

Gathering wind to drive power generation



Overview

Wind turbines use blades to collect the wind's kinetic energy. Wind flows over the blades creating lift (similar to the effect on airplane wings), which causes the blades to turn. Wind energy has become one of the most powerful symbols of sustainable progress, capturing nature's invisible force and transforming it into electricity that fuels homes, industries, and cities around the world. The image of tall, graceful turbines turning against a blue sky evokes a sense of. Misunderstandings about wind energy have led to several common misconceptions. Some people still call modern turbines “windmills. Modern wind turbines are. Dramatic Cost Competitiveness: Wind energy has achieved remarkable cost reductions, with new wind projects now pricing electricity at around \$26 per megawatt-hour, making it competitive with natural gas at \$28 per MWh and establishing wind as one of the most economical electricity sources available.

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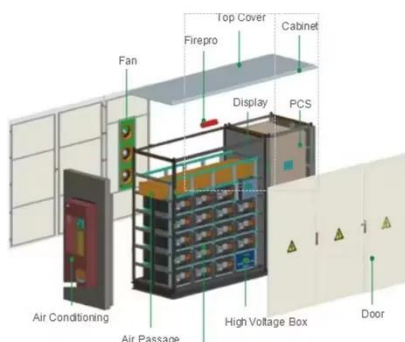


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