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# Overview of Battery Energy Storage Systems



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# **Overview**



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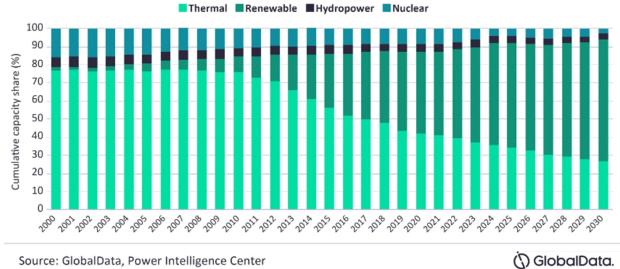




### The Need for Energy Storage

 Conventional thermal plant retirement and larger penetration of renewable energy systems both at the distribution and transmission levels

Power market, UK, capacity share by technology, 2000–2030



Source: GlobalData, Power Intelligence Center

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Stanley Whittingham. Sir John Goodenough & Akira Yoshino 1983





### **BESS Chemistry (LiFePO4)**

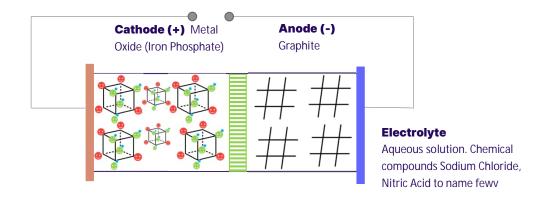


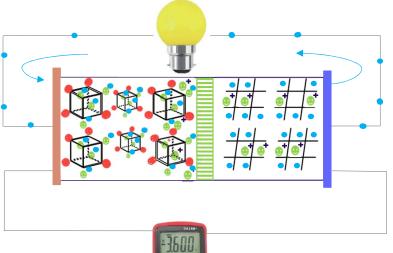
### Lithium (Li)



- Alkali Metal (Group 1 or the Lithium Family in the periodic table). Highly nuclear unstable
- Atomic number 1s<sup>2</sup>2s<sup>1</sup>
- Abundant but finite resource.

  Mainly in Chile, Argentina,
  and Bolivia. The Lithium
  triangle. Also, Australia,
  Uruguay, the Republic of
  Congo and the Deep Sea.





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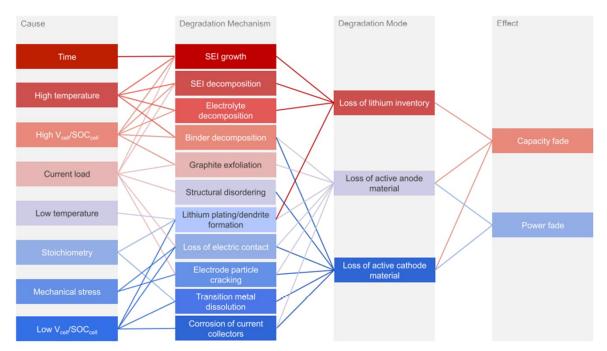




## **BESS Chemistry (LiFePO4)**

Degradation (Solid-Electrolyte Interface –SEI-)





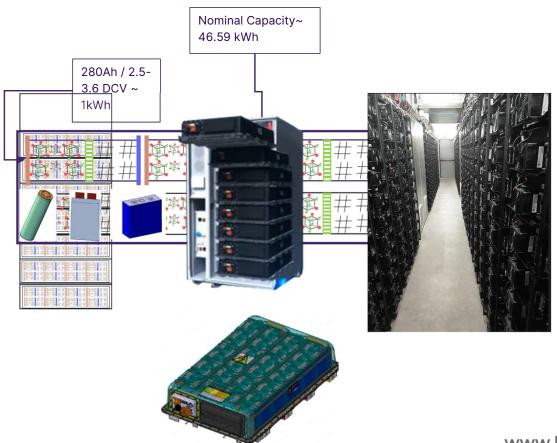
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# **BESS Composition**

• Battery Cells, Battery Modules, and Battery Racks



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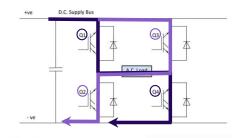


