



*Better Buildings Residential Network
Peer Exchange Call Series*

Residential Storage – An Essential Piece of the Climate Puzzle

November 9, 2023

Agenda and Ground Rules

- Moderator
 - **Jonathan Cohen**, Better Buildings Residential Network, U.S. DOE Residential Buildings Integration Program (RBI)
- Agenda Review and Ground Rules
- Residential Network Overview and Upcoming Call Schedule
- Opening Poll
- Featured Speakers
 - **Jason Finkelstein**, McKinsey & Company
 - **Imre Gyuk**, U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)
 - **Benjamin Shrager**, U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)
 - **Meredith Roberts**, Generac Power Systems, Inc.
- Open Discussion
- Closing Poll and Announcements

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- 12/14: *The Potential of Whole-Home Lighting Systems and Low-Voltage Homes*
- 1/11: [TBA](#)

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Residential Energy Storage

“Residential Storage – An Essential Piece of the Climate Puzzle”

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Jason the **global leader of our distributed generation service line**



He has supported clients all over the world in topics related to distributed generation across a variety of strategic, growth, and operational topics

We projected significant growth in residential storage in 2018 and the market has grown in line with expectations

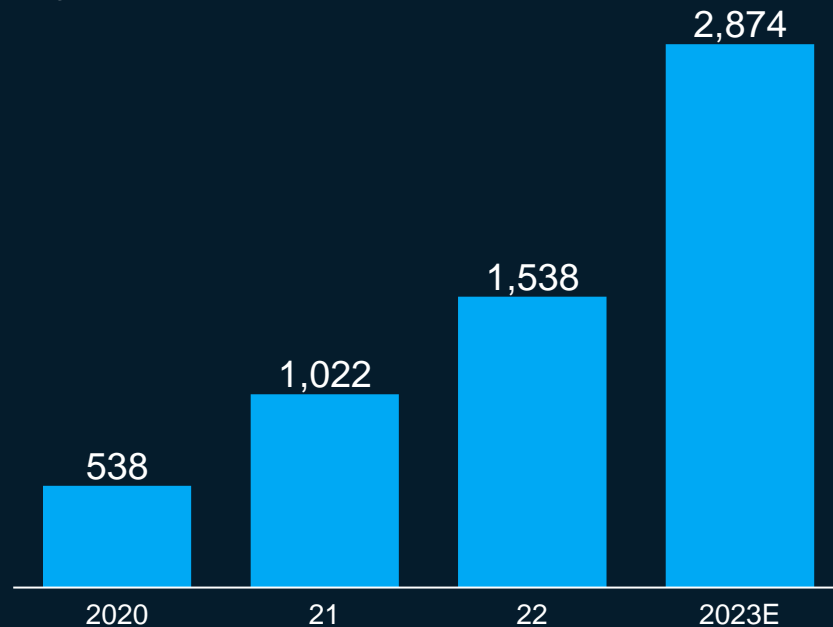
What we predicted in 2018²:

Projected annual US residential energy-storage installations, Megawatt-hours



What has actually happened:

Actual US residential energy-storage installations¹, Megawatt-hours



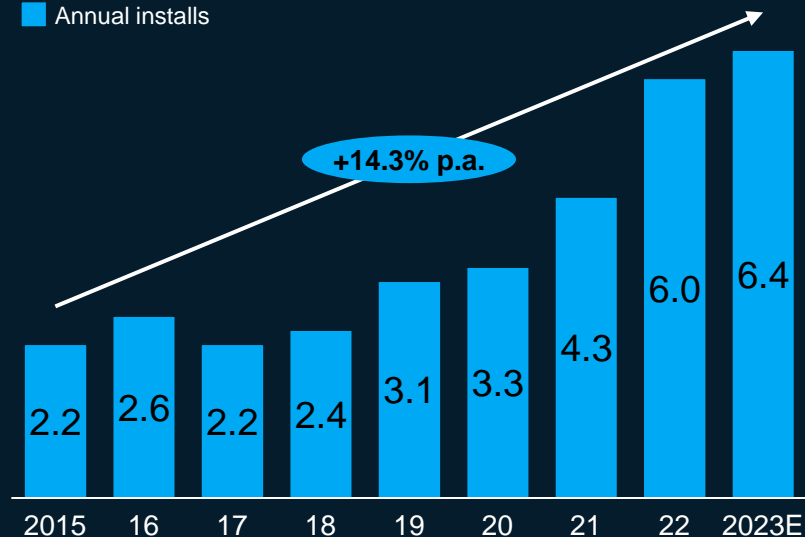
1. Wood Mackenzie, US Energy Storage Monitor Q3, 2023

2. "How residential energy storage could help support the power grid," McKinsey & Company.

While the underlying resi solar market has grown meaningfully, it has been outpaced by the resi battery storage market

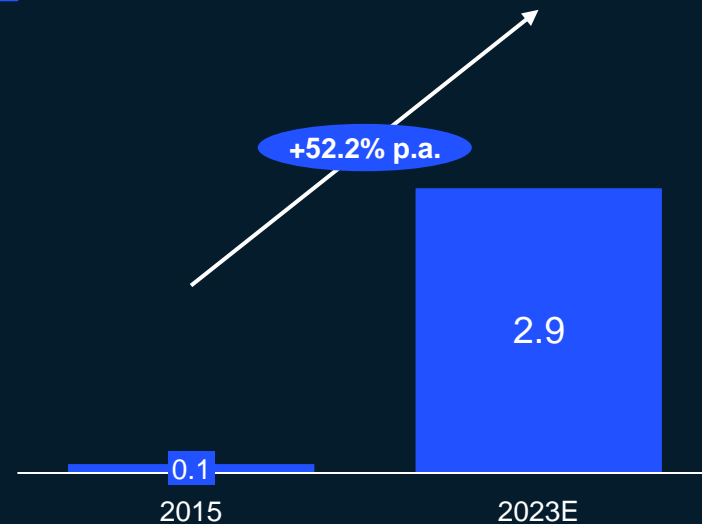
Market size, residential installs, GWp

■ Annual installs



Annual US residential energy-storage installs¹, Gigawatt-hours

■ Annual installs



Vast majority of residential battery storage systems are sold in conjunction with solar

The US residential storage market is driven by four key factors



















Solar industry



Storage industry

Deep dive to follow

Key drivers	Impact	Sector impacted	Rationale
 System cost decline & LCOE reductions		 	<p>Solar costs have historically decreased 4% p.a. from 2015 to 2020; decline is expected moving forward, albeit at a lower rate</p> <p>Storage costs have fallen 7% p.a. from 2015 to 2020, and are expected to continue to decline as the manufacturing scales and installation techniques improve</p> <p>CapEx declines have positive implications on solar and storage adoption, as systems become more economic</p>
 Investment tax credit (ITC)		 	<p>The Inflation Reduction Act extended the Investment Tax Credit through 2033 – was set to expire in 2024</p>
 High & rising electricity costs		 	<p>Traditionally, high electric prices in markets like California and Hawaii have enhanced savings for homeowners in these states, which drove early adoption of systems</p> <p>Historically, electricity rates have risen at 1-2% per year (albeit with wide variance across markets), slowly improving the value proposition of solar</p>
 Net metering reform		 	<p>The change of net metering policies in some states has made stand alone solar less attractive as programs offer lower rates for the excess generation the systems produce</p> <p>This reform typically benefits self-consumption, significantly improving the business case for storage</p>

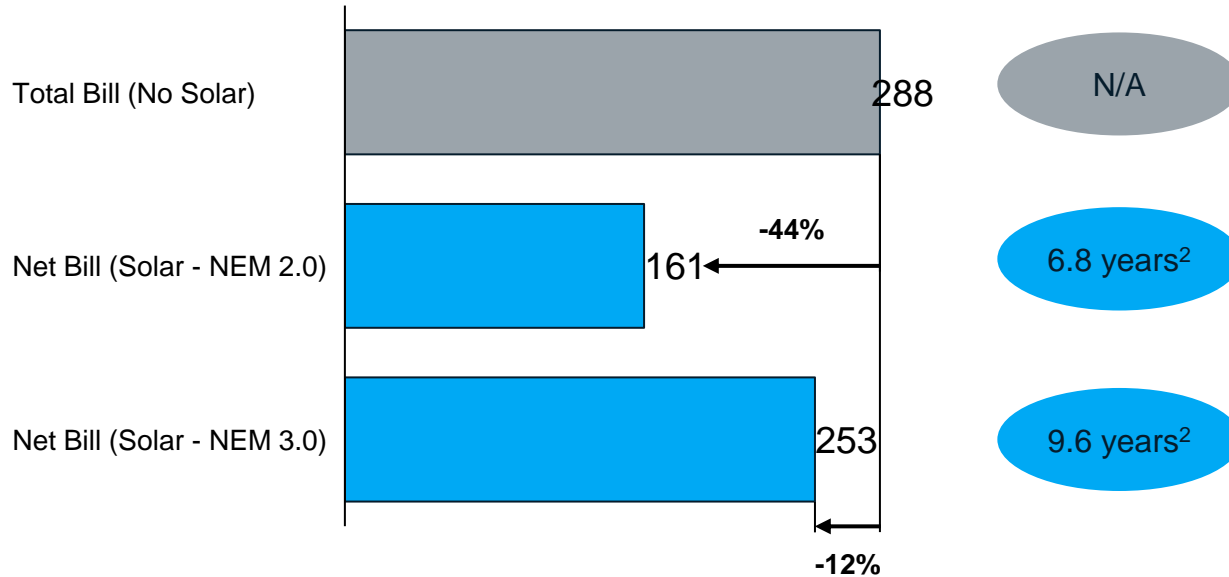
Net metering reform has changed the solar value proposition



Simplified Northern California example

Household electricity bill¹, \$ / month (annual average)

Solar Payback Period



NEM 3.0

Under NEM 2.0, solar owners received full retail credit for power exported to the grid – under **NEM 3.0, the credit is reduced by ~75%**

