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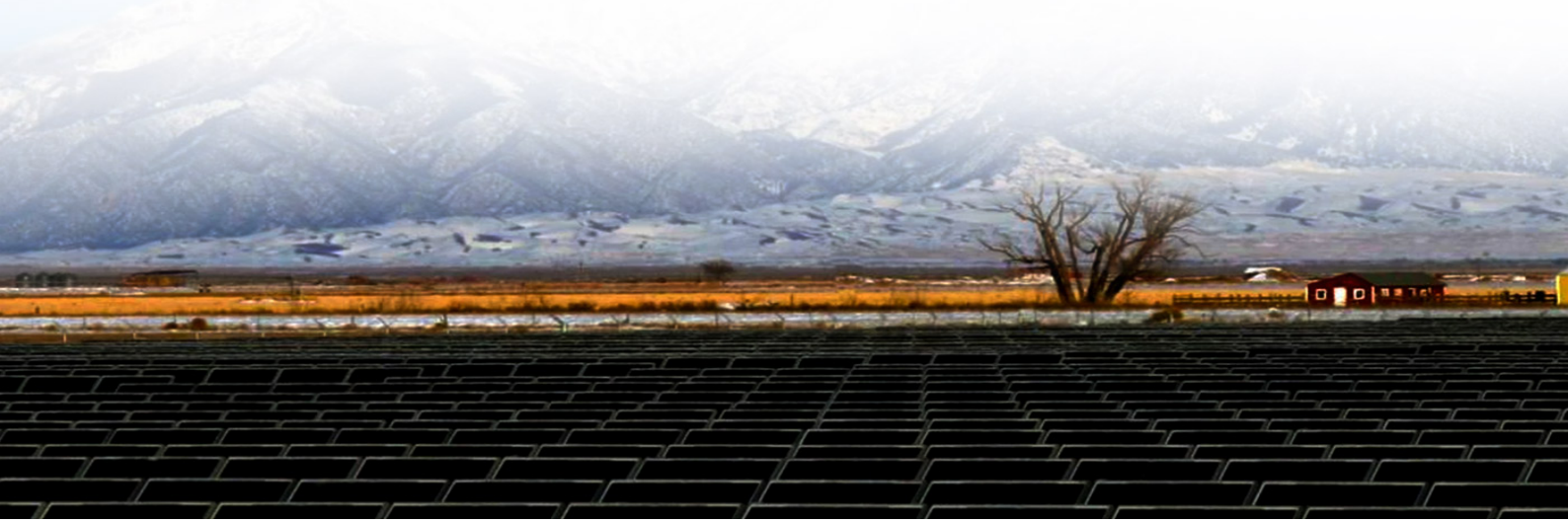

Overview

Degradation rates have improved 40% over the past decade (1. 5%) due to better encapsulants, anti-reflective coatings, and cell metallization. Climate is the dominant variable after technology type, with hot/dry regions showing 70% higher degradation than temperate zones. Panels do not suddenly stop working. Instead they lose a small amount of output each year and this loss adds up over time. This gradual drop is measured as the solar panel degradation rate. Even a small yearly drop in performance can add up over time, affecting total energy output, financial returns, and system longevity. Factors like sunlight, temperature. Solar panel degradation is the gradual loss of efficiency of solar panels over time.

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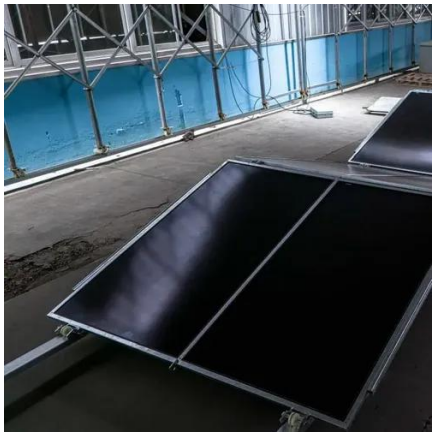

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