

Small Thermal Energy Storage & Its Role in Our Clean Energy Future

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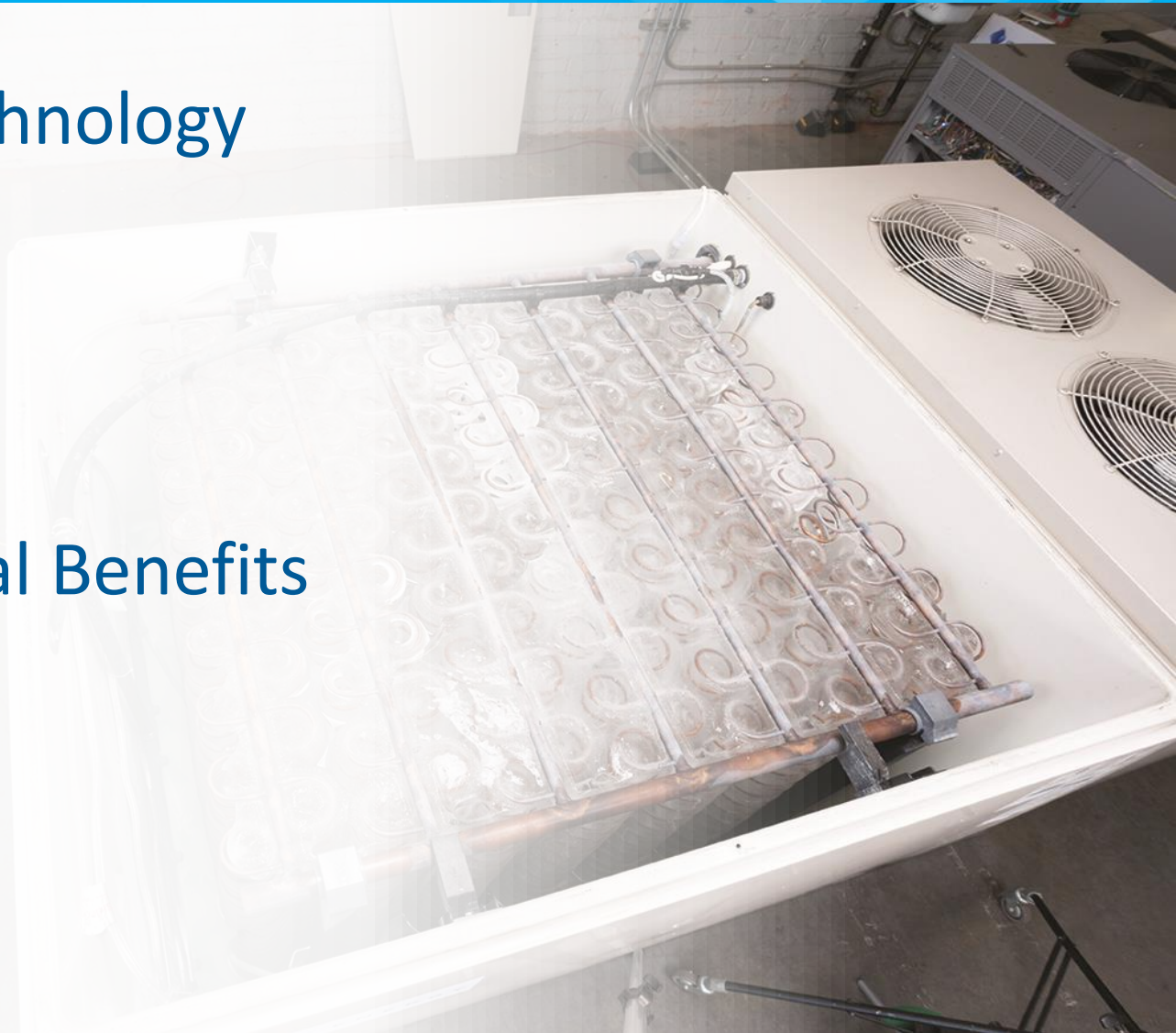


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Presentation Overview

- Small TES Technology
- Grid Benefits
- Environmental Benefits



Technology Overview

Energy Storage



- Technology capable of **absorbing energy**, **storing it** for a period of time and **discharging** the energy at a later time
- Accomplished via **chemical**, **mechanical** or **thermal** processes

Thermal Energy Storage (TES)

