

SMA Solar Technology AG - Press Release

SMA Takes Over Operational Management of the Largest PV Farm in Scandinavia

Niestetal, August 17, 2016 – SMA Solar Technology AG (SMA) is taking over complete technical operational management of the largest PV farm in Denmark on behalf of project developer and energy service provider WIRCON GmbH. The PV farm near Lerchenborg has been on the utility grid since December 2015, with an output of around 60 megawatts. SMA has supplied the power plant with 1,750 Sunny Tripower 25000TL inverters.

The operational management contract includes continuous remote monitoring, regular maintenance, repairs and upkeep of the ground-based PV system. "We are delighted that WIRCON GmbH has increased its cooperation with SMA and placed us in charge of the operational management of the largest PV farm in Scandinavia. We possess the experience and skills to supervise the plant operation smoothly and reliably and to quickly identify and remedy any irregularities. As a result, we can ensure that the PV power plant is functioning perfectly at all times and generating the best possible yield," says Bernd Lamskemper, Head of Service EMEA at SMA.

SMA is also planning to collaborate with WIRCON GmbH on other projects, thereby continuing to support the project developer and energy service provider as an expert partner. "The company's long-standing expertise in inverters and experience in the operational management of large PV power plants in the megawatt range motivated us to intensify our cooperation with SMA Solar Technology AG," said Dr. Peter Vest, Managing Director of WIRCON GmbH, on conclusion of the contract.

On the Baltic coast west of Copenhagen, WIRCON GmbH has installed 248,730 PV modules and 1,750 SMA string inverters in an area covering over 80 hectares, thereby having constructed the largest PV farm in Scandinavia. The Lerchenborg PV farm generates approximately 60 million kWh of electric current per year, which is enough energy to supply around 30,000 private households with solar power.

**About SMA** 

The SMA Group with sales of €1 billion in 2015 is the global market leader for solar inverters, a key component of all PV plants, and offers innovative key technologies for future power supply structures. It is headquartered in Niestetal, near Kassel, Germany, and is represented in 20 countries. The Group employs more than 3,000 people worldwide. SMA has an extensive range of products, which offers the right inverters for all module types and plant sizes; for small residential systems as well as large-scale plants, grid-connected photovoltaic systems as well as off-grid and hybrid

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systems. Moreover, SMA offers system technology for various battery technologies and system sizes and collaborates with renowned battery manufacturers and companies from the automotive industry. The SMA technology is protected by about 700 patents and utility models worldwide. The range of services is supplemented by comprehensive services and operational management of large-scale PV power plants. Since 2008, the Group's parent company, SMA Solar Technology AG, has been listed on the Prime Standard of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (S92) and is currently the only company in the solar industry that is listed in the TecDAX index.

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