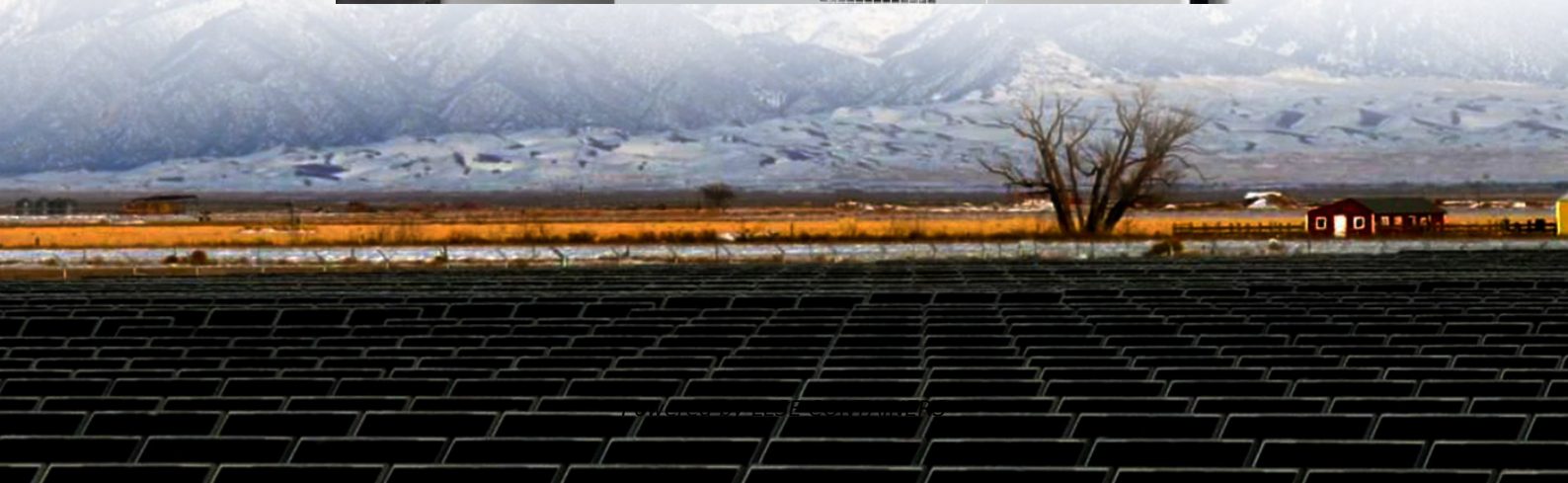


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Overview

Do foldable containers reduce container fleet management costs?

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Are foldable containers a solution to empty container repositioning?

The paper explores the potential of foldable containers as a solution for the costly issue of empty container repositioning in maritime logistics. Through qualitative research of 23 expert interviews, this study identified barriers like market incentives and operational concerns, while noting financial and environmental benefits as drivers.

Can repositioning empty containers reduce the cost of hinterland transport?

Shintani et al. (2010) focused on three scenarios for repositioning empty containers with foldable and standard containers in a hinterland, and the results showed that using foldable containers could reduce the total management cost for hinterland transport compared with the use of standard containers.

How can a government reduce the cost of a foldable container?

It would also be helpful for governments to invest in research and innovation of the equipment technology for handling foldable containers to reduce the fixed cost. Meanwhile, policies that can motivate container companies to supply more foldable containers to the market would also have a positive effect.



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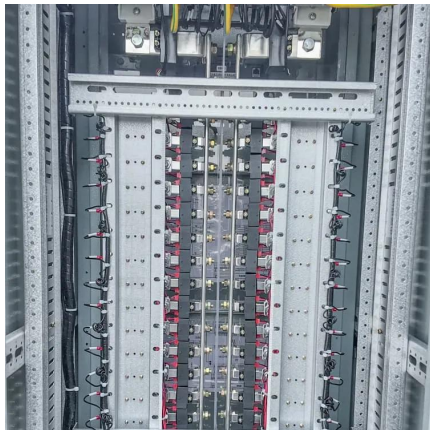


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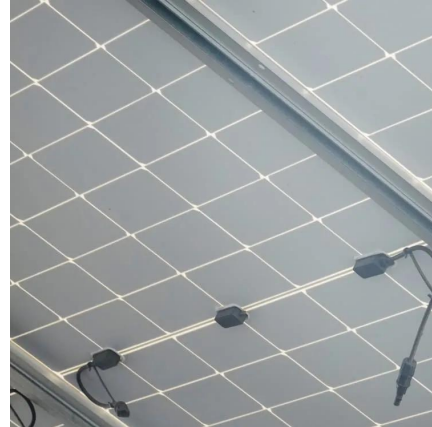
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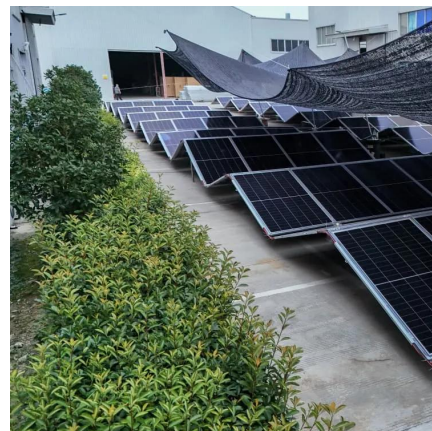


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