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KEY THEMES

- Grimes County executes SpaceX TeraFab tax abatement, 2027-2036, on June 3, 2026
- TeraFab JETI filings name on-site power generation and battery storage across four phases
- Calvert County, Maryland sets Aug. 18 data-center moratorium hearing after AWS withdrawal
- NVVN Aug. 11 EOI opens NTPC solar to Indian data centres via open access

Grimes County executes SpaceX's TeraFab abatement as JETI filings detail a four-phase, on-site-powered fab

On June 3, 2026, the Grimes County Commissioners Court executed a property tax-abatement agreement with Space Exploration Technologies Corp. for a semiconductor and advanced-computing fabrication campus at the former Gibbons Creek Reservoir site. The agreement grants 100% abatement of county ad valorem taxes on improvements for tax years 2027 through 2036. Days later, Texas Comptroller JETI filings added phase-level detail. Two of the eight planned applications drew recommendation letters on June 15, 2026 — one for Anderson-Shiro CISD, one for Iola ISD — and both name on-site power generation, substations, backup generation, and utility-scale battery storage as eligible property.

- Calvert County sets Aug. 18 data-center moratorium hearing after AWS withdraws – Amazon Data Services withdrew its Calvert Technology Center application (SPI2026-0021) in Lusby, MD; the Board of County Commissioners will consider a temporary six-month pause on data-center site-plan approvals.
- NVVN opens EOI to sell NTPC solar to data centres via open access – NTPC Vidyut Vyapar Nigam's Aug. 11, 2026 EOI names data centres among eligible C&I buyers, with a 5 MW minimum and indicative ex-bus prices of ₹3.00–3.65/kWh.
- IBM signs $240M multi-year deal with Together AI for HGX B300 cluster – IBM said on Aug. 11, 2026 it is positioned to deploy a dedicated NVIDIA HGX B300 inference cluster on IBM Cloud, with expected availability in Q1 2027.

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