



# NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery for Stationary Energy Storage

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 **BASF**  
We create chemistry

# NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery for Long Stationary Energy Storage

We are your local support



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# **BASF Group: Facts & figures**

# BASF at a glance

- Our chemistry is used in almost all industries.
- We combine economic success, social responsibility and environmental protection.
- **Sales 2022: €87,3 billion**
- **EBIT before special items 2022\*: €6,9 billion**
- Employees (as of December 31, 2022): 111,481
- 6 Verbund sites and 232 other production sites
- Around 90,000 customers from various sectors in almost every country in the world



# BASF's segments



**Chemicals**  
Petrochemicals  
Intermediates



**Materials**  
Performance Materials  
Monomers



**Industrial Solutions**  
Dispersions & Pigments  
Performance Chemicals



**Surface Technologies**  
Catalysts  
Coatings



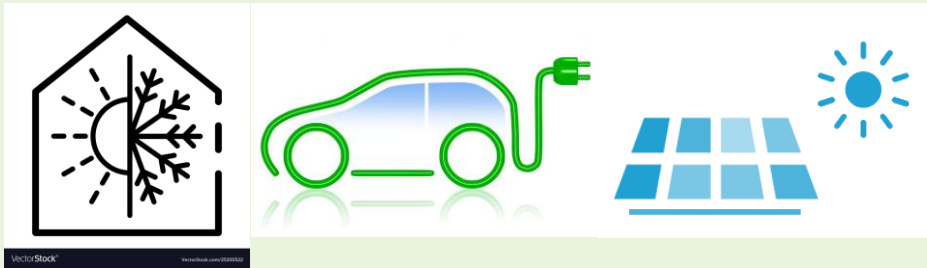
**Nutrition & Care**  
Care Chemicals  
Nutrition & Health



**Agricultural Solutions**

# BASF contribution to climate protection

Products for avoiding and reducing greenhouse gas emission



- Thermal insulation materials
- N<sub>2</sub>O decomposition catalysts
- Materials for Li-ion batteries
- Materials for wind turbines
- Molten salt for solar thermal plants
- ...and many others

Carbon management R&D programme



- Emission-free hydrogen production
- World`s 1<sup>st</sup> electric heating concept for steam cracker
- CO<sub>2</sub>-free synthesis pathway for olefins

BASF climate target 2030:  
CO<sub>2</sub> neutral growth



- Reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emission from production by improving energy and process efficiency
- Increasing share of RE in our global power supply

# Sodium-sulfur battery (NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery): Strategic cooperation NGK/BASF

- NGK Insulators: experience in manufacturing and deployment of NAS<sup>®</sup> Batteries, 20 years` track record



- BASF: years of R&D on sodium-sulfur battery technologies, global organization & worldwide sales network