- A technology that heats or cools a storage medium which is used at a later time for heating or cooling
- Focus on **ice** thermal energy storage for **behind the meter** purposes
- Residential, commercial customers

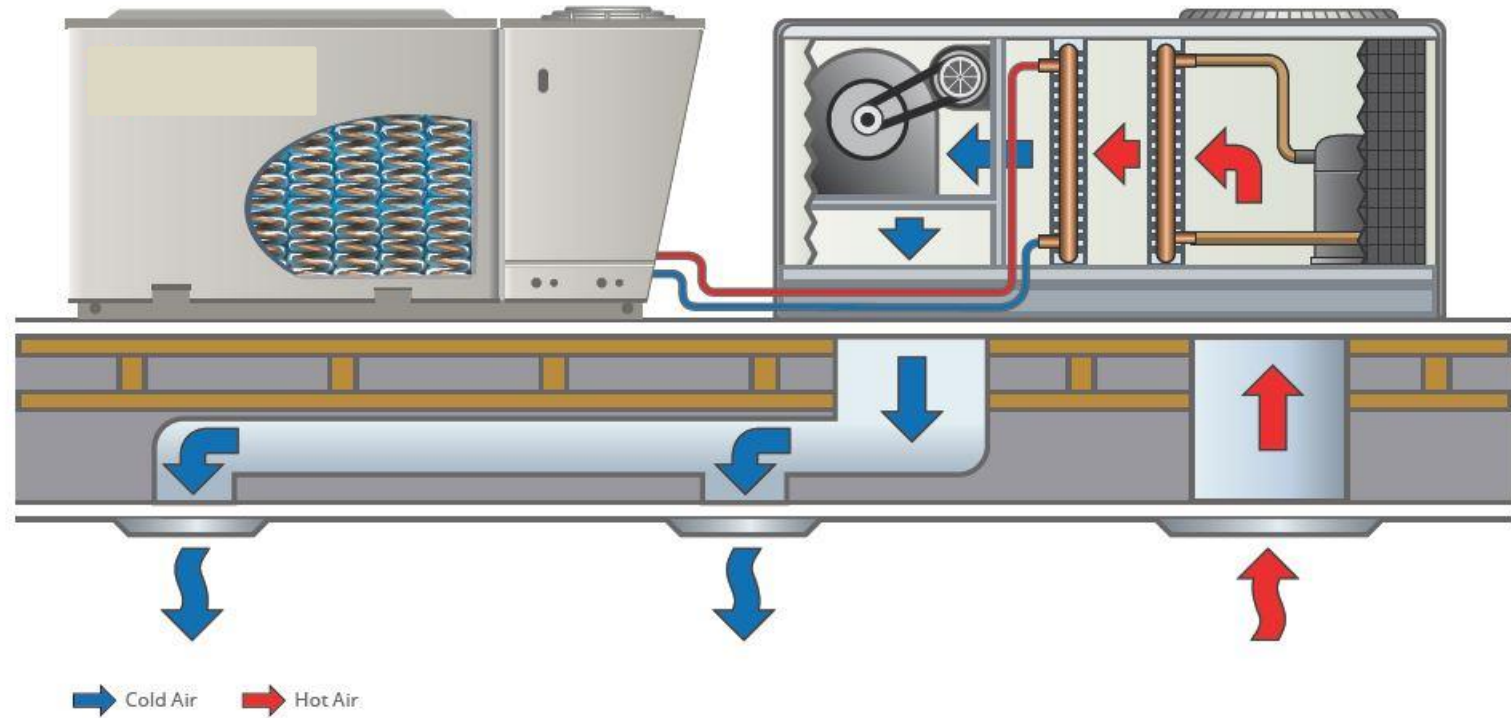


