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# Energy Storage and Integration

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# Energy Storage is Key to Future Electric Grid

## Grid 1.0

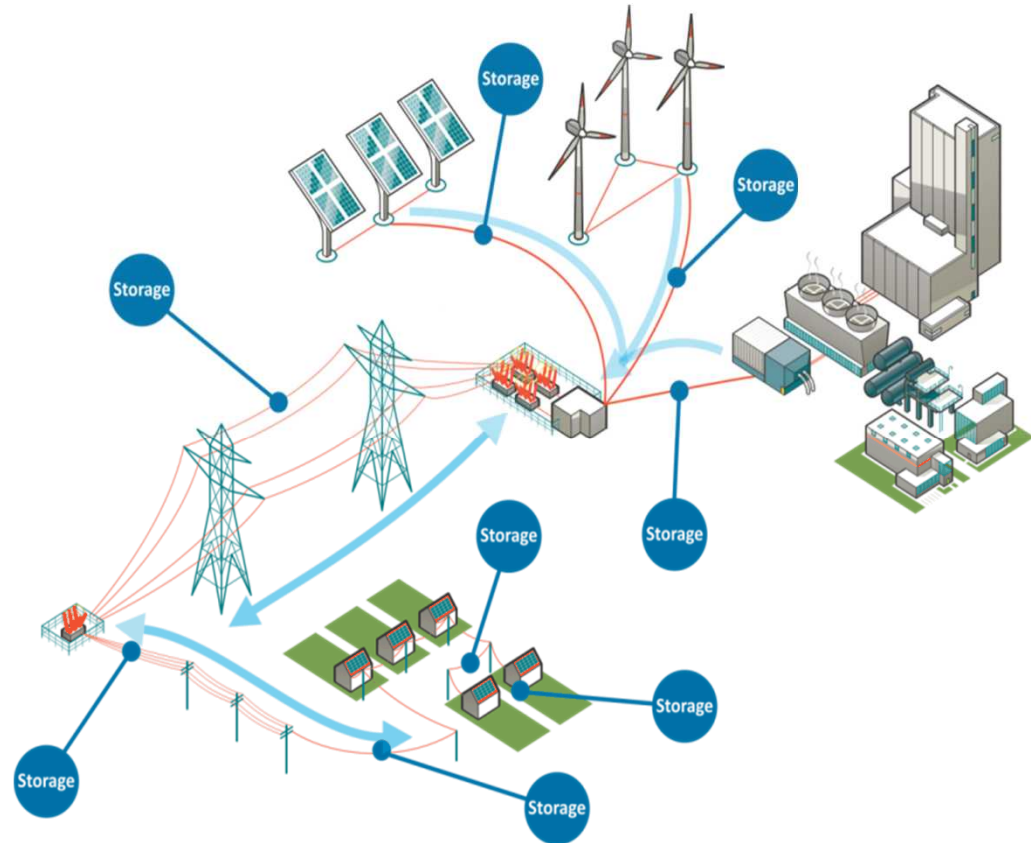
- One way energy flow
- Little/no renewable energy

## Grid 2.0

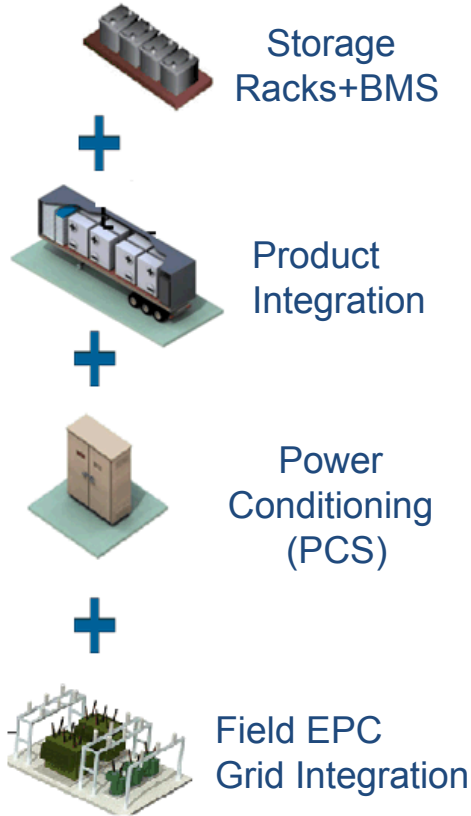
- Integration of renewables and distributed generation beginning to take off
- Minimal tools to manage grid instabilities