The decrease in export compensation leads to **higher monthly electricity bills for solar owners and a longer payback period**

- \$0.38 / kwh summer electricity price and \$0.29 / kwh winter price (PG&E average of 2021/2022 for through-cycle view); 0.7% annual retail rate escalation; bill for solar customers includes \$191 / month in solar system payments
- \$4.50 upfront cost per installed W, 7kW PV with no battery, 30 kWh/day household consumption

Modelled changes in economics based on NEM 3.0



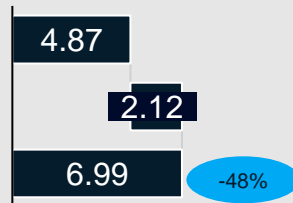
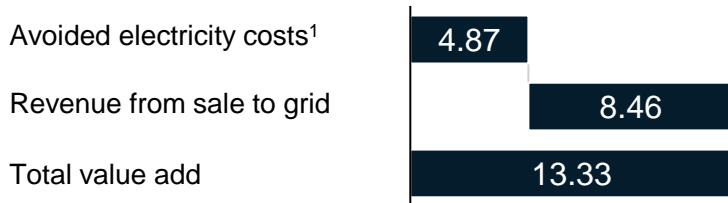
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xx Economic decline vs. NEM 2.0 Detailed next

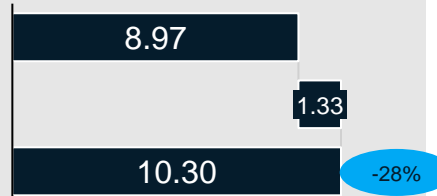
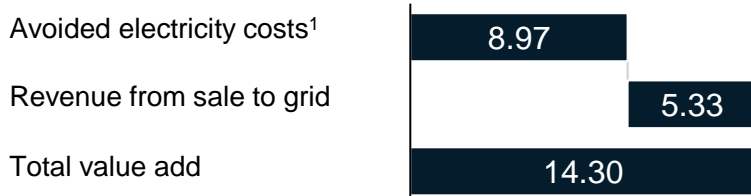
Economic value add, \$ / day NEM 2.0, export at retail rate

NEM 3.0, Sales to grid are 75% discount to retail rate

Solar only (7 kW PV only)



Solar plus storage (7 kW PV and 12 kWh battery)



Value add from battery

\$0.97

\$3.31

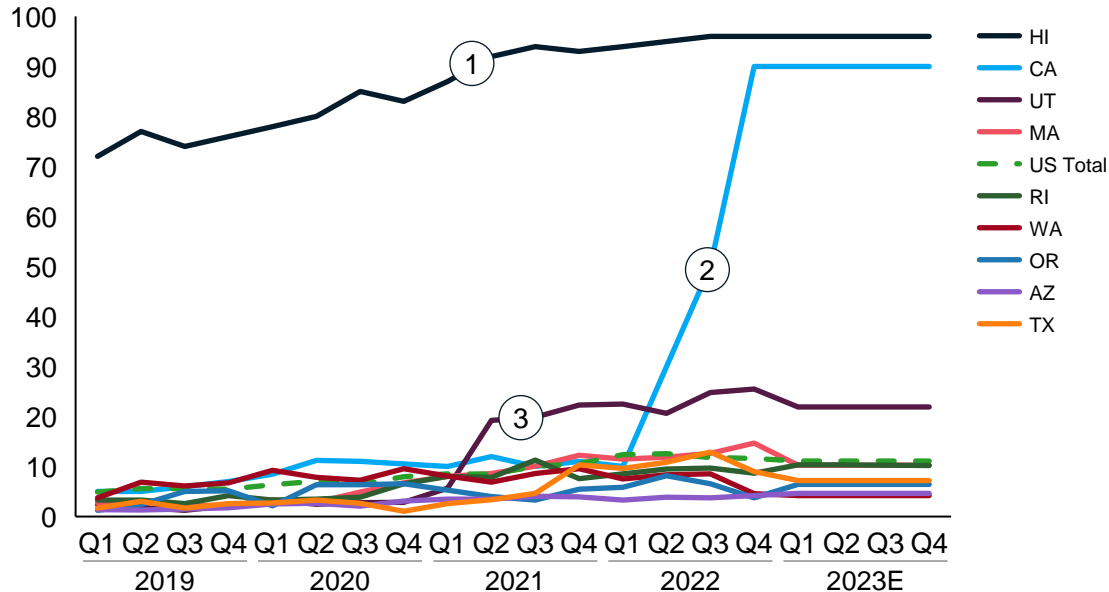
The economics of PV only and PV-plus-battery are **less favorable** under NEM 3.0

However, under NEM 3.0, the **incremental value of BTM storage is expected to grow** by roughly 3x

NEM 2.0 rules allowed owners to use the grid like a battery – using credits from exports to import later in the day – but this is no longer possible when export compensation is far below retail

The attach rates of batteries have seen significant upticks in certain markets

Projected annual US residential energy-storage installations¹, Megawatt-hours



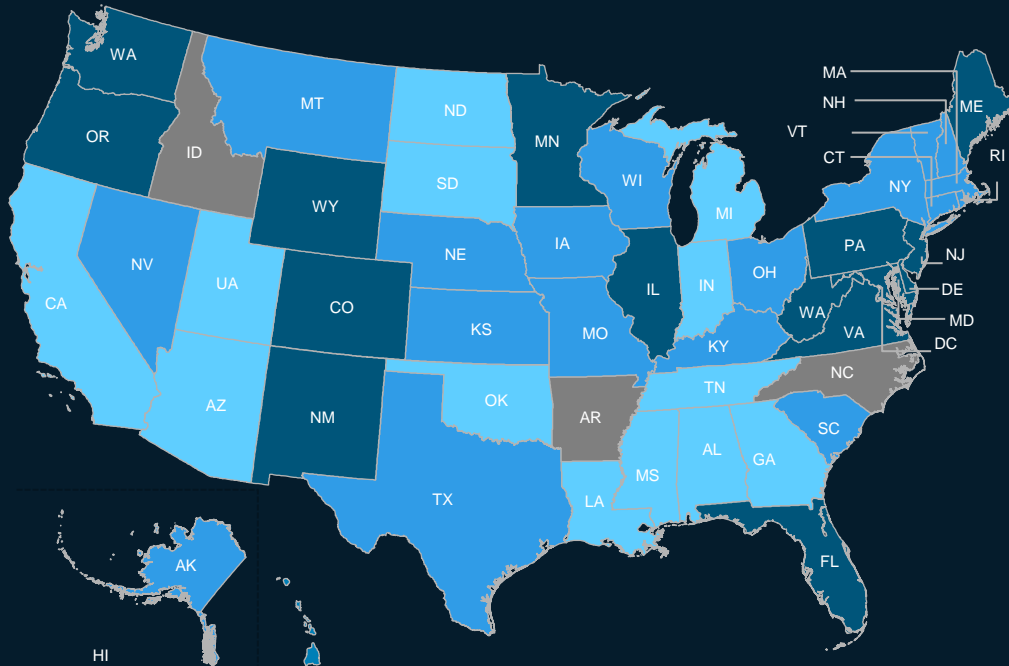
Changes in policy have had significant impacts on storage markets

1. Wood Mackenzie, US Energy Storage Monitor Q3, 2023

- 1 Hawaii has achieved high attachment rates after implementing net metering reform
- 2 California attachment rates have drastically increased in response to NEM 3.0 policy changes
- 3 Utah attachment rates have increased resulting from new virtual power plant (VPP) incentives and the decline of net metering where the state cut export rates by over 36%¹

This story could play out in other markets as residential solar penetration levels rise

State Net Metering Policies, June 2023



True metering

Full 1:1 retail rate compensation for power exported to the grid

No net metering

Compensation for exports below retail rates (e.g. net billing systems)

Modified net metering

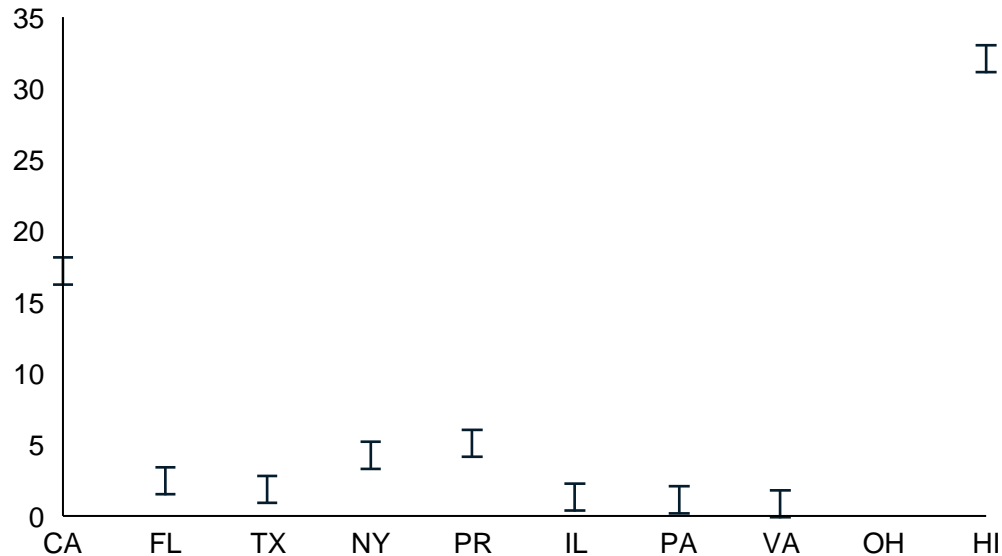
No state-wide rules, net metering policies vary by power provider (e.g., Texas)
Near net-metering but includes some additional charges for solar owners (e.g., New York)

Net metering set to end soon

Announced decisions to phase out net metering within the next year (e.g., North Carolina, Arkansas, Idaho)

CA and HI were well out ahead of the solar trend – as other markets catch-up they could look for batteries to help solve intermittency

Approximate US residential solar penetration rate by state (2022)¹, %



Current US solar **penetration rates are ~4-5%** leaving significant room for growth

High solar penetration can result in significant electricity generation during peak solar hours – creating a mismatch of when the power is needed and when it is generated

As solar penetration rates increase, batteries have been used as a tool to combat the integration of residential solar projects

Key Takeaways

Underlying attractiveness



The residential solar and storage market continues to be bolstered by powerful and generally persistent trends:

- Cost of electricity, in most markets, continues to rise
- Technology and installation costs have seen meaningful declines, with some bumps
- The Inflation Reduction Act and extension of the Investment Tax credit offered real regulatory tailwind

Energy Resilience



Residential storage plays a key role in resilience

- Many homeowners see enough value in this alone to choose to adopt
- Major weather events have been on the rise – with each passing event more and more customers will decide to turn to battery storage as an option to ensure reliability

Net Metering Reform



Net metering reform has encouraged self-consumption, leading batteries to take on a critical role in helping customers shift their electricity loads

- Hawaii and California both saw net metering reform drive up attachment rates into the ~90% territory

Questions?



