GridStor Media Kit

Company Facts

- GridStor develops, owns, and operates utility-scale standalone battery energy storage systems.
- GridStor is one of the best-capitalized energy companies in the storage industry, with investment from Goldman Sachs Asset Management. GSAM has raised over $1 billion to invest in energy storage assets that GridStor will source and manage. Our financial backing provides us the financial security to acquire, build, and operate top-tier projects.
- GridStor is based in Portland, Oregon with over 65 employees across the United States and offices in Los Angeles and Denver.
- The GridStor leadership team has over 100 GW of combined experience in developing, building, and operating power generation and storage projects.
- GridStor's first two battery storage projects are operational, consisting of a 60 MW / 160 MWh system in Santa Barbara County, California, and a 220 MW / 440 MWh system in Galveston County, Texas.
- GridStor manages 530 MW, 1,300 MWh of battery energy storage assets in operation and construction, as well as a pipeline of over 3 GW of battery storage projects in later-stage development across the western and central U.S.

Company Logo

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Company B-Roll

1. Goleta Energy Storage: https://vimeo.com/881018451
2. Goleta Project Build Montage: https://vimeo.com/886274661
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Media Contacts

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GridStor Background

What We Do:
GridStor strengthens America's energy future by building and operating battery reliability projects that store electricity to deliver when and where it's most needed. Our projects integrate with existing power grid infrastructure. We develop and operate our own projects, staying a partner to the communities that host us.

Who We Are:
Founded in 2022, GridStor has assembled a distinguished team with professional accomplishments in energy storage and clean energy project acquisition, development, and management, as well as critical capabilities supporting those core functions. We are one of the best-capitalized energy companies in the storage industry, with investment from Goldman Sachs Asset Management. GSAM has raised over $1 billion to invest in energy storage assets that GridStor will source and manage. Our financial backing provides us the financial security to acquire, build, and operate top-tier projects.

What We Believe:
Batteries are key to expanding domestic energy reliance and strengthening our infrastructure. More than ever, electric power must be available around the clock. Our economy is increasingly dependent upon electricity to power vehicles, run new industrial facilities, support digital commerce, and provide public services. We deploy battery energy storage to ensure stability for our economy and communities as our electric power system grows and changes.

Where We Operate:
GridStor is headquartered in Portland, Oregon, with offices in Los Angeles and Denver. We completed our first project in Santa Barbara County, California, second project in Galveston County, Texas, with projects under construction in Texas and Arizona, and a pipeline of pre-development options in multiple U.S. regions. We are evaluating opportunities to invest over $1 billion across the U.S. in locations with an urgent need for energy storage.

Where We Are Going:
GridStor expects to be the leading battery storage developer and operations platform in North America within five years. We are deploying projects today that solve grid reliability issues, support utilities, and power data centers while generating market-leading investor returns. We are actively building a competitive pipeline of both origination and acquisition opportunities. We are on track to have several gigawatts of battery facilities both operating and under development by 2029, as well as a robust pipeline of pre-development options.

Boilerplate

About GridStor
GridStor strengthens America's power system reliability by building and operating battery projects, storing electricity to deliver when and where it's most needed. GridStor develops, acquires, and operates utility-scale, standalone battery storage projects primarily across North America. Visit us at www.gridstor.com and on LinkedIn.

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Executive Bios

To download high-resolution headshots of the executive team, visit: gridstor.com/team



Chris Taylor, CEO

Chris is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of GridStor. He has two decades of experience in the clean energy sector and has developed over 2 GW of projects now in operation or construction. Prior to starting GridStor, he was at Google, where he led clean energy investing for the global data center business and was head of the Portland office. During his seven years at Google, Chris originated and managed investments in projects and companies totaling over $1.5B in equity commitments. Prior to Google, he was a co-founder and Chief Development Officer of Element Power, a private equity-backed wind and solar IPP where he built a team of over 20 and a portfolio of 5+ GW.

Chris first began developing clean energy projects in 2002 at Zilkha Renewable Energy (now EDP Renewables). He led the West region for EDP, including building a team of 20 professionals and a portfolio of 6 GW. His other experience includes environmental policy and advocacy roles in the non-profit and government sectors. He started his career as a Peace Corps volunteer in Ivory Coast. Chris has a BA from Amherst College and an MPA from Princeton University's School of International and Public Affairs.