## Future Grid

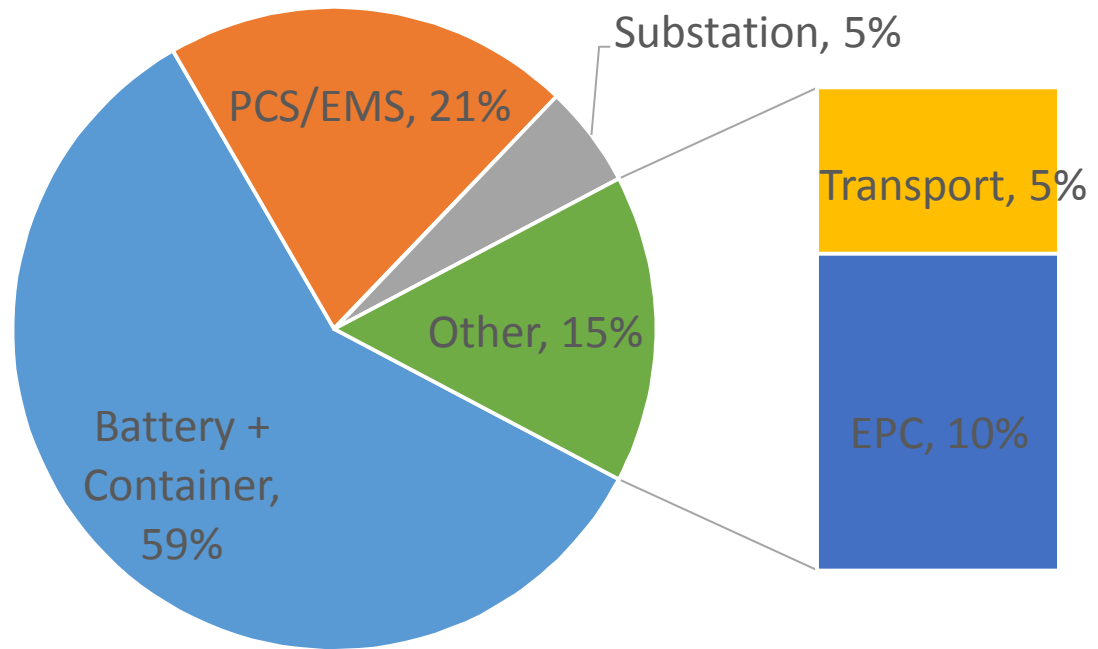
- Distributed generation and two-way energy flows
- Energy Storage is key for grid stability and large scale renewable integration



# Cost Structure of Storage System in 2016



Based on Commercial Li-Ion Storage



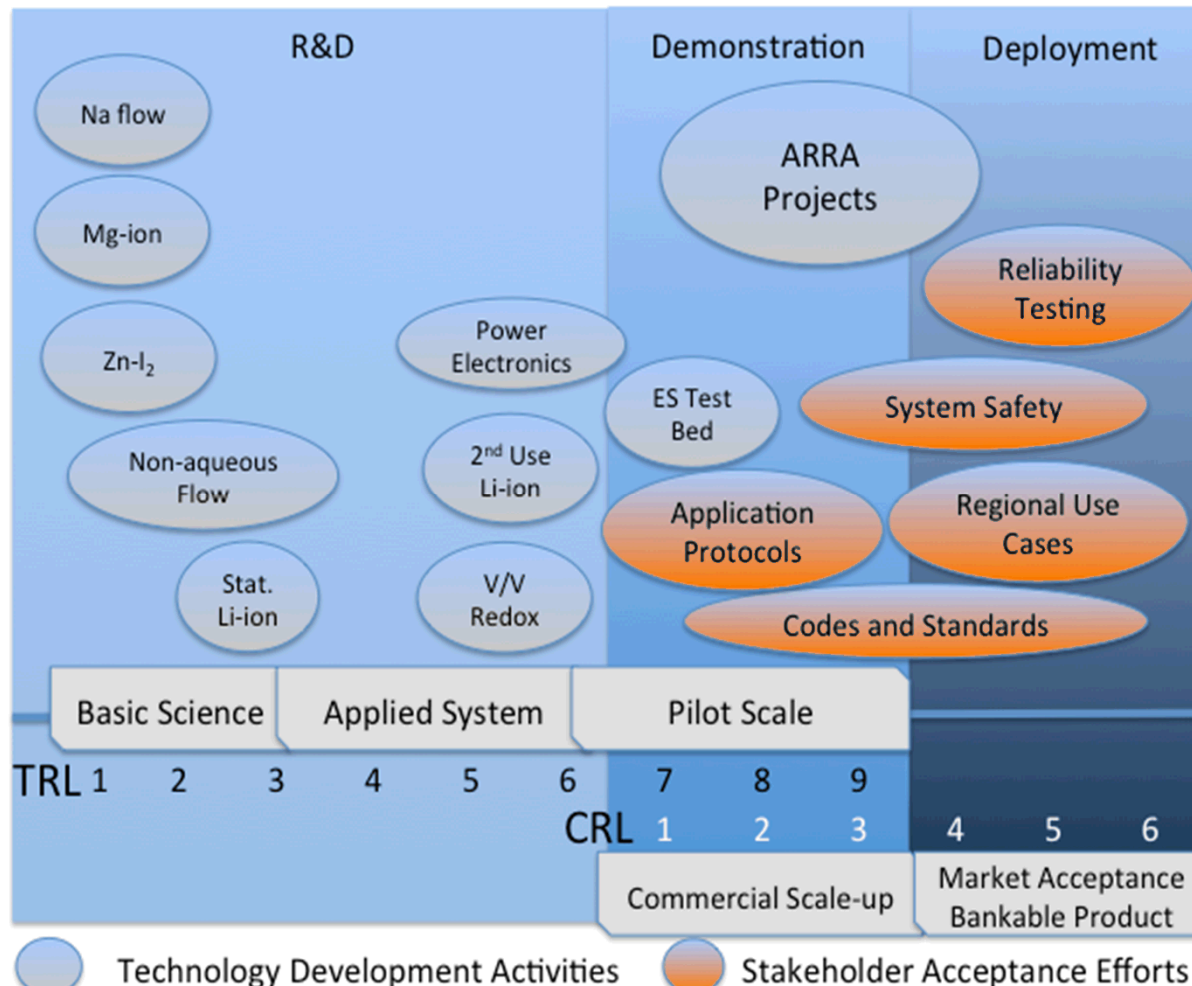
**Over 40% of Energy Storage System cost is outside the Battery**

