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 - Linh Truong - National Renewable Energy Laboratory
- ✓ Presentations
 - Tim Merrigan - National Renewable Energy Laboratory
 - Chrissi Antonopoulos – Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
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- ✓ Closing Remarks

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Advanced Technical Solutions for Zero
Energy Ready Homes:
Renewable Integration

Tim Merrigan, Senior Project Leader, National Renewable Energy Laboratory



Tim joined NREL in 1999. His research focuses on building-integrated renewables, solar water heating technology development, PV/thermal system development, and integrated solar heating and cooling systems.

Prior to joining NREL, Tim was with the Florida Solar Energy Center for 20 years, conducting research in solar thermal systems and building energy efficiency. Tim served as the chair of the ASHRAE Technical Committee for Solar Energy Utilization, served as the chair of the Standards Committee for the Solar Rating & Certification Corporation (SRCC), and was on the Board of Directors for the Colorado Solar Energy Industries Association (COSEIA).

Chrissi Antonopoulos, Senior Project Leader, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory



Chrissi Antonopoulos joined PNNL's Portland office in 2010 and has worked on a broad range of projects ranging from green buildings, residential energy efficiency, appliance efficiency standards and smart grid development. Chrissi is currently an Energy Research Scientist working with the Energy Technology Market Adoption Team to enhance the presence of green technologies in the commercial marketplace. Current work includes analysis of green building technology diffusion in the commercial building sector, valuation of energy efficient residential homes, and website development for energy efficient programs. Chrissi has lead research tasks focusing on code development for renewable energy technologies, and market forecasting of green building in the commercial sector. Chrissi has a B.S. in Business Administration, and a Master's of Urban Studies with a focus on energy technologies and sustainable development, from Portland State University. She is an active member of local energy efficiency organizations including Oregon BEST, and the Northwest Environmental Business Council, and has been an invited speaker to the American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy, Summer Study on Energy Efficiency in Buildings.



Advanced Technical Solutions for Zero Energy Ready Homes: Renewable Integration

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Zero Energy Ready Home

A Zero Energy Ready Home (ZERH) is a high-performance home that is so energy efficient, that a renewable energy system can offset all or most of its annual energy consumption.

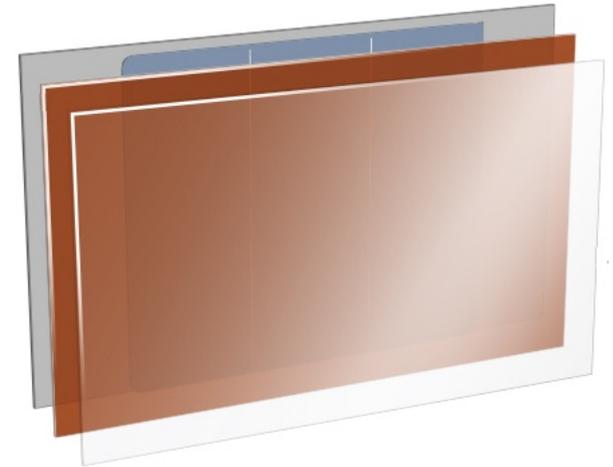
ZERH program builders have requested guidance on designing for the future integration of renewable technologies as well as ensuring that they will be installed in accordance with code and utility requirements. This project addresses this ZERH program need.



Webinar Outline

- Building-applied PV vs. Building-integrated PV (BIPV)
- Current U.S. BIPV Products
- Historical BIPV Price Premium
- BIPV Cost Analysis
- BIPV Cost-competitive Potential
- BIPV Performance
- BIPV Code Acceptance Criteria
- BIPV Glass Applications
- BIPV Summary

Tesla Solar Roof Unveiling – Oct. 28,



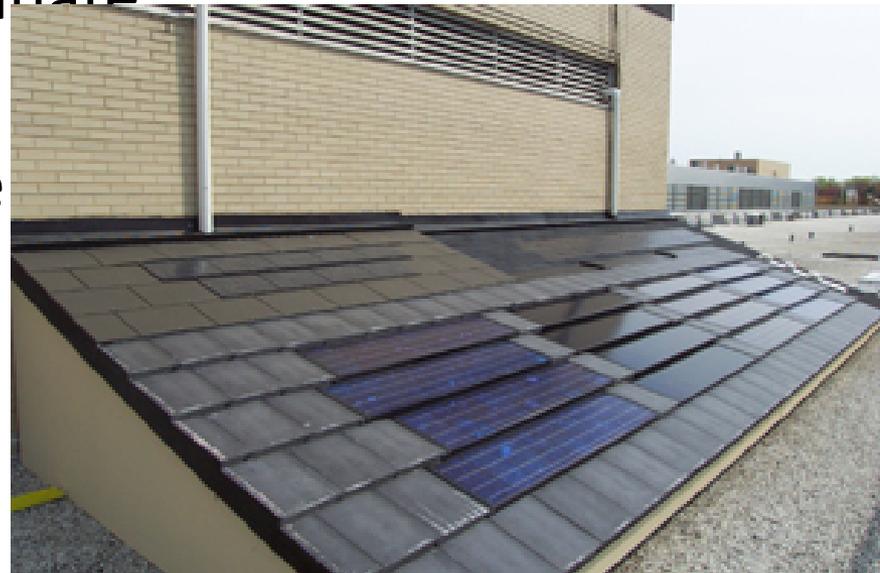
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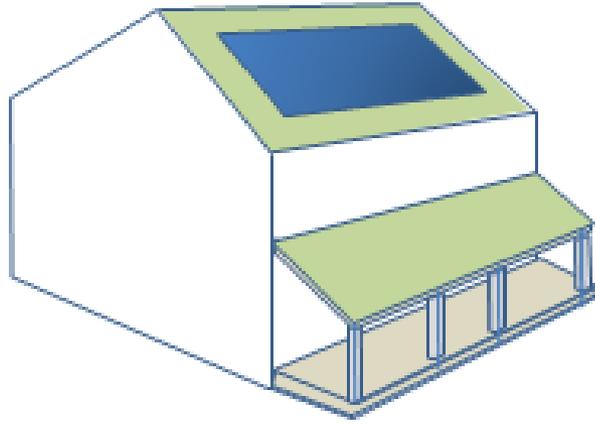
Discontinued PV Roof Integration Products

