

# Cause analysis report of energy storage station fire

Why do energy storage systems have a high risk of fire?

This is due to the rapid development of the energy storage industry and the continuous expansion of capacity demand. The number of large-capacity energy storage systems has increased, and the probability of accidents has increased. There have been many fire accidents of BESS in United States, Australia and China .

What happens if an energy storage station fires?

Since a large amount of energy is stored in the energy storage station in the form of chemical energy, once this energy is released in the form of heat and fire, it will cause serious damage. For example, in 2024, three LFP battery energy storage station fire accidents occurred in Germany within three months .

Are energy storage fire accidents increasing?

Similarly, as the battery energy storage industry develops, energy storage fire accidents are also increasing [16,19]. Fig. 2 shows the installed capacity and accident data of global energy storage stations in the past decade .

Where can I find information on energy storage safety?

For more information on energy storage safety, visit the [Storage Safety Wiki Page](#). The BESS Failure Incident Database was initiated in 2021 as part of a wider suite of BESS safety research after the concentration of lithium ion BESS fires in South Korea and the Surprise, AZ, incident in the US.

What are the different types of energy storage failure incidents?

Stationary Energy Storage Failure Incidents - this table tracks utility-scale and commercial and industrial (C&I) failures. Other Storage Failure Incidents - this table tracks incidents that do not fit the criteria for the first table. This could include failures involving the manufacturing, transportation, storage, and recycling of energy storage.

What is EPRI's Bess failure incident database?

EPRI's BESS Failure Incident Database is the main source of data for this report. The database was initiated in 2021 following the series of lithium ion BESS fires in South Korea and the Surprise, AZ, incident in the US. The database gathers information on stationary BESS failure events for commercial and industrial (C&I) and utility-scale BESS.

**INTRODUCTION** The global installed capacity of utility-scale battery energy storage systems (BESS) has dramatically increased over the last five years. While recent fires afflicting some of ...

Firefighters continued their efforts Sunday to put out a commercial structure fire that broke out four days ago at one of the largest battery and energy storage facilities in the ...



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INTRODUCTION Lithium ion battery energy storage systems (BESSs) are increasingly used in residential, commercial, industrial, and utility systems due to their high energy density, ...

According to the investigation report, it is determined that the cause of the fire accident of the energy storage system is the excessive voltage and current caused by the surge effect during ...

Energy storage safety is not a game: UL has released its report on the energy storage fire at the McMicken Energy Storage facility located in utility Arizona ...

A clean-energy trade group's report offers safety guidelines for battery energy storage systems following a fire at one of the largest battery ...

Under this authority, the Russell City Energy Center May 2021 Incident: Root Cause Gap Analysis was developed to summarize the CEC's investigation into the factors that ...

A fire at a battery storage facility in Otay Mesa is out -- but the stubborn nature of the blaze has sparked opposition from some residents ...

Introduction The challenges of providing effective fire and explosion hazard mitigation strategies for Battery Energy Storage Systems ...

A thorough root cause analysis (RCA) is paramount to understanding the Moss Landing incident and its broader implications for the ...

According to incomplete statistics, dozens of fire incidents related to energy storage batteries occurred globally between 2012 and 2023 [9-11]. Arcs are a common ...

A fire at a California lithium-ion battery energy storage facility once described as the world's largest has burned for five days, prompting ...

The published report Insights from EPRI's Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) Failure Incident Database: Analysis of Failure Root Cause contains the methodology and results of ...

This text is an abstract of the complete article originally published in Energy Storage News in February 2025. Fire incidents in battery ...

This report summarizes those investigations and analyses from all the entities involved and has been prepared by Energy Safety Response Group (ESRG), an independent ...

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According to relevant news reports, the facility is owned by Applied Energy Services (AES) and houses over 3200 lithium-ion batteries with a total energy of 10MW. The specific cause of the ...

[analysis of the causes of explosion accidents in energy storage power stations suggest doing a good job in on-line monitoring and detection of battery data] Lithium battery is an electrical ...

Genex Power, owner of the 50 MW / 100 MWh Bouldercombe battery which caught fire in Queensland on September 26, says its preliminary ...

Failure Event - US, CA, Moss Landing - 16 Jan 2025 Overview ... Note: Missing values in this table reflect unknowns. If you have any details or corrections you would like to ...

The analysis reveals that a PV fire incident is a complex and multi-faceted topic that cannot be simplified to a single variable causing a single outcome. This calls for stronger ...

This paper analyzes the main causes of fire in the substation, transmission and distribution lines and energy storage power station in the power grid system, investigates the ...

In addition, the System-Theoretical Accident Model and Processes (STAMP) was used to analyze the causes of the accident, and the safety constraints that should be imposed ...

Recent findings from the Clean Energy Association of America indicate that the environmental risks associated with battery energy storage ...

The exact cause of the incident is unknown at this point. Fire officers will carry out an investigation with the site owners and equipment ...

It is necessary to have a better understanding of the causes of BESS failure. This report utilizes data from EPRI's BESS Failure Incident Database, as well as findings from ...

Following the incident, multiple root cause investigation reports were released publicly, and safety became a priority issue for the energy storage industry in the US.

A battery energy storage system (B-ESS) can change the existing electric power grid system from production-consumption to production-storage-consumption. Electric power ...

This report provides an analysis of historical BESS fire incidents and, their causes, a review of the types of contaminants released, the extent of environmental impacts, ...

Abstract Abstract: The wide application of lithium-ion batteries in electrochemical energy-storage stations

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(EESSs) has led to frequent fire and explosion accidents.

The development of new energy technology can effectively reduce dependence on traditional fossil energy sources and promoting the transformation of energy supply. ...

Background and Scope Following a series of fires at three battery energy storage system (BESS) locations across New York State in 2023, Governor Hochul convened an interagency Fire ...

This report conveys the lessons learned from the Carnegie Road energy storage system (ESS) failure event, including aspects of emergency response, root cause investigation, and the ...

A coordinated effort is needed to ensure that all stakeholders understand and are comfortable with the cause and corrective action for any incident. Having a documented root cause analysis ...

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