

# FSEC Advisory Board Meeting AGENDA

10:00 a.m.	Welcome and Introductions	Mike Faas, Chair
10:10 a.m.	Approval of March 29, 2019 Meeting Minutes	Mike Faas, Chair
10:15 a.m.	Status of FSEC Programs	Jim Fenton
10:35 a.m.	National, States, and Florida State and Cities Energy Policy Report of Florida Energy Office	Louis Rotundo Kelley Smith Burk
11:05 a.m.	Experience with Residential Solar and Electrical Storage After Hurricanes	Danny Parker
11:30 a.m.	Drive Electric Florida, the VW Settlement, and Related Electric Vehicle Activities	Peter King
12:00 p.m.	Lunch (Buffet)	
12:45 p.m.	Orlando Solar and Efficiency Projects and Lack of Energy Efficient Affordable Housing	Chris Castro
1:05 p.m.	Review and Adoption of FSEC Strategic Plan Discussion of FSEC Board Makeup (possible areas of focus)	Mike Faas, Jim Fenton
1:50 p.m.	Board Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Nominees for Chair and Vice-Chair Candidates</li> <li>▪ Date and Agenda for Next AB Meeting</li> </ul>	Mike Faas, Jim Fenton
2:00 p.m.	Adjournment	

# The State of FSEC

James Fenton

*Advisory Board Meeting*

November 18, 2019



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# FSEC IN THE NEWS

# FSEC in the News



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**UCF Leads National Team to Study Floating Solar | University of Central Florida News**

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People Reached

**52**  
Engagements

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FSEC in the news...



ORLANDOSENTINEL.COM  
**Orlando utility to launch \$9 million hydrogen system and more than double solar energy**

**185**  
People Reached

**28**  
Engagements

**Boost Post**

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2 Shares





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The team at UCF's Florida Solar Energy Center has done some research into what is making our electricity meters spin and ways to reduce energy costs in Florida homes.

<https://energyresearch.ucf.edu/consu.../buildings/priorities/...>

40% Heat/Cool     20% WH     20% Appl     20%

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**How to Reduce Energy Costs in Existing Homes – Priorities - FSEC Energy Research Center**

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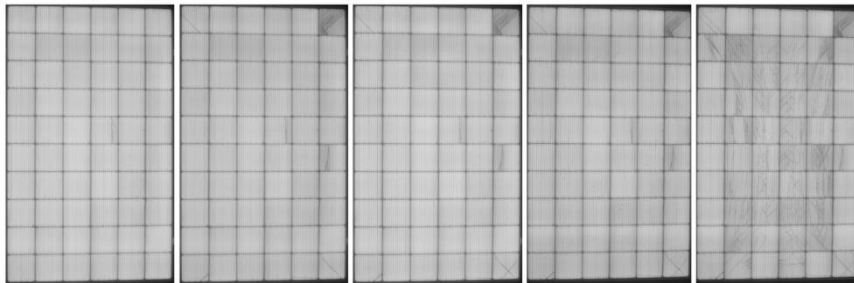


## Tuesday webinar: New test for microcracks will 'push the industry to exceed benchmarks'

A new test design from the University of Central Florida has challenged modules with different cell technologies. The results show advantages for the heterojunction modules tested. Here we discuss the new method with its designer.

SEPTEMBER 2, 2019 **MICHAEL FUHS**

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Microcracks develop under cold temperatures and pressure.

Image: University of Central Florida

pv magazine: You developed a more realistic test sequence for mechanical load testing which simulates snow, then vibrations caused by wind, then daily temperature variation, then vibrations again. How do you implement this and what is difference to the standard tests included in the IEC [International Electrotechnical Commission] certification?

**Eric Schneller, research scientist at the Florida Solar Energy**

**Center institute of the University of Central Florida:** The standard

IEC sequence that aims to capture cell cracking involves cyclic mechanical loading followed by 50 thermal cycles and 10 humidity freeze cycles. We have implemented a modified sequence that uses this existing test sequence as the core, adding one step before and one step after. To start we use a large, front-side, static mechanical load to create cell cracks. The existing sequence then works to open up these cracks. Finally, an additional cyclic mechanical load is used to stress the cells after thermal exposure.

# 2019 ENERGY STAR® CERTIFIED HOMES MARKET LEADER AWARD

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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recognizes

## **Florida Solar Energy Center**

for its outstanding commitment to energy-efficient new homes  
and for contributing

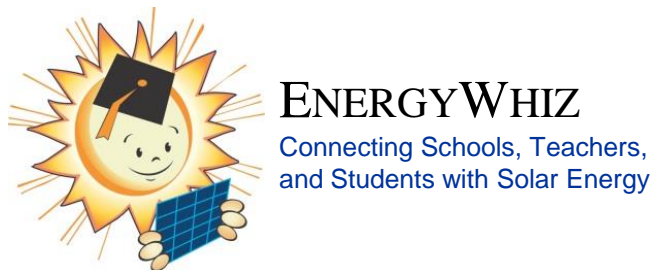
# **2,399**

ENERGY STAR certified homes in 2018

# COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIPS



# FSEC Collaborative Partnerships



PV, EVs, Energy Efficient Buildings, Load Management, Batteries, Alternative Fuels, Hydrogen, Fuel Cells, Smart Grid Electronics, V2X, Training & Education

