

What is BrightSource Energy?

BrightSource Energy is an environmentally friendly energy producer. They produce energy through a proprietary solar thermal energy system that uses mirrors, or heliostats, to direct the sun's energy to a boiler full of water sitting on top of a tower. BrightSource Energy heats the water to create steam.

How does BrightSource work?

BrightSource uses heliostats (a different kind of panel), which are motion controlled and direct the Sun's rays toward a water tower, boiling the water inside and efficiently producing renewable energy in the concentrated solar power (CSP) system.

How did BrightSource respond to environmental concerns?

The case describes the steps BrightSource took to respond to the concerns raised by the environmentalists and build the plant, addressing both climate change and protecting local habitats. Company management also faced challenges from the changing economics of generating solar power due to developments in competing systems and technologies.

Is BrightSource a good investment?

BrightSource also had a new thermal storage technology that would allow it to provide electricity on cloudy days, thereby significantly increasing output and the profitability of future power plants, but investors so far had not come on board, citing the risk and expense of the building out the technology.

Why is BrightSource opposing Ivanpah?

When BrightSource was in the planning stages of Ivanpah, a 400-megawatt solar power plant in the Mojave Desert, the company encountered opposition from environmentalists because the federal land specifically set aside for the facility was also the habitat of the desert tortoise, a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act.

3. The cost of a solar power plant is US\$261/megawatt hour, and according to the government's 2010 average electrification cost of various power plants in the United States is US \$ /megawatt hour. Comparing these two data, building a ...

It is committed to development and application of concentrated solar power ("CSP") technology. CJV extends its business based on the equipment manufacturing, financial leasing, engineering construction ...

See how BrightSource Energy's solar panel heliostats utilize ADI's motion control technology to precisely follow the sun's path, capturing 100% concentration of the sun's rays and generating massive a

In April 2011, the Department of Energy issued three loan guarantees for \$1.6 billion in total to finance Ivanpah, a 392-MW concentrating solar power (CSP) plant. It started commercial operations in January 2014

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One of the most ambitious solar energy projects on the planet is in trouble. The \$2.2 billion Ivanpah concentrated solar power facility in California has fallen well short of its expected power ...

o BrightSource has partnerships with GE, Google, Chevron, Bechtel, and NRG. o Famous for being the first utility-scale solar energy plant by designing 354-megawatt solar thermal electric power plants. o In 2013, they ...

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950MW Noor Energy 1 CSP-PV Project in Dubai consists of one 100 MW tower plant, and three 200MW parabolic trough plants, ranking No.1 of world Concentrated Solar ...

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As noted in the Introduction, BrightSource began construction of Ivanpah, located in California's Mojave Desert, in 2010 and had a completion date of 2013. It was the company's first commercial scale solar power plant, with 392 MW of ...

The Huanghe Qinghai Delingha solar thermal power generation project, the first of the BrightSource-Shanghai Electric Group Co Ltd (HKG:272) joint venture, is located in the ...

Shanghai Electric BrightSource Solar Energy Co., Ltd (hereinafter referred to as "CJV") is founded in 2015 by Shanghai Electric and BrightSource on a 50/50 basis. It is committed to ...

Update: The California Energy Commission has approved the application of BrightSource Energy to build a solar thermal power plant in Ivanpah that, if it were complete ...

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The Megalim solar thermal power plant, a joint venture of BrightSource, GE Renewable Energy and the Noy Fund, said on 10 April, that it has begun commercial operation in Israel. The Ashalim Solar Thermal Power ...

Bright Source Version: 1.0 1.3 THE PARENT ORGANIZATION BACKGROUND (CHIRAG) BrightSource Energy, Inc. is a company based in Oakland, California that designs, ...

The era of Big Solar has arrived, and at the moment there are none bigger than the Ivanpah Solar Electric

Generating System, POWER's 2014 Plant of the Year.

In 2009, John Woolard's team flipped the switch on a first-of-a-kind concentrated solar power project. The pilot paved the way for BrightSource Energy, where John was CEO, ...

The solar-thermal plants will utilize Brightsource Energy's proprietary Distributed Power Tower technology, which claims to be much more energy efficient than past parabolic trough designs.

The undersigned acknowledge they have reviewed the BrightSource: Ivanpah Solar Power Plant Project Quality Management Plan and agree with the approach it presents. Changes to this Project Quality Management Plan will be ...

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