

Shopping mall uses ultra-large capacity mobile energy storage containers in San Diego



Overview

"The Westfield UTC mall in San Diego reduced its demand charges by 73% within 6 months of installing a 2MW/4MWh storage system. Modern mall energy storage systems can actually generate income through utility demand response programs. Chamber of Commerce's 2024 cost analysis revealed the national average price reached 12.99 cents per kilowatt-hour, up 22%. This trend will likely continue as energy-intensive buildings like data centers become more common. Where do shopping centers fit into this? This project demonstrates how mobile charging stations (MCS) can provide a cost-effective, flexible alternative to fixed charging infrastructure, accelerating the electrification of construction vehicles while reducing grid strain. UC San Diego is collaborating with Pulsenics to develop a real-time energy management system. Shopping malls and similar venues present attractive, big-time opportunities as potential sites for grid-connected solar power, energy storage and intelligent, highly energy-efficient facilities management. Their massive footprints (averaging 150,000-250,000 sq ft) and existing infrastructure make them ideal. A typical 500,000 sq ft mall can generate up to 100,000 kWh of solar energy annually.

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