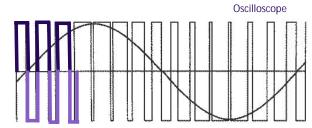


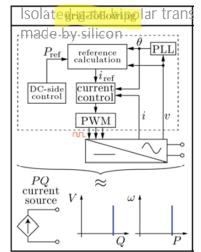
# **BESS Composition**

- Battery Cells, Battery Modules, and Battery Racks
- Power Conversion System (PCS)

#### **Two-Level Converters**







https://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy21osti/73476.pdf

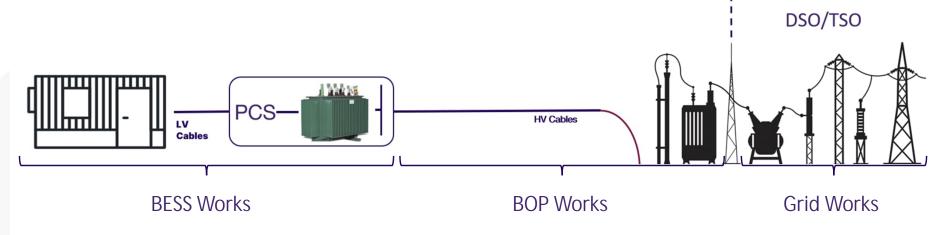
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## **BESS Composition**

- Battery Cells, Battery Modules, and Battery Racks
- Power Conversion Systems (PCS)
- BESS, BOP & Grid Works



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#### 2. Technical Parameters





# Fire & Explosion Issues



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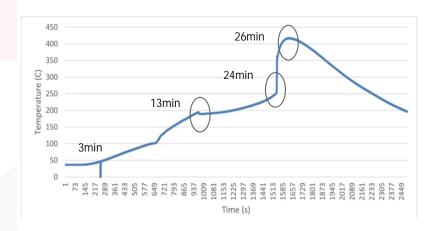
#### 2. Technical Parameters





### Fire & Explosion Issues

• Thermal Runway & Fire



Abuse Electrical Mechanical Thermal

-Internal Short -External Short Circuit



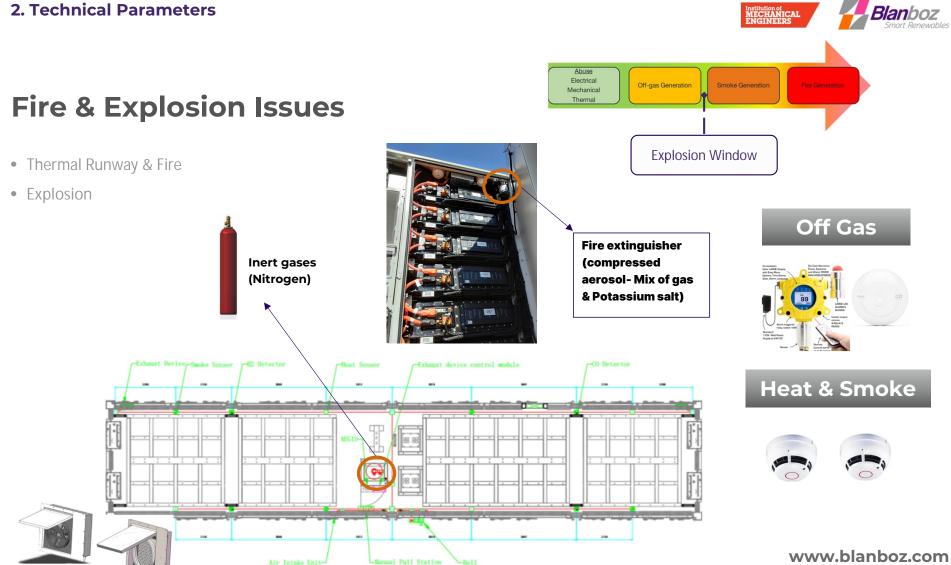
**1.** The solid-electrolyte interface (SEI) decomposes in an exothermic reaction. Can occur at 90 °C with a temperature increase of 0.001670 °C/s

Thermal Runway

- **2.** An exothermic reaction between the intercalated Li-ions and the electrolyte starts. Can occur at 130 °C with a temperature increase of 0.40 °C/s
- **3.** An exothermic reaction between the positive material and the electrolyte takes place. Can occur at temperatures above 200 °C with a temperature increase of 1.7 17.0 °C/s