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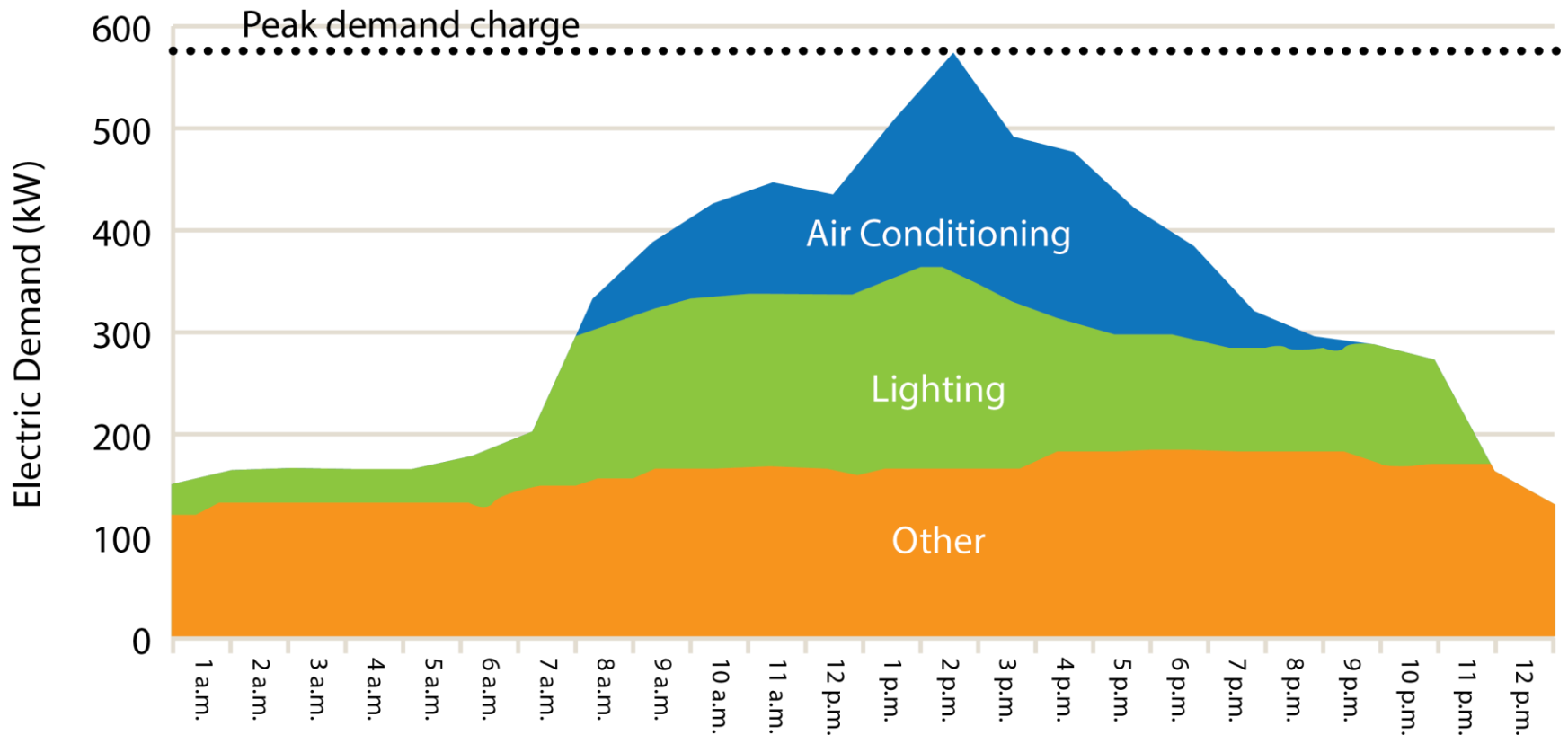
- Stores **electricity** in the form of **ice**
- Releases **cool air** to replace the need for **air conditioning** or **refrigeration**, offsetting the need to use electricity to run HVAC and refrigeration systems



