

# Kingswood BESS awarded Long Duration Storage LTESA & Smithfield BESS officially opened

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Iberdrola Australia's proposed Kingswood Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) has been successful in being awarded a Long-Term Energy Service Agreement (LTESA) as part of the NSW Roadmap – Tender Round 6 for Long Duration Storage. This is the latest LTESA tender as part of NSW Government's Electricity Infrastructure Roadmap.

The Kingswood Battery (100 MW/1080 MWh) will be able to dispatch power for at least 8 hours, and is located near Transgrid's Tamworth substation, within the suburb of Kingswood (6km south of Tamworth).

The project was recommended for approval by the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) on 22 December 2025 and is currently undergoing assessment as part of a referral to the Independent Planning Commission (IPC).

Paul Simshauser, Chief Executive Officer, Iberdrola Australia said "the Kingswood battery will support our objective to deliver clean, reliable and affordable electricity to the people of New England and NSW more broadly".

"This battery will be able to soak up excess rooftop solar during the day and can supply electricity to around 65,000 households across New England and NSW during high peak periods in the evening," Mr Simshauser said.

"We're very excited to have Minister Sharpe here today in Western Sydney, to officially open our recently completed Smithfield BESS, which was the recipient of an LTESA in the NSW Roadmap - Tender Round 2."

"This project was delivered ahead of schedule and on budget, delivering certainty to NSW consumers."

Smithfield BESS is a 65 MW/130 MWh lithium-ion battery facility co-located with Iberdrola Australia's existing 123 MW Smithfield open cycle gas peaker. The BESS can supply electricity around 20,000 homes in Western Sydney.

## **Kingswood BESS LTESA commitments:**

As part of the commitments made under the Tender Round 6 LTESA for Kingswood BESS, and our commitment to New England communities, First Nations people, and local industry, we will be delivering:

- Over \$6 million in direct funding towards community development, employment, and local supply chain investment.
- Over \$100 million invested in the local supply chain across the delivery and operations phases of the project, and the use of local steel for at least 95% of the total steel components procured.

- Local employment opportunities, including First Nations People, and apprentices in trades as part of the Renewable Energy Sector Boards's requirements.
- Investing in the local community by establishing a Voluntary Planning Agreement with the Tamworth Regional Council.
- At least 1.5% of total contract value will be sourced from First Nations businesses, and at least 3% of the project workforce will be First Nations workers.

“We look forward to continuing our work to deliver reliability for households and local businesses so that they can take advantage of more affordable renewable energy”.

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Further information on the Kingswood Battery is available at:

<https://www.iberdrola.com.au/our-assets/asset-map/development-assets/kingswood-battery>

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