

## Sierra Club: Battery-NY and NENY – January 2023



# Innovation, Manufacturing, Workforce Development: Why Batteries? Why New York? Why Now?



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Nobel Committee: "They have laid the foundation of a wireless, fossil fuel-free society, and are of the greatest benefit to humankind." Now, we need action!

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- Humanity has undergone two disruptions in the last 30 years
  - Communications revolution, enabled by the lithium battery
  - Covid, showed challenges of global supply chains, but fast vaccines
- Now Humanity will have to adapt to climate change, but we can control
- Humanity will have to do with much less fossil fuels
  - Cleaner cheaper renewable **electrical energy** will be the future (electric century)
    - No coal power plants in New York today
      - AES Lithium Battery storage closed coal power plant in Westover
    - Solar and wind will dominate (+ hydro), but they are intermittent
      - So storage of the energy is critical
      - Lithium batteries are the dominant form of portable storage

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# Many thanks are due to Esso for initiating Li rechargeable 50 Years 1972-2022



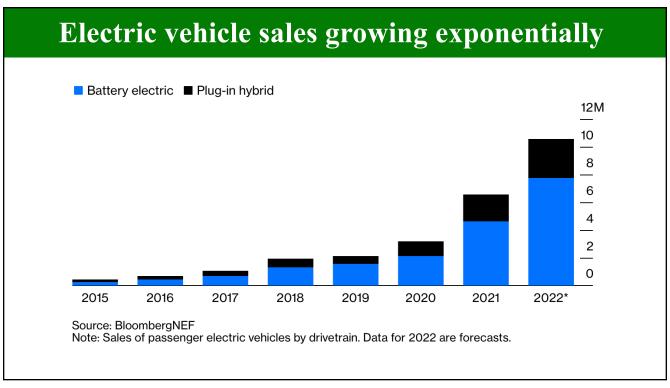




EV Show Chicago, 1977



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#### Why Batteries dominate new Electric Energy Storage

- Pumped Hydro (potential to electrical energy)
  - ✓ By far the largest by storage, gigawatt-hours
  - ✓ Highly efficient, 73%
  - ✓ Limited new sites
- Batteries (chemical to electrical energy)
  - ✓ By far the most flexible and common
    - ✓ Portable and stationary
    - ✓ Milli Watts to Mega watts
    - ✓ Very fast switch on and off





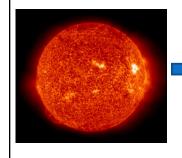
Blenheim-Gilboa > 1GW < 2 min s/u (From NYPA)

#### Where we are now in grid energy storage

- · Renewable lower cost than new coal
  - Minimal cost during operation
    - No fuel cost during operation
- But, intermittent so need storage
  - Batteries are the most flexible solution



West Virginia Wind Farm









1.6 GWh at Moss Landing, California 2021

8 MW Binghamton, NY, 2011

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## The Future for Cleaner/Safer Energy

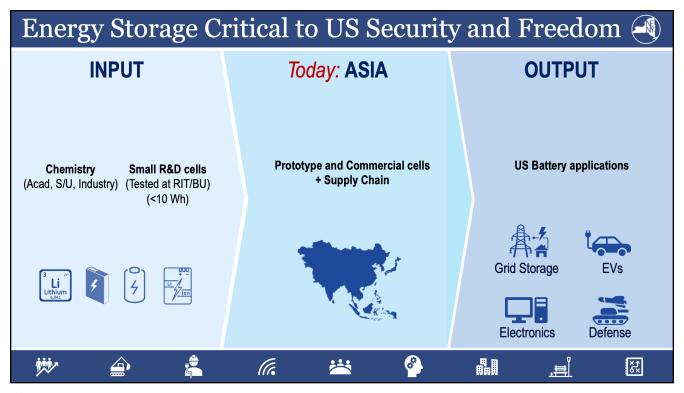
- ✓ Lithium battery systems will dominate for next 5-10 years
- ✓ Need new manufacturing technologies
  - ✓ Leapfrog the Asians
  - ✓ Clean mining with clean energy
- ✓ Need clean recycling technologies
  - ✓ Sustainable society with clean chemistry
- ✓ Need regional supply chains as proposed in Europe
  - ✓ Build capability in Endicott
    - ✓ Made in America batteries
    - ✓ **Ecosystem** for clean energy

