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Finding thieves at Liberian communication base station batteries



Overview

Are telecom towers affected by battery theft & vandalism?

Similarly to the case of cable theft, telecom towers are increasingly affected by the rise of battery theft and vandalism. According to NorthStar Battery, 10% of battery failings in the tower industry is caused by theft and vandalism. Diesel fuel is a major asset at telecom sites that can easily and directly be sold by thieves.

Where did MTN's batteries go on a vandalised tour?

Another power cable running from underneath the power station cut where it exits the ground. The second stop of the tour was at another site which had also been vandalised previously, but where MTN had already moved its batteries into a highly secure container.

Did strong cladding prevent thieves from stealing batteries?

Fortunately, the strong cladding in which the batteries were encased had prevented the thieves from stealing them. Steel and concrete structure holding batteries in a secondary steel vault. Battery vault ripped open by thieves. Backup batteries encased in strong cladding material.

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