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# RESPOND

## Active Fault Management

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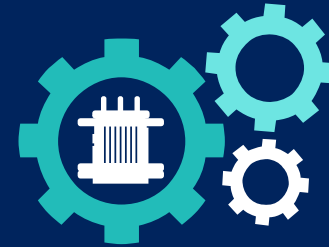
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# RESPOND



Introduction

Project overview

Respond techniques



Customer

Safety Case

Site Visit



Respond is the first UK demonstration of an active fault level management solution that avoids traditional network reinforcement



Competitive competition

Funded by GB customers

Learning, dissemination & governance

Fourth of our five successful Tier 2 / NIC projects



Investment

£5.5  
million

Project Starts  
Jan 2015

Site selection  
May 2015

Design  
Nov 2015

System installation & Go Live  
May 2016

Post fault analysis  
Apr 2018

Purchase FCL customer  
Apr 2018

Safety case  
Sep 2018

Closedown  
Oct 2018



Financial benefits

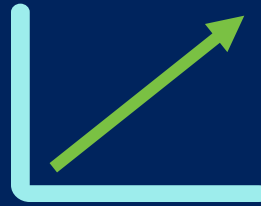
Up to £2.3bn  
to GB by  
2050

Project partners





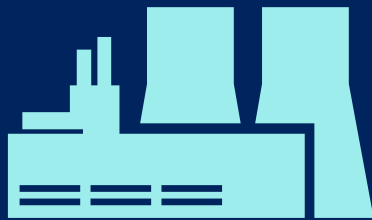
Faster and cheaper to apply than traditional reinforcement



Will deliver a buy order of fault level mitigation solutions based on a cost benefit analysis



Facilitates active management of fault current, using retrofit technologies and commercial services



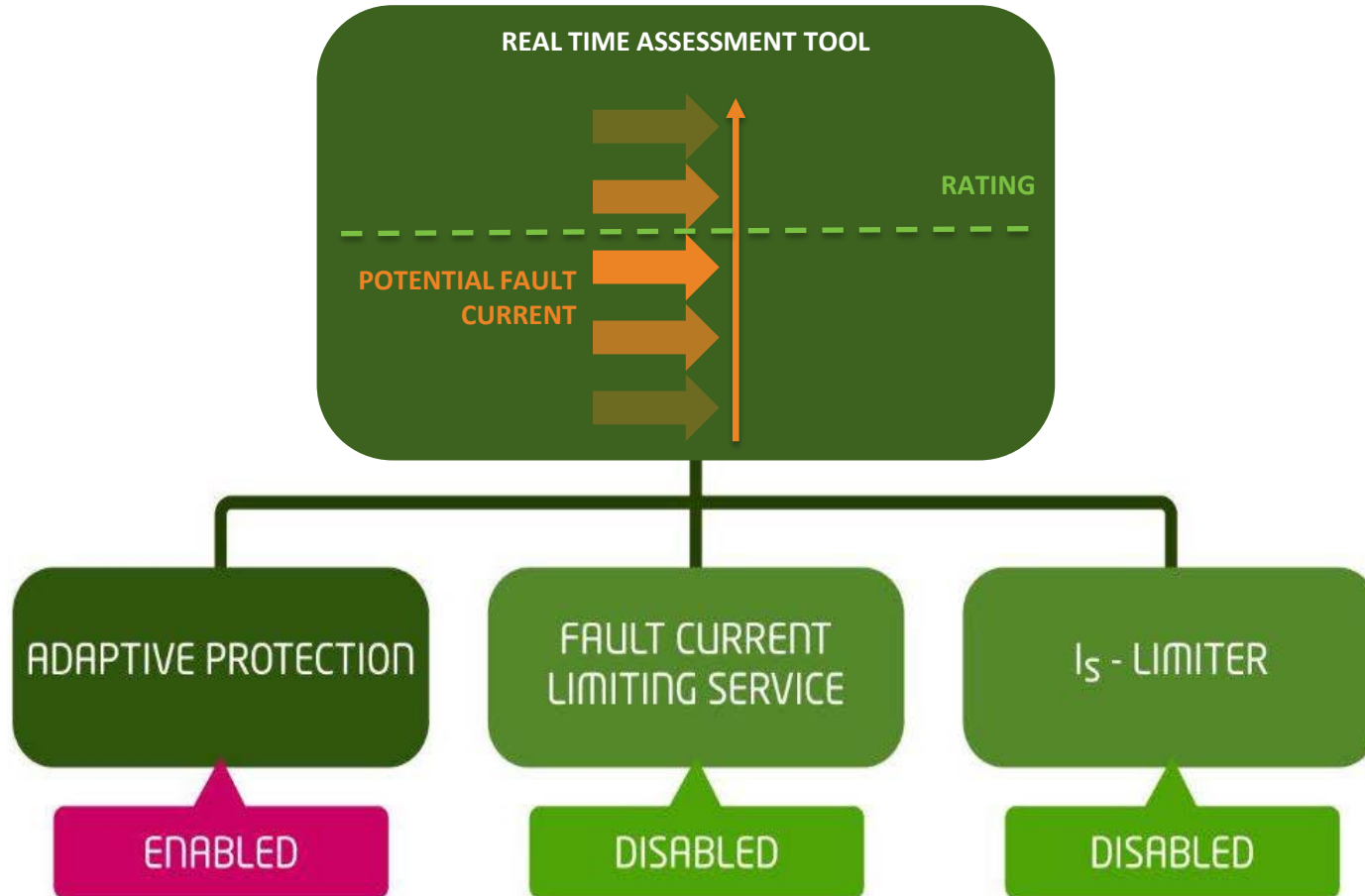
Enables a market for the provision of an FCL service



