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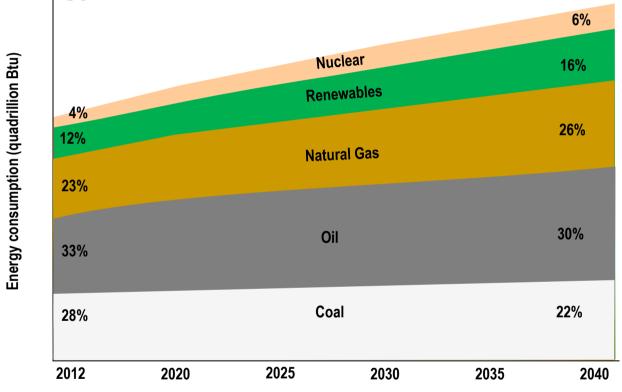
# **Caterpillar Hybrid Microgrids**

Microgrid

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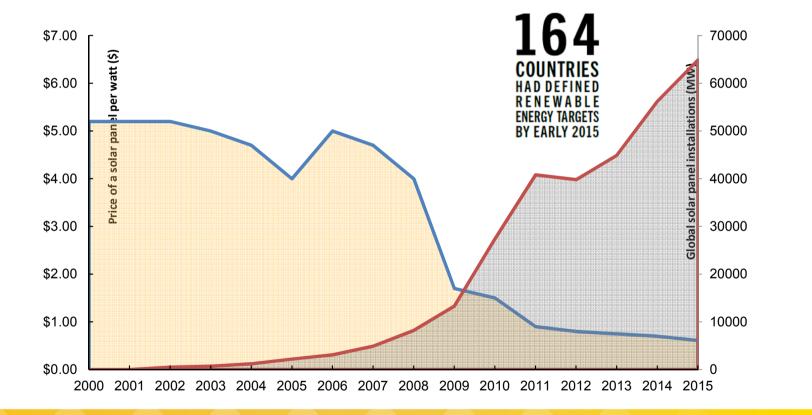




## **Global Energy Demand**

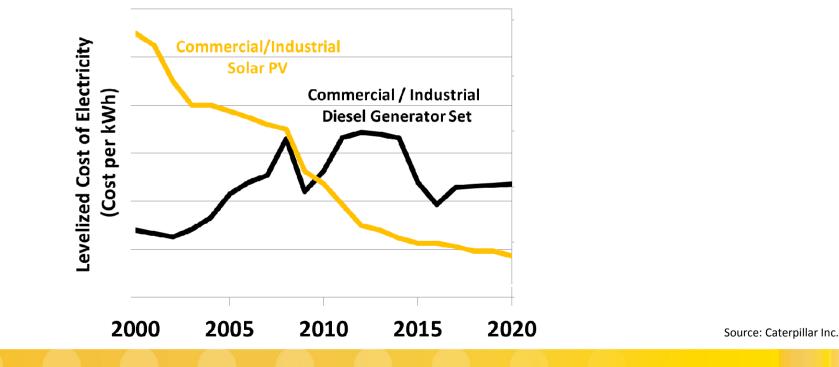
Source: EIA International Energy Outlook 2016

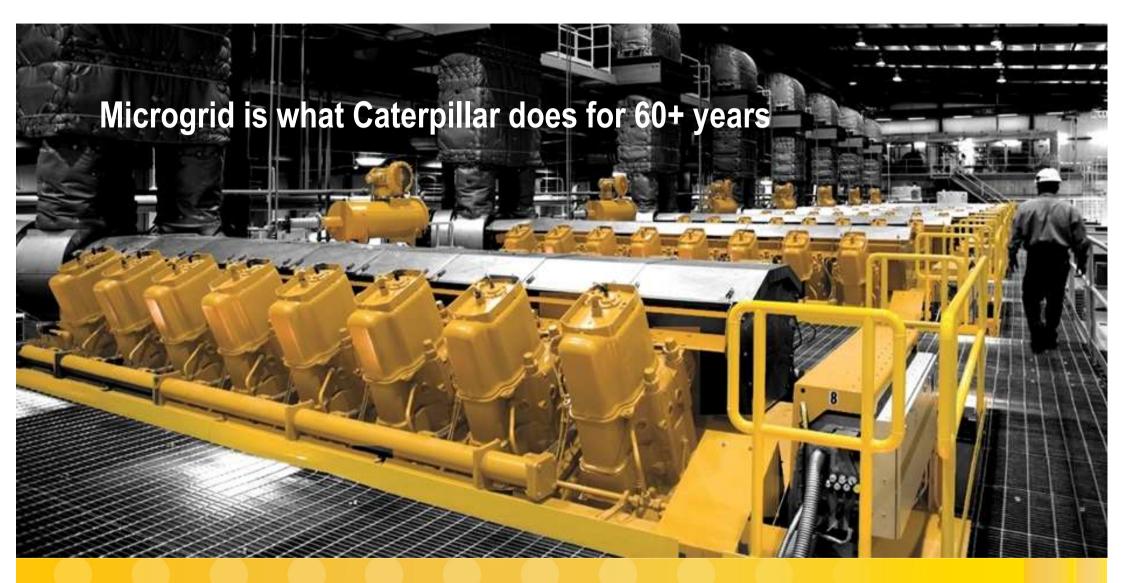
#### As solar panel prices have dropped, installations have soared...



#### **Cost of Electricity Solar PV and Diesel Generator Sets**

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## What is a Hybrid Microgrid?

