



# Development of Asymmetric Capacitors for Stationary Applications

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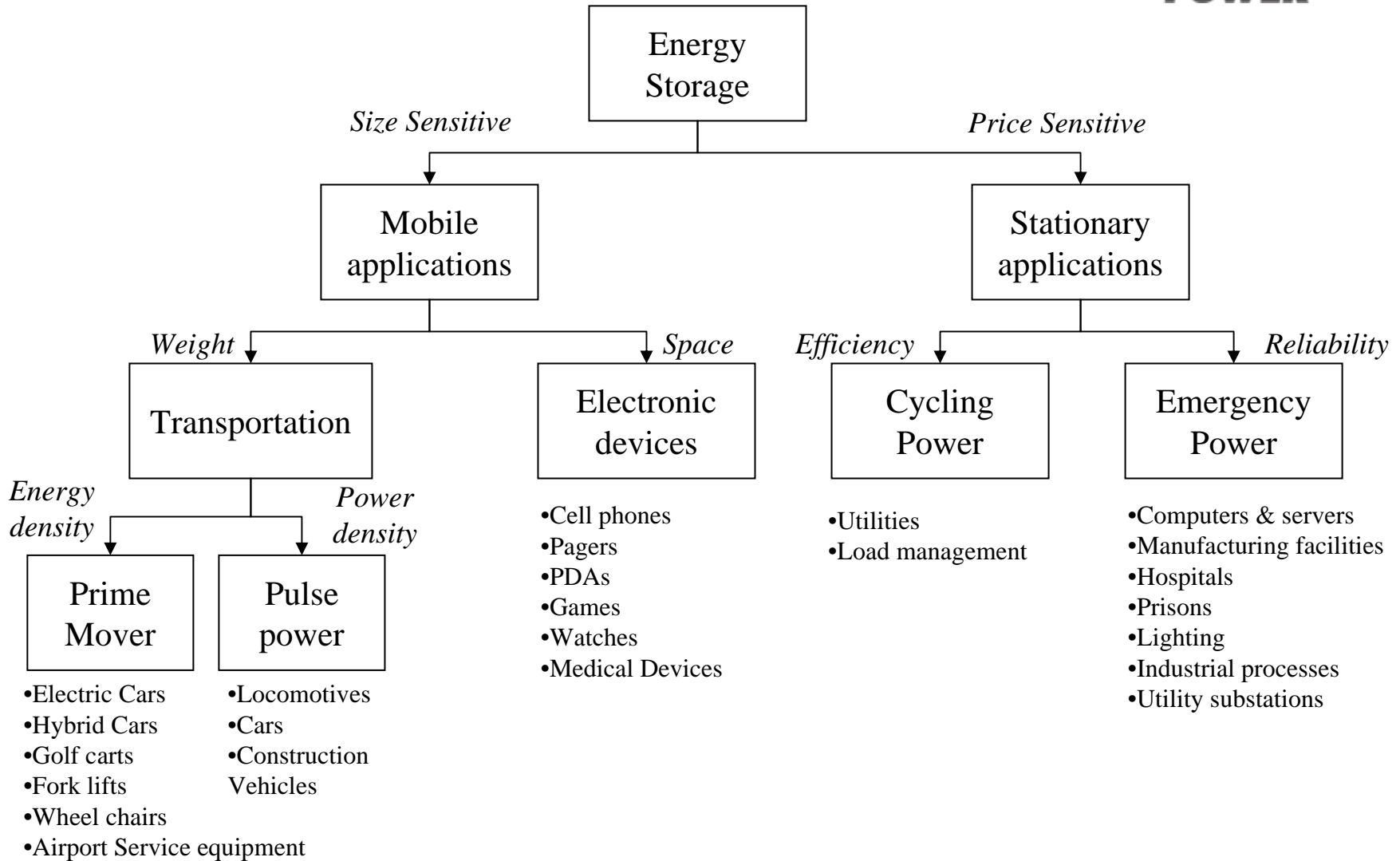
# Outline

