

#### The ZincNyx Flow Battery





## **ZincNyx Energy Solutions**

- The Mission
  - Provide the lowest cost energy storage system for long duration applications including renewables firming, diesel generator replacement and telecom facility backup
- The Company
  - Backed by Teck Resources, Canada's largest diversified resource company
  - Unique zinc-air flow-battery technology
  - Team comprises mechanical, electrical, software, electrochemistry and materials science skills





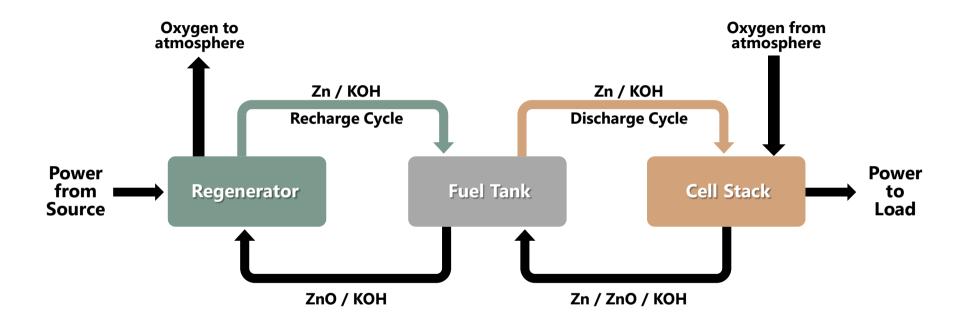




- Overview of zinc-air flow battery
- Flow battery distinctions
- The ZincNyx implementation
- System configurations
- Market for long duration energy storage



