Marcus Garvey Apartments: A Solar+Storage Microgrid for Affordable Housing in Brooklyn, NY

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Who We Are

Evolution of a New Clean Energy Strategy to Meet Severe Weather Threats
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Resilient Power Project

• Increase public/private investment in clean, resilient power systems
• Engage city officials to develop resilient power policies/programs
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• Focus on affordable housing and critical public facilities
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The Clean Energy Divide

High End Markets

• Hundreds of solar and storage projects
• Mainly to reduce electric bills
• Tesla/SolarCity and others target this sector
• Will grow exponentially like solar

LMI Markets

• Too few projects in housing/communities
• Need greater than in high end
• Unequal distribution of incentives
• Need targeted LMI strategies
Solar+Storage Value: Demand Charge Management

Peak reduced from 100 kW to 65kW = 35 kW reduction
@ $10/kW = $4,200 annual savings
@ $20/kW = $8,400 annual savings
Economic Case for Battery Storage

CLOSING THE CALIFORNIA CLEAN ENERGY DIVIDE
Reducing Electric Bills in Affordable Multifamily Rental Housing with Solar+Storage

May 2016

Original Electric Bill
$22,000
- Demand Charges $8,200
- Fixed Charges $3,500
- Energy Charges $10,300

Total Savings 52%

Bill with Solar
$10,700
- Demand Charges $7,100
- Energy Savings $10,300
- Fixed Charges $3,500

Total Savings 99%

Bill with Solar+Storage
$300
- Demand Savings $8,200
- Energy Savings $10,300
- Fixed Savings $300

50% savings
($24,240)

18% savings
($8,980)

21% savings
($10,130)

Efficiency
Solar
Storage

Property owner savings
Tenant savings
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Practical design solutions for the ARCHITECTURE through the use of transformative materials and forms.

Transform the LANDSCAPE through organic shaping and large planted surface areas.
BEFORE (2012: Post-Hurricane Sandy)
Practical insulating and aesthetic solutions for the ARCHITECTURE through the use of EFIS and frame devices

Transform the LANDSCAPE through organic shaping and large planted surface areas

BEFORE
Marcus Garvey Apartments: $50mm Rehabilitation Project

- 625-unit complex covering 8 blocks in Brownsville
- 50% Project-Based Mitchell-Lama
- 100% units under 60% AMI
- $50mm in construction hard costs ($75,680 per unit)
- Rehab scope included:
  - Apt Kitchens/Baths
  - Façades, Building Envelope
  - Landscape
  - Mechanicals
  - Complete Replacement of Electric Feeder System
- Project is master metered
New lighting at the Project enhanced safety.
Electric Infrastructure was in dire need of replacement.
Replacing feeders allows for solar installation and alternate location for the batteries.

- 1 ConEd POE
- Feeders in City Right of Way
7 City Blocks with Fuel Cell and Battery Integration
The 400 kW Solar Installation is largest array on an affordable housing complex connected to one meter.

- Installation by Bright Power
- Commence Operations December 2016
- Panels on 70% of complex’s structures
First Fuel Cells installed in NYC residential zoned area.

- Design/Install by Bloom Energy
- Provides baseline energy production 24/7—400kW System
- Located adjacent to switchgear
- Originally sized at 500kW, it was reduced to accommodate the other energy components and energy efficiency upgrades at site.
Batteries provide Marcus Garvey with the technology and storage to eliminate net metering.

- Demand Energy has the software to manage the input of these three systems and control export.
- The 300kW lithium ion battery is sized to cover a 100kW buffer for peak solar periods during shoulder months.
- Demand will be lead engineer for ConEd interconnection application.
Since April 2016, Marcus Garvey has been producing resilient low-carbon energy.

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<td><strong>TOTAL Annual</strong></td>
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Key Features of Microgrid Feasibility

- Master Metered Project – Landlord pays full utility bill
- Electric heat and cooling
- Incentives:
  - NYSERDA Solar and MPP
  - ConEd BQDM
- Having the space and infrastructure
  - Feeder replacement paved way for battery location
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It takes a Microgrid:
Powering Marcus Garvey Village
and Transforming New York’s Electricity System
Marcus Garvey Village - Redevelopment

Doing The Right Thing Is Always The Right Thing To Do
Brooklyn Queens Demand Management (BQDM)

- Substation Upgrade Deferment = $1.2 B
- PSC Approved $200M Non-Wires Alternative (NWA)
- Program cost allowed in Rate Base
- Reverse Auction - Drove Market Based Response > $1992/kW-2 year program
- Drives Better system utilization
- Framework for future market based – Non Wire Solutions
Micro-Grid Solution

- 375 kW/ 1.565 MW Battery Storage System
- 400 kW Distributed PV Power
- 400 kW Energy Server Fuel Cell

A Blend Of DER Resources - Enhances Success
Shared Savings Revenue Streams

**Demand Charge Management**
- Optimized load management from the combined Solar + Fuel Cell + Building Load + Battery Operations

**BQDM Load Relief Compliance**
- Called when the Day-Ahead forecast is projected to be 93% of the Summer forecasted Peak

**Market Participation**
- Day Ahead Hourly Pricing
- NYISO Winter DR
- Con Edison DLRP Program

It Is All About Deriving Value!
Shared Savings Model

- Demand Energy owns the system and operates the micro-grid to drive savings from various energy programs.