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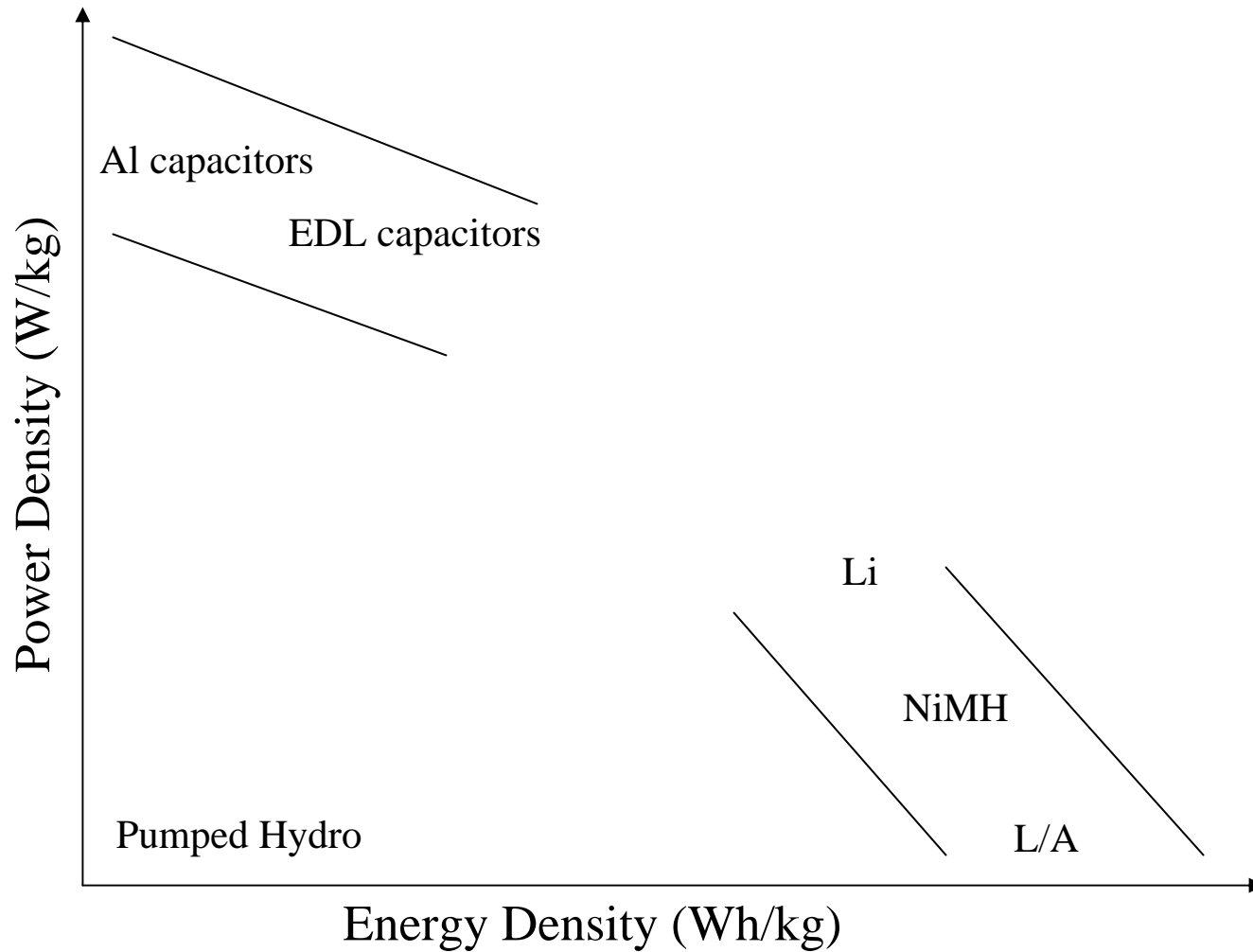


- Energy Storage
  - Applications of energy storage
  - AEP's interest/utility applications
- American Electric Power
- Asymmetric Capacitor background
- DOE Sponsored Program
  - Technical prove out
  - Commercial prove out
  - Successful demonstration

# Storage Markets



# Storage Characteristics

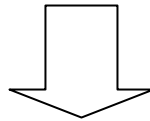


# Transportation

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## FreedomCar Mild Hybrid Targets

- Weight <25 kg
- Discharge Power – 13 kW (for 2 s)
- Regenerative Pulse Power – 8 kW (for 2 s)
- Available Energy > 300Wh
- Calendar Life – 15 years
- Price <\$260



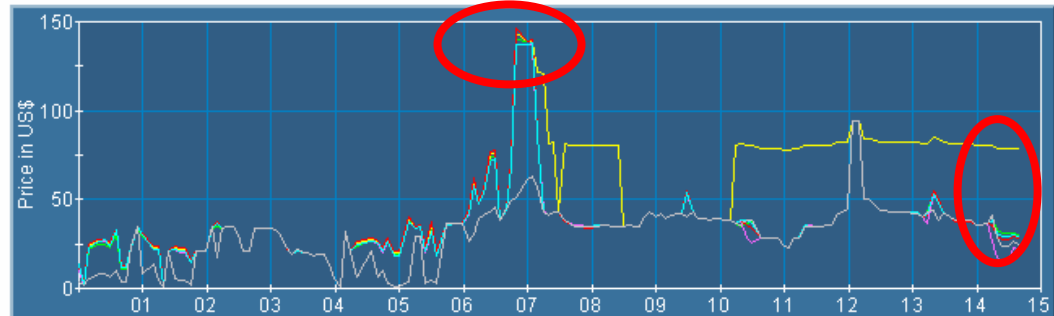
- Implied Energy Density >12 Wh/kg
- Implied Power Density >500 W/kg
- Implied Cost < \$870/kWh

# Energy Market



PJM eData Services - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by American Electric Power

**eDATA**  
 Provided by  
  
**Elevated** Significant Risk  
 Thursday October 28, 2004 - 14:40 EDT  
 Current PJM RTO Load: 65,955MW



RT  
 DA  
 BOTH  
 Scale  
 15 hr  
 LMPs  
 Time  
 10/28/2004

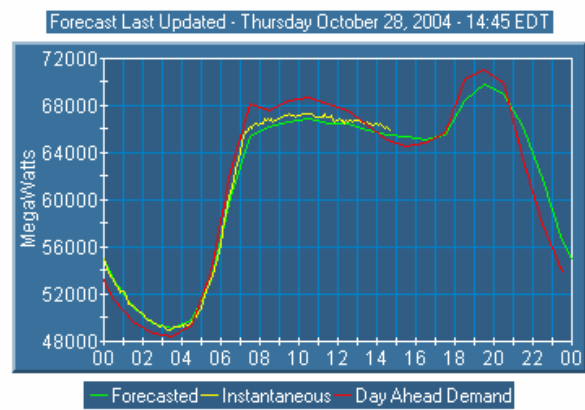
**Would you like to ADVERTISE**

LMP	Cur	Avg	Min	Max
WESTERN HUB (Hub)	29.95	36.28	0.50	140.3
STEELE--138 KV--FBUS	28.22	36.70	0.50	146.3
BRANCHBURG (500/765KV Agg)	28.93	36.35	0.50	137.8