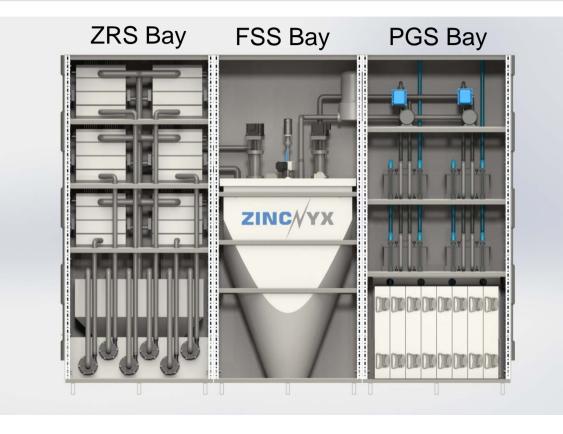
#### **Principle Of Operation**



#### Zinc is conserved within the system



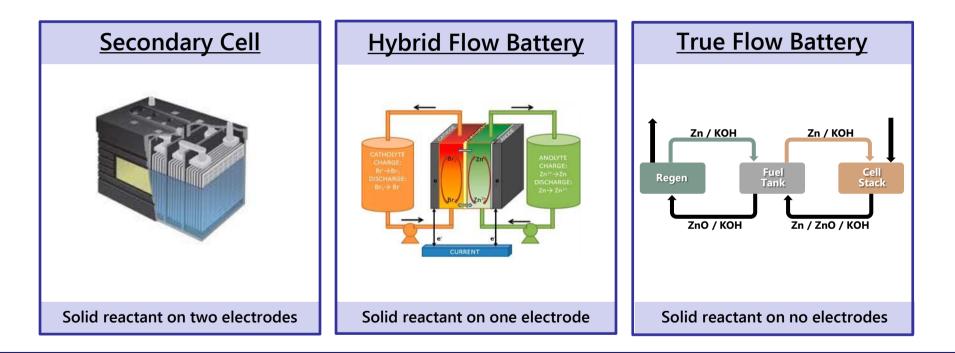
#### **Typical System Structure**



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**Battery Classification** 



#### Only a True Flow Battery can fully decouple Energy and Power



#### **Lowest Cost Energy Storage**







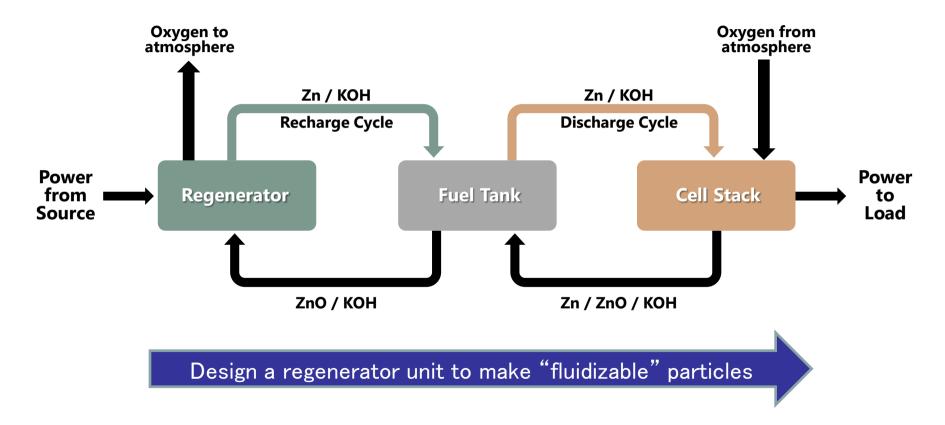
#### **Zinc-air Value Proposition**

- Lowest cost energy storage for durations of 4 hours and greater
- Scalable, robust, reliable
- Insensitive to environmental and operational conditions
- Safe: No toxic, explosive or combustible materials or poisonous gasses
- Flexibility to optimize for power & energy needs



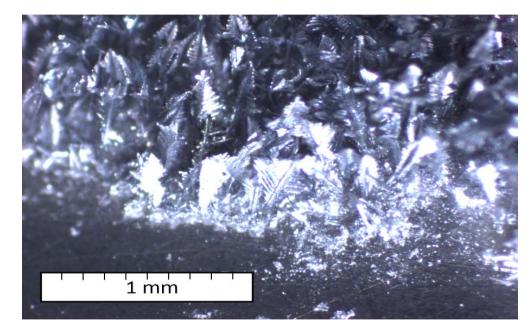


#### **Design Approach**





#### **Dendritic Zinc Fuel**

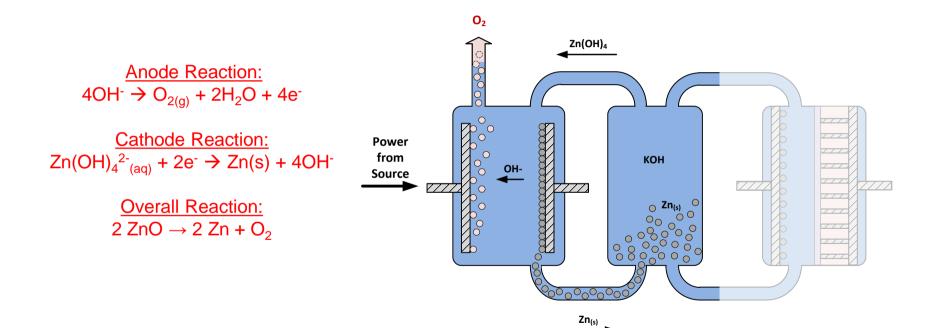


Particles range from 10 microns to 250 microns.

Size distribution depends on regeneration current and time.

