

ALVASYS-DR-SOLAR Driver

Software installation and configuration manual.

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4 . Introduction

Requirements

- Niagara 4.x (≥ 4.7)
- A license to use the ALVASYS-DR-SOLAR driver. Other device limit or proxy-point limits may apply to your license. For license details and options, see the ALVASYS-DR-SOLAR price list.

Module

The ALVASYS-DR-SOLAR Driver is contained in two files:

- `alvassiSolar-rt.jar`

Compatibility

Platforms

The ALVASYS-DR-SOLAR driver runs on Niagara 4.x (≥ 4.7) platforms.

Tested versions

Niagara 4.10.x +4.13

5 . License

The licence there you need is the only one and you can add more than one location on the Host.

6 . Installing the software

Installing the ALVASYS-DR-SOLAR driver is simple.

It requires a basic knowledge of the Tridium Niagara 4 and execute a few steps as described hereafter.

The driver, a Java “.jar” executable file, is usually shipped in a zip file.

Its name is generated according to the following structure:

`alvassiSolar-rt_<version number>` (i.e. `alvassiSolar-rt_v1.1.0.0`)

The number of the version characterises the features included in the driver and may vary from time to time.

An additional text file is normally added to the zip file, in order to explain the main features of the release.

Its name may appear as follow:

`Note on SwVer <version number>` (i.e. `Note on SwVer 1.0.0`)

Installing the driver on your PC

The following procedures describe how to set-up the driver.

Step 1	First of all unzip the files which contains the driver and technical notes.
Step 2	Rename the files, changing their name into alvassiSolar-rt Extension .jar should remain as well.
Step 3	Copy the two jar files into the modules directory of your Niagara Work Bench .
Step 4	Restart your Work Bench .
Step 5	After restarting, the file should appear in the list of available software, which can be shown clicking on the Software Manager section of the Platform of your Work Bench .

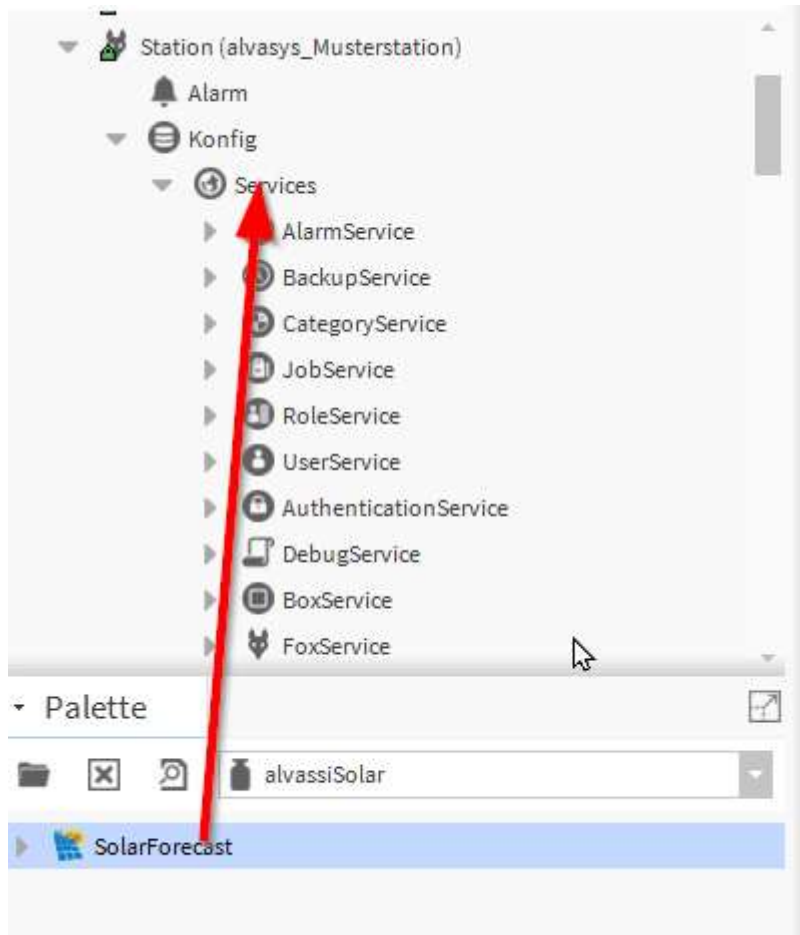
Installing the driver into the JACE/HAWK unit

Step 1	Through the Work Bench get connected to a JACE/HAWK running unit.
Step 2	Transfer the alvassiSolar module into the unit under the folder modules .
Step 3	This can be done by activating the standard Tridium procedure for software upgrading or simply copying the jar files by the File Transfer Client procedure, available under the list of the Platform options in your Work Bench . Destination directory inside the Jace8000 is: /opt/niagara/modules For further details on how to transfer files from Work Bench to JACE/HAWK units, refer to the official Tridium documentation.
Step 4	After copying the driver into the JACE/HAWK unit, force a reboot.