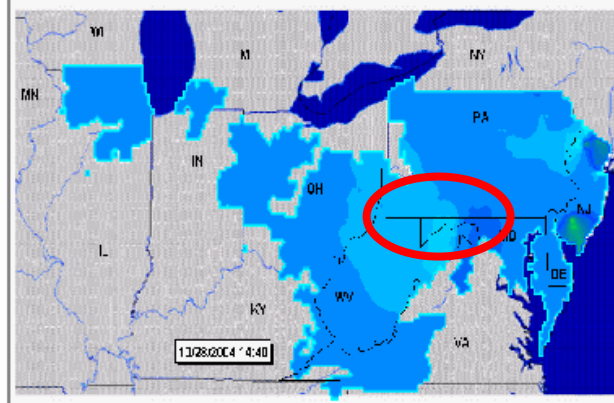
LMP	Cur	Avg	Min	Max
LAUREL--69 KV--BUS1	78.84	53.93	0.50	143.8
SUNNYMEA--13 KV--LOAD2	21.93	35.77	0.50	137.4
AEP (Zone)	25.03	30.81	0.50	93.80

Select: LMP Chart

**My eData Preferences**



10/27/2004  10/28/2004  10/29/2004   
 Select: PJM Loads

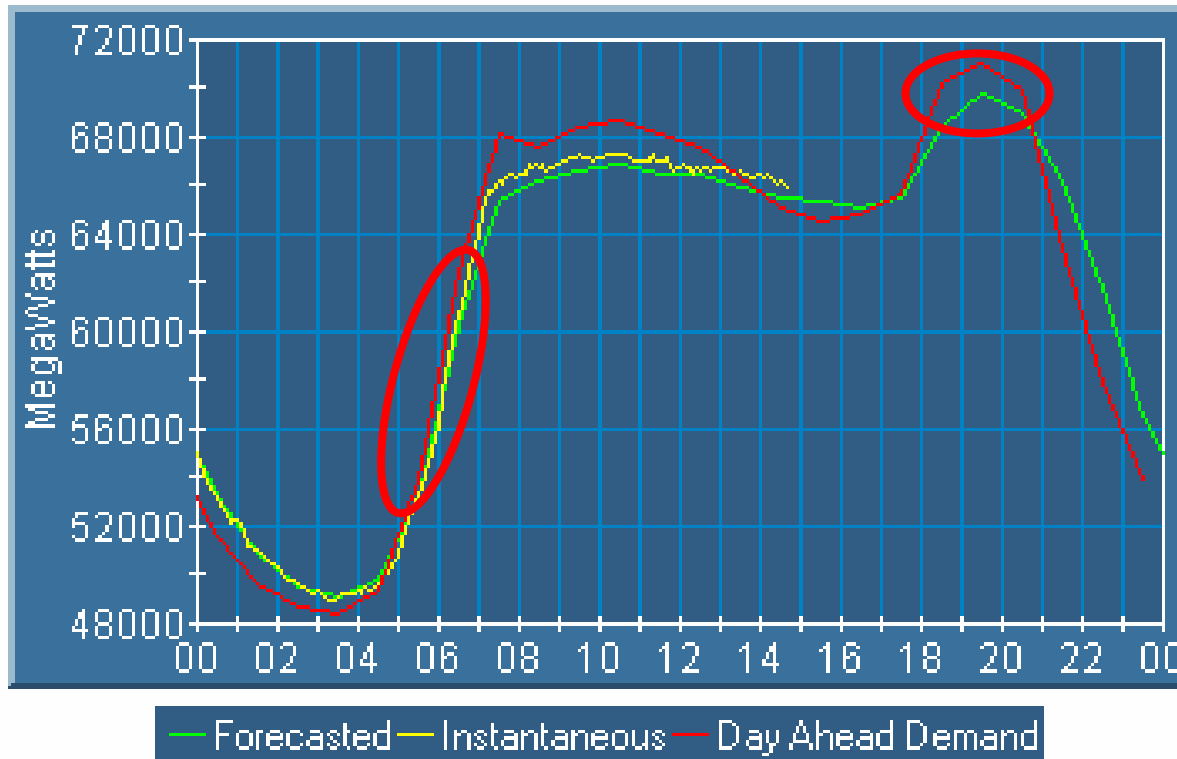


Legend: PJM RTO  
 Select: PJM LMP Contour Map

# Market view

## Load

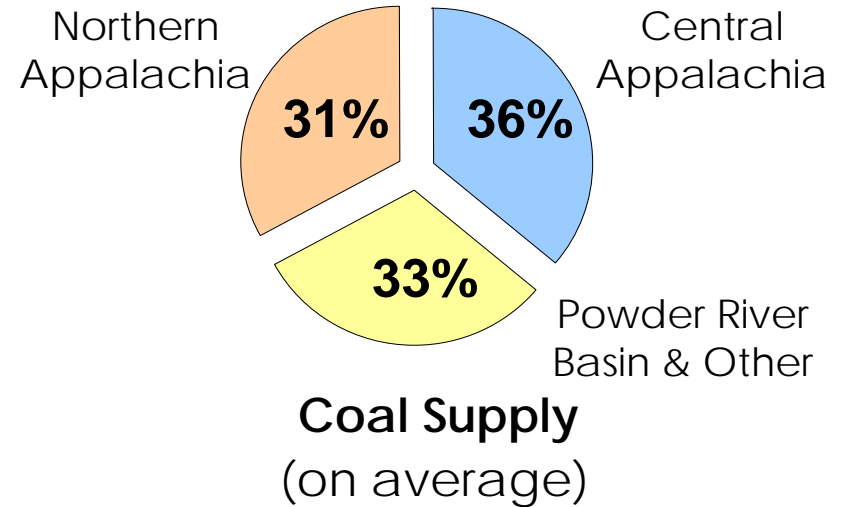
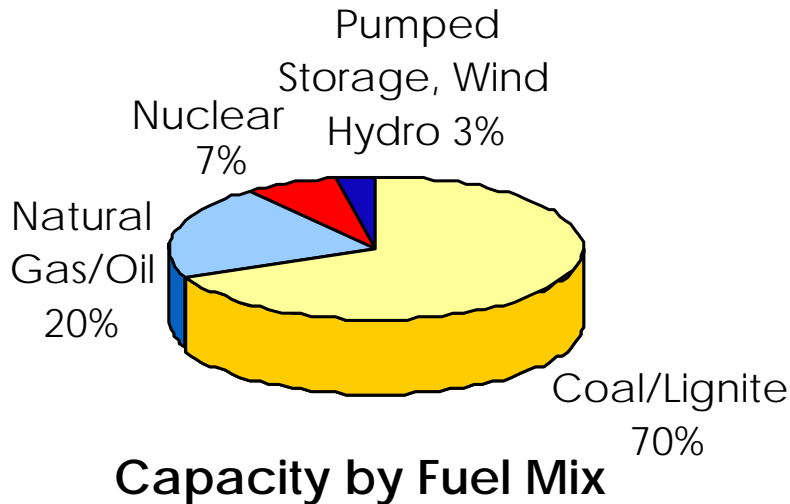
Forecast Last Updated - Thursday October 28, 2004 - 14:45 EDT



### KEY NOTES

- Load deviating from day ahead forecast
- Significant difference between on and offpeak load
- Steepness of the morning and evening ramp

# About AEP



- 36,000 MW domestic capacity
- 85% system availability factor in 2003
- 65% system capacity factor in 2003

- Purchase 75-80 MM tons per year
- Average delivered price ~ \$27/ton in 2003
- Well hedged over next 3 years

**GENERATION FLEET IS SUBSTANTIAL AND LOW COST**



# AEP'S Technology Firsts

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## *A History of Technology Development*

- 1917: Mine-mouth plant and long-distance transmission
- **1924: First reheat generating unit** (Philo 1)