Uses existing assets with no detriment to asset health



Reduces bills to customers through reduced network reinforcement costs



- Real time fault current assessment
- Safe network operation
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Network already designed to break fault current



Adaptive Protection changes the order in which circuit breakers operate to safely disconnect the fault

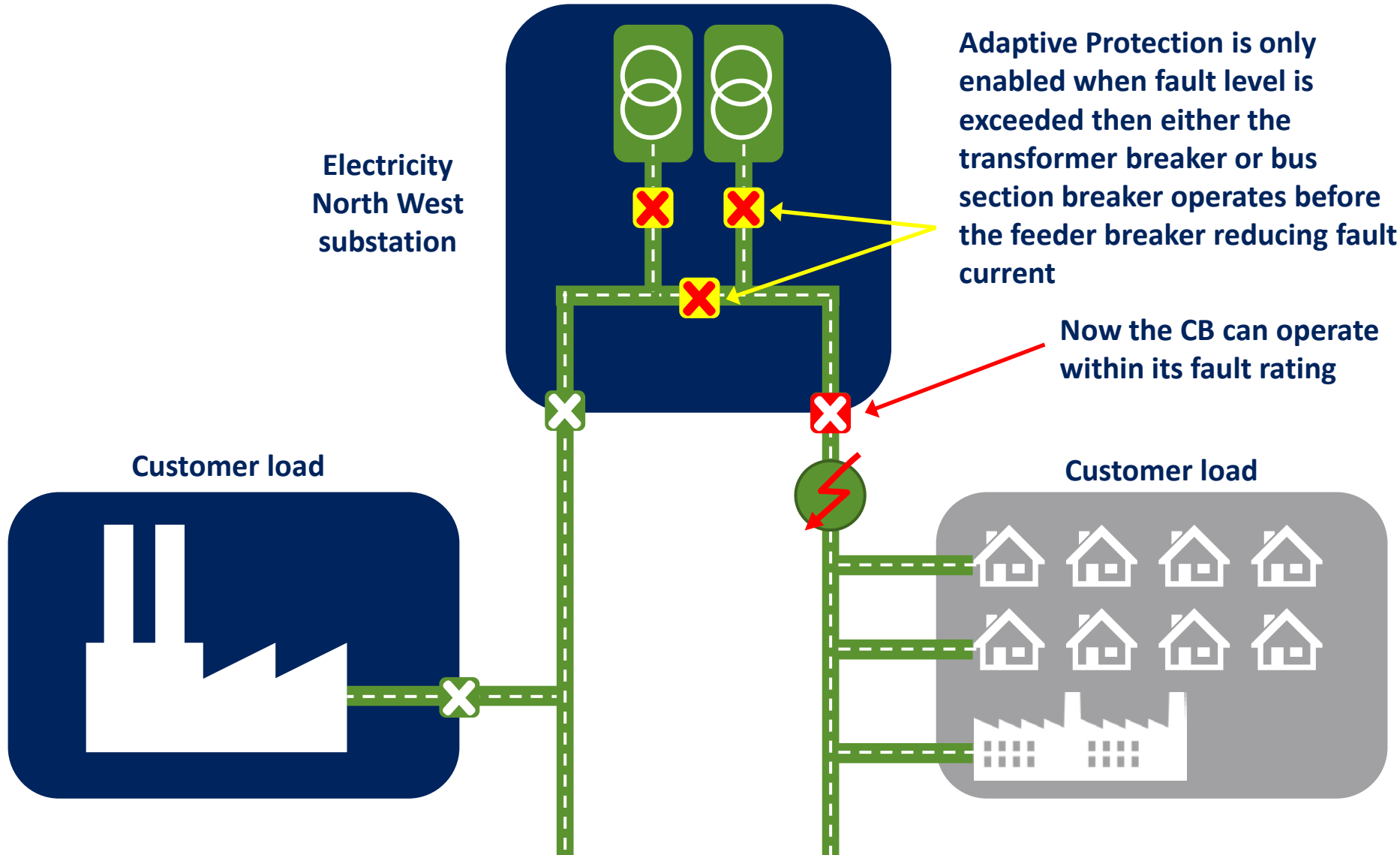


Using redundancy in the network ensures no other customers go off supply

# Adaptive Protection



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# I<sub>s</sub>-limiters – two sites and five sensing sites



