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Title: Sandia Expertise Guides New Photovoltaic Requirements

Summary (provide paragraph): Sandia National Labs' Photovoltaic (PV) Arc-Fault Detection and Mitigation team has gained worldwide renown as a leader in the science of photovoltaic arc-faults. As a driver of groundbreaking experimental and numerical simulations in this area, codes and standards bodies have called on Sandia to improve requirements for arc-fault circuit interrupters. Sandia has advised the National Electrical Code making panel on changes to the 2014 requirements, is working closely with Underwriters Laboratories to refine the U.S. photovoltaic arc-fault circuit testing requirements, and is collaborating with the International Electrotechnical Commission to establish an international arc-fault circuit interrupter standard.