

# New Zealand energy storage project approved







#### **Overview**

Where is New Zealand's biggest planned battery energy storage system?

Image: Vector Energy Development approvals have been granted for New Zealand's biggest planned battery energy storage system (BESS) to date. The 100MW battery storage project is in development by electricity generator and retailer Meridian Energy at Ruākākā on New Zealand's North Island. The site is adjacent to Marsden Point, a former oil refinery.

Which energy company is building New Zealand's first grid-connected battery energy storage system?

Meridian Energy is building New Zealand's first large-scale grid-connected battery energy storage system (BESS) at Ruakākā on North Island Paris, January 10, 2023 – Saft, a subsidiary of TotalEnergies, has been awarded a major contract by Meridian Energy to construct New Zealand's first large-scale grid-connected BESS.

Does EKU energy have a battery storage project in New Zealand?

Eku Energy has bought a major battery energy storage project in New Zealand's North Island to build out its storage assets. Eku Energy has acquired a 300 MW battery energy storage project in New Zealand's Waikato region, marking its entry into the country.

What is the NZ battery project?

The NZ Battery Project was set up in 2020 to explore possible renewable energy storage solutions for when our hydro lakes run low for long periods. A pumped hydro scheme at Lake Onslow was one of the options being explored. The Government stopped the Lake Onslow investigations in late 2023.

Will a 100 mw storage system improve New Zealand's national grid?

The 100 MW storage system, to be operated by Meridian Energy, is designed to improve the stability of New Zealand's national grid as intermittent



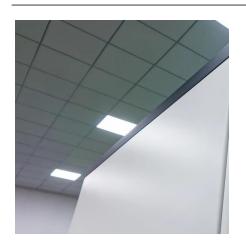
renewable power generation increases in the country.

What is New Zealand's first megawatt-scale battery storage system?

The country's first megawatt-scale battery storage system is thought to have been a 1MW/2.3MWh project completed in 2016 using the Tesla Powerpack, Tesla's first iteration of an industrial and grid-scale BESS solution. However the first BESS to be connected to the high-voltage transmission grid in New Zealand came two years after that.



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## Meridian Energy Completes New Zealand's First Large-Scale ...

Meridian Energy has completed construction of New Zealand's first large-scale grid-connected battery energy storage system (BESS) at Ruakaka, with an official opening ...



#### <u>Transforming Energy Storage at</u> <u>Glenbrook with 100 ...</u>

Beca is transforming energy storage in New Zealand with the Glenbrook BESS project, which will power several thousands of homes and support the energy ...

## Harmony given the green light for developing New Zealand's ...

Yorkshire-based Harmony Energy has been given the green light to develop a solar farm in Waikato, New Zealand, which will generate enough electricity to power 30,000 homes.



#### New Zealand's first 100MW gridscale battery storage ...

New Zealand's first megawatt-scale Tesla BESS, inaugurated in 2016. Image: Vector Energy Development approvals have been granted for ...







#### Meridian completes 200MWh Ruakaka BESS in New Zealand

Meridian Energy, a New Zealand state-owned energy company, has completed the development of its 100MW/200MWh 2-hour duration Ruakaka BESS.

## Spotlight on New Zealand: Battery storage capacity expands as ...

While hydro still rules, New Zealand is starting to take battery storage seriously, especially on the North Island.



### Unlocking the potential for batteries to contribute to ...

In March 2022, the Electricity Authority Te Mana Hiko decided to amend the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 to enable energy ...



#### <u>Hydrogen</u>, <u>Ministry of Business</u>, <u>Innovation</u>

\$2.6 million to establish the German New Zealand Green Hydrogen Research Centre and co-fund three research projects with the German Federal Ministry ...



## Monumental Energy Corp. Provides Update on New Zealand ...

The Company holds a 2% net smelter return royalty on Summit Nanotech's share of any future lithium production from the Salar de Turi Project. The Company owns securities ...



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#### Eku Energy enters the New Zealand BESS market ...

Eku Energy is active in Australia, the UK, Italy and Japan. Image: Eku Energy. Energy storage developer Eku Energy has entered the New ...



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### Eku Energy enters NZ with 300 MW battery project purchase

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#### 1.1GW of solar PV submitted for fasttrack in New Zealand

New Zealand has submitted nine solar PV projects for fast-track approval since 2020, totalling 1,147MWp in power generation capacity.





### The first mega energy storage facility in New Zealand is now ...

New Zealand has completed its first industrialscale energy storage installation -- the Ruakaka Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) with a capacity of 100 MW and 200 MWh.



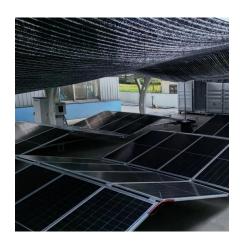
### New Zealand Energy Corp. provides update on Copper Moki ...

June 30, 2025 - Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada - New Zealand Energy Corp. ("NZEC" or the "Company") (TSX-V: NZ) is pleased to provide the following updates on the Copper Moki ...



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### Transforming Energy Storage at Glenbrook with 100 MW BESS

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## Unlocking the potential for batteries to contribute to security of

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#### New York launches 42.5MW of BESS with like-for-like ...

The NYCIDA in New York has approved five BESS projects while governor Hochul has announced groundbreaking on a fifth, all totalling ...



#### **NZ Battery Project**

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## CEC Approves World's Largest Solar + Battery Storage Project in ...

SACRAMENTO - The California Energy Commission (CEC) on Wednesday approved the Darden Clean Energy Project (DCEP), the first to be permitted under the state's ...



### New Zealand finishes build of 100 MW / 200 MWh battery system

Construction and commissioning of the Ruakaka battery energy storage system (BESS) on New Zealand's North Island is complete, with the site expected to reach full ...



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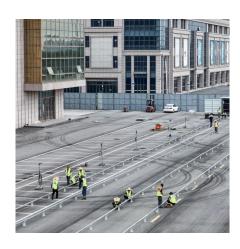
## New York State large-scale energy storage support ...

KCE NY 1, the state's first grid-scale BESS project, went into operation in 2020. As of April last year, around 396MW of BESS was in ...



## BATTERY STORAGE IN NEW ZEALAND

We considered hosting our own trial of gridconnected battery storage, but first we chose to investigate the benefits of battery storage across the electricity supply chain. We did this by ...



## New Zealand's first grid-scale battery energy storage system

Scheduled to enter service in 2H2024, the battery storage system will have storage capacity of 200 MWh to support the local grid demand for around two hours. The system is the first stage ...



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