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Review of Electric Utility Hurricane Preparedness and Restoration Actions

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Comments: There are now excellent battery backup systems that can work with solar power systems to provide power after a storm, with no risk of fuel shortage, no maintenance hassle, and demand management features before the storm. The PSC should implement regulations to encourage solar and batteries (i.e. eliminate the prohibition on small scale PPA's, say under 1 MW), and encourage policy to allow these battery systems to create a "virtual power plant" providing dispatch-able power at other times, which utilities could contract with to offset other peaking generation sources. Distributed solar and batteries are the answer to grid resiliency, and can simultaneously create a benefit for non solar customers!!