

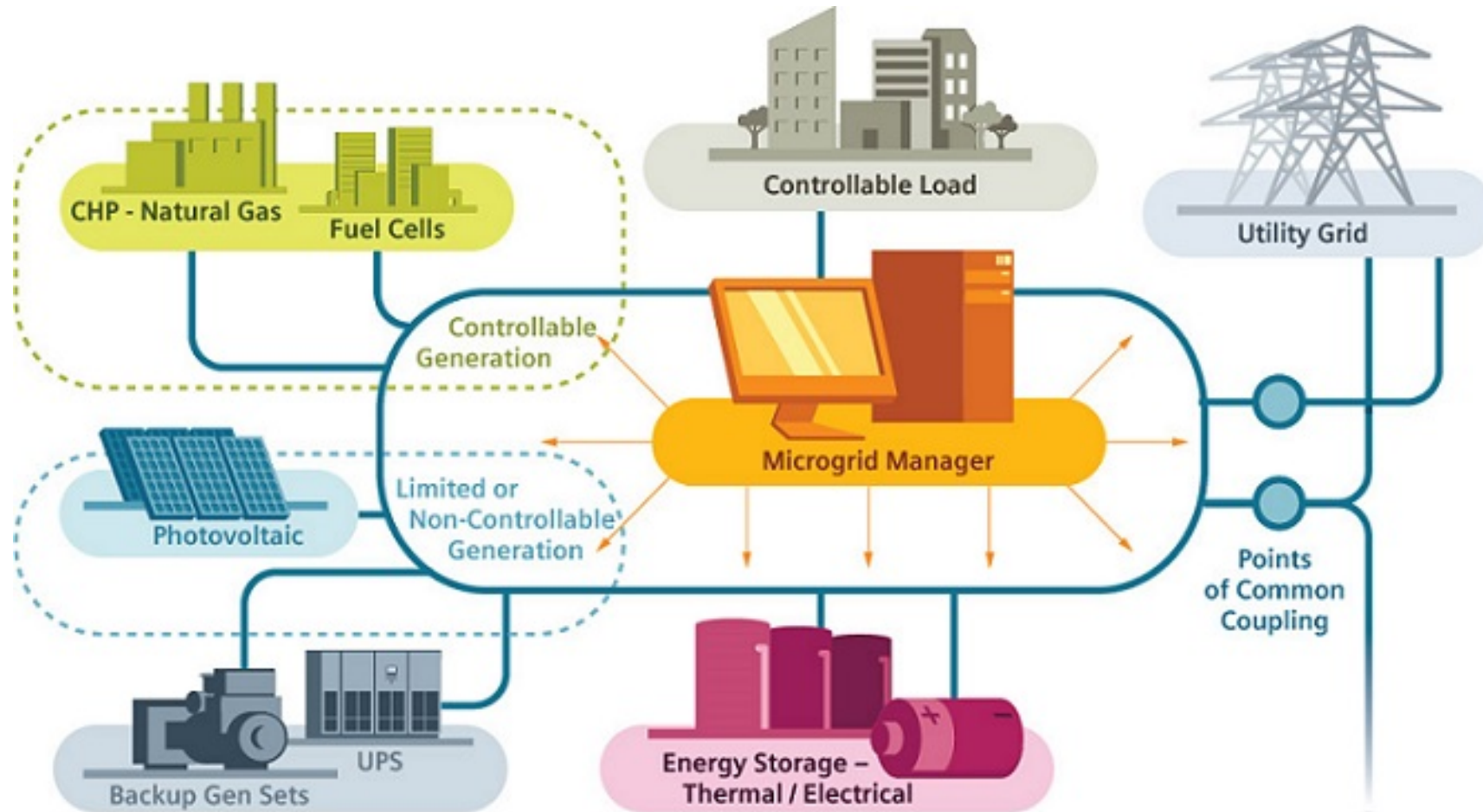


ACE NATURAL Commercial Microgrid Westchester, NY Local Utility- Con Ed

What is a Microgrid?