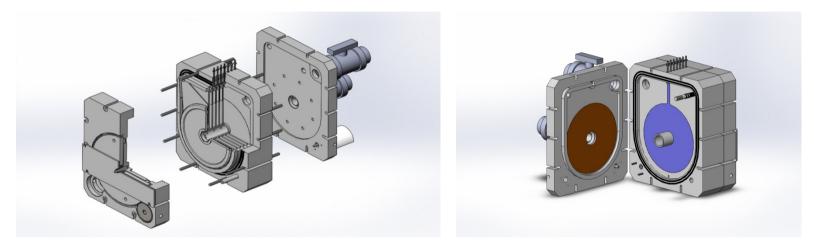


#### **Zinc Air Recharging Process**





**Zinc Regenerator** 

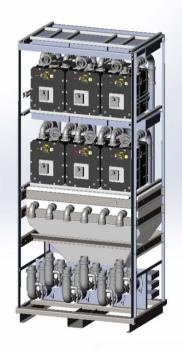


- Zinc dendrites are grown on magnesium plates
- Washing cycle returns zinc particles to the fuel tank
- Individual cells are connected in series electrically

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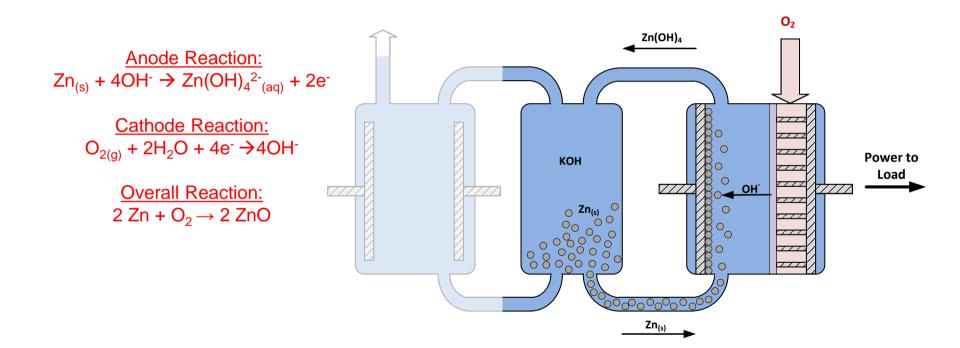
## **Zinc Regeneration Subsystem**

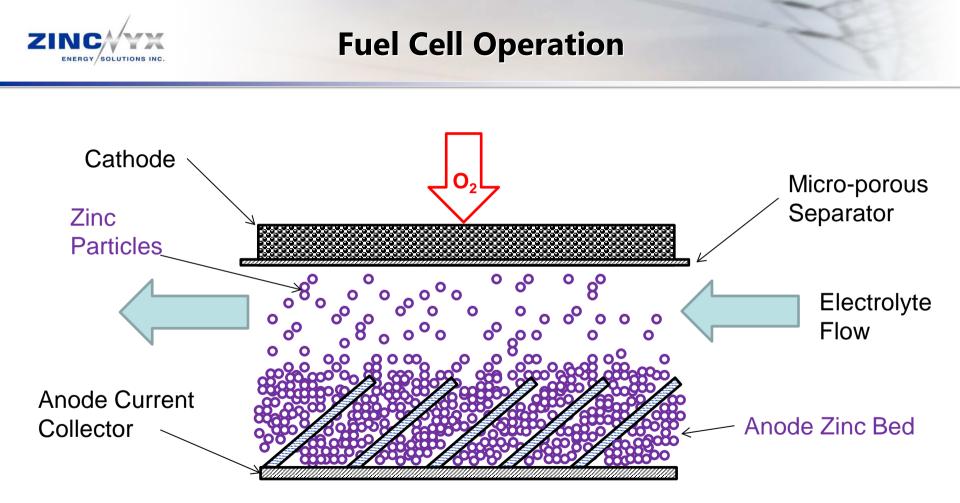


- Up to 6 Zinc Regeneration Stacks
  - Each "double" stack is composed of two 7-cell units
  - Reverse current rods for individual cell cleaning
- Sump tank
  - Decouples regen stack height from main tank height
  - Enables the "wash cycle" to be decoupled from the "fuel storage" cycle
- Electronic control system
  - Stack and Bay level

