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(57) Abstract: A power supply system includes a number of battery cells connected in rows in an end-to-end fashion to form a battery module. A number of these battery modules are placed into a housing to form a battery brick, which is a basic building block that can be used to create a larger battery assembly. The power supply system may include locators to position individual battery cells within a row, to help ensure proper alignment of battery terminals extending outside the battery housing. Terminal connectors can be used to reduce the magnitude of the voltage seen across exposed terminals. The terminal connectors connect two of the battery terminals, while covering, and inhibiting access to, adjacent battery terminals. The power supply system may also include sensor stations to facilitate use of temperature sensors such that uniformity of airflow around the battery cells is maintained regardless of how many temperature sensors are used.

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