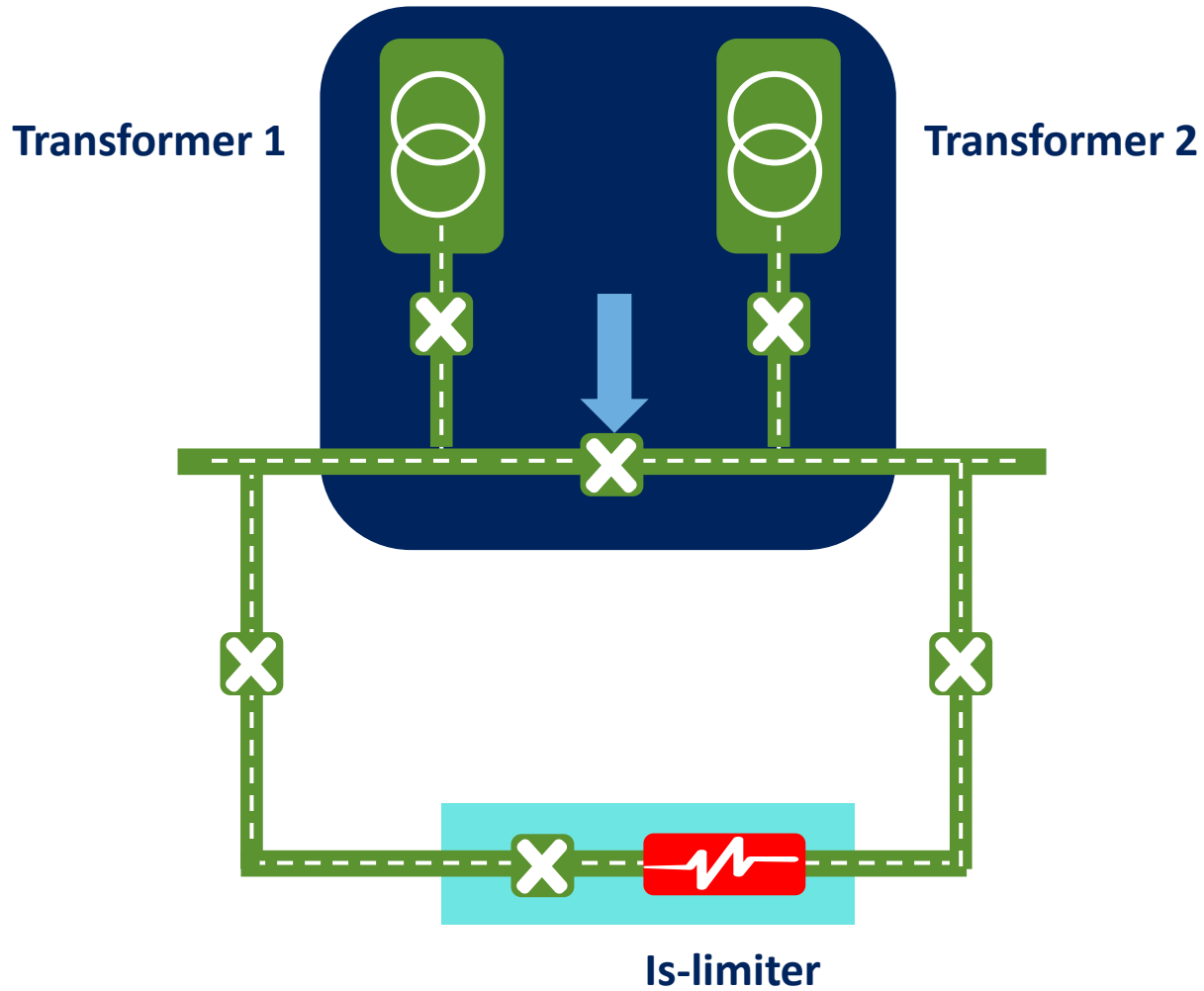
Operates within  
5 milliseconds or 1/200<sup>th</sup>  
of a second



Detects rapid rise in  
current when a fault  
occurs and responds to  
break the current