# R&D Focus Areas

**Our R&D program is focused on solving critical problems to make energy storage safe, reliable, and cost effective across all markets. Main thrusts are:**

- **Lowering the cost of energy storage at the materials and device level**
- **Improving the reliability and safety of energy storage systems**
- **Developing industry standards, protocols, and regulations**
- **Enabling storage deployment through field demonstrations, analysis and verification, industry outreach and education**

# Energy Storage and Integration R&D



**We are working across the entire technology development cycle, in partnership with universities, other labs, and many companies**

# Energy Storage is a Major Crosscut

## Hydrogen Storage

Hydrogen and Fuel Cells program is developing technologies to accelerate large-scale deployment of hydrogen storage.



## Thermal Storage

Sandia's Concentrating Solar Power (CSP) program is developing molten salt thermal storage systems for grid-scale energy storage.



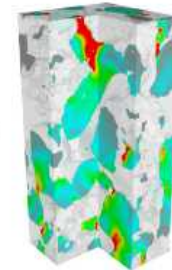
## Battery Materials

Sandia has a large portfolio of R&D projects related to advanced materials to support the development of lower cost energy storage technologies including new battery chemistries, electrolyte materials, and membranes.



## Systems Modeling

Sandia is performing research in a number of areas on the reliability and safety of energy storage systems including simulation, modeling, and analysis, from cell components to fully integrated systems.



## Systems Analysis

Sandia has extensive infrastructure to evaluate megawatt-hour class energy storage systems in a grid-tied environment to enable industry acceptance of new energy storage technologies.



## Cell & Module Level Safety

Sandia has exceptional capabilities to evaluate fundamental safety mechanisms from cell to module level for applications ranging from electric vehicles to military systems.



## Power Conversion Systems

Leveraging exceptional strengths in power electronics, Sandia has unique capabilities to characterize the reliability of power electronics and power conversion systems.



## Grid Analytics

Analytical and multi-physics models to understand risk and safety of complex systems, optimization, and efficient utilization of energy storage systems in the field.



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**Wide ranging R&D covering energy storage technologies with applications in the grid, transportation, and stationary storage**

# Involves Multiple R&D Depts and Partners

## Participating Departments in the DOE OE Energy Storage Program

Energy Storage Systems	Nanoscale Science	Advanced Materials Lab
Power Systems	Thermal, Fluid & Aero Sciences	Electronic, Optical, & Nano Materials
Solar Energy	Electrical Science & Experiments	Materials Aging & Reliability
Power Sources Technology	System Readiness & Sustainment	Microsystems Process

### Industrial Partners

- Transpower
- Raytheon/Ktech
- UET
- SunPower
- Aquion Energy
- Gridtential
- Helix
- Arkansas Power Electronics
- GeneSic Semi
- United SiC
- Princeton Power
- DRS Research
- HRL
- Sigma Technologies
- Hawaiian Electric Co
- Maui Electric Co
- Sprint
- Transpower
- Aquion Energy
- Kodiak Electric Assoc
- Mil Spray
- Duke Energy
- PNM, NEDO, MDS
- East Penn
- CPUC

### University Collaborations

- CO School of Mines
- University of Maryland
- Oregon State
- Iowa State University
- UC San Diego
- UC Davis
- Case Western
- Stonybrook
- Univ. of New Mexico
- Arizona State
- Iowa State
- Drexel University
- NC State