- A **microgrid** is an electrical system that can:
 - Operate independently
 - Use its own power generation
 - Connect and communicate with the multiple generation components
 - Grid (Utility)
 - Solar
 - Wind
 - Generator
 - Hydro
- ESS stores the power and keeps it available for use

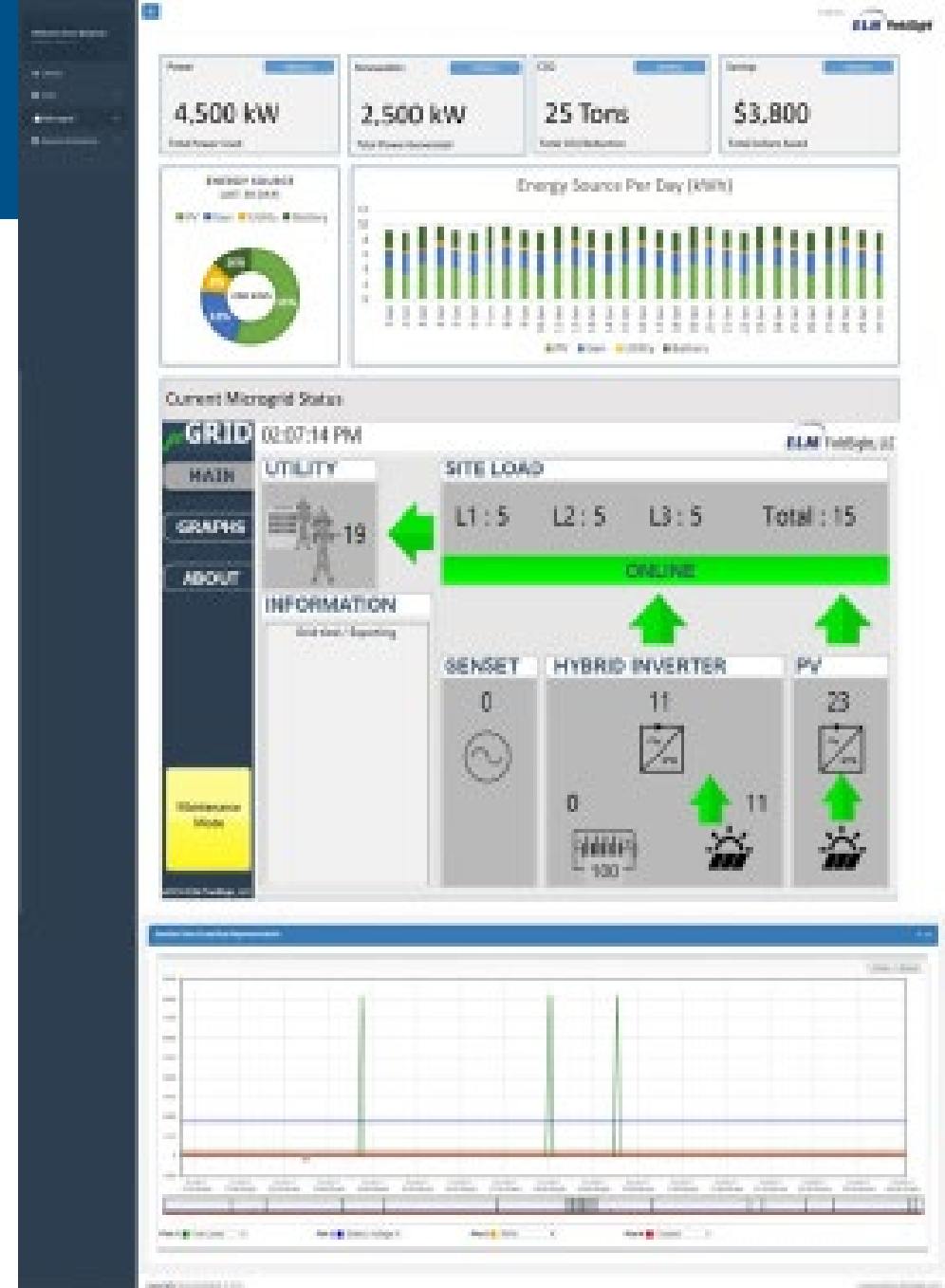
Microgrid Management System



Microgrid Controller

ELM Fieldsight Controller

- Cloud based application, can be managed from plant or remotely.
- Two- way communications
- On-site Gateway
- 24/7 real-time monitoring & control;
Centralized Network Operations Center (NOC)
- System Monitoring