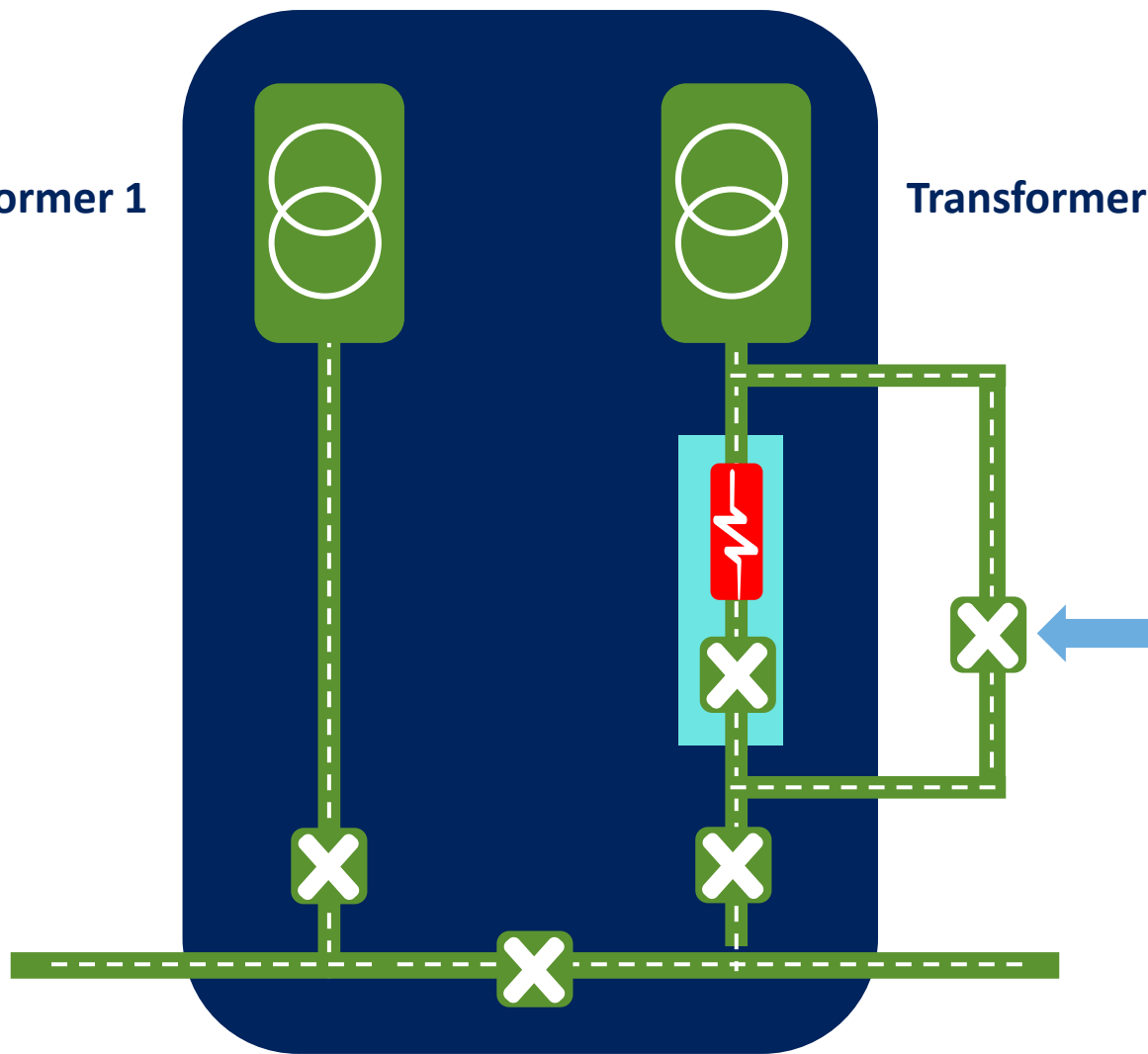
Respond will prove the  
technology, review  
safety case and deploy at  
two sites





