

Is there a circular economy for lithium-ion batteries?

There is a potential for a circular economy for lithium-ion batteries (LiBs) in the United States. LiB reuse/recycling efforts can reduce negative environmental impacts associated with the lifecycle of a battery and lead to new and expanded markets and job creation. However, there are many technical, economic, and regulatory factors that currently inhibit this circular economy.

Are lithium-ion batteries a circular product?

In a sense the lithium-ion battery is already very circular as a product. They last for a long time, they are reused and recycled. However the circles look very different to what policy makers, academics and NGOs often suggest as batteries are being used and reused without control and visibility for our societal institutions and control systems.

Could a circular economy extract more value from battery energy storage systems?

A circular economy would extract more value out of lithium-ion battery energy storage systems, according to Taylor Curtis, project lead and NREL analyst. However, only one U.S. lithium-ion battery recycling facility exists today. The complete findings are published in an NREL technical report.

What are lithium-ion batteries?

This report refers to lithium-ion batteries as large-format LiBs used in mobile and stationary battery energy storage systems, such as electric vehicles, solar plus storage. 3 The term 'electric vehicle' (EV) includes all-EVs, hybrid EVs, and plug-in EVs.

What are large-format lithium-ion batteries?

Large-format lithium-ion batteries (LiB) are a type of battery that are an essential component to a zero-carbon energy transition in the United States and around the world.

Can lithium-ion batteries be recycled in the US?

Analysts found that reusing and recycling lithium-ion batteries in the US could create and expand market opportunities, stabilize the supply chain, reduce environmental impacts, and alleviate resource constraints. However, only one U.S. lithium-ion battery recycling facility exists today. The complete findings are published in an NREL technical report.

Graph: Circular Energy Storage [NB British spelling of tons] Light EVs, such as electric cars, account for the majority of lithium-ion battery cells manufactured at present but it is the cells ...

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Our publication "The lithium-ion battery life cycle report 2021" is based on over 1000 hours of research on how lithium-ion batteries are used, reused and recycled. It cover both historical volumes and forecasts to 2030 ...

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mobile and stationary LiB battery energy storage (BES) (BNEF 2020; Wood MacKenzie and ESA 2020). In the U.S. alone, stationary BES (to support renewable energy generation) is expected ...

In the latest assessment of EV battery prices by Bloomberg New Energy Finance in December last year the price per kWh fell below \$100 on pack level for the first time. The particular price was for LFP batteries used in ...

Significant advances in battery energy . storage technologies have occurred in the . last 10 years, leading to energy density increases and ... materials supply chain that is circular in nature. For ...

A new platform for energy storage. Although the batteries don't quite reach the energy density of lithium-ion batteries, Varanasi says Alsym is first among alternative chemistries at the system-level. He says 20-foot containers ...

Driven by the rapid uptake of battery electric vehicles, Li-ion power batteries are increasingly reused in stationary energy storage systems, and eventually recycled to recover ...

To start to identify possible pathways for a circular economy--one of the laboratory's key research objectives--NREL analysts assessed the state of reuse and recycling of large-format lithium-ion batteries ...

Consortium for Circular Economy of Energy Storage ("C2E2") ... design with practical battery performance requirements and more efficient logistics will accelerate the transition to a circular ...

CES Online is a data analysis platform with focus on battery lifecycle and end-of-life management for organisations placing lithium-ion batteries on the market - and for companies serving these organisations. ... Circular Energy Storage ...

Today, at the Battery Show in Hanover, I presented new data from Circular Energy Storage's latest report which will be available next week, on the lithium-ion battery end-of-life market. It's a report that tells a story very ...

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