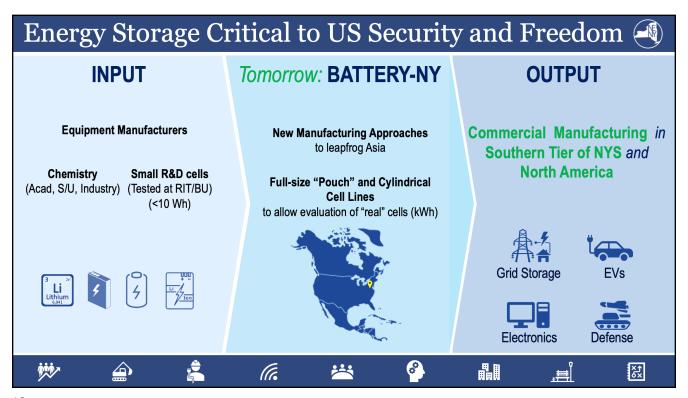
#### **Present Battery Global Supply Chain is Untenable**

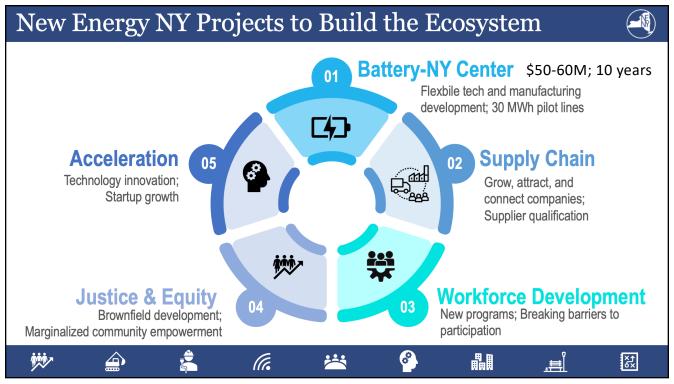
- The supply chain is too constrained today
  - Security and sustainability
- Critical elements need to be eliminated by science advances or be locally sourced
  - For example cobalt must go
    - Idaho mine open, but processing in Brazil/Finland
  - Graphite and metals ideally need sourcing locally
- North America is a hot-bed for battery activities
  - Universities are leading the world in chemistry IP
  - Start-ups are pushing the frontiers, but exponential hype
  - BUT major gap in prototyping batteries and in battery equipment
  - BUT changes are coming: extensive US Federal funding: one example Battery-NY
    - Following the example of Europe

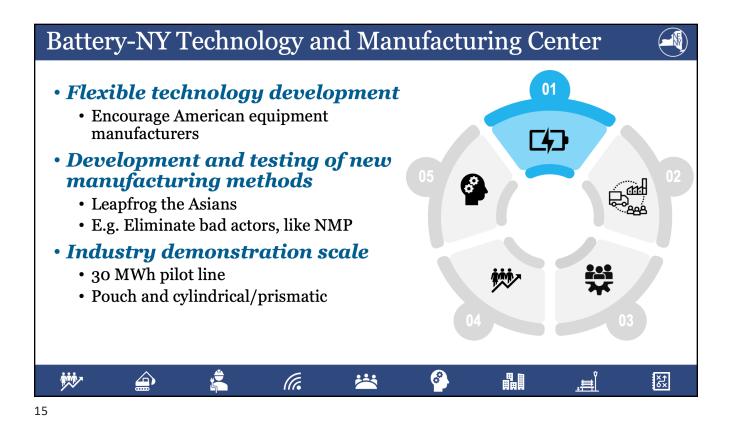
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# Frontiers in Battery Research and Development: From Materials to Manufacturing

- North America is the leader in pushing the frontiers of battery materials
  - DOE Battery500 world leading R&D consortium
  - North America leads the world in investing in start-ups
- North America trailing in supply chain and manufacturing
  - US Govt investments are critical and welcome
  - We cannot play catch-up
  - We must leapfrog the Asian technology do better
  - All materials must be recycled, and stay within the region
    - Reduce imports of valuable materials

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