7 . Driver configuration

Installing the alvasysSolar Service

The first step of the driver configuration is the installation of the **alvasysSolar Service** under the station running in the JACE/HAWK unit.



A simple way to complete this task is to open the **Palette** named **alvassiSolar** (see figure below), select the **AlvasysSForecast** component and drag and drop it under the **Services** folder of the running station.

This component is a network-level component in the Niagara architecture.

Configuring the Parameters

To proceed with this task, right click on the **AlvasysForecast** (just dragged to station Services) and open its **Property Sheet**:

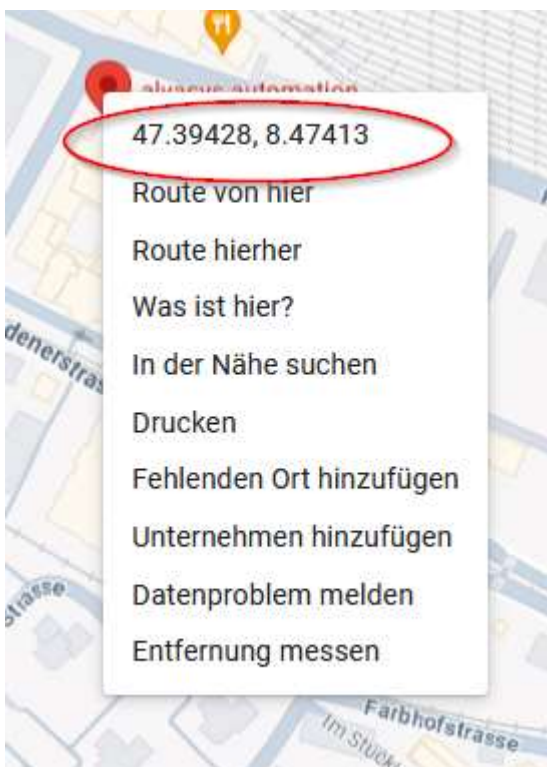
SolarForecast (Solar Forecast)	
Status	{OK}
Fault Cause	
Enabled	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ein
Update Period	00001h 00m 00s [0ms--inf]
Last Update	27. Jun 2024 15:56:21 MESZ
Last Failure	null
Latitude	47.3943 deg
Longitude	8.4741 deg
Dec	90 deg
Az	90 deg
Kwp	15.00 kW
▶ Watts Today	Solar Folder
▶ Watts Tomorrow	Solar Folder
▶ Watt Hours Today	Solar Folder
▶ Watt Hours Tomorrow	Solar Folder
▶ Watt Hours Period Today	Solar Folder
▶ Watt Hours Period Tomorrow	Solar Folder
Watt Hours Day Today	32180.00 W-hr
Watt Hours Day Tomorrow	19443.00 W-hr
Api Message	<pre>latitude: 47.3943 longitude: 8.4742 distance: 0.008 place: Hermetschloostrasse 75, 8048 Zurich, Switzerland timezone: Europe/Zurich zone: IP 62.202.20.141 period: 3600 limit: 12 remaining: 5</pre>

Enable:	true	activate forecast Service
Update Period:	1h	in one hour you can only ask the service 12 time per IP address!
Last Update:	(time)	information when the service has updated the value.
Last Failure		last message error

