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Tuesday, February 24, 2025

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8:30 AM	Extreme weather and resilience
8:30 AM	Hail: A data-driven understanding of PV module resilience Colin Sillerud <i>GroundWork</i>
8:50 AM	Predicting module damage from hail impacts using finite element simulations Steven DiGregorio <i>Sandia National Laboratories</i>
9:10 AM	Measuring solar PV resilience: At 6s and 7s, how to make solar PV a 10 in the face of storms James Elsworth <i>National Laboratory of the Rockies</i>
9:30 AM	Panel discussion
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10:20 AM	Quality and reliability in module and system design
10:20 AM	Creepage, clearance and compliance in PV modules: Quality assurance lessons from domestic manufacturing Terry Jester <i>Kiwa PI Berlin</i>
10:40 AM	Accelerating structural and mechanical engineering practice: Urgent needs and a path forward Gerald Robinson <i>Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory</i>
11:00 AM	Industry-informed analysis of PV module glass breakage: Insights and perspectives from stakeholder interviews Farid Samara <i>DNV</i>
11:20 AM	Warranty litigation—Lessons learned and best practices Todd Heffner <i>Smith, Gambrell & Russell LLP</i>
11:40 AM	Panel discussion
12:00 PM	Lunch

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2:30 PM	Predicting glass fracture in large-format photovoltaic modules Martin Springer <i>National Laboratory of the Rockies</i>
2:50 PM	From static loads to dynamic reliability in PV systems: Investigating module cracking Miguel Garcia <i>Nextpower</i>
3:10 PM	Site data collection for asset management Janna Segrest <i>Quanta Services</i>
3:30 PM	Panel discussion
3:50 PM	Break
4:10 PM	Discussion session: Insurance
Moderators Michael Perron, <i>FM Renewable Energy</i> Isaac McLean, <i>kWh Analytics</i> Panelists Heidi Aragon, <i>J.S. Held</i> Marc Giovannetti, <i>Lloyd Warwick</i> Roderick Rennison, <i>Rimkus</i>	
5:20 PM	Day 1 closing and poster awards
5:30 PM	Welcome reception

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8:30 AM	Cell reliability
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8:50 AM	Post-PID metastability and recovery behavior in TOPCON modules Allan Ward <i>Heliene</i>
9:10 AM	PID observations in the field Hubert Seigneur <i>University of Central Florida</i>
9:30 AM	Panel discussion
9:50 AM	Break
10:20 AM	Quality and reliability in operation and asset management
10:20 AM	Large scale daylight photoluminescence imaging for quality assessment of utility scale solar farms Thorsten Trupke <i>Lab 360 Solar / University of New South Wales</i>
10:40 AM	Insights from field operations Greg Rossin <i>AES</i>
11:00 AM	Insights from the PV O&M Analytics Collaborative Marios Theristis <i>Sandia National Laboratories</i>
11:20 AM	Repowering, the other side of the reliability coin Silvana Ovatt <i>National Laboratory of the Rockies</i>
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2:30 PM	Strained connections—EBOS and trackers David Devir <i>VDE Americas</i>
2:50 PM	Field data review: Quality and reliability insights from >2,000 inspections covering >5 GW of U.S. PV assets David Penalva <i>HelioVolta</i>
3:10 PM	National Lab Center for Electrical Balance of System Reliability Laurie Burnham <i>Sandia National Laboratories</i>
3:30 PM	Resuscitating Icarus: Responding to PV plant performance testing challenges Adam Kankiewicz <i>Origis Energy</i>
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4:30 PM	Discussion session: Building consensus on module reliability classification
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8:30 AM	PV Fleet performance—2025 update Chris Deline <i>National Laboratory of the Rockies</i>
8:50 AM	Insights from performance and reliability benchmarking (SUPER) Danny Fregosi <i>Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI)</i>
9:10 AM	Ensuring quality and reliability: Insights from our reliability testing and inspections Max Koentopp <i>TÜV Rheinland International GmbH</i>
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