# CURRENT CONTRACTS

# Current DOE-Funded Collaborative Partnerships



**SOLAR ENERGY  
TECHNOLOGIES OFFICE**  
U.S. Department Of Energy

- **Fabrication of Passivating Contact Solar Cells**, *K. Davis*
- **PV System Research Impacting LCOE**, *J. Walters*
- **Reliability and Power Degradation**,  
Sub from CWRU, *K. Davis*
- **Improving Solar Panel Durability**, Sub from Brightspot Automation, *H. Seigneur*
- **Characterization of Contact Degradation in c-Si PV Modules**, *K. Davis*
- **Low Cost Printing Techniques**,  
*K. Davis*
- **Solar Energy Innovator Program**,  
*Paul Brooker at OUC*
- **Orlando: Renewable and Resilient**, Sub from City of Orlando, *J. Fenton*
- **Quantifying and Valuing Fundamental Characteristics and Benefits of Floating Photovoltaic Systems**, *J. Sherwin*

# Current DOE-Funded Collaborative Partnerships



- **Integrated HVAC control for Mini-Split Heat Pumps,** *E. Martin, K. Fenaughty, D. Parker*
- **Investigation of the Prevalence and Energy Impacts of Residential Comfort System Faults – Hot Humid and Hot Dry Climates,** *E. Martin, D. Parker, C. Withers*
- **Indoor Air Quality Field Study in New US Homes,** *E. Martin, C. Withers, D. Chasar, J. Sonne*
- **Energy Codes: Comparing Performance in a Changing Technological Environment,** *P. Fairey, R. Vieira, J. Sonne, J. McIlvaine*

# Current DOE-Funded Collaborative Partnerships



**Continue to develop and support users of the Energy Department's Energy Plus software for more than 20 years.**

- EnergyPlus 10x Challenge: LBNL
- EnergyPlus Whole-Building Modeling and Simulation Software Development: NREL
  - *Lixing Gu, R. Raustad, B. Nigusse*



# Current Contracts



- Lab Home Measurement of Space Conditioning Energy Use with Flexible and Metal Duct Systems



- Survey of Unvented Attics in Climate Zones 2-3



- Estimating Internal Moisture Generation Rates in Occupied New Homes



- Energy and Sustainability Analysis for UF Public Safety Complex

## Associated Gas Distributors of Florida

- Updating AGDF Model Costs and Equipment



- Reliability Evaluation of Bifacial and Monofacial Glass/Glass Modules with EVA and Non-EVA Encapsulants



- Advanced Vehicle Technologies Research



- Solar Feasibility Assessment Request for Quote

# Current Contracts



The Levy Partnership

- *[Sub-Award]* Maximizing the Effectiveness of Ductless Heat Pumps in Existing Homes by Demonstrating Integrated Controls



- Technical Support



Sandia National Laboratories

- PV Lifetime Hot and Humid Climate Flash Testing



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- SRCC Portal Development

## SEI Associates

- Trane Trace 3D Plus Software Development Support

## Tactical Energy

- Comparison of Real World Assisted Living Buildings with a Baseline Models



- Enabling large-scale adaptive integration of technology hubs to enhance community resilience through decentralized urban food-water-energy nexus decision



