

Samoa rack-mounted energy storage battery plant







Overview

What is a battery storage power plant?

A battery storage power plant is a form of storage power plant that uses batteries on an electrochemical basis for energy storage. It primarily serves to cover peak load and in networks with insufficient control power and the grid stabilization.

Why are Tesla specialists assisting Samoa's Electric Power Corporation engineers?

Tesla specialists are on the ground assisting Samoa's electric power corporation engineers to ensure its battery energy storage systems are operating to support Samoa's energy needs during the current power crisis. Image: Electric Power Corporation, Samoa.

How has the power crisis impacted Samoa?

The crisis has led to up to 16 hours of daily power interruptions across Upolu requiring extensive power rationing coordinated by the Electric Power Corporation (EPC). Samoan Prime Minister Fiame Naomi Mata'afa said the economic impact of the crisis is estimated to cost up to 16% of Samoa's GDP.

Are Tesla crews in Samoa working on a routine maintenance visit?

Local media reports say Tesla crews were in Samoa working on a routine maintenance visit but are now helping EPC with the maintenance of all EPC's batteries, which store 6 MW of power sourced from a network of solar farms owned by independent power providers (IPPs) and include the Tanugamanono, Fiaga, Tuanaimato, Salelologa and Faleolo solar farms.



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