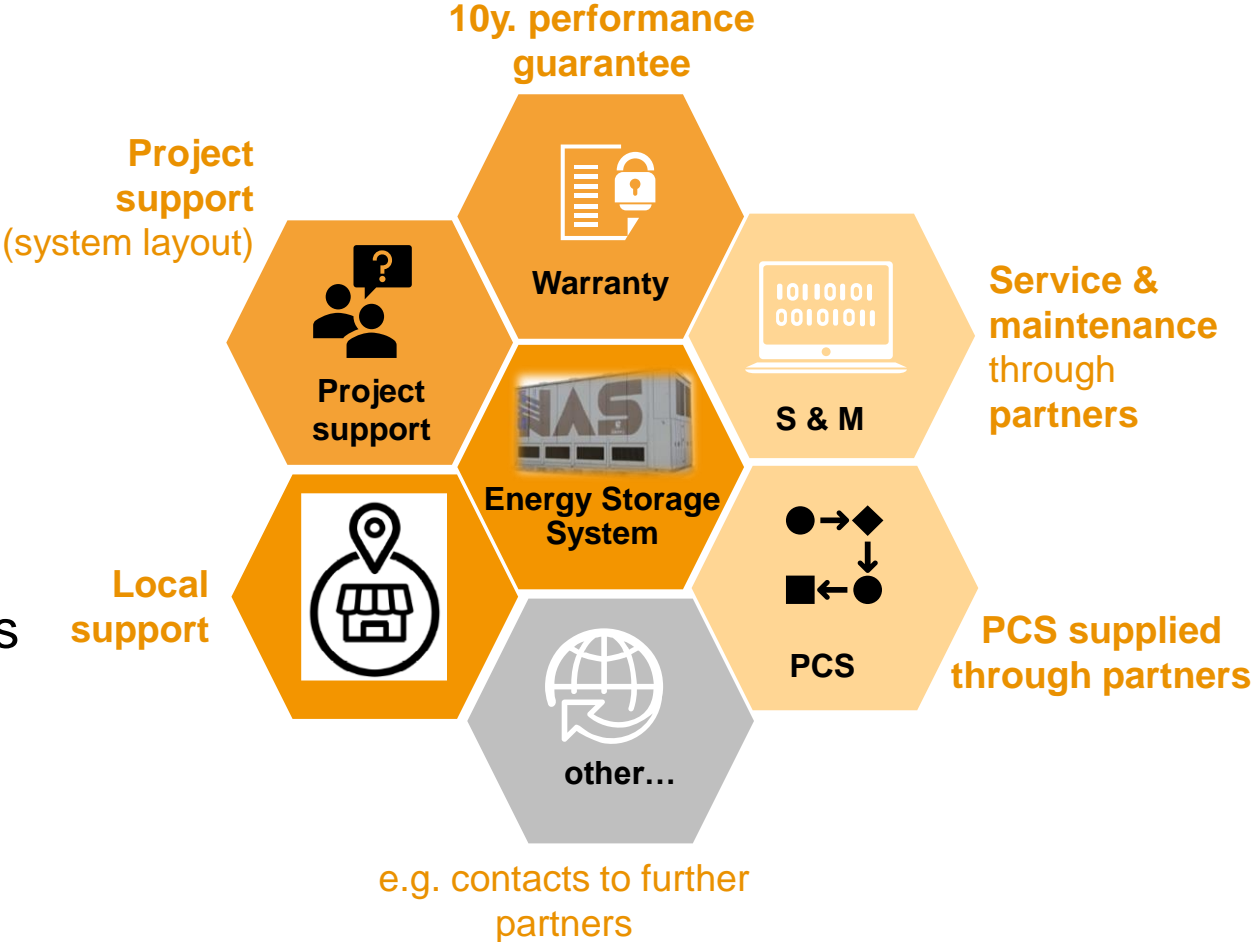


- Joined forces for market development of long duration stationary batteries
- Joint development of next generation of sodium-sulfur batteries



# NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery @ BNB: our offer to our customers

- Safe and reliable battery system
- Project development support (initial technical layout and system configuration of battery system)
- Performance guarantee for 10 years if desired by customers
- Recommendation for matching PCS solution through established partnerships with suppliers
- Service & maintenance through our partners
- Local support through our offices worldwide





