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Overview

How is energy storage regulated in Zambia?

In Zambia, the legal and regulatory framework for energy storage, including renewable energy storage, is primarily governed by the Energy Regulation Act No 12 of 2019 and the Electricity Act No 11 of 2019. These Acts establish the ERB as the primary regulator, responsible for licensing and setting standards for energy storage activities.

How to sell renewable power in Zambia?

The legal and regulatory framework for utility-scale renewable power sales in Zambia is governed by the Energy Regulation Act No 12 of 2019 and relevant ERB regulations. Developers must obtain a generation licence from the ERB to produce and sell electricity from renewable sources.

What role does the energy transition play in Zambia?

Green hydrogen is also being explored. Overall, Zambia's renewable energy market is shifting towards solar, with significant utility-scale and distributed generation projects, while hydropower remains crucial for industrial purposes.

2.2 What role does the energy transition have in the level of commitment to, and investment in, renewables?

How can Zambia encourage investment in microgrids?

To incentivise investment in microgrids, Zambia offers financial and regulatory incentives, such as tax breaks on renewable energy equipment imports and reduced corporate taxes for renewable energy investments.

Where can I get financing for renewable power projects in Zambia?

Sources of financing for utility-scale renewable power projects in Zambia include DFIs such as the World Bank, African Development Bank (AfDB), and

European Investment Bank (EIB), providing concessional loans, grants, and technical assistance. Commercial banks offer project finance, corporate loans, and credit lines for renewables.

How much solar power does Zambia have?

Zambia's installed solar capacity is 89 MW. Zambia has two utility scale solar power plants: French company, Neoen, and U.S. company, First Solar, own and operate the 47.5 MW Bangweulu Solar Power Station in Lusaka, of which the Zambian government holds a 20 percent stake through its Industrial Development Corporation (IDC).

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