Transformer 1

Transformer 2



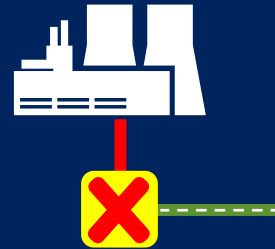


# $I_s$ -limiter



# Fault Current Limiting (FCL) service

## Two UU sites and three external sites



Fault current generated by customers can be disconnected using new technology



Financial benefits to customers taking part and long term to all customers

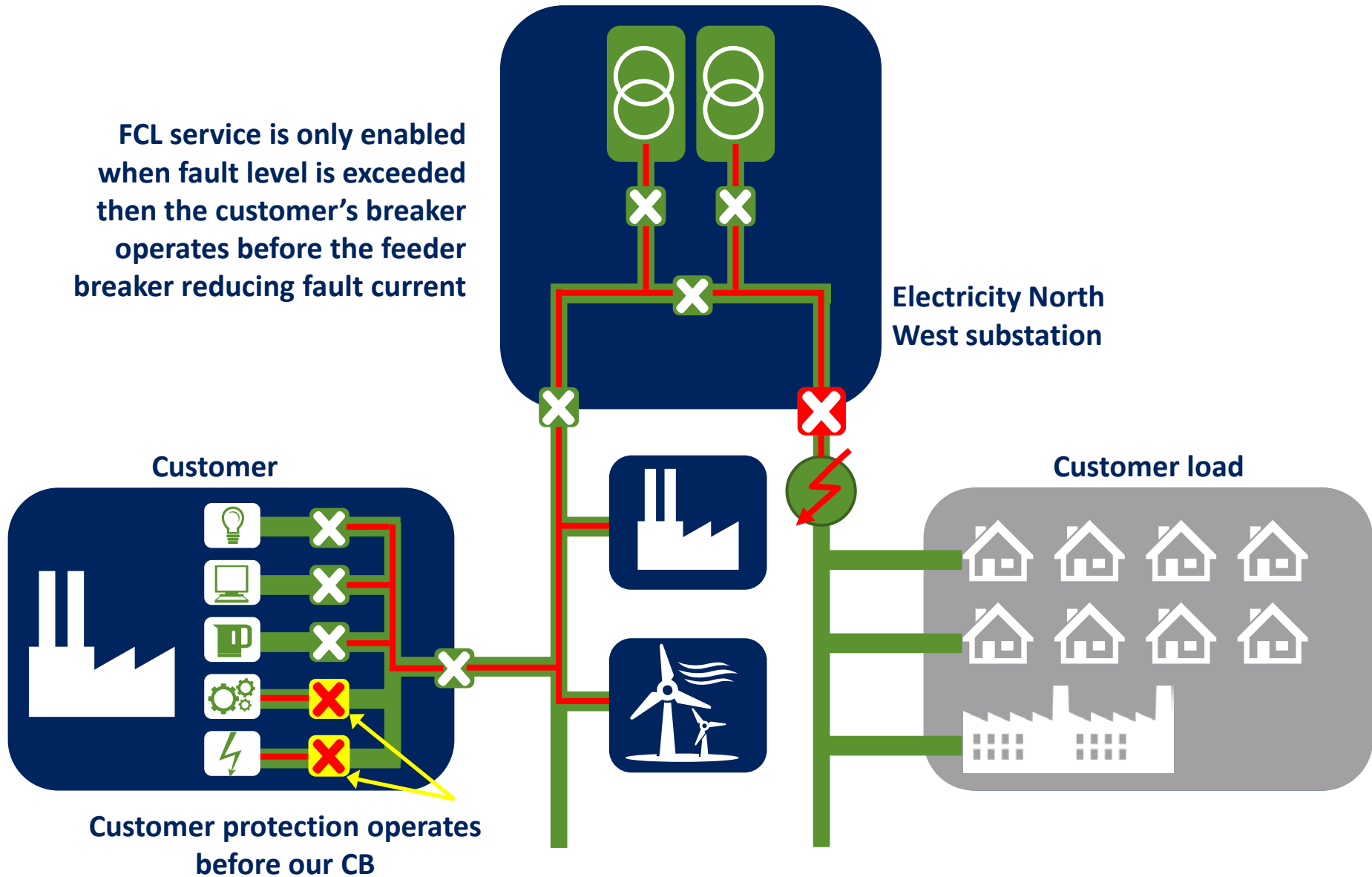


Challenge is to identify customers to take part in a trial of the FCL service

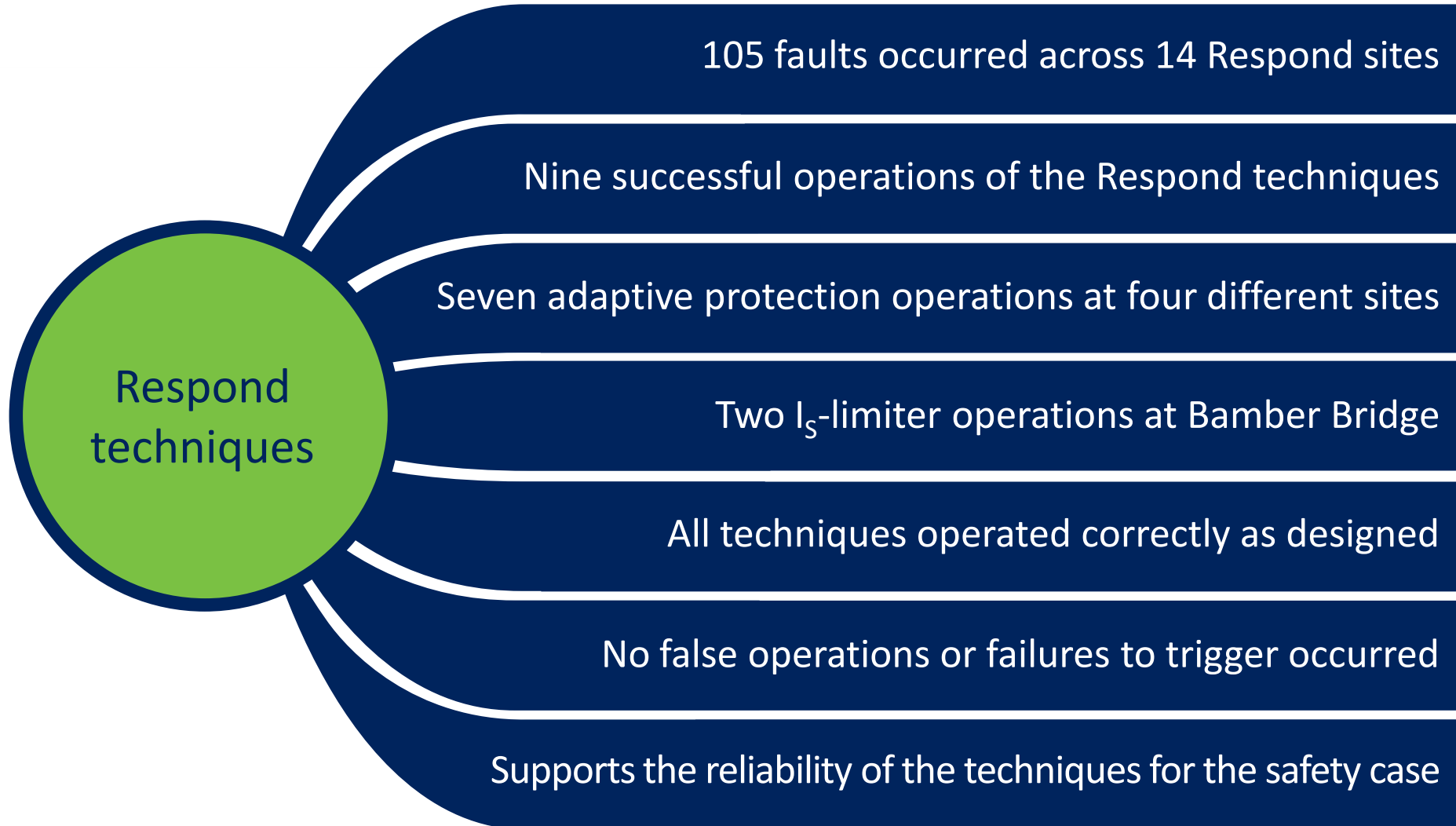
# Fault Current Limiting service



FCL service is only enabled when fault level is exceeded then the customer's breaker operates before the feeder breaker reducing fault current



