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Growth Opportunities in Utility Scale Solar: Projects, Finance and Policy will be held at the **InterContinental Hotel** in San Francisco, CA.

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Conference Agenda
 July 13, 2010

9:00a.m. – 9:15a.m.

Welcome Address

9:15a.m. - 9:45a.m.

Opening Keynote

Steve Malnight, Vice President, Renewable Energy, Energy Procurement Team, Pacific Gas & Electric

9:45a.m. - 10:45a.m.

Assessing the Future of the Utility Scale Solar Market in the U.S.

The utility-scale sector is the fastest growing segment of the U.S. solar market. As utilities become increasingly comfortable with solar technology and project financing returns to the market, the sector is poised for explosive growth. However, utility-scale solar in the U.S. remains in its infancy today. How will the utility-scale solar market develop over the next year? Over the next five years? In this session, leading members of the market, from utilities to suppliers, will discuss the future of utility-scale solar in the U.S. and where the greatest opportunities lie.

Mike Montoya, Director of Engineering Advancement, Southern California Edison
 Tom Starrs, Managing Director, North America Utility Business Unit, SunPower
 Jayesh Goyal, Vice President - North American Sales, AREVA Solar

10:45a.m. - 11:15a.m.

Coffee Break

11:15a.m. - 11:45a.m.

U.S. Market Growth – Government and Utility

The U.S. Market is growing rapidly and will represent the dominant demand center for PV in the coming years. Unlike other high growth regions of the past, the US will be driven by the needs of the US Government and Utility segments. These customers will demand new products and have special needs that may not be well understood – particularly to companies new to the United States. Companies looking to grow their US presence must understand the demands and future issues associated with these high value segments and how to succeed in the next phase of growth.

Roger Little, CEO, Spire Corp.

11:45a.m. - 12:15p.m.

Investing in Solar in the Era of Utility-Scale

Leading cleantech investors discuss the ways in which investing in solar companies has evolved over the years, and how the era of utility-scale solar adds new complexities and opportunities for venture capitalists in 2010.

Nathan Campbell, Director, Good Energies
 Dan Rubin, General Partner, Alloy Ventures
 Ben Kortlang, Partner, Kleiner Perkins Caufield & Byers
 Peter Shannon, Partner, Firelake Capital

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Opportunities in Utility-Scale Distributed Generation

The utility-scale solar market is increasingly becoming broken into two categories: smaller, distributed projects and large centralized ones. Each system type carries its own set of benefits and barriers, and distributed generation is beginning to show strong signs of life among utilities, breaking away from their traditional model of building centralized power plants. In this session, downstream market players from developers to utilities will discuss the current activities in distributed generation for utilities and how that market will evolve in the coming years.

Mark Nelson, Director of Generation Planning & Strategy, Southern California Edison
Arno Harris, CEO, Recurrent Energy
Bob Powell, President and CEO, Solar Power Partners
Craig Lewis, Founding Principal, RightCycle and Executive Director, FIT Coalition

1:00p.m. – 2:00p.m.

Lunch

2:00p.m. - 3:00p.m.

Inverter and Power Management Solutions for Utility-Scale Solar

Innovation in inverters and power management is crucial in driving down the cost of utility-scale solar generation and in increasing adoption of large-scale solar power. In addition, inverters and power management solutions serve as the nexus between solar projects and the electric grid, the convergence of which will become increasingly important as the utility-scale solar market ramps up. In this session, inverter manufacturers will discuss how inverter and power management innovations are reshaping the PV electronics marketplace and how inverter architectures are providing a catalyst for utility-scale solar market growth.

Steve Rhoades, CEO, Satcon
Steve Hummel, VP Engineering, PV Powered
Richard Robertson, Inverter Program Manger, GE
Jurgen Krehnke, President, General Manager, SMA America

3:00p.m. - 3:45p.m.

Utility-Scale Solar Project Developers Roundtable

In this session, utility-scale project developers will discuss the technologies and strategies being developed to overcome permitting, real estate, construction, financing, and competitive challenges currently facing this growing sector of the industry.

Tim Derrick, CEO, Axio Power
Colleen Campbell, Business Development Manager, CH2M HILL
Glen Davis, CEO, Agile Energy
Keith Latham, P.E., Vice President, Development, NRG Solar LLC

3:45p.m. - 4:15p.m.

Coffee Break

4:15p.m. - 5:00p.m.

Financing Utility-Scale Solar

As the economy recovers from the worst recession in 80 years, project financing remains the biggest barrier facing utility-scale solar projects. However, expert developers and financiers are finding ways to structure and develop projects that are profitable and successful, even in today's financing environment. In this session, leading financiers and developers discuss the current state of project financing, how project financing will develop over the next few years, and the key elements to structuring and financing successful utility-scale solar projects in the U.S.

Marie Schnitzer, Director of Solar Services, AWS Truewind
William Lee, Vice President, Project Finance & Corporate Development, SunEdison
Sheldon Kimber, Senior Vice President Development, Recurrent Energy
Matt Cheney, CEO, CleanPath Ventures

5:00p.m. – 6:00p.m.

Utility Scale Solar Technologies

Photovoltaics (PV), Concentrating Photovoltaics (CPV), Concentrating Solar Thermal/Solar

Thermal Power Plants (CSP)

As the utility-scale solar market expands and new project opportunities emerge, competition amongst technologies rises to the forefront. Will CSP dominate the large-scale market, or will PV successfully scale up? What role will CPV play in the market? In this session, market-leading proponents of each of major utility-scale solar technology will discuss how the value proposition, competitive positioning, and best applications for each technology.

Bob MacDonald, PhD, Co-Founder and CEO, Skyline Solar

Cynthia Christensen, Director of Strategic Corporate Development, Stirling Energy Systems

Laks Sampath, Senior Project Technical Manager, Trina Solar

Charles Ricker, Senior Vice President, Business Development, BrightSource Energy