Microgrid Control Functions

Advanced two-way communication and control infrastructure is required-

- The controls and programming vary by microgrid operational goals and type of operation
- On-grid heuristics are different than off-grid (resilient) operation for the same Microgrid

Off-Grid Mode Examples

- Monitor and actively Manage Command Distributed Energy Resources (DER)
- Connect to/disconnect from Grid
- Initiate “Black-start” capability for Microgrid
- Manage battery reserves; Change set points (ex. DOD)
- Control PV Output to avoid overload with generator

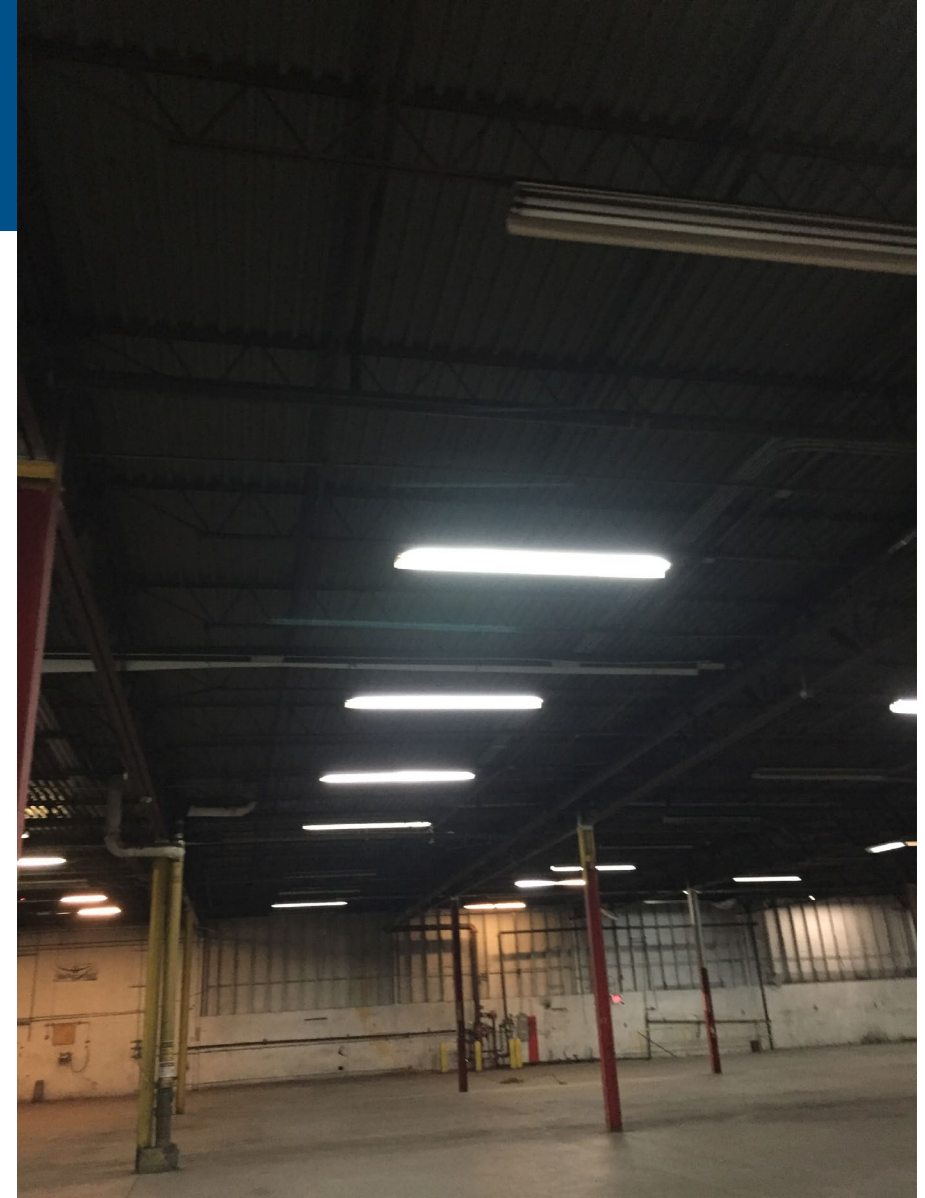