- 1935: Ultra-high-speed, high-voltage reclosing circuit breakers
- 1950: First heat rate below 10,000 BTU/kWh (Philip Sport Plant)
- **1953: 345-kV transmission line**
- 1957: First power plant using supercritical high-pressure (4500 psig) and high-temperature, double-reheat (1150F/1050/1000) steam cycle (125 MW Philo 6 Plant)
- 1960: First heat rate below 9,000 BTU/kWh (Clinch River Plant) 1962: first natural-draft cooling tower in the western hemisphere (260 MW Big Sandy 1 Plant)
- **1969: 765-kV transmission line**
- 1979: Static Var Compensator using Thyristor Controlled Rectifier (TCR) and Thyristor Switched Rectifier (TSC)
- 1984: Use of 765-kV live-tank SF6 “puffer” type circuit breaker
- **1990: First pressurized fluidized bed combustion power plant in North America** (70 MW Tidd Plant)
- 1991: First conversion of a power plant from a nuclear facility to a coal-fired facility (1300 MW Zimmer Plant)
- 1997: Flexible AC Transmission System (FACTS) at Inez
- 1998: FACTS/UPFC at Inez Station, KY
- 1999: World’s First Premium Power Park Awarded
- **2001: With NGK and TEPCO, first US test of NAS battery**
- 2002: “Energy Storage Demo Park”

*Coming soon: first utility scale IGCC (Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle) plant*

