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Overview

How much does electricity cost in France?

According to the latest quarterly report from the French energy regulator (CRE, 2019), 35% of a typical electricity bill (varying between €170 and €200/MWh e depending on the tariff chosen and consumption profile) represents electricity production, which costs between €59–€70/MWh e.

Should France invest in new nuclear power plants?

France is at the crossroads of the decision to retrofit existing power plants and invest in new nuclear power plants, or slowly decrease the proportion of nuclear power in favor of a renewables-dominated power mix (DNTE, 2013). In France, a wide range of prospective studies have been conducted by public authorities, companies and associations.

Will France adjust electricity prices from nuclear power plants in 2023?

On November 14, 2023, after difficult negotiations, the management of the state energy supplier EDF and the French government agreed to adjust the electricity prices for electricity from nuclear power plants. The French daily newspaper Le Monde already reported this.

Is France a “business as usual” power system?

These results contrast with those of Krakowski et al. (2016), where the least costly scenario for France is presented as being “business as usual”, and increasing the proportion of RES gradually increases the annualized cost of the power system by approximately 20% for an electricity mix with 80% of RES (€40bn/year).

Are renewables the key to the French energy transition?

Among them, the “100% renewable power mix” study (ADEME, 2015), and “electricity mix development trajectories 2020-2060” (ADEME, 2018a) explicitly optimize the power system and study the role of renewables in the French



energy transition. Our results in the previous fully-renewable power mix study were very close to those of these two studies.

How much does natural gas cost in France?

The natural gas price assumptions are based on the report “Perspectives énergétiques de la France à l'horizon 2020–2050”, respectively 11 \$2005/MBTU and 15 \$2005/MBTU for the years 2025 and 2050. Factoring in an inflation rate of 2%, the natural gas prices considered in the following become 15 \$2025/MBTU and 29 \$2050/MBTU.



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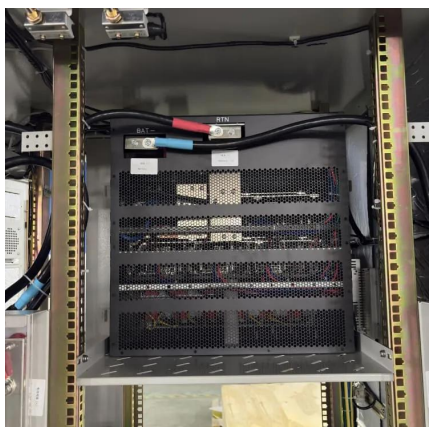
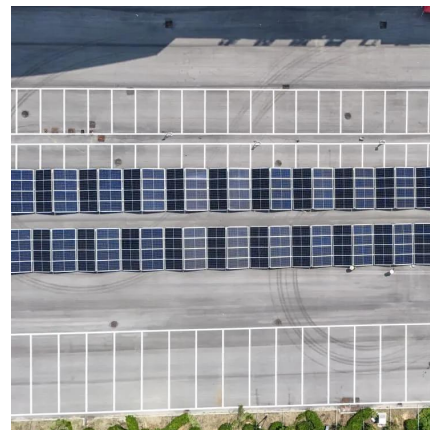
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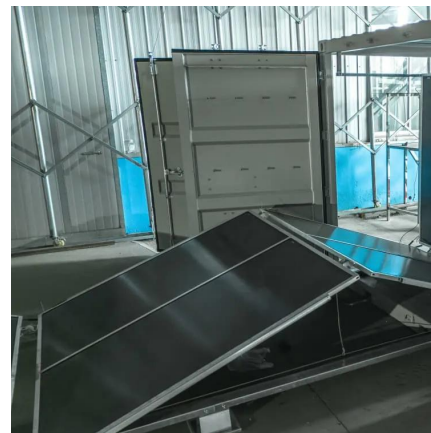
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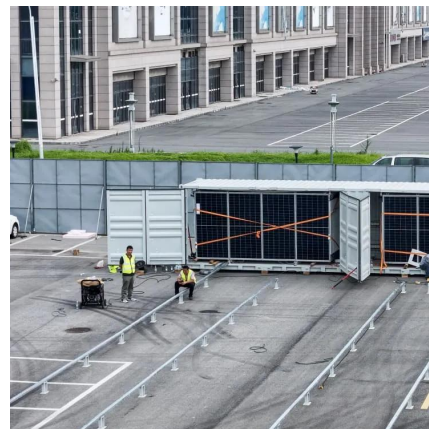
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