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Fighting Climate Change and Poverty with Residential Energy Storage

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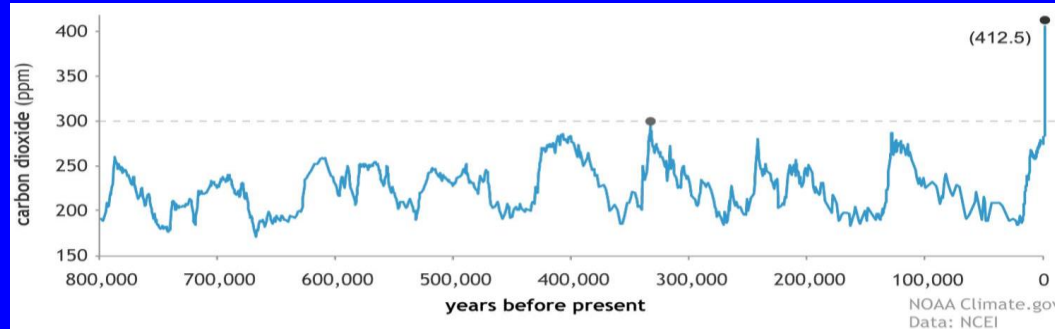


FLOODS

Floods and Droughts,
but also
Sea Level Rise, Coastal Erosion,
Reduced Crop Yield, Wild Fires,
and Health Impacts

Climate Change due to
Global Warming has Emerged
as a Paramount Issue - World Wide!

Burning Coal, Oil, Natural Gas: for our Electric Grid, Transportation, and Industry



800,000 years Atmospheric Carbon Dioxide

We must Decarbonize,
we must change
to Renewable Energy!

But Renewable Energy
is Variable.

It requires Energy Storage
to make it Dispatchable.

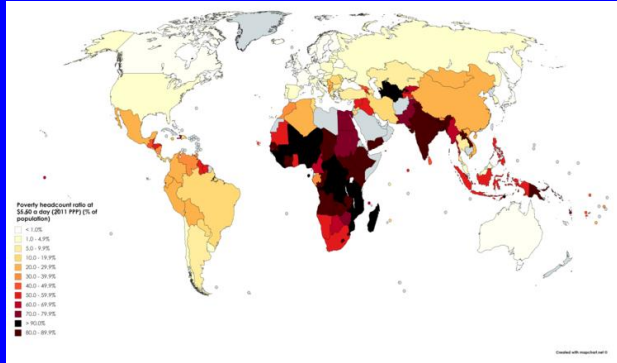
We will need Lots of it!

But Environmental Justice
is not everything.
There is also Social Justice!

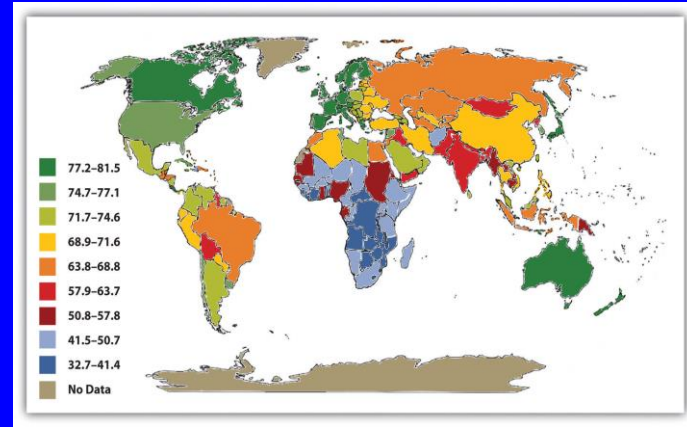
Decarbonization will entail
a vast Reorganization
Of the entire Electricity Industry.

It is important that we not
create or proliferate an “Energy Divide”
which finds less affluent communities
left behind!

World Poverty



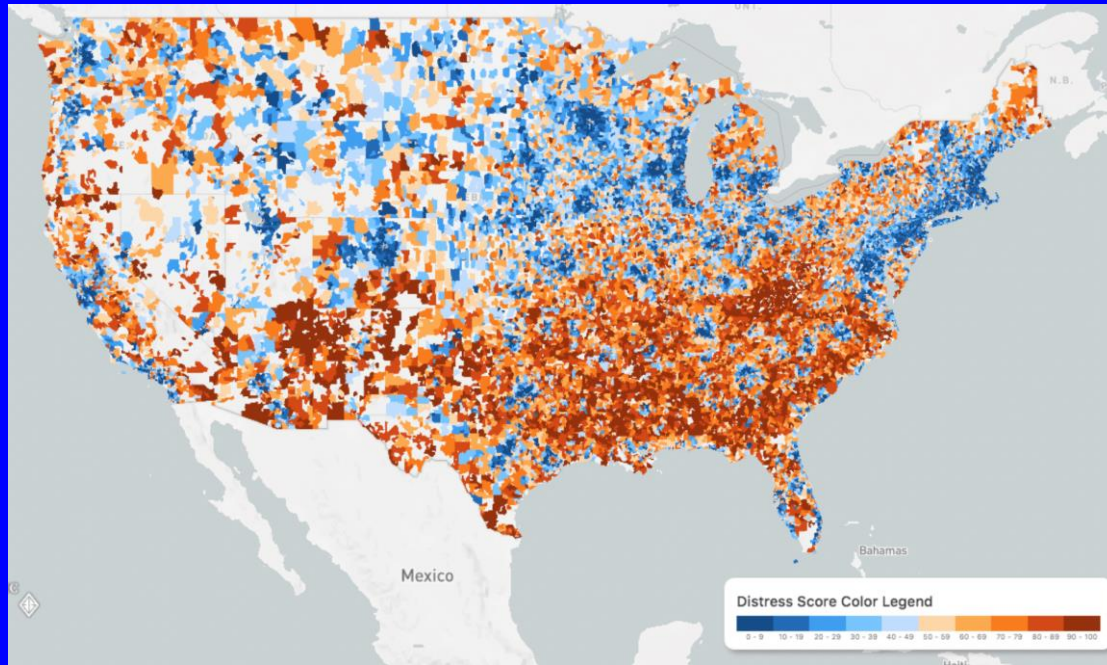
Population % with Earnings \geq \$5.50



Life Expectancy: 32.7 – 81.5 years

Correlated indices:

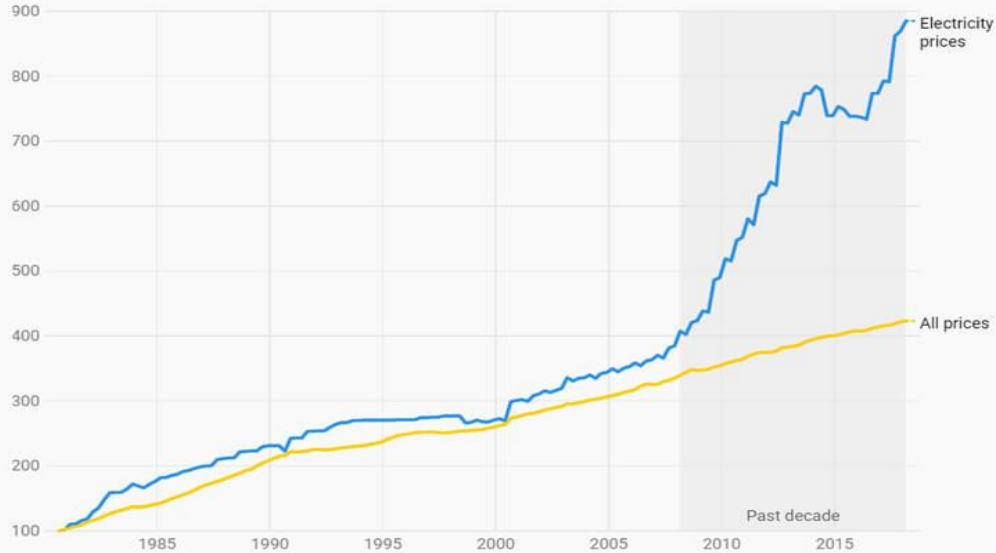
Earnings, Literacy, Health, Access to Energy,
Life Expectancy, Resilience to Disasters



Distressed Communities can be found throughout the U.S. (VT 1% - MS 40%)

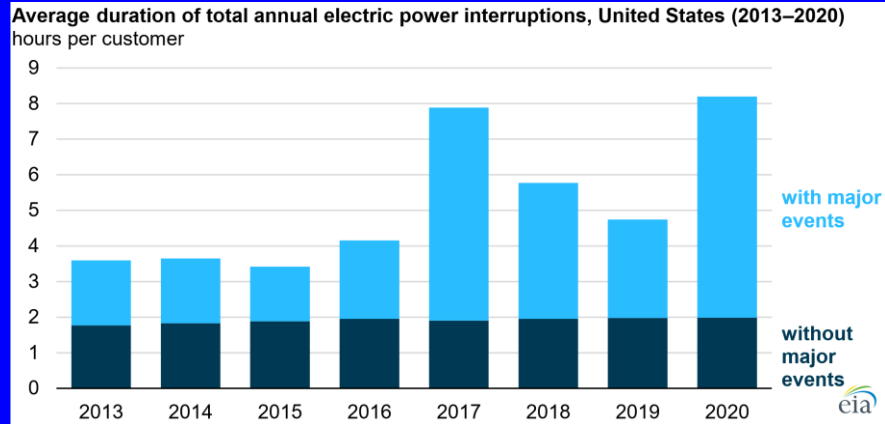
Electricity price trends

Quarterly change in consumer price index of electricity prices compared with all prices since September 1980.