- Applied Solar – PV tile
- Astropower / GE Energy – PV tile
- BP Solar Energy Tile
- Dow Solar Powerhouse Solar System 2.0 – PV shingle
- ECD/Unisolar – flexible a-Si laminate
- Solexel (with Owens Corning) – PV shingle
- SoloPower – flexible CIGS laminate
- Open Energy SolarSave tile
- Powerlight /SunPower SunTile
- SRS Energy / Sole Powertile
- Sharp Solar – PV tile
- Suntech SolarBlend Roof Tile

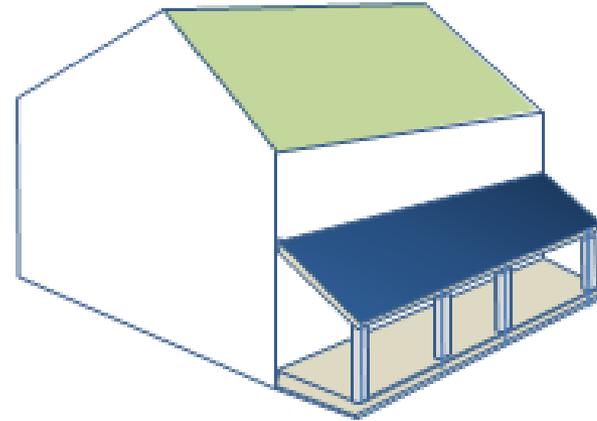
NIST Residential Roof Photovoltaic Test Facility (2006)



Building-applied PV (BAPV) vs.



PV Mounted on Roof



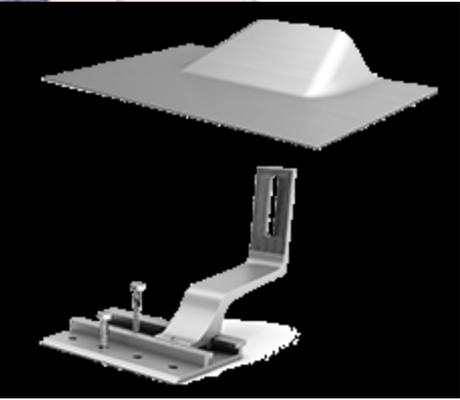
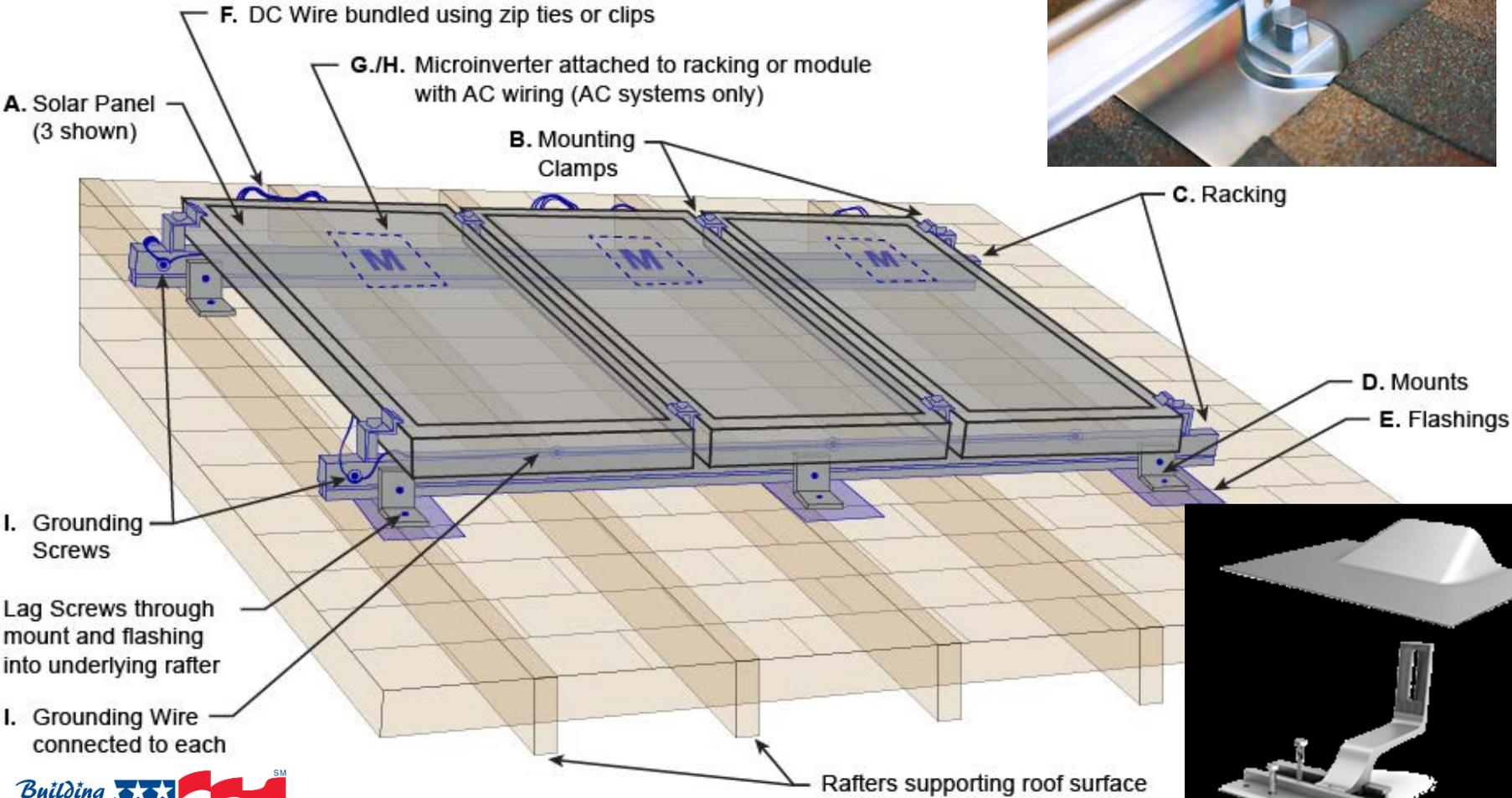
PV Integrated into Front or Rear Porch Roof
Directly on Porch Framing