Customer protection operates before our CB



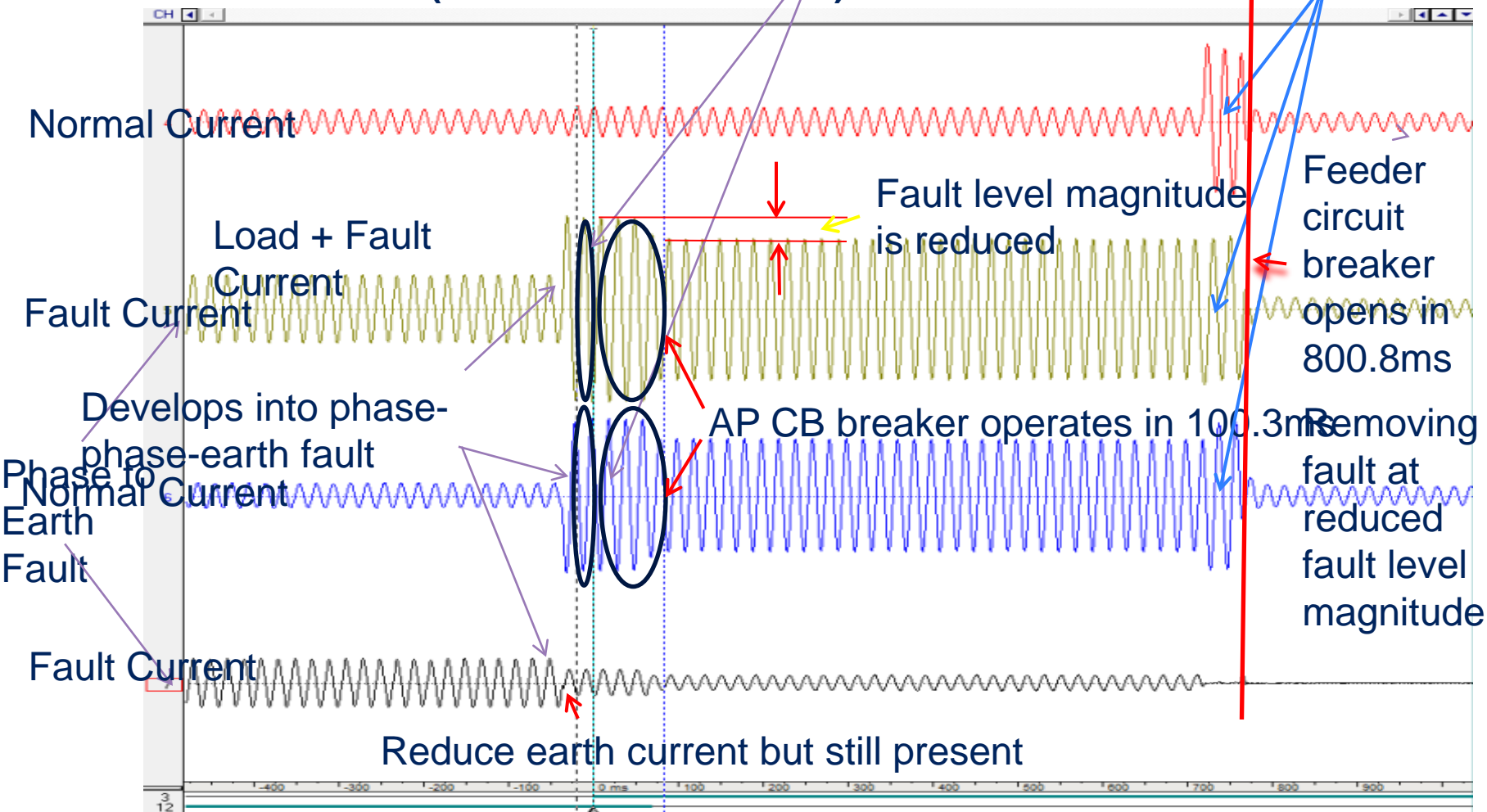




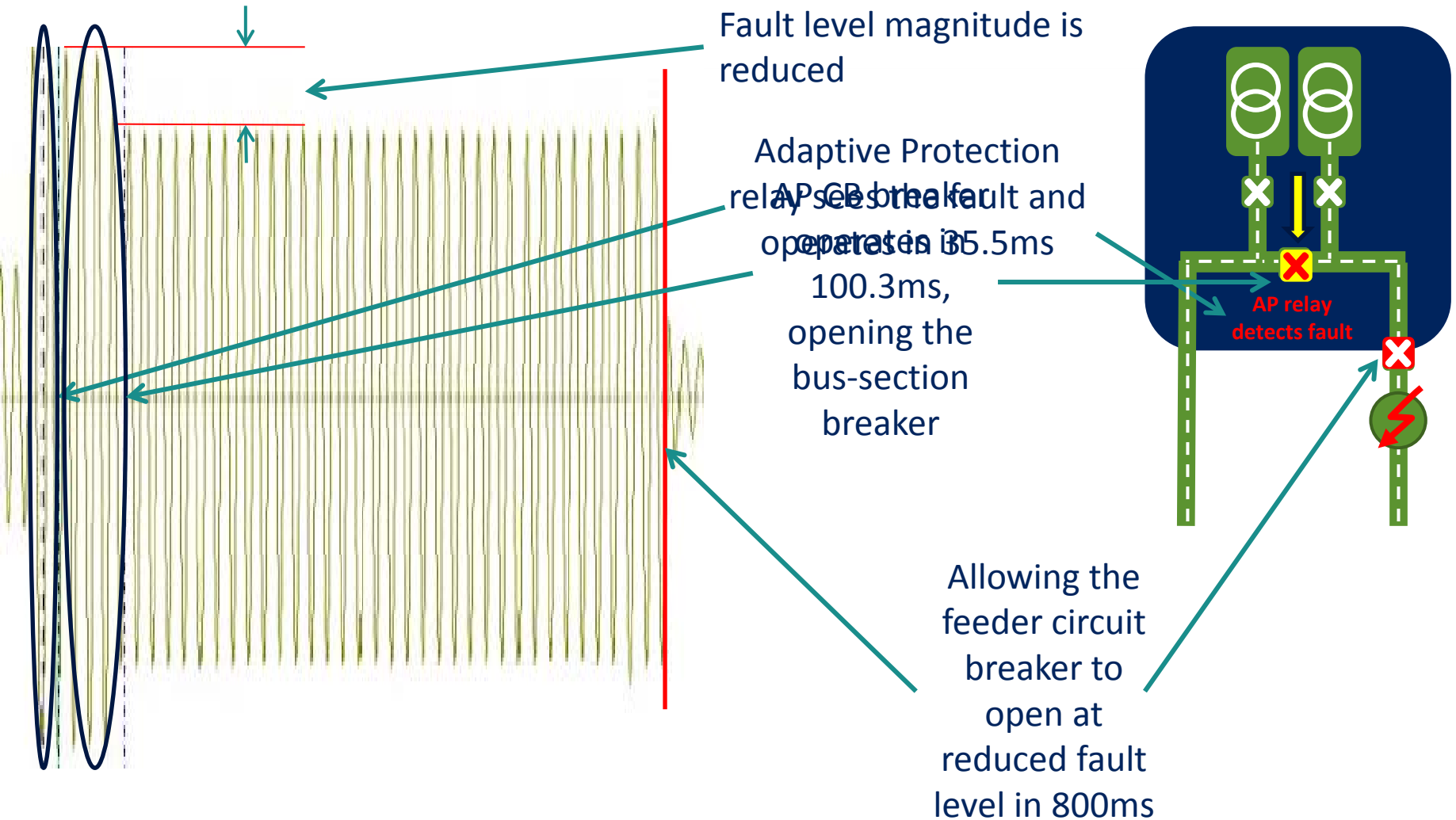
Adaptive Protection sees the Fault and operates in 35.5ms

