



SILFAB ONTARIO Inc./AGRIS SOLAR CO OPERATIVE
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**SILFAB ONTARIO AND AGRIS SOLAR CO-OPERATIVE SIGN CONTRACT
TO SUPPLY 30, 000 ONTARIO MADE SOLAR MODULES OR 9.3MW
TO OVER 1000 ONTARIO FARMERS AND RURAL LANDOWNERS**

Silfab high efficiency modules, produced in Ontario in accordance with the Feed-In Tariff program's domestic content requirements, have been selected by Agris Solar for its portfolio of aggregated microFIT installations to be launched starting this month for a total of 9.3 MW.

Mississauga-Ontario, April 21, 2011 – A contract to supply 9.3 MW has been signed between Agris Solar Co-operative Inc. and Silfab Ontario Inc., a Canadian company which has just opened its new PV module manufacturing facility in Mississauga, Ontario this past Monday. The production line has started and will reach 90 MW annual capacity by the middle of the year and 180 MW by 2012.

Agris Solar will receive the first tranche of the Silfab's new line, and will continue to receive supply until April next year, allowing Agris Solar to complete its extensive portfolio of microFIT photovoltaic installations with a maximum of 10 kW each. Agris Solar began construction of the first 10 kW microFIT systems in early February and will continue to build throughout the coming year with the goal to have over 1,000 microFIT installations completed throughout rural Ontario.

The total 9.3 MW corresponds to approximately 30,000 photovoltaic modules made from 60 or 72 mono-crystalline silicon cells, and will provide an estimated clean energy production of 10.6 million kW/h a year and 150 million tonnes of avoided CO² emissions over the lifetime of the plants. In accordance with the local incentive program requirements, the modules chosen by Agris Solar and produced by Silfab are the SLA 235-250 and SLA 285-300, respectively composed of 60 and 72 mono-crystalline high efficiency silicon cells and with power up to 300Wp. These maximum performance modules, which are extremely reliable and durable, are guaranteed to have a prolonged life at the highest levels of energy efficiency.

"With Agris Solar" - says President and CEO of Silfab Ontario Inc, Franco Traverso - " we have found a partner of great quality, that considers photovoltaics from not only an economic perspective, but also from an environmental and social viewpoint. We are therefore particularly proud to be contributing actively with Agris Solar to the implementation of many projects throughout Ontario that will spread the value of solar energy, letting the reliability and validity of the photovoltaic solution be made known not only in MW solar farms but also in small plants."

"Early in our process we identified the need to work with a quality manufacturer and a top management team" - commented Andrew Clark General Manager of AGRIS Solar and CEO of Spark Solar - "our members and lender required a manufacturer with the track record, experience and quality of product that would provide performance for the twenty years of our contracts with the OPA and beyond, we believe, we have found that with Silfab."

The **microFIT Program** is a stream of the Ontario Power Authority's (OPA) Feed-in Tariff (FIT) Program for renewable energy in Ontario. It is intended to encourage the development of "micro-scale" renewable energy projects across the province. Owners of these projects will be paid a fixed price for the electricity they produce. Prices are set at a level intended to enable project owners to recover the costs of the projects, as well as to earn a reasonable return on their investment over the term of the contract. This apply's to homeowners, farmers or small businesses to develop "micro" renewable electricity generation project of 10 kilowatts (kW) or less in size on your property. You'll be paid for all the electricity you produce through the microFIT Program. For more info: <http://microfit.powerauthority.on.ca/>

**SILFAB ONTARIO Inc.**

A subsidiary of vertically-integrated solar provider Silfab SpA (Italy), Silfab Ontario Inc. is a Canada-based company with headquarters in Mississauga, Ontario. In the summer of 2010, the company opened a sales office and secured a 100,000+ square feet facility to house a new 180 MW solar module manufacturing plant which has started production in April 2011. Fully-automated and operated by 200 skilled workers (at plant full capacity), the new plant manufactures mono and multi-crystalline high-efficiency PV modules with a power up to 300 Wp, suited for both rooftop and ground-mounted applications. Part of the production will also be devoted to PV module OEM manufacturing on behalf of solar companies seeking to enter the Ontario market.

AGRIS SOLAR Co operative

AGRIS Solar Co-op is organized under the Co-operative Corporations Act of Ontario, it is 100 per cent owned by Ontario farmers and landowners and is focused on facilitating participation among the farm community, in the government's MicroFIT program. Launched in March of 2010 the Co op quickly gained interest from farmers and rural landowners with the goal of reaching 1000 sites across Ontario, taking advantage of the incentives provided in the Ontario's Green Energy Act and microFIT (Feed in Tariff) Program which will allow for expanding the green electrical grid. AGRIS is continuing to expand across Ontario as an alternative solution to independent ownership of a microFIT solar PV system using the co-operative approach familiar to many farmers and rural landowners. AGRIS Solar operates in partnership with Spark Solar, an Ontario based developer of renewable energy projects. Spark Solar provides the co-operative with the professional management required for the rapid installation of the solar units and ongoing business operations.

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