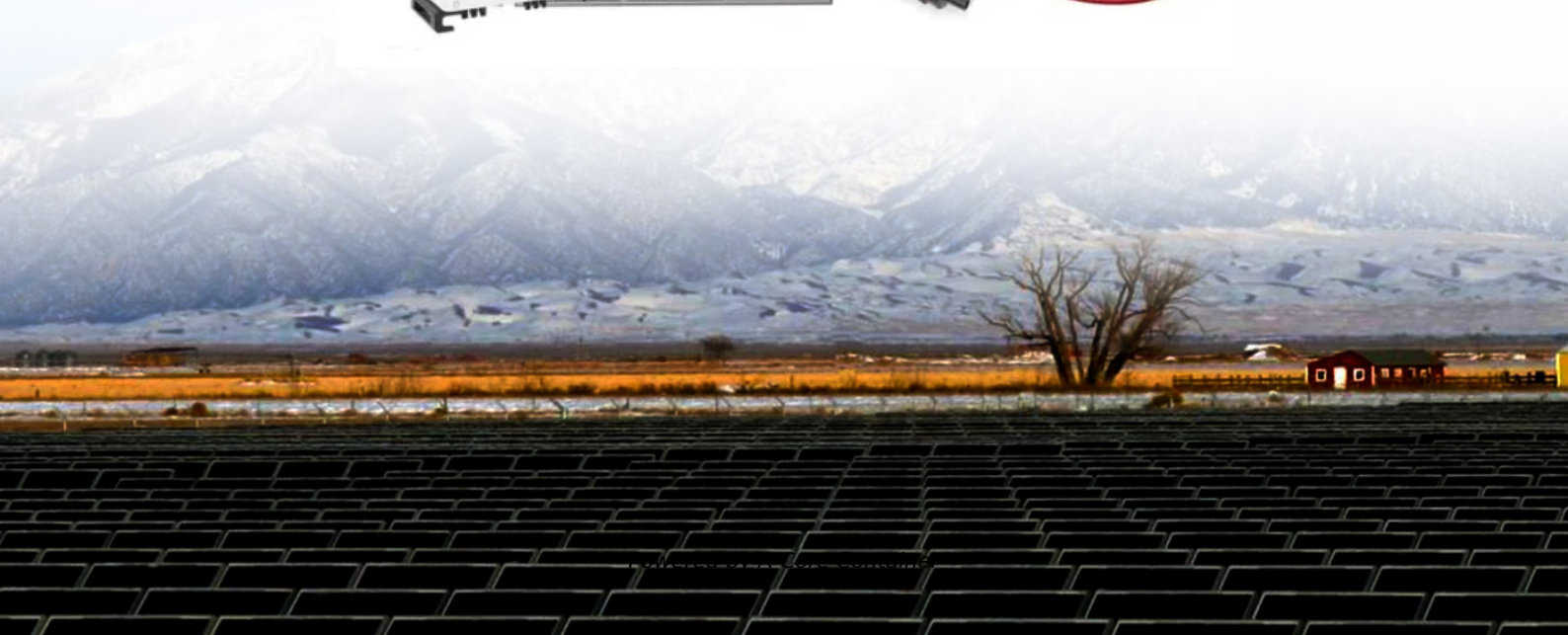


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Japanese solar base station flow battery



Overview

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Sumitomo Electric Industries, Ltd. is pleased to announce that its vanadium redox flow battery (hereinafter "RF battery*1"), together with its energy management system sEMSA™,*2 has been adopted as the energy storage system for the "Kurokiyama Solar Power Plant," which was developed by Minamikyushu.

Sumitomo Electric has operated a 2 MW/8 MWh pilot vanadium flow battery in San Diego since December 2018 and is constructing a similarly sized facility on the island of Kyushu. Japan's Sumitomo Electric is building the first redox flow battery to be approved for government subsidy in the country.

Sumitomo Electric has inaugurated a vanadium redox flow battery (VRFB) system at a community solar microgrid in southern Japan. A ceremony was held last month (22 April) to celebrate completion of the energy storage system at Kurokiyama Solar Power Plant in Minamikyushu City, Kagoshima prefecture.

Japan has developed a new energy storage solution in Hokkaido using a two-story flow battery. Vanadium redox flow battery. Image used courtesy of Sumitomo Electric

Why Use Flow Batteries?

Before renewables, peaker plants met energy demands during peak hours. Peaker plants are power plants designed.

Sumitomo Electric installed a 1MW/8MWh redox flow battery for Kashiwazaki

IR Energy and secured an order for another one, the manufacturer announced earlier this month. Kashiwazaki IR Energy, which is a local power retailer majority owned by Niigata Prefecture's Kashiwazaki City and minority owned.

Sumitomo Electric Industries has installed a vanadium redox flow battery at Osaka Metropolitan University as part of a trial to optimize solar use and energy storage with AI. The project combines the battery with Kansai Electric Power's cloud-based control platform. From ESS News Sumitomo Electric.

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