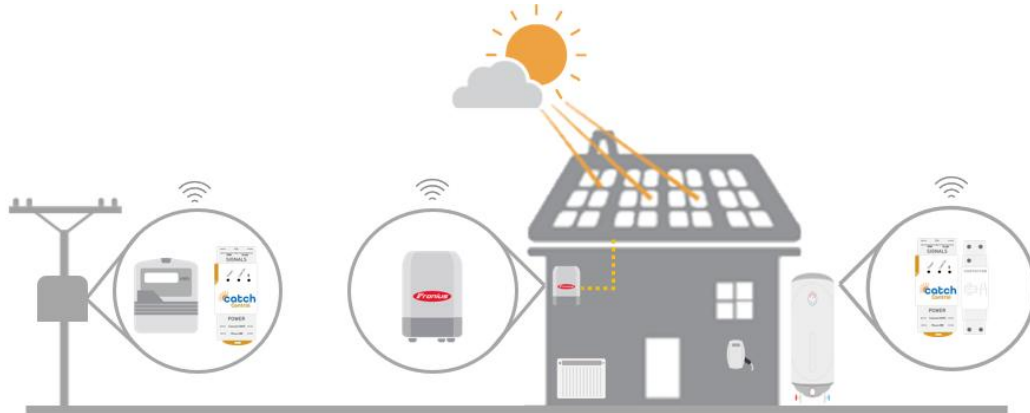




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# Introduction

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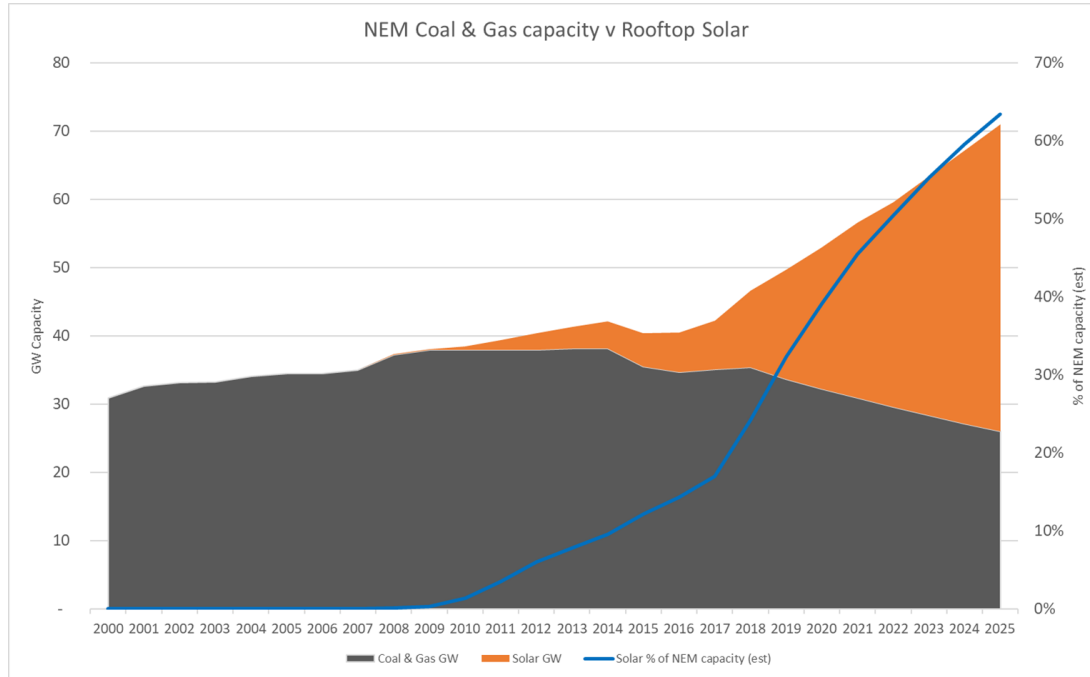