Commercial Microgrid

Ace Natural Foods

- In Business since 1980
- Leading Organic Foods Distributor in Northeast
- Moved to New Facility with 4 times more Refrigerated Capacity
- Committed to Reducing Carbon

Client Business Goals-

- Energy Usage Reduction (kWh)
- Reduction in Demand Charges
- Resiliency



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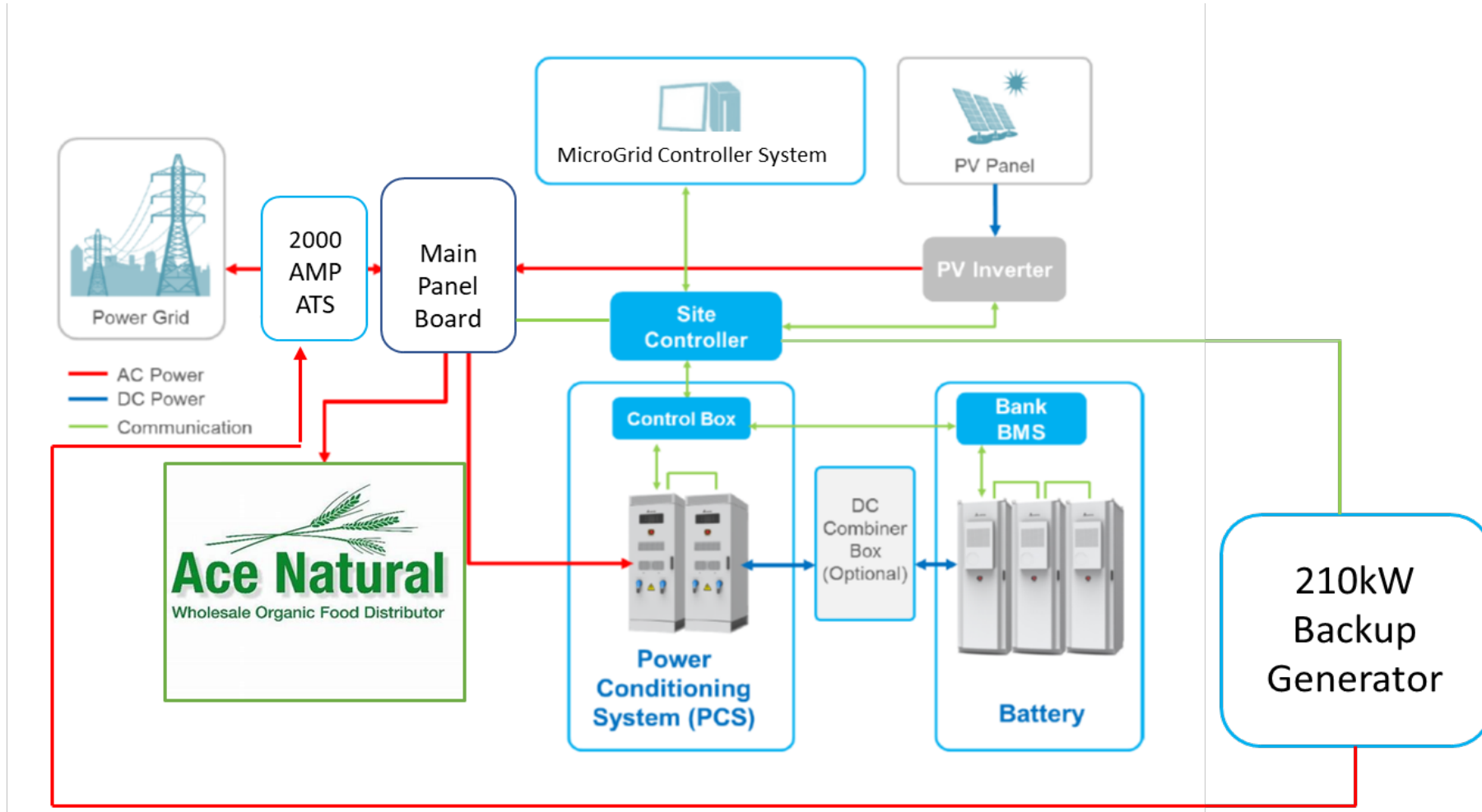
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- 350kW Rooftop PV
- 230kW Bio-Diesel Generator
- 2000 Amp ATS
- 250kW/548kWH Energy Storage System
- ELM Fieldsight Microgrid Controller