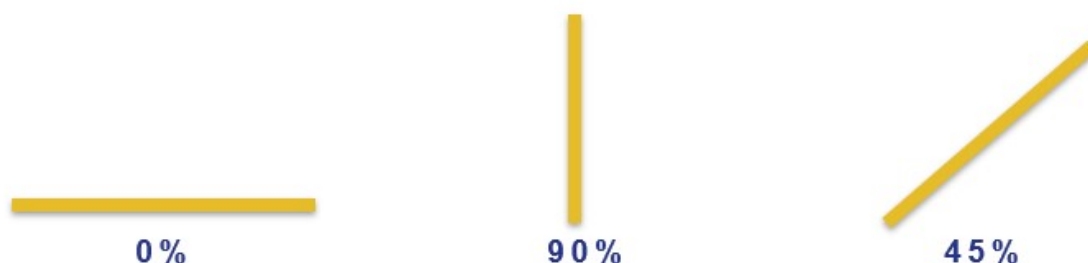
Latitude: of location, -90 (south) ... 90 (north); handed with a precission of 0.0001 or abt. 10 m
 Longitude: of location, -180 (west) ... 180 (east) handed with a precission of 0.0001 or abt. 10 m
 Dec: plane **declination**, 0 (horizontal) ... 90 (vertical) - always in relation to the earth's surface
 Az: plane **azimuth**, -180 ... 180 (-180 = north, -90 = east, 0 = south, 90 = west, 180 = north)
 Kwp: installed **modules power** in kilo watt; float

Latitude and Longitude information from <https://www.google.ch/maps>

1. number is Latitude **47.3943291804062**
2. number is Longitude **8.474159297817193**

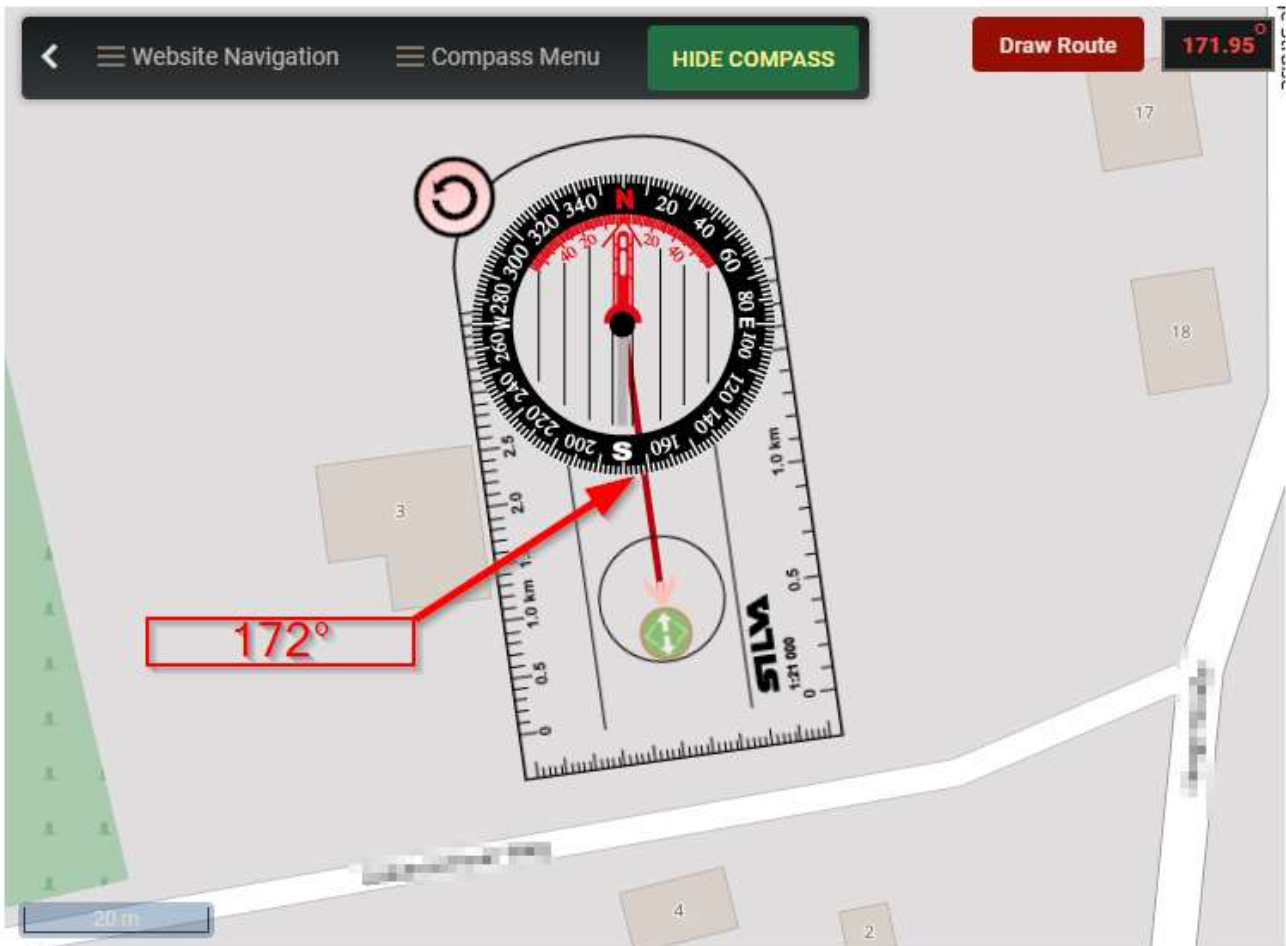
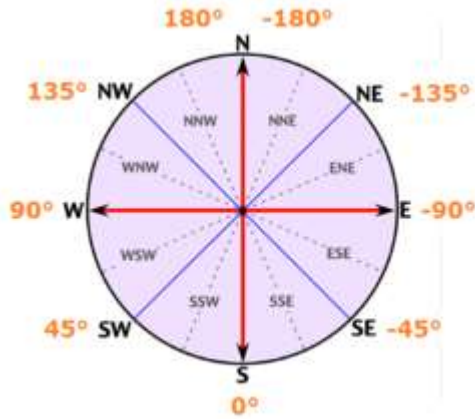


