

### **SolarInvert Energy Solutions**

### Merchant energy storage prices





#### **Overview**

How much does energy storage cost?

Let's analyze the numbers, the factors influencing them, and why now is the best time to invest in energy storage. \$280 - \$580 per kWh (installed cost), though of course this will vary from region to region depending on economic levels. For large containerized systems (e.g., 100 kWh or more), the cost can drop to \$180 - \$300 per kWh.

How risky is a merchant storage project?

Merchant storage projects are complex, but the risks can be measured and managed with appropriate planning and analysis. Merchant markets are evolving quickly all over the world, many being intentionally designed to incorporate more energy storage.

Is merchant storage difficult?

Merchant storage is complicated, but not impossible As the storage market evolves, we see projects with an increasing proportion of their revenue expected to come from the merchant market rather than firm contracts. Just a few years ago it was the opposite.

Will merchant storage investment opportunities become more attractive in the future?

asingly critical role in the future. Thus far, most storage developments have been utility-owned or backed by long-term contracts, but merchant storage investment opportunities may become more attractive as the markets evolve and investors become comfortable w th the value stacking opportunities. In 2019, CRA published an Insights1 on.

Why should merchant investors invest in ES units?

The relative proportion of revenue streams available to ES units in the energy and reserve markets will affect the willingness of the merchant investor to



invest in ES units and will have a bearing on the optimal ES siting and sizing decisions.

Should paired merchant storage projects be compared to standalone storage?

The tradeoffs should be quantified when considering renewable paired merchant storage projects versus standalone storage. Batteries that are DC connected to solar charging facilities may have discharging limitations during periods of time when the solar is producing due to constraints of the shared inverter.



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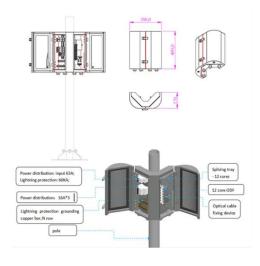
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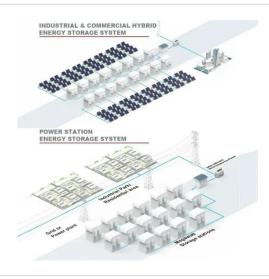
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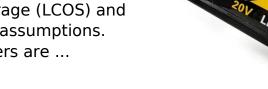
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