#### Hybrid Microgrids are:

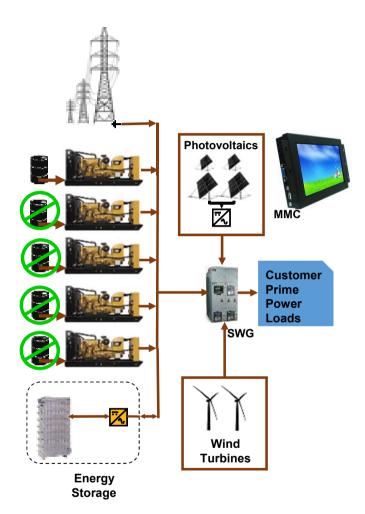
#### **Combining Traditional & New Energy Technologies**

#### **Objective = lower operating cost**

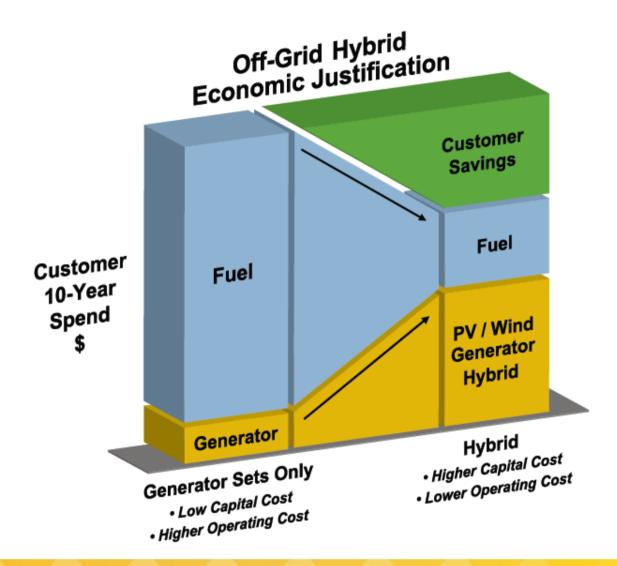
- Fuel consumption can be reduced 10% 50%+
- Combinations can achieve lowest life-cycle costs

#### Capture the Benefits of Each:

- Reliable and fully dispatchable generator sets:
- Cheaper (free) energy source: solar and wind:
- Stabilization, time-shifting, high-penetration: energy storage (batteries, ultra-caps, UPS)







# Why Remote Hybrid Microgrids Now?

- Advances in:
  - Solar PV
  - Energy Storage
  - System Controls & Power Conditioning
  - Connected Load Side Management

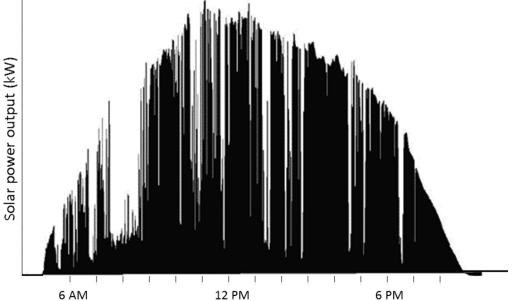


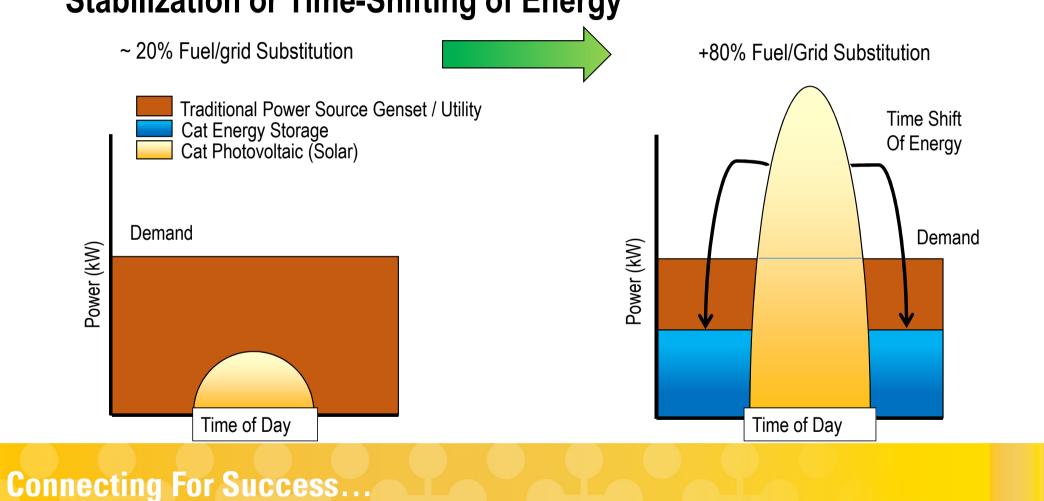




# Advances in Energy Storage minimize renewable natural intermittency

Energy storage can now provide cost effective grid stabilization and maximize PV utilization





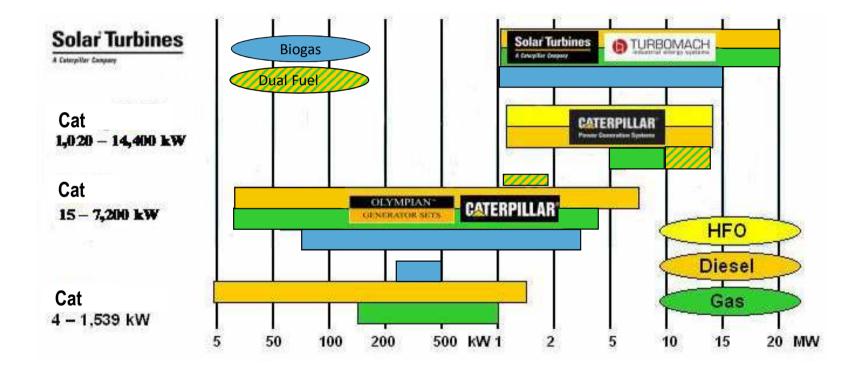
## **Stabilization or Time-Shifting of Energy**

