



## Clinton Foundation, NRG and Solar Manufacturers Partner To Power Hospital in Haiti with Solar Energy

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**SMA, Unirac, Trina and Sunora Energy Solutions contribute to the first completed project of a new partnership between NRG and the Clinton Foundation to bring the benefits of solar to Haiti**

PRINCETON, N.J., July 15, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- NRG Energy Inc. (NYSE: NRG) today announced the completion of the first project of a new partnership with the Clinton Foundation to continue bringing the benefits of solar power to Haiti. An advanced solar panel power system was installed at Hospital Bernard Mevs, one of the only trauma, critical care and rehabilitation hospitals in Haiti, with contributions from leading solar technology manufacturers SMA, Unirac, Trina and Sunora Energy.

To view the multimedia assets associated with this release, please click: <http://www.multivu.com/mnr/60577-nrg-energy-partnership-helps-install-solar-haitian-hospital-bernard-mevs>

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Solar power can help improve the quality and reliability of health care delivery to the more than 10,000 patients that the hospital treats every year by significantly reducing its dependence on an unreliable grid power system. The 100-kilowatt solar array and battery storage system is also expected to empower the hospital to enhance its life-saving services and equipment.

"The Clinton Foundation is continuing to support Haiti's long-term recovery efforts and sustainable development by expanding clean energy infrastructure," said Bruce Lindsey, chief executive officer, Clinton Foundation. "I'm pleased we've been able to work with NRG Energy on a new, complete solar power panel system for Hospital Bernard Mevs that will enable the hospital to provide quality health care for its patients."

Dr. Barth A. Green, President and co-founder of Project Medishare, added, "Bernard Mevs is the only hospital in Haiti with neonatal, pediatric and adult ICUs equipped with life-saving ventilators and life support technology, requiring a reliable source of power. This solar energy helps guarantee the safety of our precious Haitian neighbors afflicted with catastrophic injuries and diseases while in the care of our Bernard Mevs colleagues."

When completed, the hospital will benefit from solar power in three main ways:

- (1) The solar system will significantly offset the need for diesel-fueled electricity.
- (2) The reliable energy source will provide the "always on" power needed to protect sensitive medical equipment from regular power surges or outages that can be damaging.
- (3) The emissions-free energy source will reduce pollution.

NRG's partnership with the Clinton Foundation follows the 2012 completion of the company's \$1 million commitment made through the Clinton Global Initiative (CGI) to bring the benefits of clean, safe solar power in Haiti to a fish farm, a farm drip irrigation system, and 20 schools. NRG's continued commitment to developing solar in Haiti will ultimately empower more Haitians to benefit from thriving and sustainable economic development opportunities.

"This partnership will help to ensure the talented physicians at this critical health care facility will have the reliable electricity and affordable grid independence they need to provide quality health care services to all patients," said David Crane, NRG President and CEO. "This project is a first step in our new partnership with the Clinton Foundation, and the participation of our solar technology partners will help us, together, advance NRG's broader corporate strategy to alleviate energy poverty and promote cleaner energy solutions."

The project received support from leading solar technology manufacturers, including SMA, Unirac, Trina and Sunora Energy Solutions, which donated all of the solar panels, equipment and materials needed to install the Hospital Bernard Mevs array.

"As SMA partners once again with this generous, visionary group, we recognize the great need that Haiti has for reliable power sources that will improve care and quality of life for the Haitian people," said Henry Dziuba, President and general manager of SMA America. "Supplying inverters for the Hospital Bernard Mevs solar PV system and joining volunteers in Haiti to install the system was a true privilege."

"Sunora is pleased to support NRG and the Clinton Foundation as the engineering, procurement and construction lead at the Bernard Mevs Hospital solar project," stated John Plumlee, CEO of Sunora Energy Solutions. "Sunora is dedicated to supporting initiatives such as this one, and past installations in Haiti, to ensure the region has the dependable energy required to provide these much needed critical healthcare services."

"Solar is smarter energy that will protect the hospital's vital functions by providing a reliable source of power even in the case of loss of the grid," said Mark Mendenhall, President, Trina Solar Americas. "Trina Solar is proud to work together with our partners to provide our high-quality panels to this worthy project."

