Wandoan South Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)







ANATOMY OF A UTILITY-SCALE BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM

Design

Enablers

Application

Bankability

- Power Rating / Storage Capacity: 100MW / 150MWh
- Technology: Lithium-ion
- Key Components: Battery Cells (Samsung), Inverters (Power Electronics)
- Battery pack prices reaching \$100/kWh levels as per BNEF, falling by ~90% over 10 years
- Increasing application in the Australian grid in an environment where traditional coal-fired power stations are being phased out
- Firming & Ramping: Allows for smooth generation from variable RE output
- Frequency Regulation: To ensure grid frequency stays within specified limits
- Operational Reserve: Faster emergency response vs traditional generators
- Curtailment Mitigation: Storing surplus RE generation in market for peak use
- 15-year offtake agreement with AGL for full operational dispatch rights
- First non-recourse private financing for a stand-alone BESS in Australia
- "Green Loan" denomination validates use of funds to support the energy transition and entails reporting on sustainability performance indicators



