Cluster Mesh System — Data Center Use Case

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The Problem We're Solving

Data centers are energy hogs with a dirty secret: they waste enormous amounts of heat. A typical hyperscale facility runs at a PUE (Power Usage Effectiveness) of 1.3–1.6, meaning 30–60% of all power consumed goes to cooling — not computing. That waste heat just gets dumped into the atmosphere.
On top of that, grid reliability is a growing crisis. AI workloads are pushing power demand to levels that utilities weren't designed to handle, and diesel gensets are expensive, polluting, and slow to respond.

What the Cluster Mesh Changes

The Cluster Mesh system from Infinity Turbine is a distributed, modular ORC (Organic Rankine Cycle) turbine network that turns low-grade waste heat into usable electricity — right at the point of generation.
In a data center context, that means:
Server waste heat → ORC working fluid → turbine → electricity → back into the facility

Specific Use Cases

1. Waste Heat Recovery from Air or Liquid Cooling Loops
Modern servers — especially GPU clusters running LLM inference — run hot. Liquid-cooled racks reject heat at 40–70°C. That's precisely the temperature range where ORC systems operate efficiently. The Cluster Mesh nodes sit inline with the cooling distribution unit (CDU) loop and extract power from that thermal delta before the heat is rejected to the cooling tower.

Result: A 1 MW GPU cluster could realistically recover 50–150 kW of electrical power continuously — offsetting UPS load and reducing net grid draw.

2. Distributed On-Site Generation — Grid Independence

Rather than one large generator, the Cluster Mesh deploys as many small nodes across the facility. This mirrors the philosophy of distributed UPS and PDU architecture data center engineers already use.
• Each node is independently fault-tolerant
• The mesh load-balances across nodes
• No single point of failure
• Scales with the buildout — add nodes as you add racks

Result: Islanding capability during grid events without diesel. Silent, no emissions, no fuel logistics.

3. Edge Data Centers & Co-location in Industrial Sites

Edge DCs often sit next to industrial processes — manufacturing, refineries, food processing — that already produce massive waste heat streams. The Cluster Mesh bridges the gap: the industrial process powers the edge DC thermally, and the DC generates its own electricity from that stream.

Result: Near-zero energy cost edge compute at industrial sites, with the Cluster Mesh as the energy coupling layer.