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The valve cannot be turned to generate solar power



Overview

If a solar valve refuses to turn, the first step is to isolate the issue through systematic troubleshooting. Begin by checking for mechanical blockages; these can often be resolved with cleaning. These obstructions can originate. These valves can be operated manually or automated using a 24VAC valve actuator connected to a pool automation or solar control system. Although originally developed by Jandy Industries, this valve-and-actuator design has been adopted by Pentair and Hayward, making actuators and valves. The use of solar power in industrial and municipal valve actuator applications goes back several decades; however, technological advances in solar power efficiency and storage mean that today, it has become a practical, dependable alternative for many isolated locations. In reviewing energy requirements first, a typical remote valve actuator site will have some sort of communication, whether it's licensed radio, cellular. This is the first in a two-part series exploring the selection of valves in solar power applications.

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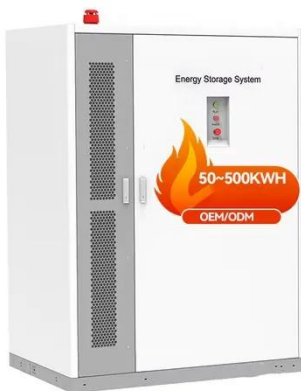
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