



### SOLAR PLUS STORAGE TOPOLOGIES



**PLUS STORAGE** 

HYBRID SOLAR

DC-COUPLED







HAWAII







VERMONT



**FLORIDA** 







DPS



### SOLAR PLUS STORAGE VALUE STREAMS

What we can do with any PVS topology

What we can do additionally if we DCcouple our PVS

- Capacity Firming
- Energy Time Shifting
- Ramp Rate Control
- Lower Cost than AC-Coupled
- A Higher Efficiency than AC-Coupled Storage
- Increased Revenue Due to Clipping Recapture
- Ability to Retain Tax Incentives
- Low Voltage Harvest (LVH)
- Ramp Rate Control +



### DC-DC COST REDUCTION 20MW CASE STUDY



# **HIGHER EFFICIENCY**





# **DC-COUPLED**

- 3 power electronic conversions
- 1 battery charge and discharge
- 1 transformer conversion

### AC-COUPLED

- 3 power electronic conversions
- 1 battery charge and discharge
- 3 transformer conversions

# Efficiency = 89.2%

= .95 \* .982 \* .982 \* .984 \* .99

Efficiency = 86.2%

= .95 \* .984 \* .99 \* .99 \* .984 \* .984 \* .99





#### SAMPLE 20 MW PV INSTALLATION INVERTER RATIO: 1.45





# ANNUAL LOST PRODUCTION: 1,923,256 kWh



### LOW VOLTAGE HARVEST (LVH) ONLY WITH DC-COUPLED





PV inverters harvest DC input when the array or string voltage is above a certain threshold. *This impacts generation at beginning of day, end of day and in heavy cloud cover.* 



# RAMP RATE CONTROL+ ONLY WITH DC-COUPLED

### **Ramp Rate Control Mode**

- System can be sized to provide ramp rate control to a defined spec: X MW/minute.
- Required in island scenarios (Hawai'i, Puerto Rico, Caymans) or may be required for PV on weak feeders





# **TYPICAL CONFIGURATION**





# **FComp: Frequency Response**

#### Fcomp

#### Frequency Response

Autonomous, settable frequency support. Sub-cycle response when local frequency deviates from set deadbands. Operates in background but can be given priority.

Note this function can meet requirements for rate of change of frequency.

This is different from Frequency Regulation in which the inverter is passive and is receiving an outside dispatch command.





# **EComp: Volt-VAR**

#### EComp

"Volt-VAR support"

Autonomous, settable voltage support. Sub-cycle response when local voltage deviates from set deadbands. Operates in background but can be given priority.



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# **REACTIVE POWER CAPABILITIES**

#### S-Plane curve

#### **Reactive Power capability**

Example inverter reactive power capabilities. The outer circle represents available output points in normal operation. The colored cut lines illustrate reduced reactive power (positive) capabilities when the battery input voltage is reduced.





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