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ABOUT NARUC

- The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) is a non-profit organization founded in 1889.
- Our Members are the state utility regulatory Commissioners in all 50 states & the territories. FERC & FCC Commissioners are also members. NARUC has Associate Members in over 20 other countries.
- NARUC member agencies regulate electricity, natural gas, telecommunications, and water utilities.



ABOUT NARUC'S CENTER FOR PARTNERSHIPS & INNOVATION

- Grant-funded team dedicated to providing technical assistance to members.
- CPI identifies emerging challenges and connects state commissions with expertise and strategies to inform their decision making.
- CPI builds relationships, develops resources, and delivers trainings.



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<https://www.naruc.org/cpi-1/>

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Current Activities

Recently Released Publications

- [Public Utility Commission Stakeholder Engagement: A Decision-Making Framework](#) (Jan. 2021)
- [Private, State, and Federal Funding and Financing Options to Enable Resilient, Affordable, and Clean Microgrids](#) (Jan. 2021)
- [User Objectives and Design Options for Microgrids to Deliver Reliability and Resilience, Clean Energy, Energy Savings, and Other Priorities](#) (Jan. 2021)
- [Understanding Cybersecurity for the Smart Grid: Questions for Utilities](#) (Dec. 2020)
- [Artificial Intelligence for Natural Gas Utilities: A Primer](#) (Oct. 2020)
- [Cybersecurity Tabletop Exercise Guide](#) (Oct. 2020)

Recent Events

- Integrated Distribution Systems Planning: NARUC partnered with DOE national laboratories to deliver a [virtual training](#) in Oct. 2020 on forecasting, control and automation, metrics, resilience, PUC practices, and more. The next session will be held for Western state officials beginning Feb. 26, 2021. [Contact Dominic](#)
- NARUC-NAESO Task Force on Comprehensive Electricity Planning. Resources developed by the Task Force will be shared in a [virtual workshop](#) on Feb. 11, 2021. Read the [Task Force fact sheet](#). [Contact Danielle](#)
- National Council on Electricity Policy (NCEP). [Presentations](#) from NCEP's December 2020 Annual Meeting are available as well as an updated [Transmission and Distribution Resource Catalog](#). [Contact Kerry](#)
- Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage Workshop Webinar Series. [Recordings](#) are available from a Western Interstate Energy Board- and NARUC-hosted six-part webinar series in Sept. and Oct. 2020. [Contact Kiera](#)

Available Virtual Learning Opportunities

- Cybersecurity Training for State Regulatory Commissions: NARUC is hosting a [virtual cybersecurity training](#) on Feb. 23-25, 2021. [Contact Ashton](#)
- National Council on Electricity Policy (NCEP). [Register](#) for a special session on Exploring Optimization through Benefit-Cost Analysis on Feb. 25, 2021. [Learn More](#) about NCEP. [Contact Kerry](#)
- Emergency Preparedness, Recovery and Resilience Task Force: The EPRR Task Force will meet Feb. 5, 2021 to discuss BRIC funding with FEMA. [Contact Will](#)
- Commission Staff Surge Calls. NARUC hosts quarterly calls on which commission staff discuss how different states approach emerging issues in electricity policy. The next call will be held in early Mar., 2021. [Summaries](#) from past calls are available. [Contact Kiera](#)
- Innovation Webinar Series. NARUC hosts monthly webinars for members and the public. [Mar. 11: Data for the Public Interest: Empowering Energy Equity](#). [Apr. 15: Initiative on Cybersecurity in Solar Projects](#). [May. 13: Staffing the Evolving PUC Workforce](#). [Register and find recordings](#) of past events. [Contact Dominic](#)

Join us! NARUC hosts four working groups for members:

- [Performance-Based Regulation](#). [Contact Kerry](#)
- [Microgrids](#). [Contact Kiera](#)
- [Electric Vehicles](#). [Contact Jasmine](#)
- [Grid-Interactive Efficient Buildings](#). [Contact Danielle](#)

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Informing Energy Storage and Storage-Enabled Microgrid Project Decisions Using EPRI's DER-VET™

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The Challenges of Storage, DER*, & Microgrid Modeling

- Today's storage, DER, and microgrid deployments demand robust analysis for strategic planning
- Valuation of storage requires project-level application and location analyses
- Complex co-optimization and decision-making process

*DER: Distributed Energy Resources



EPRI's DER-VET™ address these challenges

The Solution: EPRI's DER-VET™



Bridges industry gaps in project-level energy storage, DER, and microgrid analysis



