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## Victron aims to cut into global markets with MultiPlus-II

Global energy system specialist <u>Victron Energy</u> is expanding grid-connection approvals globally for its new MultiPlus-II battery inverter-charger, boosting the market for this robust unit that works both on and off-grid.

Victron will also use the standards-compliance and competitive pricing of the MultiPlus-II to pursue large deployments that involve major rollouts of standardised energy storage systems across many sites.

Victron Energy BV Managing Director Matthijs Vader said the MultiPlus-II would expand Victron's reach globally. "The new technical design and standards compliance of the MultiPlus-II brings the familiar Victron Energy MultiPlus technology to a world market at an even more competitive price," he said.

"The MultiPlus-II is ideal for grid-connected applications such as distributed Virtual Power Plant (VPP) deployments that can both supply energy for individual houses and, collectively, deliver energy to the grid in a coordinated manner. This is an emerging market need that Victron is looking to support globally."

Victron this month reduced list pricing for its first MultiPlus-II model, the MultiPlus-II 48/3000/35-32 230V by five per cent: New prices are EUR €1178 in Europe, GBP £1030 in the UK, AU\$1880 in Australia, and US\$1315 in the US. Larger discounts are available for volume MultiPlus-II deployments.

Victron announced these prices just days before it shows the new MultiPlus-II inverter-charger at next week's <a href="Intersolar Europe trade show in Münich, Germany">Intersolar Europe trade show in Münich, Germany</a>, the largest annual exhibition for the European energy storage market. Victron products are available through the <a href="Company's global distribution network">Company's global distribution network</a> including Europe, Africa, Asia, Australia, and the Americas.

The MultiPlus-II 48/3000/35-32 230V boasts a new-look stylish enclosure, redesigned internal electronics and purpose-built compliance with national standards for grid-ready operation, including VDE-AR-N 4105 for Germany, NRS 097-2-1 for South Africa and the AS 4777 Australian Standard. Further grid standards approvals are on the way.

Existing customers have welcomed the MultiPlus-II launch. Simon Hackett, a major investor and technology evangelist for Redflow Limited, which produces zinc-bromine flow batteries that are compatible with Victron Energy products, described the new MultiPlus-II series as a "game changer". "From my point of view, this is Victron's first truly 'world model' in terms of its on-grid compatibility," he said.

"Victron Energy has a long and storied history as a supplier of robust and reliable off-grid inverters suitable for harsh and often remote environments. The MultiPlus-II marks Victron's arrival as a supplier of purpose-designed on-grid inverters that are suitable for approval in many on-grid markets around the world.

"It's a big development for Australia because this marks Victron's entry as a fully-fledged player in the AS 4777 grid-connect environment. Victron Energy inverter-chargers can also be clustered to create large energy storage systems such as the Victron-based system designed to control 100kWp of solar panels and 450kWh of zinc-bromine flow batteries at my own office in South Australia."

Victron Energy BV is a 43-year-old company based in the Netherlands that has established a global reputation as a manufacturer of robust and reliable components for autonomous power generation and solar systems. With its MultiPlus, Quattro and now the new MultiPlus-II inverter-chargers, the company continually innovates to deliver value into the energy storage sector.

The MultiPlus-II is a 48-volt inverter-charger that readily connects with a wide range of energy storage systems, from lead-acid and lithium-based batteries to zinc-bromine flow batteries. The unit is easier to install than earlier models with AC connections accessible via a single plate on its base and is also simple to retrofit to an existing grid-tied photovoltaic (PV) system, without modification. The 18kg MultiPlus-II draws just 11 watts of standby power, less than half that used by the model it supersedes.

As with all Victron inverter-chargers, the MultiPlus-II is a transformer-based system. This gives it the capability to support 'surge' energy demands well above its continuous energy rating, including the start-up load of high-demand devices such as air conditioners and freezers. The MultiPlus-II has optional Internet-enabled remote monitoring, both through the secure Victron portal or via authenticated third-party applications. This remote monitoring enables the 24/7 performance logging of the entire energy system deployment.

Click here for technical details about the Victron MultiPlus-II.



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