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SUNWIZE TECHNOLOGIES OPENS WEST COAST FACILITY

SunWize customers to benefit from California location

Kingston, New York, January 30, 2002 – In order to serve the growing solar energy market in the Western US, SunWize Technologies announced the opening of an 8500 square foot distribution facility in Ventura County, CA. The facility is located 60 miles north of Los Angeles. “Our West Coast customers will experience shorter turnaround time for shipments and reduced shipping costs from our California facility,” stated Joanne Smith, Vice President, Residential Power. The new facility is part of the SunWize expansion plan designed to service its growing customer base in the Western US and Latin America, and to implement its Solar Connect™ sales program for the California residential photovoltaic market. SunWize also operates a 30,000 square foot manufacturing and distribution facility on the East Coast in Kingston, NY.

Business over the past ten months indicates the demand for solar modules and components has doubled in the Western part of the United States with a concentration in California. “The strategic location of this facility will greatly benefit our customers,” commented David Holt, General Manager, Western Region. “Customer service is our priority and we are always striving to improve our support and service.”

For information about SunWize’s dealer program or residential program, contact Joanne Smith, telephone 800-232-7652, email: sunwize@montana.com. SunWize Technologies, Inc. is a photovoltaic technology company specializing in the manufacture of integrated power systems and the distribution of solar modules and balance of system components.

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