

Russia battery management systems

June 23, 2023: Russian energy storage firm Renera says a special investment contract providing incentives and financial backing for domestic production of batteries for EVs and stationary storage systems was signed at the St Petersburg International Economic Forum on June 16.

Batteries International has been serving the energy storage and battery industry for over 25 years and has a well deserved reputation as being an authoritative source on all aspects of the industry.

January 5, 2023: Russia's prime minister Mikhail Mishustin (pictured) says work has started on the first of a potential series of gigafactories as it scrambles to ramp up domestic battery manufacturing capacity for energy storage systems and EVs, after foreign investors and partners quit the country over the war with Ukraine.

Mishustin told a meeting of deputy prime ministers on December 26 that Russia had to achieve "technological sovereignty" for the automotive industry in particular -- and state-owned corporation Rosatom had started building a 4GWh lithium ion batteries plant in the Baltic Sea enclave of Kaliningrad.

"We will need to create conditions for saturating the domestic market with cars, while many foreign corporations have left Russia under pressure from their authorities, and to create our own components base with the widest possible range, from the simplest parts to complex elements," Mishustin said.

Lithium ion batteries are already being produced by Rosatom, but the group said Renera's task would be to coordinate and expand manufacturing capacity and "consider" building additional gigafactories.

Kaliningrad, which lies between Poland and Lithuania, does not border mainland Russia but is home to Russia's Baltic fleet. Rosatom says the Kaliningrad gigafactory will produce 50,000 EV batteries annually.

US-based battery producer EnerSys announced last March that it was suspending its operations in Russia following the country's "illegal military action against a sovereign Ukraine".

Last April, BESB reported that tougher new EU proposals to restrict trade with Russia were likely to include exports of lead batteries and related battery tech products and services.

Energy Storage Journal (business and market strategies for energy storage and smart grid technologies) is a quarterly B2B publication that covers global news, trends and developments in energy storage and smart grid markets.

Nuclear technology company Rosatom, Russia's biggest electricity provider and the country's supplier of nuclear fuel for power plants, has opened an energy storage business unit based around lithium-ion

batteries.

The state corporation "State Atomic Energy Corporation Rosatom to give it its full name" said last week that it has "completed incorporation" of the energy storage business development arm, to be called RENERA.

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