



The Energy Transition

A Tale of Two Countries: Australia and Taiwan

It was the best of times...
It was the worst of times....

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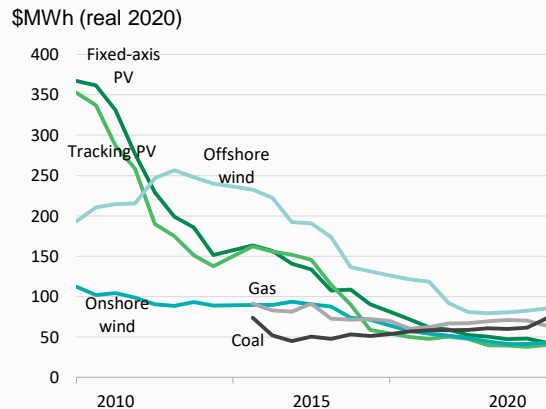
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What is it and what is it doing to grids?

Renewable Energy (RE) cost declines and goals of energy security from domestic generation are accelerating one of the largest investment opportunities and one of the energy value chain changes in history; the Energy Transition.

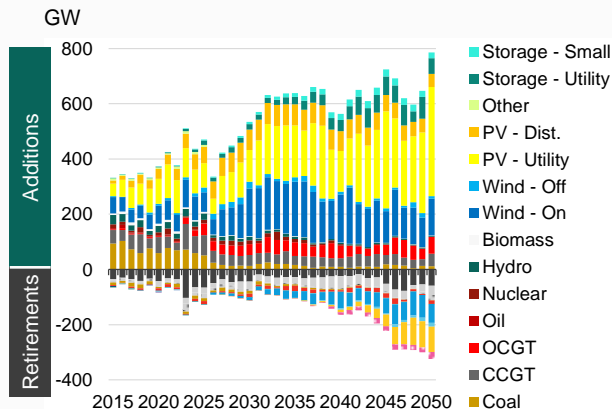
Renewable cost decline¹

The decrease in wind and solar costs and push for decarbonization of power grids globally...



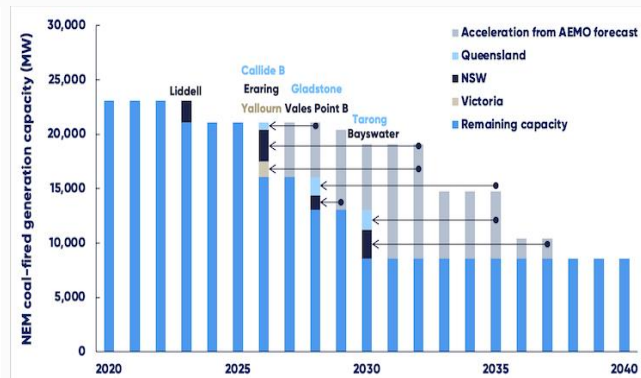
Global generation mix²

...is accelerating the growth of renewables ...



Retirements of thermal plants³

... and the retirement of traditional thermal generators



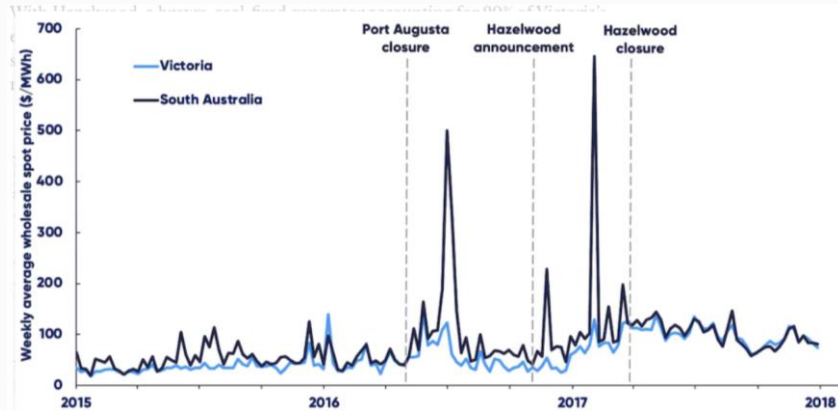
1) BNEF, "2H 2021 LCOE: Data Viewer," Dec. 21, 2021. 2) BNEF, "New Energy Outlook 2020," Oct. 2020. Note, the BNEF NEO 2020 ETS scenario remains BNEF's business as usual view as of Jan. 2022 3.) AEMO ISP