# **NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery:** **Key features**

# NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery: key features

**6-10 hr duration**



**life time ~ 20y**



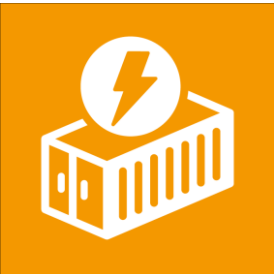
**safe & reliable**



**environmentally  
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**high energy density**



**fast response**



**climate resilient**

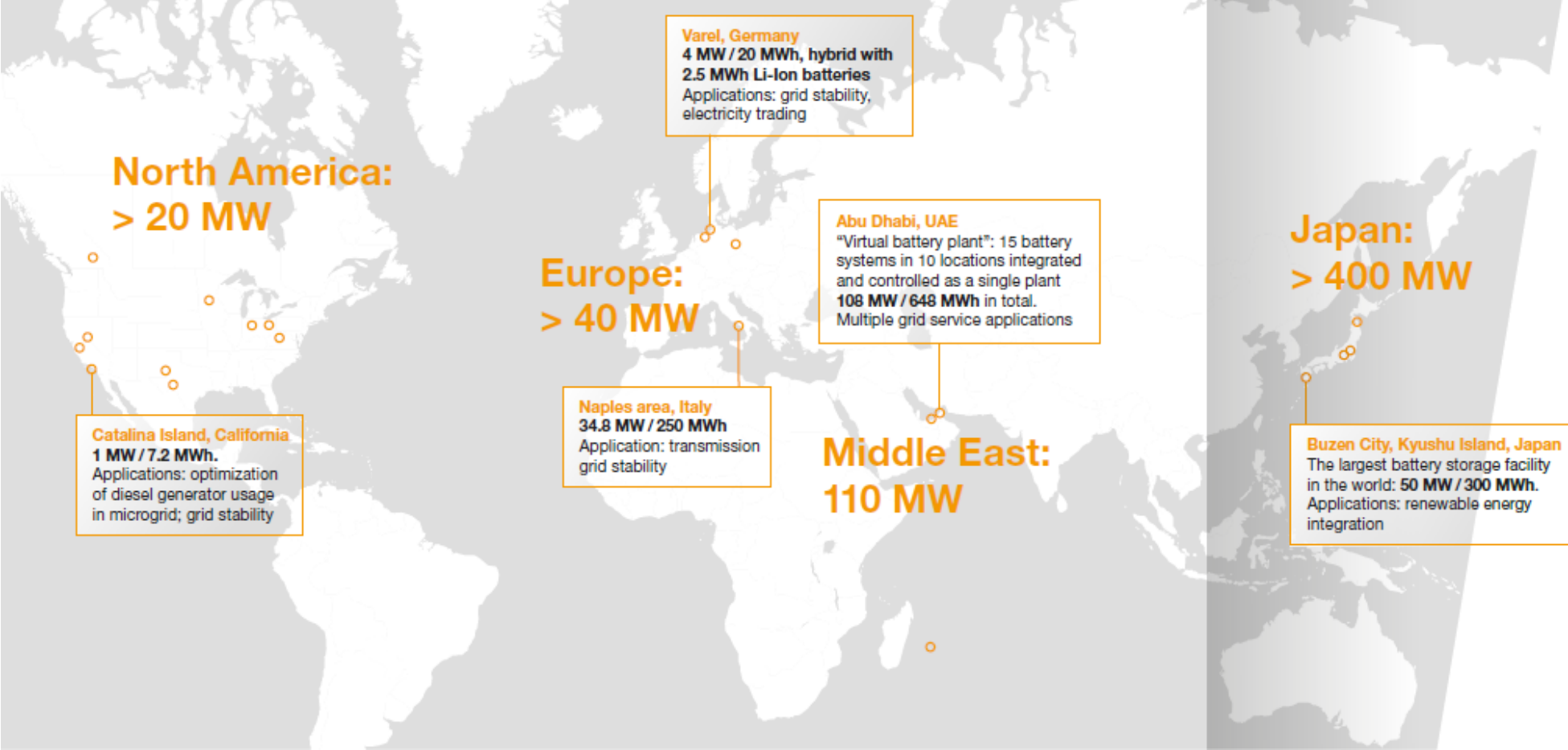


**low maintenance**



# **NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery: References**

# NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery: installation record

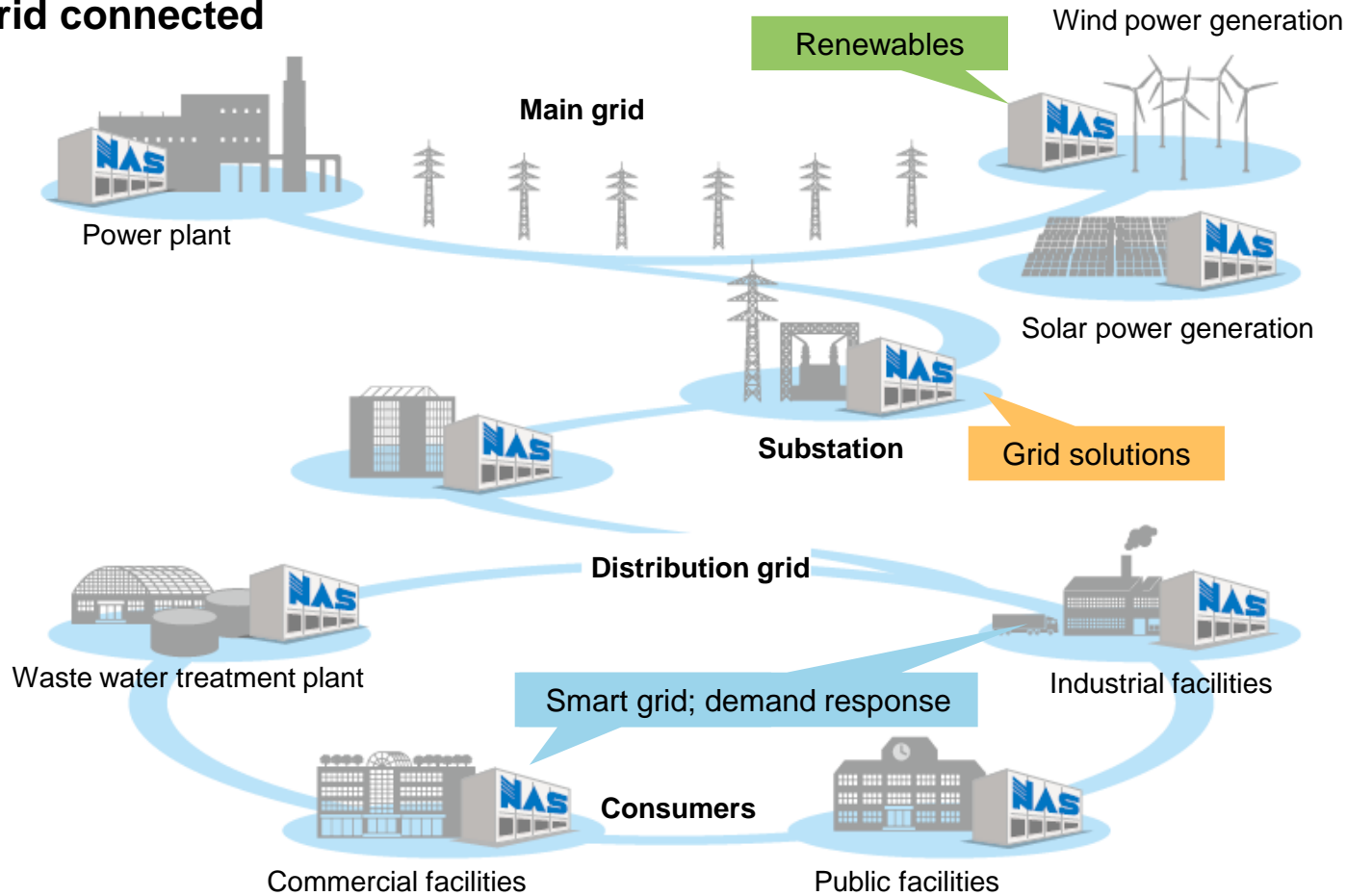


- Proven by over **20 years** of deployment at customer sites all around the world
- More than **200 projects** with a total output exceeding 680 MW / 4,8 GWh

