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How many solar panels are there in Antarctica?

The first Australian solar farm in Antarctica was switched on at Casey research station in March 2019. The system of 105 solar panels, mounted on the northern wall of the 'green store', provides 30 kW of renewable energy into the power grid. That's about 10% of the station's total demand.

Where is the first Australian solar farm in Antarctica?

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What makes Antarctica a good place to store energy?

A room full of classic lead-acid batteries enables the station to store energy for times when demands exceeds the current energy production. While the renewable energy systems that power the station are reliable and continuously checked, even in the harsh conditions of Antarctica, two generators were installed for security and backup.

Why did Antarctica have two generators?

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Why are there so many wind turbines in Antarctica?

The katabatic winds on the Antarctic continent provided the answer to that issue, as the wind gusts from the plateau are as fierce in the winter as they are in the summer. Along the ridge of the Princess Elisabeth Station are nine wind turbines, installed by the IPF crew to complement the solar installations.

The Australian Antarctic Division operates several research stations in Antarctica, and they have also adopted solar energy solutions. The team installed solar panels at their research stations to complement their existing diesel generators.

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Power's Simon Yuen talks to Slovenian solar company Bisol and the International Polar Foundation about features of renewable energy production at the research station which was established in 2009.

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At some of the repeater sites, energy is generated by a combination of wind and solar power. Most of the repeaters are in remote locations on hills and mountain tops. These sites have extreme wind conditions that can damage wind turbines, so there is a ...

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