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#### 2. Technical Parameters



Abort Station Multi Key Maintenance Switch Strobe

#### 2. Technical Parameters





# Fire & Explosion Issues

- Thermal Runway & Fire
- Explosion
- Key standards



Thermal Runaway Test

**SAFETY TEST:** 

· Construction, electrical & mechanical



NFPA 855, 68 & 69 Fire & explosion safety and guidance for BESS

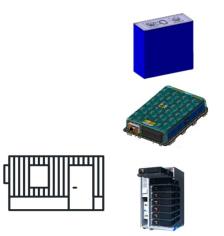
**UL9540A** & **UL9540** Battery Energy Storage System (ESS) Test

Method

**UL1973** Batteries for Use in Light Electric Rail (LER) and Stationary

Applications (Any BESS type)

**UN38.3** Transportation Testing for Lithium Batteries and Cells



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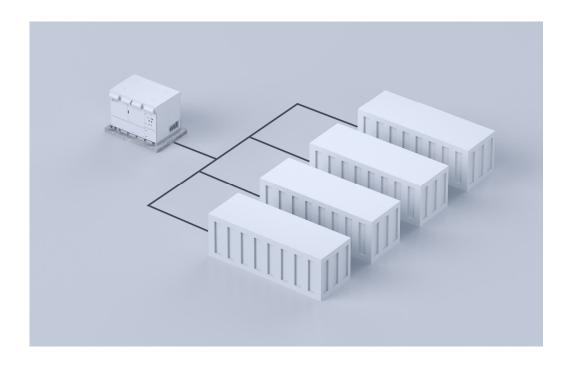






# **BESS Configurations**

DC block



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## **BESS Configurations**

DC block

AC block

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No	Supplier	AC Block Product	L (mm)	W (mm)	H (mm)	Area (m²)	Weight (t)	Nominal Capacity (kWh)	Density (kWh/m²)	LFP Cell (Ah)	Announced	Notes	
1	Sungrow	Power Titan 3.0 Plus 30ft*	9144	2438	2896	223	1,005	12500	561	684	Q3 <mark>-</mark> 2025	China domestic market only; too large to ship	
2	IPS	Exeron X-BESS 8	6712	2436	2873	164	64	8100	495	314	Q3 2025	Ships in 8 modular parts (inc power distribution board)	
3	Sungrow	Power Titan 3.0 Class 20ft*	6058	2438	2896	148	67	6900	467	684	Q3 2025		
4	Sungrow	Power Titan 3.0 Flex 10ft*	3048	2438	2896	74	335	3450	464	684	Q3 2025	Possible to ship, but overweight if fully populated	
5	Hyperstrong	Hyperblock M	12192	2438	2896	297	96	12800	431	601	02 2025	Ships in 4 modular parts; heaviest unit 24t	
6	Fluence	Smartstack	7376	2618	4135	193	739	7523	390	3XX	Q1 2025	Ships in 5 modular parts; heaviest unit 15.6t	
7	Hyperstrong	Hyperblock III	6058	2438	2896	148	43	5016	340	314	Q2 2024	AC and DC block variants available	
8	Sungrow	Power Titan 2.0	6058	2438	2896	148	42	5015	340	314	Q4 2023		
9	Wartsila	Quantum3	6410	2440	2890	156	44	5016	321	314	Q4 2024		
10	Rimac	Sinestack	2150	1420	2650	31	83	868	284	314	Q4 2023		
11	Tesla	Megapack 2XL	8800	1650	2785	145	381	3916	270	156	Q1 2023**		

For reference, standard ISO high-top dimensions are (L x W x H): 6058 mm x 2438 mm x 2591 mm

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<sup>\*</sup> Includes estimated parameters in orange in absence of datasheet: subject to change or update; \*\*No official announcement, believe to be introduced early 2023 to replaced Megapack 2

