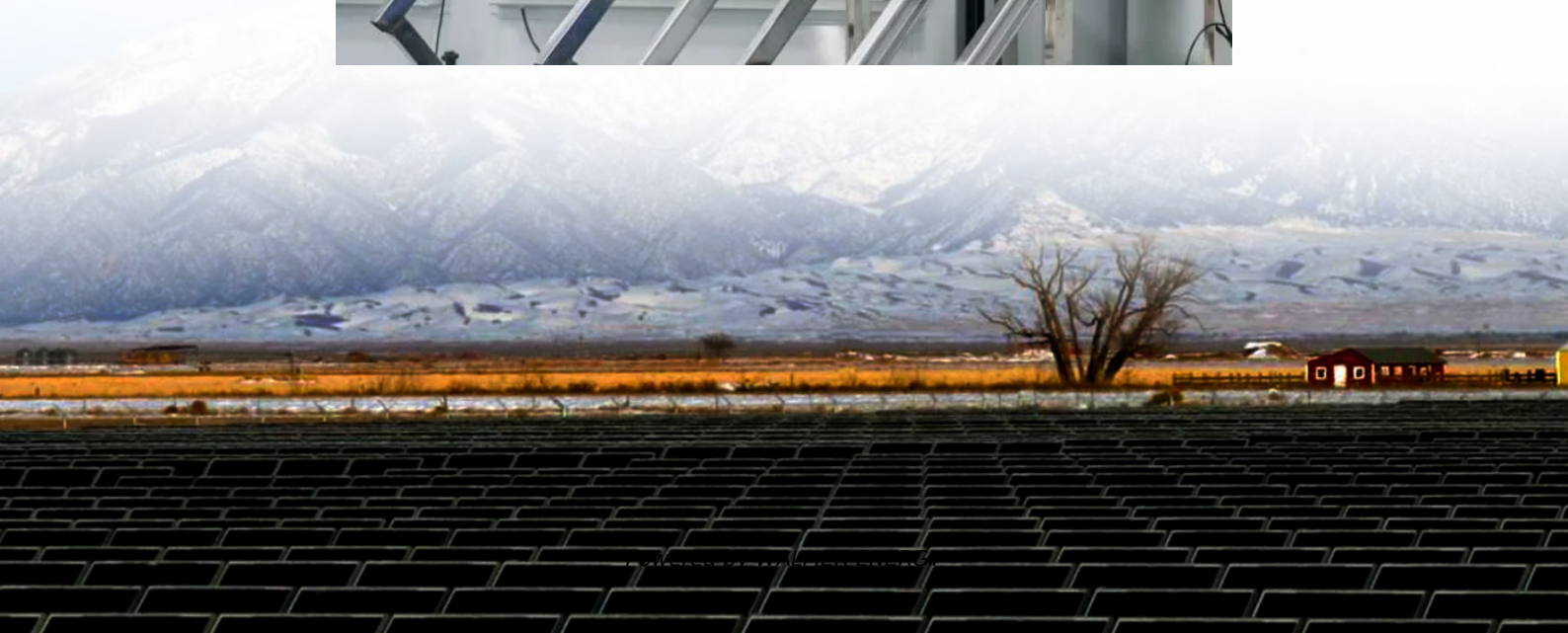


UK Gravity Energy Storage Project





Overview

What is gravity energy storage?

Gravity energy storage is an interesting storage concept that is currently under development. This system has been proposed by Gravity Power, LLC (Gravitypower, 2011) and it is of interest to academic and industry as it eliminates the geological limitations of PHS (Aneke and Wang, 2016).

Can gravity energy storage be used in large scale applications?

This case study makes use of gravity energy storage which is considered suitable to be used in large scale applications. The technical and economic parameters of this storage system are used as inputs. The system operation and maintenance cost is equal to 0.4 €/kWh with a storage efficiency of 80% (Aneke and Wang, 2016).

How do gravity-based energy storage systems work?

Gravity-based energy storage systems are comprised of pressurized water that lifts a piston within a mined shaft and heavy bricks that are lifted by a crane to store energy. In each case the stored energy is converted into kinetic energy that generates electricity using generators.

Why is gravity the future of energy storage?

As the world generates more electricity from renewable energy sources, there is growing demand for technologies which can store excess energy produced and release it on demand. Gravitricity develops innovative, long duration underground storage technologies that deliver flexible, low-cost solutions for energy storage.



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