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Cost of Grid-Connected Energy Storage Containers for African Mines

Overview

What challenges does the mining industry face in Sub-Saharan Africa?

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What are the benefits of mining in Sub-Saharan Africa?

Many mining locations in sub-Saharan Africa offer an abundance of high quality wind, solar, hydro-power and biomass resources. Mining companies are also increasingly under pressure to decarbonise, and the use of green and sustainable energy at a competitive cost offers such a possibility.

How would a mini-grid impact mining?

With a renewable power generation source, the mini-grid would decrease the dependence of mining projects on diesel or heavy fuel oil (HFO), which are expensive to transport, subject to significant price fluctuations and increase the carbon footprint of mining operations.

Should mining companies be connected to a grid?

Mining companies have historically had no choice but to be connected to a grid and be the victim of frequent power outages or, for those in more remote locations, to use on-site diesel or HFO gensets for self-consumption (often at a premium price) – or an inefficient combination of the two.

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African mining companies are increasingly embracing hybrid power solutions, combining renewable energy with battery storage to maintain smooth operations.

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