



SMA Delivers Medium Voltage Power Station for the Development of Greenough River Solar Farm

Sydney, October 31, 2019 - The integration of 8 Medium Voltage Power Stations (MVPS) from SMA Solar Technology AG (SMA) into the Greenough River Solar Farm will improve renewable energy development in Western Australia. German founded EPC, juwi Renewable Energy has been appointed to complete the construction of Greenough River Solar Farm – Stage 2 project, with more than 300,000 extra solar PV panels and system technology from SMA installed for the owner Bright Energy Investments (BEI).

“SMA is proud to be part of the second stage development of the project, we are delighted to see the solar market is accelerating in Western Australia,”, said Boris Wolff, the EVP for Business Unit, Large Scale and Project Solutions. “Our MVPS 5000 significantly contributes to Western Australia’s energy development. The expansion of solar farms increases the energy supply to the South West Interconnected System, ensuring to benefit more than 16,000 households.”

“The expansion of the Greenough River Solar Farm will be an important contributor to Western Australia’s energy supply and there has been a lot of hard work to gather the project back together and renegotiate a way forward,” said Mr. Tom Froud, the General Manager of BEI. “The new contract will enable the 30MW expansion to recommence immediately that will be expected to be completed in early 2020.”

Greenough River Solar Farm was built in 2012 as a 10MW fixed panel solar farm, which was the first operational large-scale solar plant in Australia. The success of stage 1 development leads to the stage 2 solar farm expansion to 40MW.

The SMA MVPS is built around the industry-leading Sunny Central inverters combined with perfectly adapted medium voltage components. The MVPS 5000 offers a 1,500V DC solution all in a 40-foot container. As an ideal solution for the new generation of PV power plants, the integrated system solution is easy to transport, quick to assemble and commission in any environmental condition. Stage 2 will operate on a NEXTracker single axis tracking system which rotates to follow the sun.



Western Australia receives an average of 8.8 hours of sunlight each day and is recognised as Australia's sunniest state, its abundance of sunlight holds a great solar energy potential. The Greenough River Solar Farm stage 1 displaces approximately 20,000 tons of greenhouse gas emission, which is equivalent to reducing carbon emission from 3,000 cars on the road.

Learn all about the SMA Medium Voltage Power Station here:

[\[https://www.sma.de/en/products/system-solutions-packages/my-power-station-4400-4950-5000-5500-6000.html\]](https://www.sma.de/en/products/system-solutions-packages/my-power-station-4400-4950-5000-5500-6000.html)

About SMA

As a leading global specialist in photovoltaic system technology, the SMA Group is setting the standards today for the decentralized and renewable energy supply of tomorrow. SMA's portfolio contains a wide range of efficient PV inverters, holistic system solutions for PV systems of all power classes, intelligent energy management systems and battery-storage solutions as well as complete solutions for PV diesel hybrid applications. Digital energy services as well as extensive services up to and including operation and maintenance services for PV power plants round off SMA's range. SMA inverters with a total output of around 75 gigawatts have been installed in more than 190 countries worldwide. SMA's multi-award-winning technology is protected by more than 1,400 patents and utility models. 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 is listed in the SDAX index.

About Bright Energy Investments

Bright Energy Investments (BEI) is focused on the development of large-scale renewable energy projects in Western Australia. Established in April 2018, BEI is an investment vehicle established between WA electricity generator and retailer Synergy, global infrastructure investment fund DIF and superannuation fund for the Australian construction and building industry, Cbus, to develop up to 210MW of renewable energy projects. The BEI portfolio currently includes the Greenough River Solar Farm in the state's Mid-West, the Albany Grasmere Wind Farm in the Great Southern Region and the development of the 180MW Warradarge Wind Farm near Eneabba which is expected to be recognised as one of the best renewable energy projects in the country. For more information visit www.brightenergyinvestments.com.au.

About juwi

The juwi group is one of the world's leading companies in the area of renewable energy. The renewable energy pioneer offers project development and EPC services as well as O&M services and hybrid solutions. Company activities are mainly projects with solar and wind. The juwi group was established in 1996 in Rhineland-Palatinate/Germany. Since the end of 2014, Mannheim based utility MVV Energie AG has been partner shareholder of the juwi Group. juwi has about 850 employees worldwide, branches on all continents and is actively engaged in various projects all over the globe. Working together with passion to implement renewable energy economically and reliably is what drives us. For more information please visit www.juwi.com.

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