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Fully integrated solar roofing solution from Kyocera generates 267 kWp of power

Kyoto / Neuss, 16 July 2010 – The Japanese technology group Kyocera, a leading manufacturer of photovoltaic panels, is supplying KD210GH-2PU modules in France for a fully integrated solar roofing solution in conjunction with the MV3 integration system developed by Mecosun. This solar installation generates peak power levels of 267 kilowatts (kWp).

Kyocera has supplied a total of 1,272 high-performance KD210GH-2PU modules that generate 267 kWp of power across a surface area of 2,000 m². The modules replace conventional roofing entirely, and ensure functionality in conjunction with the MV3 integration system manufactured by Mecosun. The photovoltaic system (integration structure + module) is fully water-resistant, and is currently undergoing certification as part of a Technical Assessment conducted by the CSTB (scientific and technical monitoring body for the construction industry in France). The construction itself was designed, implemented and installed by Eclair SA. Installation work began in February, with the construction being finalized in April.

Under standard test conditions, the Kyocera solar module in use – KD210GH-2PU – generates 210 Wp. And at 16% efficiency, it guarantees an increased annual energy yield.

Kyocera's exacting standards in terms of the quality of its products played a crucial role in the investor's decision, and ensure maximum value and reliability. Backed by more than 35 years of experience, this Japanese company manufactures all components at its own production sites – from the processing of raw materials, to module

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production, through to cell construction. Kyocera has also implemented an extremely stringent quality control system that maximizes the benefit to the customer.

About Kyocera

Headquartered in Kyoto, Japan, the Kyocera Corporation is one of the world's leading manufacturers of fine ceramic components for the technology industry. The strategically important divisions in the Kyocera Group, which comprises 213 subsidiaries (April 1st, 2010), are information and communications technologies, products to increase the quality of life, and environmentally friendly products. The technology group is also one of the largest producers of solar energy systems worldwide.

With a workforce of about 63.000 employees, Kyocera posted net sales of approximately €8.59 billion in fiscal year 2009/2010. The products marketed by the company in Europe include laser printers, digital copying systems, microelectronic components, finceramic products and complete solar systems. The corporation has two independent companies in the Federal Republic of Germany: the Kyocera Finceramics GmbH in Neuss and Esslingen and the Kyocera Mita Deutschland GmbH in Meerbusch.

The company also takes a lively interest in cultural affairs. The Kyoto Prize, one of the most prominent international awards, is presented each year by the Inamori Foundation, once established by Kyocera founder Dr. Kazuo Inamori, to individuals and groups worldwide for their outstanding human achievement (converted at present €450.000 per prize category).

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