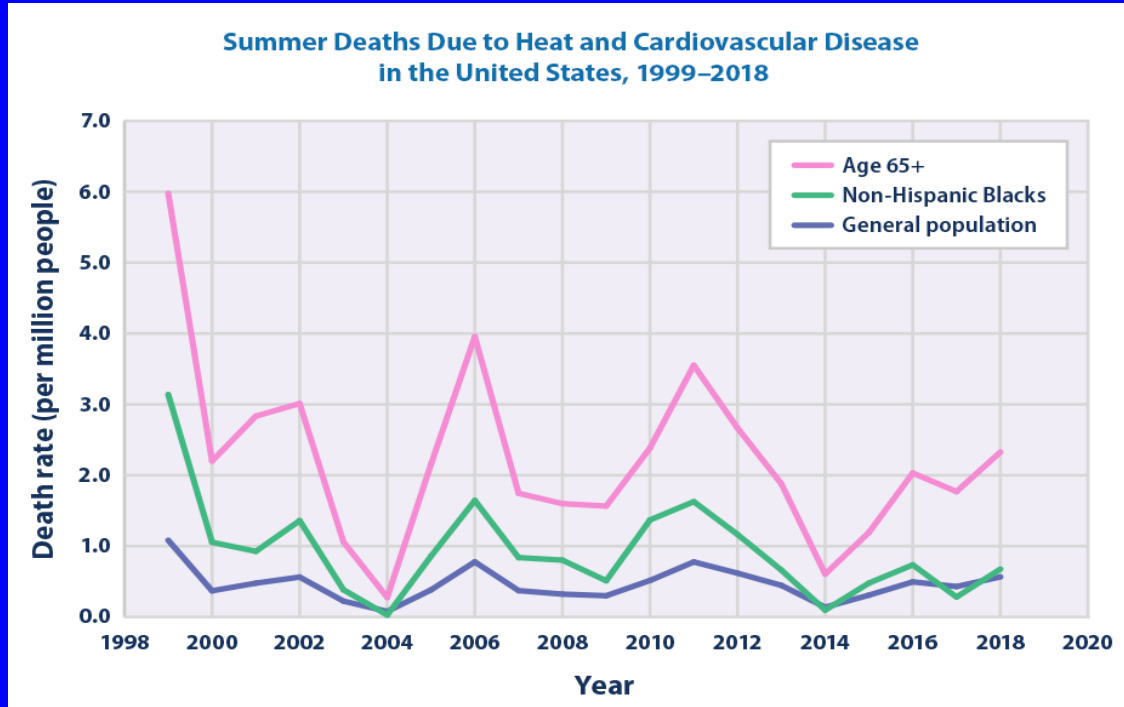
Prices at 1980 Q3 are indexed to 100. Chart shows percentage change per quarter of each price group.
Source: ABC News

For the past decade electricity prices have been rising substantially

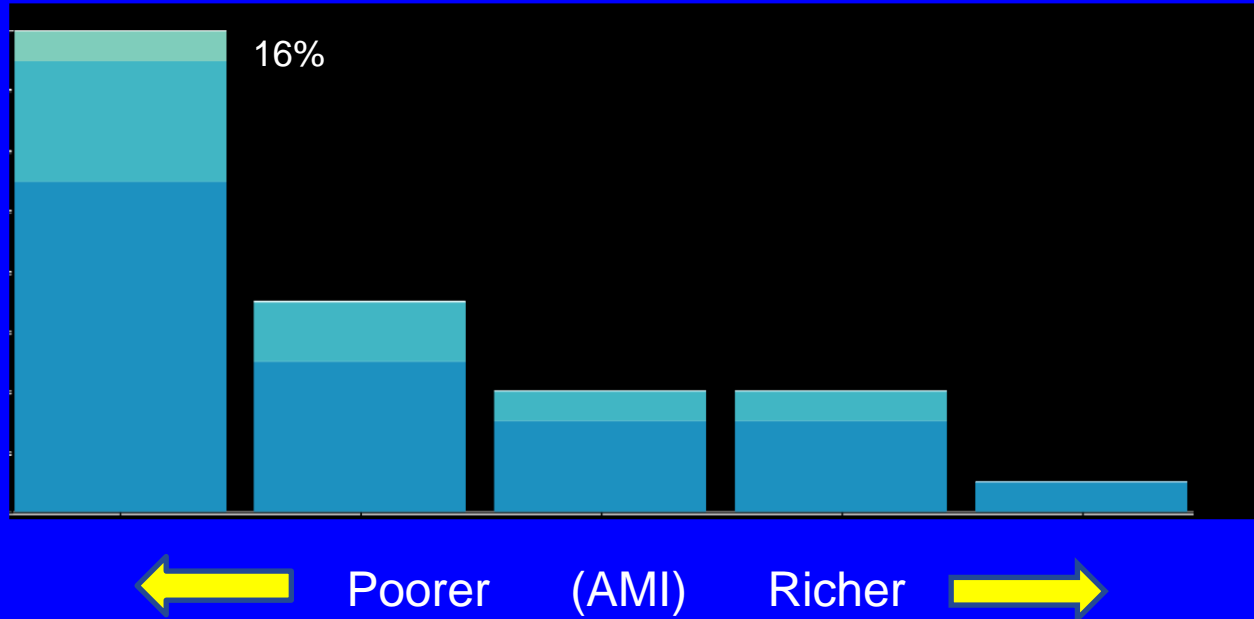


Weather related Grid Outages
are becoming more Frequent

... and affect less affluent Communities most!



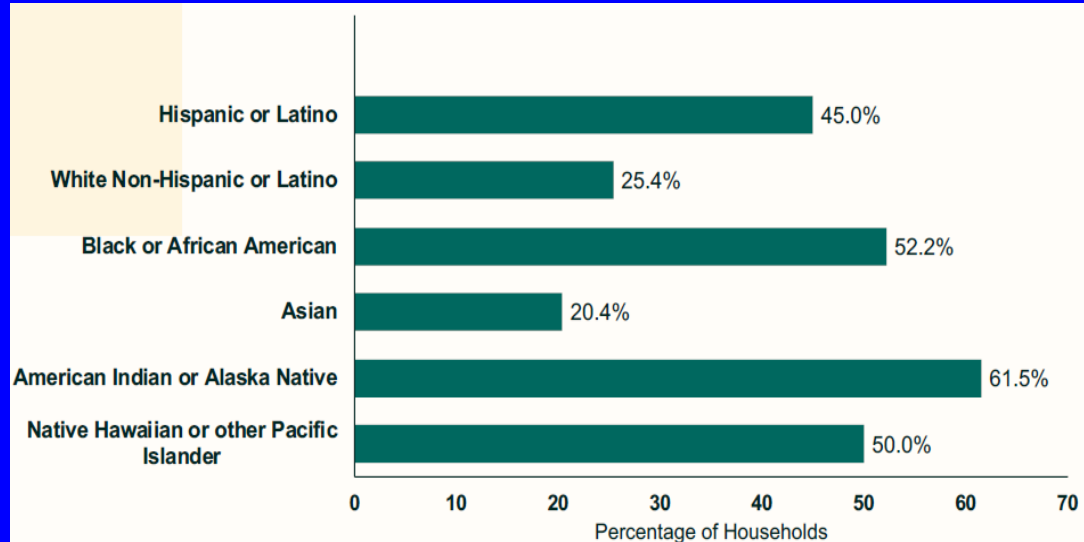
Average Energy Burden (% of Income)



← Poorer (AMI) Richer →

From S. Baker/Yale

Households Experiencing Energy Insecurity from Electricity Prices and Outages



Lower income households are disproportionately non-white

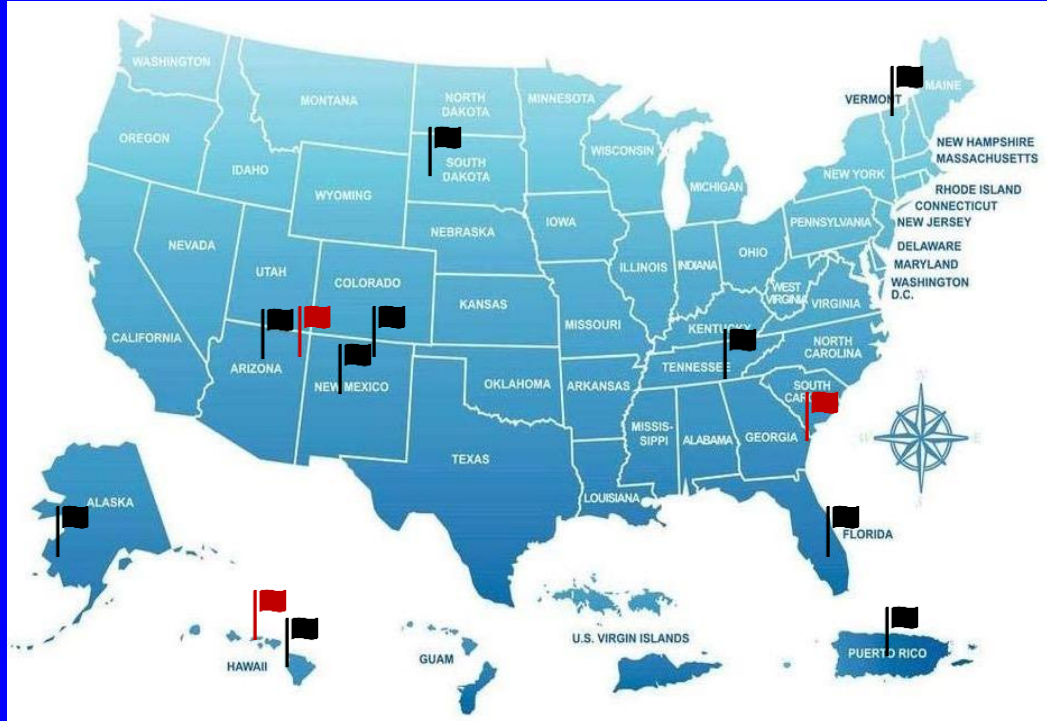
Energy Storage offers itself as a tool to alleviate many of these problems, e.g.