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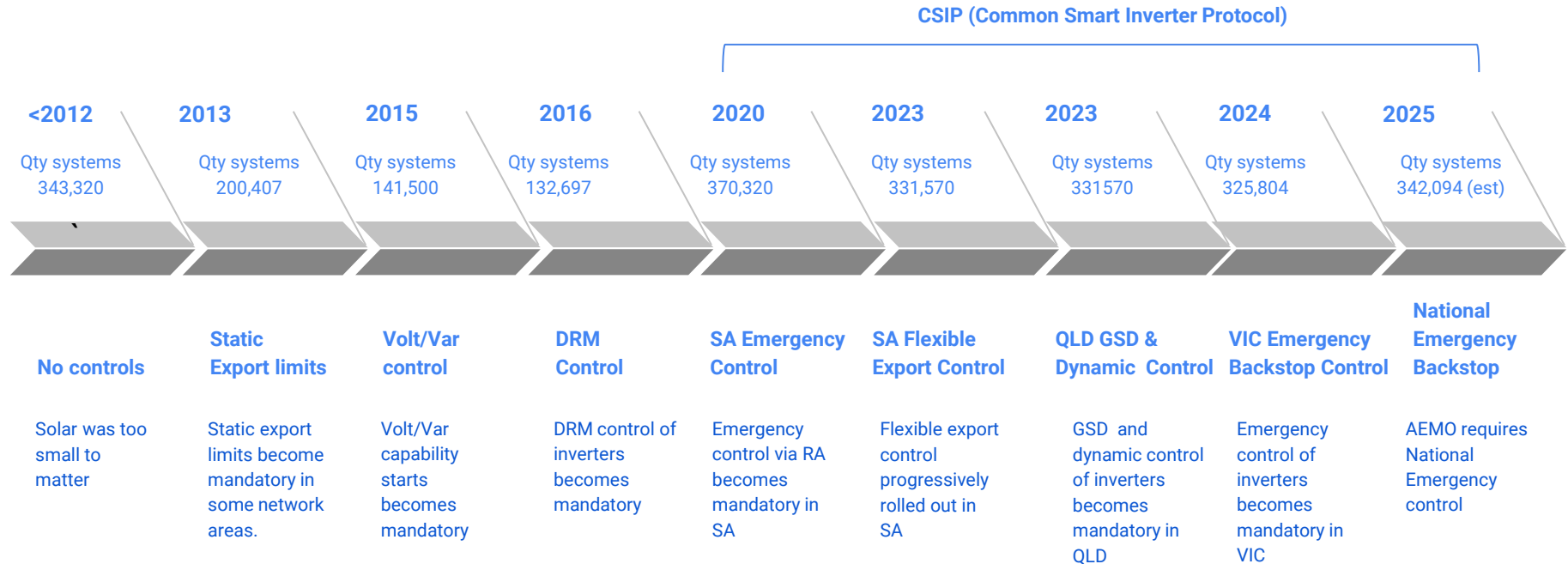
# **Why and how centralised control works**

# Why



**Quote of the year** “Installers thought they were sparkies but they've actually become essential service providers who now represent 60% of NEM generation assets”

# Control mechanisms



# QLD GSD Control

AEMO

DNSP

QLD GSD

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Ripple Control



\*Pending



DRM signal



National forecasts  
& constraints

Local forecasts  
& constraints

Local signal  
interface

Local signal  
receiver

# QLD/SA Flexible/Dynamic Control

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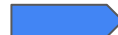
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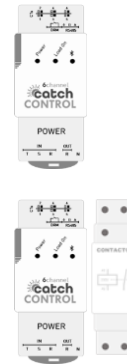
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# VIC Backstop Legacy Control

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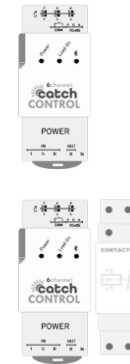
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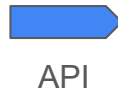
# WA Backstop Control (today)