"We are very excited to partner with NRG and the Clinton Foundation in this team approach to ensure a safe and healthy environment for this children's' critical care facility in Haiti," says Peter Lorenz, Unirac CEO. "Not only does this project demonstrate the value solar brings as a reliable energy source to improve the provision of health care to Haiti, but it also very much aligns with our parent company - Hilti - and their global commitment to positively effect change in communities throughout the world. We are grateful to be part of a permanent solution to Haiti's needs."

For more information on NRG's commitment to Haiti, visit <http://www.nrgsolar.com/whynrgsolar/community-outreach/clinton-global-initiative-haiti/>

#### About NRG

NRG is at the forefront of changing how people think about and use energy. We deliver cleaner and smarter energy choices for our customers, backed by the nation's largest independent power generation portfolio of fossil fuel, nuclear, solar and wind facilities. A Fortune 500 company, NRG is challenging the U.S. energy industry by becoming the largest developer of solar power, building the first privately funded electric vehicle charging infrastructure, and providing customers with the most advanced smart energy solutions to better manage their energy use. In addition to 47,000 megawatts of generation capacity, enough to supply nearly 40 million homes, our retail electricity providers – Reliant, Green Mountain Energy and Energy Plus – serve more than two million customers. More information is available at [www.nrgenergy.com](http://www.nrgenergy.com). Connect with NRG Energy on Facebook and follow us on Twitter @nrgenergy.

#### About SMA

The SMA Group generated sales of €1.7 billion in 2011 and is the global market leader for solar inverters, a key component of all PV plants. It is headquartered in Niestetal, near Kassel, Germany, and is represented in 21 countries on six continents. The Group employs more than 5,500 people worldwide, plus a number of temporary employees that varies on a seasonal basis. SMA's broad product portfolio includes a compatible inverter for every type of module on the market and for all PV plant sizes. The product range includes inverters both for grid-connected PV plants and for off-grid systems. SMA can therefore provide an ideal inverter solution for all plant sizes and types. 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 also in the TecDAX index. In recent years, SMA has received numerous awards for excellence as an employer and in 2011 and 2012 achieved first place in Germany's nationwide Great Place to Work® competition. [www.SMA-America.com](http://www.SMA-America.com) / [www.SMA-Canada.ca](http://www.SMA-Canada.ca)

#### About Sunora Energy Solutions

Sunora Energy Solutions is a design-build energy solutions company that makes solar power cost-effective through proprietary innovation, scale, & operational excellence in engineering, construction, and fabrication. Sunora provides high quality, integrated solutions at the lowest total cost in the industry. Sunora services a range of customers from developers to consumers across the United States and North America that need affordable utility and distributed power generation. Sunora is a privately-held, solar Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) corporation based in Phoenix, Arizona. For more information about Sunora Energy Solutions, please visit the company's website at [www.SunoraEnergy.com](http://www.SunoraEnergy.com)

#### About the Clinton Foundation

Building on a lifetime of public service, President Bill Clinton established the Clinton Foundation with the mission to improve global health, strengthen economies, promote health and wellness, and protect the environment by fostering partnerships among governments, businesses, nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), and private citizens to turn good intentions into measurable results. Since 2001, President Clinton's vision and leadership have resulted in nearly 5 million people benefiting from lifesaving HIV/AIDS treatment; more than 15,000 U.S. schools building healthier learning environments; more than 55,000 micro-entrepreneurs, small business owners, and smallholder farmers improving their livelihoods and communities; and more than 248 million tons of CO2 being reduced in cities around the world. And President Clinton has redefined the way we think about giving and philanthropy through his Clinton Global Initiative, whose members have made more than 2,300 commitments that are improving the lives of nearly 400 million people in more than 180 countries. For more information, visit [clintonfoundation.org](http://clintonfoundation.org), read our blog at [clintonfoundation.org/upclose](http://clintonfoundation.org/upclose), and follow us on Twitter @ClintonTweet and Facebook at [Facebook.com/BillClinton](https://www.facebook.com/BillClinton).

#### About the Clinton Global Initiative

Established in 2005 by President Bill Clinton, the Clinton Global Initiative (CGI) convenes global leaders to create and implement innovative solutions to the world's most pressing challenges. CGI Annual Meetings have brought together more than 150 heads of state, 20 Nobel Prize laureates, and hundreds of leading CEOs, heads of foundations and NGOs, major philanthropists, and members of the media. To date CGI members have made more than 2,300 commitments, which are already improving the lives of nearly 400 million people in more than 180 countries. When fully funded and implemented, these commitments will be valued at \$73.5 billion.

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