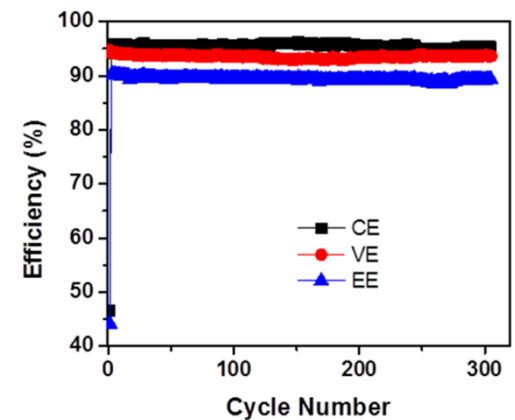
### Standards, Policy, and Regulatory

- UL, IEC
- IEEE 2030.2, 1547
- NFPA, NIBS, IFC, MESA
- CEC, CPUC
- EPRI, ESA, CESA

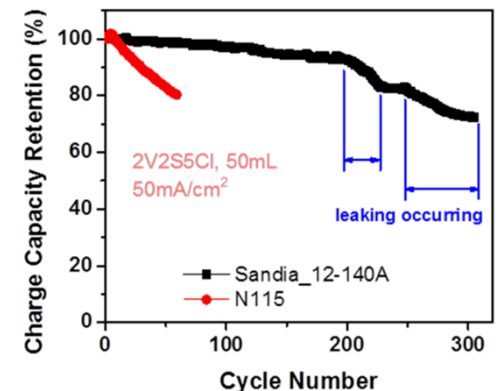
# Advanced Membranes for Flow Batteries

## Collaboration with PNNL and ORNL

- **Project Goals:** Develop and commercialize a new class of polymeric membranes that are superior to commercial membranes like Nafion in cost (10x lower) and performance.
- **Present Status:** Developed membranes with enhanced ion selectivity and durability. Testing has shown improved performance over current state of the art.
- **Commercialization:** Secured patent protection for materials synthesis and membrane application in flow batteries, fuel cells and electrolyzers. 1 issued patent and 4 pending applications. Commercialization through spin off.



New membranes are stable (300 cycles, 4 months), higher energy efficiency (90%) compared to state of the art (80%).

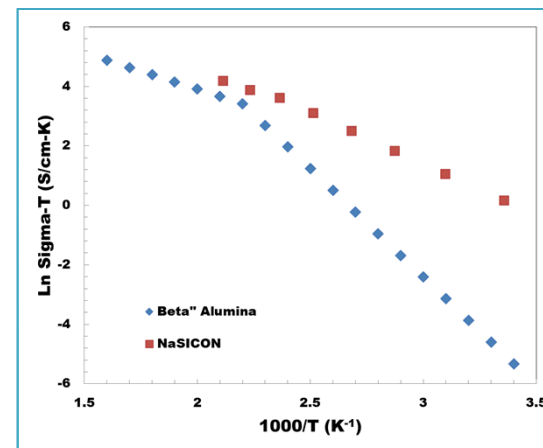


New membranes retains higher energy capacity for over 200 cycles. Longer term testing is in progress.

# Sodium Ion Battery Development

## Collaboration with Ceramatec (CoorsTek)

- **Project Goals:** Develop and demonstrate low cost sodium batteries operating at lower temperature ( $< 200^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) than state of the art NaS batteries. Technology based material innovations in NaSICON ceramic membranes (collaboration with Ceramatec/CoorsTek).
- **Present Status:** Successfully demonstrated cells using Na-Ni(Fe)Cl<sub>2</sub> as well as novel Na-I battery chemistries. 100 Ah cells demonstrated stable performance during 1+ year of operation. 250 Ah cells under test.
- **Project Milestone:** Demonstrate a 10 kWh battery module in a grid application (Q2, FY'18).



NaSICON is 10 × more conductive than  $\beta$ "-Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> @ room temperature



Prototype Na-ion cells

# Nanocomposite Materials for Flywheels

Research done at Advanced  
Materials Laboratory on UNM  
Campus

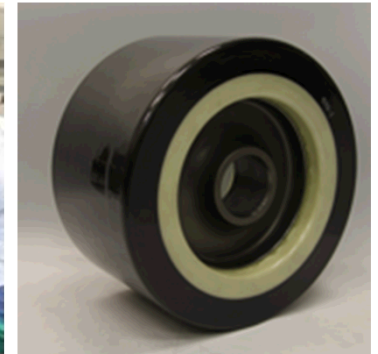
Collaboration with Cobham and  
PowerThru

We developed nano composite  
materials that increase the strength  
of flywheels by 30%

- New materials light weight and allow for faster spin rates
- Pilot scale production of materials at Kg level and built prototypes