# **A Florida Fable**

**“The Foreign Fuel”**

# A Priority For Florida's Future

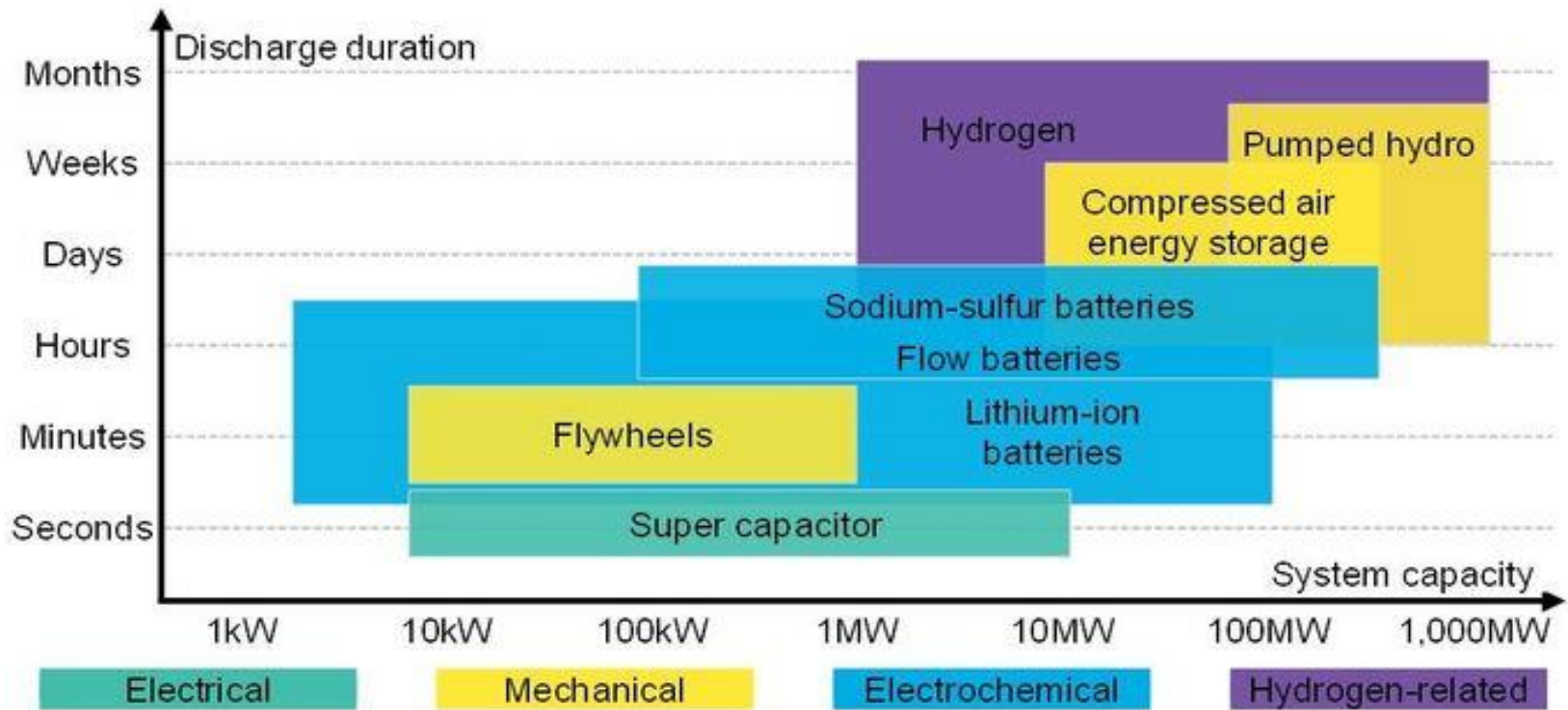
## Spend Little to No funds on Imported Primary Fuels

- Utility and rooftop solar, hydrogen and battery energy storage, smart-charging electric vehicles (V2G), building energy efficiency improvements, and demand response are all needed and must be *optimally integrated* to achieve **100% renewables**.
- To cost-effectively achieve **100% renewables**, *both utilities and customers* (those on each side of the electric meter) *must be empowered*.
- **Energy Resiliency** for Consumers is an outcome from *on-site solar and energy storage*, as well as a hardened grid.

# Solar Must Have Storage



## Size and discharge durations by storage technology

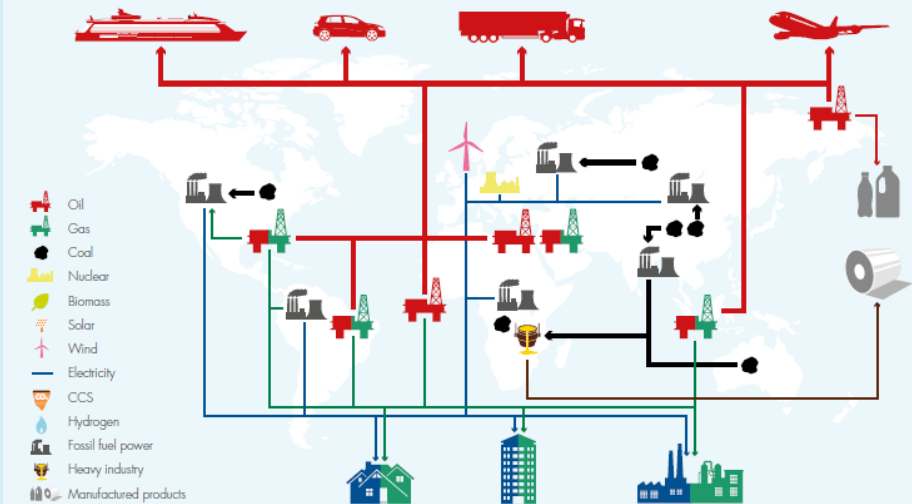


Source: Bloomberg New Energy Finance. Note: system capacities and discharge durations are based on general use, rather than technical limitations.