W/POWER

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Element signal



API signal



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# WA Backstop Control (tomorrow)

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## Importantly

- CSIP is increasingly becoming standard
- Load increasingly being controlled
- National Backstop/Dynamic is starting this year
- Legacy/Upgrade standards still a work in progress

# Maximising solar savings



# Maximising savings

## The simple way to save

- Solar self consumption
- Exported energy

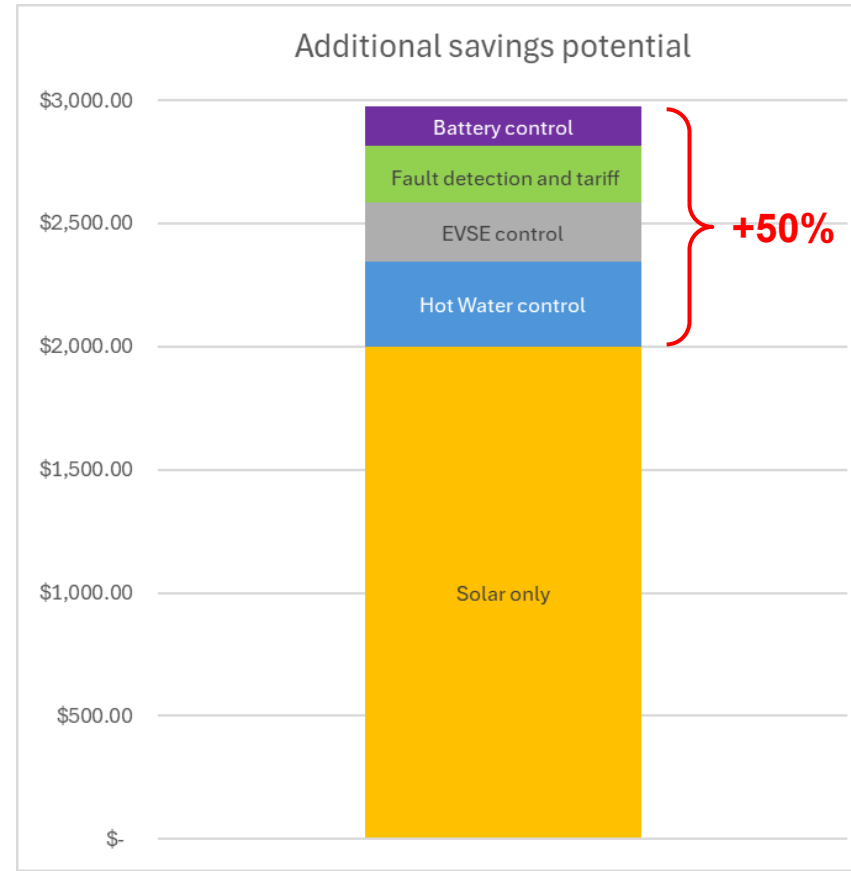
## The smart way to save

- Hot water control - \$180 - \$380 pa
- EVSE control - \$180 - \$350 pa
- Tariff & fault control- \$145 - \$320 pa
- Battery control - \$150 - \$250 pa

