

North American Energy Storage Battery Safety Standards





Overview

National standard: NFPA 855 provides mandatory requirements for the design, installation, commissioning, operation, maintenance, and decommissioning of battery energy storage facilities. Should battery storage standards be updated?

The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) should update the IEEE Standards to reflect any implications of battery storage systems. The GADS Working Group should ensure that battery storage is accurately reflected in their data capturing protocols.

How big is battery energy storage in North America?

Over the last few years, battery energy storage has grown significantly across North America. In 2014, utility-scale battery storage capacity in North America was approximately 214 MWs. By 2019, this amount increased to 899 MWs. This growth is expected to continue with utility scale storage levels reaching 3,500 MWs by 2023.

What's new in energy storage safety?

Since the publication of the first Energy Storage Safety Strategic Plan in 2014, there have been introductions of new technologies, new use cases, and new codes, standards, regulations, and testing methods. Additionally, failures in deployed energy storage systems (ESS) have led to new emergency response best practices.

Do NERC standards reflect battery storage as a generator?

Existing NERC standards adequately reflect battery storage as a generator, ensuring that the NERC TPL and MOD standards are applicable to the current number of BESS on the BPS. Data on battery storage tends to be non-uniform and lacking in consistency across reporting entities necessitating a need for better reporting mechanisms for BESS data.

What is a battery energy storage system?



Battery Energy Storage System (BESS): Battery Energy Storage Systems, or BESS, are rechargeable batteries that can store energy from different sources and discharge it when needed. BESS consist of one or more batteries. **Personal Mobility Device:** Potable electric mobility devices such as e-bikes, e-scooters, and e-unicycles.

Why are battery energy storage systems important for BPS reliability?

Along with this increase in IBR, primarily from the addition of a large contribution of renewable resources (e.g., wind, solar), there has been an increase in the application of battery energy storage systems (BESS) on the BPS. BESS have the ability to complement IBRs by providing some of the ERS that are important to maintain BPS reliability.



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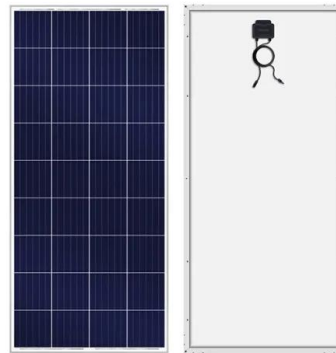
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