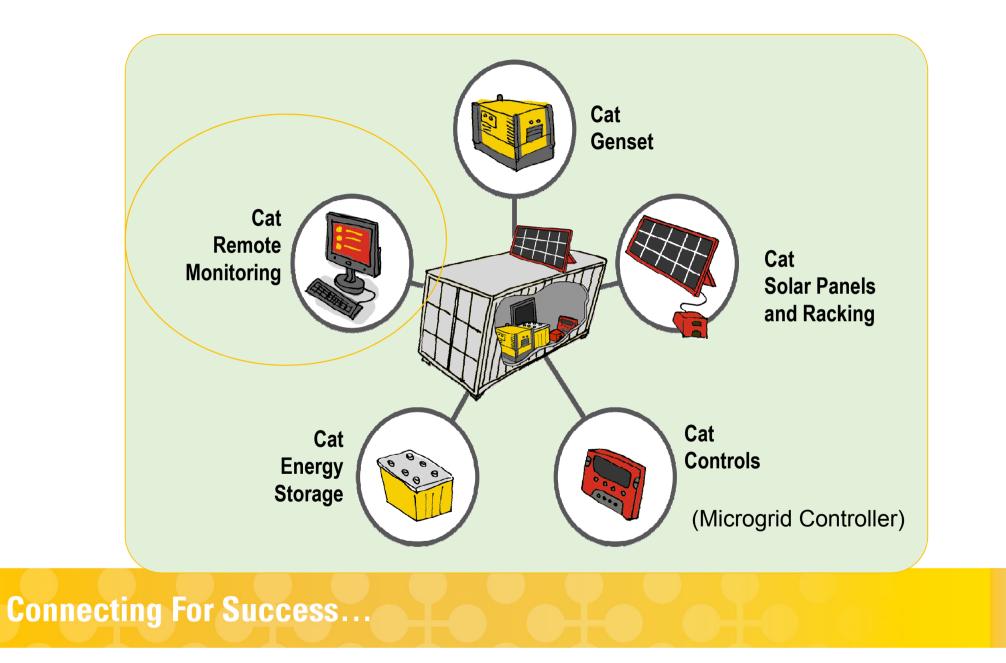
## **Renewable Penetration Levels – Hybrid Microgrid**

Fuel Savings Objective		Solar PV	
	30% to 100% Fuel Savings	PV System Size Greater than Generator Set Capacity	Energy Storage for Power Stability & Energy Time-Shifting
	10-30% Fuel Savings	PV Size Equal to Generator Set Capacity	Energy Storage for grid stability
	5-10% Fuel Savings	PV Size Under 15-20% of Generator Set Capacity	No Energy Storage
	Baseline	Prime Power Generator Sets	



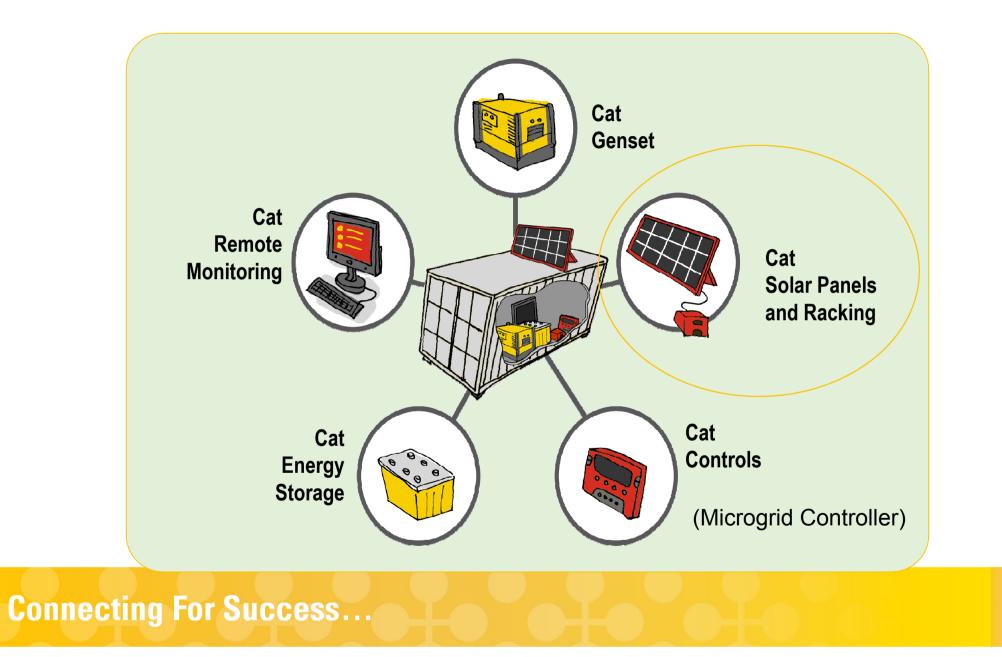
#### **Traditional Power Generation Product Portfolio from 4kW to 20MW**