\*Larger systems, lower FITs and higher insolation increase savings

\*\*VPP, Heat Pump excluded

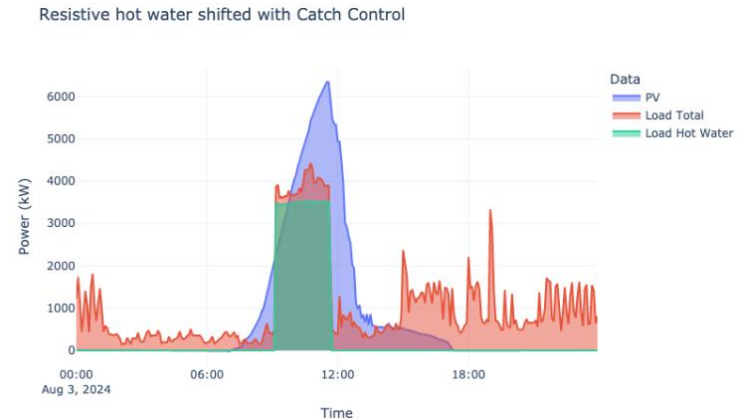
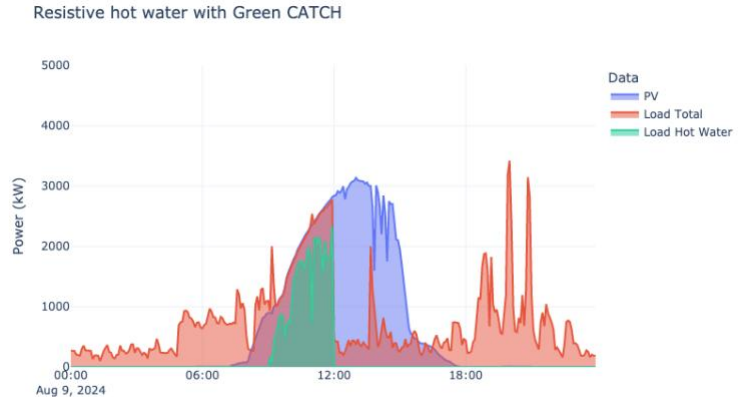
Reference [White Paper](#)



# HW savings

## Analysis shows:

- HW element control provides the biggest savings potential
- Diverters are outstanding, single purpose devices
- Timers can't account for excess
- Smart control provides best of both worlds
- \$180 - \$380 pa extra savings
- (Diverter saves \$55 more pa ave)

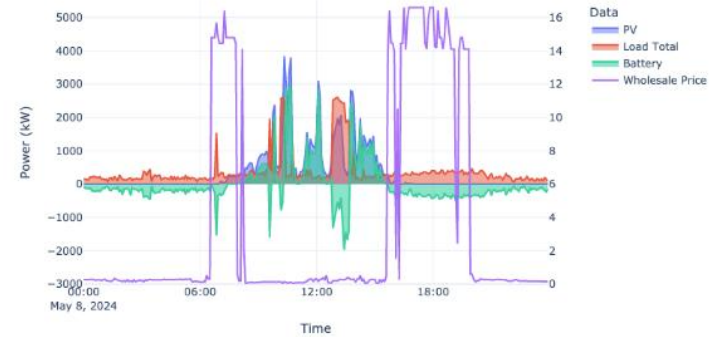


# Battery savings

## Analysis shows:

- Leveraging wholesale trading adds significant savings
- Automation is key
- Leverage via:
  - Load control
  - Forecasting
  - Tariff matching
- \$150-\$250 pa of extra savings

Default battery behaviour



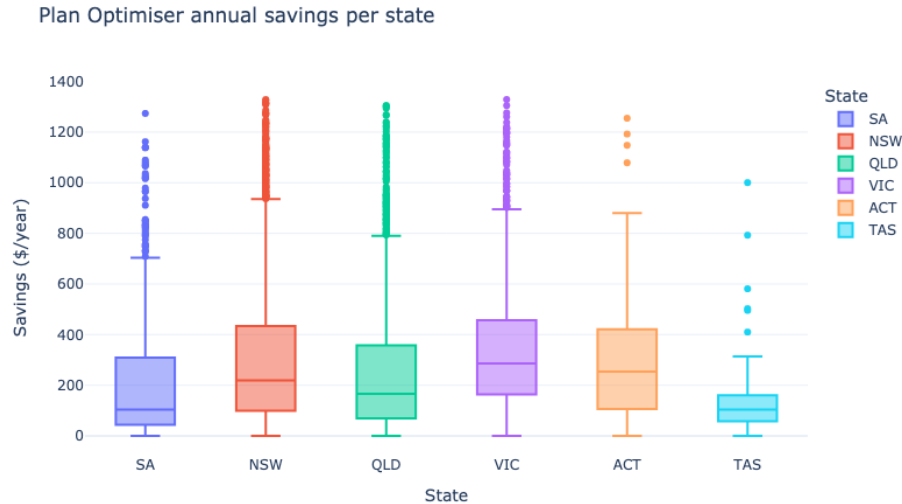
Smart battery behaviour responding to wholesale price