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# Energy Storage

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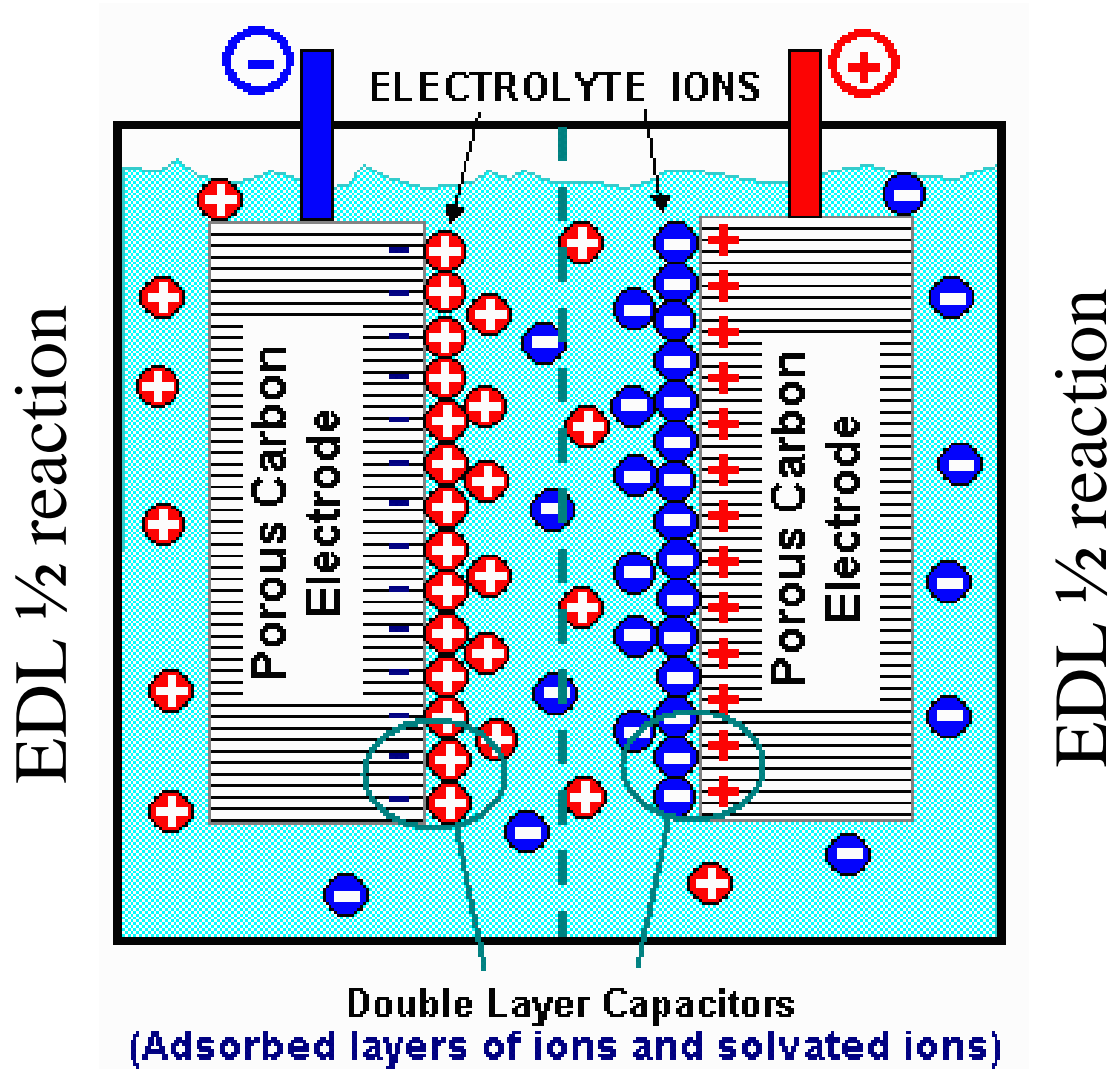
## Strategic interest

- Today
  - Own and understand pumped hydro
  - Actively monitoring emerging technologies
  - Targeted investing
  - Studying impact of distributed resources
- Future
  - Consider leading new technologies in long term plan
  - Will likely deploy when costs are in line with value

