#### Tennessee Renewable Energy Economic Development Council







#### Columbia, TN USA - March 9, 2012

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# the power of the sun



#### Lincoln Farms 3.0 MWp Solar





#### Developers of world-class PV power plants



#### We engineer, procure, construct...



#### ...finance, own and operate PV





#### More than 25 MWp of PV to date



#### GLOBAL Network / LOCAL Focus

- GLOBAL Expertise
- GLOBAL Resources
- LOCAL Sites
- LOCAL Partners
- GLOBAL Procurement
  LOCAL Energy





### Lincoln Farms - Tennessee





## Fayetteville, Lincoln County, TN





# 4 Systems @ 750 kWp = 3 MWp





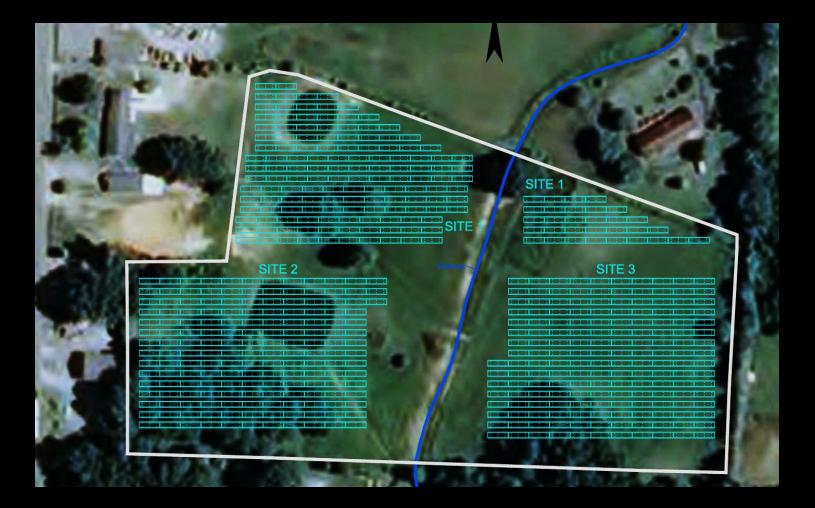
#### Lincoln Farm III



#### **Lincoln Farm IV**



#### Lincoln Farms 1,2,3 Site





### Lincoln Farm I





# Lincoln Farm I





# Lincoln Farm II





### Lincoln Farm III





#### Lincoln Farm IV Site - Before





#### Lincoln Farm IV - After





# Survey and Layout





# Post Driving





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## **Post Driving**













# Ballasting

















# Quality Control

























## Module Planning





### Mounting Photovoltaic Modules





























## Mounting Complete





# Connecting





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# Wiring





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# Equipment Pads





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## **Equipment Pads**





#### Inverters and Transformers





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# FPU Grid Upgrades





#### Interconnection





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# **Final Inspection**





### Meter Install





#### **Generation Meters**





## **Projected Annual Generation**

- Lincoln Farm I = 1,061,532 kWh
- Lincoln Farm II =
- Lincoln Farm III =
- Lincoln Farm IV =

TOTAL

1,053,090 kWh 1,056,951 kWh

1,058,130 kWh

4, 229,703 KWh



## **Technical Data**

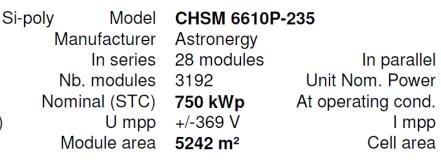
#### **PV Array Characteristics**

#### **PV module**

Number of PV modules Total number of PV modules Array global power Array operating characteristics (50 °C) Total area

#### Inverter

Characteristics Inverter pack



arallel 114 strings Power 235 Wp cond. 663 kWp (50 °C) I mpp 899 A Il area 4660 m<sup>2</sup>

ModelSolaron 333ManufacturerAdvanced Energy Industries, Inc.Operating Voltage+/-330-550 VUnit Nom. PowerNumber of Inverter2 unitsTotal Power666 kW AC