Storage to replace Fossil Fuel Peakers
to reduce health effects

Cooling Stations throughout the City

Microgrids with Storage
for outage mitigation

Solar + Storage for
Remote Tribal communities



Current Resiliency Projects
ES4SE Projects in Red

Navajo Nation , AZ

Partnering with DOE-OE, Sandia, NTUA, UEP



Commissioned May 2022

3 kW / 13 day Rechargeable
Z Mn O₂ Battery Developed
by UEP.

There are 18,000 Residents
off-Grid on the Reservation



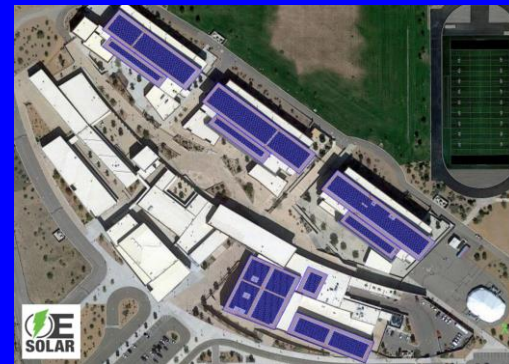
Atrisco Heritage Academy, Albuquerque, NM

Energy Storage for Social Equity

85% Hispanic,

Reduce peak demand
during occupied hours

Battery: 721 kW/4hr = 2884 kWh
plus roof-mounted PV = 850 kW



Villalba, PR

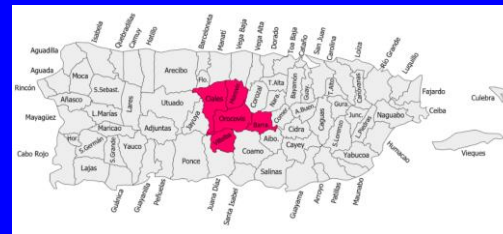
Background:

The Municipality of Villalba is creating a resiliency hub by installing a storage plus solar system at the local theater building.

The resilience hub will be able to serve the local community with additional resources such as a continuity of city services, heating/cooling center, water/food distribution, phone charging, etc.

Villalba is one of five municipalities that formed the Mountain Energy Consortium (CEM) post Hurricane Maria

Previous microgrid analysis was performed for all of the municipalities as part of a larger effort of Sandia supporting CEM



Microgrid
Location

DOE Initiative ES4SE: Energy Storage for Social Equity

14 communities selected
to receive detailed Technical Assistance

4 communities were chosen
to partner in constructing
an energy storage facility.

<https://www.pnnl.gov/projects/energy-storage-social-equity>

Fourteen Communities Tribal, Rural, and Urban

Native Renewable, Flagstaff, AZ

Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community Trinidad, CA

Ayika Solutions Incorporated, Atlanta, GA

Ho‘āhu Energy Cooperative Molokai, Kaunakakai, HI

Together New Orleans, New Orleans, LA

Honor the Earth, Callaway, MN

Coast Electric Power Association, Kiln, MS

Joule Comm. Power & Open Door Mission, Rochester, NY

Warm Springs Community Action Team, Warm Springs, OR

Rogue Climate, Coos Bay, OR

Coyote Steals Fire Energy Group, Pendleton, OR

Makah Tribe, Neah Bay, WA

Klickitat Valley Health, Goldendale, WA

Oneida Nation, Oneida, WI

First Funding Set

- Native Renewables
 - 15 off-grid homes for the Navajo Nation and the Hopi Tribe (Arizona)
 - \$415,000 - \$525,000
- Ayika Solutions/Harambee House
 - Community shelter in Savannah, Georgia
 - \$36,000
- Ho'ahu Energy Cooperative
 - 15 off-grid homes in Molokai, Hawaii
 - \$150,000 - 220,000
- Coast Electric Power Association
 - Resilience for wastewater treatment plant in Hancock County, Mississippi
 - \$297,000 - \$310,000

We need much more Energy Storage!
And we need it bigger, and safer,
less expensive, and longer in duration.
And we need to apply it in equitable ways.
If we don't do this, we are in very deep Trouble.



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Energy Storage Technology: The Grid Perspective

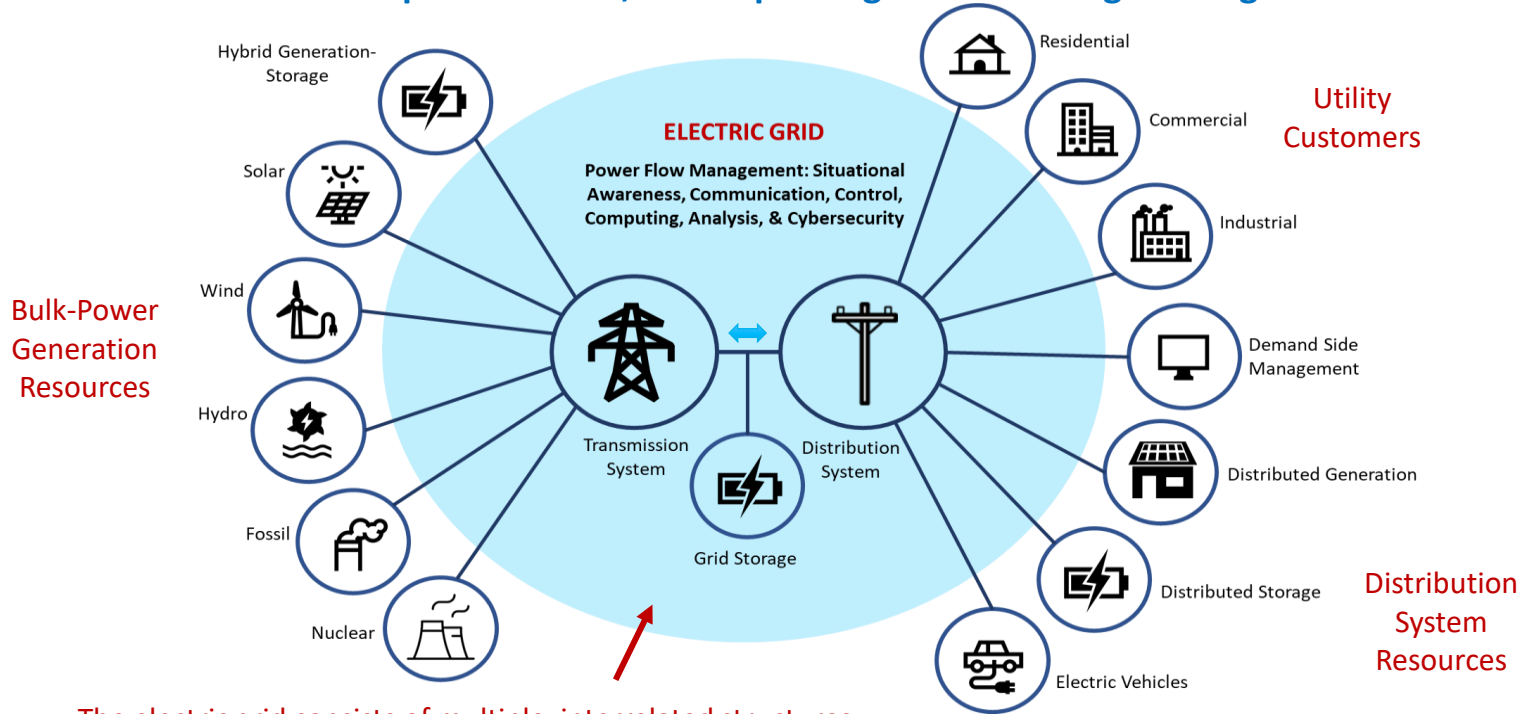
Ben Shrager, Office of Electricity

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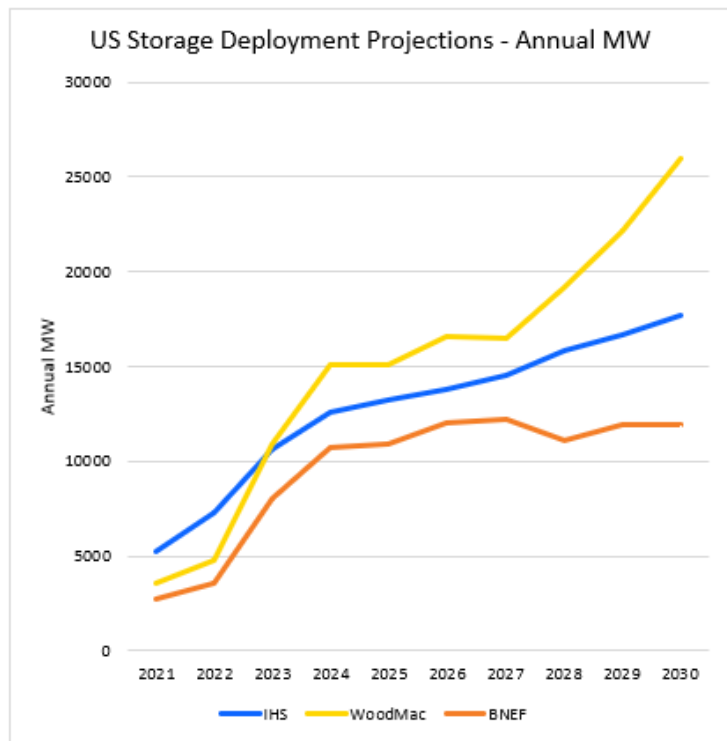
Electricity Delivery System

The electric power system is undergoing a dramatic structural transformation. The electric grid, a vast complex machine, will require significant re-engineering.