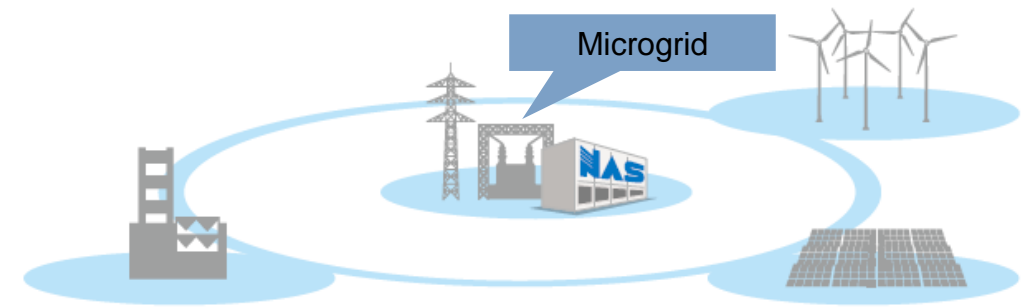
# **NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery: Applications**

# NAS<sup>®</sup> Batteries role in the power chain

## Grid connected



## Remote island



# NAS<sup>®</sup> Batteries applications in various energy market segments



## Power generation

- Renewable stabilization
- Fossil fuel peaker plants replacement

## Grid solutions

- Investment deferral
- Ancillary services

## Consumers

- Peak shaving
- Time of use shift
- Back up power and resilience
- Demand response

## Microgrids

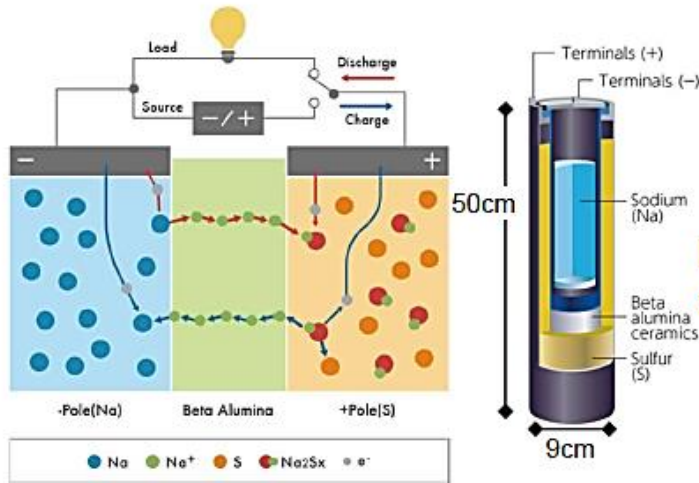
- Optimization of fossil fuel use
- 24/7 power supply with solar
- Further functions

# **NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery: System design**



# NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery system design

## Battery cell



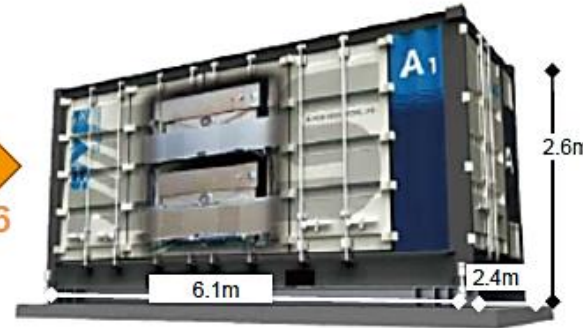
- 1.2kWh / 5.3kg
- ~2V
- C-rate 1/6 (0.17)
- Max. t-range: 290°C – 360°C
- No memory effect
- Life time: 7300 cycles or 20 years

## Battery module



- 33kW / 242kWh (max 42kW\*)

## Battery container (single unit)



- 20 feet container / 21 ton
- max. 250kW\* / 1.45MWh
- DC-DC RTE: 80-85%\*\*

\*limited by max. temperature and max. current of the system  
 \*\* depending on load profile.

