

PREPARING FOR FUTURE EXPANSION

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OBJECTIVE

Provide developing regions with the ability to manage and conserve a shared energy source



OUR CLIENTS

SIM International (Burkina Faso)



Primary Client Theological College of Zimbabwe



Secondary Client IEEE Smart Village™



Working Partnership

OUR METER



- Measures Power
- Regulates Total Power
 Consumed
- Displays Useful Information to the User

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

1. Mass Production

Design the meter so that it is capable of being manufactured in large quantities

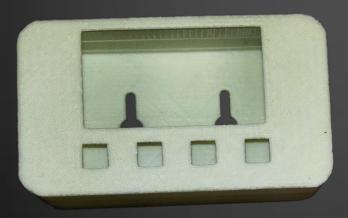
2. Testing

Develop procedures for overall meter evaluation

Mass Production - User Interface Box

- New User Interface Enclosure
- 3D printed model to a purchased model
- Faster: 3D printing = 11 hours each
- Cheaper \$3.62 compared to \$10.75

Old Enclosure (3D Printed)



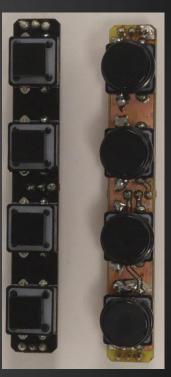


New Electrical Components

- New LCD Display- Significantly Cheaper
 - \$18.75 to \$3.30
- New Pushbuttons- Circular
 - Circular holes easier to cut out of the enclosure
 Old Display
 New Display

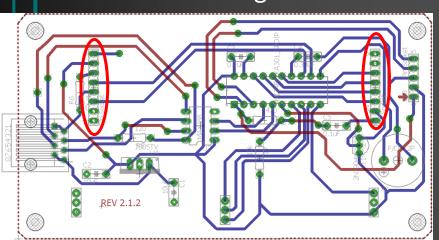


Old New

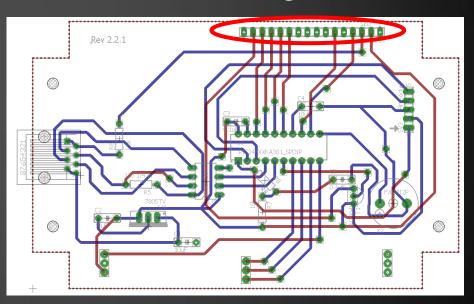


User Interface Circuit Board Changes

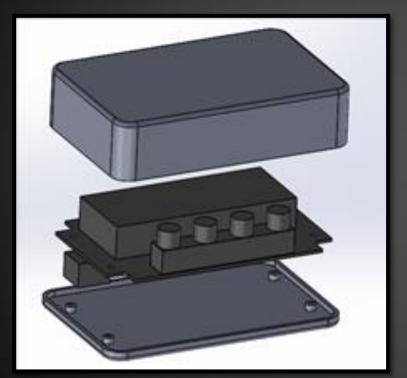
Old Design



New Design



Final Design

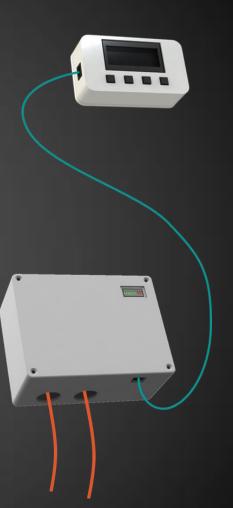




TESTING GOALS

 Develop tests to evaluate the operation of our design

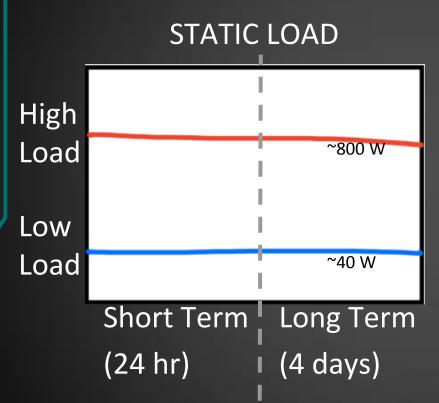
- ACCURACY
- CONSISTENCY
- FUNCTIONALITY



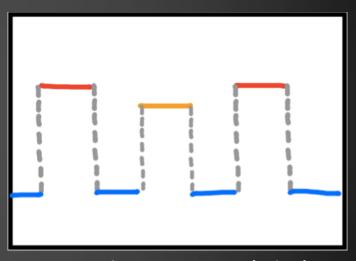
TEST SETUP: PONTIOUS



DEVELOPING TESTS



DYNAMIC LOAD



Short Term (1hr)

RESULTS

ACCURACY & CONSISTENCY



 Accurate and consistent under lower loads **FUNCTIONALITY**



- Emergency allocation
- Estimated time remaining

MOVING FORWARD

- Perform tests on upcoming meters
- Develop tests to simulate field conditions
 - Temperature/Climate
 - Generator power source
- Mass production



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QUESTIONS?