Creates a common communication tool among all stakeholders



Evaluates various perspectives from customers values to grid values in any market

DER-VET™ provides an open-source platform for calculating, understanding, and optimizing the value of DER based on their technical merits and constraints: www.der-vet.com

DER-VET's Past, Present, and Future

2016
EPRI StorageVET®
www.storagevet.com

2022
EPRI DER-VET™ V1.2
1,000+ Users
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2013
EPRI ESVT
*Cost-Effectiveness of Energy
Storage in California*
[https://www.epri.com/research/
products/000000003002001164](https://www.epri.com/research/products/000000003002001164)

2020
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Community

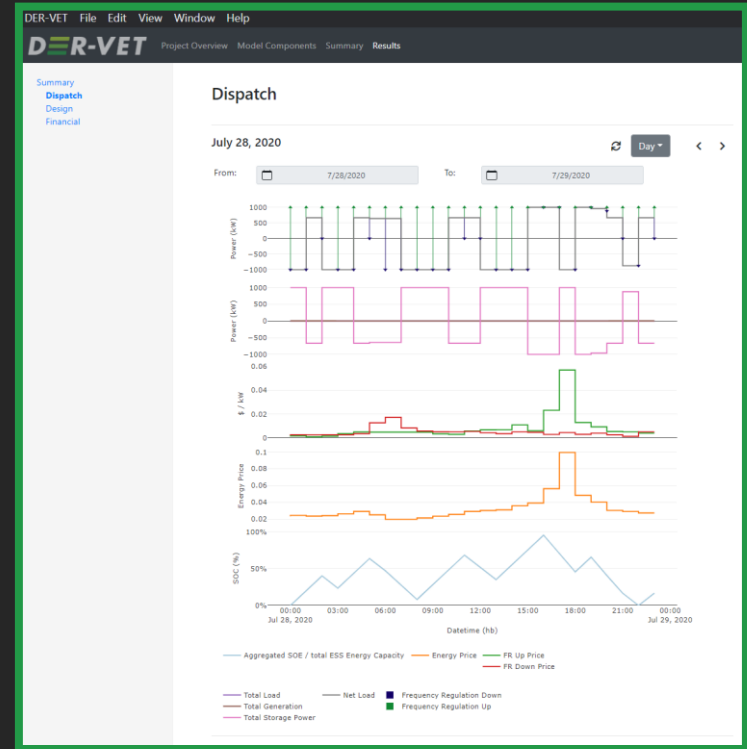
Input and Output Examples in DER-VET

DER-VET Project Configuration Example

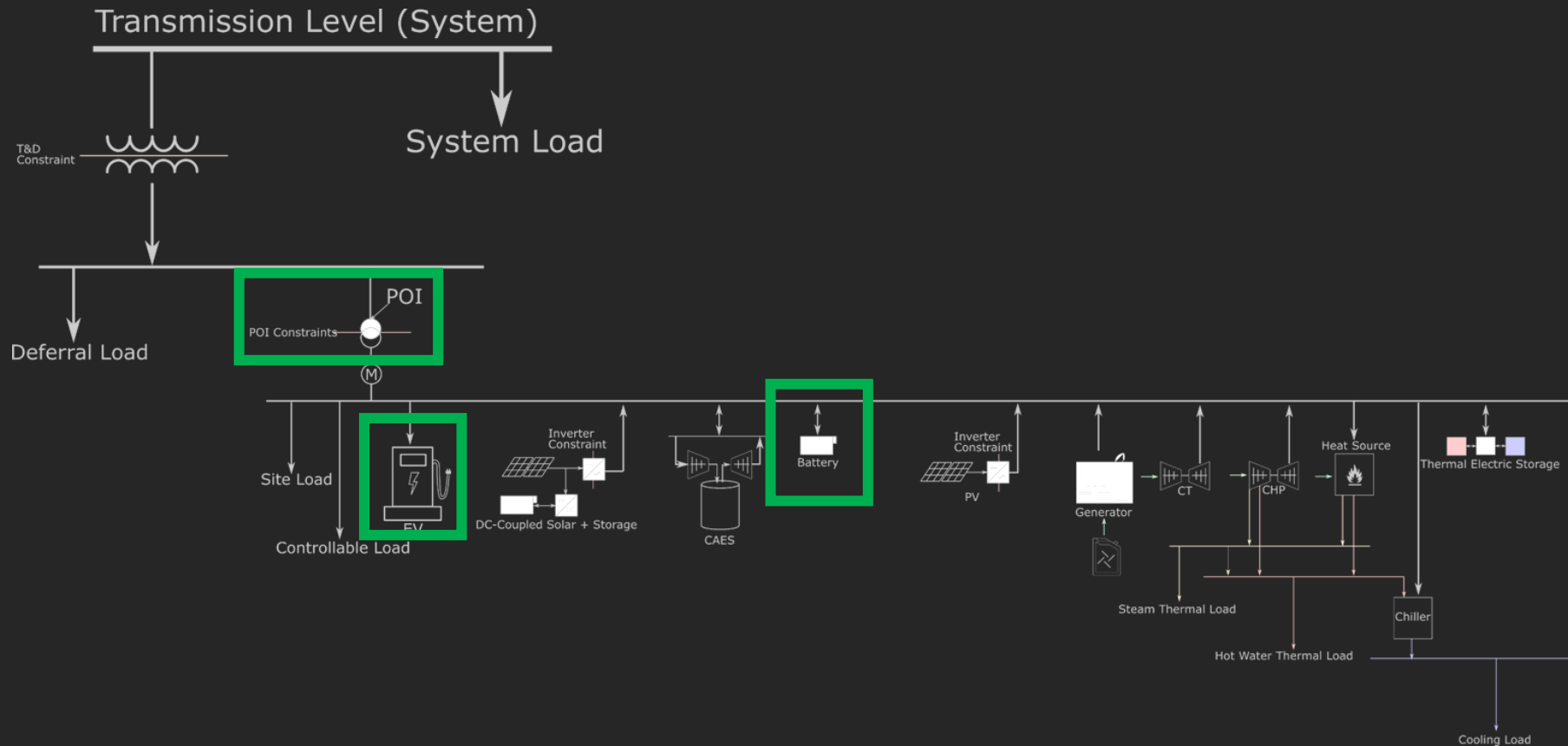
The screenshot shows the 'Project Configuration' window in DER-VET. The interface includes a sidebar with 'Project Configuration', 'Services', 'Distributed Energy Resources', and 'CalEnviroScreen'. The main area is titled 'Project Configuration' and contains several sections:

- Name:** CAISO Pre-Defined Case
- Start Year:** 2020 (with a note: 'Year the project starts.')
- Analysis Window:**
 - Analysis Horizon Mode:** User-defined (selected), The shortest DER lifetime, The longest DER lifetime. (Note: 'Define when to end cost benefit analysis. Choose it yourself, or by the lifetimes of your equipment.')
