

# Ghana's behind-the-meter industrial and commercial energy storage solution

What is behind the meter storage?

As discussed earlier, behind the meter (BTM) refers to the electrical system on the consumer side of the power meter. Energy storage solutions in BTM applications have been used for many years as a standby power source in the case of power loss. Historically, lead-based batteries were the battery of

Which power stations in Ghana need R1 billion a week?

List of power stations in Ghana - Wikipedia 76 Eskom needs R1 billion a week from government to keep the lights on in 2021 (businessinsider.co.za) | DNV - Report, 23 Sep 2021 Final Report | L2C204644-UKBR-D-01-E Techno-economic analysis of battery energy storage for reducing fossil fuel use in Sub-Saharan Africa 138

How important is battery energy storage in Eritrea?

The 7.5MW solar plant, backed up with a 22MW diesel generator, is powering the Bisha copper and zinc mine in Eritrea. This illustrates the increasing market importance of battery energy storage solutions specifically in the context of distributed systems and the gradual de-prioritisation of the generator market relative to BESS.

Why is data centre energy demand so high in Africa?

Not only is the sector poised for exponential growth, it is extremely power hungry, requires uninterrupted supply and is sensitive to power quality. Cooling demand, a large component of energy demand in data centres is notably high in Africa given high ambient temperatures across the continent.

Why are batteries so expensive in Africa?

Mini grid and captive power developers often do not meet the minimum order volumes required for direct battery purchases from manufacturers. Lead-acid batteries, which are still the most used energy storage technology in Africa, are expensive to store due to the maintenance required whether they are in use or stored in a warehouse.

What are the money-making opportunities for behind-the-meter storage?

Simplistically you can group the money-making opportunities for behind-the-meter storage into four categories, which themselves can be further broken down something like this: Reducing capacity market costs where applicable such as in the Australian WEM or PJM in the US.

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