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# New Zealand Customized New Energy Battery Cabinet





#### **Overview**

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.

Who is launching New Zealand's largest battery energy storage system?

WEL Networks and Infratec are proud to announce the launch of New Zealand's largest Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) with commissioning underway.

Does Saft offer a battery energy storage system for New Zealand?

Saft executive vice president for energy storage solutions Hervé Amossé add: "Saft is proud to provide this first Battery Energy Storage System for New Zealand in the Waikato. We are excited to start this operation phase of the battery for which we will continue to support our partners.

What is the NZ battery project?

40 The NZ Battery Project aims to reduce New Zealand's greenhouse gas emissions and, hence, contribute to global emission reduction and net climate benefit. Any large-scale hydro development requires balancing its impacts against benefits. 44 Lake Onslow is also an important cultural, social and landscape asset.

Will Infratec build a new energy storage system in New Zealand?

Infratec general manager Nick Bibby said that the storage system is "the first of its scale to be built in New Zealand". As reported by Energy-Storage.news, the two companies completed their assessment of the project in late 2021,



selecting a site in Huntly, a town in the Waikato District.

Can a battery help reduce NZ's Net Zero Emissions by 2050?

The battery's role in reducing the need for non-renewable energy sources will be a key contributor to lowering emissions in support of New Zealand's Net Zero emissions target by 2050.



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

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