# Tariff savings

## Analysis shows:

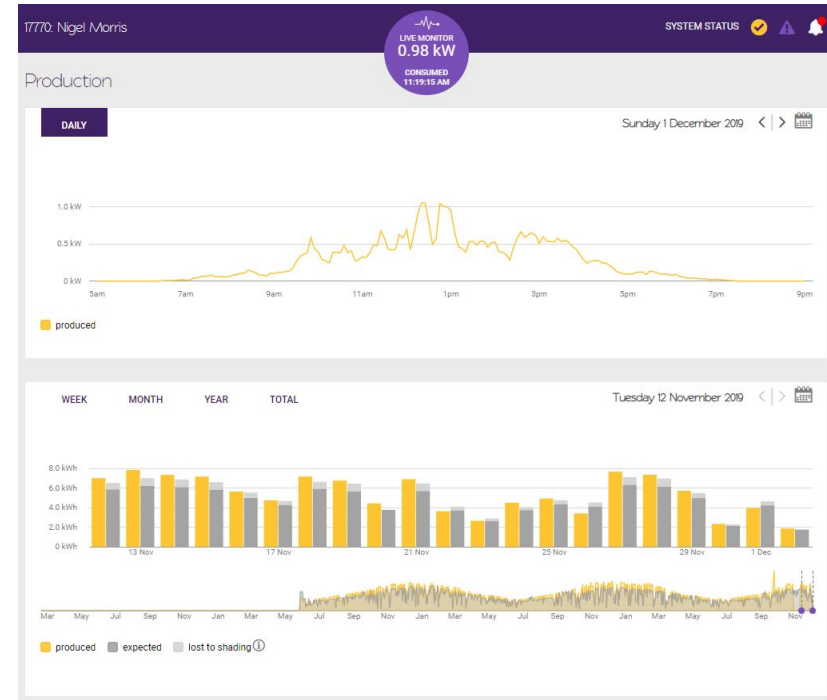
- Analysis of 28,000 solar owners shows massive savings scope
- Can be leveraged by load control/load shifting, especially if wholesale trading is used
- \$145 - \$320 pa of extra savings