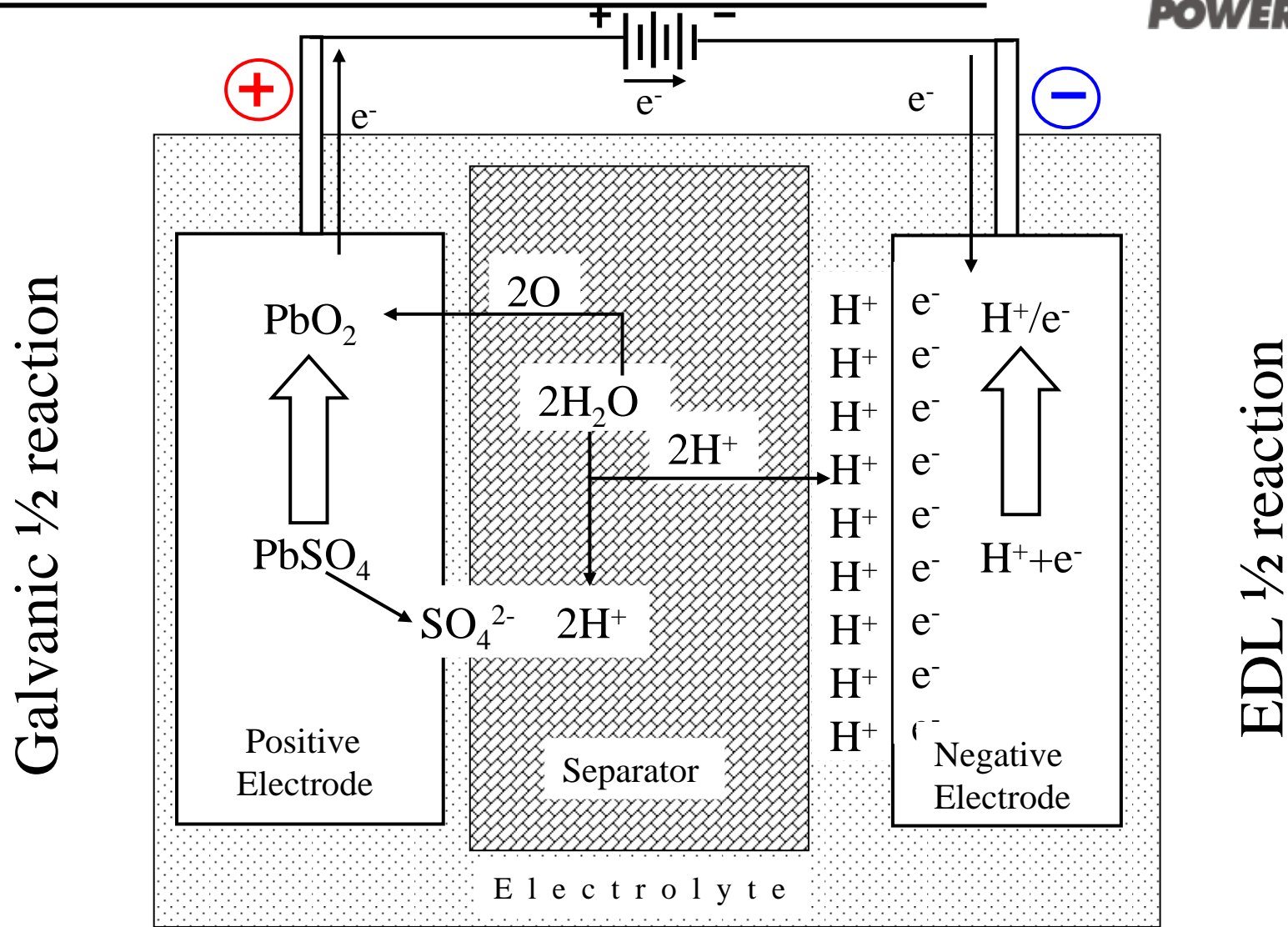


<b>Generation</b>	36,000 MW capacity
<b>Transmission</b>	39,039 miles
<b>Distribution</b>	210,239 miles
<b>Customers</b>	5 million

# Symmetric Capacitor



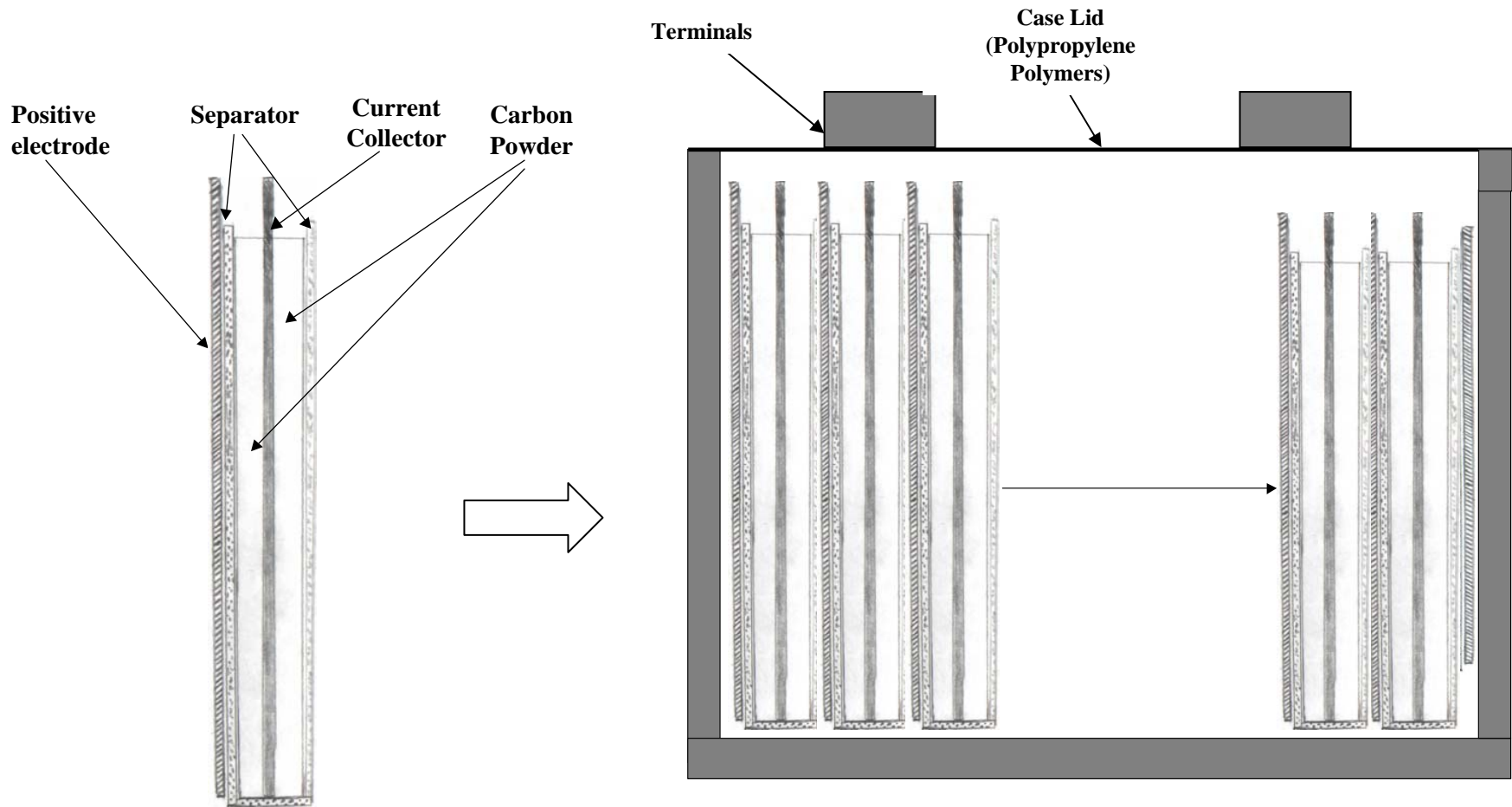
# Heterogeneous electrochemical supercapacitor



