Review of Electric Utility Hurricane Preparedness and Restoration Actions
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Comments : Hurricane Irma showed again how undependable the power grid is when a big storm hits. My neighbors and I were without power for a few days and I consider it very lucky for the speed at which power was restored however our neighborhood can be pretty much guaranteed to lose power during any significant storm.

I have heard stories about families and businesses that were able to use solar and batteries to generate power after the storm. To me this seems like the smart way forward. I think the utilities need to invest in more solar and batteries near our neighborhoods. Or make it easier for customers to buy their own equipment and be able to use it when the grid goes down. Those kinds of technology should be used wherever they can to prepare for hurricanes. We need to make sure Florida Power and Light is building the grid with modern technology and clean energy to make it more dependable, not just rebuilding the same old power lines that keep going down when we need them the most.