

# **Energy Storage Project Procurement Requirements and Standards**





## Overview

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Energy storage requirements are outlined clearly in the bidding documents, specifying key elements such as: 1) capacity specifications, 2) technology standards, 3) safety regulations, 4) performance metrics, and 5) compliance mandates. What is a battery energy storage system checklist?

Checklist provides federal agencies with a standard set of tasks, questions, and reference points to assist in the early stages of battery energy storage systems (BESS) project development.

What are the operational limitations of energy storage?

Operating Limitations: Energy storage resources may be subject to operational constraints that do not affect traditional generation projects. For example, certain battery technologies will degrade more quickly if the state of charge is not actively managed within a certain range.

What are the challenges of procurement for utility-side storage & solar-plus projects?

The challenges of procurement for utility-side storage and solar-plus projects center largely on early-stage decisions: defining the top-priority use case, but also exploring ways to get more value out of the project and to prepare for market changes over its life.

Can energy storage resources be financed on a nonrecourse basis?

Key Finance-ability Provisions: Energy storage resources may also be financed on a nonrecourse basis and, like any other project financed in such manner, will need to address issues upon which nonrecourse lenders will focus, including assignment, events of default, performance requirements, key dates, and collateral.

Does resource contracting need guidance?

With resource contracting on the rise, the lack of publicly available guidance



for that type of procurement is acute. This brief (in presentation format) begins to address the need for guidance on these points and more. By definition, it does not attempt to conclusively or fully address every step in the process.

How do I choose a utility procurement company?

Apply judgement, as no single document from another utility will address all of your needs. Review your utility's standard procurement template to be sure it will accommodate the type of procurement and the kinds of companies that you wish to hear from. For some projects, companies with regional or local roots may provide add-on benefits.



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