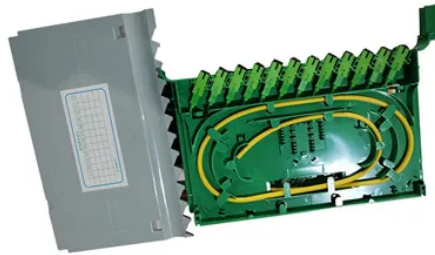




Cuba Fire Uninterruptible Power Supply



Overview

A series of interruptions to the nationwide electrical service of Cuba occurred during the months of February, March, October and December 2024. The blackouts began in February 2024 with power outages that affected nearly half of the country. Cuba's government said it killed four of 10 passengers on a Florida-registered speedboat who had opened fire on its soldiers and were allegedly trying to infiltrate the island with terrorist intent. The deadly gunfight happened. The problem stems from years of neglect of Cuba's energy infrastructure, exacerbated by constrained access to foreign capital and a failure to adapt to new energy options. The situation, exacerbated by U.S. demand for fuel oil for the power plants is not confirmed here, but the specific plants and megawatt (MW) nameplate capacity are identified and suggest a heavy vulnerability to the oil blockade. In March, further blackouts caused widespread protests. Cuba faces one of the most critical challenges in its recent history. Cuba's energy crisis is a complex issue that has developed over decades, influenced by various political, economic, and infrastructural challenges.



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