

Playa1 battery change 1 Jan 2011

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After cleaning in lake effect snow, solar panels were covered in snow, and there was no charging, so the station died.

2 charged batteries were brought out from the base, and after clearing solar panels, batteries were replaced.

Station was running on departure. Horst was able to ssh into playa1 to confirm it was working.

Solar panels and radiometers cleared of up to 4 inches of accumulated snow. Downward looking SW radiometer had frost on it, the rest were clean after being brushed.

Approximately 9 total inches of snow were now at the site. Subtracting yesterday's 2.5, leaves an additional 6.5 inches of snow had fallen overnight.