

Should PV module recycling be regulated?

Various US states have introduced regulations to incentivize the expansion of PV module recycling industrial capacity. Washington was reportedly the first state to introduce a regulation for take-back requirements for PV manufacturers at no additional cost for the PV system owners.

What is a photovoltaic monitoring system?

Local and remote photovoltaic monitoring systems are primarily used to collect data about solar panels for the purpose of maintenance and repair. Additionally, monitoring systems are used to measure and analyze energy production performance data. Another objective is to minimize hazards to personal safety associated with periodic manual controls.

Are solar PV modules a universal waste?

Policy mechanisms for PV waste management are being actively considered in Illinois, Hawaii, Arizona, North Carolina, and New Jersey [79,80]. Similar to California, the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality has recommended rulemaking efforts to define EOL PV modules as universal waste.

How many tons of PV modules are collected a year?

According to the Eurostat statistics, 13 951 tons of PV module waste were collected in 12 countries in 2018. In Germany, the amount of collected PV modules was 7 865 tons in 2018; 7 708 tons were recovered, from which 6 896 tons were put to recycling and preparing for reuse. All PV modules require a registration and a specific EOL treatment.

Are PV module design changes affecting recycling infrastructure?

Recycling infrastructure is capital-intensive and long-lived, yet significant PV module design changes have been observed in recent years and more are expected.

What is the distribution of PV module waste in 2019 & 2020?

The distribution of PV module waste in 2019 and 2020 by technology is shown in Fig. 2.1-3, including c-Si, CdTe, amorphous-silicon (a-Si), copper indium gallium selenide (CIGS), and flexible PV. Most waste comprises c-Si and CdTe, whereas a-Si represents more than 15%.

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Table 21: Unit process LCI data of the photovoltaic laminate and panel production ...

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1) PV technology (single and multi-crystalline silicon, CdTe, CIS, micromorphous silicon); 2) Type of system (e.g., roof-top, ground mount, fixed tilt or tracker); 3) Module-rated efficiency and ...

Solar Module Cell: The solar cell is a two-terminal device. One is positive (anode) and the other is negative (cathode). A solar cell arrangement is known as solar module or solar panel where ...

The results indicated that the astronomical-based solar tracker performed better than the LDR-based system, with an efficiency of 4.2%, and better than a fixed solar panel system, with an efficiency of 57.4%. The ...

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