Scaled production process for nano composite synthesis to Kg levels



Finished flywheel rim assemblies containing nano composite carbon fiber

# Power Electronics - Leveraging world class capabilities in Wide Bandgap Materials



2015 R&D100 Winner

**WORLD'S FIRST FIBER OPTIC ELECTRICAL TRANSDUCER TO PASS MILITARY VIBRATION AND SHOCK CERTIFICATION**

Exceeds 30Mhz  
Capable of Operating up to 34.5kV without additional Insulation, Isolation, or Cooling



**WORLD'S FIRST HIGH TEMPERATURE SIC SINGLE-PHASE INVERTER**

3 kW (1200 V/150 A peak)  
250° C Junction Temperature  
Integrated Gate Driver



**WORLD'S FIRST HIGH TEMPERATURE SIC POWER MODULE**

50 kW (1200 V/150 A peak)  
250° C Junction Temperature  
Integrated HTSOI Gate Driver



**WORLD'S FIRST COMMERCIALY AVAILABLE ULTRA-HIGH-VOLTAGE SIC THYRISTOR**

Rating exceed 6.5kV, 200kHz, 80A  
> 200° C junction temperature



**WORLD'S FIRST HIGH VOLTAGE, HIGH TEMPERATURE, REWORKABLE SIC HALF-BRIDGE POWER MODULE**

> 15 kV / 100 A, > 200° C Reworkable  
Wire Bond Free, Low Parasitic Design  
Device Neutral HV Isolated Gate Driver



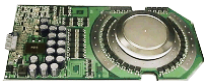
**WORLD'S HIGHEST VOLTAGE NORMALLY OFF SIC JFET**

6.5 kV, 20kHz, 60A  
200° C Junction Temperature



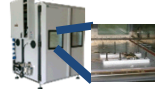
**WORLD'S FIRST VOLTAGE CONTROLLED 4500V/400A TURN-OFF THYRISTOR**

4500V and 400A rated  
Integrated Si MOSFET and GTO  
Embedded Current Sensing Capability



**WORLD'S FIRST HIGHLY ACCELERATED LIFETIME TESTING (HALT) OF HIGH VOLTAGE SIC MODULES**

Dramatically Accelerates Design Cycle  
-100° C to 250° C (1.7° C/s Ramp)  
48 in × 48 in Table Size  
6 axis 75 gRMS Vibration



**WORLD'S FIRST MONOLITHICALLY INTEGRATED SINGLE CHIP TRANSISTOR**

Integrated SJT/Diode Chip at 1200V



**WORLD'S FIRST HIGH FREQUENCY, HIGH TEMPERATURE, SIC HALF-BRIDGE POWER MODULE**

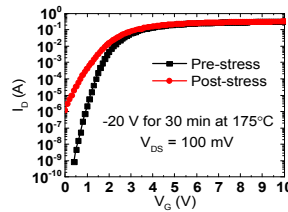
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Low Parasitic Design  
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# Power Electronics – Expertise and Facilities

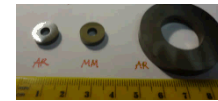
## WBG Reliability Characterization

- Static and dynamic reliability characterization of SiC and GaN semiconductor devices under stress conditions
- 10 kV/50A/600C wafer-level device measurement capability
- 3kV/50A package-level device measurement capability
- Double-pulse switching testing capability
- Impedance spectroscopy

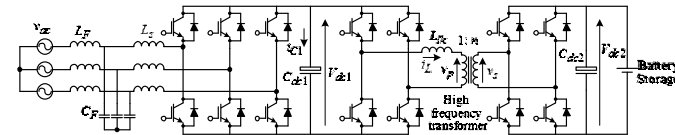


## Advanced Magnetics

- Electron microscope for raw magnetic powder characterization
- Quantum design magnetic property measurement system

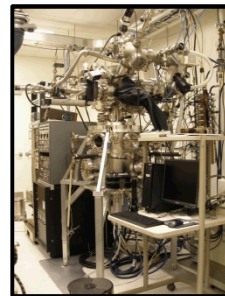


$\gamma'$ -Fe<sub>4</sub>N toroidal inductive cores



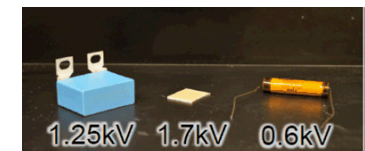
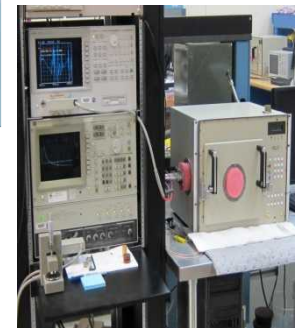
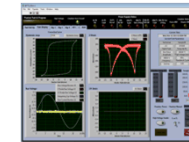
## Advanced Gate Oxide for WBG Devices

- Unique oxide molecular-beam epitaxy instrument (1 of ~30 such instruments in the US)
- Grows MgO, CaO, La<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, and Gd<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> gate and passivation dielectrics on GaN, AlGaN, and SiC power semiconductors
- Comprehensive dielectric characterization tools
- 5 Hz to 26 GHz, -100C to 300C capabilities