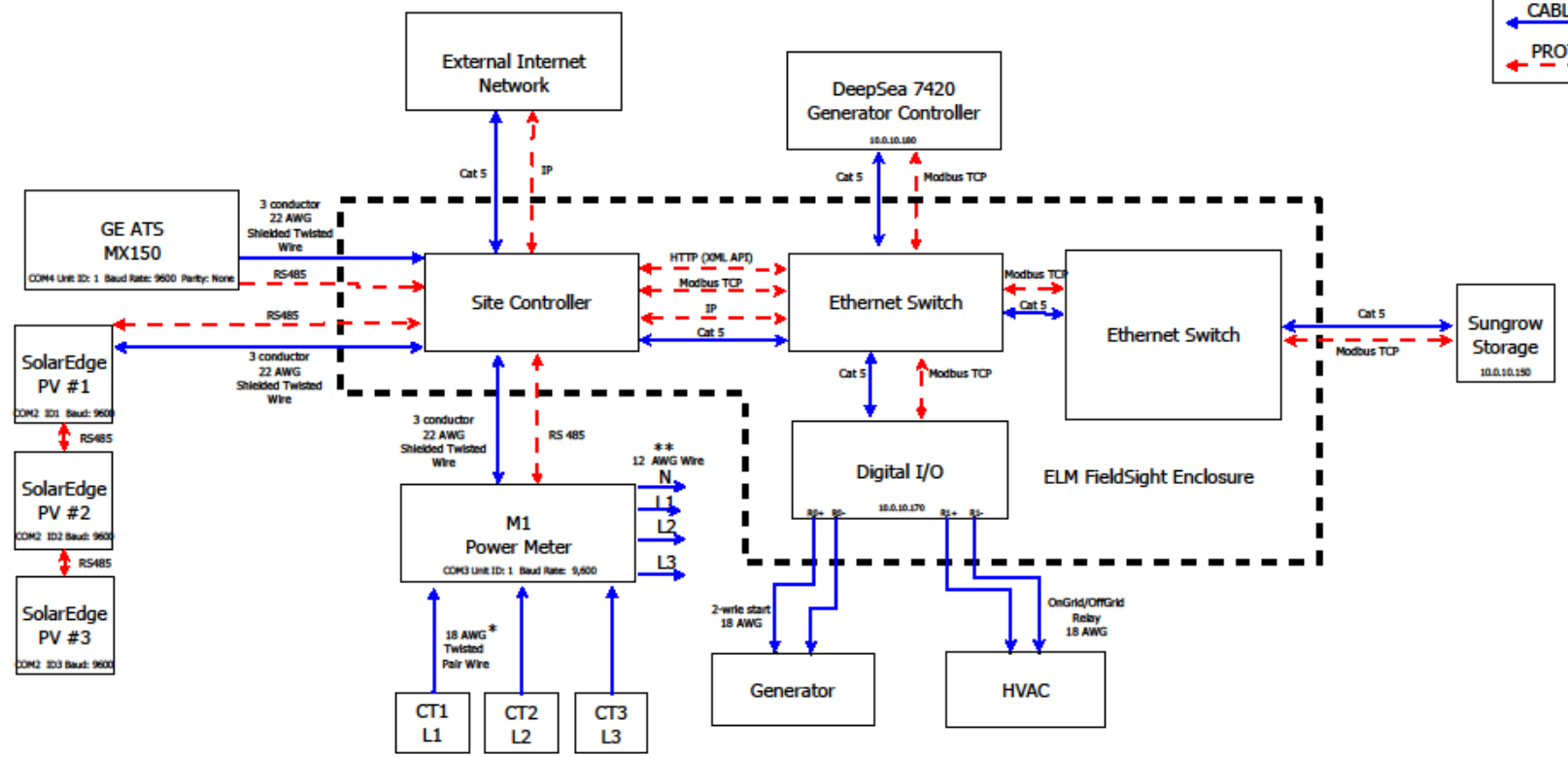
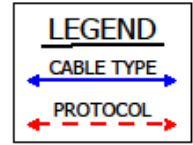