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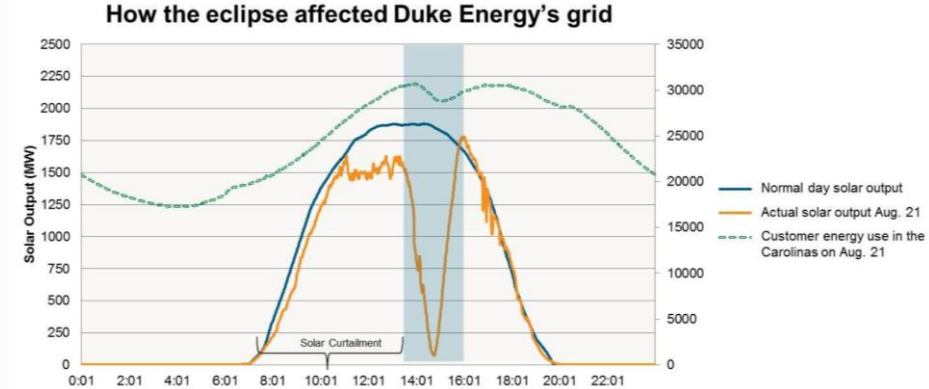
An invitation for innovation ...

Thermal retirements can be disruptive and Renewable Energy (RE) isn't predictable. Often current energy systems haven't been designed for faster changing inverter-based generation, like solar and wind.

Thermal retirements often chunky and increase volatility¹



Potential RE output change²




1) AEMO 2) Duke

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of committed
battery storage
projects

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late stage
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Partnering to deliver valuable capacity through innovative revenue contracting arrangements



Australia's largest privately-funded and grid-connected battery

Partnership with ENGIE
Former coal-fired Hazelwood Power Station

Capacity 150 MW / 150 MWh

Financial close Mar 2022

Hazelwood, Australia



One of the largest BESS offtake agreements in Australia

Partnership with Shell Energy
20-year offtake agreement with Shell Energy

Capacity 200 MW / 400 MWh

Financial close Mar 2023

Cranbourne, Australia



Eku Energy's first facility to support our European presence

Capacity contract
Revenue floor contract

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Financial close Dec 2021

Maldon, United Kingdom



Australia's first innovative revenue share contract with an Australian Government

Partnership with ACT Government
15-year revenue swap with the ACT

Capacity 250 MW / 500 MWh

Contract Award April 2023

Williamsdale, Australia

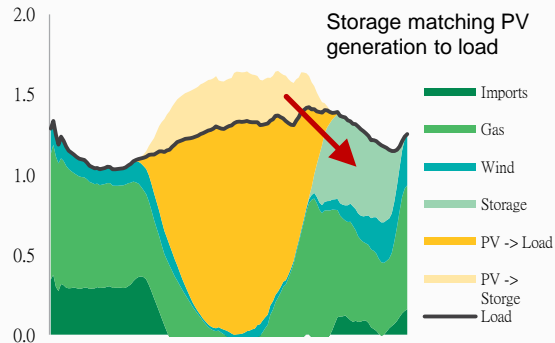
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Renewable time-shifting

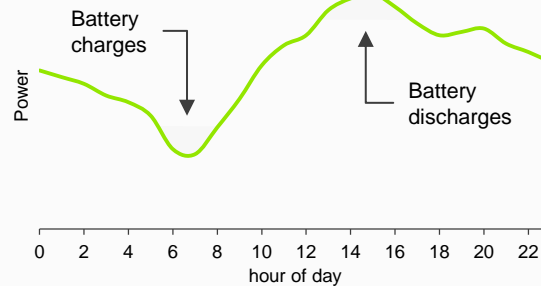
The mis-match between renewable generation and load is a key challenge of high-renewable grids. Storage helps match renewable supply with demand

Load and Generation (GW)



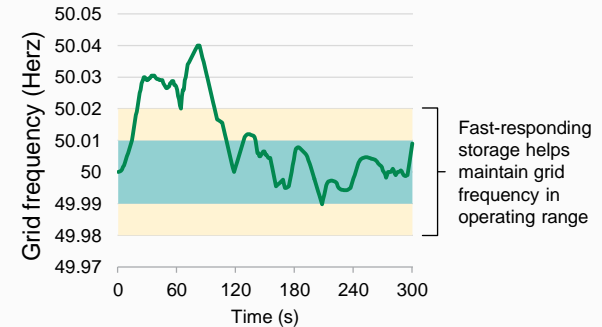
Peaking capacity

Storage can replace natural gas, reciprocating engine and other peaking generators in providing carbon-free firm peaking capacity