The electric grid consists of multiple, interrelated structures: the physical, cyber, market, industry, and regulatory structures

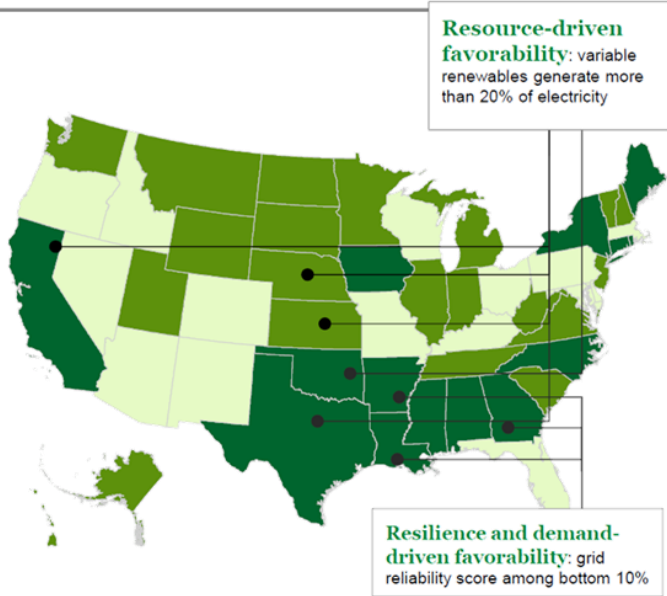
Markets: Emerging LDES Use Cases



LDES Use case	High VRE demand potential, GW	Aggressive Li-ion demand potential, GW
Load management services	28	30
Firming for PPAs	10	1
Microgrid resiliency	24	26
Utility resource planning	157 + 85 = 242	17 + 77 = 94
Transmission and distribution deferral	[Greyed out]	
Energy market participation	117 + 101 = 217	18 + 119 = 137

+ Policy: A Checkered Landscape

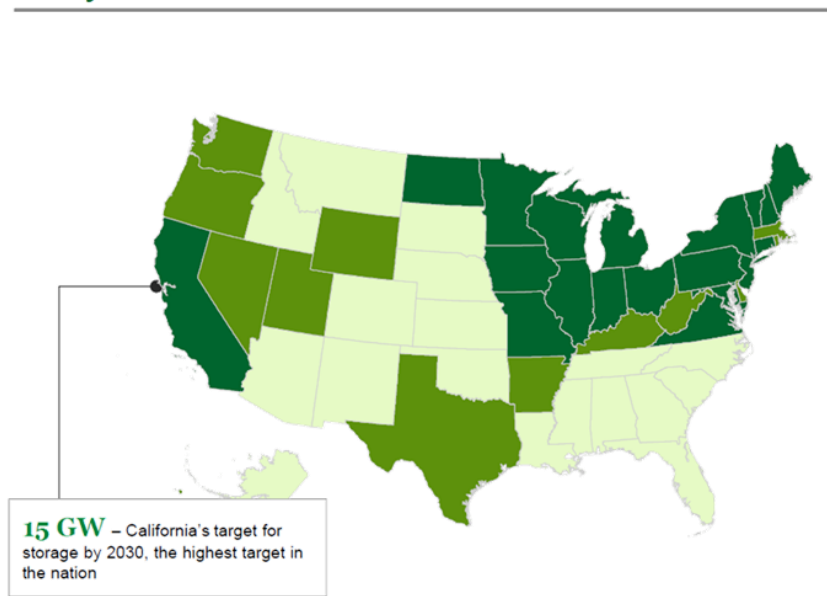
Grid conditions



Policy & market construct

Conditions for LDES deployment are:

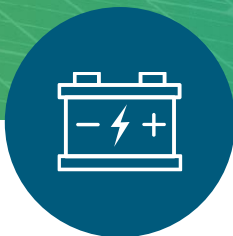
■ Favorable ■ Emerging ■ Unfavorable



LONG DURATION STORAGE SHOT TARGET



Reduce storage costs by
90% from a 2020
Li-ion baseline...



...in storage systems that
deliver **10+**
hours of duration

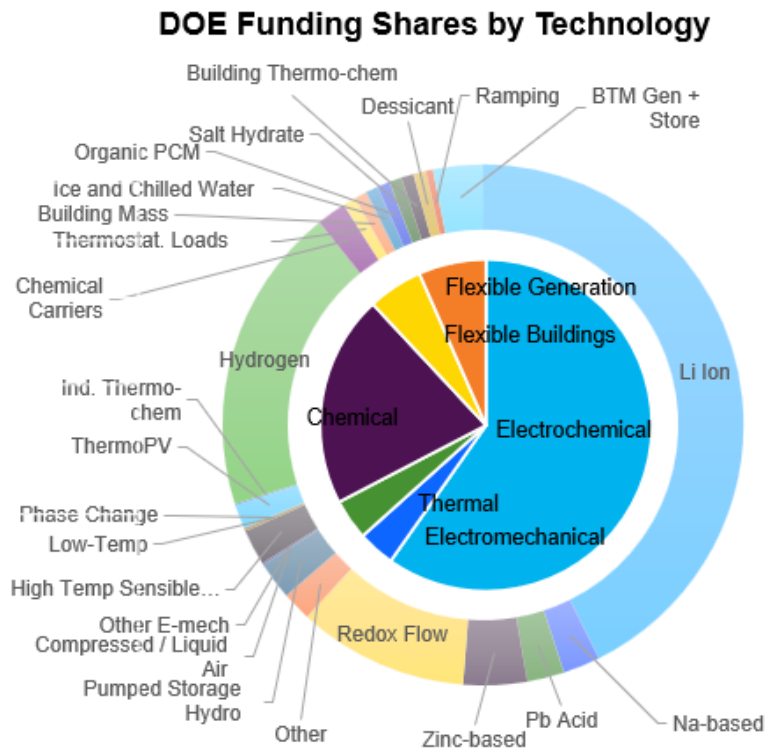
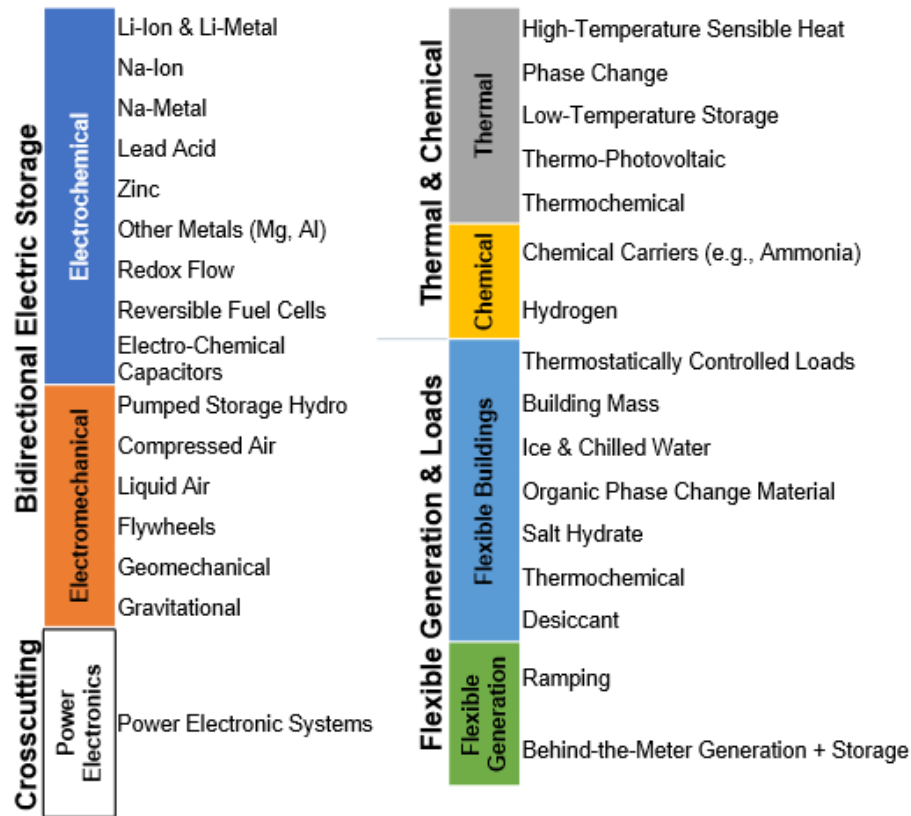