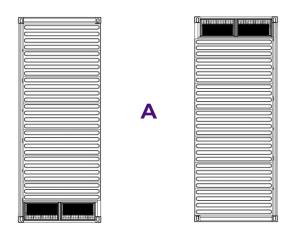




# **BESS Configurations**

- DC block
- AC block
- Separation distances

Letter	Distance (m)
A	3.1
В	
С	
D	



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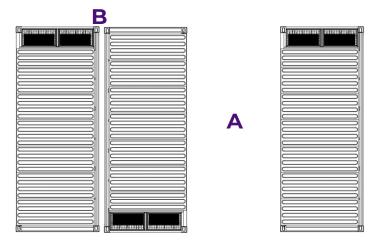




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Letter	Distance (m)
A	3.1
В	0.15 *
С	
D	



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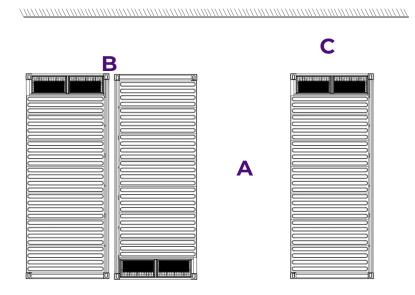




# **BESS Configurations**

- DC block
- AC block
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A	3.1
В	0.15 *
С	2.5 *
D	



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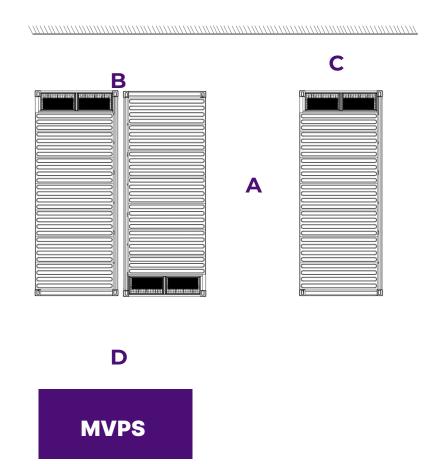




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# **Quality & Assurance**





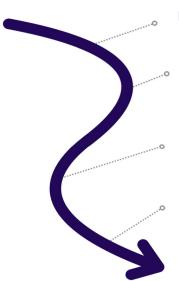


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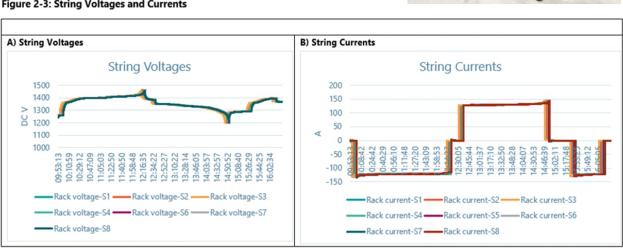


## **BESS Testing**



#### **FACTORY ACCEPTANCE TESTS**

Figure 2-3: String Voltages and Currents

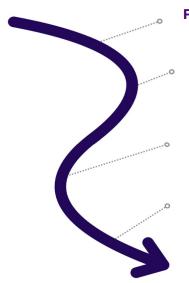


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## **BESS Testing**



**FACTORY ACCEPTANCE TESTS** 

**DELIVERY ACCEPTANCE TESTS** 



Vibration



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A presentation by Harry Thomson

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## **BESS Testing**



**DELIVERY ACCEPTANCE TESTS** 

COMMISSIONING & PERFORMANCE TESTS ON COMPLETION

#### **TESTS ON COMPLETION**

- •Clear pass/fail criteria
- •Clear rejection criteria





**Guaranteed ≤ Actual** 

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## **BESS Testing**



DELIVERY ACCEPTANCE TESTS

COMMISSIONING & PERFORMANCE TESTS ON COMPLETION

OPERATIONAL PHASE TESTING



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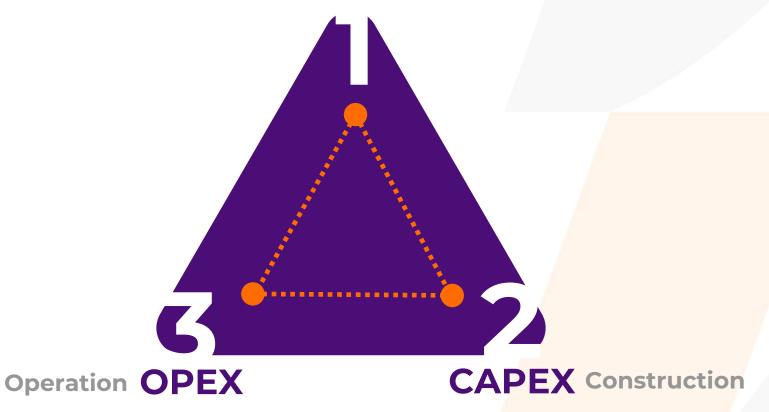
#### 5. Investment Cost