### **Zinc Air Discharging Process**

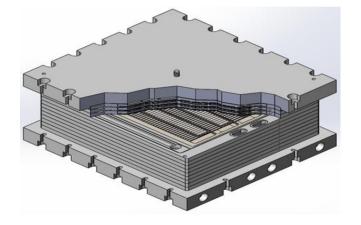
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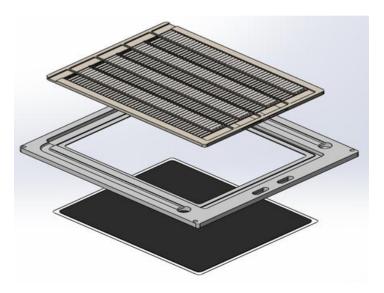


### **Fuel Cell Stack**



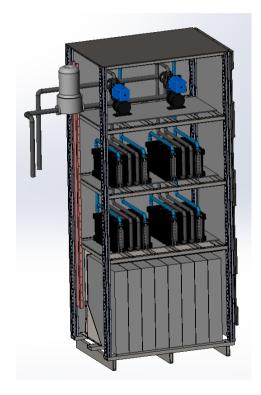
Bipolar plates form adjacent cells

 Typical stack delivers 100 Amps at 12 Volts





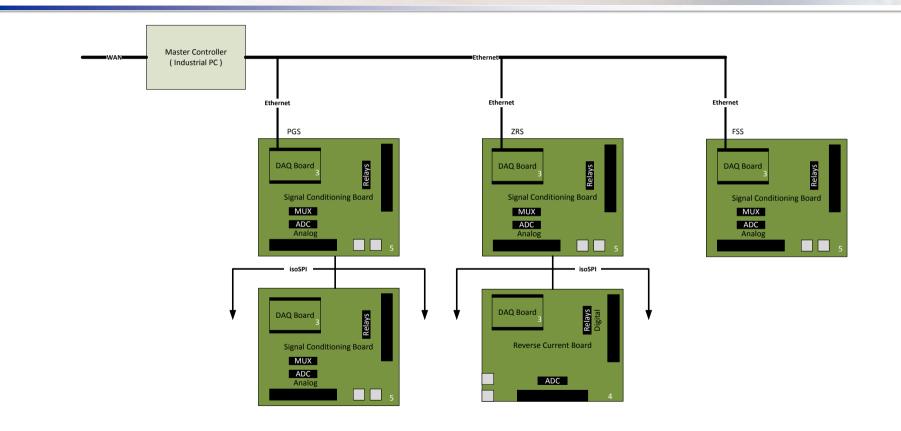
### **Power Generation Subsystem**



- Up to 4 Power Generation Stacks
  - 12 cells per stack
  - Room for larger stacks
  - Stacks are paired for 24V output
  - Booster pumps decouple stacks from fluidizer
- CO<sub>2</sub> scrubber
  - Sorbent cartridge for easy maintenance
  - CO<sub>2</sub> sensors included in bay
- Electronic control system



#### **Control and Monitoring (CMS)**





### **Standard 5 kW Module**

Rated Power	5 kW	
Maximum Power	7 kW	
Energy	40 kWh	
Discharge time	8 hours at rated power	
Recharge time	16 hours at rated power	
Operating life	20,000 hours	
Cycles	Unlimited within lifetime	
Efficiency	55 – 65% round trip	
Electrical Interface Interface	48 V DC	



