

Upsolar Receives Certification from Centre Scientifique et Technique du Bâtiment

Products, structure earn endorsement in France

PARIS – February 9th, 2011 – Upsolar, a leading international solar module supplier, today announced it has obtained certification in partnership with mounting structure manufacturers from the prestigious *Centre Scientifique et Technique du Bâtiment (CSTB)*, which seeks to ensure the quality and safety of sustainable construction through research, assessment and evaluation. Certification was granted in conjunction with mounting structure partners SOLEOS Solar GmbH and Oxysoleil. Additional certifications are in process with Mecosun and Renusol.

To be considered for CSTB approval, module producers and mounting component manufacturers must submit comprehensive technical data to the organization. Following a thorough examination, only a handful of applicants are deemed eligible and granted certification.

Upsolar's CSTB certifications cover an assortment of products and structures to suit the varying needs of its customers, including monocrystalline and polycrystalline modules as well as both building-integrated and rack-mounted systems.

"We take great pride in our 'Excellence at Each Step' manufacturing approach, which combines vertically integrated production with vigilant quality control and extensive testing both internally and with outside entities," Adrien Pellarin, Upsolar's technical support manager, said. "The high standards we place on our products were reflected throughout the CSTB testing process, and this certification is a much-appreciated validation of our dedication to quality."

Upsolar submitted a complete description of its components and manufacturing processes, as well as information on its online quality controls and test reports from third-party laboratories. SOLEOS Solar and Oxysoleil were required to present detailed calculations and technical product renderings to demonstrate adherence to national building codes, including waterproofing capabilities and resistance to mechanical loads and corrosion.

"Earning validation from a respected organization like the *Centre Scientifique et Technique du Bâtiment* is an invaluable measure of excellence, and we've found that many insurance providers and solar integrators are now exclusively requesting CSTB-certified products for this reason," Emilie Fages, Sales Representative of Upsolar Europe SAS, said. "Now that our modules and multiple partners' mounting systems have successfully passed CSTB's rigorous testing process, we are confident our business will see rapid growth throughout the French solar market."

Additional product and system certifications are expected this year.

About Upsolar:

Upsolar is a leading international solar module developer and producer, offering the solar industry's best quality / price ratio in the global PV market. With vertically integrated, diversified manufacturing platforms, as well as an R&D-supported quality control management system, Upsolar produces high quality, reliable solar modules backed by a



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world-class warranty, at competitive prices. Headquartered in Shanghai, Upsolar has offices throughout Asia, Europe and North America to support an international customer-base, providing on-site technical support, customer service and product development teams. For more information, visit: www.upsolar.com.

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