What is a microgrid and how can it help our school afford electrifying our fleet?



Today's Speakers



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MICROGRID PROJECT OPERATING SINCE 2014 Princeton Industrial Research Building

PLUGTOGRID[™] DESIGN:

Siemens Electrical infrastructure, battery storage, PV, EV Chargers and SCADA integration (Microgrid) for a complete solution providing "green" energy for EV charging and backup power for the building.

Options for Winners and "Waiters"





Office of Transportation and Air Quality EPA-420-F-21-075 December 2021

Clean School Bus Program

Building a Better America with the 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

Awards this month: \$965 million Going forward: \$5 billion over 5 years

- How many buses?
- How many in IL?
- How many in WI?

Who is in the room?

For those getting money, let's maximize the positive impact! For the rest of us, let's get a strong foundation in place!

Unique Value Propositions of Transportation as a Service





Reduced carbon footprint

E2E value chain coverage

Vendor agnostic to complement Siemens and other best-in-class offerings



Assuming and managing operational risk for customers



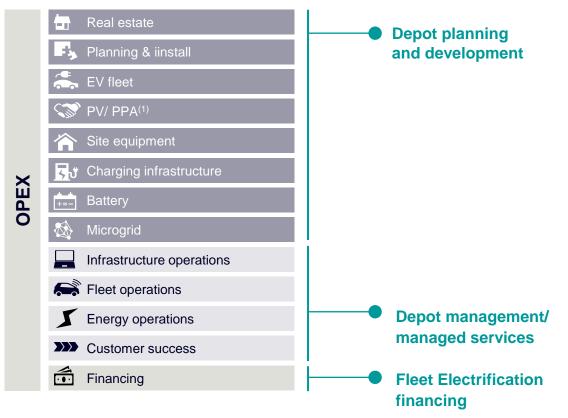
Collaborating with optimal solution partners to mitigate risks, create exceptional customer value



Enabling **new**, **competitive TaaS models** via unique financing arrangements and partners



Transportation as a Service (TaaS)



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Case Study: Williamsfield Schools, IL



Everybody's Going Green!





Dirty Buses = Sick Kids

School buses are the largest form of mass transportation in our country, transporting **25+million kids each day**

Children breathe **50% more air per pound of body weight** than adults and their lungs are still developing, making them especially vulnerable to cancer and respiratory diseases caused by diesel pollution.

A child sitting in the back of a school bus with windows closed is exposed to **4x more diesel** pollution than a child riding in a car in front of the same bus.

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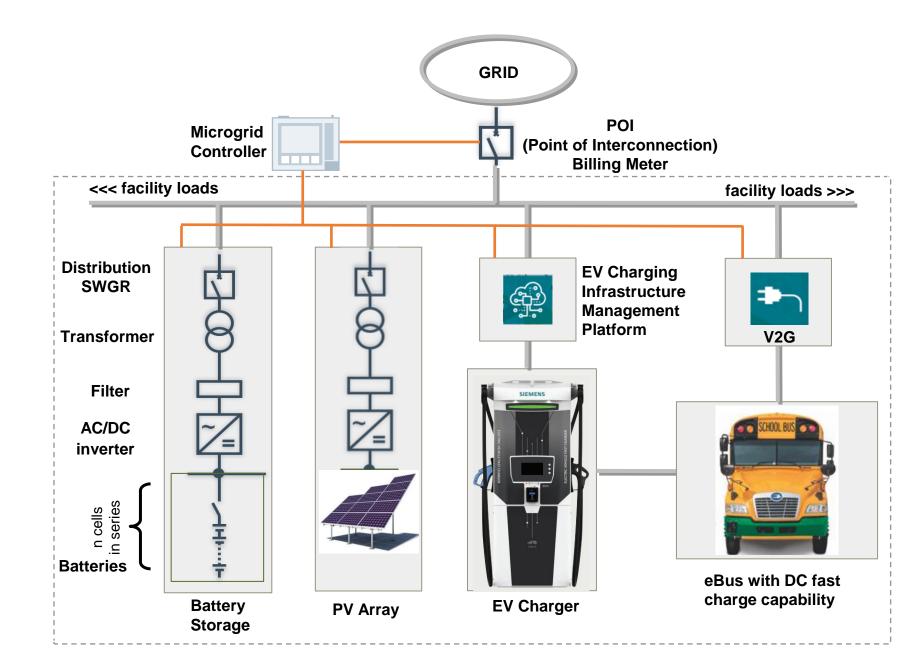
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Example BESS Sizing & Features:

