

REC Group to feature new 340 Wp 72-cell version of the award-winning REC TwinPeak Series PV module at SPI 2016

San Mateo, California – September 12, 2016: REC Group, one of the leading providers of solar PV modules to the US market, has begun mass production of the new REC TwinPeak 72 Series PV modules. REC Group (REC) will be featuring multiple PV modules based on REC TwinPeak technology at Solar Power International (SPI) 2016, the largest solar industry trade show in North America. SPI will be held in Las Vegas from September 12-15, 2016.

Based on the 60-cell REC TwinPeak Series, which launched in 2015 and won the 2015 Intersolar Award for 'Photovoltaics', the new REC TwinPeak 72 Series PV module consists of the same four key technologies:

- Half-cut cell technology (144 half-cut solar cells)
- Passivated Emitter Rear Cell (PERC) technology
- Four busbars
- Split junction box spread across the middle of the module, allowing an innovative panel design

The unique cell stringing architecture, plus the combination of improved thermal coefficient, reduced shading impact and increased power density resulting from these innovations, means that customers can expect a significant improvement in energy yield, along with lower balance of system costs. For utility installations, the elimination of backtracking when used on single axis trackers, along with the other benefits, can boost energy yields by up to 3%. With nominal power of up to 340 watt peak (Wp), the REC TwinPeak 72 Series PV module is bigger in size, delivers even higher power output per square foot, and is ideally suited for commercial, industrial, and large-scale applications.

“REC has had tremendous success in the US market with the 60-cell REC TwinPeak product and now the REC TwinPeak 72 Series allows us to serve our commercial and utility sector customers with a similar high-value product”, says Chris Masys, Vice President of Sales and Marketing, Americas at REC Group. “The addition of the REC TwinPeak 72 Series to our portfolio underlines our commitment to supplying all our customers with high-power panels, backed up by renowned REC quality.”

The REC TwinPeak 72 is available for all regions, and is certified for a maximum system voltage of 1000V according to IEC 61215 & 61730 as well as UL 1703 standards, with a 1500V variant available from November 2016. As with all REC panels, the REC TwinPeak 72 is 100% free from potential induced degradation (PID), avoiding power losses even in the harshest conditions and environments in terms of high temperatures and humidity. More information about the REC TwinPeak 72 Series and other REC panels and solutions can be found on the REC website at <http://usa.recgroup.com/products-solutions>

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