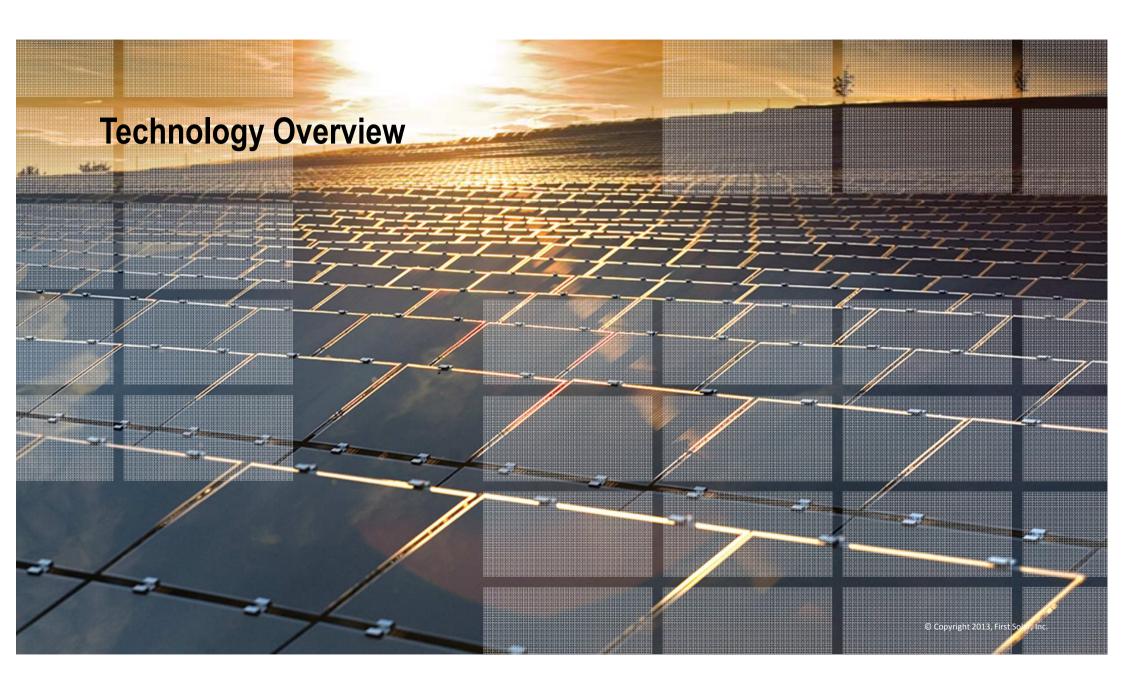




## **Cat Connect for Microgrid Systems**







## **Cat Branded 115W PV Modules**

- Cadmium Telluride thin film CdTe
- Durable and recyclable frameless glass-glass laminate
- Low temperature coefficient
- Best humidity response
- Robust against shading
- Robust against dust and diffused sunlight
- 10 years Product Warranty
- 25-year Linear Power Output Warranty



60 x 120 cm, 12.0 kg

#### World Record CdTe Solar Cell: 22.1%



#### 22.1% Cell Efficiency

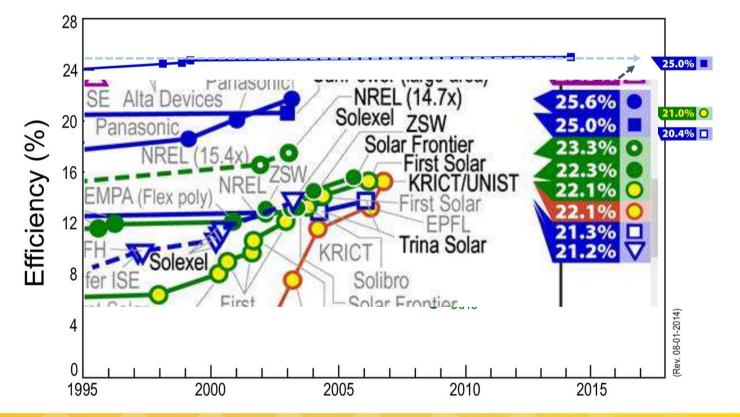
The record-setting cell was constructed using materials and processes found in the manufacturing environment at our Perrysburg, Ohio factory.

Results certified at Newport TAC Lab and documented in the U.S. Department of Energy's National Renewables Energy Laboratory (NREL) Best Research Cell Efficiencies.

#### **Fastest growing performance**

#### **Best Research-Cell Efficiencies**

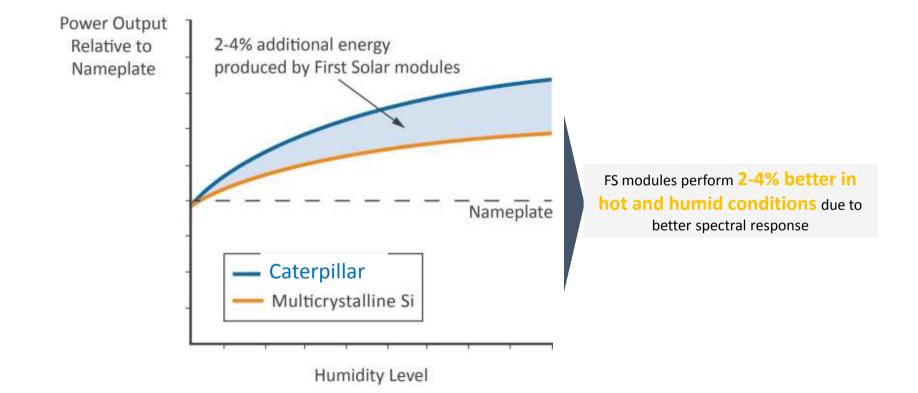
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#### **Energy Yield Temperature Advantage**

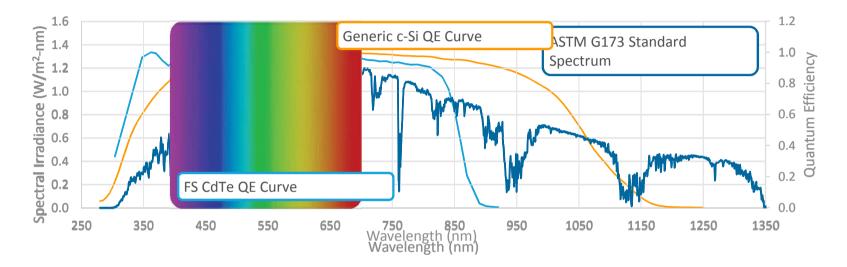


#### **Higher Energy Yield In Humid Conditions**



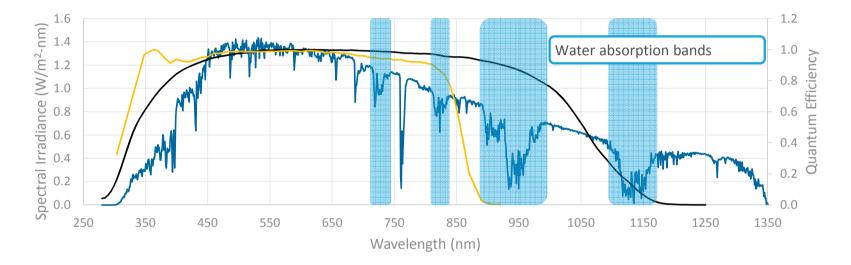


#### Spectral Irradiance with Quantum Efficiency Curves by Technology



A module's quantum efficiency curve indicates which wavelengths are "visible" to that technology.