 - Analysis Horizon:** 10 years (Note: 'The number of years the analysis will go for. The analysis will not consider equipment lifetime or anything else when determining the number of years to run for.')
- Time Series Data:**
 - Data Year (Baseline):** 2020 (Note: 'Commonly the project start year. Data for additional years will be escalated from this value.')
 - Timestep:** 60 minutes (Note: 'What is the frequency of the time-series data?')
- Grid Domain:** Generation (selected), Transmission, Distribution, Customer. (Note: 'Which grid domain or location the project will be connected to. Please refer to documentation for further guidance on which services are available in your selected domain.')
- Ownership:** Customer, Utility, 3rd Party (selected). (Note: 'Who owns the assets?')
- Run Configuration:**
 - Output Folder:** [Select folder] (Note: 'Folder where output files will be saved (optional).')

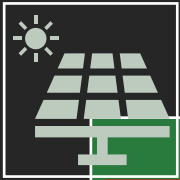
DER-VET Dispatch Results Example



Technologies in DER-VET



Services in DER-VET



Bulk Market Services

- Energy Time Shift
- Load Following
- Frequency Regulation
- Spinning Reserves
- Non-spinning Reserves
- Resource Adequacy Capacity



T&D Services

- Upgrade Deferral
- Reliability/Resilience



Customer Services

- Retail Energy Time Shift
- Demand Charge Reduction
- Demand Response
- Reliability/Resilience

DER-VET Engagement

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 - Engage with monthly Public ESIC Task Force Web Meetings





Long Duration Energy Storage (LDES) DER-VET Demo

Project Configuration

Name

CESA LDES Demo

Start Year

2022

Year the project starts.

