

Kier Energy Solutions PV Systems for Buildings

The Power of Nature Longships Lighthouse at Lands End



Context

•30% of the UK's CO² emissions from buildings

2/3rd electricity 1/3rd gas & oil

Carbon density of electricity 529g CO² per kWh (Gas: 190g Oil: 260g)

The PV cell

The core of the system - silicon



The PV module

- Mono / Poly / Hybrid
- 1.3 1.6 m₂ approx
- 180 to 245 watts
- 24 volts, connected in series
- Strength
- Life
- CO² payback 4 years (Energy Bulletin)



The PV array

- 1 kWp array : 900 kWhrs per year
- Pitched roof: 8m² per kWp
- Flat roof and Ground Mounted: 12 – 16m² per kWp
- Glass/glass: 12 20m² per kWp
- Approx. weight 17 kgs per m²



The System



Inverter installation



Design factors

• Orientation & Pitch-

Optimum - Due south with a pitch of 35° Pitch range - 10° to 45° East and West Facing (11% loss @ 15° pitch)

• Shading – the key factor



Above Roof Systems

- Can be installed on almost any type of roof
- Ideal for flat-roof applications
- Simple to retrofit

Above roof - vertical and lateral support system



Above Roof 2.6 kWp



Somerset C C. 22.5 kWp



Sidcup Leisure Centre 18 kWp



Solion pods 1.62 kWp





94.72 kWp



Integrated Systems

- Component of the building fabric
- Forms the impermeable roof covering
- Reduces area of the non PV cladding
- Need for provision at early design stage

Housing Developments





80W Integrated Panels – powder coated frames



Nu-Lok system 2.1 kWp



Feed-In Tariff

Feed-in Tariff (FIT) from April 2011

The three revenue streams:Feed-in Tariff43.3p - 30.7pUnits exported3.1pUnits generated & used9p - 13.5p

Expected ROI – between 7% and 13%

What does this mean?

- 1 kWp installed approximately will give approx. 900 kWhs of electricity p.a.
- 900 kWhs = £390 of Feed-in tariff and £108 of free electricity. Index linked for 25 years

Why use Solar PV?

- No mechanical parts, no Maintenance
- Long lifetime modules guaranteed for 25 years; lifetime approximately- 50 years
- The most effective technology for reducing CO2 emissions from buildings in normal English weather conditions
- Excellent for helping reduce 'Fuel Poverty'
- A financial investment



- Over 30 years of experience in Solar systems
- Over 700 systems installed totaling over 2 Mgw
- Local expertise, backed by a FTSE 250 group

PV – the future

- Grid parity by 2017?
- Grid electricity costs increasing by 3/5/10/20% p.a.?
- PV costs reducing dropped 50% in past 18 months will not continue at this rate
- FIT rates reducing from March 2012



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