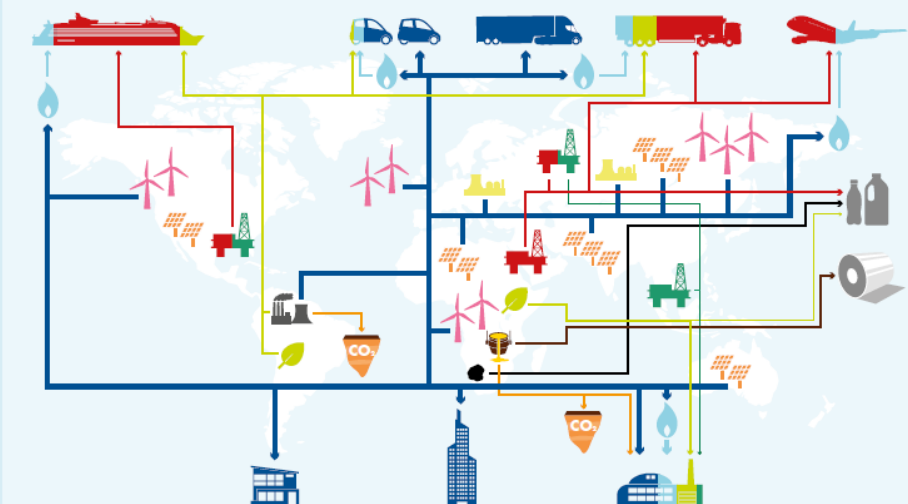


# A New Energy System in 2070 (taken from Shell Sky)

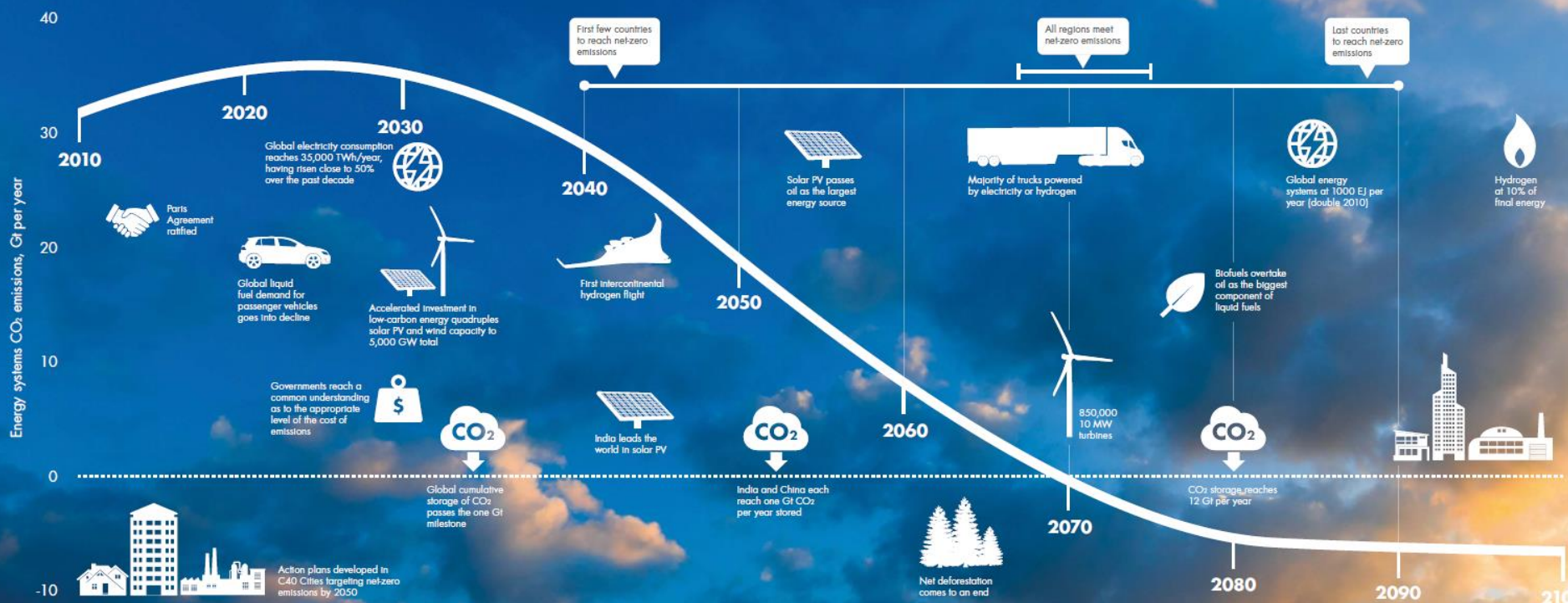
TODAY – AN ENERGY SYSTEM BASED ON FOSSIL FUELS



