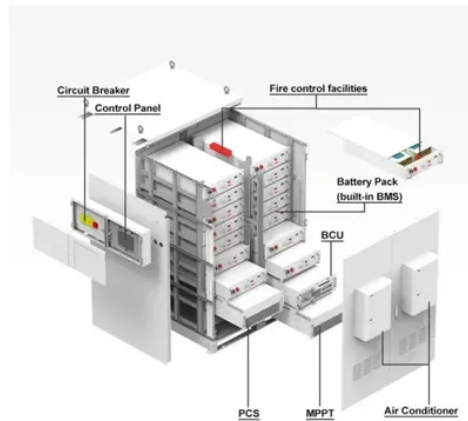


Gaborone energy storage site explodes



Overview

Businesses reliant on the Botswana Railway-owned Gaborone Container Terminal (GABCON) are reeling from disruptions after a fire incident on December 13, 2024, damaged key equipment at the facility. The blaze engulfed one of the terminal's three reach stackers, critical machinery used for handling. The database compiles information about stationary battery energy storage system (BESS) failure incidents. These are the key findings shared by UL's Fire Safety Research Institute (FSRI) and presented by Sean DeCrane, International Association of Fire Fighters Director of Health and Safety Operational services at SEAC's May 2023 event in Gaborone, Botswana, to deal with energy storage system hazards?

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