Daiwa Energy & Infrastructure invests in a stand-alone BESS project in Texas developed by Stella Energy Solutions

Daiwa Energy & Infrastructure Co. Ltd. (President: Morimasa Matsuda, "DEI") is pleased to announce that DEI have committed an investment in a stand-alone battery energy storage system ("BESS") project ("Project") in Texas which is developed by Stella Energy Solutions LLC ("Stella").

This investment is directed towards a 200MW/480MWh BESS project in Texas, named Thomas Cameron after a U.S. Coast Guard pilot who died in the line on duty in 2012, which will be jointly developed by Stella and DEI. The project is scheduled to begin construction in 2025 and commercial operation in 2026. Once operation begins, the Project will participate in energy and ancillary service markets within Electric Reliability Council of Texas ("ERCOT").

In the state of Texas in the United States, stabilization of the power system has become an urgent issue due to unprecedented energy load growth as well as the expansion and popularization of renewable energy, mainly onshore wind power and solar. Against the backdrop of ERCOT's advanced market design, the development of BESS projects as dispatchable power resources is progressing rapidly, and this project marks our first investment in a BESS business in the state. By investing in this project, we will increase our knowledge of the BESS business in the United States, actively consider domestic and overseas investment opportunities in renewable energy and infrastructure sector. We are committed to contributing the realization of a decarbonized society through our financial functions.

Daiwa Securities Group strives to strengthen our medium- to long-term corporate value and create a sustainable and prosperous society through SDGs and ESG initiatives by working together with its stakeholders.

Project Overview

| Project Name | Thomas Cameron BESS |
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| Location | Texas |
| Capacity | 200MW/480MWh |
| Electricity Market | ERCOT |
| Expected beginning of construction | 2025 |
| Expected beginning of commercial operation | 2026 |

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(Reference) Daiwa Securities Group's Sustainability initiatives :

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