Dec plane **declination**, 0 (horizontal) ... 90 (vertical) - always in relation to the earth's surface



Az: Azimuth

Please note that e.g. Home Assistant uses internal a $0^\circ \dots 360^\circ$ logic, so make sure to translate for direct API calls ...



Value Output

All value are arrive from the <https://forecast.solar/> and we are using the https://doc.forecast.solar/account_models#public (Public)

Watts Today:

Watts Today	Solar Folder
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ SunriseTime 05:31:30 {OK} ▶ SunriseValue 0,00 W {OK} ▶ SunsetTime 21:27:06 {OK} ▶ SunsetValue 0,00 W {OK} ▶ 01:00:00 0,00 W {OK} ▶ 02:00:00 0,00 W {OK} ▶ 03:00:00 0,00 W {OK} ▶ 04:00:00 0,00 W {OK} ▶ 05:00:00 0,00 W {OK} ▶ 06:00:00 105,00 W {OK} ▶ 07:00:00 302,00 W {OK} ▶ 08:00:00 510,00 W {OK} ▶ 09:00:00 630,00 W {OK} ▶ 10:00:00 773,00 W {OK} ▶ 11:00:00 1064,00 W {OK} ▶ 12:00:00 1160,00 W {OK} ▶ 13:00:00 1524,00 W {OK} ▶ 14:00:00 2452,00 W {OK} ▶ 15:00:00 3528,00 W {OK} ▶ 16:00:00 4386,00 W {OK} ▶ 17:00:00 5101,00 W {OK} ▶ 18:00:00 4793,00 W {OK} ▶ 19:00:00 3382,00 W {OK} ▶ 20:00:00 2035,00 W {OK} ▶ 21:00:00 0,00 W {OK} ▶ 22:00:00 0,00 W {OK} ▶ 23:00:00 0,00 W {OK} ▶ 24:00:00 0,00 W {OK} 	Sun Folder

Watts Tomorrow:

▼	📁 Watts Tomorrow	Solar Folder
▼	📁 Sunrise Sunset	Sun Folder
▶	📄 SunriseTime	05:31:59 {OK}
▶	📄 SunriseValue	0,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 SunsetTime	21:27:01 {OK}
▶	📄 SunsetValue	0,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 01:00:00	0,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 02:00:00	0,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 03:00:00	0,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 04:00:00	0,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 05:00:00	0,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 06:00:00	99,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 07:00:00	271,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 08:00:00	497,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 09:00:00	671,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 10:00:00	686,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 11:00:00	655,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 12:00:00	664,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 13:00:00	939,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 14:00:00	1648,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 15:00:00	2206,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 16:00:00	2533,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 17:00:00	2660,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 18:00:00	2482,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 19:00:00	1945,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 20:00:00	1232,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 21:00:00	0,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 22:00:00	0,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 23:00:00	0,00 W {OK}
▶	📄 24:00:00	0,00 W {OK}

Watt Hours Today:

