

Press release

KYOCERA Announces Resolution of Patent Infringement Lawsuit Against Hanwha Q CELLS Japan Co., Ltd.

6 October 2015 – Kyoto, Japan/Neuss, Germany – Kyocera Corporation (headquarters: Kyoto, Japan; president: Goro Yamaguchi) today announced that it has concluded a technology licensing agreement with Hanwha Q CELLS Japan Co., Ltd. (headquarters: Tokyo, Japan; president: Jongseo Kim). The agreement features a license for Kyocera's Japanese patent related to a "three-bus-bar electrode structure" that increases energy conversion efficiency in solar modules (Japanese patent no. 4953562), and also includes a mutual exchange of patent licenses between the two companies to be executed in the future. Under the terms of the agreement, Kyocera has withdrawn its lawsuit against Hanwha Q CELLS Japan Co. Ltd. relating to the above-cited patent as of October 6, 2015.

Kyocera has conducted R&D in the field of solar energy continuously since 1975, achieving a number of technological innovations. Through effective utilization of the two companies' patents, Kyocera will strive to continually develop advanced products. The company recognizes intellectual property as a vital asset, and remains committed to the further development of its solar energy business.

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About Kyocera

Headquartered in Kyoto, Japan, 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 is comprised of 226 subsidiaries (as of March 31, 2015), are information and communications technologies, products which increase quality of life, and environmentally friendly products. The technology group is also one of the largest producers of solar energy systems worldwide, with more than 6 gigawatts of solar power having been installed around the world to date.

The company is ranked #552 on Forbes magazine's 2015 "Global 2000" listing of the world's largest publicly traded companies.

With a global workforce of over 68,000 employees, Kyocera posted net sales of approximately €11.74 billion in fiscal year 2014/2015. The products marketed by the company in Europe include printers, digital copying systems, microelectronic components, fine ceramic products and complete solar power systems. The Kyocera Group has two independent companies in the Federal Republic of Germany: Kyocera Fineceramics GmbH in Neuss and Esslingen and Kyocera Document Solutions in Meerbusch.

The company also takes an active interest in cultural affairs. The Kyoto Prize, a prominent international award, is presented each year by the Inamori Foundation — established by Kyocera founder Dr. Kazuo Inamori — to individuals and groups worldwide who have contributed significantly to the scientific, cultural, and spiritual betterment of humankind (converted at present €385,000 per prize category).

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