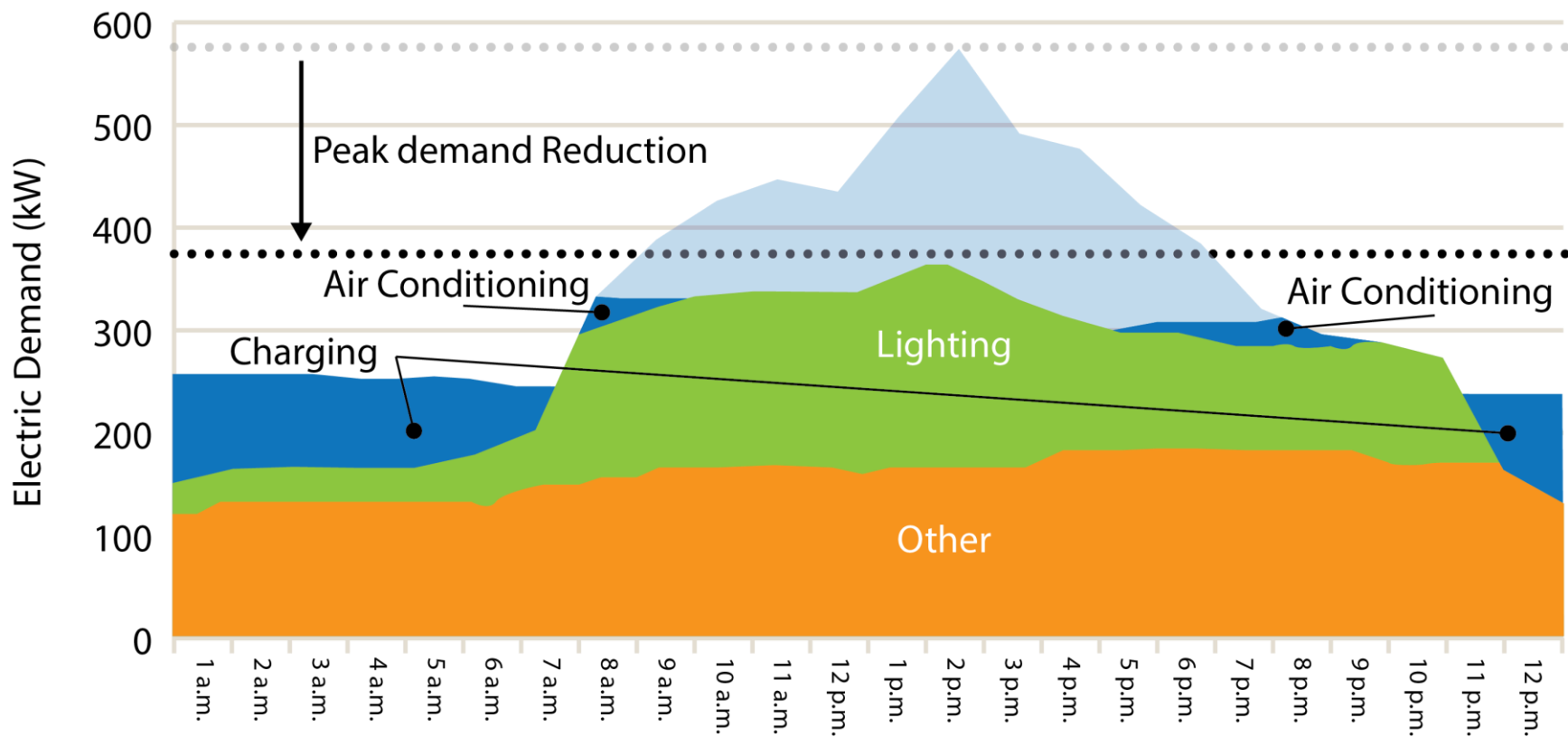
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