



Energizing Rural Communities

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We wish to pilot solar technologies in the next 12 months in the city of Strong, Arkansas that could significantly lower electric bills and increase energy resilience, with the longer-term goal of a broader rollout to existing and planned new homes in Strong. In addition to solar photovoltaics, another key component will be a solar plus battery “resiliency center” at the city-owned community center which will power critical city loads during outages and serve as an emergency charging location for an area that has been struck by several tornados. Funds will be used for pilots, site engineering/preparation, and training Strong residents in PV assembly, operations, and maintenance.

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