Conventional PV System Installation vs. Integrated PV Porch Roof

(Source: Sam Rashkin, DOE BTO)



Stand-off Mounted BAPV



BAPV: Rail-Less Stand-off Mounting



Module-Integrated

Andalay Solar

Spine

Universal Rail-Less



BIPV Roofing Tiles and Solar Shingles



BIPV Products – Roofing shingles and roofing tiles

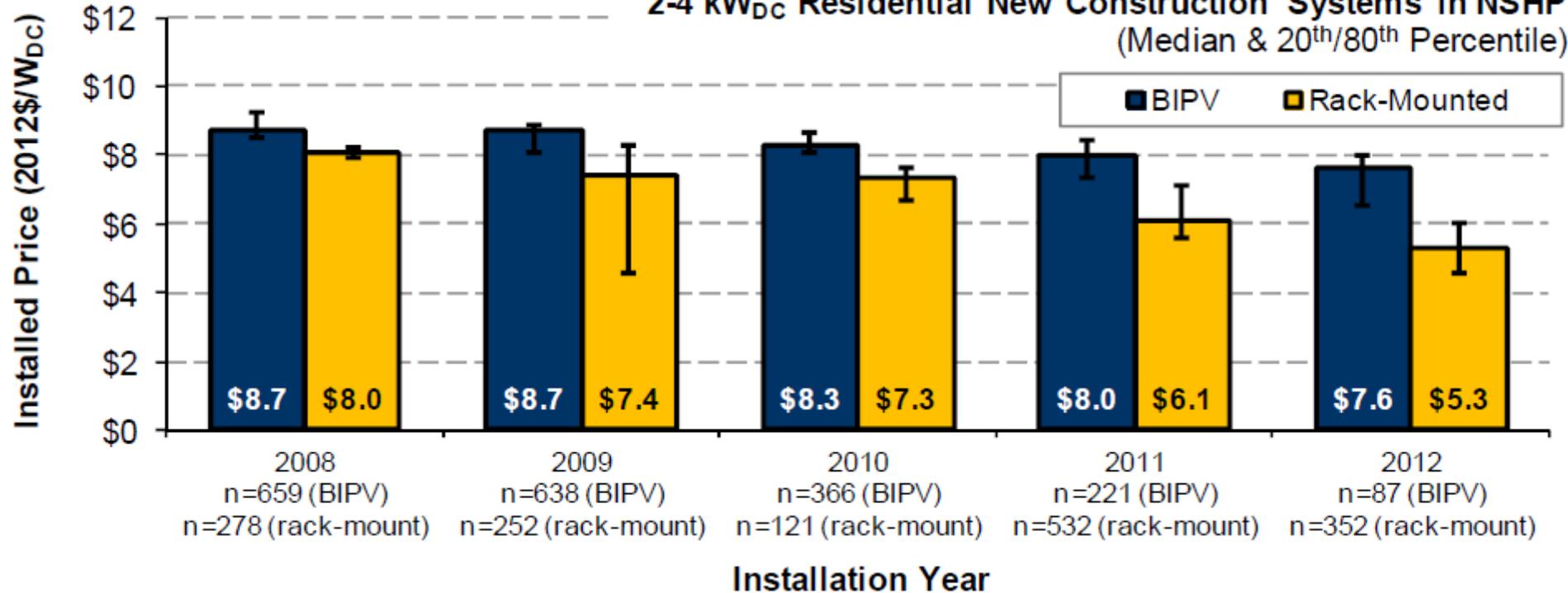
Company	Model	BIPV Type	Size (Length x Width)	Weight (lbs) (lbs per 100 sq. ft.)	PV Type	Power @ STC (Watts)	Temp Coefficient @ P _{mp} (% per C)	Nominal Operating Cell Temp (C)	Frame / Color	ASTM D3161 Wind Resistance	UL 790 Fire Rating	Impact Resistance (hail diameter)	Warranty (years @ rated W)
Atlantis Energy Systems	Sunlates6	Slate tile	19.625" x 14.5"	14.4 (730 lbs per square)	mc-Si	23	-0.108 (?)	51.2	Black frame /Blue	125 mph	Class A		20
Atlantis Energy Systems	TallSlate	Slate tile	47.25" x 12.125"	17	mc-Si	42			Black frame /Blue	125 mph	Class A		20
BIPV Inc.	BIPV050, 052, 054	Shingle, tile			pc-Si	50, 52, 54							
CertainTeed (Saint-Gobain)	Apollo II Tile	Tile	47" x 17.25"	13 (307 lbs per square)	mc-Si	60	-0.45	53.5	Brown frame / black cells	Class F (150 mph)	Class A		25
CertainTeed (Saint-Gobain)	Apollo II	Shingle	46.75" x 17.625"	12	mc-Si	60	-0.45	55.6	Black / black cells	Class F (150 mph)	Class A		25
Englert	SunNet	Metal roofing			Thin-film	68, 136, 144							
Global Solar / Hanergy	PowerFLEX BIPV	Flexible module	1.6'x6.6', 12.8', 8.7'	(68 lbs per square)	CIGS	90 - 300	-0.430		Frameless / Green				25 @ 80% W
SunTegra (Integrated Solar Technology)	SunTegra	Tile	52.75" x 15.875"	15 (300 lbs per square)	mc-Si	64, 67	-0.420	57	Black, gray, brown frame	110 mph	Class A	25 mm @ 25 m/s	25
SunTegra (Integrated Solar Tech)	SunTegra	Shingle	52.625" x 23.125"	18 (250 lbs per square)	mc-Si	95, 100	-0.420	55		130 mph	Class A	25 mm @ 23 m/s	25
Luma Resources	LRSS	Shingle	54.37" x 15.62"	19.8	pc-Si	60	-0.37		Black / Blue cells		Class A		25 @ 80% W
Lumeta	LPP-175S, LPP-185T	Shingle, Tile	3.28' x 3.94'	17.6	mc-Si	175, 185	-0.40	55 (+-2)	Frameless /Blue cells	120 mph	Class A		
Miasole / Hanergy	FLEX-02W, FLEX-02N, FLEX-02NL	Flexible module	102.3" x 39.4"	13.7	CIGS	340-380, 110-130, 265-305	-0.38				Class A (over TPO)		10
Modular Solar Roofing	Soltrak	Polymer Tile	15.1" x 15.3"	4.9 (360 lbs per square)	pc-Si	11.5			Light gray		Class C		
Solarmass	Ergosun	Tile	11.7" x 13.5"	(123 lbs per square)	mc-Si	15.3	-0.4	48	Custom			25 mm @ 25 m/s	

