

Beis energy storage Chile

Are battery energy storage systems a viable alternative for Chilean power producers?

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How many Bess projects are there in Chile?

This momentum is reflected in the data: AMI estimates that there is a 7.7 GW pipeline of BESS projects in Chile, far and away the most advanced front of the meter (FTM) storage market in Latin America. 1 Only 505 MW of BESS projects are currently operational in the entire region.

How much does a battery cost in Chile?

In fact, batteries charged at nearly \$0/MWh during the day in the sunny, northern desert regions of Chile, sell energy at night for over \$100/MWh. Although projects such as Engie's BESS Coya are already enjoying these large spreads, this capacity payment will partially de-risk Chile's dependence on volatile, but still profitable, merchant revenues.

Which energy storage companies are awaiting DS 62?

All Chilean energy storage players, ranging from IPPs to PCS providers, are now closely awaiting the publication of the capacity market decree (DS N 62) expected in Q2 of 2024.

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Chile is currently a hotbed of grid-scale energy storage activity, with huge levels of solar curtailment, massive energy price volatility and regulatory reforms helping to drive the need for more storage.

Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners (CIP) announced today that it has taken a final investment decision (FID) on a 220-MW/1,100-MWh battery energy storage system (BESS) in northern Chile, its first in the country, and is set to start construction works on the project.

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Chile is exploring a variety of solutions to keep abreast of the changing energy demand landscape ranging from BESS to innovative projects using CO₂. In March 2024, BESS Coya, the largest battery-based energy storage system in Latin America, started operations.

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