

What will ESB's new battery plant do for Ireland?

ESB has today opened its latest major battery plant at its Aghada site in Co Cork which will add 150MW (300MWh) of fast-acting energy storage to help provide grid stability and deliver more renewable power onto Ireland's electricity system.

How much does EirGrid's storage contracts cost?

Eirgrid has estimated the total value of the contracts at around EUR6 million per year. Eirgrid is using storage to work towards a 75% renewables power network in the near future. Irish grid authority Eirgrid Group has selected three large scale storage projects, with a combined capacity of 110 MW, in the first auction held under the DS3 program.

How can solar and battery storage help the Irish grid?

Said Manus O'Donnell, Chief Investment Officer of NTR; "This mix of solar and battery storage brings much-needed diversity of renewables technology onto the Irish grid, particularly for lower wind days. Co-location of solar and battery projects can be particularly effective, as they can share grid connections and obtain economies of scale.

How much does EirGrid's T-4 capacity auction cost?

EirGrid assigned 7.2 GW of capacity in its latest auction, with 5.4 GW to come from gas power plants. The auction clearing price reached EUR83.050 (\$90.554)/MW per year. Irish grid operator EirGrid has published the provisional results of its latest auction for the capacity market - the so-called T-4 Capacity Auction.

Will EirGrid bring 100 MW battery storage to the grid?

Battery storage is a hot topic in anticipation of national grid operator Eirgrid running a special auction to bring as much as 100 megawatts (MW) of storage technology on to the grid in the short term. Highfield's combined projects would potentially allow for storage of as much as 70MW if they were to get the go ahead.

What is EirGrid's Renewables Initiative?

The initiative has enabled the Irish electricity grid to raise the contribution of renewables from 50% to 65%, a level Eirgrid describes as a "world first", and with the further aim of reaching 75%. The storage tender held on September 24 was intended to allocate around 140 MW of capacity.

This auction secured a total of 7,204 megawatts (MW) of capacity, of which 1,519 is new generation. Gas turbines comprise most of the new generation, complemented by new ...

In a bid to support Irish grid stability, Electricity Supply Board (ESB) has opened a major battery plant at its Poolbeg site in Dublin, which will add 75MW/150MWh of fast-acting energy storage. According to the Dublin-based, state-owned energy company, the battery energy storage system (BESS) is currently the largest

site of its kind in ...

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SSE Renewables has acquired a 120-MW/240-MWh battery energy storage system (BESS) project in Ireland from UK-based renewables company Low Carbon, further expanding its battery development portfolio on the island of Ireland.

The French renewables pure-player was successful in Ireland's fourth government tender RESS 4 with the 29-MWp Johnstown North Solar in County Wicklow and the 141-MWp Garr Solar project in County Offaly. According to the provisional results, Neoen offered 22 MW from Johnstown North and 85 MW from Garr Solar.

Dublin-based Highfield Energy Services has moved a step closer to building two major battery storage projects as competition hots up to win lucrative Eirgrid contracts.

The system is Ireland's largest of its kind to date and went operational in November 2023 ahead of last week's official opening and photo opportunity with representatives of utility company Electricity Supply Board (ESB) and battery system integrator Fluence. It is located at Poolbeg Energy Hub, where ESB - around 95% owned by the Irish state with the ...

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