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How will the Section 301 tariffs affect battery energy storage?

On May 14, 2024, U.S. President Biden and U.S. Trade Representative Katherine Tai announced changes to the Section 301 tariffs on Chinese products. The tariffs affect a range of clean energy imports including EVs, solar PV, battery energy storage, and inputs for these. This briefing focuses on the tariffs affecting battery energy storage.

Are Chinese tariffs affecting battery energy storage systems?

If you're in the business of battery energy storage systems (BESS), you've probably felt the squeeze of tariffs on Chinese imports. For years, China has been a go-to for affordable, high-capacity energy storage solutions, but ongoing trade policies and tariffs have made importing these systems into the U.S. more complicated -- and expensive.

What are China's battery tariffs?

Recent trade actions have introduced significant battery tariffs on goods imported from China. These changes include duties as high as 104% on some clean energy components, including lithium-ion batteries, critical for energy storage and EV systems. According to U.S. import data, lithium battery shipments from China reached \$1.9 billion in 2024.

How much will a high tariff cost a battery system?

The Wood Mackenzie report notes that the United States is heavily dependent on battery cells to serve the burgeoning market for utility-scale battery energy storage Systems. That dependence coupled with potentially high tariffs could increase costs of these projects from 12% to more than 50%, according to estimates by Wood Mac.

How will tariffs affect energy storage costs?

Tariffs on imports from China are expected to greatly affect energy storage costs, and a 90-day pause in mid-May gave the industry a temporary reprieve. The Wood Mackenzie report notes that the United States is heavily dependent on battery cells to serve the burgeoning market for utility-scale battery energy storage Systems.

The U.S. government wants to build more battery manufacturing at home, which means they're not in a rush to ease tariffs on Chinese imports. In fact, as the push for domestic clean ...



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Tariffs on US imports will increase the cost of US solar PV and energy storage technologies and slow the rate of project development.

While solar faces tightening margins and policy-driven uncertainty, battery storage continues to show resilience, offering stakeholders a clearer path ...

On February 27, 2025, US President Donald Trump announced an additional 10% tariff on Chinese products, set to take effect on March 4, 2025. This brings the ...

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Recently, under the so-called "reciprocal tariff" executive order, the US announced that it will impose a 10% "minimum baseline tariff" on its trading partners and higher tariffs on some ...

The new tariffs imposed by the U.S. target several sectors, including steel and aluminum products, semiconductors, electric vehicles, lithium-ion batteries and their components, ...

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As the United States sets high tariffs on EVs and batteries to avoid growing Chinese clean tech competition, there are three key lessons to be taken ...

The American Clean Power Association (ACP) has approved the Biden Administration's decision to impose Section 301 tariffs on lithium-ion ...

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From tariff increases and additions to the final AD/CVD determination, the solar and storage industries face many uncertainties in 2025.

In response to Beijing's attempts to cement its dominant position across the "new three" technologies of solar photovoltaics (PVs), electric ...

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Explore how 2025 battery tariffs affect U.S. imports, energy storage, EV production, and sourcing strategies amid rising China tariffs and trade shifts.

On May 14, 2024, the Biden administration announced new tariffs after a two-year review of Section 301, hiking levies on a backset of Chinese imports, including solar cells and modules, lithium-ion EV ...

A report by consultant Wood Mackenzie examines two possible tariff scenarios and concludes costs will skyrocket for battery energy storage ...

Suppliers of U.S.-made battery modules will more than double in the next two years, according to a new report on domestic content trends from ...

A recent Wood Mackenzie report examines two possible tariff scenarios and concludes that costs will skyrocket for both utility-scale solar ...

The Trump administration's China tariffs have piled atop existing and developing trade barriers on battery energy storage systems, components, ...

Under Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974, solar cells tariffs are to be increased from 25% to 50% in 2024. Image: President Biden via Twitter. ...

Tariffs can be assessed as high as 920% if AD/CVD violations are found, which would effectively double the cost of EV batteries, home batteries ...

The new US import tariffs, including a 10% baseline on all goods and higher rates for key trading partners, such as China, Malaysia, and Vietnam, are expected to have a significant ...

Find a report on the market impacts for the solar supply chain here. Tariffs tripled On May 14, 2024, the Biden Administration announced ...

WASHINGTON DC, May 14, 2024 --The American Clean Power Association (ACP) released the following statement today from ACP CEO Jason Grumet after the ...

The Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) market has experienced significant growth in recent years, driven by the increasing adoption of renewable energy and grid modernization efforts. ...

The Office of the United States Trade Representative ("USTR") today published a Federal Register notice



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announcing its final modifications to its Four-Year Statutory Review of U.S. ...

The document recommended imposing tariffs on all battery materials globally to boost US production, with negotiated exemptions for US ...

On May 14, 2024, the Biden administration announced expansions to the United States' Section 301 tariffs on imports from China, proposing to raise tariffs on solar panels, electric vehicles, batteries, ...

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