

# NSRP | National Shipbuilding Research Program

## Power Panel & Breaker Commonality

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# Project Mission Statement

- Identify Where Opportunities Exist with Consolidating Power Panels and Circuit Breakers to Reduce the Number of Variants and Push Commonality into Ship Designs

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# Project Summary

- Mission:
  - Many Variants of Power Panels & Breakers
  - Many Different Applications
  - Multiple Ship Programs
- Objectives:
  - Identify Existing Opportunities for Consolidation
  - Reduce the Number of Variants and Breaker – Panel Combinations
  - Drive **Commonality** into Ship Designs



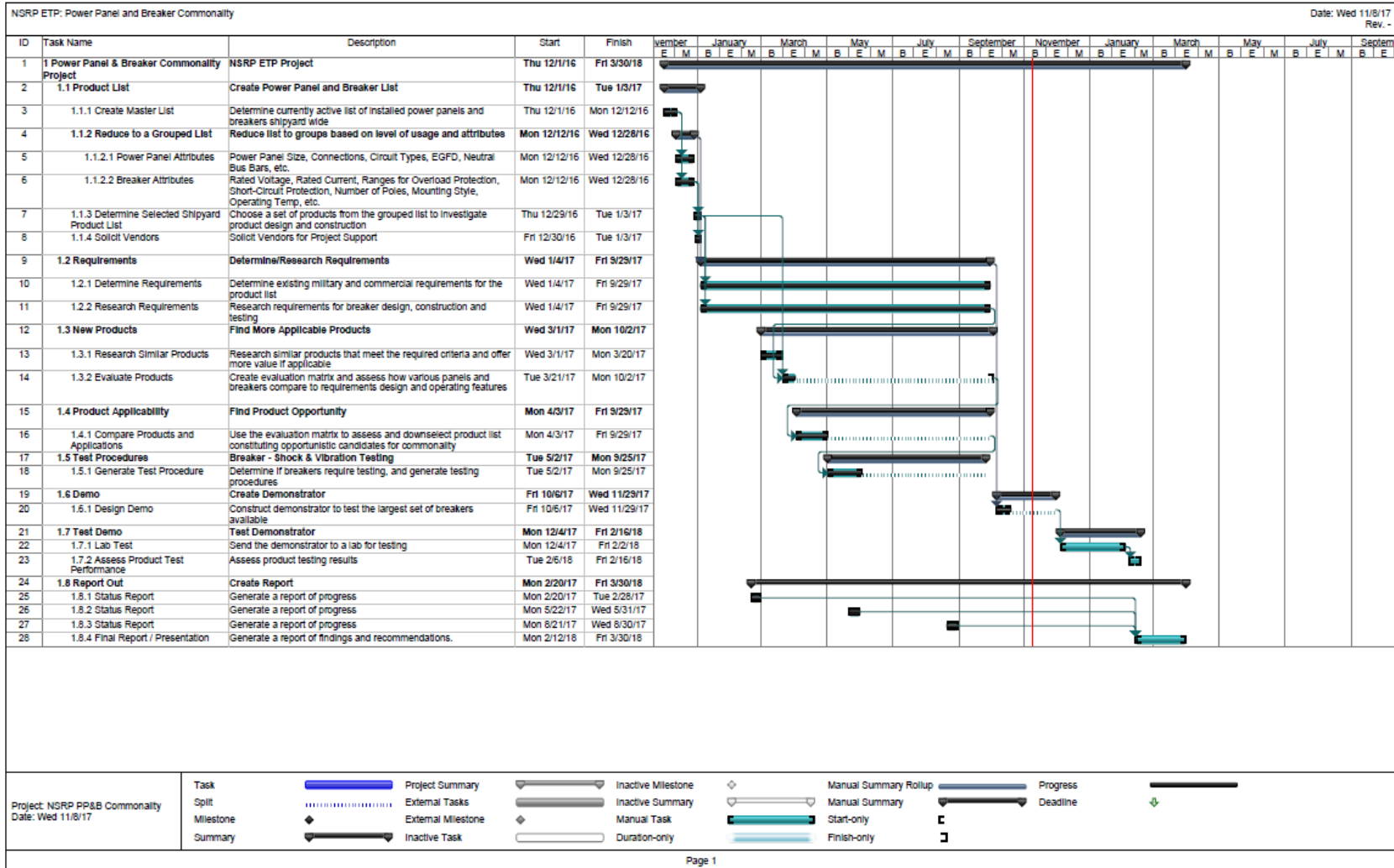
# Project Tasks

- Create Power Panel and Breaker Master List 100% Complete
- Research & Determine Requirements 100% Complete
- Research Applicable Products 100% Complete
- Determine Product Opportunity 100% Complete
- Breaker Shock & Vibration Testing Procedure 100% Complete
- Design, Build, & Test Demonstrator 50% Complete
- Generate Report and Presentation 20% Complete





# Project Schedule



# Overview From Previous Update

- Breaker and panel master lists are developed
- Opportunities exist for standardization and commonality based on technical characteristics
  - Some attribute comparison has been completed and reported, but some more assessment will occur
- Based on current product availability and not having a specific baseline for comparison purposes, decision is to pursue testing of COTS style breakers and panels
  - This aligns with original project plan



# Commercial Demonstrator

- Demonstrator will be a
  - Six circuit panel
  - Hold various sizes of FDC style breakers, representing good all around option to consider for many applications
  - Will be hard mounted to test fixture for light weight shock testing per Mil-Std-901E
- Reviewed option for shock mounting, but this would extend the scope and require many other considerations for program introduction (couple examples follow)
  - Shock loops for cables
  - Different structural arrangements for shock mount interface
  - Increased space consumption





# More About Testing

- Testing a panel that *might* serve several applications creates a baseline; it is not expected to meet all testing requirements, but
  - Failure assessment can be used to determine where requirements were not met and ideas generated regarding how to meet requirements: cost and type of modifications required
  - What options exist to use straight COTS products (i.e., shock mounting)
  - What benefits might be earned from using COTS products
  - If a hybrid product is needed, how do costs and benefits compare
  - What is likelihood of necessary manufacturer support being available
- It is likely COTS product lines offer more flexible options (especially along the lines of performance related requirements)
- Not aware that this type of testing has been done recently; data and assessment can be used for other baseline uses



# Path Forward

- Conduct testing of the panel and breakers
- Conduct post test evaluation
- Generate options for breaker consolidation based on
  - Opportunities that may exist with COTS families of breakers and panels (comparing to MIL-STD requirements)
  - Determinations of longer term opportunities for panel standardization based on breaker standardization
- Develop cost benefit analysis
- Generate a report of findings and recommendations



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