...in **1** decade

Affordable grid storage for clean power – any time, anywhere



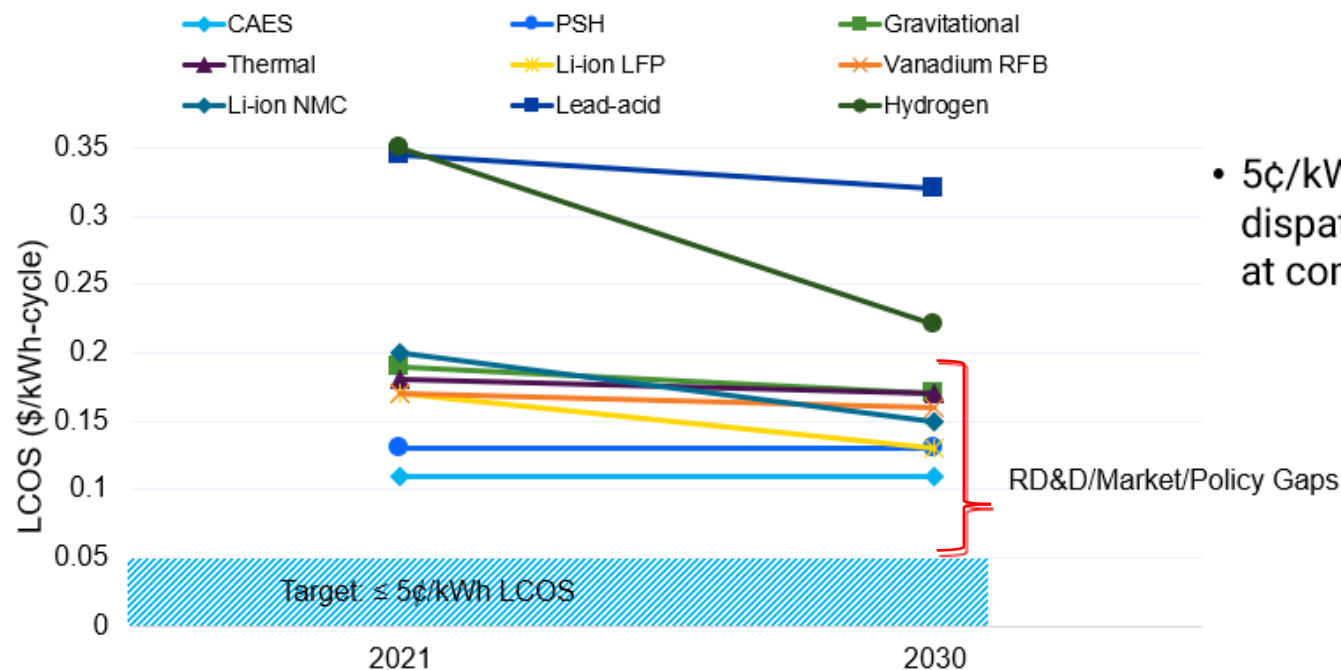
DOE has supported 30+ storage technologies





Business-as-usual conditions alone won't achieve \$0.05/kWh Levelized Cost of Storage (LCOS)

BAU LCOS Expectations for 10hr/100 MW System



- 5¢/kWh LCOS enables dispatchable clean energy at competitive costs

Technology Strategy Assessment

Findings from Storage Innovations 2030
Lithium-ion Batteries
July 2023

LDSS Technology Strategy Assessments

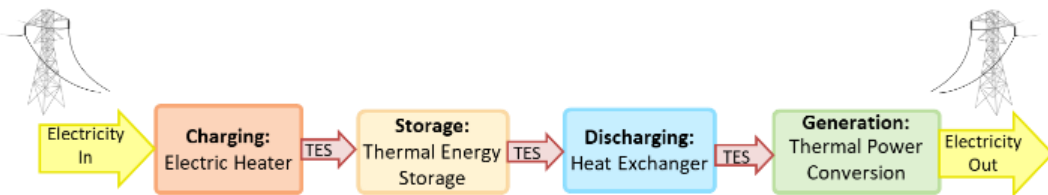
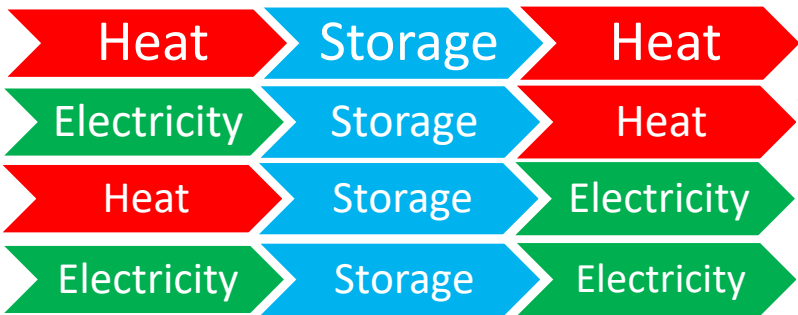


- Released on July 19th, 2023
- Results from the Flight Paths and Framework stakeholder engagement and analysis efforts

Eleven Reports Released

1. Methodology
2. Lithium-ion Batteries
3. Lead-Acid Batteries
4. Flow Batteries
5. Zinc Batteries
6. Sodium Batteries
7. Pumped Storage
8. Compressed Air Energy Storage
9. Thermal Energy Storage
10. Supercapacitors
11. Hydrogen Storage

Thermal Energy Storage Overview



TES cost estimation and idealized path forward



Recent federal legislation galvanizes support for energy storage at DOE

- **Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)**
 - 60 new DOE programs (48 demonstration & deployment)
 - Expands funding for 12 existing programs
 - \$505 million for LDES demo program (OCED)
 - \$10 billion for grid infrastructure programs (GDO)
- **Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)**
 - Funds investments and incentives totaling \$370 billion
 - US to remain global leader in clean energy technology, manufacturing, and innovation
 - Includes investment tax credits (ITCs) and production tax credits (PTCs) for energy storage and new loan authorities given to DOE

+ Demonstration Announcements

- September 22, 2023: \$325 million announced for long-duration energy storage demonstrations out of Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations (OCED)
 - 15 projects announced in 17 states
 - Intraday (10 to 36 hours) and multiday (36 to 160+ hours)
 - Innovative technologies including second life EV batteries, flow batteries, zinc batteries, and iron batteries
 - Six innovative demonstration projects selected at National Lab sites
- August 1, 2023: \$19 million announced out of OE for innovative lithium-ion long-duration energy storage

THANK YOU

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Residential Storage: An essential piece of the climate puzzle

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| About Generac Power Systems

Over 60 years of energy resiliency leadership.

Energy management products from thermostats, batteries, C&I solutions and more.

Mega Trends..

"Grid 2.0" - Evolution of the traditional electrical utility model



- Increasing intermittent generation sources and electrification of everything
- Supply/demand imbalances and energy prices drive migration to distributed energy resources

Impact of climate change



- More volatile and severe weather driving increased power outage activity
- Global regulation accelerating renewable investments

Home as a Sanctuary



- Increasing importance of the home with more people working from home and aging in place
- More intelligent and connected home and desire for improved energy efficiency

Growing investment in global infrastructure creating new opportunities



- Upgrading of aging and underinvested legacy systems
- Expanding investment for increasingly critical technology infrastructure

How far we've come

2002 off grid systems

- Standalone solutions for isolated sites – cabins, agricultural applications \$4.90/watt.

2012 Net Metering battles

- At \$1.00/watt, solar had become more accessible, utilities started sounding alarms of a duck curve

2022 – Penetration on some feeders is exceeding capacity

- With cost at \$0.02/watt, some areas are heavily installed and restricting export.

Where we are now -

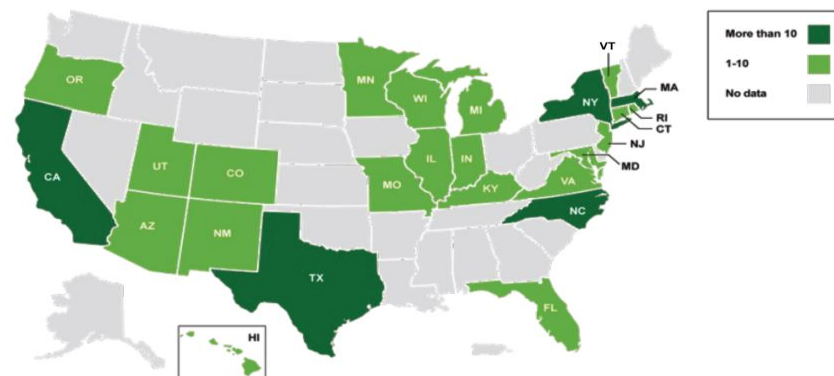
- DOE releases VPP liftoff report, funds start flowing for GRIP awards



DOE's Imperatives For VPP Commercial Liftoff:

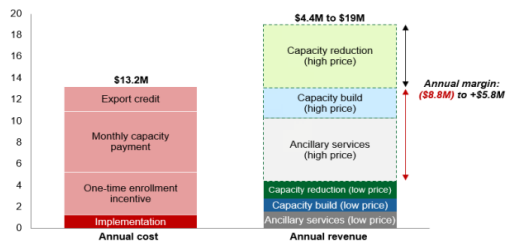
- ❖ Scale DER adoption through equitable benefits
- ❖ Expand VPP enrollment
- ❖ Standardize VPP operations
- ❖ Integrate into utility planning & incentives
- ❖ Integrate into wholesale markets

Number of third party VPPs procured by utilities in each state (2022)



Note: One VPP operating across states is counted multiple times (once for each state)
Source: Wood Mackenzie Grid Edge Services

Annual cost and revenue of illustrative Utility-integrated BTM battery VPP of 20 MW, \$M



Costs		
Participant incentives	Energy export credit	\$0.20 per kWh ~4 hr per event, 144 events
	Battery capacity payment	\$15.75 per kW-month
	Enrollment incentive	\$1000 per kW (one-time)
VPP operations	Implementation	\$450K per year & \$9 per battery-month

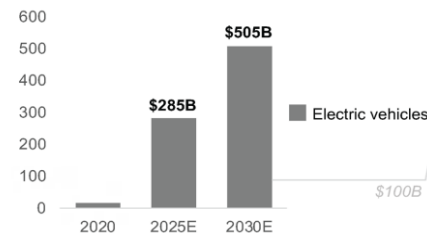
Revenues		
Lo	Hi	Capacity reduction
Lo	Hi	Capacity build
Lo	Hi	Ancillary services

\$80 to 375 per kW-year	7-9pm battery dispatch
\$60 to 200 per kW-year	10am-2pm charging
\$80 to 375 per kW-year	Fast frequency response

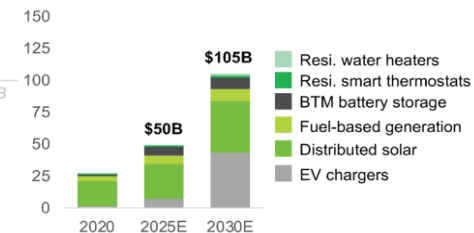
Note: One-time implementation costs and enrollment incentives for new batteries are annualized over five years.
Source: Industry interviews.