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Robust

Scalable

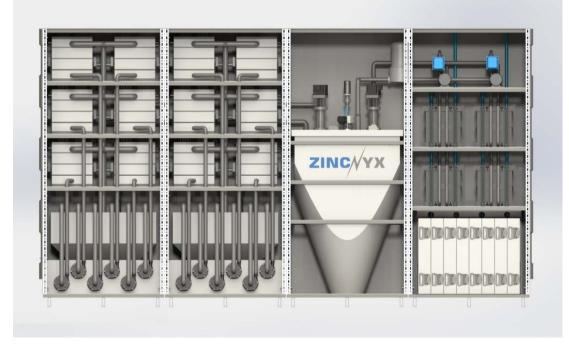


#### **Alternative Configurations**

#### **ZS-20**



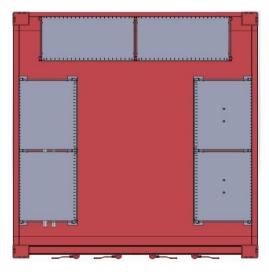
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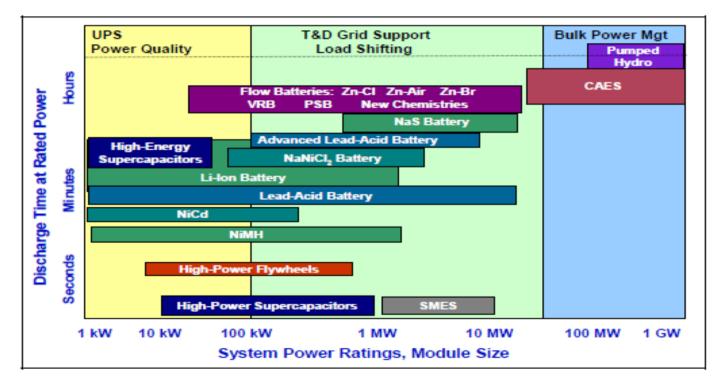
## **Container Installation**







#### **Market Position**



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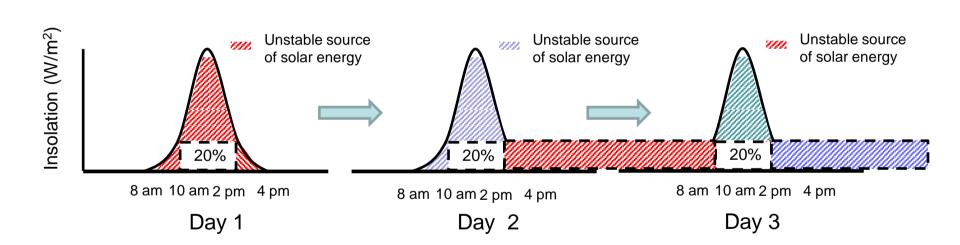


### **Synergistic Applications**

- Long duration backup (e.g. cellular backup)
- Renewables firming (wind, solar, tidal)
- Retail store overnight support (50 kW \* 12 hours)
- Portable generation (containerized storage and PV)
- Motive power (rail or marine)



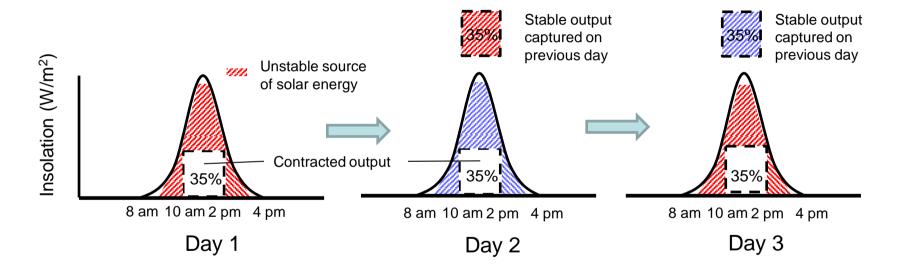
#### **Flow Battery Applications**



Supporting a constant load from an intermittent source



#### **Flow Battery Applications**



#### Firming solar energy to double contractual output



## **Market Entry Partners**

Market	Demonstration & Marketing Partners
Telecom	Teck Resources Limited GenSys GmbH MSF Data Services
Commercial & Industrial	Teck Resources Limited Tri-State Generation & Transmission Association Aztera LLC
Regulatory / Approvals	Powertech Labs Sandia National Labs CSA, UL
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