Suniva Powers Largest Rooftop PV Installation in Washington D.C.

New solar PV system is the largest installation by a privately-held real estate developer on a Class A, commercial office building in Washington, D.C.

Norcross, Ga. – March 10, 2015 – Suniva, Inc., a U.S. manufacturer of high-efficiency crystalline silicon solar cells and modules, today announced that it is powering the solar photovoltaic (PV) system on The Millennium Building, located at 1909 K Street NW in Washington, D.C. – the first of its kind inside the District. The PV system will help improve the district’s environmental footprint and reduce the building’s operating costs.

The Suniva PV system was designed and installed by Astrum Solar® for The Tower Companies (“Tower”) a privately-held and family-owned organization that has both developed and managed The Millennium Building since 1973. The rooftop solar array features Suniva OPTimus® panels and sits atop the LEED® Gold Certified 235,000 SF, multi-tenant, commercial office building. This is the first solar PV installation on a large, commercial, class-A, office building in Washington D.C.

“We are thrilled that our American-made solar panels are powering The Millennium Building in our nation’s capital. We are happy that when companies such as Tower want to use the world’s best solar technology, they can find it right here at home”, said Matt Card, vice president of global sales and marketing, Suniva. “The District of Columbia has a very strong solar market and we’re proud to contribute to the growing Sustainable DC Plan. We look forward to collaborating with Astrum Solar on additional projects.”

Tower is committed to developing and managing buildings that are sustainable and socially responsible. "It's in our DNA as an organization. We strive to be in the forefront of the green building industry and have wanted to incorporate solar for a while now," said Eugenia Gregorio, Director of Corporate Responsibility for The Tower Companies. "When we combined the decreased cost of solar panels and the tax and SREC incentives available, the project just made good business sense and aligns with our environmental goals," added Gregorio.

About Suniva

Suniva® is the leading American manufacturer of high-efficiency crystalline silicon photovoltaic (PV) solar cells and high-power solar modules. The company is known for its high-quality products, industry-leading technology, reliability and high power density. Headquartered in metro-Atlanta, Georgia, and with manufacturing facilities in Georgia and Michigan, Suniva sells its advanced PV cells and modules globally. For additional information on how Suniva is making solar sensible, visit www.suniva.com.

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