Analysis Window

Analysis Horizon Mode

- ☒ User-defined
☐ The shortest DER lifetime
☐ The longest DER lifetime

Define when to end cost benefit analysis. Choose it yourself, or by the lifetimes of your equipment

Analysis Horizon

20

years

The number of years the analysis will go for. The analysis will not consider equipment lifetime or anything else when determining the number of years to run for.

Time Series Data

Data Year (Baseline)

2022

Commonly the project start year. Data for additional years will be escalated from this value.

Timestep

60

minutes

What is the frequency of the time-series data?

Grid Domain

- ☐ Generation
☒ Transmission
☐ Distribution
☐ Customer

Which grid domain or location the project will be connected to. Please refer to documentation for further guidance on which services are available in your selected domain.

Ownership

- ☐ Customer
☐ Utility
☒ 3rd Party

Who owns the assets?

Services

Size equipment in microgrid

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Are there any microgrid components that you want to optimally size for?

Optimization Horizon

Optimization Window

Months ▾

We recommend:

- Month for Customer Services.
- Hours for Wholesale Services.
- Year to assume perfect foresight of an entire year.

Where do energy prices come from?

Energy Price Source

- ☐ Retail tariff, PPA, or other fixed contract (define energy price structure)
- ☒ Wholesale energy market, production cost model, or other time-varying source (upload time series data)

Will the project be reducing energy charges on a retail electricity bill?

Day ahead energy time shift.

Customer Services

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reliability | Define a number of hours the site must be capable of covering a grid outage for. DER-VET will size and operate the DERs to guarantee coverage for outages of this duration. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Demand Charge Reduction | Will the project be reducing demand charges on a retail electricity bill? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Backup | Will a portion of energy always be reserved to be used in case of a grid outage? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Demand Response Program | Will the assets be mindful of their energy consumption during certain hours of the year? |

Wholesale/Bulk Services

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spinning Reserves | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Spinning Reserves |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Frequency Regulation | <input type="checkbox"/> Load Following |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resource Adequacy | |

Grid Support

- ☐ **Deferral**

Distributed Energy Resources (DERs)

0

Internal Combustion
Engine (ICE)
Generator Sets

Add

0

Diesel Generator Sets

Add

0

Solar Photovoltaic
(PV) Sytems

Add

1

Battery Energy
Storage Sytems
(BESS)

Add

0

Single Electric Vehicle
(EV)

Add

0

Fleet Electric Vehicle
(EV)

Add

0

Controllable Loads
(Demand Response)

Add

List of Technologies Added

Battery: Flow Battery

Deactivate



CalEnviroScreen

CalEnviroScreen is a mapping tool that helps identify California communities that are most affected by many sources of pollution, and where people are often especially vulnerable to pollution's effects. It uses environmental, health, and socioeconomic information to produce scores for every census tract in the state. To find the approximate impact of your project, enter your zip code below. For more information, please visit the [CalEnviroScreen homepage](#).

Zip code

Go

CalEnviroScreen scores for the census tracts in zip code 94304:

Census Tract	CES Score
6085511609	6.71
6085511705	4.72

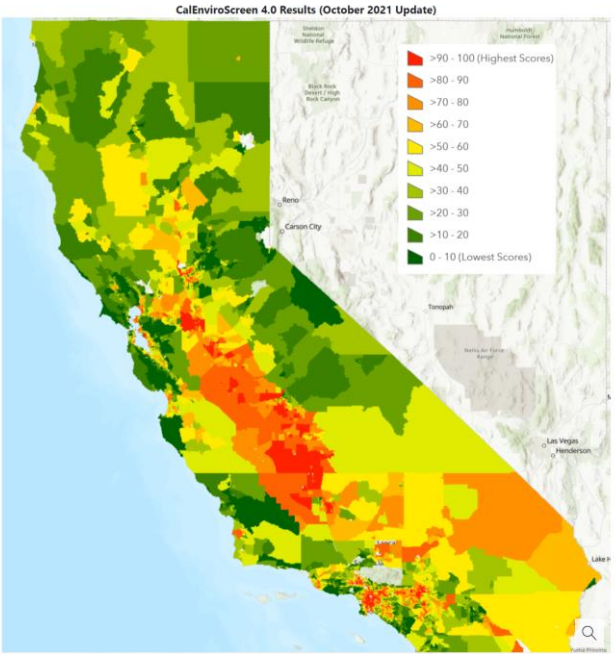


Image from California Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA)

Define Components

Technologies

Battery: Flow Battery

Services

Site Information

System Information

Resource Adequacy

Day Ahead Pricing

Financial

Miscellaneous Inputs

External Incentives

Done Defining Components

Technology: Battery Storage

Component Name

Flow Battery

Energy Capacity Sizing

- ☐ Have DER-VET size the Energy Capacity
☒ Known size

Energy Capacity

400000 kWh

What is the energy capacity of the battery storage?

