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SPARX to Participate in Energy Storage Project in Aso District, Kumamoto

—Assisting with stabilizing the energy grid and increasing renewable energy use in the Kyushu region—

TOKYO—March 25, 2026—SPARX Group Co., Ltd. (SPARX: TSE Prime 8739) and its subsidiary, SPARX Green Energy & Technology (SGET), today announced their involvement in an energy storage project in Aso District, Kumamoto. Other project partners include Kansai Electric Power Co., Inc. (KEPCO), JA Mitsui Leasing, Ltd., and Fukuoka Jisho Co., Ltd. This energy storage project, a collaboration with KEPCO and JA Mitsui, follows similar initiatives in Sapporo, Hokkaido (announced in March 2025), Mito, Ibaraki, and Hamamatsu, Shizuoka (announced in September 2025). It marks SPARX’s first energy storage plant development project in the Kyushu region, and Fukuoka Jisho—a local expert in business development—will participate, making this a four-company joint venture.

We plan to start commercial operations for the Aso Energy Storage Plant in June 2029, with a rated output of 50 MW and a rated capacity of 175.5 MWh.

In addition to SPARX's investment, SGET will offer development, financing, and operational support for the storage facility. The goal is to operate in capacity, wholesale electricity exchange, and supply-demand adjustment markets. By leveraging the strengths of all partners, we aim to stabilize electricity supply and demand, promote renewable energy adoption, and reach carbon neutrality by 2050. The energy storage plant does not rely on long-term decarbonized power auctions or subsidies. It will also use KEPCO’s battery degradation diagnosis and operational support service, along with E-Flow LLC’s energy market operations service, to ensure safe and secure operations.

Overview of the Aso Energy Storage Plant

Name	SGET Aso Energy Storage Plant
Operations	SGET Aso Energy Storage Plant LLC
Facility location	Minamiaso Village, Aso District, Kumamoto Prefecture
Site area	Approx. 10,000 m ²
Rated output	50 MW
Rated capacity	175.5 MWh
Commercial operations start	June 2029 (scheduled)
Investors	Kansai Electric Power Co., Inc. JA Mitsui Leasing, Ltd. SPARX Group Co., Ltd. Fukuoka Jisho Co., Ltd.

SPARX will continue supporting the development of a decarbonized, sustainable, and prosperous society by boosting renewable energy use through this battery storage business.



(Image of the Aso Energy Storage Plant)



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