Launched in 2018, Gore Street Energy Storage Fund plc (LSE: GSF) is the only UK-listed energy storage fund with an internationally diversified portfolio located across five grids in Great Britain, Island of Ireland, Germany, Texas, & California.

Key Takeaways:

- In February, the Company successfully reached its targeted energised capacity of 753.4 MW / 924.1 MWh, marking a pivotal milestone in transitioning to a steady-state portfolio. Big Rock (200 MW / 400MWh, California), Dogfish (75 MW / 75 MWh, Texas) and Enderby (57 MW / 57 MWh, GB) are all scheduled to be revenue-generating by June-end 2025. Further details are available here.
- Over the month, Great Britain saw a decline in wholesale conditions, Northern Ireland benefited from high SNSP levels, Texas faced cold weather and high net loads favourable for flexible assets, and Germany's solar generation significantly increased, reducing system volatility.
- The Transmission System Operators (TSOs) in Ireland proposed an extension of the DS3-regulated arrangements to December 2026. Following a consultation period with relevant stakeholders, a recommendation paper will be submitted to the Single Electricity Market Committee. Further details can be found below.
- Post-period, the Investment Manager released the Company's unaudited Net Asset Value as of Decemberend 2024 (100.7 pence per share), reflecting a 0.2 pence per share increase over the quarter.
- In line with the Company's dividend policy, the Board of Directors approved a dividend of 1.0 pence per ordinary share for the December-end quarter.

ENERGISED CAPACITY TOTAL CAPACITY 753.4 1.25 **MW GW NAV PER SHARE SHARE VOLUME** 100.7p 5.3m Av. weekly share trading December-end NAV volume in February 2025 MARKET CAPITALISATION **SHARE PRICE** £247m 49.0p 28 February 2025 closing As at 28 February 2025 price

Market & Policy Update



Island of Ireland - Future Arrangement System Services

The Irish Transmission System Operators plan to replace the current system for securing electricity services, called DS3, which has been in place since 2016, with a new programme called the Future Arrangement for System Services (FASS).

Currently, system services are procured through a six-month tendering process. The new FASS programme will instead use daily auctions, known as the Day-Ahead System Services Auction (DASSA). This new system aims to provide more flexibility and is a more similar structure to that of the Great British market.

The change aims to facilitate the transition toward an Irish grid dominated by renewable energy generation. It will help manage the resulting intermittency and accommodate EU law changes, which require more competition within a market.

The FASS programme aims to achieve 95% System Non-Synchronous Penetration (SNSP). In other words, to allow renewables (mostly wind) to supply 95% of generation, using interconnectors to import energy when there is excess demand and export energy when there is excess supply.

The currently operational DS3 Regulated Arrangements were set to expire on 30th April 2026, eight months before DASSA's go-live in December 2026. The TSOs set out four shortlisted options for the interim period between the end of DS3 and the implementation of DASSA. However, to avoid any delay to the DASSA go-live date, the TSOs have recommended an extension of the DS3-regulated arrangements, i.e., extending tariffs on all products under DS3-regulated arrangements.

Ireland's reform of ancillary service procurement shows continued support for BESS in Ireland. Further details can be found <u>here</u>.

Market Trends

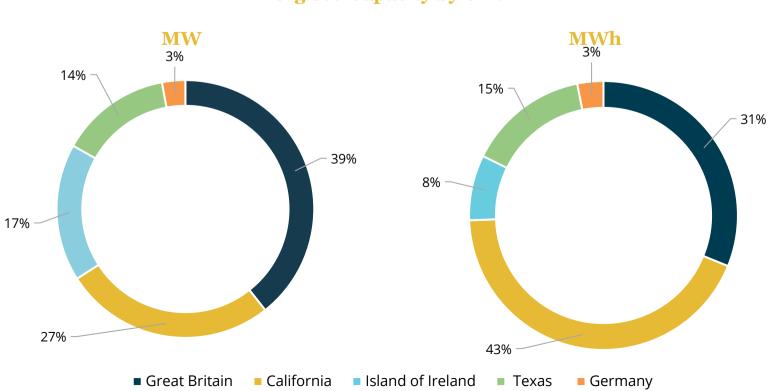
Great Britain: The market continued to show improvement over the previously reported interim period. However, a month-on-month decline in wholesale conditions occurred due to fewer periods of high net load, driven by increased wind generation and decreased demand.

Northern Ireland: February saw the highest average System Non-Synchronous Penetration (SNSP) levels in the last year, supporting DS3 revenues for the Company's Northern Irish assets. Strong asset management fundamentals helped the Company's assets maintain a high average availability over the month, enabling the assets to take advantage of the high SNSP levels.

United States: In February, Texas experienced periods of cold temperatures alongside high net loads. The combination of low wind generation and high net load created favourable opportunities for flexible assets, including BESS.

Germany: Daily peak solar generation levels showed significant month-on-month growth after experiencing a "dunkelflaute" (a period of low wind and solar generation) in January 2025. This increase resulted in reduced volatility within the system, aligning with the historical seasonal pattern of the market.

Energised Capacity by Grid



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