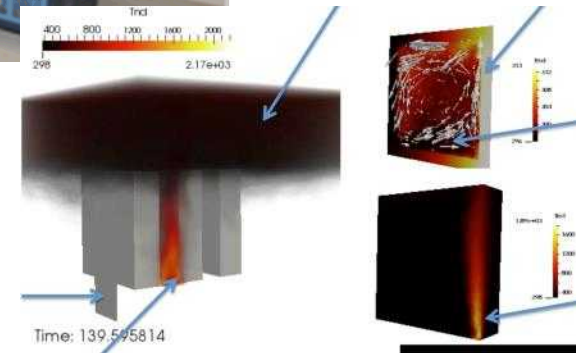
## Advanced Capacitors

- Test voltages as high as +/-10kV, with kA transients with HV diagnostics from mHz-MHz capability
- Impedance bridges and polarization-hysteresis loopers allows full dielectric characterization
- Temperature dependent insulation resistance characterization capability



# Safety and Reliability is a Major Thrust

- Focus on developing a fundamental understanding of safety and reliability through R&D in four areas:
  - Materials origin of safety and reliability
  - Device level failures
  - Cascading failures
  - Software's role as a critical safety system
- Extensive laboratory infrastructure at Energy Storage Test Pad (ESTP) and BATlab
- Advanced simulation and modeling of energy storage systems



# Energy Storage Safety Protocols

*As an increasing number of energy storage systems are deployed, the risk of safety incidents increases.*

## Damage to Facilities



*2012 Battery Room Fire at Kahuku Wind-Energy Storage Farm (15 MW, 10 MWh)*

- There were two fires in a year at the Kahuku Wind Farm
- There was significant damage to the facility
- Capacitors in the power electronics are reported to be associated with the failure.

