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Overview

Should energy storage be more than 4 hours of capacity?

However, there is growing interest in the deployment of energy storage with greater than 4 hours of capacity, which has been identified as potentially playing an important role in helping integrate larger amounts of renewable energy and achieving heavily decarbonized grids.1,2,3.

Will a fifth hour of battery storage cost more than 4 hours?

value for a fifth hour of storage (using historical market data) is less than most estimates for the annualized cost of adding Li-ion battery capacity, at least at current costs.25 As a result, moving beyond 4-hour Li-ion will likely require a change in both the value proposition and storage costs, discussed in the following sections.

How much capacity does a 4 hour storage device capture?

In locations with a 4-hour capacity rule, a 4-hour storage device captures well over 80% of the total capacity plus energy time-shifting value that could be captured by a much longer device Figure 5.

Will 4 hour storage drop over time?

On the value side, the value of 4-hour storage is likely to drop over time as many regions in the United States shift to net winter peaks. This would increase the relative value of longer-duration storage that would be needed to address the longer evening peak demand periods that cannot be served directly with solar energy.

Why is the value of a power plant declining beyond 4 hours?

This reflects both the state of the technology, and the strong influence of the current market duration requirements for capacity, which results in a significant decline in value beyond 4 hours of duration.



How much value does a 4 hour storage device lose?

fairly rapidly, and by the time storage is serving about 3%-4% of net peak demand, the value of an incremental 4-hour device is about 75%, meaning it has lost about 25% of its capacity value. Figure 12.



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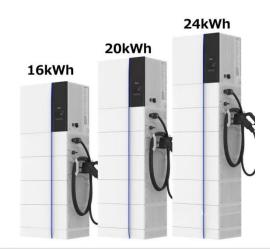
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