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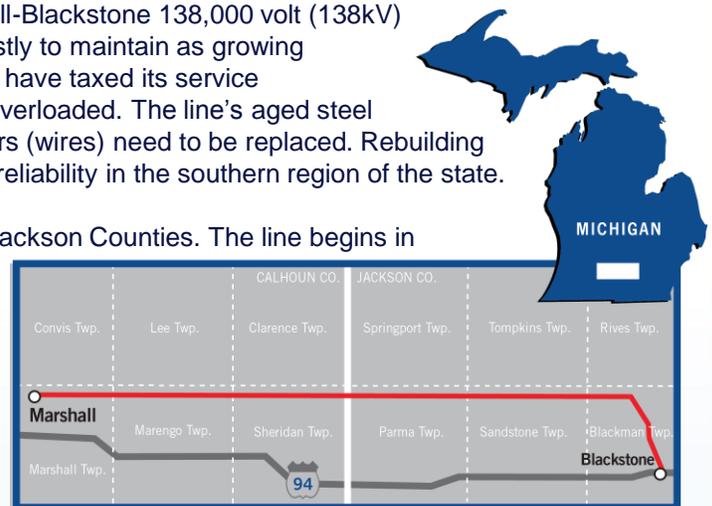


## Capital Project Profile: Marshall-Blackstone Transmission Line Rebuild

Portions of the electric transmission grid in Michigan were built more than 50 years ago and have experienced minimal investment since that time. The Marshall-Blackstone 138,000 volt (138kV) transmission line has become increasingly unreliable and costly to maintain as growing demand for electricity and outdated infrastructure technology have taxed its service capabilities and created the potential for the line to become overloaded. The line's aged steel structures are exhibiting deterioration and obsolete conductors (wires) need to be replaced. Rebuilding the line with a higher capacity conductor will provide greater reliability in the southern region of the state.

The 34.5 mile Marshall-Blackstone line spans Calhoun and Jackson Counties. The line begins in Marshall Twp. and extends east, ending in Blackman Twp.

ITC Holdings Corp., through its subsidiary Michigan Electric Transmission Company, LLC (METC) will rebuild the line with a combination of single and double-circuit 138kV structures. The work is scheduled to begin in the third quarter of 2015 and is expected to be completed in the fourth quarter of 2016.



The Marshall-Blackstone line rebuild is an example of ITC's ongoing commitment to the operational efficiency and reliability of Michigan's high voltage transmission grid. The company has invested more than \$2.8 billion in capital project maintenance and transmission infrastructure improvements in Michigan since 2003. These investments are improving the reliability and safety of the transmission infrastructure while ensuring its ability to meet new energy demands.

*The new Marshall-Blackstone poles will be similar to the one shown here.*

ITC Holdings Corp., through subsidiaries ITC Transmission and Michigan Electric Transmission Company, LLC (METC), owns and maintains more than 8,600 circuit miles of high-voltage electric lines and 279 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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