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Energy Storage Container Class Fire Safety Solution

Overview

There are three main fire suppression system designs commonly used for energy storage containers: total flooding systems using gas suppression, combined gas and sprinkler systems, and PACK-level solutions designed for individual battery packs.What is an energy storage roadmap?

This roadmap provides necessary information to support owners, opera-tors, and developers of energy storage in proactively designing, building, operating, and maintaining these systems to minimize fire risk and ensure the safety of the public, operators, and environment.

Are battery energy storage systems safe?

Owners of energy storage need to be sure that they can deploy systems safely. Over a recent 18-month period ending in early 2020, over two dozen large-scale battery energy storage sites around the world had experienced failures that resulted in destructive fires. In total, more than 180 MWh were involved in the fires.

What is battery energy storage fire prevention & mitigation?

In 2019, EPRI began the Battery Energy Storage Fire Prevention and Mitigation – Phase I research project, convened a group of experts, and conducted a series of energy storage site surveys and industry workshops to identify critical research and development (R&D) needs regarding battery safety.

Are stationary storage applications safe?

Compared to the mobile applications that have historically driven cell-level safety improvements (such as consumer and automotive), stationary storage applications present unique opportunities for ensuring system-level safety (such as access to water supplies for fire suppression and lower risks of significant mechanical deformation).

Can deflagration be installed in a containerized system?

Actors: BESS developers, safety experts, thermal modeling experts
Description: It is suspected that properly sized deflagration protec-tion will be challenging to install in many containerized systems due to limited availability of wall and ceiling space.

How can thermal runaway cells reduce flammable gas?

Such cells would have higher thermal runaway on-set temperatures, release lower amounts of heat in thermal runaway, and release smaller amounts of less toxic, less flammable gas during such an event. Reaching this goal could remove much of the barrier complexity throughout the system.

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