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Who should **pay for microgrids**? Some utilities say everyone. Why Colorado wants cars and roads to **talk to each other**. Do a better job of managing city resources with this **one new trick**.

Now you're caught up,
Jesse

Who should pay for microgrids? Why some utilities say "everyone." From renewable energy to resiliency, there's no question microgrids can help, but who should pay for them? Learn how utilities in Arizona, Pennsylvania and Washington are trying to get everyone to pitch in.

How the Colorado DOT plans to connect cars and roads to make driving safer. The Colorado Department of Transportation wants to make a particularly troublesome Interstate freeway that passes through the state safer and more efficient. The solution? Provide a platform that allows cars, drivers and the road a way to share information.

Take a second look at how you're managing city resources (think materials). Many cities are focused on software and sensor technologies to help them manage resources like buildings and streets. But what about the materials used to build them? Read on to learn how integrating materials science can lead to smarter, more efficient resource management – and higher quality infrastructure.

"Lighthouse City:" A brighter, smarter future for Washington, D.C. With a smart street light pilot project successfully wrapped up, Washington, D.C. technology and transportation officials are moving ahead with partner Cisco on an ambitious citywide upgrade that will cut the district's operating costs and pave the way for a variety of smart city benefits.

Can technology improve lives in urban slums? 6 examples suggest yes it can. The New Urban Agenda adopted at the UN Habitat III conference last week addresses the need to create more inclusive cities as urbanization increases and the number of people living in slums continues to swell. Can technology play a role? It already is. Click for examples from Nairobi to Rio.

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