SKY IN 2070 – AN ELECTRICITY-BASED ENERGY SYSTEM



## THE SCALE OF GLOBAL CHANGE IN SKY IS UNPRECEDENTED



# New Contract Integration Example

## Demonstration of Integrated Hydrogen Production and Consumption for Improved Utility Operations

### **Orlando Utilities Commission**

Utility Co/Solar Integration/  
FC Vehicles

### **General Motors**

Stationary Fuel Cell Systems

### **OneH2**

Storage, Compression  
and Dispensing

### **UCF-FSEC**

Techno-Economic Analysis,  
Solar to H2 Optimization

### **Giner ELX, Inc.**

Electrolyzer System  
Development and Assembly



# Demonstration of Integrated Hydrogen Production and Consumption for Improved Utility Operations



## Integrated Hydrogen Production and Consumption for Improved Utility Operations

### Project Objectives

- Develop integrated system incorporating PEM-based electrolysis for H<sub>2</sub> production/storage and H<sub>2</sub>-fuel for refueling of FCEVs
- Electricity generation with site-specific PEM-based stationary fuel cells
- Develop/Optimize dispatch models based on grid-level optimization controls

### Impact

- Deployment of **Grid-Integrated Hydrogen assets** creates a system capable of leveraging intermittently available low-cost electricity to produce hydrogen for use in FCEVs, back-up power, and grid operational use cases
  - Ensures that the hydrogen is produced at the lowest electricity cost, and then consumed for the greatest possible value
  - Develops business models for OUC or other utilities, where the utility provides both electricity and hydrogen fuel, either as a grid asset or to support the transportation sector

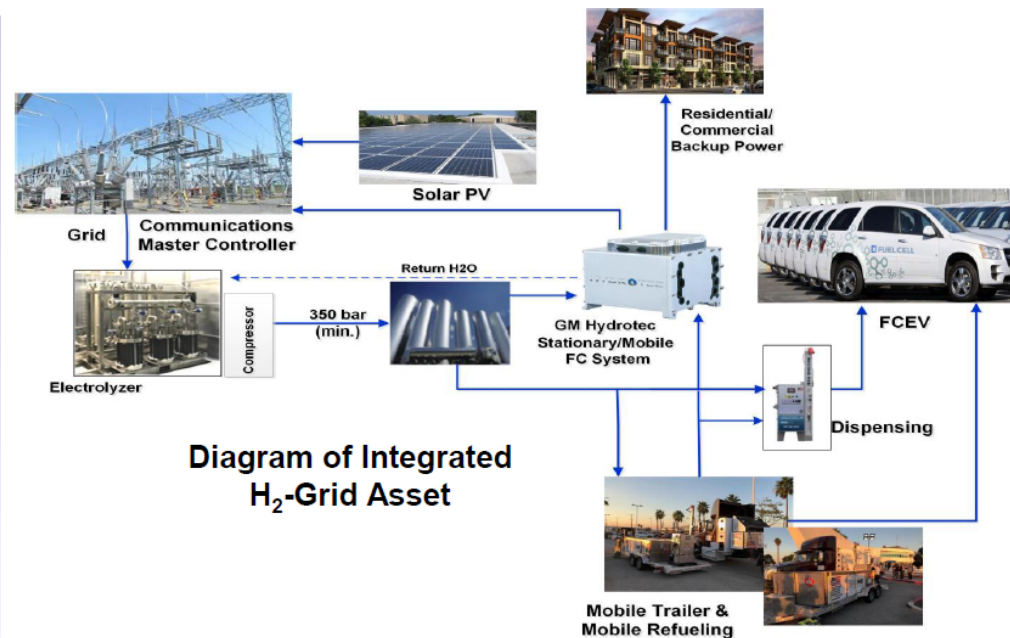


Diagram of Integrated H<sub>2</sub>-Grid Asset

### Partners

#### Orlando Utilities Commission (OUC)

- Utility Co. / Solar Integration / FC Vehicles

#### General Motors OneH2

- Stationary FC Systems
- Storage, Compression, & Dispensing

#### UCF-FSEC

- Techno-Economic Analysis, Solar to H<sub>2</sub> Optimization

#### Giner ELX, Inc.

- Electrolyzer System Development & Assy

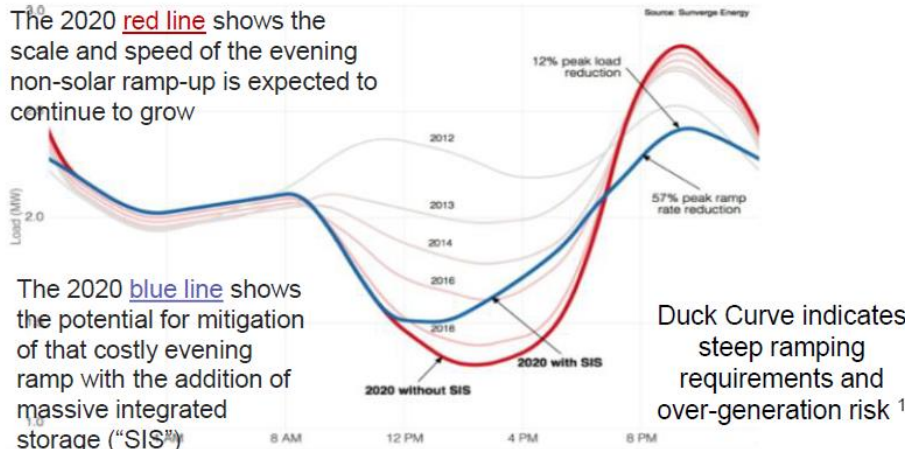


# Demonstration of Integrated Hydrogen Production and Consumption for Improved Utility Operations

## Background

### Hydrogen Offers a Green Solution to Intermittent renewables

- Rapid implementation of solar has led to storage needs more quickly than anticipated
- Solution: PEM Electrolyzer with fast response time, and be scalable to TWh
  - Electrolyzers can provide grid services & renewably generated hydrogen for mobility with fast response time as a controllable load
- Development of Hydrogen Markets are needed