BIPV Roofing Tiles – Premier Homes, California



BIPV vs. Rack-mounted PV Prices – California

2-4 kW_{DC} Residential New Construction Systems in NSHP
(Median & 20th/80th Percentile)



Installed Price of BIPV vs. Rack-Mounted Systems in Residential New Construction
(Source: Barbose, Darghouth, Weaver, and Wisser, "Tracking the Sun VI," LBNL-6350E)

BIPV Cost Analysis

Scenarios Used to Analyze Residential Rooftop PV System Prices

(Source: James, Goodrich, Woodhouse, Margolis, and Ong, NREL/TP-6A20-53103)

Scenario	Technology	Form	Efficiency	Module Area (m ²)
PV Reference Case	c-Si	Rigid	14.5%	1.28
BIPV Derivative Case	c-Si	Rigid	13.8%	0.58
BIPV Thin-film Case 1	CIGS	Rigid	11.2%	0.58
BIPV Thin-film Case 2	a-Si	Flexible	5.8%	0.58

BIPV Derivative Case Material Costs and Labor Requirements

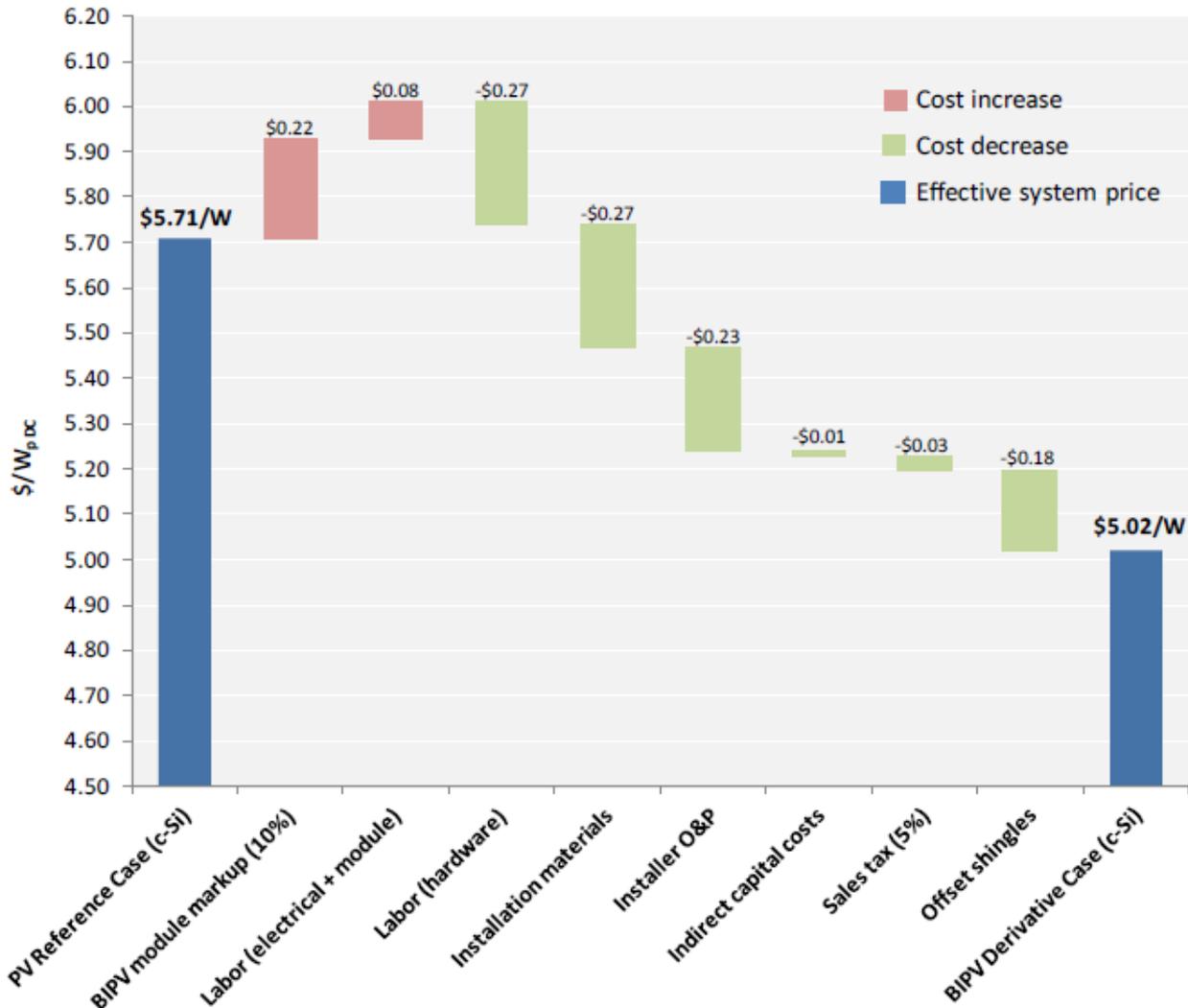
Material Category	Component costs (\$/W)	Installation labor allocation requirements			
		Units	Units/system	Electrical (hours/unit)	General (hours/unit)
Module	2.37*	Modules	68		0.07
Inverter	\$0.42	Inverters	1	4	2
Wiring	\$0.07	Linear feet (ft)	541†	0.05	
Other electrical‡	\$0.17	Electrical subsystem	1	4.5	
Mounting hardware	\$0.00	Module racks	0		0
Total materials cost	\$3.03				
Total installation labor requirements				35.6	6.8