Commercial Microgrid Components




NOTES:

REVISIONS			
LT#	DESCRIPTION	DATE	APPROVED



* Check that the CT phases match the line voltage phases.
 ** Use circuit breakers or fuses rated for 15 amps for voltage terminals.

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PRCL. ENGR.		
QUALITY ENGR.		
CHIEF ENGR.		
DRAWING TITLE		FIELDSIGHT MICROGRID ACE COMMUNICATION DIAGRAM
SIZE	FRON NO.	
PROJECT NO.	DRAWING NO.	MGE2MR-402
SCALE: N/A	SHEET 1 OF 1	

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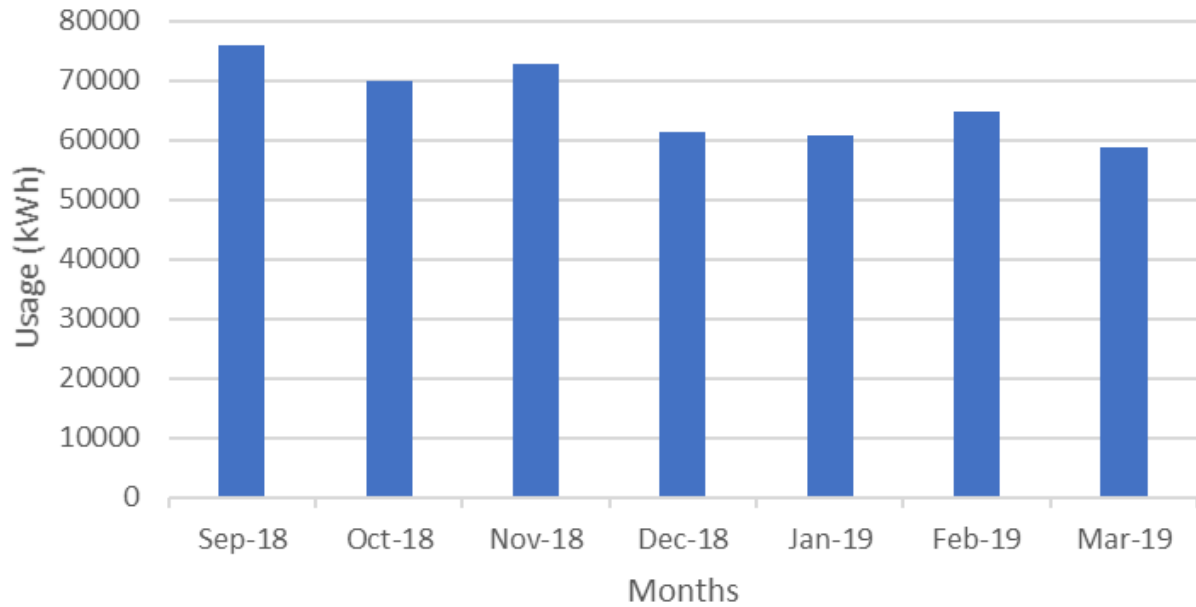
Stages Of Development

