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ASE Americas Solar Electric Modules Provide Power to Dane County Convention Center in Madison Wisconsin

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MADISON, Wis., Jun 15, 2000 /PRNewswire via COMTEX/ -- ASE Americas' ASE 300 photovoltaic modules, the world's most powerful photovoltaic modules were selected to provide clean solar electric power to the Madison Gas and Electric power grid from atop of the roof at the Dane County Convention Center in Madison Wisconsin. This system will be one of the highlights of the upcoming Midwest Renewable Energy Fair this Friday. These modules were selected for the robust design, ease-of-installation, Class A fire rating and the highest sunlight to energy conversion in the industry. The ASE modules are built using the cleanest, most energy efficient crystalline technology in the industry. This includes the use of "no-lead" solder in their process. "ASE's technology is truly environmentally sustainable. It is a technology that respects the earth and its inhabitants, both current and future", says Director of Marketing and Sales, Moneer H. Azzam. He adds, "with various States releasing significant funds supporting renewable energy systems and establishing criteria -- ranging from energy performance to environmental impact -- increasingly we expect to see the true value of the ASE's quality product recognized and specified in the marketplace" The new 4.5 kW system at Dane County Convention center adds another data point in support of this trend.

Great Northern Solar designed the system using power electronics from Omnion Power Conversion and balance of system components from Applied Power Corporation. The system was installed with support of the Madison Gas & Electric Company. The system was installed by Great Northern Solar and H&H Industries using IBEW union members intent on adding to their portfolio of competencies. Chris LaForge, President of Great Northern Solar said, "ASE Americas has another set of happy customers and installers".

ASE is ASE Americas, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tessag Solar (formerly ASE GmbH), is one of the world's most rapidly growing photovoltaic businesses. ASE Americas is headquartered in Billerica, MA. It specializes in a unique technology that allows high-efficiency

photovoltaic solar modules to be fabricated at low costs. Tessag-ASE Solar is one of the only companies in the world to offer a complete range of photovoltaic technologies, ranging from solar cells that power spacecraft, such as the Hubble Telescope, thin-film cells for consumer and building integrated applications and high power terrestrial applications, such as the Dane County Convention Center.

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