500 kW Modular Blocks

Advanced controls allow integration of PV assets

Advanced safety features for Li-Ion batteries

Critical loads can be fed from BESS during grid disturbances

Building will not see impact of charging load and PV+battery will also:

- ✓ Lower Capacity and Transmission Charges
- ✓ Reduce Energy Consumed from Grid
- ✓ Demand Response Revenues

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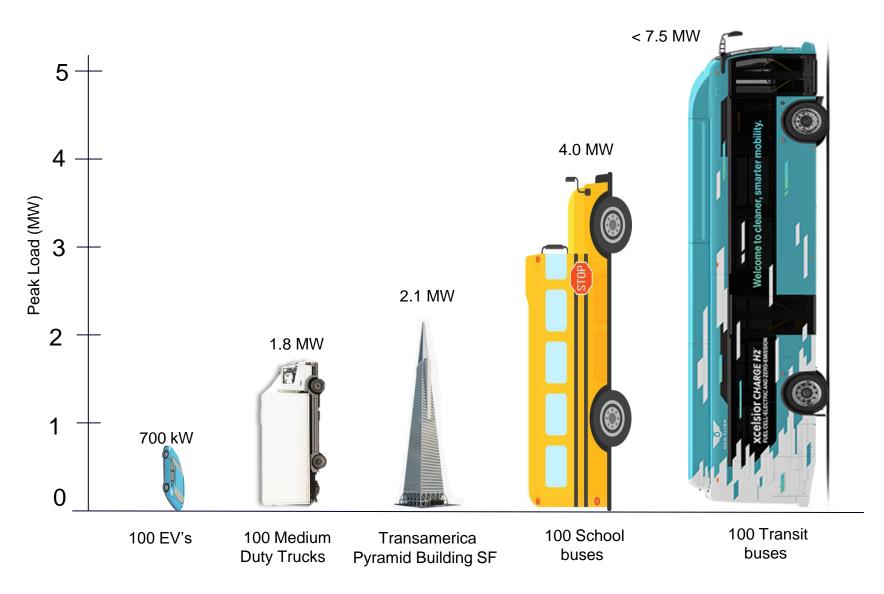
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PlugtoGrid[™] Scale Up



Highlights

- Siemens one of a few capable in market for scaled deployments
- Load Management is a critical enabler for scale up
- New build planning for scaled up charging infrastructure deployments, up front consulting
- Microgrids and Renewables integration will address choke points for deployment in existing facilities and new build facilities.

Distributed Energy System Buildout Phase I - EV Charging of 10 School Buses

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Williamsfield Schools (Williamsfield, IL)



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- Founder of the <u>Bus-2-Grid Initiative</u> (B2G)
- In Illinois, B2G is a service of IEC Powered by Future Green
- B2G has a comprehensive list of industry partners
- B2G is a partner of the World Resources Institute
- Helped secure funding for 2 electric school buses (ESBs) in central Illinois (Pekin & Hollis)
- Helped secure IL-VW funding last fall (Huntley, River Trails, Troy Triad, Waukegan)
- Secured ISBE school maintenance grant for ESB infrastructure (Williamsfield Schools)
- Secured ESSER III funding for a repowered electric school bus & charging infrastructure
- Helped schools apply for Clean School Bus funding (Fall 22)
- Helping schools plan & procure buses/chargers

BENEFITS



HEALTHY

Provide healthy environments for school bus riders



EFFICIENCY

Improve operational efficiency (cost reduction + stability)

RESILIENCE

Increase energy resilience



SUSTAINABLE

Decrease our carbon footprint

BACKGROUND

2011-2014 Eleven Outages (744m per year), 2 lasting more than 7 hours 2015-2019 Twenty Outages (1776m per year), 6 lasting more than 7 hours