* Ex-factory gate price (\$1.95/W, 2010 Photon) + retail margin (10%) + BIPV mark-up (10%) = \$2.37/W

† Total wiring (541 ft) = home run wiring (141 ft) + row to combiner wiring (400 ft)

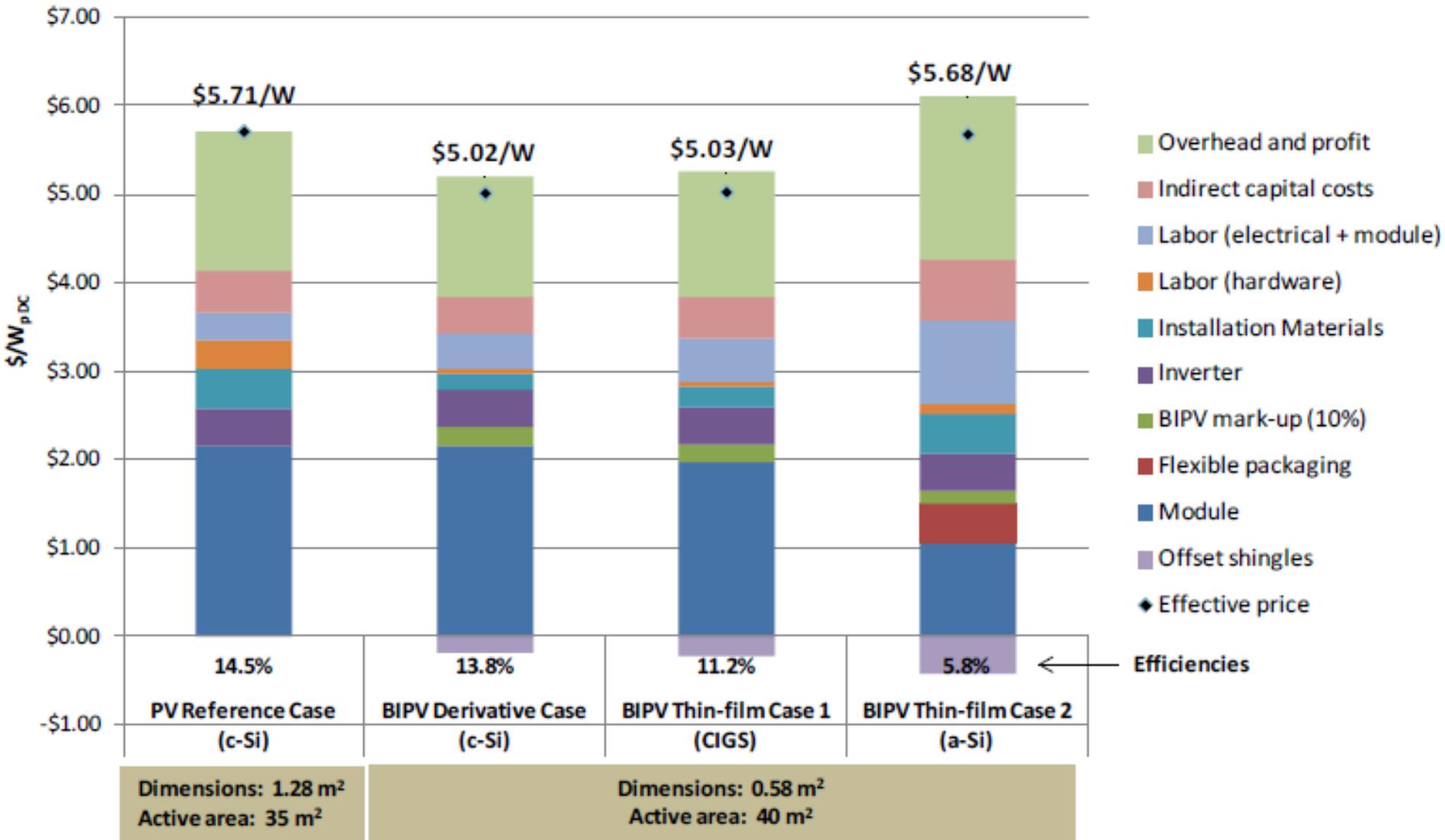
‡ "Other electrical" includes: meter, system monitor, and disconnects.

BIPV Cost Analysis



Price differences between the rack-mounted PV Reference Case and the BIPV Derivative Case
(Source: James, Goodrich, Woodhouse, Margolis, and Ong, NREL/TP-6A20-53103)

BIPV Cost Analysis



Price Comparison of PV Reference Case and 3 BIPV Cases

(Source: James, Goodrich, Woodhouse, Margolis, and Ong, NREL/TP-6A20-53103)

BIPV Performance – PV cell temperatures

PV Module Mounting Configuration

- Free standing (open ground-mounted rack)
- Roof-mounted (stand-off mount above the roof)
- Roof-integrated (no backside ventilation)