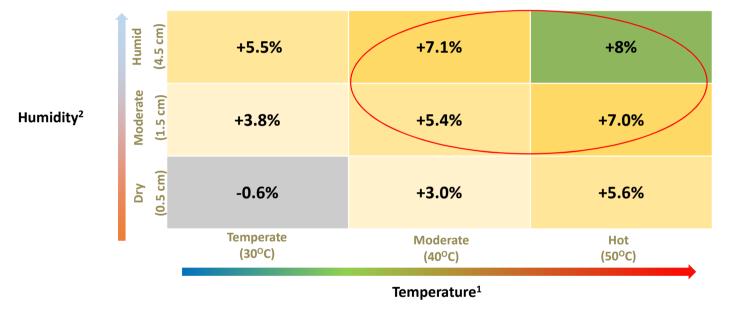
#### Water Absorption Bands in Spectral Irradiance



Largest water absorption bands occur at wavelengths "visible" to c-Si but not to CdTe. When the atmosphere has high precipitable water (*Pwat*) content, CdTe will have more useful irradiance than c-Si compared to broadband reading.

#### Module Capacity Factor CdTe Vs C-Si

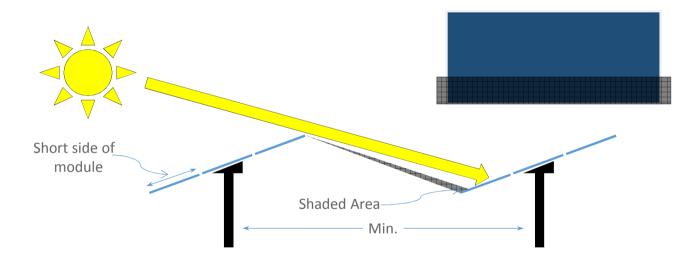
#### **Best in Industry**



- Source/Assumptions:
- <sup>1</sup>Competitive temperature losses calculated using -0.45%/°C temperature coefficient. Temperatures listed are representative energy weighted annual averages.
- <sup>2</sup>Humidity is a proxy for CdTe spectral shift which is primarily driven by atmospheric precipitable water content; competitive advantage calculation assumes competitor values are 50% of First Solar values. Values listed represent irradiance weighted averages. See "Changes in Cadmium Telluride Photovoltaic System Performance due to Spectrum" for more details.

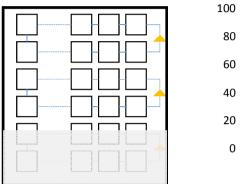
# Module Performance – Comparison to c-Si

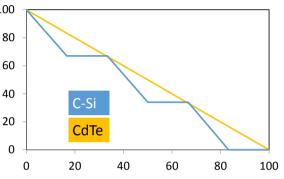
- Robust against shading in landscape orientation (perpendicular to cells)
  - Thin Film Power loss is ~proportional to shading: 10% shading = ~10% output power loss
  - Typical c-Si Power loss:
     10% shading = ~30% output power loss<sup>1</sup>
  - Minimizes early morning and late evening energy loss while allowing row spacing (array footprint) to be minimized