## Battery system (stacked)



- 4x 20 feet container
- max 1000kW\* / 5.8MWh

# NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery: enhanced safety features

## Fire exposure



**890°C for 35 min.**

- no material leakage
- no fire inside
- no cell damage

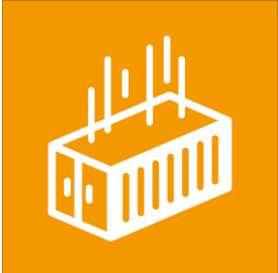
## Submerge



**3 days in water**

- no material leakage
- no fire
- no cell damage

## Module drop



**2.3to from 3.1m**

- deformation at point of contact
- module enclosure damaged but no cell damage
- no material leakage
- no fire

## Short circuit



**6.4kA**

- internal fuse activated within 800ms
- no material leakage
- no fire
- no cell damage

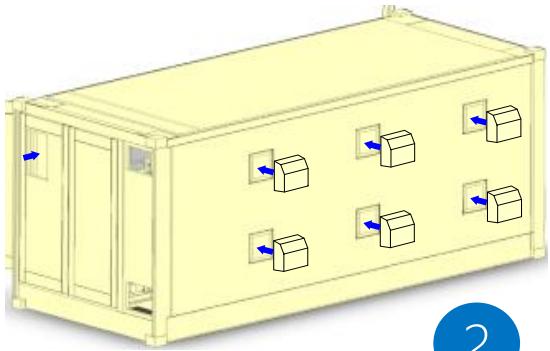
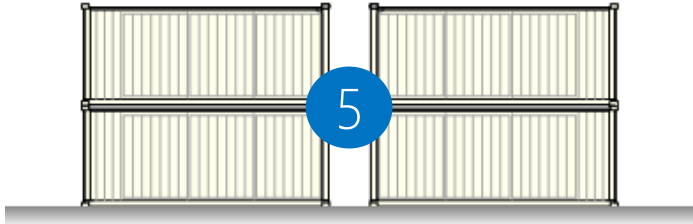
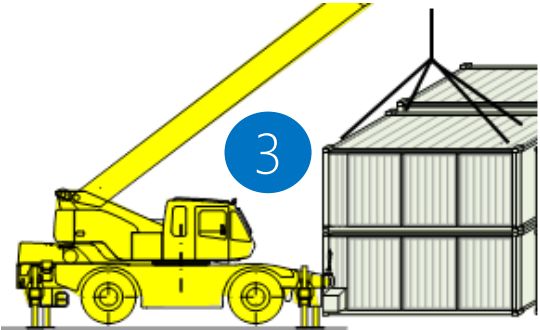
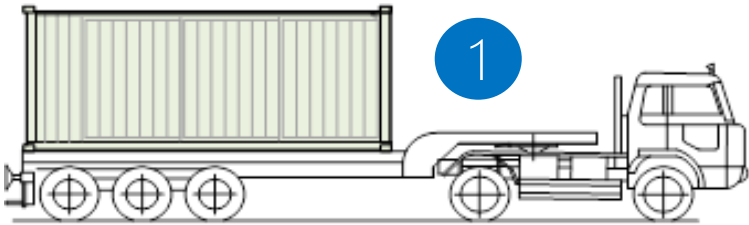
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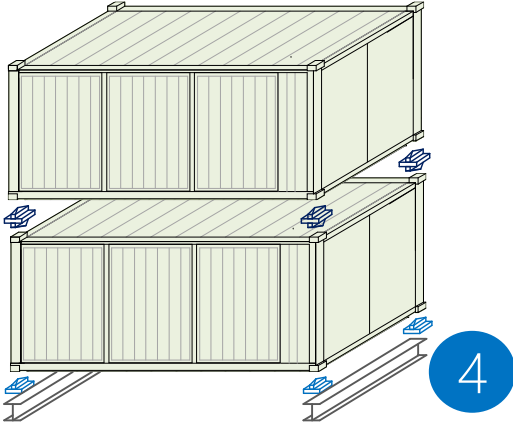
**one cell ignited**

- fire constrained to the ignited cell only, no spread to adjacent cells
- no material leakage
- no fire

# Containerized NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery: installation



- assemble air outlet hood
- remove cushion materials for transportation above and under battery modules



- twist lock
- bottom stacker
- H-steel for the base



- external DC wiring
- communication with PCS
- air-conditioning for control room

# NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery: environmentally friendly technology

ceramic: aluminium, oxygen, sodium



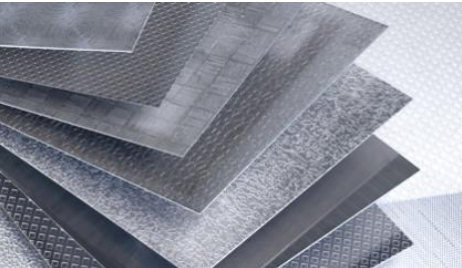
sodium



sulfur



steel and aluminium



carbon



silica-based materials



fully recyclable or reusable



metals & slag



➤ abundant materials, stable prices

# NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery: total costs of ownership

## CAPEX



- Battery system
- Installation costs

## OPEX



- No air conditioning
- Low maintenance costs

## Long life time



- Very low degradation  
→ life time up to 20 years

## End of life



- Recyclable or reusable raw materials

**Initial investments are compensated by low OPEX, and paid off over long lifetime**

# **NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery: Deployment examples**

# The largest NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery systems in the world



Photo: courtesy of NGK

location	Buzen City, Fukuoka, Kyusyu, Japan
capacity	50MW / 300MWh
containers	252
footprint	100 x 140 (m)
construction	6 months
commission	march 2016
grid connection	66kV
main purpose	renewable energy