Develops into a 3 phase fault

### Disturbance Record (T11 and T12 currents)



# Waveform vs Sequence

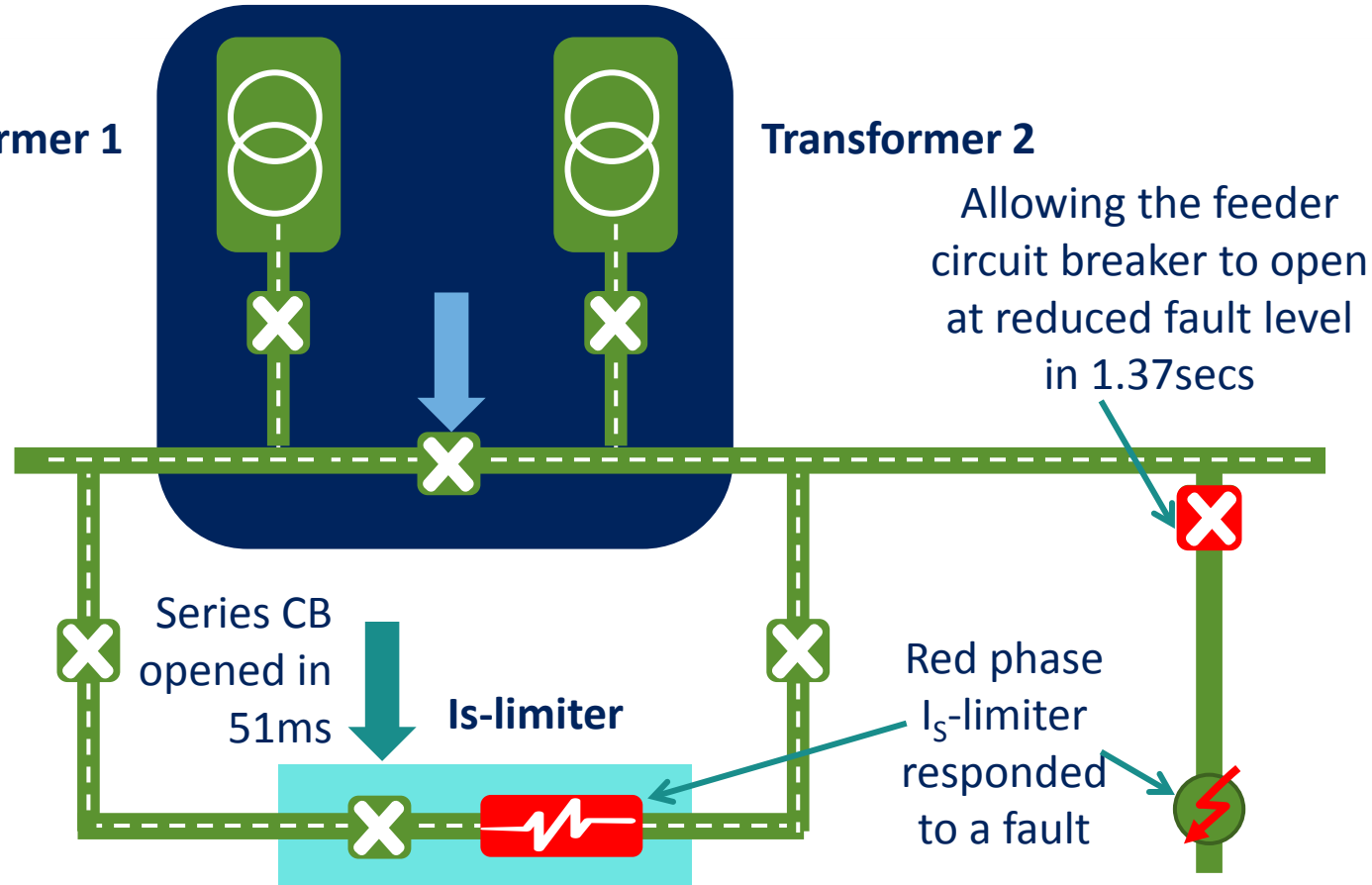




No waveforms are available due to the speed of operation of the  $I_S$ -limiter

Transformer 1

Transformer 2



# Bamber Bridge red phase fuse





Survey analysis  
*'appeared to prove'*  
the hypothesis that the

**Respond method enables a  
market for an FCL service**



A target market was identified of  
customers from **non-  
manufacturing industries** and  
those  
**'able to constrain their motor or  
generator'**  
for up to 10 minutes, without  
significant impact

# The reality – challenges of engaging with customers



**Aspiration**  
**750 interviews/surveys**

**Achieved**  
**103 surveys**

**Expressed interest**  
**47**

**Willing to engage**  
**13**

**Contracts**  
**2**



## DNO community must develop greater commercial understanding of its target market



Transition from expression of interest to active participation in FCL service identifies need for greater awareness



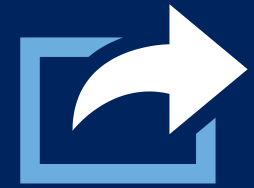
Loss of critical plant, even for a short duration, can have a significant impact



Assessment of risk verses the incentives and saving available is fundamental in an organisation's decision-making process



Conflicts with other services are a significant barrier  
DNOs need to better understand services already available in expanding and competitive marketplace



While there are potential conflicts, equally there could be possible synergies which warrant further investigation



Continue to deploy the FLAT and the three techniques



Trial ongoing until May 2018



Examine the key questions and hypotheses



Customer recruitment phase for FCL service



Build safety cases for each of the techniques



Examine the relative benefits versus financials for the three techniques





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