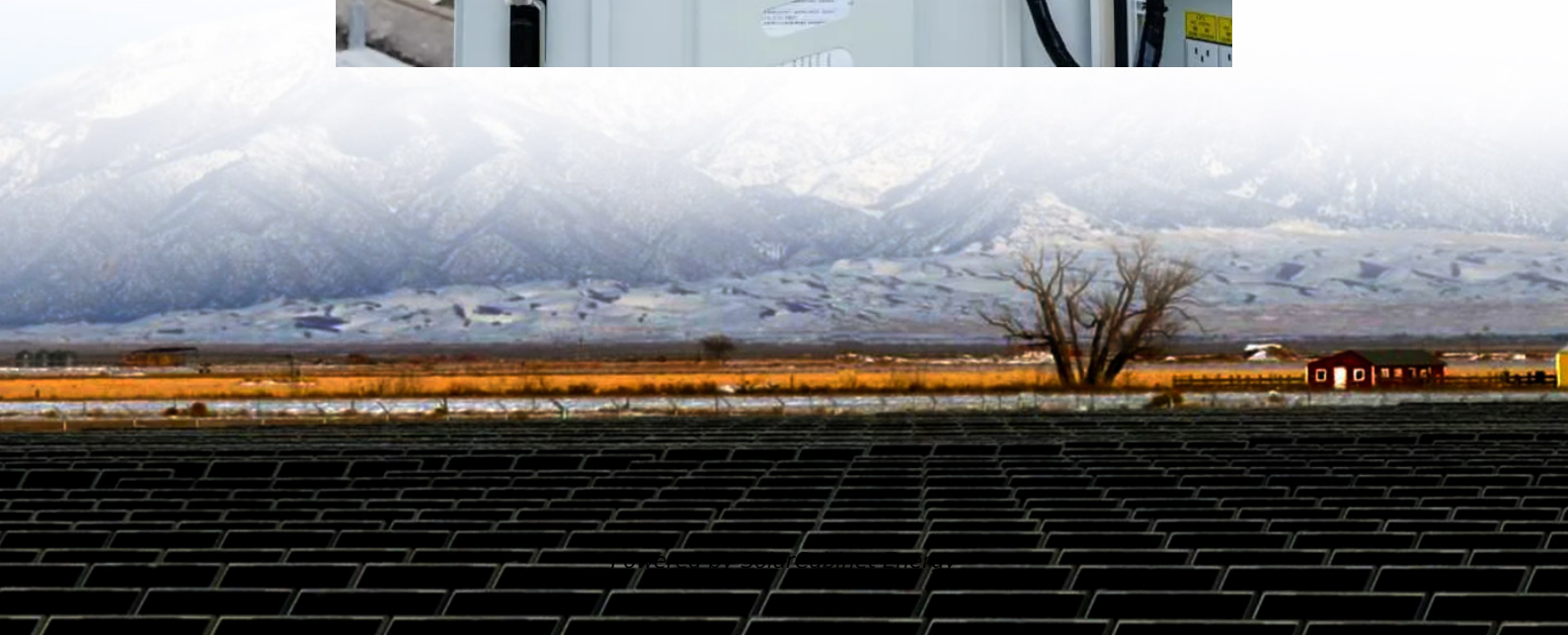


Japan s photovoltaic power plants add energy storage





Overview

Could solar power be a new source of growth in Japan?

The rise of solar power could give them a new source of growth. Solar power has become the largest source of clean energy in Japan this year. Interest among households has been strong, with more than 3mn residential solar systems installed last year. Demand for a similar number of residential batteries should follow soon.

Does Japan have a solar power plant?

Two new-build renewable power plants in Japan include an energy storage component. The two largest solar PV power plants in Hokkaido, commissioned in July and October 2020, respectively, both include lithium ion batteries. One plant has generating capacity of 64.6MWp and battery output of 19.0MWh.

Why is Tokyo launching a virtual power plant?

The push is reinforced by Tokyo's 2025 regulation requiring solar panels on new homes, and the launch of virtual power plant (VPP) programs—slated to begin in fiscal 2026—that will let households sell surplus energy to the grid.

Should energy storage be regulated in Japan?

Energy storage can provide solutions to these issues. Current Japanese laws and regulations do not adequately deal with energy storage, in particular the key question of whether energy storage systems should be regulated as a "generator".

How is Japan's energy storage landscape changing?

Japan's energy storage landscape is shifting, pushed by household demand, corporate ESG mandates, and domestic battery manufacturing. The residential lithium-ion market, projected to grow at a CAGR of 33.9% through 2030, remains one of the fastest-expanding segments.

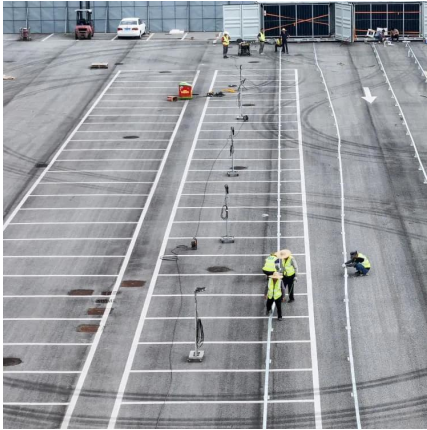


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