

Nissan opens US battery plant

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Nissan has started up a lithium-ion battery plant, located next to an assembly plant for the automaker's Leaf all-electric car in Smyrna, TN, USA. With an output capacity of up to 200,000 units/y of batteries, the plant was opened on the second anniversary of the launching of Leaf. A \$1.4 bn Department of Energy loan guarantee funded the battery and auto plant retooling projects.

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