Energy storage and its ability to add stability to intermittent generation and reduce distribution network costs

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Introduction

• Overview of Australian Transmission and Distribution Network
• Research Objectives
• Research Outcomes
• Overview of UQ Solar Array and Storage Research
Introduction – Network and Resources
Research Objectives

We will have a 1.2 MW PV Array (Dec 2010)
We will have 400 kWh Battery Storage (May 2011)

How can we use these systems to verify current analysis on the national market

What are we trying to achieve?
Load Shifting – The Basics

The major objective is to reduce our peak demand.

This can be achieved through PV alone .... but
UQ (EEMG) Market Model
Battery Penetration Rates – Qld & SA
Load Duration Curves – Qld & SA

Queensland Load Duration Curve
top 200 periods

South Australian Load Duration Curve
top 200 periods
Price Distribution – Qld & SA
The UQ 1.2 MW Array

This array whilst reducing our peak demand will also be utilised for research and teaching purposes.

We currently will be looking at: -

• Battery Storage (400 kWh)
• Inverter Trials x 2
• New Generation Panels (100 kW)
UQ 1.2 MW PV Array
Research Data Collection
Deployment of renewable technologies within the distribution network is inevitable. Storage will help overcome the current barriers relating to intermittency. Being able to model these through a micro-grid will allow for assessment of the impact of storage. The cost savings through reduced distribution charges will further accelerate the deployment of renewable energy.
Thank You and Questions

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