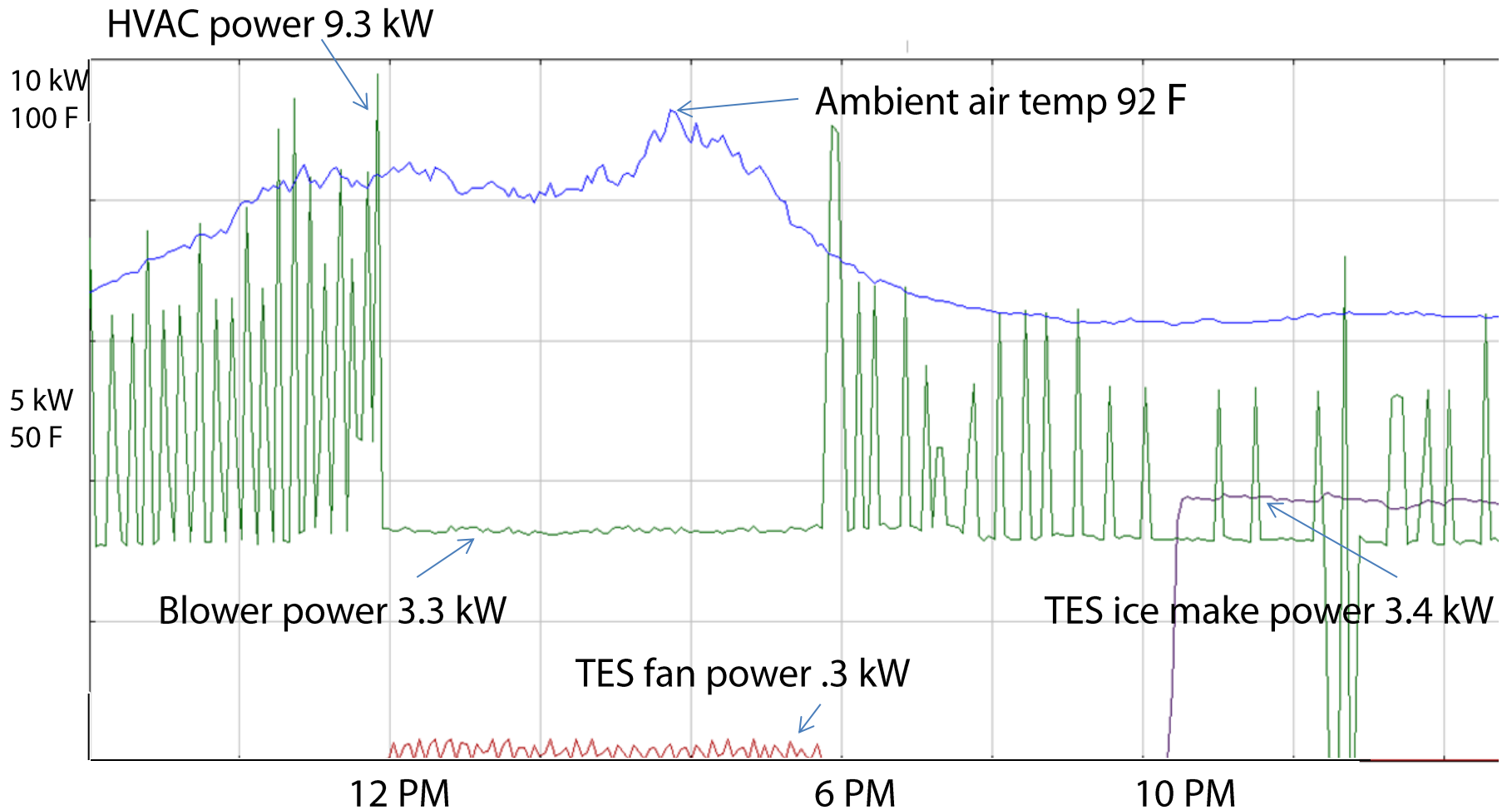
Peak Demand: Before



