

Grid Energy Storage – Technology and Deployment in the Electric Grid
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SYNOPSIS OF YOUR PRESENTATION (two paragraphs)

Energy storage is vital to the stability and resiliency of the electric grid. For over twenty five years, Sandia National Laboratories has played a leadership role in the development, testing and validation, and on helping to enable large scale deployment of energy storage in the electric grid. The research program at the laboratories includes the development low cost battery technologies, power electronics and power conversion systems, and algorithms and controls for optimum utilization of energy storage assets. The laboratory is a center of excellence in the safety and reliability of grid scale energy storage systems. The laboratory also provides trusted, independent, third-party testing and validation of electrical energy storage systems and advanced storage technologies from cell to MW systems in both grid and simulated environments. The laboratory has played a unique role in the deployment and demonstration of a number of pilot scale energy storage projects across the country. This presentation will give an overview of the grid energy storage research program and discuss our plans for the future.

BRIEF BIO (two paragraphs highlighting your experience and the impact of your work)

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