

REC launches 72-cell version of the award-winning REC TwinPeak Series – rated up to 340 Wp

Munich, Germany – August 25, 2016: REC, a leading European brand of solar panels, has begun mass production of the new REC TwinPeak 72 Series solar panel. With nominal power of up to 340 watt peak (Wp), the REC TwinPeak 72 Series is bigger in size, delivers even higher power output per m², and is ideally suited for commercial, industrial, and large-scale applications worldwide.

Based on the REC TwinPeak Series, which was launched in 2015 and won the Intersolar Award for 'Photovoltaics' that same year, the REC TwinPeak 72 consists of the same four key technologies:

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

REC was the first manufacturer to successfully combine these four technologies into a single product on a multicrystalline platform for industrial-scale production. Together, they enhance power output in the REC TwinPeak 72 Series by around 20 Wp, compared to standard 72-cell panels. Installers, EPCs, investors, and end customers will experience its advantages almost immediately, including lower balance of system costs and higher yield thanks to its increased power output and improved performance in shaded conditions, enabled by the innovative 'twin' design.

"REC is seeing increasing demand for high efficiency products which our proven TwinPeak technologies can deliver," says Cemil Seber, Director Product Marketing and Global Expansion at REC. "The addition of the REC TwinPeak 72 Series to our portfolio underlines our commitment to supplying our customers with high-power panels with 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://www.recgroup.com/en/products-solutions

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