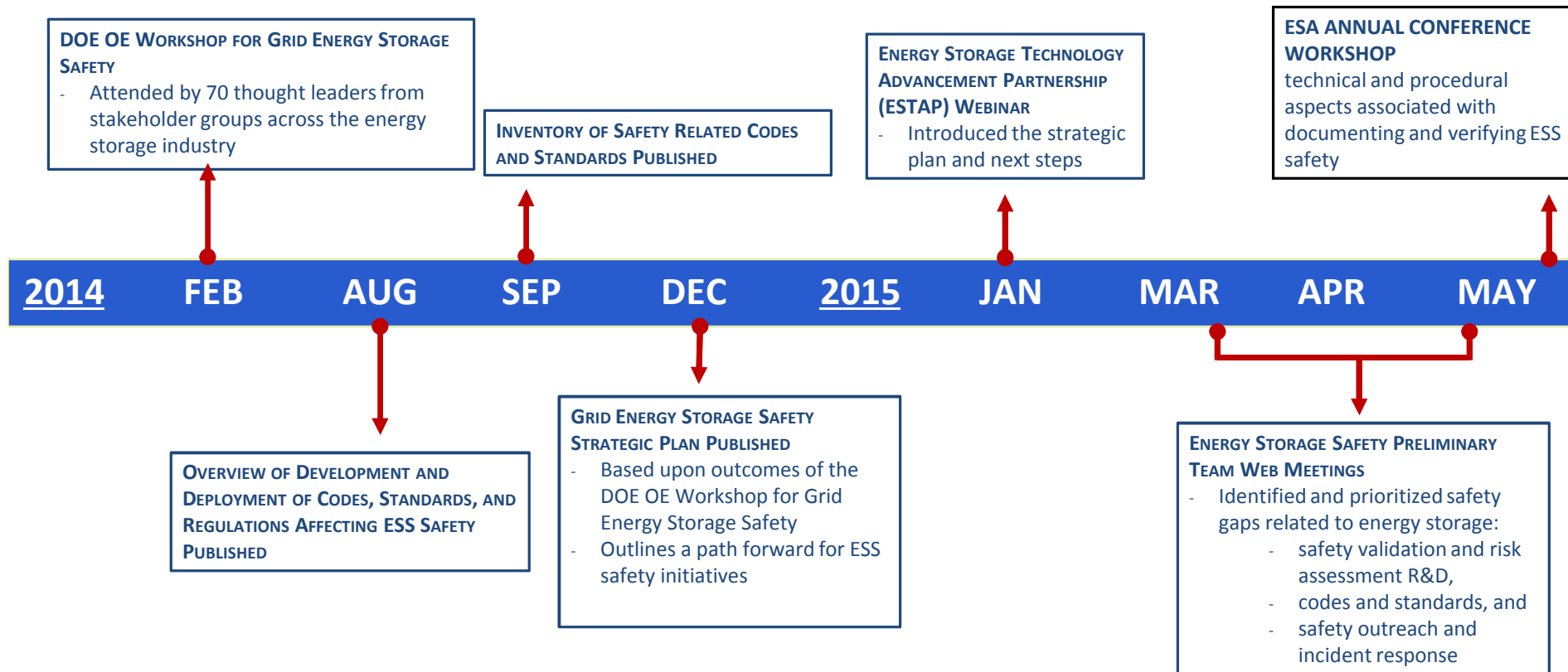
## Impact to First Responders



*2013 Storage Battery Fire, The Landing Mall, Port Angeles WA (75kW, 50kWh)*

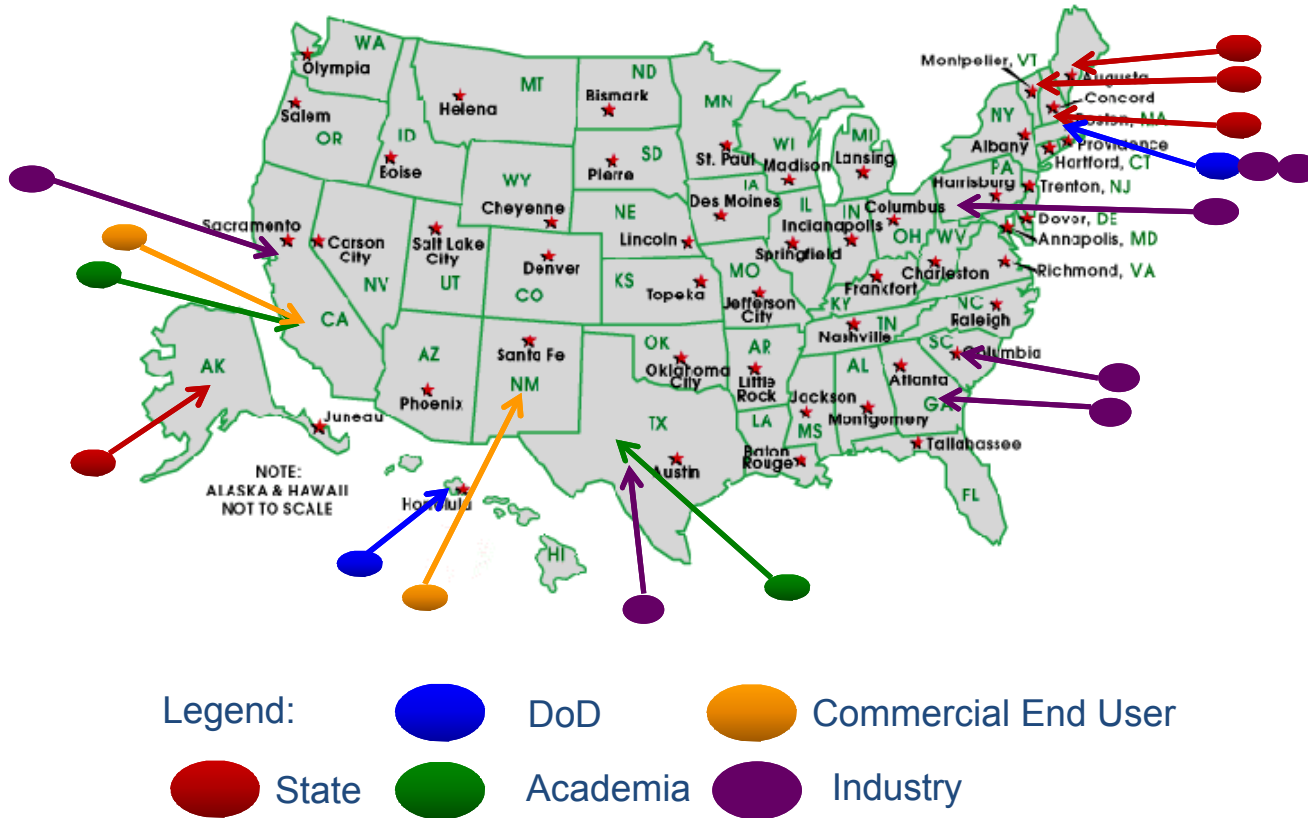
- First responders were not aware of the best way to extinguish the fire,
- It reignited a week after it was thought to be extinguished.

# ESS Safety Activities Timeline



# Field Demonstrations

To assistance regulators and utilities in determining how to utilize storage systems to maximize return on investment (ROI). Field demonstrations and pilot projects help to ensure ROI and facilitate adoption via improving confidence in safety, reliability, performance and cost effectiveness.