Development Priorities-

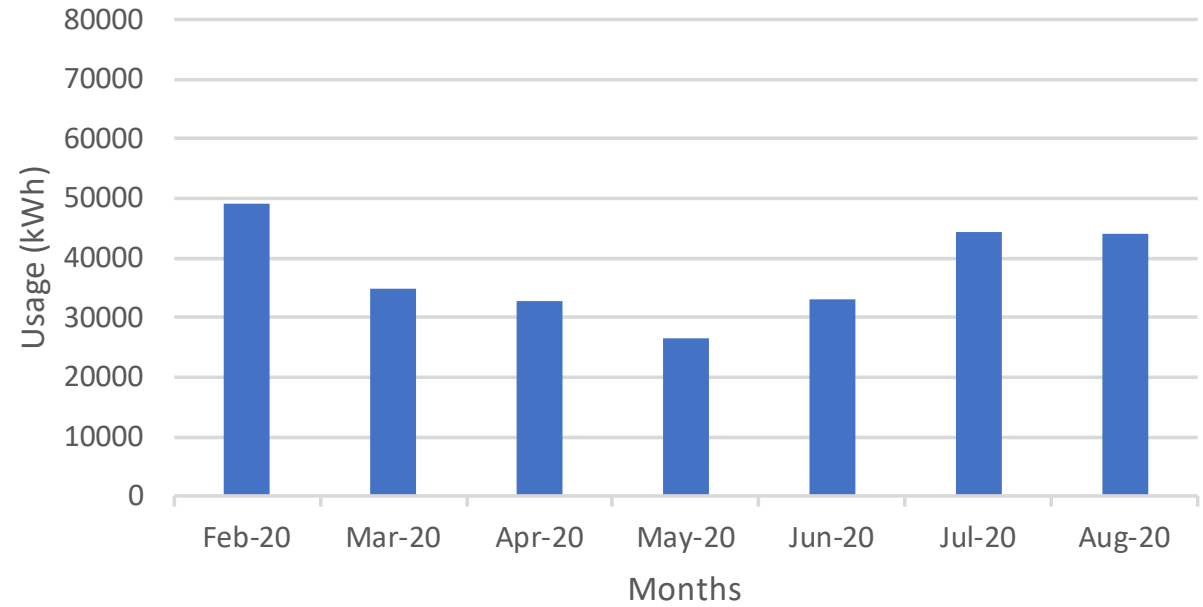
1. PV (following new roof)
2. Microgrid Controller
3. Generator
4. ESS
5. Optimization

Commercial Microgrid

Ace Natural Pre Solar



Ace Natural Post Solar



Commercial Microgrid

	Pre-Solar	Post-Solar	Percent Change
kWh	66,343	37,829	-43%
Cost	\$10,638	\$7,431	-30%