### **Investment for BESS**

# **DEVEX** Development



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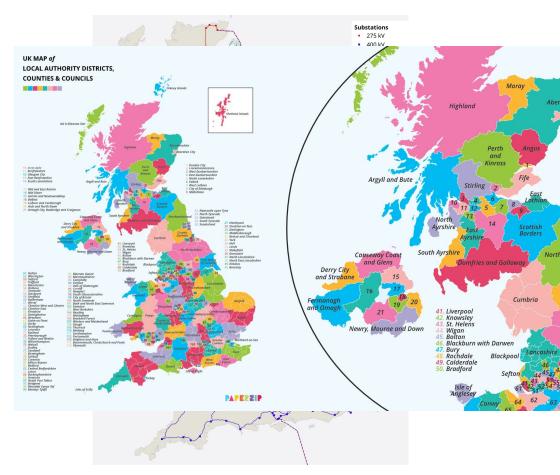
#### 5. Investment Cost





### **DEVEX**

- Planning Permission Local Planning Authority
- Grid Connection Agreement Network Operator
- Land Rights Land Owner
- Construction Ready



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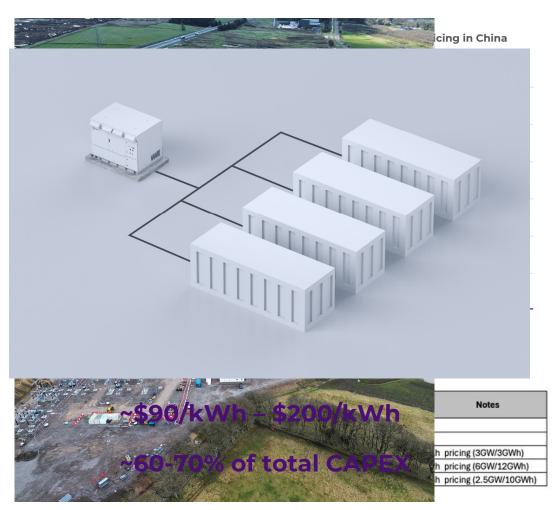
#### **5. Investment Cost**





### **CAPEX**

- Equipment Supply and delivery
- Civil and electrical balance of plant
- Equipment installation & commissioning
- Other take-over conditions Training, spare parts and initial warranty



