

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Life battery energy storage for fast and rapid EV charging & wider applications.

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### Agenda

- Company overview
- 2. EVEREST project and E-STOR evolution
- 3. Product & service concept
- 4. R&D and commercial challenges
- 5. Knowledge gaps & research needs



### The Business



- Strategic and technical consultancy, project management and R&D services:
  - Typically our clients are large organisations in the automotive and energy sectors
  - Using a combination of internal investment, grant funding and client contracts we have developed the E-STOR energy storage systems



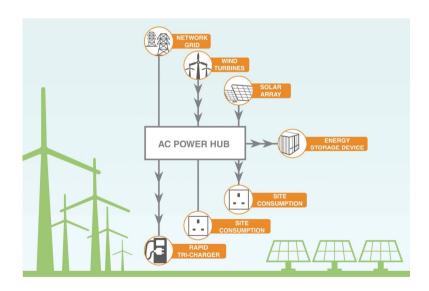
- Commercialisation Co. for E-STOR and other developments:
  - A wholly owned subsidiary of FTS
  - Provides distributed energy storage operating services and sales via distributors
  - Market entry strategy focussing on providing storage to support EV rapid charging
  - First commercial product installation April 2016



### **EVEREST** technology demonstrator

#### Hypothesis:

- o Mitigate the impact of an EV charging hub on the grid
- o Design, build, install & operate a intelligent modular ESS
- o Complimentary local network reinforcement
- o Renewable generation integration



#### Solution:

- o ~Multi channel 120 kWh 2<sup>nd</sup> life EV battery storage with bidirectional power electronics
- o 15kW PV and wind installation
- Local and remote power management system

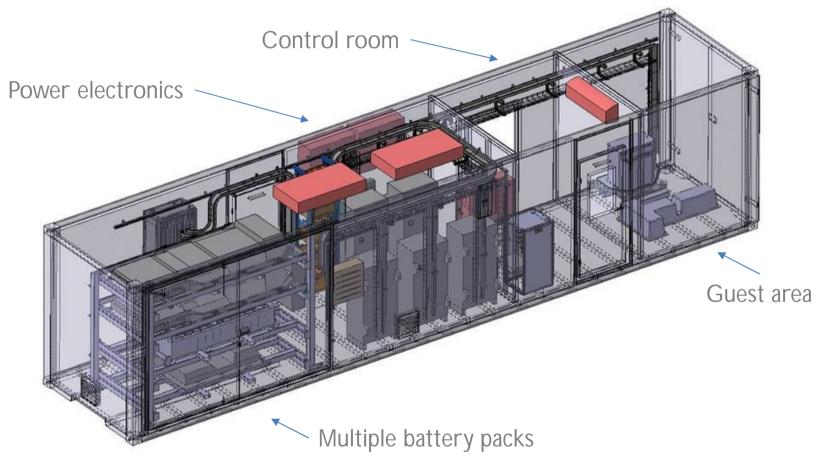


#### **Results:**

- o Total storage & discharge of 11 MWH since April 2015
- Supporting local micro grid & charging hub
- o Follow on OEM battery integration completed
- Duty cycle testing
- o Commercialisation of technology E-STOR