March 2014 Students build Microgrid project



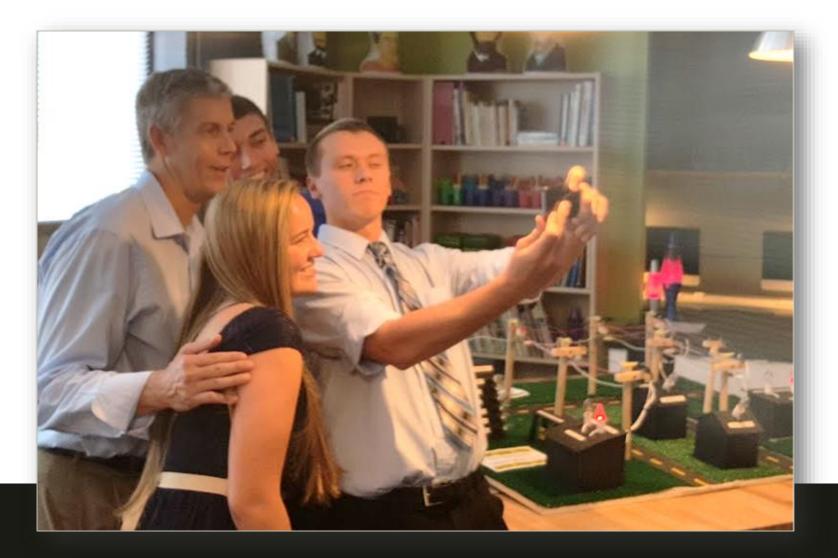


July 2015 Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation Solar Grant



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Sept 2015 Student Microgrid Project





Arne Duncan US Secretary of Education

March 2018 Received first electric bus bid for \$400,000





Jan 2019 Lost power and pipes began to freeze





2015-2019

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- 6 lasting more than 7 hours

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April 2019 Adjustable Block Program Renewable Energy Credit Lottery





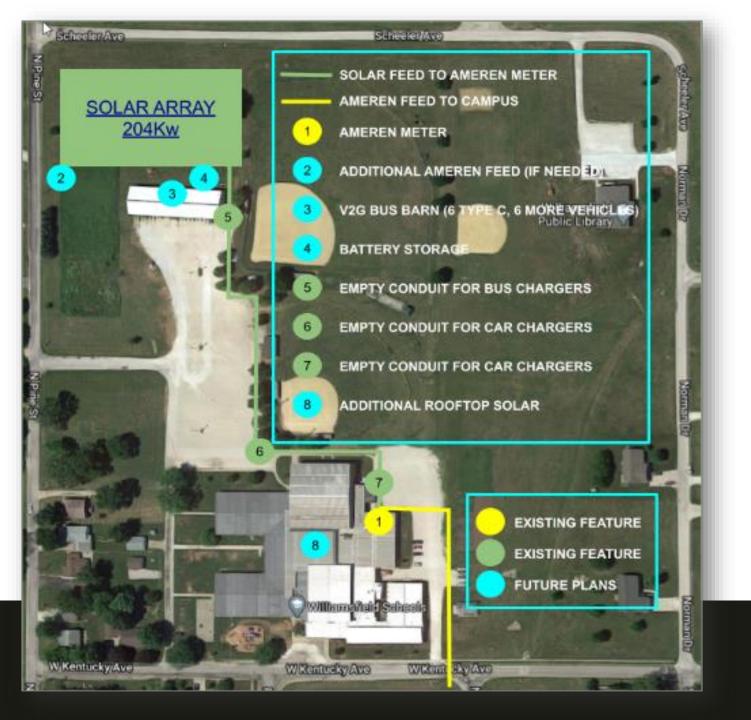
August 2019 Ready for solar grid to go live and looking to electrify our fleet. Realized our buses sit motionless 92% of the calendar year.



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Can our fleet of bus batteries be used for energy storage?



April 2019



- Established the Bus-2-Grid Initiative and designed our campus mini-microgrid.
- Helped Pekin & Hollis secure funding for electric buses.
- Submitted unsuccessful DERA applications in 2020 & 2021. Looking for way to fund the project!