Typical Operating Cell Temperature

20-35 C above ambient

30-40 C above ambient

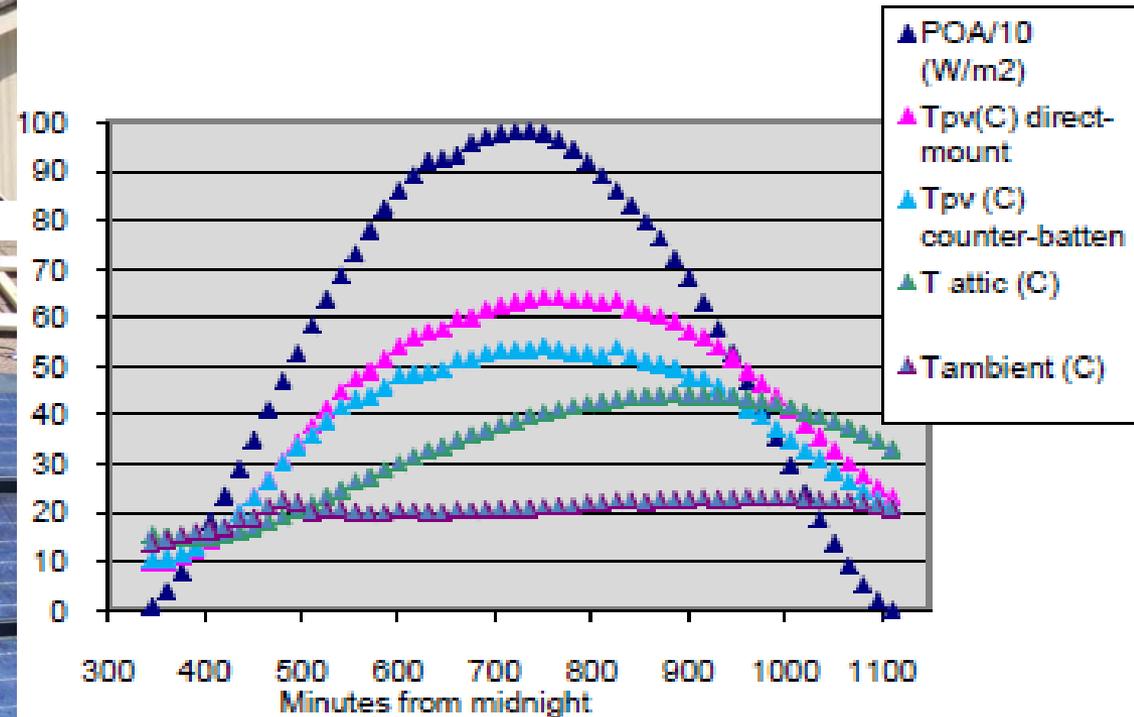
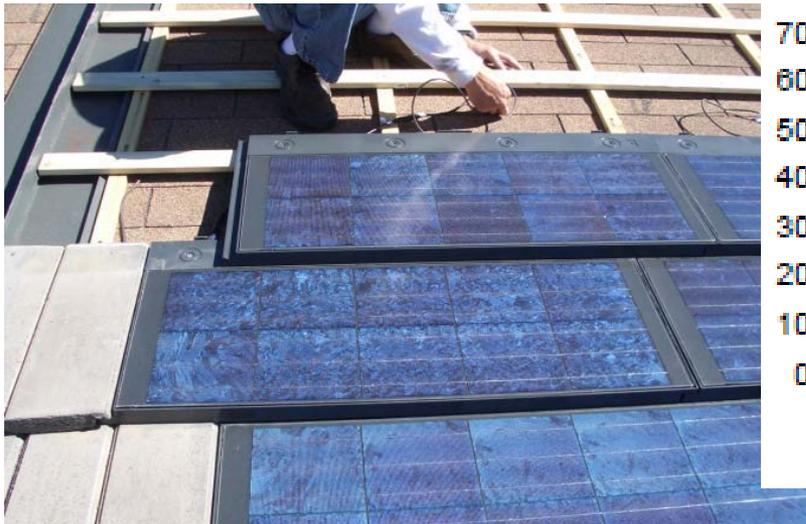
40-50 C above ambient



