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Title: DEVELOPMENT OF SOFTWARE FOR SIZING AN STAND-ALONE PHOTOVOLTAIC/BATTERY SYSTEM BASED ON MATHEMATICAL MODELS

| Recommendation: | Rating | Excel. | Good | Fair | Poor |
|-------------------------------|----------------|--------|------|------|------|
| Accept Yes | Originality | | | YES | |
| Accept after revision | Techn. Quality | | YES | | |
| Do not accept (Reasons below) | Clarity | | | YES | |
| | Significance | | YES | | |

Reviewer Name: Gulnawaz Gani

Reviewer's Comment for Publication

This paper develops a free, offline software tool for optimal sizing of standalone photovoltaic systems with battery storage, enhancing accessibility and efficiency in renewable energy deployment.

<u>Detailed Reviewer's Report</u>

- This paper presents the development of a software tool for optimal sizing of standalone photovoltaic (PV) systems with battery storage, addressing a crucial challenge in renewable energy adoption.
- It effectively integrates empirical equations into a user-friendly desktop application, utilizing Java (NetBeans) and SQLite for implementation.
- The proposed tool is validated using real-world data from a healthcare center in Guinea, demonstrating its practical utility. The research highlights the importance of precise system sizing in improving energy efficiency and reliability in off-grid locations.
- While the study is well-structured, it could benefit from a comparative analysis with existing commercial sizing software.
- The ethical and economic impacts of solar PV adoption are briefly mentioned but warrant deeper exploration.
- Overall, this work contributes significantly to the advancement of accessible and cost-effective renewable energy solutions.

Decision:

Accept

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