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Smartest strategy

The smartest strategy for our energy future is to support solar power on all dwellings and business buildings. When power is centralized, that is to say provided by one or a small number of large scale providers, problems that occur with the generators or distribution systems affect very large numbers of people. If there is a grid of generators composed of large numbers of buildings with rooftop solar paneling (with in-house battery systems as local power storage), power generation is spread broadly, any problems which occur will be localized to the individual structures involved, and there could be a compensatory system of local power-sharing in communities to provide immediate help. In today's world of extreme weather conditions, power outages are likely to increase in the future. This alternative plan for localized power puts control of energy generation and storage in the hands of the individual users.