



## "End-of-Life Solar Panels: Navigating the First Wave"

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#### **About CSPR**

- Headquartered in Phillipsburg, NJ
- 100% US-owned, privately-held
- Zero debt, financially stable
- National coverage
- Only NJDEP permitted recycling facility in NJ for solar panels
- OSHA trained and compliant
- SEIA member, SEIA 602 PV
   Recycling Standard Committee
   member

#### **Our Services**



#### Recycling

We provide environmentally responsible solar panel recycling, ensuring compliance with industry regulations and sustainable disposal practices.



#### Logistics

Our end-to-end logistics solutions, including small quantity scheduled transport, streamline the transportation of solar panels, ensuring safe and efficient handling.



#### Resale

We maximize value by inspecting and reselling viable solar panels, promoting reuse and reducing waste.



#### Consolidations

Our consolidation services simplify bulk solar panel collection, optimizing storage and transportation for efficient processing.

Recycling, Logistics & Resale

Logistics, Consolidation & Resale

Resale

**Future Locations** 

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#### **CAUSES of "early loss" solar**



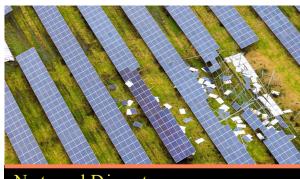
Improved Technology/ROI



Abandoned/No Maintenance



Defective/Damaged



Natural Disasters

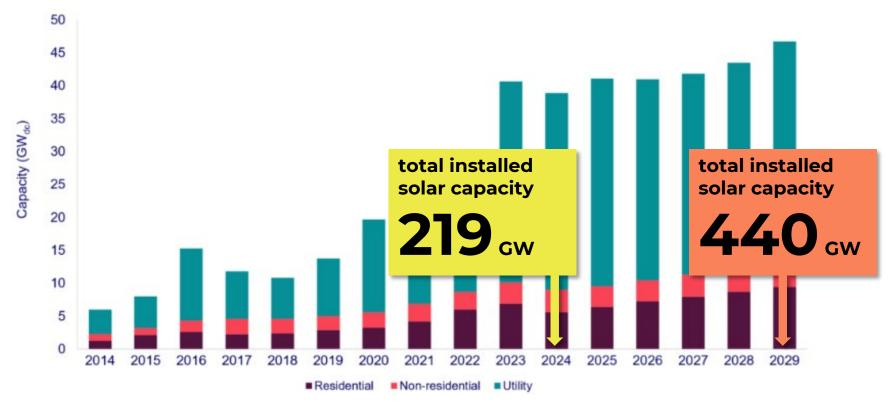


Reroof/Structural Work





#### 2024, 2030 Installed US Solar Capacity



<sup>\*</sup> SEIA/Wood Mackenzie U.S. Solar Market Insight Report Q3 2024



#### **2030 US Installed Solar Capacity**

2024 Capacity
2030 Capacity

2024 Quantity2030 Quantity

Generated E-waste
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219 gigawatts\*
440 gigawatts\*

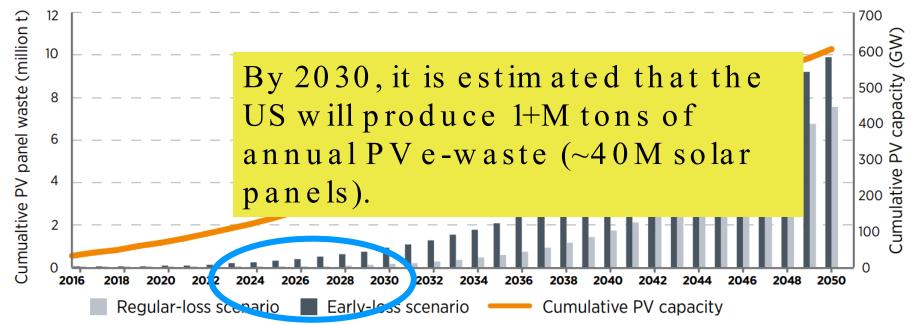
730 million panels 1,100 million panels

36,500 million lbs 55,000 million lbs



#### **PV Waste Growth: Projected vs Early-loss**

Figure 19 End-of-life PV panel waste volumes for the US to 2050







## **Options for End-of-Life PV Panels:**

ENERGY-PRODUCING

DAMAGED or INEFFICIENT

Reuse

**Landfill** 

Recycle

## **Extended lifecycle for PV**

Second-life PV panels reduce waste, conserve resources, and protect the environment.

- Minimal busbar corrosion
- ✓ Minimal "snail trails"
- Intact wiring and electronics
- Minimal frame damage
- No glass damage or scorch marks
- Minimal solar cell discoloration
- ✓ Desirable wattage
- ✓ High efficiency
- Desirable physical size





### **Recycle or Landfill?**

"More than 90% of discarded solar panels end up in landfills. By 2030, the retired panels are estimated to cover an area equivalent to about 3,000 football fields."

Source: Tracey, B., Novak, A.. (May 1, 2023). A black eye for green energy? Renewable energy growth brings mounting waste challenge. CBS News



## Where are solar panels required to be recycled in the US?

- WA state. Niagara County, NY.
- There are no federal regulations requiring solar panel users or manufacturers to recycle their panels.
- Solar waste initiatives in process: HI, IN, IL, MA, MD, MN, MT, NC, OH, SC, TN, VA, W V and NJ.

NJ State Senator Bob Sm ith has introduced SB 3399, mandating EOL recycling for solar and PV energy facilities and structures, aim ing to reduce landfill waste and promote a circular economy.

### If there's no law, why recycle PV panels?

- Land fill policies
- Environmental responsibility
- Green initiative
- Market advantage (positive brand image)
- Leading edge advantage
- Proactive risk management



#### **Our Recycling Process**



Scheduling & Pickup



Logistics (Pack & Transport)



Receive



Verify & Sort





Remove J-boxes & wiring



Inventory



Inspect



Deframe to separate aluminum & glass



Material Recovery



Certificate of Recycling, Documentation & Reporting



# What is recyclable in a mono/polycrystalline solar panel?





### **Downstream products**













#### Q & A

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