- L+M pays monthly service fee and then there is an annual reconciliation to split the equitable amount of Savings derived.

Shared Savings Model Built On A Win/Win Commitment
Resiliency

Backup Power

- Provides Backup Power for Management and Security Office
- Community Room power for extended Outages
Summary

Utilities are catching on to microgrid value
- More sensible than building to the peak
- Adds flexibility and resiliency
- Enables DERs w/aggregated control
- Cost-effective non-wire solution

C&I users can realize major benefits
- Provide resiliency
- Improve supply quality
- Boost sustainability
- Reduce delivery cost
- Scalable solution
- Simplified operation
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FINANCING BATTERY STORAGE: MARCUS GARVEY APARTMENTS

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WHO WE ARE

- NYCEEC is a 501(c)3 non-profit created in 2010 by the NYC Mayor’s Office

- Focus is exclusively on financing clean energy and energy efficiency projects in buildings; primary geographic focus to date is New York City

- We’re more than just a lender – we’re a non-profit “R&D” center for clean energy financing, bringing innovative solutions into this emerging market

- We’re flexible, innovative and market-responsive
## Project Loan Summary

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<td><strong>Borrower:</strong></td>
<td>Demand Energy Special Purpose Entity (SPE)</td>
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<td>Brownsville section of Brooklyn, NY</td>
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<td><strong>NYCEEC Product:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Total Project Cost:</strong></td>
<td>$1.32MM</td>
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<td><strong>NYCEEC Loan Amount:</strong></td>
<td>$1.25MM</td>
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<td><strong>Incentive Amount &amp; Provider:</strong></td>
<td>$0.54MM from Con Ed</td>
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<td><strong>Construction Period:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Duration of Loan:</strong></td>
<td>10.5 years (including Construction Period)</td>
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<td><strong>Security:</strong></td>
<td>All equipment, incentives, and equity in SPE</td>
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## Key Revenue Streams

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| **1) Brooklyn Queens Demand Management (BQDM) Program Incentives** | Incentives provided under Con Ed’s BQDM Program for load reduction | - Total of $540,000 in BQDM incentives to be paid in three installments:  
  - 70% upon commissioning  
  - 10% in first year after commissioning  
  - 20% in second year after commissioning |
| **2) Demand Response** | Payments for providing load reduction when called upon by either Con Ed or NYISO | - Project qualifies for four demand response programs:  
  - ConEd Commercial System Relief Program (CSRP)  
  - ConEd Distribution Load Relief Program (DLRP)  
  - NYISO Installed Capacity-Special Case Resource (Summer)  
  - NYISO Installed Capacity-Special Case Resource (Winter)  
  - However, project does not qualify for ConEd Demand Response programs while receiving BQDM Incentives |
| **3) Peak Shaving** | Dollar savings from the ‘Demand Charge’ on L+M’s monthly utility bills | - Peak shaving revenues are shared between Demand Energy SPE and Marcus Garvey Partners LLC (set up by L+M) in accordance with an Energy Services Agreement  
  - Demand Energy SPE to receive 55% and Marcus Garvey Partners 45% |
THREE PHASE LOAN STRUCTURE

- **Construction**
- **Debt service escrow accumulation**
- **Amortization/post construction**

- Incentive/BGDM
- Peak Shaving
- Demand Response
- Ending Loan Balance

- Flexible Draw Schedule
- Capitalized Interest
- Initial BGDM incentive will serve as first prepayment
- Capitalized Interest
- Remaining BGDM incentives serve as prepayments
- NOI captured in escrow account
- Remaining loan balance amortized over 8 year period
CONCLUSIONS

- Shortly after the battery system was installed at Marcus Garvey, Demand Energy was acquired by Enel, which prepaid NYCEEC’s loan.

- This transaction required a structured, three-phase approach due to the timing of the various streams of revenues that were received by the SPE.

- Uncertainty of revenues posed the biggest underwriting challenge:
  - Demand Response and Peak Shaving revenues are subject to potential future price fluctuations.
  - Construction delays could jeopardize receipt of the BQDM Incentives.

- NYCEEC’s successful financing of the battery storage system at Marcus Garvey serves as a template for similar transactions, and we look forward to a thriving market for battery storage financing.
Thank you for attending our webinar

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