



Itron Expands Work with RGE Sul in Brazil to Modernize Infrastructure and Enable Future Applications

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CPFL Energia Subsidiary to Expand Gen5 Network for Commercial & Industrial Customers to Improve Operations

LIBERTY LAKE, Wash.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Feb. 28, 2019-- Itron, Inc. (NASDAQ: ITRI), which is innovating the way utilities and cities manage energy and water, today announced that RGE, a subsidiary of CPFL Energia, will expand its Itron GenX network canopy to the utility's Commercial & Industrial (C&I) customers in the area previously named as RGE Sul.

Operating in the state of Rio Grande do Sul in Brazil, RGE Sul serves nearly 3.6 million consumers. The utility will extend its existing GenX network to focus on improving its operational efficiency by applying automated processes. This network extension and automated processes will enable an improvement of quality of service by quickly and effectively managing outage and restoration of services. Additionally, Itron's solution will build a future infrastructure for the utility to deploy Distribution Automation (DA) capabilities.

This contract builds on Itron's collaboration with the utility to complete CPFL's GenX infrastructure modernization initiative. This project has been created to improve grid reliability, speed up response time, optimize on-site operations and protect group revenues. For the first phase of this project, Itron deployed its GenX network for commercial and industrial customers in the state of Sao Paulo and Rio Grande do Sul.

"This project is the second phase of our RF Mesh infrastructure modernization initiative, which is already providing benefits to our customers," said Caius Malagoli, engineering director at CPFL Energia. "By expanding smart grid capabilities to C&I customers in the area previously named as RGE Sul, CPFL will ensure process standardization and quality of service for all customers."

"We are thrilled to rollout the second phase of our collaboration with CPFL Energia," said Sharelynn Moore, senior vice president of networked solutions at Itron. "With our solution, the utility will be equipped to expand its applications with our network infrastructure and add DA devices to improve operations."

About Itron

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