1 <sup>st</sup>	– NGK; Japan 2016	300MWh
2 <sup>nd</sup>	– NGK; Japan 2008	245MWh
3 <sup>rd</sup>	– NGK; UAE 2018	240MWh
4 <sup>th</sup>		129MWh

# Renewable energy integration



## Rokkasho, Japan

- August 2008
- 34MW/244.8MWh
- 51MW wind
- meet desired dispatch
- store excess wind power



## Luverne, MN, US

- October 2008
- Xcel Energy demo
- 1MW/7.2MWh
- 11MW wind farm
- frequency regulation



## Miyako Island, Japan

- October 2010
- 4MW/28.8MWh NAS + 100kW/200kWh li-ion
- solar fluctuations
- frequency stabilization



## Oki Islands, Japan

- September 2015
- 4.2MW/25.2MWh NAS + 2MW/0.7MWh li-ion
- maximisation of renewable energy on islands

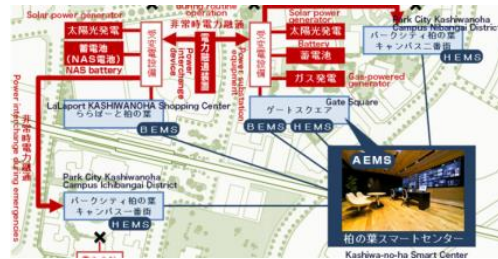


# Grid service applications



## Presidio, TX, US

- April 2010
- 4MW/32MWh
- 97km 69kV overhead line
- transmission deferral
- prevention of power outage
- flattening voltage fluctuations



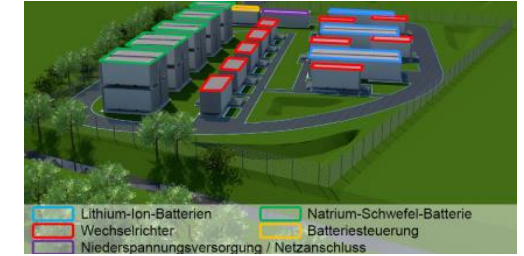
## Kashiwa, Japan

- January 2015
- 1.8MW/12.96MWh
- load balancer between residential and commercial
- renewable fluctuations
- backup (natural disaster)



## Abu Dhabi, UAE

- Jan 2010 to Dec 2017
- 108MW/648MWh in 10 locations = "smart grid"
- investment deferral
- daily time-shifting
- frequency control
- spinning reserve



## Varel, Germany

- October 2018
- 4MW/20MWh
- hybrid with 2.5MWh Li-ion
- demonstration project
- electricity trading: reference for regulation, etc.

# Microgrid applications



## La Réunion, France

- December 2009
- 1MW/7.2MWh
- reduce diesel costs
- allow high renewable penetration rate



## Catalina Island, CA, US

- August 2011
- 1MW/7.2MWh
- diesel load at min. 80%
- voltage regulation
- island system stability



## Los Alamos, NM, US

- September 2012
- 1MW/6MWh
- power balancing
- level out photovoltaic fluctuation

# **NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery: Key messages**

# Summary – key messages

## ■ We offer you

### ▶ **NAS<sup>®</sup> Battery system for long duration stationary storage**

- High energy
  - Long lifetime
  - Safe & reliable
  - Environmentally benign
  - Proven by 20 years deployment at customer sites all over the globe
- ### ▶ **Extended warranty: 10 years performance guarantee**
- ### ▶ **Service & Maintenance over project lifetime**
- ### ▶ **Initial project development support: technical layout and system configuration**
- ### ▶ **Support through our local offices worldwide**





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**BACK UP**

# Power supply applications

## ■ Renewable Stabilization:

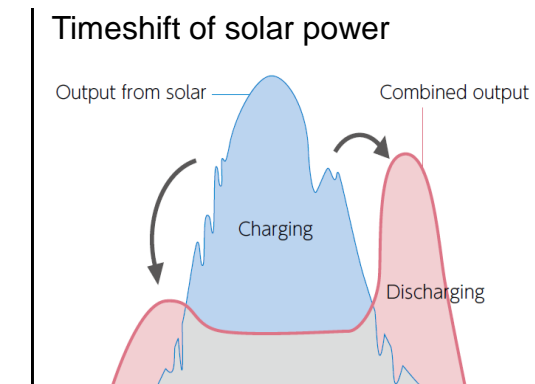
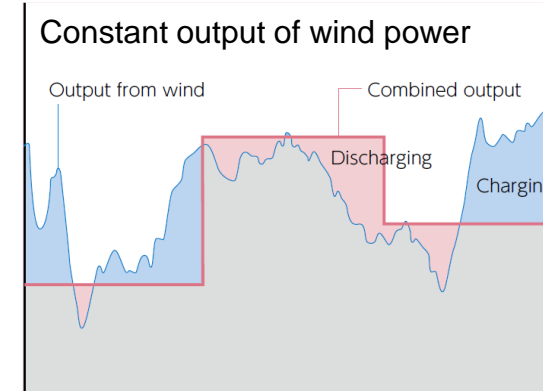
- ▶ fluctuations of renewable energy are leveled out by absorbing excess energy during off-peak times and providing power during demand peaks