Frank Burkhartsmeyer, CFO

Frank is GridStor's Chief Financial Officer (CFO). He has more than 25 years of financial and operational experience in the utility and renewable energy development sectors, including most recently as executive vice president of strategy and business development and CFO at NW Natural (NYSE: NWN), a natural gas distributor. Prior to his role at NW Natural, Frank served as president and chief executive officer at Avangrid Renewables (formerly Pacificorp Power Marketing), an early mover in the renewable energy industry. He also served as managing director of corporate strategy at ScottishPower and treasury director at PacifiCorp. Frank holds a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Oregon and a Bachelor of Arts degree from University of Montana.



Daniel Dedrick, Chief Technology Officer

As Chief Technology Officer at GridStor, Daniel leads GridStor's technology strategy and oversees all technical operations, including transmission and interconnection, engineering, procurement and construction (EPC), project operations, and asset management. He brings over two decades of experience in leading renewable energy systems engineering, technology, and project development.

Daniel's project experience includes over 3 GWh of utility-scale energy storage and 2 GW of solar projects in CAISO, ERCOT, Hawaii, and the northeast U.S. Previous to GridStor, Daniel led storage engineering, EPC contracting, and major equipment procurement at Clearway Energy Group and NRG Renewables. Daniel began his career in technology development at Sandia National Laboratories, where he was responsible for hydrogen production, storage, safety, and codes and standards. Daniel holds a MS in Mechanical Engineering from the University of California, Berkeley.



Lance Titus, Chief Commercial Officer

As Chief Commercial Officer at GridStor, Lance leads GridStor's power marketing and origination, trading, and market analytics functions, including risk management. He brings more than 30 years of expertise inthe marketing and trading of electricity and other commodities, and the financing and development of energy projects.

Lance has concluded over $20 billion in transactions across energy and environmental commodities and structured products, including contracted offtake of over 4 GW of power supply. Prior to GridStor, he served as Senior Managing Director and Head of New Energies, Americas, at Uniper Global Commodities.



Kathryn Meyer, VP of Development - Central

Kathryn leads the development and growth of Gridstor's pipeline, with a decade of experience developing and constructing utility-scale wind, solar, and energy storage projects. She has had integral involvement with the development, construction, and financing of more than 5 GWs during her career. Prior to Gridstor, Kathryn held roles with Primergy Solar and EDP Renewables North America. Kathryn holds a BS in International Business & Environmental Sustainability from the University of Mary Washington.



Toby Butterfield: VP of Development - West

Toby is a seasoned developer with 15 years of experience in renewables and a strong technical background. He has experience managing GW-scale portfolios and leading both development & project execution teams at EDP Renewables and Primergy Solar. Toby enjoys bringing quantitative rigor and project management tools to bear wherever possible to ensure risks are managed efficiently and projects are delivered on-time.



Jason Burwen, VP of Policy & Strategy

Jason Burwen was previously Vice President of Energy Storage at the American Clean Power Association (ACP), as well as interim CEO and Vice President of Policy at the U.S. Energy Storage Association (ESA), where he built and directed the energy storage industry's comprehensive federal, state, and regional market policy advocacy strategy from 2015 to 2023. His advocacy directly shaped the energy storage federal investment tax credit in the Inflation Reduction Act; the directives of FERC Order 841; several state deployment targets; capacity accreditation reforms in PJM; and other laws and regulations pertaining to energy storage. He has been cited as an expert on energy storage technology, policy, and markets in the Wall Street Journal, New York Times, USA Today, NPR, the New Yorker, and numerous trade publications.

Earlier in his career Jason directed research and advocacy on U.S. energy innovation and tax policy as the Associate Director for Energy Innovation at the Bipartisan Policy Center; consulted to utilities on demand response program design at FSC Group/Nexant; and reviewed utility renewable energy contracting processes for the California Public Utilities Commission. Jason holds master's degrees from the University of California - Berkeley's Energy and Resource Group and Goldman School of Public Policy, as well as a bachelor's degree from Columbia University.

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