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link to full comparison sheet

Analyzed Total Cost of Ownership (TCO)



DIESE	EL		ELECTRIC						
		\$/mile			\$/mile				
Bus cost	\$95,000	\$0.576	Bus/charger/infra cost	\$392,000	\$2.37				
Bus life cycle (years)	10		Bus life cycle (years)	10					
Miles per year (per bus)	16,500		Miles per year (per bus)	16,500	00				
Lifetime miles per bus	165,000		Lifetime miles per bus	165,000					
Fuel Economy (mpdge)	7.5		Fuel Economy (kWh/mile)	1.5					
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* Does not include peak shaving & potential V2G credits

link to spreadsheet

February 2020 Connected Solar Array & planted empty conduit



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Spring 2020 Installed single axis, 204kW, strategically just north of bus barn



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V2G SOLAR BUS BARN (with supplemental energy storage)

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67kW rooftop solar panels (estimate)

V2G DCFC DISPENSER

A3

A2

20kW LEVEL 2 AC CHARGER (mechanic bay)

125kW V2G POWER CONTROL SYSTEM

SUPPLEMENTAL BATTERY (outside north of barn)

(6) 180kWh bus batteries(3) 130kWh bus batteries(1) 500kWh suppl battery1970kWh TOTAL capacity

C2 C3





Summer 2020

Electric infrastructure upgrades as part of HVAC project with full fleet electrification in mind **Summer 2020**

Pekin power control system (PCS) & dispenser (V2G DCFC) Hollis Level 2 charging station



Studied EV charger market with energy aggregation and V2G revenue opportunities in mind





What do electric motors look like?

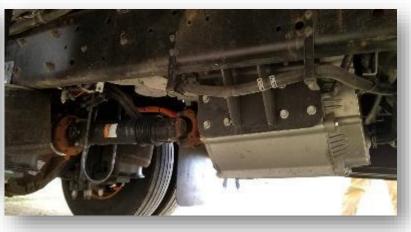
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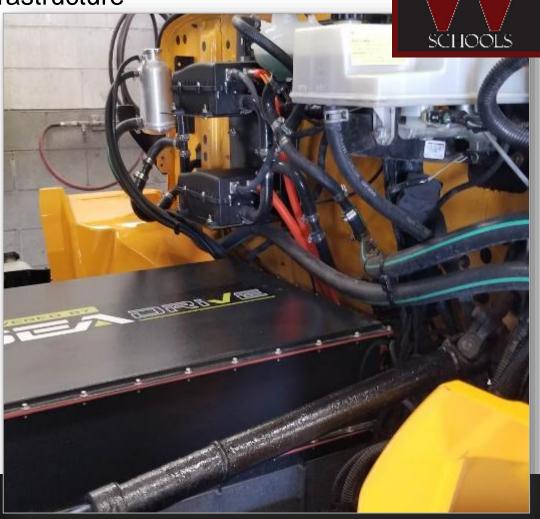


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Oct 2022 Ordered an IC-Bus Repowered Bus ESSER III grant approved for Repowered Bus & infrastructure





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20kW LEVEL 2 AC CHARGERS

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72.4 ft -

88.5 ft-

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136.4 ft -

2.5 ft

20kW LEVEL 2 AC CHARGERS

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We can't wait to flip the switch!



If we can do it, any district can!



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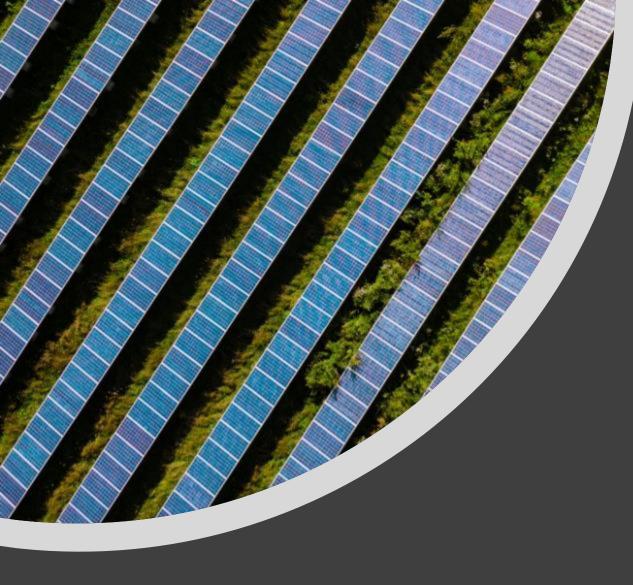
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Questions to guide a course of action

- 1. How many miles is each daily route?
- 2. What portion of the year do your buses sit still?
- 3. Is your bus barn/depot behind the same meter as a school building? If not, could it be?
- Do you want to use ESBs for energy resiliency?
 If so, where?
- 5. Do you want to position yourself to leverage future V2G credit/revenue opportunities?
- 6. Design your ideal scenario