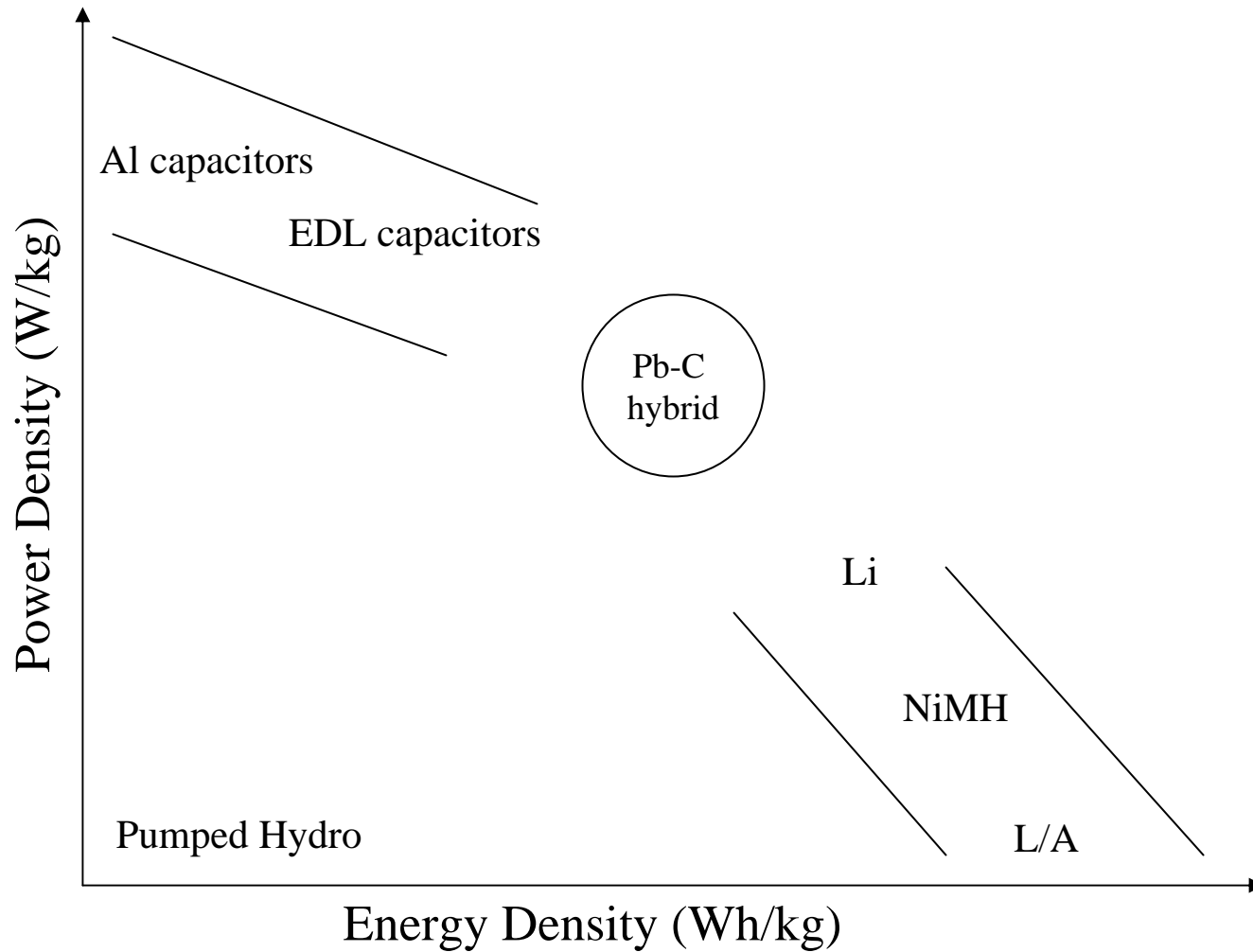
Charging

# Technology

## Prismatic Cell Structure



# Energy Storage



# Development Progress

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Established the practicable feasibility of Capacitive Energy Storage in 2002-2003 work

- Successful demonstrations with both the HES-340 (1 kWh) and HES-370 (5 kWh) modules
- More than 250 charge/discharge cycles performed on the 1 kWh module at the DTC Lab