## ■ Fossil Fuel Peaker Plants Replacement:

- ▶ NAS battery provides resource capacity of six hours or more per day and thus can serve as a green alternative to fossil fuel peaker plants

## ■ Other use cases:

- ▶ on-peak/off-peak price arbitrage, frequency regulation, ramping services, VAR support and other grid functions



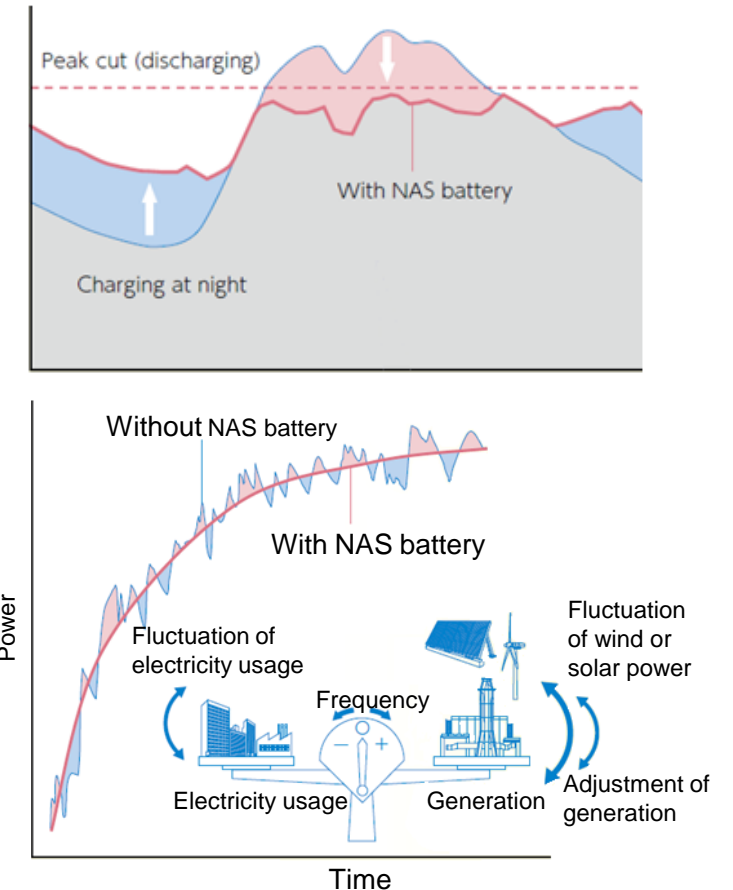
# Grid solution applications

## ■ Investment deferral:

- ▶ Transmission and distribution upgrades can be deferred or even eliminated by deploying NAS batteries:
  - at times of light loads → charge and store excess energy
  - at times of peak load → discharge and supply power to grid

## ■ Ancillary services:

- ▶ Thanks to its fast response, NAS batteries can reduce imbalances between demand and supply to stabilize the grid





# Behind-the-meter applications

## ■ Peak shaving:

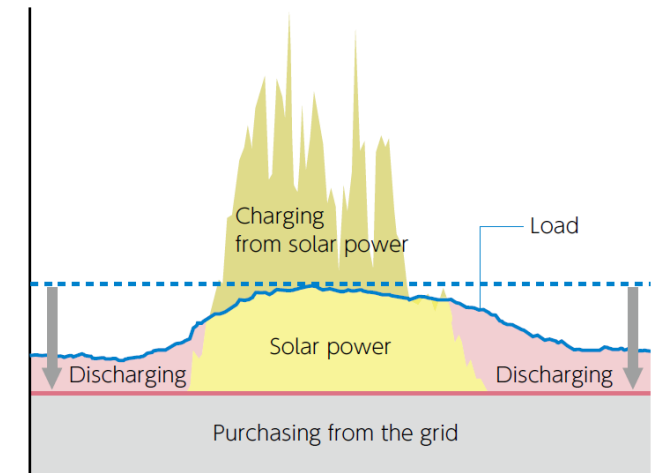
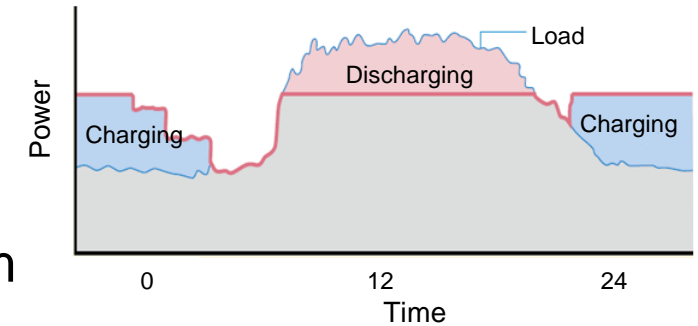
- ▶ Reduce demand charges by covering peak demand with NAS battery
  - NAS battery will be charged at low demand times and discharged during peak time, supplementing power supply from the grid