BIPV Performance – Roofing tiles

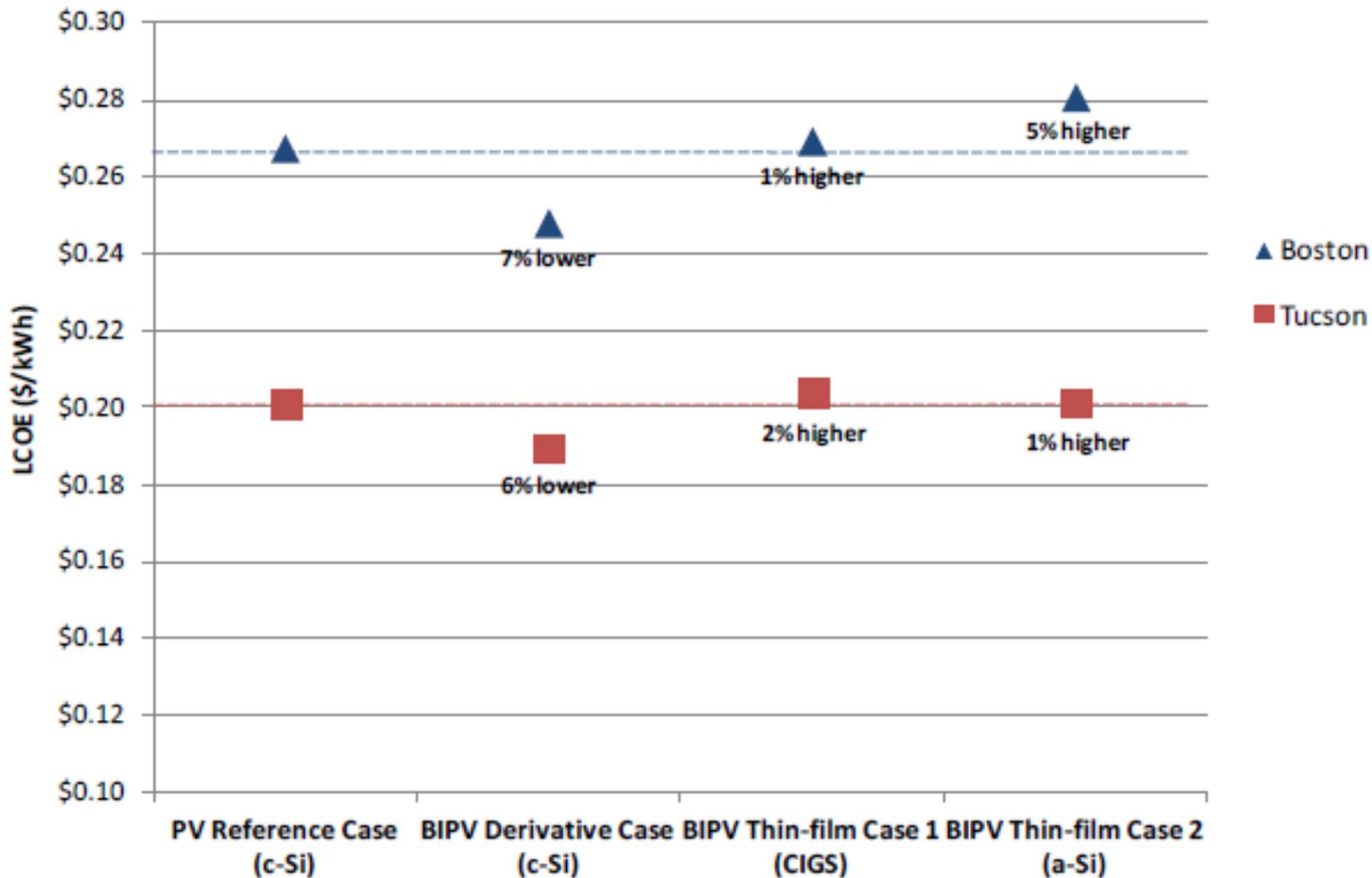


Ventilated counter-batten installation produced 3.4% more direct current (DC) power than the direct-mount installation



Source: Muller, Rodriquez, and Marion,
NREL/CP-520-45948

BIPV Levelized Cost of Energy (LCOE)



LCOE of PV Reference Case and 3 BIPV Cases

(Source: James, Goodrich, Woodhouse, Margolis, and Ong, NREL/TP-6A20-53103)

BIPV Code Acceptance Criteria

ICC Evaluation Service AC365

“Acceptance Criteria for Building-Integrated Photovoltaic (BIPV) Roof Covering Systems”

Scope: This criteria is applicable to BIPV roof modules, shingles and panels, complying with UL 1703, used in roof covering systems. The electrical safety requirements and solar energy performance of the BIPV roof modules, shingles and panels are outside the scope of this criteria.

TEST AND PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

3.1.1 Fire Classification Test

3.1.2 Wind Resistance

3.1.3 Wind-driven Rain

3.1.4 Durability

3.1.4.1.1 Impact Resistance

3.1.4.1.2 Temperature Cycling Test

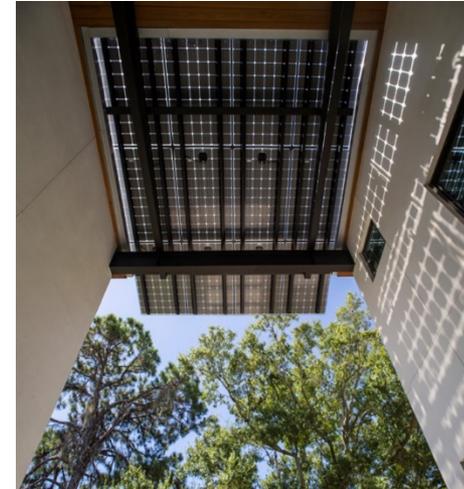
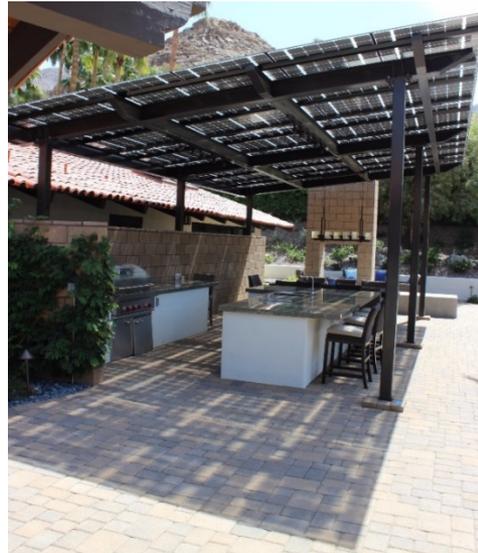
3.1.4.1.3 Humidity Test



PV Awning



BIPV Porch Cover and Entrance Canopy



(Source: Lumos Solar)