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#### **5. Investment Cost**





### **OPEX**

- Long term service agreements
- Augmentation
- Asset Management

Project	Total OPEX Costs	A-	B - Equipment		C - Operations &		D - Performance		E - Other OPEX	
Year	(A+B+C+D+E)	Annual LTSA Fee								
			War	ranties	Mai	ntenance	Gua	irantees	(Ple	ase specify)
.009Year 0										
(COD)	\$487,000.00				\$	267,000.00	\$	220,000.00		
90% Year 1	\$487,000.00				\$	267,000.00	\$	220,000.00		
809 Year 2	\$487,000.00				\$	267,000.00	\$	220,000.00		
Year 3	\$832,000.00	\$ 65,000.00	\$	260,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	240,000.00		
709Year 4	\$832,000.00	\$ 65,000.00	\$	260,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	240,000.00		
Year 5	\$1,017,000.00	\$ 65,000.00	\$	420,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	240,000.00	\$	25,000.00
60% Year 6	\$1,020,000.00	\$ 68,000.00	\$	420,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	240,000.00	\$	25,000.00
509 Year 7	\$1,020,000.00	\$ 68,000.00	\$	420,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	240,000.00	\$	25,000.00
Year 8	\$1,024,000.00	\$ 72,000.00	\$	420,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	240,000.00	\$	25,000.00
409 Year 9	\$1,032,000.00	\$ 72,000.00	\$	428,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	240,000.00	\$	25,000.00
Year 10	\$1,032,000.00	\$ 72,000.00	\$	428,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	240,000.00	\$	25,000.00
30 <sup>9</sup> Year 11	\$1,079,000.00	\$ 72,000.00	\$	440,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	250,000.00	\$	50,000.00
20% Year 12	\$1,079,000.00	\$ 72,000.00	\$	440,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	250,000.00	\$	50,000.00
Year 13	\$1,088,000.00	\$ 81,000.00	\$	440,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	250,000.00	\$	50,000.00
109 Year 14	\$1,088,000.00	\$ 81,000.00	\$	440,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	250,000.00	\$	50,000.00
Year 15	\$1,123,000.00	\$ 81,000.00	\$	475,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	250,000.00	\$	50,000.00
0% Year 16	\$1,155,000.00	\$ 88,000.00	\$	475,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	250,000.00	\$	75,000.00
Year 17	\$1,155,000.00	\$ 88,000.00	\$	475,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	250,000.00	\$	75,000.00
Year 18	\$1,180,000.00	\$ 88,000.00	\$	500,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	250,000.00	\$	75,000.00
Year 19	\$1,180,000.00	\$ 88,000.00	\$	500,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	250,000.00	\$	75,000.00
Year 20	\$1,213,000.00	\$ 91,000.00	\$	500,000.00	\$	267,000.00	\$	255,000.00	\$	100,000.00
Total	\$20,610,000.00	\$1,377,000.00		\$7,741,000.00		\$5,607,000.00		\$5,085,000.00		\$800,000.00

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#### 6. Commercial





### **DOR or RACI Matrix**

R	Α	С	Responsible Accountable		
	BESS	GRID	<b>C</b> onsulted		
	ВОР	EMP	Informed		

Incoterms	FOB	DAP	DDP	
Owner's Risk	(i)	()	<u>-</u>	

# **Eliminating and Reducing Commercial Risks**

- Detailed and concise technical specifications
- Detailed division of responsibilities
- Incoterms
- Payment Terms

#### **COST NEUTRAL APPROACH**



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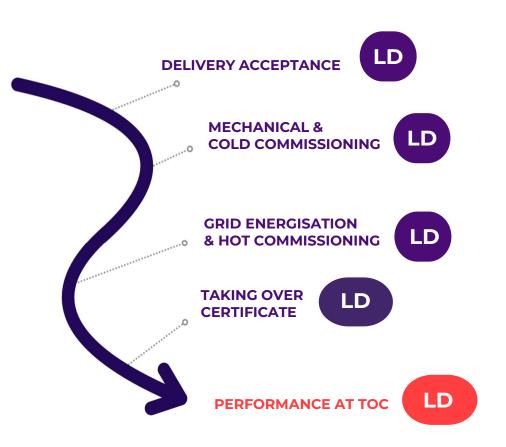
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# Eliminating and Reducing Commercial Risks

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- Liquidated Damages (Delay and Performance)



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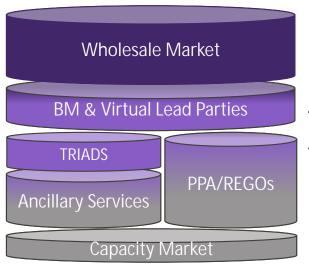
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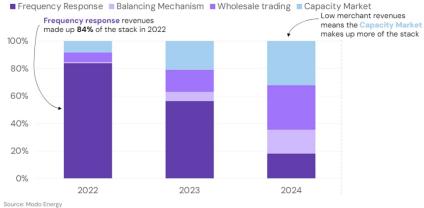
• Stacked-Up revenue model





- → Revenues expected to drop through reduced peak charges
- → DC, DR and DM Volume reduced considerably
- → CM clearing price T-4 £60/kW/yr (2025) with a derating factor of 20.94% /2h





Source: Modo Energy

Notes: Average revenues from each market from the Modo Energy BESS Index (historical) and GB BESS revenue forecast (future).