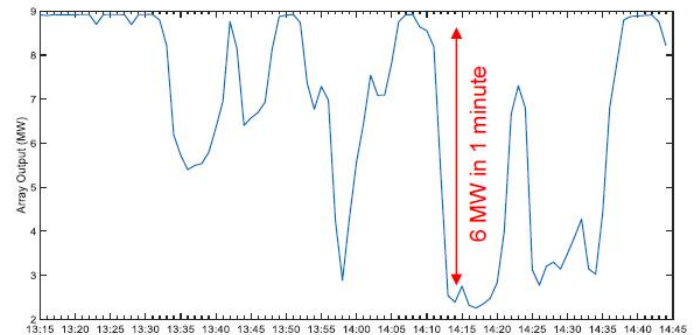


### The "California Duck" Chart:

Non-solar generation required over a 24-hour period (2012 to 2020)



- OUC, No. 1 in reliability since 1998<sup>2</sup>
- OUC's solar penetration is <1%, but increasing rapidly to 20% by 2022, plans to integrate 40% solar by 2024+



Output variation from an 8.9 MW<sub>AC</sub> array<sup>3</sup>

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Sources: <sup>1</sup> CAISO. <sup>2</sup> Florida Public Service Commission. <sup>3</sup> OUC.

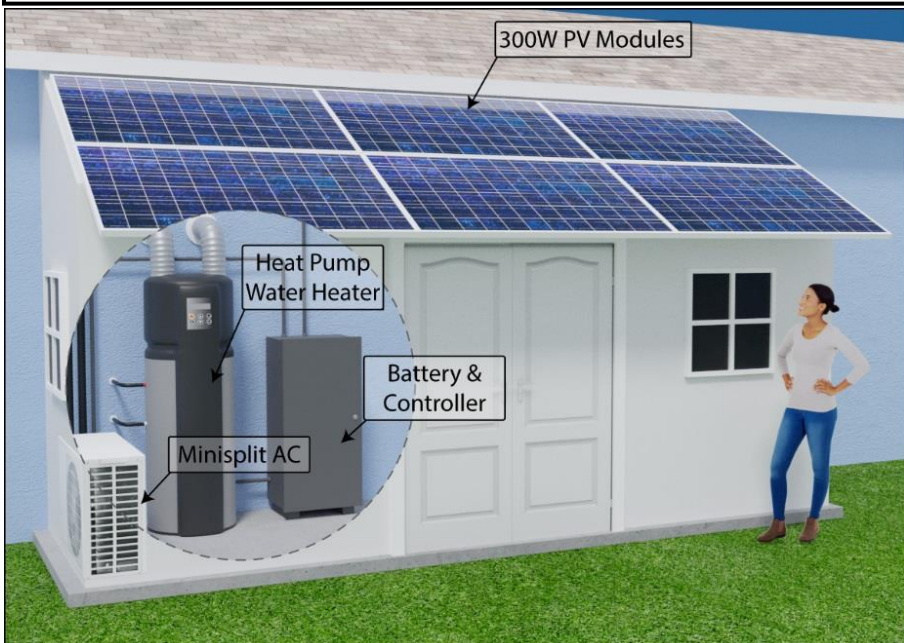
## Submitted Contract — Integration Example

# PV-GEMS: Photovoltaic-powered, Grid-enhanced Mechanical Solution.

Eric Martin / University of Central Florida

### Technology Summary

- A pre-packaged retrofit solution targeting 75% reduction in space conditioning and water heating energy.
- Integrates highly efficient heat pump water heater and mini-split heat pump, both directly powered by an off-grid system of PV and newly developed micro-inverters.
- Grid energy can assist when PV resources are low, and excess PV can be stored in a battery.



### Key Personnel

Carlos Colon – FSEC  
Jeff Sonne – FSEC  
Ankur Maheshwari – Rheem

### Key Milestones & Deliverables

Phase 1	• Proof of concept including achievement of energy savings goals.
Phase 2	• Complete enclosure design and fabrication w/ Rheem. • Demonstrate on 5 occupied homes.

