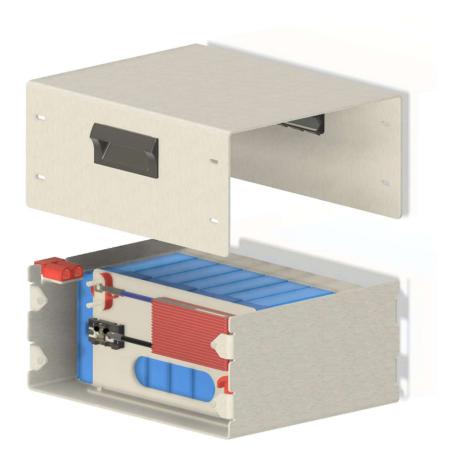


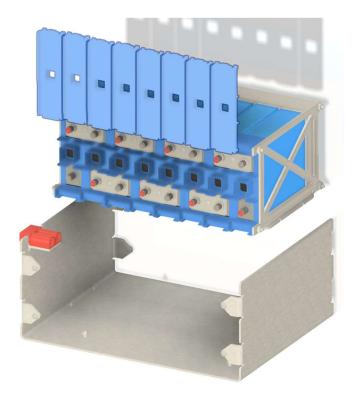
# Success Story: Custom Battery Pack Design and Manufacturing

## **Customer Challenge**

A regional company faced a critical issue when the original battery used in their product design failed. The specific model was no longer available on the market, and they struggled to find an off-the-shelf replacement that could meet the tight space constraints and the required voltage and amp-hour capacity. Without a replacement, their product could not function, jeopardizing performance and reliability.

This is a common issue in product development, companies must keep their designs viable even when original components are discontinued, and most do not have the inhouse capabilities or the time required to locate and qualify a new solution.





#### **CMS Solution**

The company turned to the JSU Center for Manufacturing Support (CMS) to design and manufacture a fully custom battery pack. Our engineers managed the project from initial design through final assembly, leveraging CMS's in-house capabilities:

- **Cell Selection:** LiFePo4 prismatic 75Ah cells meeting performance requirements.
- **Smart Power Management:** Integrated a 150A Bluetooth-enabled Battery Management System (BMS) for real-time monitoring.
- **Safety Features:** Added a high-amperage connector and protective fuse to ensure safe operation.
- **Custom Housing:** Modeled an aluminum enclosure, then fabricated it using our waterjet cutter and CNC press brake.
- **Assembly & Testing:** Fully assembled the unit and verified performance under operating conditions.
- **Documentation:** Delivered complete manufacturing documentation so the customer could continue sourcing components independently in the future.

#### Results & Impact

- **System Restored:** The failed system was brought back into operation with a reliable, custom solution.
- **End-to-End Execution:** CMS handled everything in-house, from design to final product, saving the customer time and effort.
- **Future-Proofing:** Provided the customer with documentation and sourcing information to ensure sustainability of the solution.
- **Proven Capability:** Showcased CMS's ability to take the lead on complex projects, producing complete solutions that combine design, fabrication, and validation.

### Student Engagement

Students from JSU's Department of Applied Engineering were directly involved in:

- Modeling the custom aluminum housing
- Assisting with waterjet cutting, press brake operations, and assembly
- Supporting testing and validation of the final battery pack

This project gave students hands-on experience with energy storage systems and advanced fabrication techniques, while providing the company with a fully engineered, production-ready solution.

## Ready to Solve Your Manufacturing Challenge?

If your company is facing similar issues with obsolete components, system failures, or unique design needs, the **JSU Center for Manufacturing Support** can help.

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