Peak Demand: After



Peak Demand Data

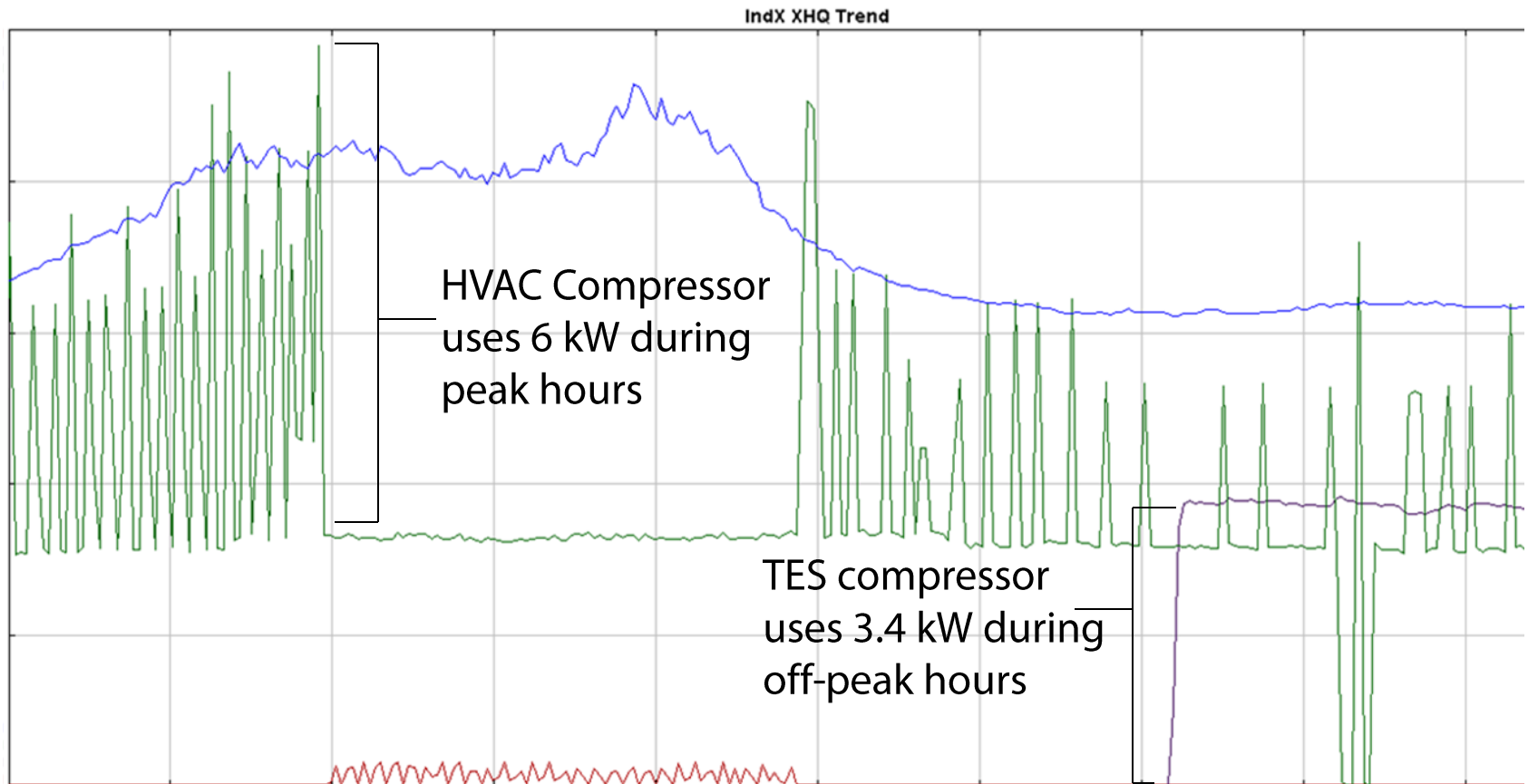


Grid Benefits

Due to the small, scalable nature...