Power Capacity Sizing

- ☐ Have DER-VET size the Power Capacity
☒ Known size

Different Charge and Discharge Power Capacities?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Power Capacity

50000 kW

What is the power capacity of the battery storage?

Roundtrip Efficiency

63 %

What is the AC roundtrip efficiency of the storage system? Only this single number is considered - no variable efficiency is modeled.

State of Charge

Upper SOC Limit

100 %

Energy Storage SOC upper bound

Target SOC

50 %

What state of charge should the battery storage system return to at the end of each optimization window?

Lower SOC Limit

0 %

Energy Storage SOC lower bound

Self-Discharge Rate

0 % / hour

What percent of the remaining stored energy will be wasted by the batteries every hour due to self-discharge?

Limit Daily Cycling?

☐ Yes
☒ No

Constrain the battery storage system's daily discharge energy. When selected, this input limits the amount of discharge energy a battery can do in any 24-hr period to a maximum of its rated energy capacity * daily cycle limit.

Cycle Degradation

Include degradation due to cycling?

☐ Yes
☒ No

When selected, this will calculate degradation due to cycling based on the cycle life curve and combine this degradation with the calculated calendar degradation.
* Note: Not compatible with deferral service.

Include Housekeeping Calculations?

☐ Yes
☒ No

Include Housekeeping Power? -- Apply a constant AC power consumption that does not discharge the battery directly. This is usually associated with HVAC requirements and keeping all equipment on.

Cost Function

Capital Cost

\$

Capital Cost per kW

\$ / kW

What is the capital cost per kW for the storage discharge power capacity?

Capital Cost per kWh

\$ / kWh

What is the capital cost per kWh for the storage energy capacity?

Fixed O&M Costs

\$ / kW-year

What is the cost of fixed operations and maintenance for the battery storage system?

Variable O&M Costs

\$ / MWh-year

What is the variable cost of operations and maintenance for the battery storage system?

Construction Year

In what year will construction start?

Operation Year

In what year will operation start (COD)?

Expected Lifetime

20 years

The number of years this technology will operate before new equipment is required to continue operation.

Replaceable?

☐ Yes
☒ No

Will this technology be replaced at its end of lifetime or not?

Decomissioning Cost

0 \$

The cost to decommission this technology when it reaches its expected lifetime end

Salvage Value

Sunk Cost

Applies a financial benefit in the last year of the analysis window if the resource is not beyond its end of life.

Sunk Cost means that there is no end of analysis value (salvage value = 0), **Linear Salvage Value** which will calculate salvage value by multiplying the technology's capital cost by (remaining life/total life), or **User**

Defined to specify the exact salvage value of the technology.

Technology Escalation Rate

0 %

The rate at which this technology's cost increases or decreases in cost each year. A negative value indicates the technology is decreasing in cost over time. A value equal to the inflation rate indicates that the real cost of the technology is constant.

MACRS Term

15 years

Which MACRS GDS category does this technology fall into?

Services: Resource Adequacy

Number of Events

days

How many times will a resource be called on to fulfill its resource adequacy obligation in one year?

Duration of Events

hours

How long will a resource adequacy event last for?

Dispatch Mode

- ☒ Constrain power
☐ Constrain energy

How should the DERs dispatch in response to the program?

Event Selection Method

- ☐ Peak by Year
☒ Peak by Month
☐ Peak by Month with Active Hours

Based on the system load, how are resource adequacy events selected?

Growth Rate of Resource Adequacy Awards

% / year

A per year increase from the baseline year. This is the project start year.

Services: Day Ahead Energy Price

Growth Rate of Day Ahead
Energy Prices

3 % / year

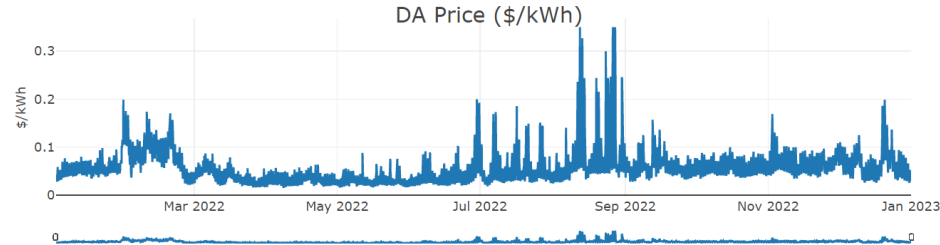
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Upload the **day ahead price (\$/kWh)** as a **.csv** file that contains a reading for each timestep on a separate line. The selected data
year is 2022 and selected data frequency is 60 minutes, so we require an input file with **8760** entries.