## ■ Time of use shift:

- ▶ Costs of power supply from the grid can be reduced
  - excess power (e.g. solar) can be stored and its usage shifted from high-tariff times to low tariff time

## ■ Back up power and resilience:

- ▶ continuous power supply for six hours or more in the event of grid outages



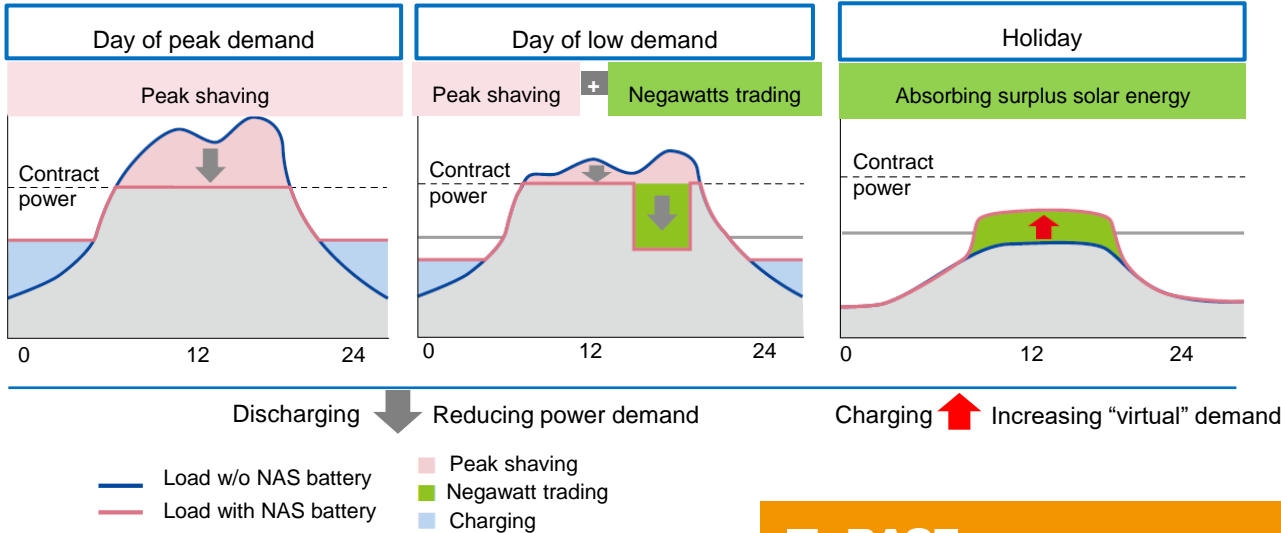
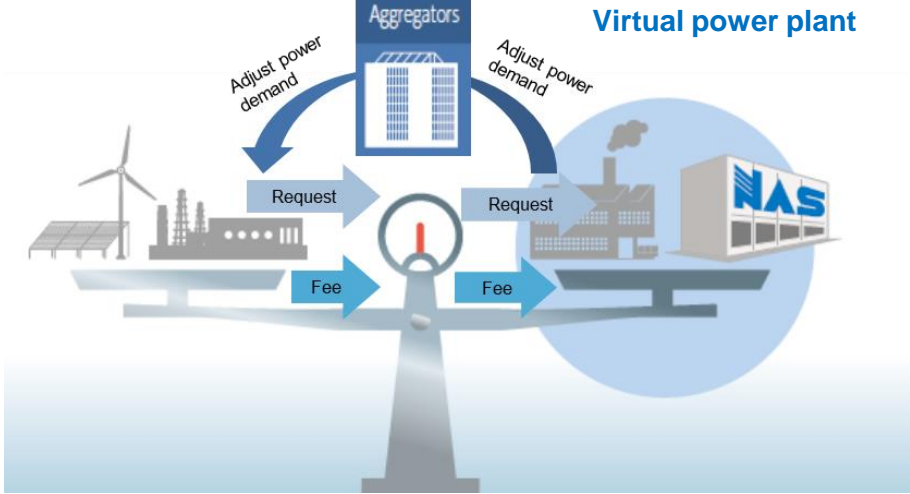
# Virtual power plant applications

■ **Demand response:**

▶ supply-demand balance maintained by aggregation and re-distribution of unused power from multiple consumers, from private to large scale

▶ Benefits:

- Front-of-the-meter: no dedicated investment needed, existing systems are utilized for reserve capacity and balancing services; reduced or no penalties for supply shortage
- Behind-the-meter: effective utilization of (renewable) power sources; compensation for reduced power demand



# Microgrid / Island grid applications

## ■ Reliable power supply from renewable sources

- ▶ Combine solar or wind power generation with NAS battery to achieve reliable power supply and optimize costs

## ■ Autonomous power supply with solar power

- ▶ excess power is stored by NAS battery in the daytime and used at nighttime → power supply from grid is thus reduced or even eliminated

## ■ Minimization of fossil generators usage

- ▶ Reduce energy costs and CO2 emission by combining NAS battery with a diesel or biomass generator

## ■ Additional resilience to local power generation