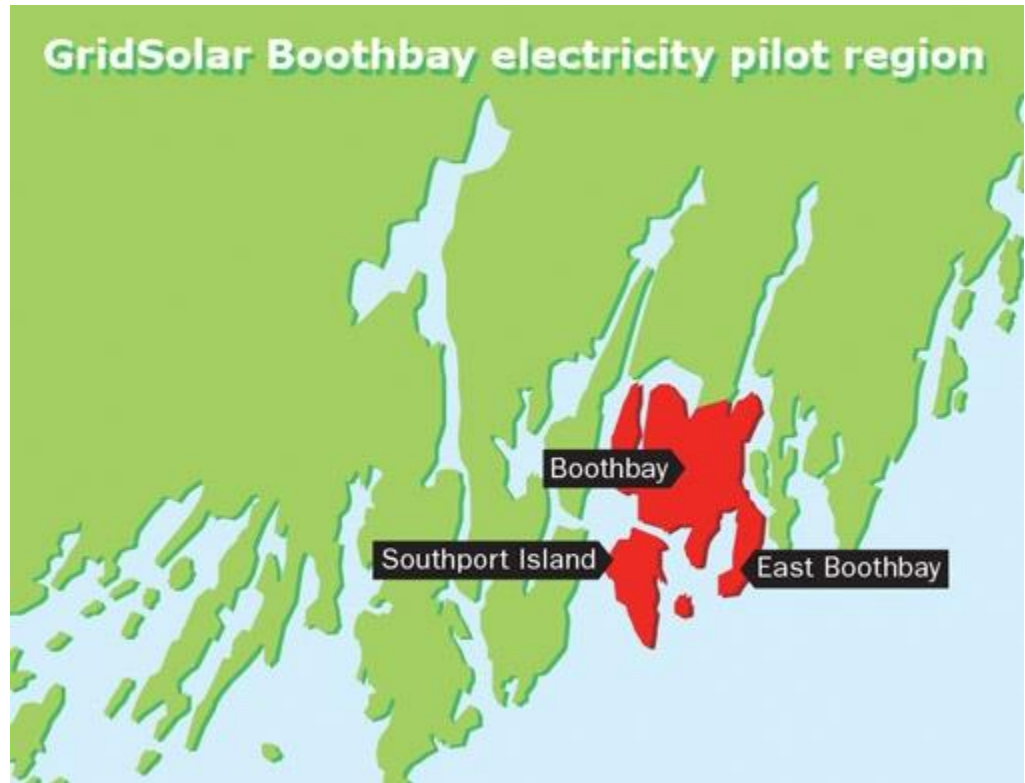
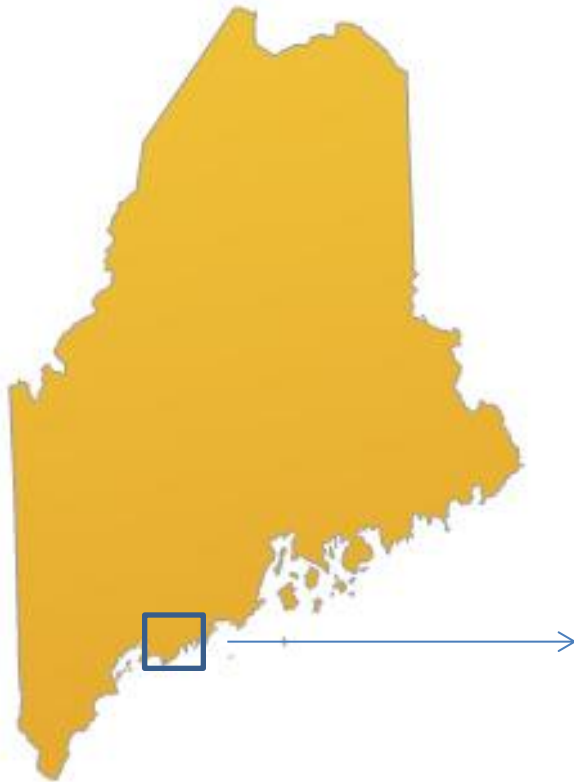
- Small TES can be located where they provide the most value:
 - Improved grid efficiency
 - Reduces line losses from congestion and heat by up to 20% per kW of peak demand reduced.
 - Reduced peak generation needs
 - Defer or cancel build-out of transmission and distribution infrastructure