[Download a sample DAPrice.csv file](#) with a 60-minute timestep for a year with 365 days (8,760 entries).

Choose File No file chosen

Remove Data





External Incentives

Specify by entering the external incentives one year at a time or by importing in bulk from an export file.

Year	Tax Credit (nominal \$)	Other Incentive (nominal \$)	
2021	39600000	0	Edit 

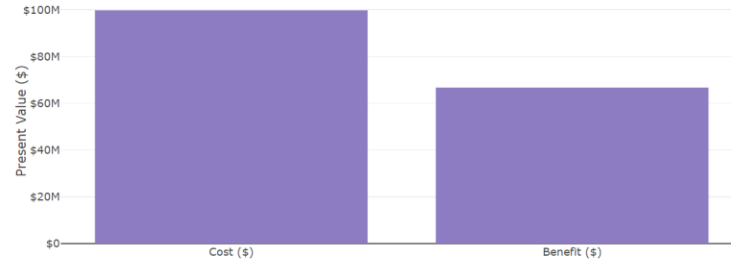
Add External Incentives

 Import Incentives

 Export Incentives

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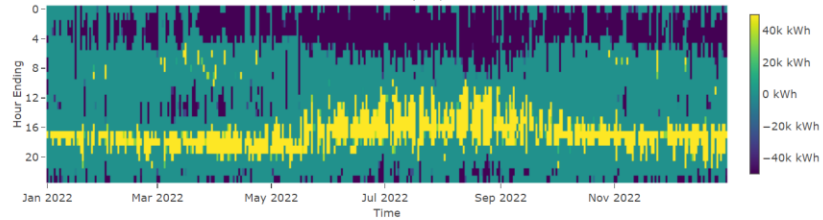
Lifetime Present Value



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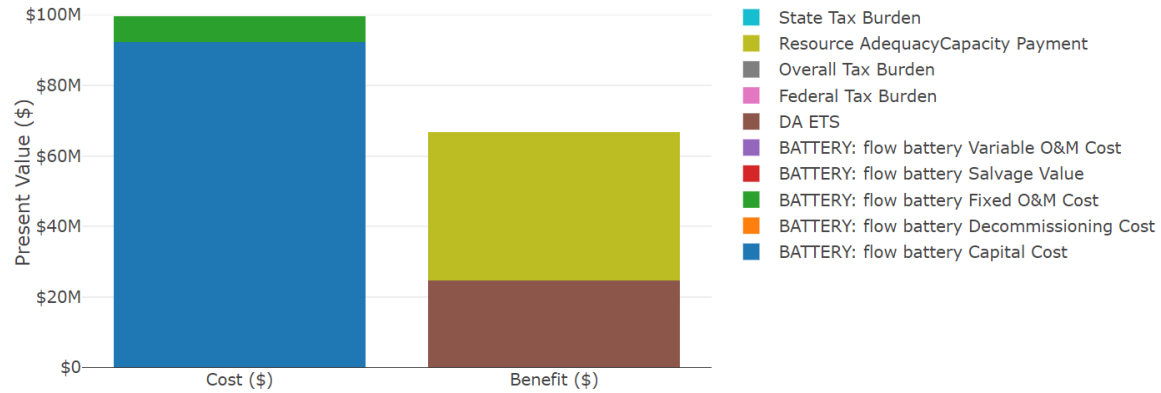
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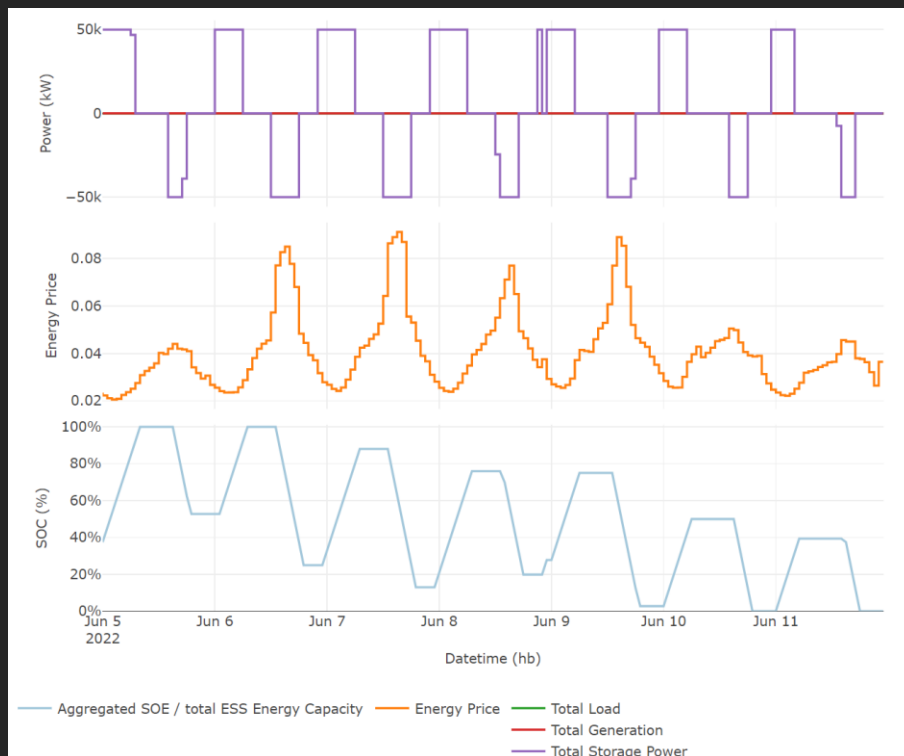
Battery Dispatch