Watt Hours Today	Solar Folder
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ SunriseTime 05:31:30 {OK} ▶ SunriseValue 0,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ SunsetTime 21:27:06 {OK} ▶ SunsetValue 32180,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 01:00:00 0,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 02:00:00 0,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 03:00:00 0,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 04:00:00 0,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 05:00:00 0,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 06:00:00 25,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 07:00:00 229,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 08:00:00 635,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 09:00:00 1205,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 10:00:00 1907,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 11:00:00 2826,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 12:00:00 3938,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 13:00:00 5280,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 14:00:00 7268,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 15:00:00 10258,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 16:00:00 14215,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 17:00:00 18959,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 18:00:00 23906,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 19:00:00 27994,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 20:00:00 30703,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 21:00:00 0,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 22:00:00 0,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 23:00:00 0,00 W-hr {OK} ▶ 24:00:00 0,00 W-hr {OK} 	Sun Folder

Watt Hours Tomorrow:

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▶	📄	SunsetTime	21:27:01 {OK}
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▶	📄	02:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	03:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	04:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	05:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	06:00:00	23,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	07:00:00	208,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	08:00:00	592,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	09:00:00	1176,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	10:00:00	1855,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	11:00:00	2526,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	12:00:00	3186,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	13:00:00	3988,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	14:00:00	5282,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	15:00:00	7209,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	16:00:00	9579,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	17:00:00	12176,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	18:00:00	14747,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	19:00:00	16961,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	20:00:00	18550,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	21:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	22:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	23:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	24:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}

Watt Hours Period Today:

▼	☐	Watt Hours Period Today	Solar Folder
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▶	☐	01:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	☐	02:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
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▶	☐	04:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	☐	05:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	☐	06:00:00	25,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	☐	07:00:00	204,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	☐	08:00:00	406,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	☐	09:00:00	570,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	☐	10:00:00	702,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	☐	11:00:00	919,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	☐	12:00:00	1112,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	☐	13:00:00	1342,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	☐	14:00:00	1988,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	☐	15:00:00	2990,00 W-hr {OK}
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▶	☐	23:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	☐	24:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}


Watt Hours Period Tomorrow:

▼	☐	Watt Hours Period Tomorrow	Solar Folder
▼	☐	Sunrise Sunset	Sun Folder
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▶	📄	SunsetTime	21:27:01 {OK}
▶	📄	SunsetValue	893,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	01:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	02:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	03:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	04:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
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▶	📄	09:00:00	584,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	10:00:00	679,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	11:00:00	671,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	12:00:00	660,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	13:00:00	802,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	14:00:00	1294,00 W-hr {OK}
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▶	📄	16:00:00	2370,00 W-hr {OK}
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▶	📄	18:00:00	2571,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	19:00:00	2214,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	20:00:00	1589,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	21:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	22:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	23:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}
▶	📄	24:00:00	0,00 W-hr {OK}






















Watt Hours Day Today and Tomorrow:

📄	Watt Hours Day Today	32180.00	W-hr
📄	Watt Hours Day Tomorrow	19443.00	W-hr

API Message:

 Api Message	<pre>latitude: 47.3943 longitude: 8.4742 distance: 0.008 place: Hermetschloostrasse 75, 8048 Zurich, Switzerland timezone: Europe/Zurich zone: IP 62.202.20.141 period: 3600 limit: 12 remaining: 5</pre>
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All Value are in the subfolders:

 SolarForecast (Solar Forecast)	
 Status	{OK}
 Fault Cause	
 Enabled	<input checked="" type="radio"/> ein
 Update Period	00001h 00m 00s [0 ms--inf]
 Last Update	27.Jun 2024 15:56:21 MESZ
 Last Failure	null
 Latitude	47.3943 deg
 Longitude	8.4741 deg
 Dec	90 deg
 Az	90 deg
 Kwp	15.00 kW
 <input type="radio"/> Watts Today	Solar Folder
 <input type="radio"/> Watts Tomorrow	Solar Folder
 <input type="radio"/> Watt Hours Today	Solar Folder
 <input type="radio"/> Watt Hours Tomorrow	Solar Folder
 <input type="radio"/> Watt Hours Period Today	Solar Folder
 <input type="radio"/> Watt Hours Period Tomorrow	Solar Folder
 <input type="radio"/> Watt Hours Day Today	32180.00 W-hr
 <input type="radio"/> Watt Hours Day Tomorrow	19443.00 W-hr
 Api Message	<pre>latitude: 47.3943 longitude: 8.4742 distance: 0.008 place: Hermetschloostrasse 75, 8048 Zurich, Switzerland timezone: Europe/Zurich zone: IP 62.202.20.141 period: 3600 limit: 12 remaining: 5</pre>

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