# Performance savings

## Analysis shows:

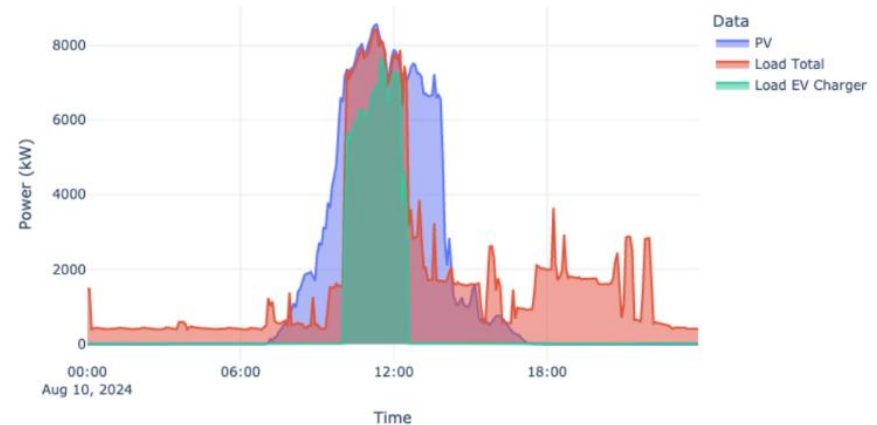
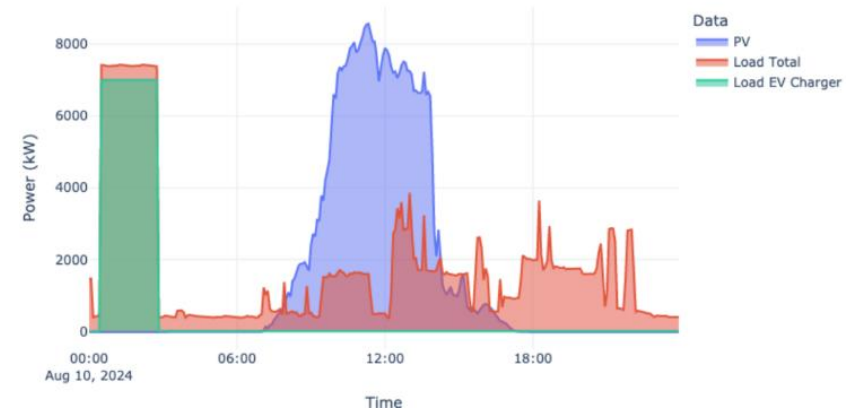
- In 2024 we showed 37GWh and \$9.1M of extra savings by early fault detection
- Key is detecting faults accurately and fast
- \$132 pa ave extra savings



# EVSE savings

## Analysis shows:

- Smart control blends solar self consumption and best tariffs
- 75% of savings come from controlled solar charging
- \$180 - \$350 pa extra savings

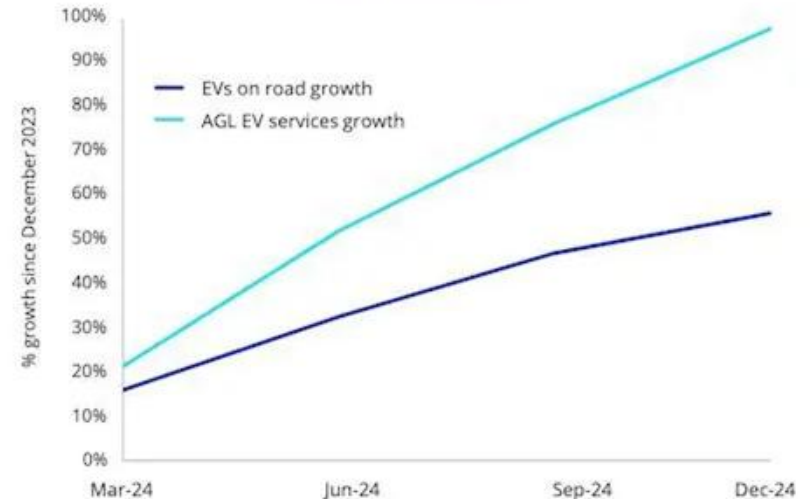


# EVSE savings

## EV tariffs are hugely popular

- 75%+ have solar
- Discounted rates (eg 8c/kWh) fill the solar gap
- Automation and scheduling is the key
- \$180 - \$350 pa extra savings

**AGL Residential EV service plans growth outstripping growth of EVs on the road<sup>1</sup>**



1) EV Council - [www.electricvehiclecouncil.com.au](http://www.electricvehiclecouncil.com.au)

2) AEMO 2024 ISP Step Change Scenario

# Recap

## Control

- Centralised control is here to stay and expanding (EV, V2G etc)
- Evidence that is allowing larger system to be installed already
- CSIP is a fundamentally good system designed by solar industry

## Savings

- As FITs reduce finding new ways to save is essential
- Load control becoming much easier
- Automation and AI based learning is real
- Read the [White Paper](#) - **scan the QR!**







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