Solar Home

Progress Jan to May 2010

Dead of Winter (Xmas break)

- Main Objective
 - To get twelve 300lb batteries to basement
- Spent most of the time with pencil, paper and calculator.
- Designed
 - Battery box
 - Hoist system
 - Special dollies and rigging



Installed Hoist #1

Rated for 1200 lbs Designed Cradle – The rope and boards Static test

- Hoisted battery 1 inch above card board packing material for 24 house
- Inspected cradle for stretching in rope or other signs in strain

No signs of strain or stretch

• Ink marks didn't gap



Hoist #2 Stairwell

constructed inserts that convert stairs to ramp



Hoist #3 Utility room



Prepping the utility Room







- The purpose is to contain a leak (up to 1 inch depth a door)
- Floor drain tested to ensure its not plugged

3) Sealed exposed wood and door transition with silicone

From Dec to May Parts for battery box were being pre-fabricated



May 8. battery box assembly



May 9 Battery Move Step 1 Hoist



Step 2: Lowered onto special dolly



Step 3: Down the stair/ramp

The 17 degree tilt in the dolly compensates for half of the tilt in the stairs so that battery electrolyte does not leak out

Step 4: special transition ramp at base of stairs



Step 5:Utility room hoist to remove from tilt dolly



Step 6: Low profile dolly helps position batteries for lower shelf



Step 7: Interlocking stand to place batteries in upper shelf





Covers Installed



Inverter Equipment Mounted.



Many other things done



Just some pictures taken since winter