Pre-Period: Sep 2018-Mar 2019

Post – Period: Feb 2020 – Aug 2020

Optimizing With HOMER

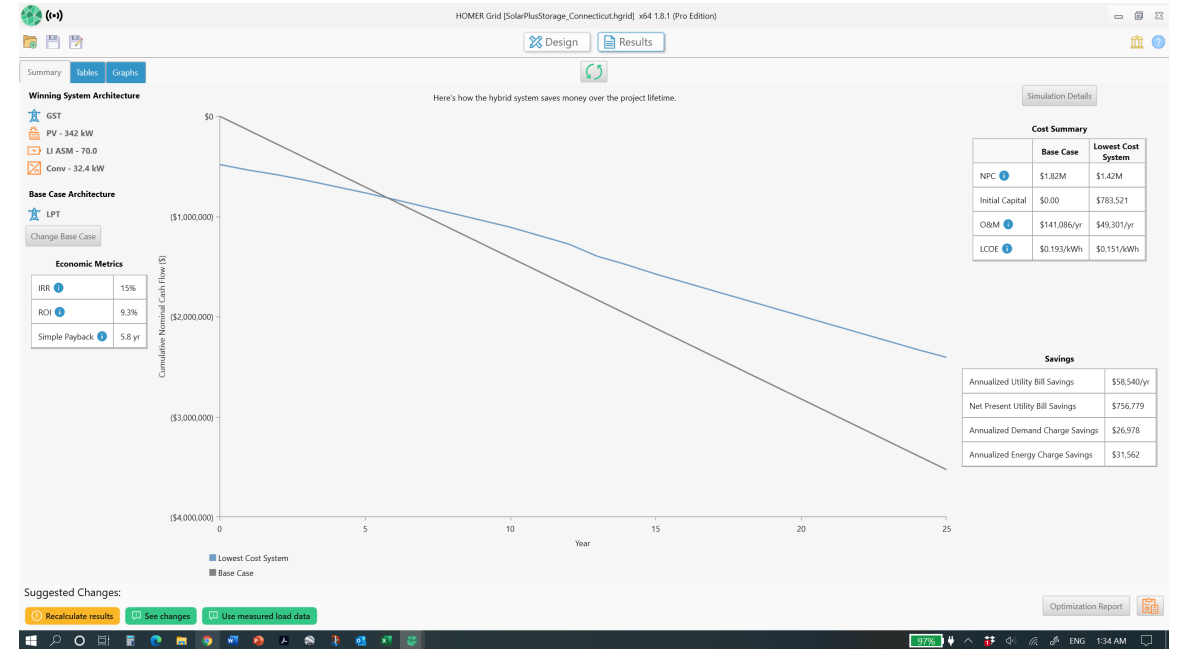
The first step is understanding the load profile

The screenshot shows the HOMER Grid x64 1.7.4 (Pro Edition) interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Design' and 'Results' buttons. The left sidebar lists various components: Setup, Electric Load (selected), Utility, Components (with sub-items: PV, Storage, Converter, Generator, Wind Turbine), Outages, Programs, Resources, CHP, and Project. The main window is titled 'Electric Load Setup' and contains three options for load configuration: 'Import a load from a time series file' (with 'Import...' and 'Import and Edit...' buttons), 'Access the Open EI Database for load profiles' (with a 'Download...' button), and 'Create a synthetic load from a profile' (with a 'Blank' profile selected). The 'Create a synthetic load' section features four bar charts: Residential (0-1.5 kW), Commercial (0-300 kW), Industrial (0-1500 kW), and Community (0-15 kW). Below the charts, the 'Peak Month' is set to July (selected), with options for January and None. An 'Ok' button is at the bottom.

Using Interval Data With HOMER

Optimizing Opportunities-

- Summer –
 - Reduce Peak Period kWh –Optimize ESS use in Peak Tariff Periods
 - Reduce Demand – Optimize ESS use to lower demand cost based on Peak kW Loads
 - Participate In Con Ed Demand Reduction Program
- Winter
 - Reduce Demand - Optimize ESS use to Lower Demand cost based on Peak kW Loads
 - Use ESS to recharge overnight to lower Peak kW loads during winter lower PV power production



500kW/1000kWh ELM Unit – Pre-wired Microgrid Controller & Storage



The ELM Microgrid Package is assembled to the highest standards in a UL 508A shop. It is shipped as a self-contained unit and can be installed outdoors or indoors.



Thank You

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MICROGRID 500 PACKAGE

Turnkey Solution

Factory Assembled
Pre-Engineered
Pre-Wired
Pre-Installed Safety Labels
Pre-Tested

Managed Assets

Solar Generation
Distributed Battery Storage
Diesel, Propane & Nat Gas Generators
CHP Systems
Grid Power

Communications & Control

4G LTE Cellular
Ethernet and Wifi
Building Management
Generator Start and Stop
Optimal Power Forecasting
Power Reliability Alerts
Isochronous Generation Control

The ELM Advantage

Assembled in UL 508A Shop
Turnkey Solution
Indoor and Outdoor Enclosure Options
Includes Climate Control and Fire Suppression
Includes Microgrid Installation and O&M Guides