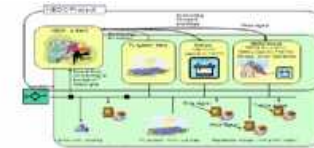
# Energy Storage Deployment in NM

SNL energy storage team played a critical role in deployment and commissioning of energy storage systems across a number of states. In NM,

- Critical role in the deployment and commissioning of 250 KW/ 1 MWh Ultrabattery installation with PNM
- Currently working with Los Alamos county to optimize storage utilization on Circuit 6.
- Hosting a workshop for Southwest PUCs in April, 2016
- Storage and Smart Grid – Working with UNM and NMSU in developing Smartgrid R&D projects with storage



PNM 500 KW solar plant with 250 kW/ 1 MWh Energy Storage



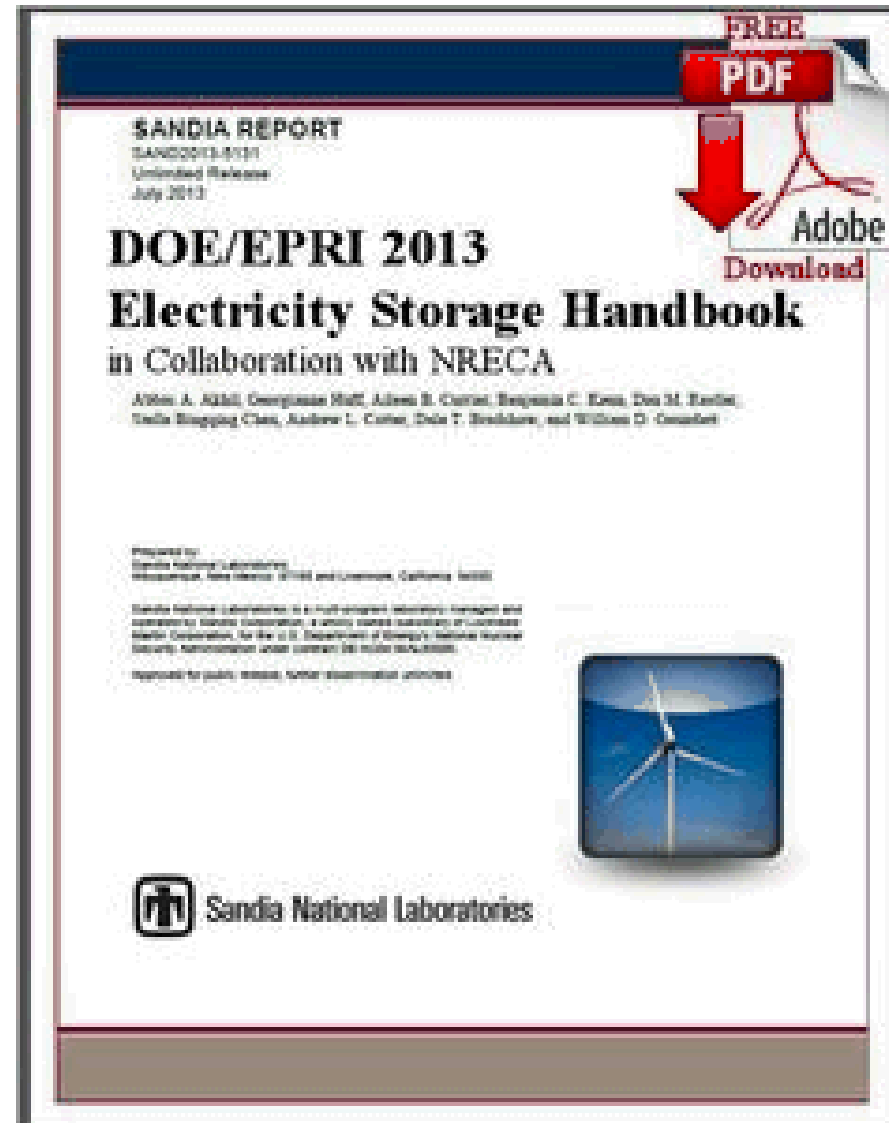
Los Alamos County 1.8MW/ 8.3 MWh of battery storage Installation. SNL is analyzing various options to achieve 100% renewables in Circuit 16 (pending DOE funding)

# Outreach and Industry Tools

- ***DOE/EPRI Electricity Storage Handbook*** is a how-to guide for utility and rural cooperative engineers, planners, and decision makers to plan and implement energy storage projects safely in communities
- ***DOE Global Energy Storage Database*** provides free, up-to-date information on grid-connected energy storage projects and relevant state and federal policies.
- ***DOE Performance Protocol*** focuses on developing uniform methods of measuring ESS performance for specific applications.

# DOE/EPRI Energy Storage Handbook

- Fills an industry-wide need
- Establishes single-point resource for making decisions and stakeholders
- Handy reference on current and emerging technologies and applications
- Describes the services and applications of energy storage
  - in/on the grid
  - commercial status
  - system costs
  - performance metrics



# DOE Energy Storage Database

Sandia maintains a comprehensive online resource of energy storage projects and policies.



DOE GLOBAL ENERGY STORAGE DATABASE



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