### Technology Impact

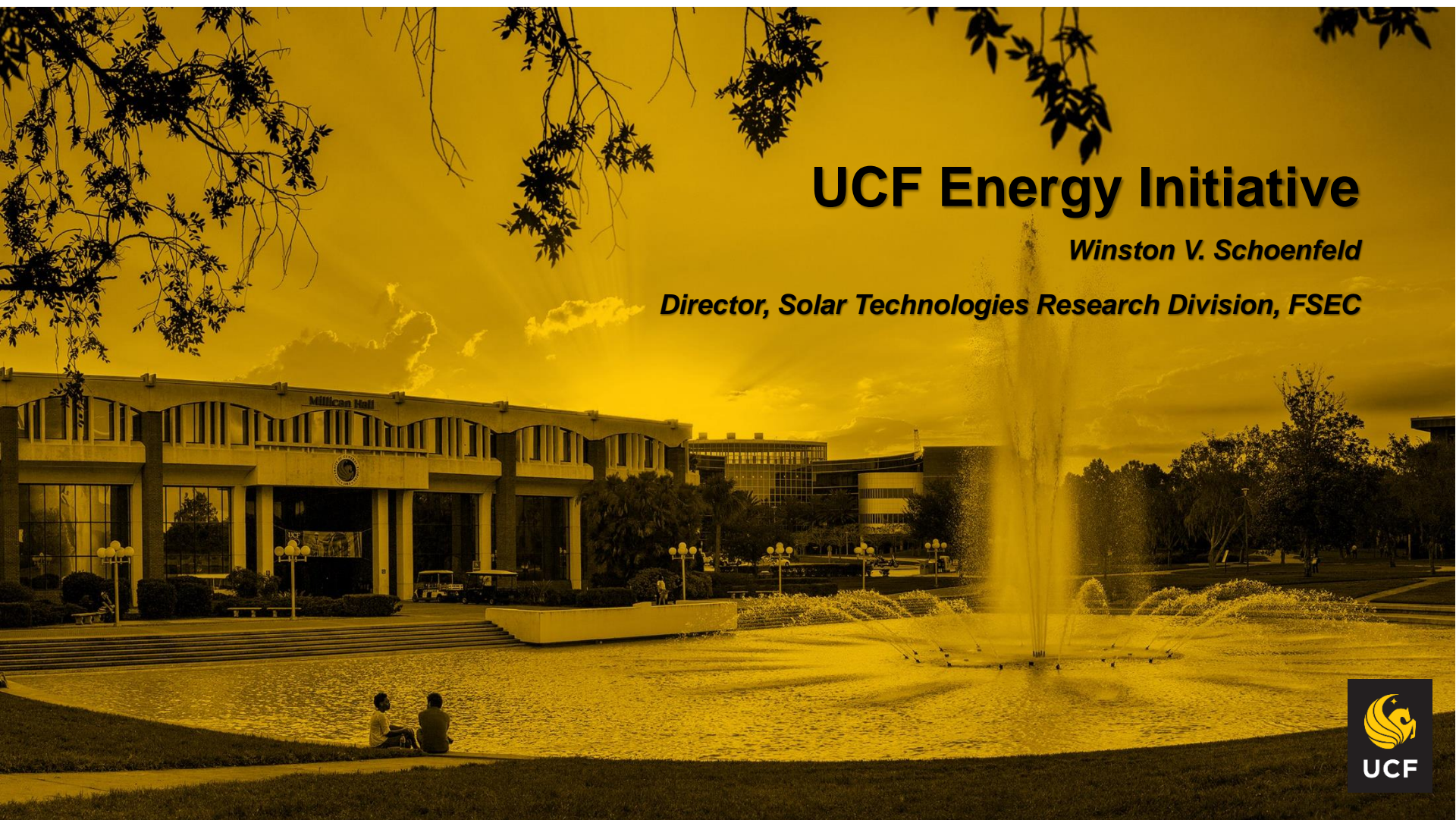
- Coupling current state-of-the-art with new innovations is expected to result in achievement of the 75% target energy use reduction.
- When scaled, this exceeds 1,800 Tbtu of total technical potential when applied to housing stock in all climates except very cold.



# UCF Energy Initiative

*Winston V. Schoenfeld*

*Director, Solar Technologies Research Division, FSEC*



# Energy Blue-Ribbon Panel

- Panel comprised **15 members** (UCF and external)
- Generated **32-page report** with many recommendations:
  - Create a **university-wide coordinating unit** around energy
  - Evaluate current and future **energy-related courses and curriculum**
  - **Better market** UCF energy research
  - **Identify/Obtain support for a UCF-wide center/institute** for research and education in energy and enhanced university/industry research opportunities
  - **Identify faculty needs** to better integrate energy across campus



**UCF Energy Initiative**



**GOAL:** Unified effort to become leader in **Energy Research and Education**

- Coordination of Energy Efforts across UCF
- Prioritize broad initiatives to strengthen UCF Energy Ecosystem
- Leverages existing Centers and Clusters
- Guidance from two key councils
- Put sustainability concepts to practice on UCF campuses