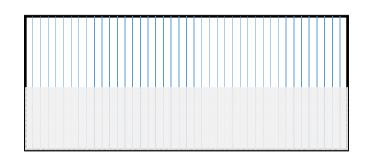


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## Shading CdTe vs. C-Si





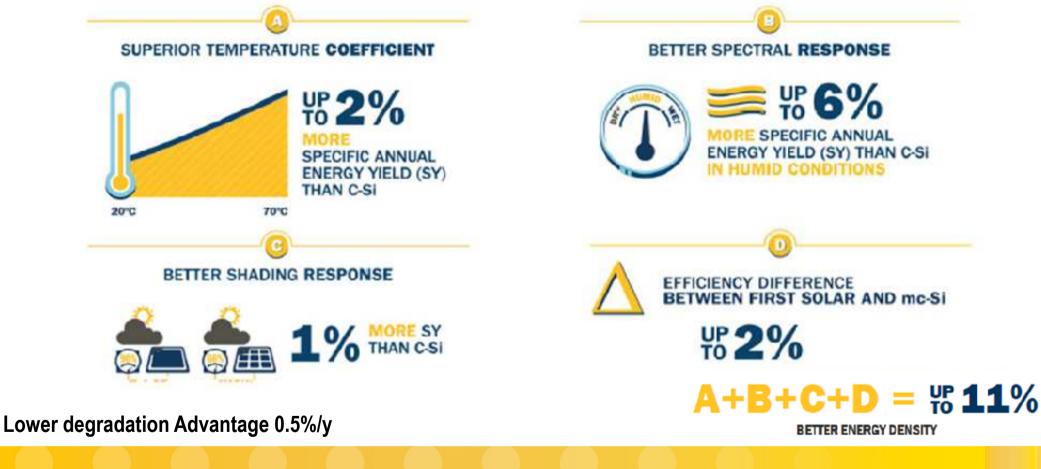


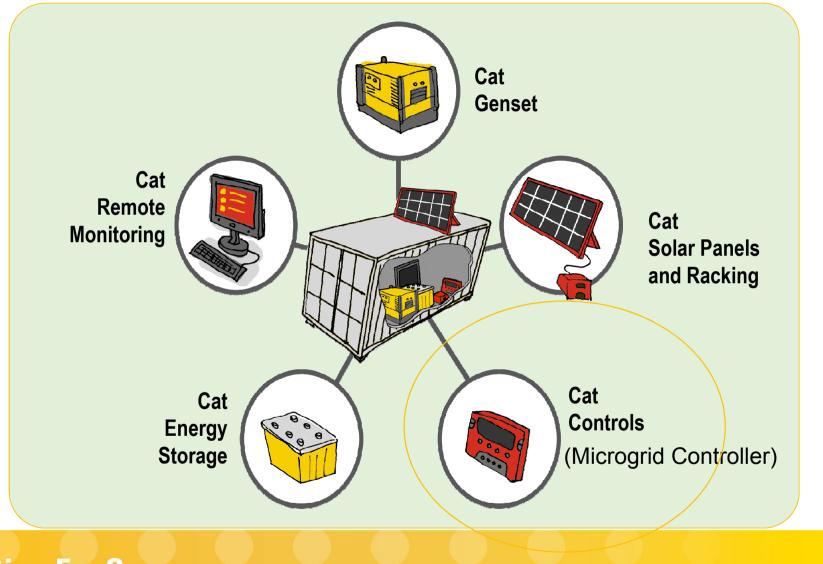
- Effect of shading is dependent on the electrical connections within the module.
  - Some Si modules have multiple rows of series connected which results in non-uniform shading loss

- This result extends to array –level performance
  - Power will drop to zero when voltage of array drops below inverter limit

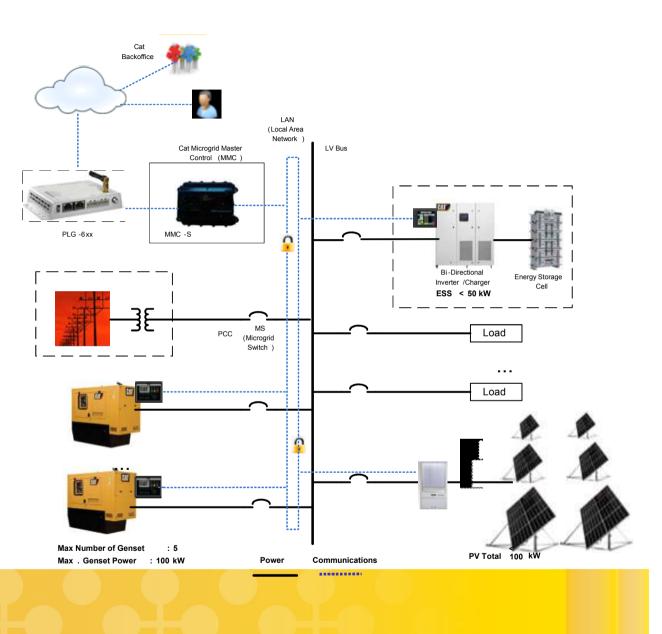
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#### The Cat Thin Film Advantage





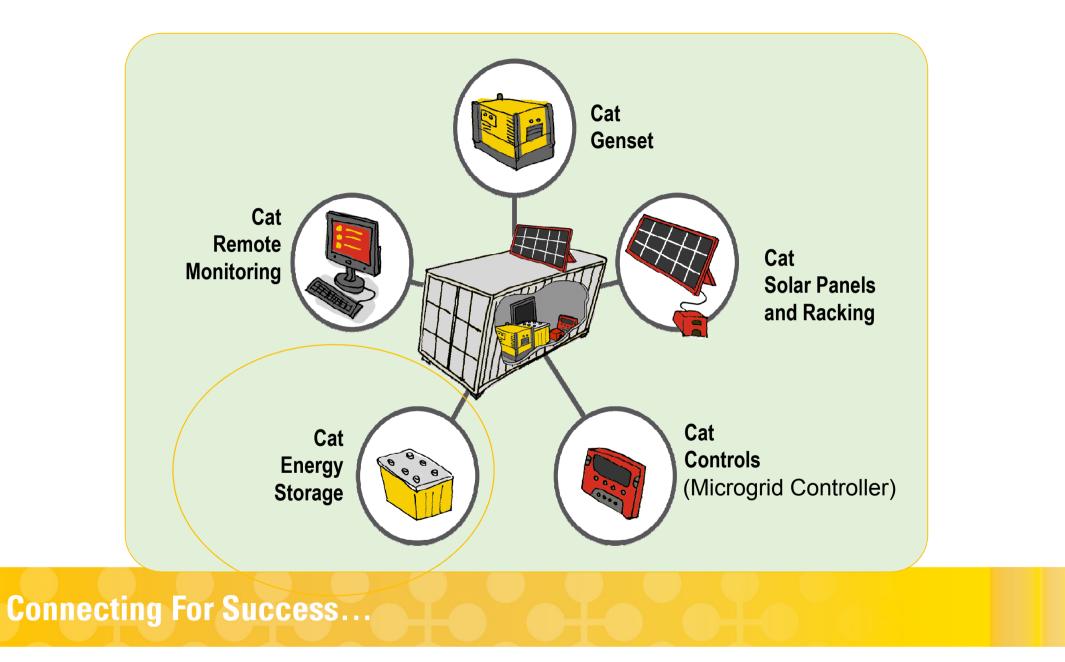
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- Product range
  - Market Segment Needs Driven
  - Modular and Scalable
  - Retrieval of field Data
- Three Tiered Approaches (MMC-S, MMC-M, MMC-L) :
  - System Complexities
  - Features
  - Price



