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Problem Definition:

Building load electrical submetering can be bulky and expensive to instrument each branch circuit, and often has clumsy user interface software

As described in the results of the DOE Low Cost Submeter Challenge, the applicants were either over-featured/overpriced or insufficient quality/features

A better solution is needed.



	SUBMETER TYPE			
SPECIFICATIONS	Socke Electromechan	Electronic Non-socket		
	Feed-thru Type	Current Xfmr Type	Туре	
INSTALLATION				
Installed Cost (estimated) Stand alone, up to 320A, 3Ø Stand alone, over 320A, 3Ø 8-Meter Unit, 200A, 3Ø Installation Time Power Interruption Amperage Limitations Space Requirements	\$1,000 Not Applicable \$16,000 2–3 Hours 2–3 Hours 320 Amp, Max. 2 Square Ft	Not Applicable \$2000 - \$5000 Not Applicable 6–8 Hours 6–8 Hours None 11.7 Square Ft	\$700 \$800 \$5,500 1 Hour None 0.25 Square Ft	



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Image/table Source: http://www.utilityproducts.com/articles/print/volume-16/issue-04/productfocus/meters-metering-devices/submetering-for-energy-savings-and-cost-reduction.html

Technology Solution:

Evolution of EV End-use Meter to a Flexible Modular Package Focus of this project/approach is to minimize:

- component cost/bill of materials for submeters-accessories
- current sensor cost/physical size and maintain accuracy
- installation volume required; minimal electrician labor
- commissioning time and complexity (possible QR Code link)

Project end goal is to create a commercial product via sustainable business proposition without perpetual government support



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Advantage, Differentiation, and Impact

Modular reconfigurable compact submeter can be used for single AC or DC loads (built in 60A sensor) or in 16 channel expanded inputs (plus 3 phase base measurement)

Meter can be packaged inside circuit breaker frame/enclosure, using voltage tap points for sensing, logic power and PLC comm. Point of use measurement as well; low cost serial communication









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ANL submeter provides a robust, low-cost, secure platform for DER Communications & Control (C&C)

Amzur Technologies provides an open source cloud-based DER management services suit via IEEE 2030.5 (SEP 2.0), Orange Button APIs and ANL submeter.

Target customers – Distribution System Operators, solar PV service providers, and property portfolio managers.



Dashboard easily tailored to specific Use Cases



Past 30 days usage: Top 5 Circuits

Open Source

Sites Past 30 Days Usage 🛅

- Easily customizable
- Green Button data format
- Orange Button API to submeter

Name	Kwh	Kwh Sq. Ft.	Cost	Cost Sq. Ft.
AMI Outfitters - Sears Cottage	497.14	0.46	50.71	0.05
Bob Brown Art	225.28	0.38	22.98	0.04
HGV Campus	275.16	0	28.07	0
Hometown Desserts	3792.24	3.79	386.81	0.39
Libby's Island Jewelry - Thelmas-by-the-Sea	607.24	0.38	61.94	0.04
Pilsbury Office	1196.71	1.2	122.06	0.12
Rosedale Cafe	4186.9	1.49	427.06	0.15
Thelmas-by-the-Sea Residence	1034.49	0.86	105.52	0.09



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Thank You

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Submeter Process Capabilities/Functions:

- Energy/cost allocation between tenants or departments
- Time-of-use metering for specific end uses (e.g. EV charging)
- Identification of concurrent loads for peak demand reduction
- Load disaggregation by branch circuit; better end-use analytics
- Multi-site load aggregation and real-time historical monitoring of consumption patterns for negotiating lower energy rates
- Measurement and Verification (M&V) of energy retrofits to meet utility incentive accounting reqs; ->advanced buildings controls
- Identifying system scheduling or operator errors
- Enabling ongoing/continuous equipment commissioning through monitoring of changes equipment energy consumption
- Fault detection and diagnostics via electrical signature analysis

