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# Waste heat power generation from photovoltaic glass production

## Overview

Can Photovoltaic Glass Waste be recycled?

Materials (Basel). 2023 Apr; 16 (7): 2848. Because of the increasing demand for photovoltaic energy and the generation of end-of-life photovoltaic waste forecast, the feasibility to produce glass substrates for photovoltaic application by recycling photovoltaic glass waste (PVWG) material was analyzed.

What is photovoltaic waste?

Photovoltaic wastes are multi-material composites that contain diverse materials, such as, glass, metal rods and plastic; the amount of these materials on the photovoltaic waste depends on the type of solar panel [ 5 ]. However, crystalline silicon cells panels are the dominant waste in the generation of photovoltaic residues [ 6 ].

How efficient is generating power from waste heat recovery?

The efficiency of generating power from waste heat recovery is heavily dependent on the temperature of the waste heat source. In general, economically feasible power generation from waste heat has been limited primarily to medium- to high-temperature waste heat sources (i.e., greater than 500 °F).

What is solar panel waste?

This kind of solar panel waste contains materials with high commercial value such as aluminum, copper, silicon, and silver, however, the glass represents around 75% [ 4 ]—80% [ 3] of the total mass of the photovoltaic waste.

How many mw can a waste heat system produce?

The amount of recoverable waste heat available at high temperatures (i.e., 450 °F or higher) in the United States is estimated to support 7,600 megawatts (MW) of electric generating capacity.5 ORC systems can produce

electricity from lower temperature waste heat sources (i.e., less than 450 °F), but this potential has not yet been quantified.

Can waste heat be recovered for power production?

However, many operations still release high-quality waste heat that could be recovered for power production. An example is the exhaust from petroleum coke calciners. Petroleum coke is heated to 2,400 °F, and the exhaust is typically 900 to 1,000 °F leaving the calciner.

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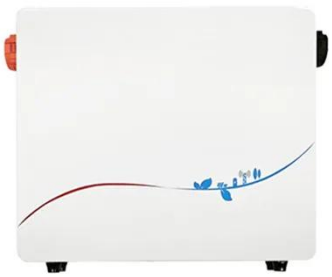

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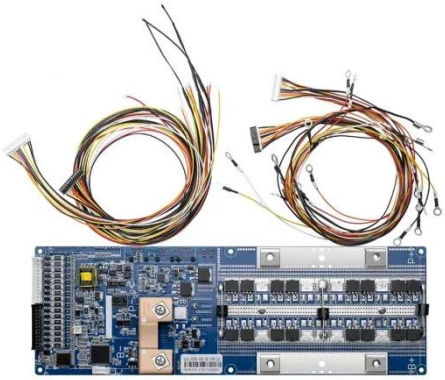

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