### HES-340α 0.2 kW, 5 Hour Module

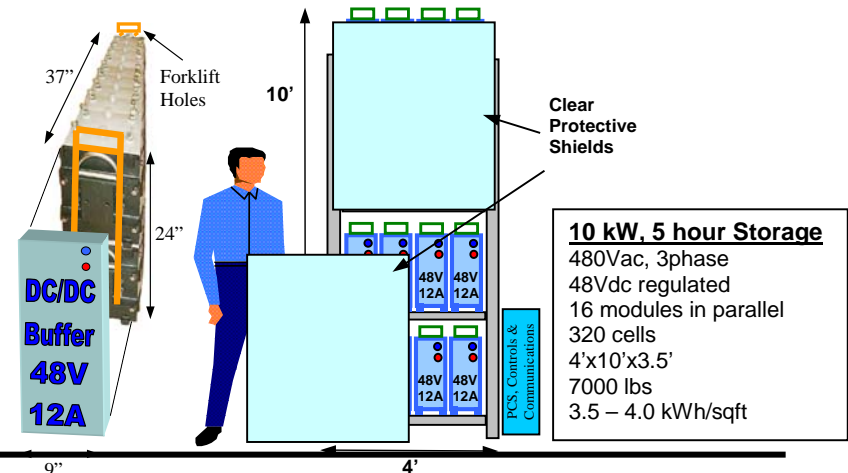
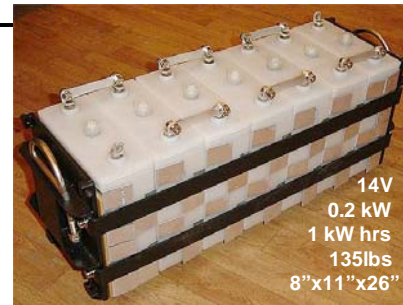
HES-340α	7 cells
Power (kW)	0.2 kW
DC voltage (V)	5.6 – 16.5 V
Weight (lbs)	135 lbs
Dimensions	9" x 11" x 26"

# Development Plan

- The development process
  - **2002-2003: Proof of concept**
    - *It worked!*
    - *1 kW, 5 hour module!*
  - **2003: Cell development and demonstration**
    - Cell validation, cell economic refinement
  - **2004: Materials & System Optimization**
    - Choose optimum carbon
    - Optimize other cell components

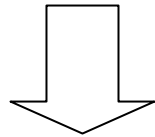
## Universal 1 kW, 5 hour Module:

HES-340 cells:  $5 \times 7 = 35$   
Power (kW):  $35 \times 0.032 = 1.12$   
DC voltage (V): 70-28





1. Life cycle cost advance (in certain applications)
  - Life advantage over lead-acid battery
  - Reduced failure of positive electrode
  - Ability to operate in maintenance free mode
2. Attractive performance parameters
  - Energy density (not absolute, but relative to low cost devices)
  - Ability to measure state of charge
3. Scale manufacturing with known manufacturing techniques
  - Pb electrodes
  - Activated carbon electrodes
  - AGM separator materials, acid, cases, etc



The goal going forward is to  
validate the technology and  
economics of the Pb-C system

# DOE Sponsored Program

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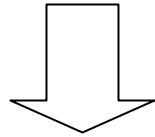


- 1) Provide summary of the current understanding of the asymmetric capacitor and all its components. This task shall include AEP utilizing Lead/Acid battery industry consultants to summarize and apply the known state of the art to the issues of the positive electrode.
- 2) Develop and document a series of test procedures that allow testing of each hypothesized advantage of the Pb-C system
  - Life cycle improvement over comparable lead-acid battery
  - Cost advantage over other long-life batteries
- 3) Complete a prototype design specification for an alpha/test device that will support the tests procedures
- 4) Review prior research on materials selection and report on performance drivers in each of the following areas
  - Activated carbons
  - Graphitic Current Collectors and methods for connecting the terminals
  - Manufacturing methods of activated carbon electrodes
- 5) Review known operating modes and report on their affect on energy density, efficiency and device life.

# Follow-on work

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- 1) Build 25 alpha devices to use in tests
- 2) Complete tests and report on the results
- 3) Conduct gap analysis to predict the affect of identified areas of improvement on the overall performance of the system
- 4) Build a beta system with minimum size of 20kw



During this phase, AEP will be particularly focused on determining the manufacturability and eventual cost of the Pb-C asymmetric capacitor

# Progress to date



# Initial Design Basis

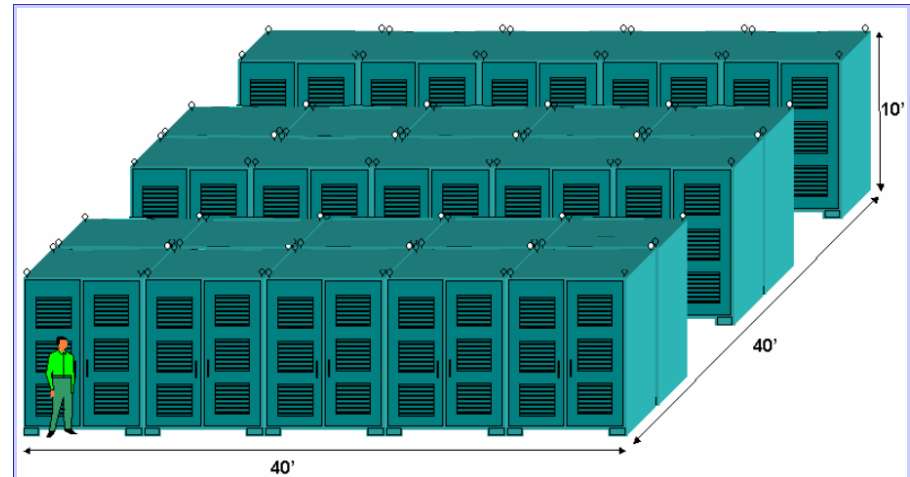
## Building Block

### 20 kW 3 phase AC Module

**20 kW, 5 hour Racks:**

Power (kW):	20
DC Voltage (V):	168-420
AC voltage:	480 /277
	(Vrms -3 phase)
Weight (lbs):	13,500
	+ Rack

### Scalable *upwards* (500 kW)



### Scalable *downwards* (1 kW, 5 hour)

Current "proof of concept" prototype module



# Utility Storage Example