Annual projected investment in DERs, \$B (2020-2030E)

In-year investment in EVs, \$B (2020-2030E)



In-year investment in DERs (non-EVs), \$B (2020-2030E)



A Growing Problem – Supply/Demand **Imbalance**

SUPPLY RELIABILITY DETERIORATING

- Climate change & severe weather
- One-way system prone to outage
- Infrastructure underinvestment
- Penalties for carbon intensity
- Increasing intermittency



DEMAND GROWTH ACCELERATING

- Electrification of everything
- Transportation, HVAC, appliances
- Next-generation infrastructure
- Home as a Sanctuary
- C&I processes



| DERS* and the grid

When the grid stays up – assets & aggregations to keep it that way

When the grid goes down – microgrids & individuals stay powered

*** Distributed Energy Resources**



California ISO @California_ISO · 20h

When an Energy Emergency Alert (EEA) 2 is called, the ISO requests emergency energy from all resources and has activated its demand response program. Use less #power to help avoid rotating #poweroutages. Learn more about #ISO EEAs: bit.ly/3cPV40e

California ISO

Energy Emergency Alerts

EEA 1	EEA 2	EEA 3
<p>EEA Watch: Analysis shows all available resources are committed or forecasted to be in use, and energy deficiencies are expected.</p>	<p>Real-time analysis shows all resources in use or committed for use, energy deficiencies expected. Market participants encouraged to offer supplemental energy and ancillary service bids.</p>	<p>ISO requests emergency energy from all resources and activated emergency demand response program. Consumers urged to conserve energy.</p>



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Tuesday, September 6

FLEX ALERT

Emergency Alert

now



CalOES, Conserve energy now to protect public health and safety. Extreme heat is straining the state energy grid. Power interruptions may occur unless you take action. Turn off or reduce nonessential power if health allows, now until 9pm.

| DERS – Distributed Strength

California's DSGS/DEBA program

- Provides incentives for enrollment and capacity provided for grid emergencies**
- Program year just concluded**
- Approximately \$500m**

Generac Selected to Negotiate Federal Grants to Deploy Batteries, Solar and Grid Services



Generac Grid Services
Up to \$50 Million Over 5 Years

Project | Deploy Heat Pumps, Batteries & Thermostats integrated in DERM's Platform

Location | Massachusetts
Customer | LMI Households

Partners | Utilities Eversource Energy, Cape Light Compact, Unitil, National Grid (Heat Pumps) IREC & ABCD (Community Outreach & Workforce) & Fraunhofer Center USA (Technical Evaluation)



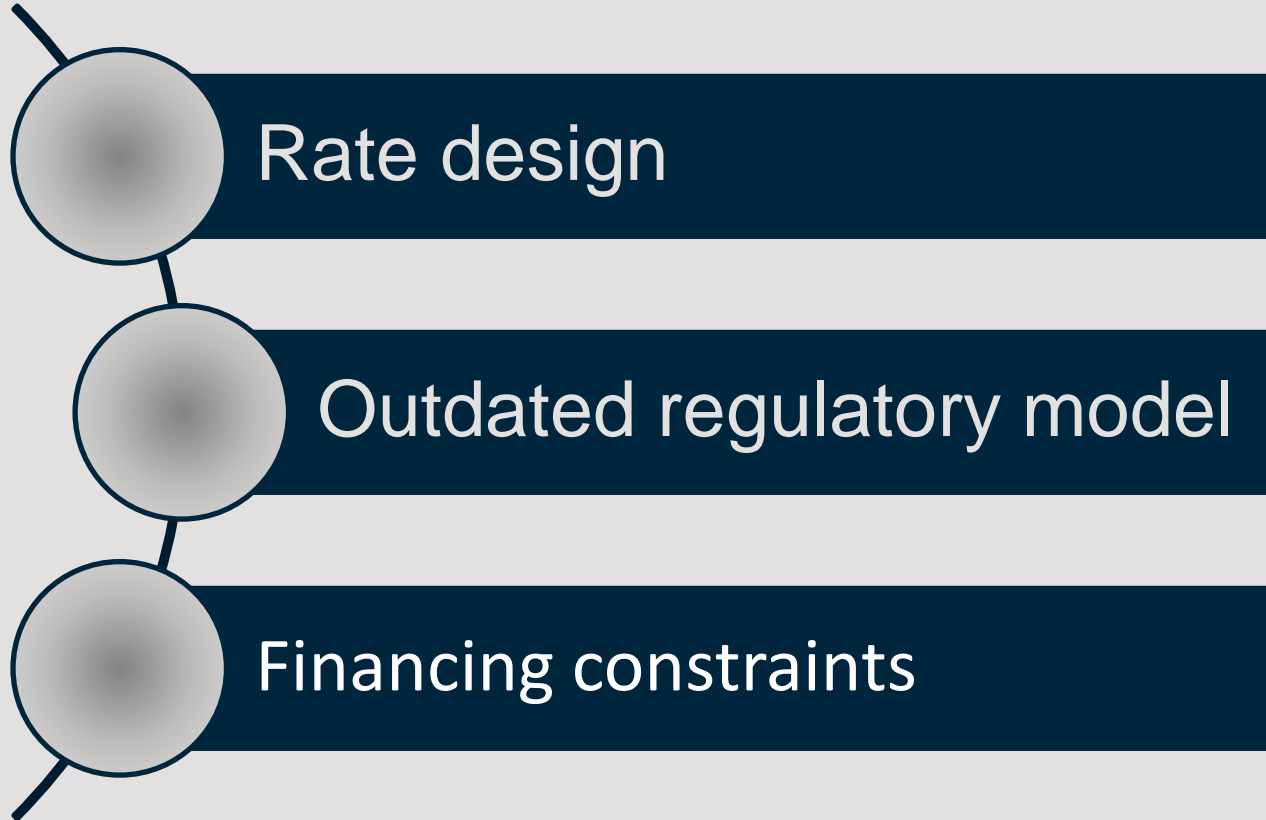
Generac Power Systems
Part of a \$440 Million program

Project | Deploy Solar PV & Residential Batteries

Location | Puerto Rico
Customer | Vulnerable Households & Last Mile Communities

Partners | Posigen, FR-BLDM (Installer), Juapi (Installer and Service), IREC and Pathstone (Workforce Development & Community Engagement)

Barriers at the state & local level





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Smart Tools for Efficient HVAC Performance (STEP) Campaign



Scan this QR code to visit our website

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The STEP Campaign aims to increase adoption of **smart diagnostic tools** to streamline HVAC system performance testing and troubleshooting, **reducing energy-wasting faults** and **improving occupant comfort**.

To join the STEP Campaign, visit: bit.ly/3DFmEaE



HVAC Contractors and Technicians

- Reduce callbacks, improve consistency and quality, streamline processes
- Find out where to get training on smart diagnostic tools
- Be recognized for successful adoption of smart diagnostic tools!



Utilities and Program Implementers

- Streamline quality installation and quality maintenance programs
- Improve engagement with your contractors
- Be recognized for programs that utilize smart diagnostic tools!



HVAC Training Organizations

- Offer qualified training on System Performance with smart diagnostic tools
- Promote your training events
- Be recognized for providing training!



Weatherization Organizations

- Ensure your ASHP/CAC installations are operating at optimized efficiency
- Develop pilot with PNNL team
- Be recognized!

ORGANIZING PARTNERS

Explore the Residential Program Guide

Resources to help improve your program and reach energy efficiency targets:

- [Handbooks](#) - explain *why* and *how* to implement specific stages of a program.
- [Quick Answers](#) - provide answers and resources for common questions.
- [Proven Practices](#) posts - include lessons learned, examples, and helpful tips from successful programs.
- [Technology Solutions](#) **NEW!** - present resources on advanced technologies, **HVAC & Heat Pump Water Heaters**, including installation guidance, marketing strategies, & potential savings.
- [Health + Home Performance Infographic](#) – spark homeowner conversations.



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Health + Home Performance Infographic

Do You Have a “Healthy Home?”

A qualified contractor can help you assess and address indoor air quality, improve your comfort, and cut your utility bills.

Answers to a few basic questions can help you get started:

- **How old are your heating and cooling systems?**
Ensuring your system is updated and well maintained can save money and improve health and comfort.
- **Is your home insulated?**
Properly installed insulation in your walls and attic, at levels recommended for your home’s climate, will cut bills, and improve comfort.
- **Have you ever noticed mold in your home?**
Visible mold likely means humidity levels need to be better addressed or indicates a potential leak or water damage.
- **Are your windows caulked and doors weather-stripped?**
These relatively simple fixes reduce air leaks and help maintain indoor temperature levels.
- **Are your appliances ENERGY STAR® rated?**
ENERGY STAR appliances are energy efficient and help you save money.
- **Do you know if your home’s heating and cooling systems include proper levels of ventilation?**
Effective ventilation is important for both health and safety. Ventilation, along with frequently replaced air filters, can help make sure your home is bringing in fresh air as needed, and keep out pollutants when outdoor air quality is poor due to ozone, fire, or other factors.

GET started

FIND A QUALIFIED CONTRACTOR:

- Home Performance with ENERGY STAR® at ENERGYSTAR.gov/HomePerformance
- Building Performance Institute at bpi.org/locate-tool

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DOE’s Health + Home Performance Infographic reveals the link between efficiency and health – something everyone cares about. Efficiency programs and contractors can use the question-and-answer format to discover a homeowner’s needs.

The infographic is ideal for the “kitchen table” conversations where people decide what to do – and who they want to do it. It also has links for homeowners to find a qualified contractor if they do not already have one.

[Download](#) this infographic from DOE’s Better Buildings Residential Network.

Looking for photos to help tell your energy efficiency story? Visit our image libraries: <https://www.energy.gov/eere/better-buildings-residential-network/articles/image-libraries>

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