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Use idle lead-acid batteries at home

I am storing my 2022 Entegra Esteem 27u (Class C) motorhome outdoors with covered parking for the first

time this winter in Michigan. I have two 12-volt flooded lead acid batteries connected to solar

Keeping batteries stored for a long time actually causes them to age. During long idle periods, the battery cells are subjected to self-discharge and decomposition. A sealed lead-acid battery (SLA) is equipped with a design

that prohibits electrolytes to leak from the cells. Sometimes the seals are broken, however. SLA batteries are

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batteries operate on the principle of electrolysis. Within the sealed battery, two lead plates immersed in a

sulfuric acid solution facilitate a chemical reaction. One plate is coated with lead dioxide, while the other is

made of spongy lead ...

To put it plainly, self-discharge is what happens when a battery sits idle but naturally loses minute amounts of

power due to the chemical reaction reversing internally (5-20% per week with a flooded lead-acid battery,

depending on ...

Lead-acid batteries are commonly used in traditional vehicles. They require regular recharging from an

external source. Lithium-ion batteries, found in electric vehicles, also rely on external charging. However, they

can store energy more efficiently and recover energy through regenerative braking systems.

Home battery storage systems are large, stationary batteries that store energy for later use or during a blackout.

While the Tesla Powerwall is the most widely known and installed home battery, the playing field is getting

more crowded. Home batteries can charge using grid power or solar power.

So maybe the question is really, "Do you need a DC-DC charger between the alternator/lead acid starter

and the LifePo4 house battery" in which case I think the answer is yes. One reason, like said above, is

that the DC-DC charger would output the appropriate charge profile to the LifePo4 as the alternator would

already handle the Lead Acid.

Overview Approximately 86 per cent of the total global consumption of lead is for the production of lead-acid

batteries, mainly used in motorized vehicles, storage of energy generated by photovoltaic cells and ...

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