Grid stability

High renewable penetration displaces the natural inertia of spinning generators. Storage provides synthetic inertia to maintain grid stability

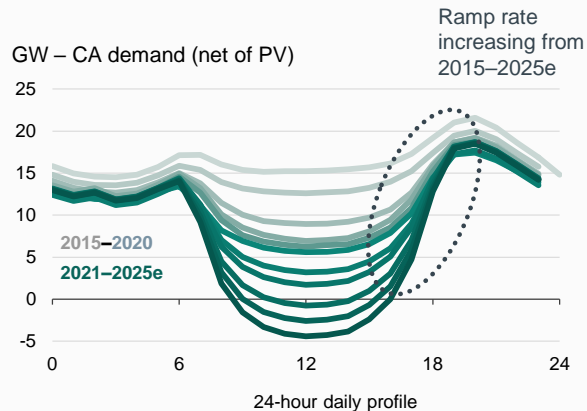


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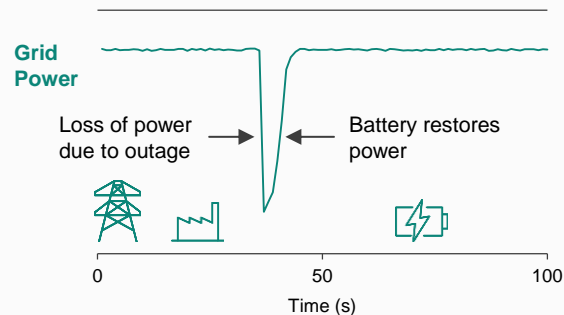
Ramp rate control¹

Storage can relax ramp rate constraints for thermal generators operating in markets with high PV penetration (e.g. California “Duck Curve”)



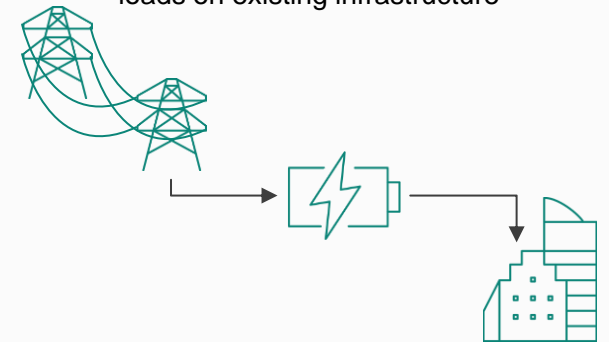
Grid reliability

Fast-responding energy storage helps maintain grid reliability providing emergency capacity during transmission/distribution network or generator outages



Network management and Advanced Ancillary Services

Storage can accelerate network capacity additions and/or defer network upgrades by averaging line utilization and optimizing N-1 contingency plans enabling more renewables and high loads on existing infrastructure



1) BNEF, “Batteries and Energy Storage: a primer,” Dec. 7, 2020. Historical 2015-2020. Forecasted 2021-2025

Australia and Taiwan and the Energy Transition

Similar, but different; private sector innovation needed...

Australia and Taiwan share a lot of similar characteristics, but geography and exports change the nature of the issues to overcome in the Energy Transition

Similarities Australia and Taiwan

Strong civil societies	Democracy
Diversity and respect for aboriginal people	Inclusive values
Women in public and private sector leadership	Gender equality
Population	c25 million
Installed capacity	60-65GW
Annual electricity consumption	240-270 TWh
Emission reduction targets and thermal retirements	2050 NetZero



Differences Australia vs. Taiwan

Energy, raw materials and staples vs. semiconductors, computers, and optical/medical equipment	Exports
Decentralized / intra-day vs. centralized and day ahead trading	Energy market design
Flat or declining vs. growing	Demand
7.7 m sq vs. 35k sq km	Size
Long and stringy vs. concentrated	Transmission
Spread-out vs. highly concentrated	RE generation
Inertia, voltage stability vs. RE ramp-rate management	Stability issues

Thank you!



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