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# High-Capacity, Energy-Efficient ACCC® Conductor Case Study

# **AEP ENERGIZED RECONDUCTOR PROJECT EXAMPLE**

This project won EEI Transmission Project of the Year – 2016

**Description:** 240 circuit miles, 345 kV line, double bundle **Project:** Replace 1,440 miles of ACSR conductor with ACCC

- Reducing CO2 emissions by ~200,000 metric tons per year (= 34,000 cars off the road)
- Freeing up ~34 MW of generation capacity
- Saves 3.5 billion gallons of clean filtered water per year (@12,000 gallons per MWh) (Thermal plants consume between 10,000 and 60,000 gallons of water per MWh)

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- Improve reliability (reduced sag and corrosion)
- Increased capacity to serve growth (2X ACSR)
- Improve grid resilience using high-strength composite core
- Retain existing structures to reduce capital costs and timeframe
- · Eliminate down time with live line reconductoring

### **ADDITIONAL BENEFITS RECEIVED BY AEP**

- Project completed eight months ahead of schedule
- Reduced line losses by 30%
- Saving \$15 million/yr. (300,000 MWh at \$50)

## **ACCC CONDUCTOR SUMMARY**

- Over 100,000 km of ACCC Conductor currently in service in 60 countries
- Over 900 projects completed, 50+ under construction, and 75+ in the queue
- 34 authorized manufacturing partners, worldwide
- 11 authorized ACCC Hardware manufacturers
- Outstanding engineering, installation support & product warrantee

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