Efficiency Gains



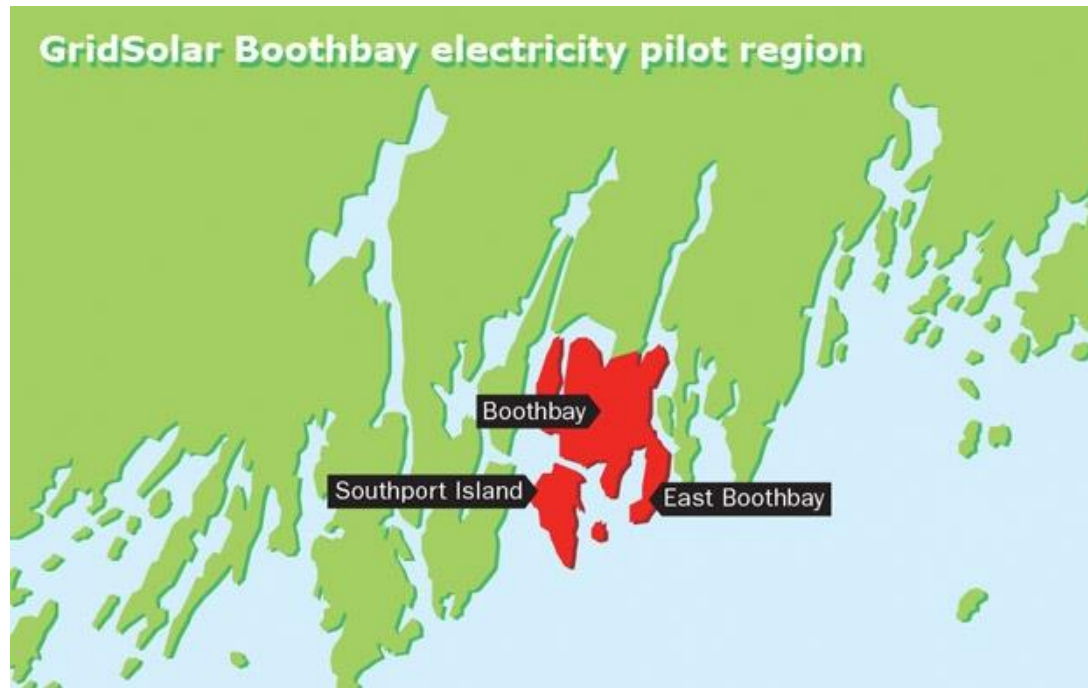
Case Study: Maine

Boothbay Sub-Region Smart Grid Reliability Pilot



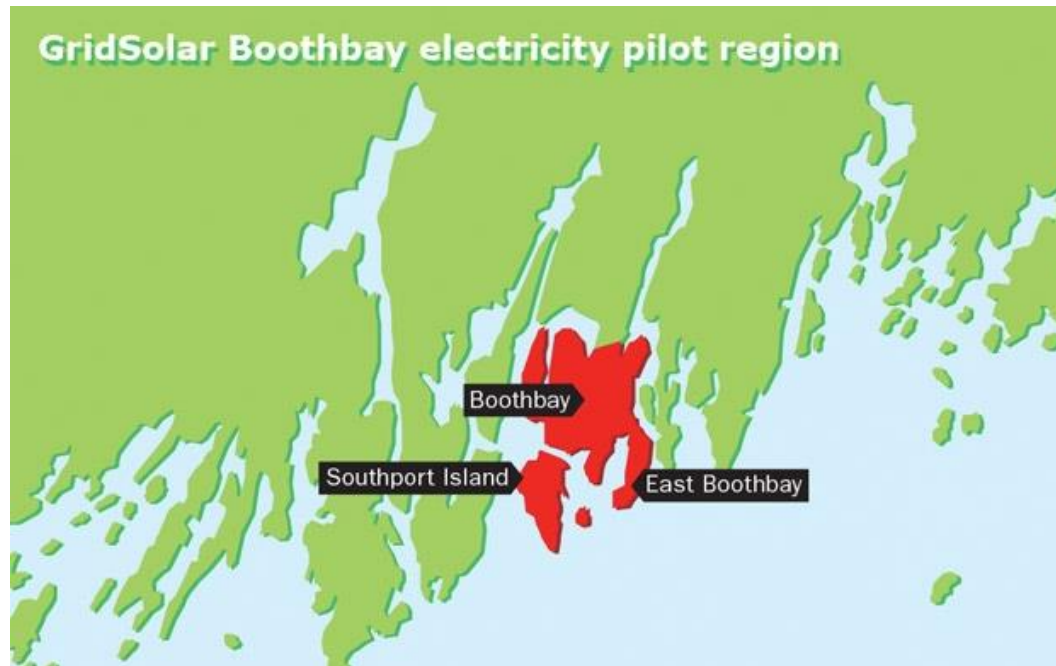
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- The electric line serving Boothbay needed to be rebuilt at a cost of \$18 million to meet growing peak demand



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- Alternatively, 1.7 MW of behind-the-meter resources, including 250 kW of small TES, were used to reduce peak demand



Case Study: Maine

Results:

- The project cost less than \$6 million
- Less than 3 year payback and \$12 million in savings
- Small TES has met or exceeded performance expectations since the project began in 2012



Case Studies: Massachusetts and New York

- Massachusetts - proposal to use 2.5 MW of small TES to defer transmission upgrades.
- Save \$2.8 million over next 7 years
- New York – proposal to install 1.5 MW of small TES to defer grid upgrades





Environmental Benefits

Case Study: LA Basin

- In 2015, Southern California Edison called critical peak pricing events on the 12 days with the highest peak demand
- An aggregated 1 MW fleet of small TES responded and reduced load during peak hours of these days

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Results:

- Reduced peak generation 32 MWh
- Reduced CO₂ emissions by 19 tons and nitrous oxide emissions by 2 pounds
- Equivalent of taking 112 cars off the road each day



Environmental Benefits

- Non-Toxic storage medium (tap water)
- 100% recyclable materials
- Little system degradation – long lifespan



Small Thermal Energy Storage can...



Greatly improve the efficiency of the grid – up to 20%



Save utilities and ratepayers money through greater efficiency and grid upgrade deferrals – Maine utility saved \$12 million



Reduce GHG emissions and criteria air pollutants

Thank You!



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