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Overview

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Environmental Impacts of Grid-Scale Solar Development

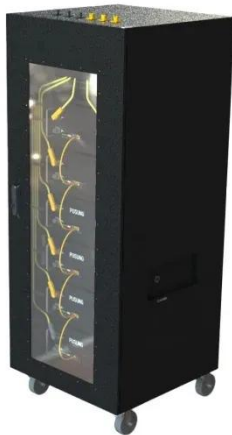
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Solar Energy Development Environmental Considerations

Potential adverse impacts to various resources associated with the construction, operation, and decommissioning of solar power plants are briefly outlined below.

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Solar energy and the environment

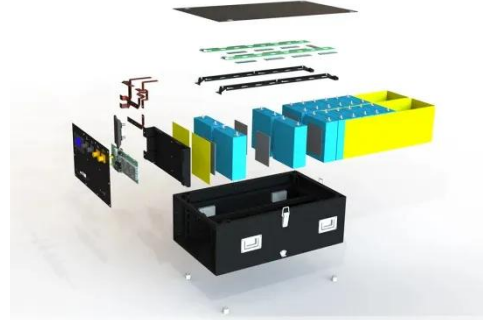
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While there are no global warming emissions associated with generating electricity from solar energy, there are emissions associated with other stages of the solar life-cycle, including ...

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