

# Does coal-fired power generation need energy storage





## Overview

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Can coal power plants be converted into energy storage and zero-carbon data centers?

This paper investigates a retrofitting strategy that turns coal power plants into thermal energy storage (TES) and zero-carbon data centers (DCs). The proposed capacity expansion model considers the co-locations of DCs, local renewable generation, and energy storage with the system-level coal retirement and retrofitting.

Can thermal energy storage improve the flexibility of coal-fired power plants?

At present, large-scale energy storage technology is not yet mature. Improving the flexibility of coal-fired power plants to suppress the instability of renewable energy generation is a feasible path. Thermal energy storage is a feasible technology to improve the flexibility of coal-fired power plants.

Can energy storage systems be integrated with fossil power plants?

Several studies have been reported in the literature, particularly on power plant system modeling, and integration of sensible and latent heat-based energy storage systems with fossil power cycles, . Liquid air energy storage (LAES) is another form of energy storage that has been proposed for integration with fossil power plants.

Are energy storage technologies a viable solution for coal-fired power plants?

Energy storage technologies offer a viable solution to provide better flexibility against load fluctuations and reduce the carbon footprint of coal-fired power plants by minimizing exergy losses, thereby achieving better energy efficiency.



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