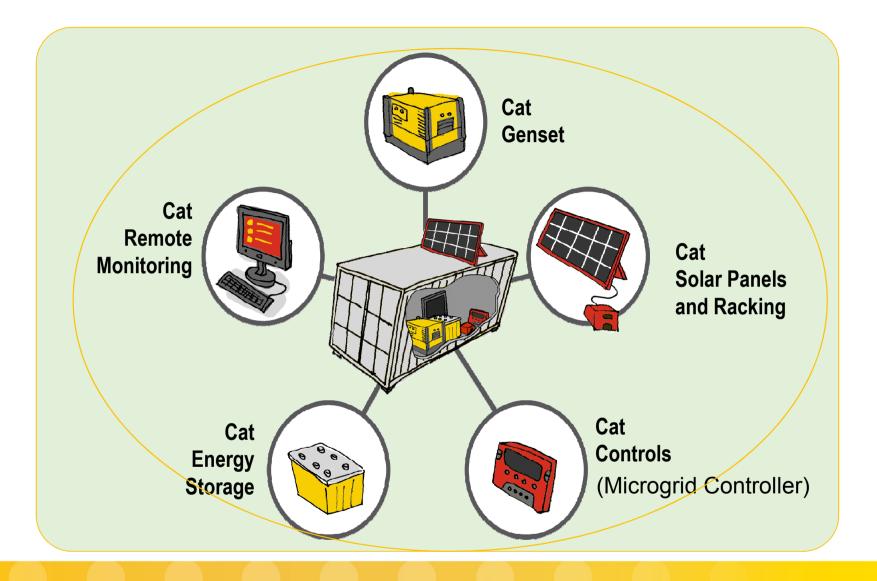


# **Energy Storage Solutions**

- Suite of technologies to meet a variety of installation requirements
- Leverage a combination of off-the-shelf components and new technology to optimize performance
- Solutions can be pre-packaged in rapidly deployable containers

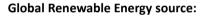


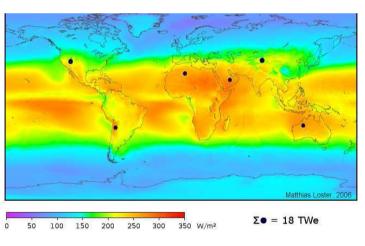


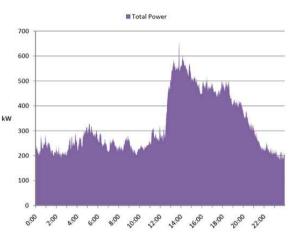


## **Hybrid Power Analysis**

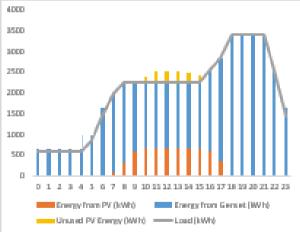
- Hybrid Power Analysis and System Design
- Site location
- Diesel cost: \$x/litre
- Cost of Capital: z % pa
- Load Profile: Refer chart







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**Connecting For Success...** 

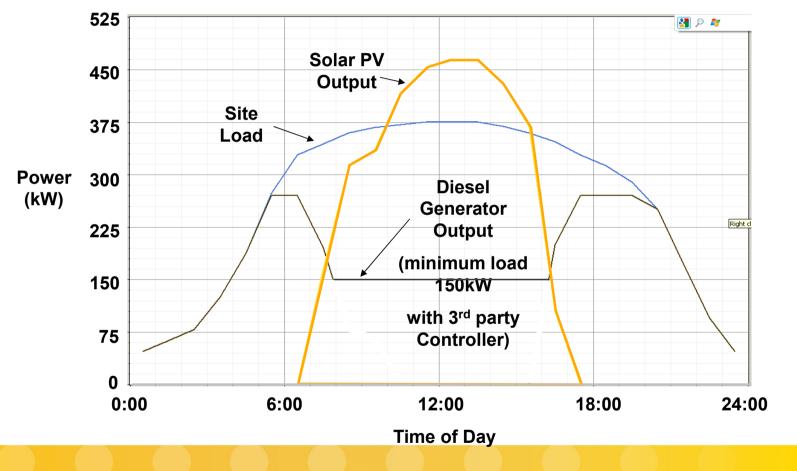
Global Solar Irradiance Map

Example Load Profile Data

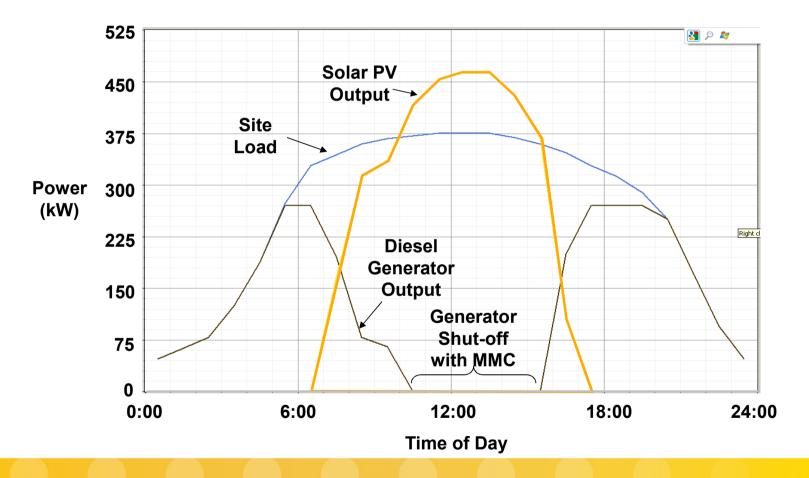
# Tucson Arizona Microgrid 500kWp

- 33% fuel savings
  Cat 500kWp fixed tilt & tracker
- Cat Diesel Generators
- Cat ESS500kW Li-Ion & UCaps Energy storage

