

## Safety risks in the energy storage industry

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How can a battery energy storage system improve safety?

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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.

What are the safety concerns with thermal energy storage?

The main safety concerns with thermal energy storage are all heat-related. Good thermal insulation is needed to reduce heat losses as well as to prevent burns and other heat-related injuries. Molten salt storage requires consideration of the toxicity of the materials and difficulty of handling corrosive fluids.

Can a large-scale solar battery energy storage system improve accident prevention and mitigation?

This work describes an improved risk assessment approach for analyzing safety designs in the battery energy storage system incorporated in large-scale solar to improve accident prevention and mitigation, via incorporating probabilistic event tree and systems theoretic analysis. The causal factors and mitigation measures are presented.

How safe is energy storage?

Energy storage sites and systems should be kept secure from both physical and cyber-threats, just as with any grid-connected resource. Access to energy storage equipment should be firmly restricted, with sites and/or enclosures secured against very robust attempts at ingress.

The energy stored and later supplied by ESSs can greatly benefit the energy industry during regular operation and more so during power outages. Electrochemical energy storage has taken a big leap in adoption compared to other ESSs such as mechanical (e.g., flywheel), electrical (e.g., supercapacitor, superconducting magnetic storage), thermal ...



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Grid-scale battery energy storage systems (BESS) are becoming an increasingly common feature in renewable-site design, grid planning and energy policy. We have seen the rate of commercial deployment of BESS rapidly increase, but as with all fast-developing nascent and emerging markets, historical loss data is hard to come by. This presents problems for insurers looking to ...

Another industry standard test is UL9540A, which forces a cell into thermal runaway and assesses its risk of catching fire and propagating to other cells, racks and other components of the BESS.. However, while useful, UL9540A has some potential shortcomings, Groves says, which is one of the reasons why Wärtsilä carried out large-scale fire tests, ...

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Managing the risks associated with thermal runaway is a huge challenge for the industry. Image: Sedgewick. Fire safety has become a key consideration in the burgeoning battery energy storage industry. Adam Shinn, Michael Cosgrave and Ross Kiddie report on efforts to mitigate the risks of thermal runaway and the future of BESS insurance.

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