# UCF Energy Initiative

UCF Energy Council

External Advisory Council

Centers

FSEC  
CATER  
COASTAL

Faculty Clusters

RISES  
REACT  
COASTAL

Joint Faculty

Joint Faculty

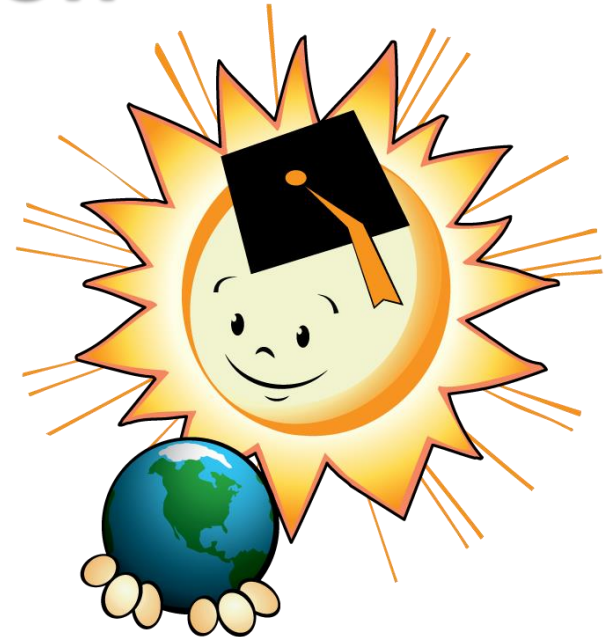
UCF Energy Faculty and Researchers

UCF Sustainability Initiatives



# Energy Education

- EnergyWhiz & Celebration of 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Earth Day  
**April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020**
- Our Partners:
  - Eastern Florida State College
  - Parks & Recreation Brevard County
  - Space Coast Science Education Alliance
  - IDEAS for Us
  - Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
  - Space Coast League of Women Voters
  - FAU
  - Pine Jog Environmental Center
- Over 1000 participants expected





# STEM Education: K-12 Teachers and Students

- **EnergyWhiz Expos**
  - Boca Raton
  - Brandon
  - Tallahassee
- **Student Groups**
  - 4<sup>th</sup> grade to college level
  - Over 1000 students
- **Teacher Workshops**
  - Solar Schools, Hydrogen, Solar Cookers, Photovoltaics



- **Presentations, Special Events and Other Outreach**
  - STEM focused
  - Over 30,000 students
  - Curriculum Kits



# Strategic Plan



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## Strategic Plan (2020-2025) Executive Summary

### Vision Statement

Promote the rapid transition to a sustainable energy economy through renewable energy and energy efficiency research, demonstration, and education.

### Mission Statement

Develop, research, and evaluate energy technologies that enhance the environment and economy, and transfer the results to the public, students and practitioners.

# Advisory Board Partners



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## Builders



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## Electric Utilities



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## Manufacturers



COOLING & HEATING



## Associations/Government



# Questions?



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# Solar Power



**Florida's Fuel for Electric Cars**



# **SUBMITTED PROPOSALS PENDING**

# Submitted Proposals PENDING

- Incorporating Residential Energy Efficiency Retrofit Technologies into Integrated Energy and Resilience Planning: A key component to achieving 100% Renewable Energy in Orlando by 2050 - US DOE - \$623,253, *E. Martin, D. Parker, K. Fenaughty*
- PV Module Testing for Degradation – Next ERA – \$154,000
- Dynamic Adaptive Protection for Self-Healing Distribution Grids with High PV Penetration- University of CO/Denver - \$720,000
- Photovoltaics for Primary and Secondary Schools - Directorate of Urban Administration & Development, M.P., Bhopal - \$686,972

# Submitted Proposals PENDING (Cont')

- PV-GEMS: Photovoltaic Powered, Grid Enhanced Mechanical Solution. A pre-packaged approach providing high efficiency and resilient space conditioning, and water heating - US DOE - \$617,076, *E. Martin, C. Colon, J. Sonne*
- Reimagining HVAC for New Manufactured Housing - Slipstream Group - \$468,750
- Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Systems Training for Electrical Professionals - Directorate of Urban Administration & Development, M.P., Bhopal - \$599,796
- SunSmart Schools E-Shelter Maximization Project – Phase 1 - FLDACS - \$118,667

# Submitted Proposals PENDING (Cont')

- The Use of Solar Concentrated Power to Drive a Modified Kvaerner Process to Make Hydrogen and Carbon Black from Organic Matter - University of Applied Sciences Technikum Wien - \$248,943
- Identifying Durability Bottlenecks in Carrier Selective Heterostructures to Inform the Evolving Si Technology Pathway - Case Western Reserve University - \$62,530
- Dynamic Control of Autonomous Grid-Forming PV Inverters with Enhanced Resiliency and Stability - Univ. of Houston - \$807,987
- Residential Buildings Subject Matter Expert Technical, Outreach and Research and Development Support - NREL - \$30,000, *E. Martin, J. Sonne, J. McIlvaine*