#### Keys to Success





## Global Team – Local Focus





## **Fayetteville Public Utilities**





### **FPU Distribution System**



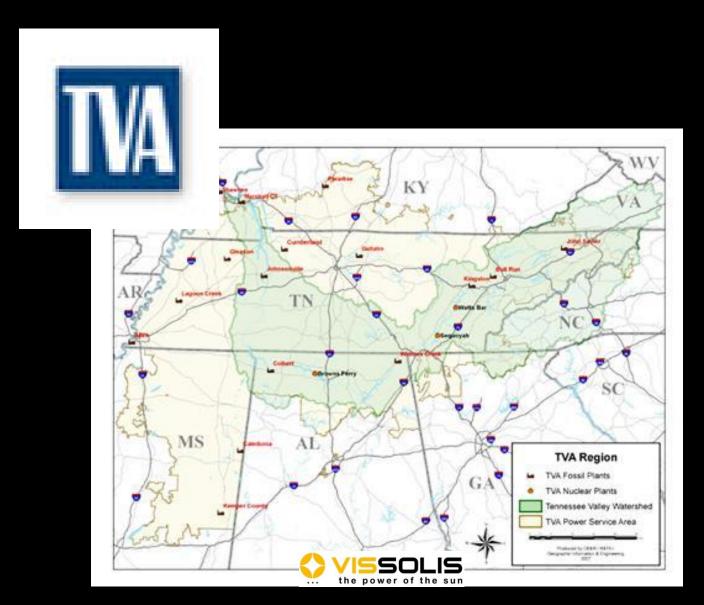


## **Tennessee Valley Authority**





#### **Generation Partners**



#### **Extensive Solar Experience**





## **Committed Install Teams**





#### Perseverance





## What's Next?





# Tracking Arrays





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## **Tracking Arrays**





#### Tennessee 200 kWp Systems



#### vis solis - Arizona 6.2 MWp





#### Arizona 6.2 MWp





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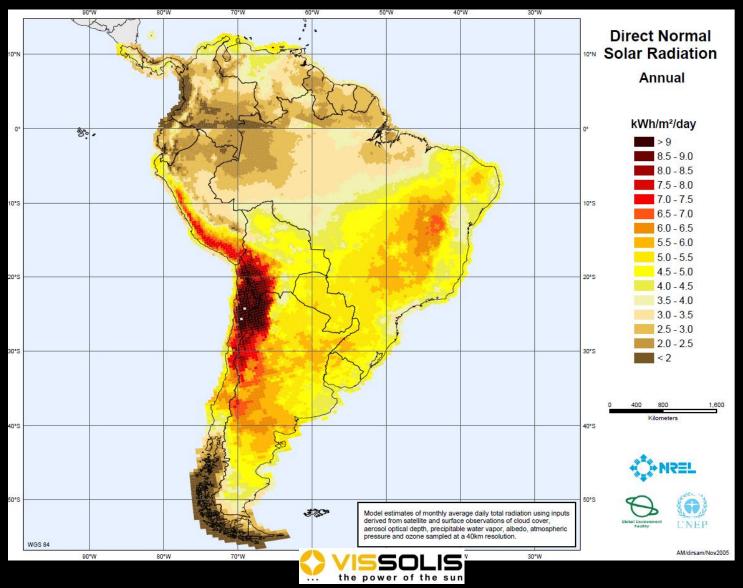




#### **New Jersey**



#### South America



## What is the Future of Solar in TVA?



# TVA MARKET STRENGTHS

- Very good solar resource
- Lots of good solar sites land and rooftop
- Excellent Distributor Utilities like FPU
- Excellent grid infrastructure
- Straightforward Interconnection process
- TVA extending contracts to 20 years
- Sustainable price structure
- Available hardworking, trained workforce
- State Tax Exemptions
- Communities and property owners want solar
- Support from state and community leaders



#### WEAKNESSES

- Dramatic phase down of system size
- 1,000kWp to 200kWp to 50kWp to ???
- Reduced efficiencies drive up solar costs
- Nuisance rules
- Killer deadlines, no extensions
- The project death penalty if anything prevents making the deadline
- Investor uncertainty about TVA
- Will TVA open the door wider again for solar or...?



# **OPPORTUNITIES**

- TVA become a world leader in solar generation
- TVA become a net exporter of solar electricity
- TVA become a net importer of electricity revenue into local economies
- Increase solar volume / Drive down solar prices
- TVA provide long-term market certainty for investment in solar generation
- TVA take solar seriously in its generation portfolio

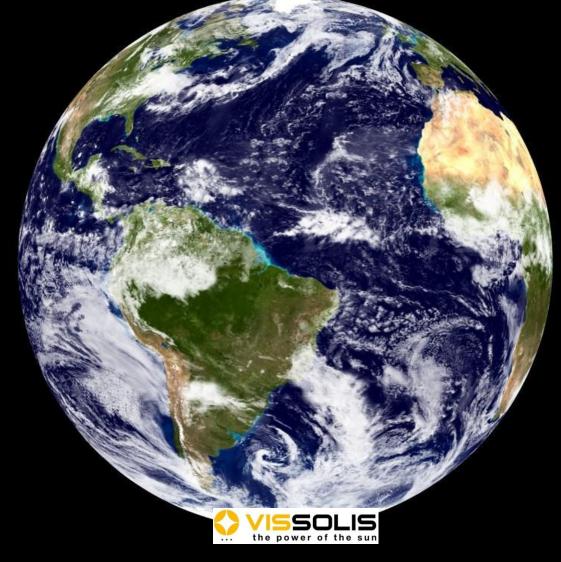


# THREATS

- Lack of clear commitment by TVA to take full potential of solar and open a consistent market
- Continued phase out of solar opportunities
- More hurdles for successful deployment of solar
- Decrease solar volume / Drive up solar prices
- Loss of the solar industry infrastructure that has been developing in the region
- Sending mixed signals to potential investors
- One foot on the gas, one foot on the brakes



# 970 Trillion kWh of energy shine on the earth every day



# How much sunshine will Tennessee put into the grid to meet its energy needs?









#### Thank You!

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