BIPV Products – Semi-transparent PV glass

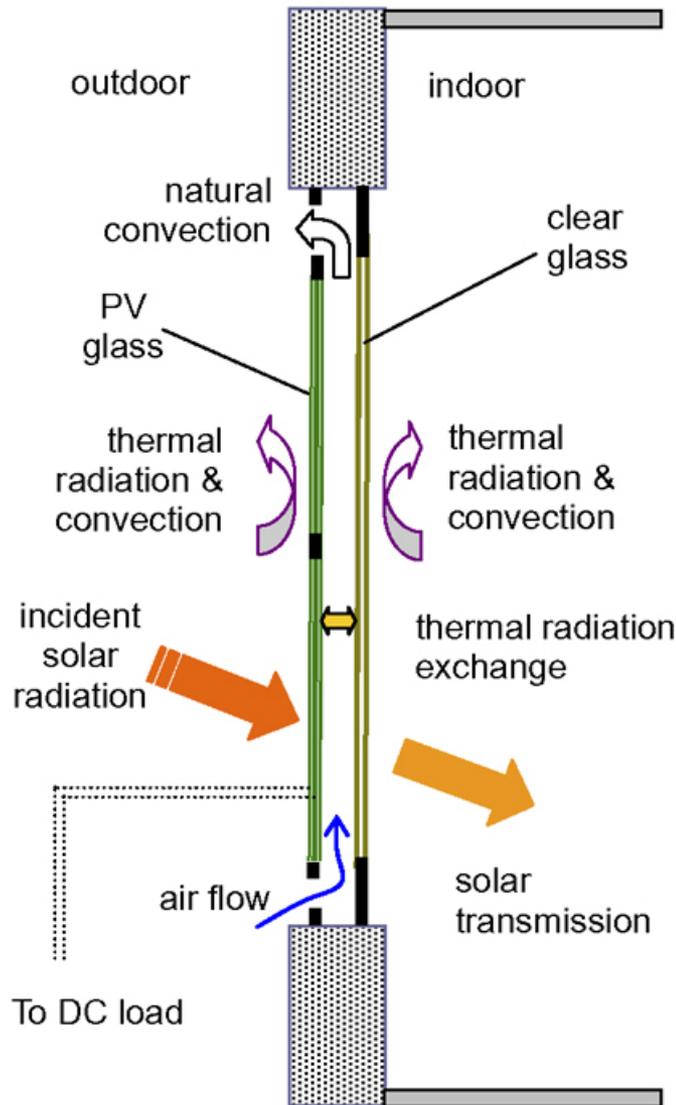
Company (HQ Location)	Model	BIPV Type	PV Technology	Power @ STC (Watts)	Light Transmittance (%)	Impact Resistance (hail diameter)	Availability (if not off- the-shelf)	Warranty (years @ rated W)
Atlantis Energy Systems	PV Skylight	Frameless glass-on-glass	pc-Si, mc-Si	120 - 125	7 – 50 (Custom)			10 (80%)
Brite Solar (Greece)	PanePower (Solar Windows)		Dye- sensitized solar cells					
Lumos Solar (USA)	LSX Module System	Frameless glass-on-glass	mc-Si	245 - 260	10 (Landscape) 12 (Portrait)	2 inch (FM 4473 Class 4)		12 (90%) 25 (80%)
Onyx Solar (Spain)	PV Glass	Frameless glass-on-glass	a-Si, CIS, CIGS, mc-Si, pc-Si		10, 20, 30			
Panasonic (Japan)	HIT (bifacial) Double 225	Glass-on-glass / Al frame module	Hetero- junction mc- Si w/ thin a-Si layer	190 - 330			Special order	10 (90%) 25 (80%)
Polysolar (UK)	PV Glazing	Frameless glass-on-glass	a-Si, CdTe, c- Si	85 - 135				5 – 10 (90%)
Prism Solar	PV glass (bifacial)	Frameless glass-on-glass	mc-Si	286 – 298, 362 - 375				
Sapa Solar		Glass-on-glass	a-Si, mc-Si, pc-Si					
Solaria	PV Window	IGU (glass-on- glass)	CIGS				Pre- commercial	
Stion	Elevation	Frameless glass-on-glass	CIGS	135 - 155				10 (90%) 25 (80%)
Sunpreme	Bifacial thin-film	Frameless glass-on-glass	Hybrid cell technology	310 - 370				10 (product) 5 (95%)

BIPV Porch Roof



All of the 962-ft² porch roof is comprised of 69 solar panels that don't sit on top of the roof; they are the roof. The completely watertight structure allows about 15% of natural light to filter through the panels, lighting the space below. All wiring is hidden within the canopy's aluminum support beams.

Insulated Glass Unit with PV glass



Semi-transparent PV glass has recently been used as the outside layer of an insulated glass unit for building facades. By ventilating the airspace between the outside and inside layers of the IGU, SHGCs less than 0.15 were measured along with a visible light transmittance of 7% for an experimental IGU utilizing semi-transparent a-Si thin film.

(Source: Peng, Curcija, Lu, Selkowitz, Yang, and Zhang, "Numerical investigation of the energy saving potential of a semi-transparent photovoltaic double-skin façade in a cool-summer Mediterranean climate," *Applied Energy* 165 (2016))

BIPV Summary

- Historical BIPV Price Premium. While aesthetically pleasing, BIPV roofing systems historically have had at least a 10 percent price premium over typical rack-mounted PV systems in new residential construction.
- BIPV Performance. Because residential BIPV roofing products operate at higher temperatures than typical rack-mounted PV modules, they produce 3 to 5% less energy on an annual basis than a comparably-sized rack-mounted system.
- BIPV Increased Modularity. Because BIPV roofing products typically come in smaller module sizes than rack-mounted PV modules, any small annual energy difference can easily be compensated for by increased system area.
- BIPV Cost-competitive Potential. By eliminating PV module mounting hardware and from offsetting the cost of traditional roofing materials, both c-Si BIPV shingles and CIGS thin-film BIPV systems have the potential to be competitive with rack mounted PV on a LCOE basis.
- BIPV Glass Applications. Semi-transparent BIPV glass has been used sparingly for porch and patio covers in residential construction, but its use is becoming more common to provide daylighting in commercial and institutional buildings. Typical visible light transmittance for semi-transparent BIPV glass is 10 to 15 percent.
- BIPV Installation. Most residential BIPV roofing products have undergone testing and evaluation to the International Code Council's "Acceptance Criteria for Building-Integrated Photovoltaic (BIPV) Roof Covering Systems." Another installation consideration for BIPV products that are mounted directly on the roof sheathing is that they typically do not allow for the use of module-level power electronics like microinverters and DC power optimizers.

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1,915 ft²
3 bedrm, 2 bath
2 floors
marina climate
\$237,460 w/o land

HERS -1
This home's score is 1. This home is a net zero energy home. 100 = typical new code home. 130 = average existing home.

-\$94 Average monthly energy bill!

\$2,677 saved per year
\$13,363 saved over 30 yr. (mortgage)
Annual electricity savings of \$0.25/kWh.
PV credit: \$0.10/kWh. *Please see why fast customer info per 2014 US Annual Energy Review.

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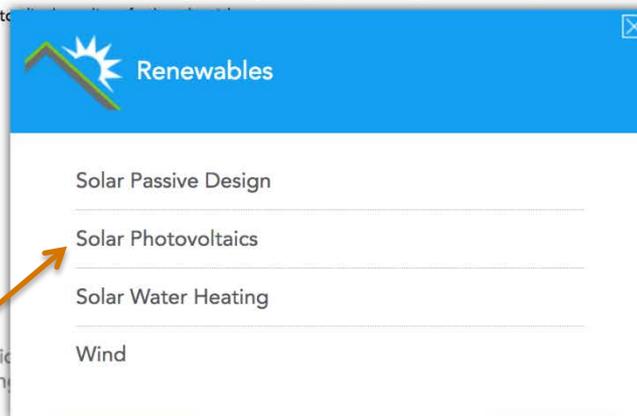
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