

Solar Storage Container Solutions

German environmentally friendly photovoltaic glass production



Overview

Are glass-glass PV modules a good choice?

Glass-glass PV modules (b) do not require an aluminum frame and therefore have a lower carbon footprint than PV modules with backsheet (a). Although photovoltaic modules convert sunlight into electricity without producing emissions, PV-generated solar energy does produce CO₂ emissions during production, transport and at the end of module life.

Can a photovoltaic system be installed in a European location?

"If I want to install a photovoltaic system in a European location with average irradiation values, I have a great influence on its climate friendliness with the choice of my PV modules," explains Dr. Holger Neuhaus, Head of Department for Module Technology at Fraunhofer ISE.

Do glass-glass solar panels reduce emissions?

In the process, they also found that glass-glass modules enable an additional emissions reduction ranging between 7.5 to 12.5 percent compared to PV modules with backsheet films, regardless of their production location.

Why should glass and photovoltaic panels be partnered?

This not only provides necessary raw material for the glass industry, but also reduces the end-of-life environmental impact of photovoltaic panels. The collaboration marks a great milestone in the journey towards creating a more sustainable and circular glass and photovoltaic value chain.

Do silicon photovoltaic modules produce less CO₂?

In a new study, researchers at the Fraunhofer ISE have calculated that silicon photovoltaic modules manufactured in the European Union produce 40 percent less CO₂ than modules manufactured in China.

Can Photovoltaic Glass be recycled?

Photovoltaic glass is very transparent and clean, making it a valuable source of recycled material for our factories. However, it has a different composition from our standard products, meaning technical innovation is mandatory to allow for recycling within our processes.

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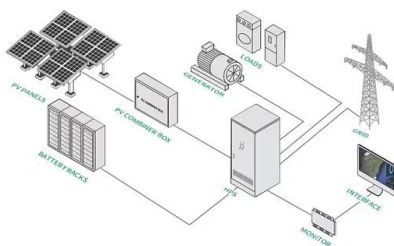


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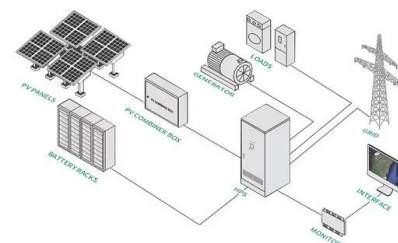


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