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Senator Gobi Announces Energy Storage Grant for Ashburnham

BOSTON – Senator Anne M. Gobi (D-Spencer) has announced a \$600,000 grant for the Town of Ashburnham. Combined with funding from the town, this project will increase energy storage capacity at the Ashburnham Municipal Electric Light Plant.

“The town of Ashburnham and the Municipal Light Department work to make necessary investments to ensure power flows reliably and efficiently,” said Senator Gobi. “This grant will assist in those efforts while helping to meet the state’s clean, renewable energy goals.”

Senator Gobi joined Governor Charlie Baker, Secretary Matthew Beaton, DOER Commissioner Judith Judson, MassCEC CEO Steve Pike and municipal officials for the announcement.

Ashburnham will use the funding to build a 2,000kW/4,000kWh lithium ion battery storage system, increasing energy storage capacity for the community.

The grants were awarded as part of the Baker-Polito Administration’s Energy Storage Initiative (ESI) Advancing Commonwealth Energy Storage (ACES) program, funded by the Department of Energy Resources (DOER) through Alternative Compliance Payments (ACP) and administered by the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center (MassCEC).

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