MODOENERGY

- → Day ahead, intraday, and real time
  - Electricity trading strategies
  - Trading platform
- $\rightarrow$  >= 1MW & BM Units
- → Increased volume of electricity sold. Increased development of co-located solar PV + BESS

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### **Services Available**

- Stacked-Up revenue model
- Operators / Route-to-Market (RTM) Providers & trading models



Low Risk	High Risk			
Floor Price	Merchant			
Tolling	Merchant			

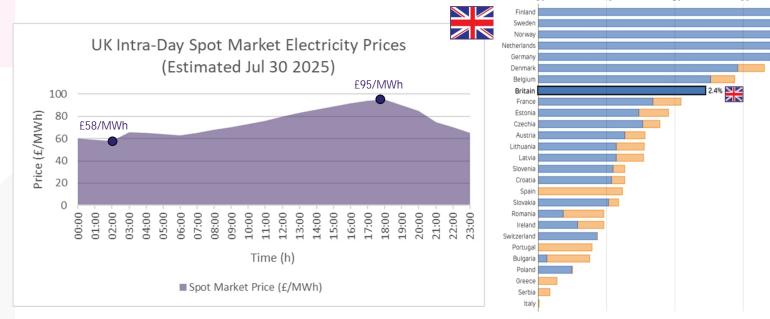
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Negative
Zero

## **Wholesale Electricity Market**



https://reports.electricinsights.co.uk/q4-2023/the-rise-of-negative-power-prices/

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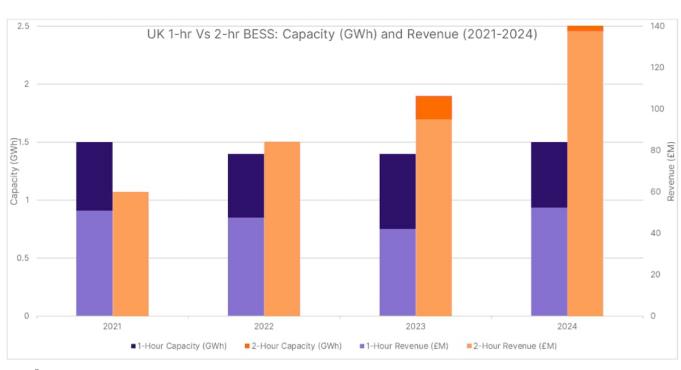
### The Future of BESS

Technology & Duration

Sodium, solid batteries, redox flow (Vanadium batteries), zinc batteries

Li-ion KING





#### Sources

- Modo Energy reports on capacity growth, revenue trends, and 1-hour vs. 2-hour system performance.
- •Energy-Storage. News on market trends and project durations.
- •RenewableUK and Statista on pipeline and operational capacity.
- •Cornwall Insight and Pacific Green on revenue streams and market outlook.

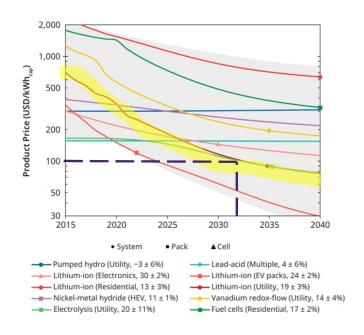
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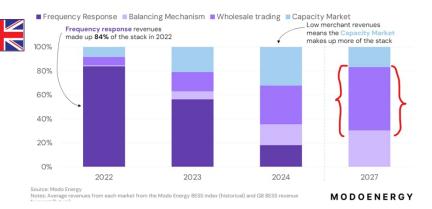


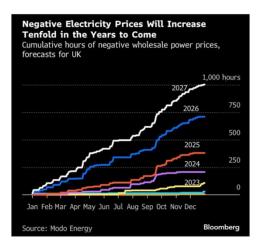


### The Future of BESS

- Technology & Duration
- What the Future Might Look







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### Wrapping Up!



- We need BESS to meet the Net CO<sub>2</sub> targets and Energy
   Security
- Fire and explosion risks are becoming more manageable
- The battle between AC and DC solutions continues strong
- All stages of testing are crucial to a successful project
- Li-ion will be king at least until 2030, but other chemistries will make their way
- Wholesale electricity market will be the primary revenue source, whilst frequency services will be minimal

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# THANK YOU!



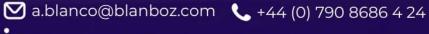
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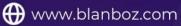








# Q&A's





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