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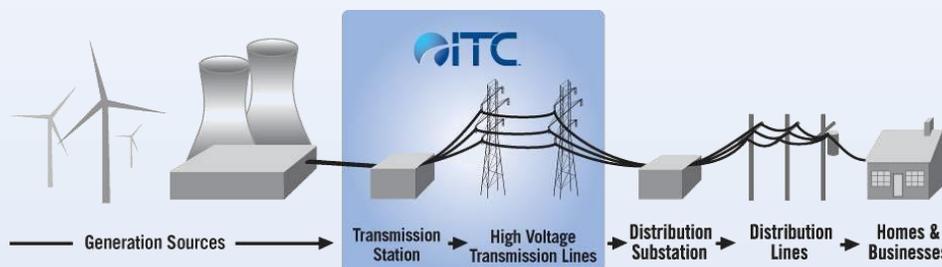
Wood Pole Replacement Program: Apache - Seneca

Portions of the electric transmission grid in Michigan were built more than 50 years ago and have experienced minimal investment since that time. As part of ITC's efforts to modernize aging electric transmission infrastructure and improve service reliability, the company's ITC *Transmission* subsidiary will replace 76 wood transmission poles with modern steel monopoles along the Apache – Seneca 120,000 volt (120 kV) transmission line running from Apache Substation in Troy to the Seneca Substation in Rochester Hills. The 4.5-mile project began in September 2016 and was completed in 2018.

ITC maintains nearly 25,000 wood poles throughout its Michigan systems. Poles are proactively inspected for wear and damage on a regular basis, and are replaced with steel structures once they reach end-of-life.

In some cases, there may be other types of utility lines co-located on the wood poles. When these poles are replaced, the transmission lines are removed from the wood poles and transferred to the new steel poles, which are located adjacent to the wood poles. A portion of the wood pole will remain until the other lines are moved by their respective owners.

ITC's investments in transmission upgrades have placed our Michigan systems as a top performer nationally for reliability. Since ITC assumed ownership of its Michigan systems, outages have decreased 40% in southeast Michigan.



ITC Holdings Corp., through subsidiaries ITC *Transmission* and Michigan Electric Transmission Company, LLC (METC), owns and maintains more than 8,700 circuit miles of high-voltage electric lines and 283 transmission stations and substations throughout Michigan's Lower Peninsula. As the nation's largest independent electric transmission company, ITC focuses solely on electric transmission to enhance reliability, relieve electric transmission congestion and connect all energy resources, including renewables, to customers in a non-discriminatory manner. ITC has been making significant investments in Michigan's transmission grid to improve reliability, safety and efficiency and lower the overall cost of delivered energy.



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