

The role of base station backup power supply



Overview

The backup power supply of a communication base station refers to a backup power system used to maintain the normal operation of a communication base station in the event of a power failure or power outage in the main power supply of the communication base station. Why do cellular base stations have backup batteries?

Abstract: Cellular base stations (BSs) are equipped with backup batteries to obtain the uninterruptible power supply (UPS) and maintain the power supply reliability. While maintaining the reliability, the backup batteries of 5G BSs have some spare capacity over time due to the traffic-sensitive characteristic of 5G BS electricity load.

What is a telecom battery backup system?

A telecom battery backup system is a comprehensive portfolio of energy storage batteries used as backup power for base stations to ensure a reliable and stable power supply. As we are entering the 5G era and the energy consumption of 5G base stations has been substantially increasing, this system is playing a more significant role than ever before.

Why are base stations important?

Base stations play a key role in 4G/5G communications, edge computing and vehicular network based applications. Their reliability and availability heavily depend on the electrical power supply, for such modules as transceivers, air conditioners, monitoring system are all power hungry.

How does a battery group work in a base station?

The equipment in base stations is usually supported by the utility grid, where the battery group is installed as the backup power. In case that the utility grid interrupts, the battery discharges to support the communication switching equipment during the period of the power outage.

Can BS backup batteries be used as flexibility resources for power systems?

Therefore, the spare capacity is dispatchable and can be used as flexibility resources for power systems. This paper evaluates the dispatchable capacity of the BS backup batteries in distribution networks and illustrates how it can be utilized in power systems.

Should telecommunication operators invest in a telecom battery backup system?

Investing in a telecom battery backup system is always one of the priorities for telecommunication operators in the 5G era. Sunwoda 48V telecom batteries have a capacity covering 50Ah-150Ah, which can easily meet the power backup needs of macro and micro base stations.

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