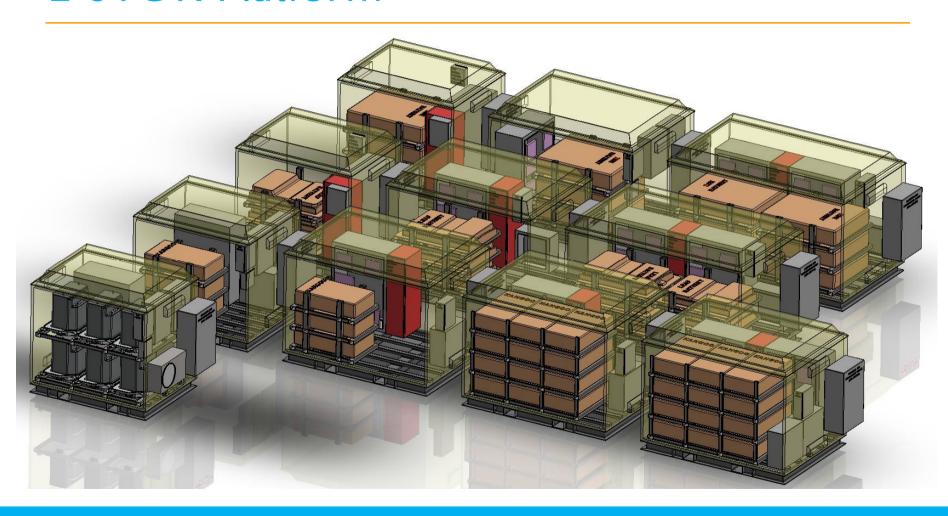


# **EVEREST R&D facility**





### **E-STOR Platform**





### Product & service concept

#### E-STOR

- Scalable, modular 'plug & play' unit
- Any EV battery subject to CAN programming and repackaging
- General and niche application units
- Minimise size & cost

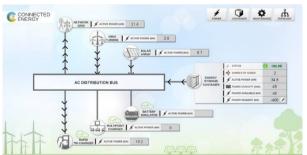
#### Operating software

- EV rapid charger integration via OCPP
- Scheduled and real time response
- o Site load, PV, EV charging optimisation
- Optimised and aggregated charging
- Managed EV charging

#### Procurement

- Capital purchase with finance options
- Storage as a service









### R&D and commercial challenges

The storage sector is new – storage needs to be segmented

Distributed storage is new – its not yet straight forward, particularly I&C

The reuse of 2<sup>nd</sup> life batteries is new – industry is not set up for this

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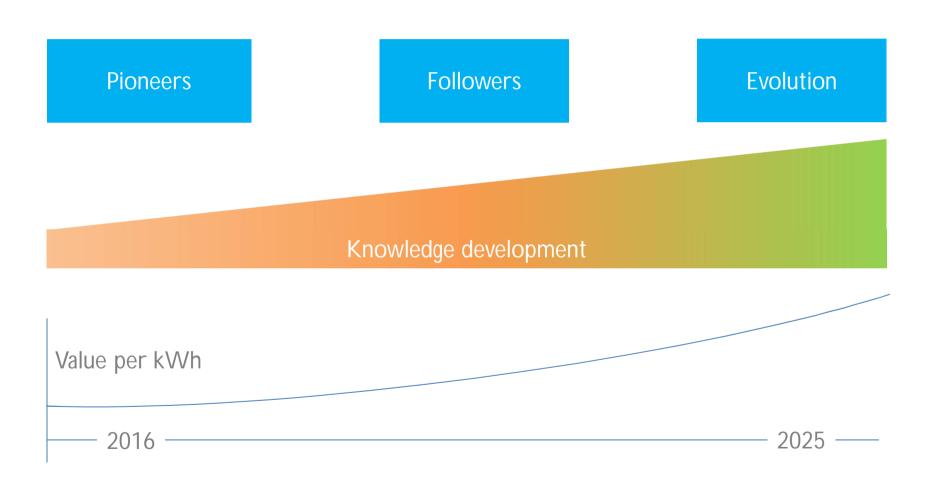
Storage related power electronics will evolve – need to understand trajectory

The market and regulatory environment is evolving – business models will evolve

The operation of distributed storage is new – effective operation requires knowledge of the above



### Solution development over time





### Knowledge gaps & research needs

#### Performance & degradation:

- Large scale, long term & independent 2<sup>nd</sup> life battery degradation testing project:
  - SoH
  - Duty cycles
  - Classification
  - Basis for control software development

#### Optimised power electronics:

- Current technology suitability assessment and future trends/direction:
  - Disruptive technologies on the way when, cost and network acceptance?
  - Cost effective bi-directional battery charging systems for EV battery voltage range

#### Operating software:

- Development of complex models and algorithms to enable full asset(s) optimisation:
  - Balancing market opportunities with technology characteristics
  - Multi-stakeholder/customer satisfaction



## Thank you

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