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Cost versus Benefit by Value Stream







Li-Ion Comparison

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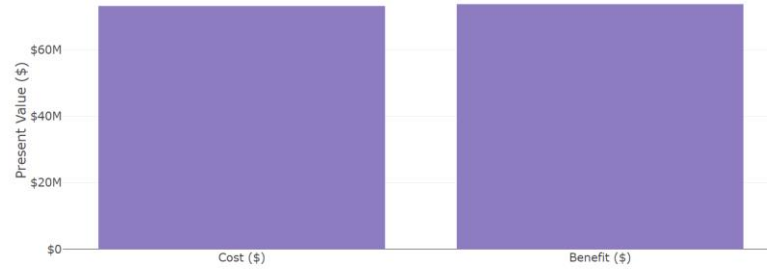
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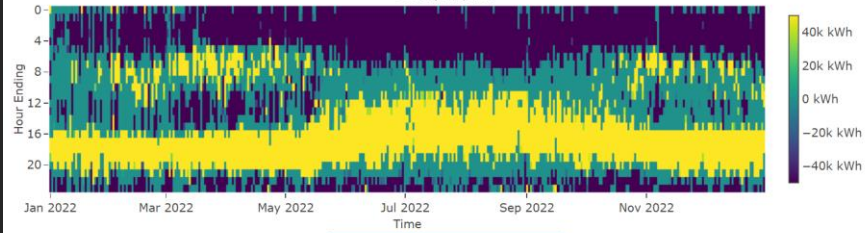
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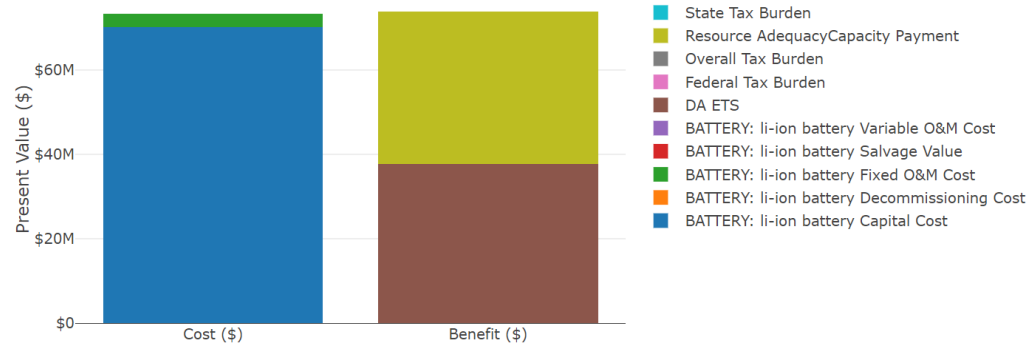
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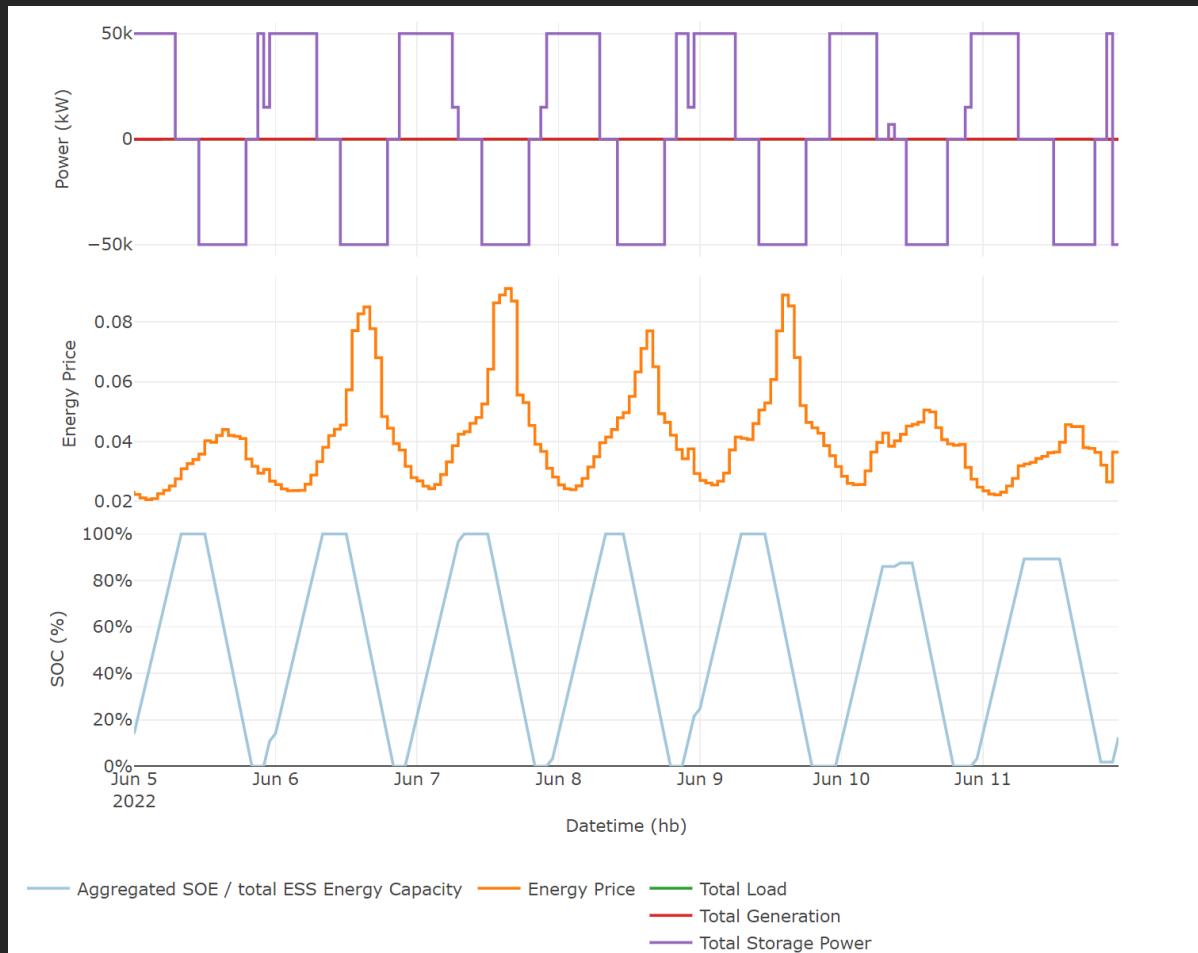
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Cost versus Benefit by Value Stream





Standalone Storage ITC

- 30% used in these cases
- More is possible with add-ons, such as if the project benefits disadvantaged communities, up to 50%
- These cases use reduced capital cost inputs to capture ITC, which does not fully capture tax implications
 - As the implementation is resolved, it may impact how ITC calculations are done in DER-VET

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A grayscale photograph of four professionals standing side-by-side. From left to right: a man with curly hair and glasses in a lab coat; a man with glasses and a tie in a lab coat; a woman wearing a hard hat and safety glasses in a lab coat; and a man with glasses and a beard in a button-down shirt. The first three individuals have the EPRI logo on their lab coats. The woman is holding a clipboard. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

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