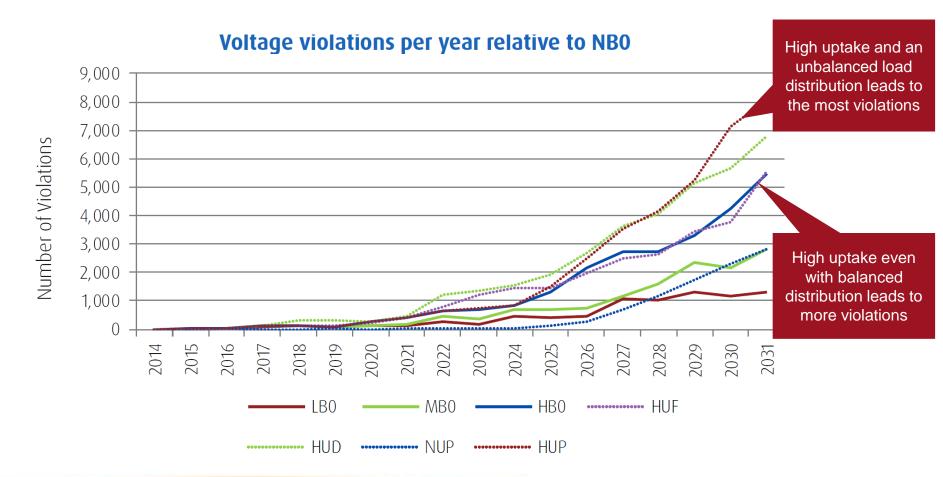
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## The most significant impact is on the LV network





Source: LCL Report B2

### We are using these insights to inform the business



- Updating load forecast models with the new figures
- Informing policy and standards on the management of LCTs e.g.
  ENA notification for heat pump power quality
- Revising design standards and approaches
- There are opportunities for the smart optimisation of LCT loads –
  particularly EVs



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#### Demand shifting can be achieved



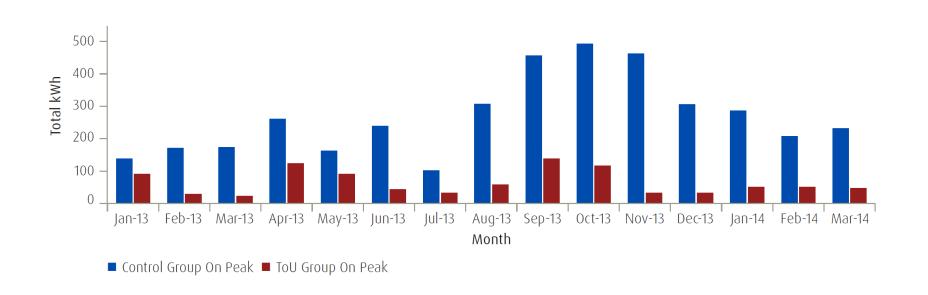
There is potential benefit for DNOs to develop opportunities for smart optimisation of new transport loads

Demand shifting can be achieved in two distinct ways:

- Encouraging behavioural changes consisting of financial incentives aimed at influencing customer behaviour
- Technical mechanisms, such as cyclic switching of specific loads at peak times







Source: LCL Report B5

# Automated real time network management can be achieved through the combination of ANM and the utilisation of an EV controller





Source: LCL Report B2

### Realising the benefits depends on a number of factors



- LCT uptake and concentration
- Coordination across industry is required to extract the benefits of mechanisms such as Time of Use tariffs
- Each consumer group presents a different opportunity
  - Residential: flexible, available and fairly reliable demand
  - Head-duty commercial: e.g. freight, inflexible but potential for smart connections
- A vendor agnostic solution would be most appropriate

# LCL has concluded that different EV user groups are suited to different control mechanisms – dictated by their charging behaviour

		Domestic Private	Domestic Public	Fleet	Public Transport
Behavioural Intervention	Education	✓		✓	
	Time of Use	✓		<b>√</b> **	
Technical Intervention	SMETS ALCS	✓			
	EV Controller		✓	✓	
	ANM		✓	✓	
	Reinforcement / New Connection	✓			

Source: LCL Report B5

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The findings from **Low Carbon London** represent a step change in understanding the electricity network required for a low carbon future.

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