

SOILING MEASUREMENT KIT

NRG Systems' Soiling Measurement Kit provides users with the information needed to quantify the site-specific impacts of soiling caused by snow, dust, and other particles on prospective and current PV projects. These data are used to improve pre-construction annual energy production (AEP) estimates as well as maintenance schedules (i.e., panel washing) and forecast models in the post-construction setting.

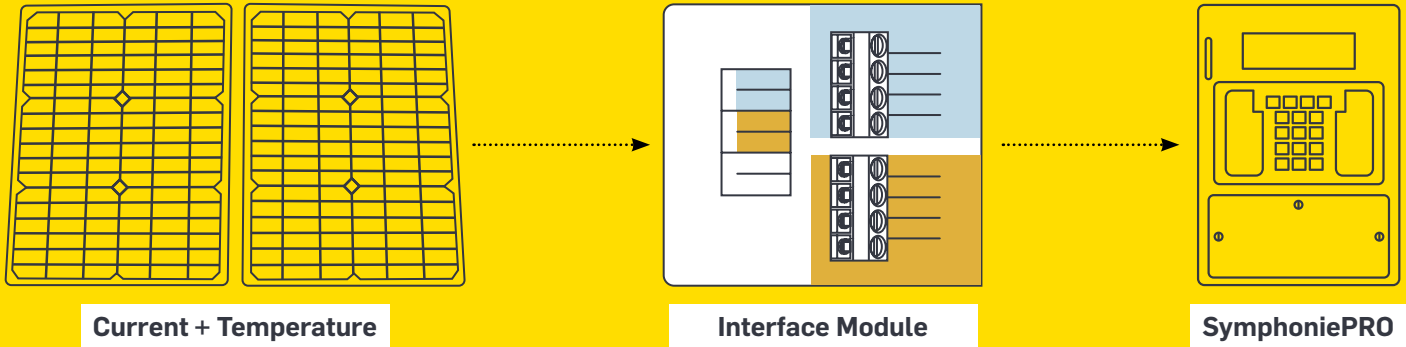
Key Benefits

- Determine site-specific soiling loss characteristics with this turnkey soiling measurement solution.
- Install easily as an accessory to NRG's SRA System—complete with PV modules, pre-installed back-of-module temperature sensors, flexible mounting hardware, and integrated soiling interface module.
- Measure short circuit current and back-of-module temperature with user's choice of statistical interval as well as optional 1 Hz sample data collection for flexible analysis options to meet data demands.



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COMPONENT OVERVIEW:



SPECIFICATIONS:

Description	Soiling Ratio(*) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measurement of short circuit current (Isc) of both a clean reference solar panel and uncleaned test solar panel, including back of panel temperature compensation Application <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soiling loss measurement with 15W or full-sized solar panel 	Instrument Compatibility <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NRG Solar Resource Assessment System using SymphoniePRO Data Logger Signal Type <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analog voltage outputs
Specification	Soiling Ratio Accuracy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • < 1% accuracy* *for Isc values > 0.50 Amp including back of panel temperature error	Recommended Panel Isc Measurement Range for Soiling Ratio Calculation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0.50 Amp to 1.5 Amp
Power Requirements	Supply Voltage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soiling station interface module: 5-15 Vdc 	Supply Maximum Current <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soiling station interface module and the amplifier power for the Isc measurement: 2.5mA
Installation	Mounting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Panels: Rail mounting with angle adjustment • Interface Module: DIN rail mount 	Wiring/Interconnection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solar panel current measurement and back of panel temperature are connected via a 5 terminal screw connector on the interface module • The connections to the logger from the interface module are via a 6 terminal screw connector
Environmental	Operating Temperature and Humidity Range <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCB Temperature: -40C to +65C • Temp Probe and adhesion Temperature: -40C to +85C • Humidity: 0 to 100%, Corrosion resistant, UV resistant 	IP Rating <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interface module: IP55 when installed in a standard Symphonie Shelter Box FRP Electrical <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EN 61000-4-2 ESD Compliance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CE Other <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Packaging meets ISTA-1A 2014 Shock Drop Test

(*)Michael G., Tim D., and Christopher T. "Accurately measuring PV soiling losses with soiling station employing module power measurements", Proceedings of the 42nd IEEE Photovoltaic Specialists Conference, June 14-19, 2015, New Orleans, LA.

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