Flywheel Energy Storage System AMBER KINETICS

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Energy Storage

• Energy storage is the conversion of energy to other forms so that it may be used at a later stage when required.

• Energy storage technologies are measured in terms of their power output (MW) and their capacity (MWh).

Energy Storage Technology



- Solid State Batteries
- Flow Batteries
- Flywheels
- Compressed Air Energy Storage
- Thermal
- Pumped Hydro-Power

History of Flywheels

4500 – 2000 BC

Stone Age

1450 – 1500 AD

1760 - 1840s

Industrial Revolution



Original pottery wheel developed in stone age

Conceptualized mechanical flywheel for continuous motion



Watt steam engine used heavy flywheel to smooth output

Leonardo Da Vinci

Today's Flywheels



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Flywheel Energy Storage System



Kinetic Energy Storage - Flywheel

- Flywheel in essence is a mechanical battery simply a mass rotating about an axis
- Store energy mechanically in the form of kinetic energy
- Charging/discharging is carried out by a motor/generator
 - Take an electrical input to accelerate the rotor up to the maximum speed by using built-in motor and and produce the stored electrical energy by decelerating the rotor using the same motor as a generator.

A REVOLUTION IN ENERGY STORAGE



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- The "Holy Grail" in Energy Storage



About Amber Kinetics





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Research Areas:

- Energy (ENE)
- Control, Intelligent Systems, and Robotics (CIR)
- Integrated Circuits (INC)
- Power and electronics systems

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About Amber Kinetics



World's First and Only 4 Hour Flywheel

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About Amber Kinetics

Founded: 2009 Headquarters: Union City, CA

Target Application:

Grid-Scale Energy Storage



Technology: Steel Flywheels

Our Advantages: DO

DOE: promising storage technology

- 1. High efficiency / Low losses
- 2. Competitive technology cost
- 3. Focus on viable projects
- 4. Experience winning utility PPAs
- 5. Operational advantages vs. other energy storage



Areas of Application

- 1. Island systems & offgrid/rural electrification
- 2. Energy supply shifting



Hybrid System Variable Renewable Energy + Amber Kinetics Flywheels Amber Kinetics Flywheels as Peaking

- 3. Variable renewable energy smoothing
- 4. Fast, & short-term electricity balancing/Ancillary Service

Fast & short Charge/Discharge

Plant

Amber Kinetics Flywheels For Frequency Regulation

Renewable Energy

Resource	Dispatchability	Variability	Predictability
Biofuel	High	Low	High
Biomass	High	Low	High
Geothermal	Low	Low	High
Hydroelectricity	High	Low	High
Solar power	Low	Very high	Medium
Tidal power	Low	Very high	Very high
Wave power	Low	Medium	Medium
Wind power	Low	High	Low

Hourly Solar PV Generation Profile



PV Generation with Energy Storage



Smoothing PV Generation (Cloudy)



Flywheel for Energy Supply Shifting



Frequency Regulation



• Regulation is used to reconcile momentary differences between supply and demand.

+20

SP=0

-20

Frequency Regulation Range

AK as Source of Frequency Regulation

- Wide Range of Regulating Capacity
- Perform Fast Response Regulating Service
- Can provide full capacity from 3% SOC
- <1 Sec to Full Charge and Discharge
- Ean operate in Primary and Secondary Regulation

Flywheel as Source of Frequency Regulation



Amber – A Winning Track Record

- ◆ 2010 Awarded \$4mm from the U.S. Department of Energy
- 2010 Closed Series A Investment
- 2012 Awarded \$2mm from the California Energy Commission
- 2013 Awarded Contract Sponsored by U.S. Department of Defense (Hawaii)
- 2014 Successfully Field Tested Amber 4-hour Flywheel
- ◆ 2014 Closed Series B Investment
- 2015 Awarded additional \$2mm from the California Energy Commission
- 2015 Signed Landmark Multi-Million (\$) Contract with PG&E
- 2015 Signed International Purchase Agreement with Emerging Power Inc.
- 2016 Finalizing Terms of Purchasing Agreement with Hawaiian Electric



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Why Amber Flywheels are Better

Li-Ion Battery (Today)\$350 / kWh2,000 deep cycles\$0.17 per kWh discharge

(2025 Projected)

\$150 / kWh 3,000 deep cycles \$0.05 per kWh discharge

Amber 4-hr Flywheel (Today)

\$500 / kWh 20,000 deep cycles \$0.02 per kWh discharge

(2020-2025 Projected)

\$250 / kWh 20,000 deep cycles \$0.01 per kWh discharge

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Overview of Single Flywheel System



Site Requirements



Corrugated Steel Pipe & Cover



Overview 1MW System (0.125 ha)



Amber Kinetics "Model 32" Flywheel



- Mechanical Energy Storage
- No chemical reaction
- Performs in heat & humidity
- Peer-Reviewed Operating Data



Amber Kinetics Leadership



Ed Chiao CEO & Co-Founder Prior Roles Corporate Development, Solar Development, Product Management & Engineering Early employee in 3 start-ups, all acquired



Kevin Swartz VP, Business Development Prior Roles PG&E, Sempra Energy, Solel (Siemens) Maine Maritime Academy



Seth Sanders, Ph.D. CTO & Co-Founder Renowned Flywheel Technologist Professor, Electrical Engineering, UC Berkeley



Mark Stout VP, Project Development Prior Roles Meridian Energy, Cleantech America (acquired)



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