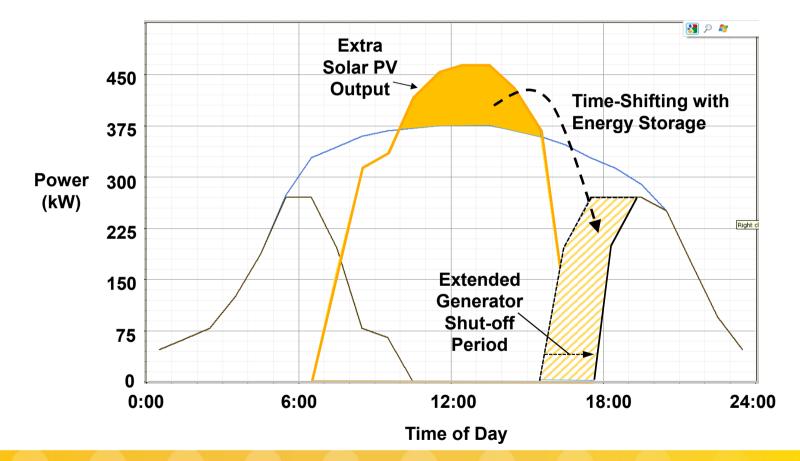
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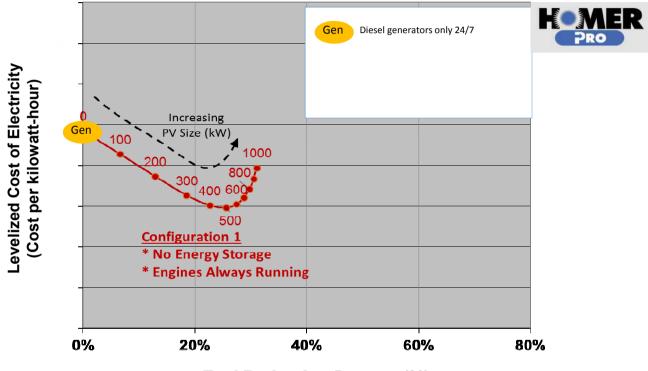
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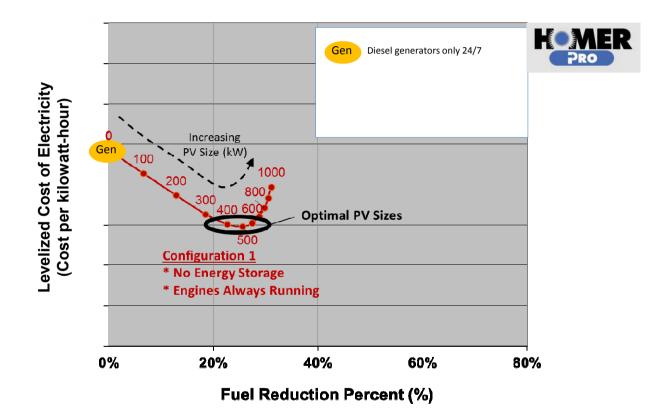
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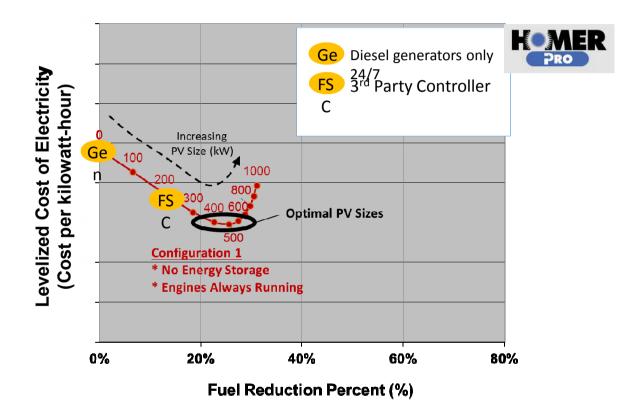


**Fuel Reduction Percent (%)** 

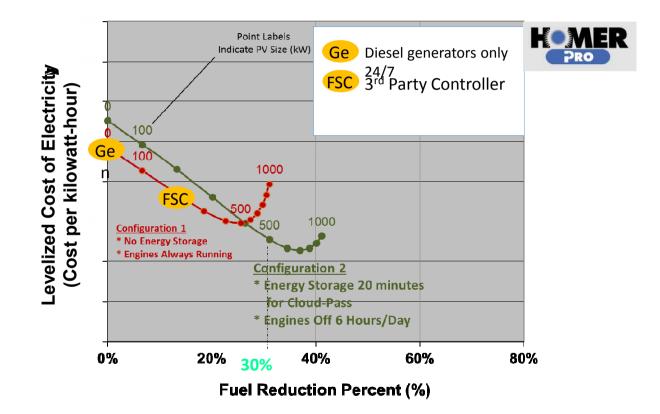
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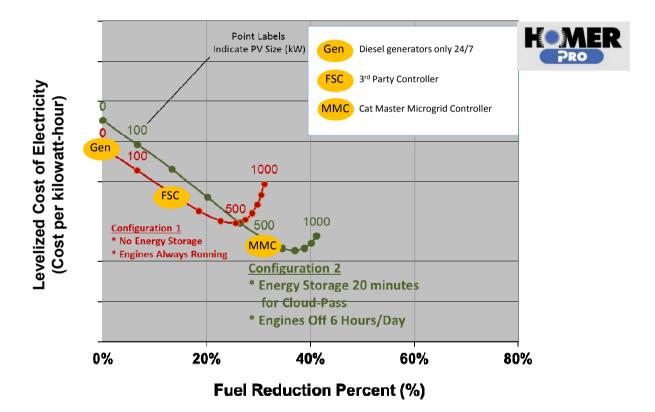
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# Conclusions

- Hybrid Microgrid solutions permit lower levelized cost of electricity
- Multiple small Microgrids can be quickly and cost effectively implemented in off-grid and weak-grid locations.
- Caterpillar provides fully integrated Hybrid Microgrid solution
  - Generator set
  - Photovoltaic system
  - Energy Storage
  - Service

#### **Questions?**

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