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Madico Launches New PV Backsheet Products, New Processes, and Service Solutions

The next wave of innovation enhancing performance materials

Woburn June 13, 2012, MA –Madico Inc., manufacturer of photovoltaic backsheets for the Solar Power industry, announces the launch of three new backsheets, a new “smart” sheeter”, and the opening of a its new service office in Suzhou China.

The expanded portfolio now includes three new backsheet families: Hytek™, Reflekt™, and Opteka™. All leverage advancements in Madico’s Protekt® fluoro-coating technology, and further extend the weatherability advantages of the line. Each is designed specifically to meet a clear market need. In anticipation of 3rd party regulation changes, Madico offers each new product in a higher RTI version called *Prime*.

Hytek – Advanced fluoro-coated material, offering superior long-term backsheet performance

Reflekt – Utilizing the fluoro-layer advancements of Hytek, Reflekt leverages innovative process technology to eliminate an entire adhesive layers and improve the backsheet’s overall contribution to the module’s power output

Opteka – Also utilizing the fluoro-layer advancements of Hytek, Opteka is uniquely formulated to be transparent and maximize the performance of Bi-Facial and BIPV module designs

Madico Specialty Films Vice President, Frank Mannarino states "During a time of uncertainty in the PV market Madico is making a bold move to support PV panel makers by offering a portfolio of products that summon Madico's extensive innovation capacity, our enormous PV knowledgebase, and our superior LEAN expertise in manufacturing and logistics to give PV panel makers the MOST sustainable solutions for backsheets."

Madico process enhancements extend beyond product development. Madico announces the addition of a new high speed “smart” sheeter. It advances sheeting output to 30 sheets per minute while offering enhanced quality control with in-line quality detection and resolution. The process advancement offers shorter lead time, reduced wastes, and attractive shipping costs.

The company reports an increasing customer base in China. In an effort to maintain excellent customer service standards, Madico announces expansion of service and customer support in China. The company plans to open a customer representative office in Suzhou, in the third quarter of 2012.

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Madico, along with its parent company Lintec, is committed to manufacturing excellence and to producing high quality, high performing PV Backsheets. The company believes in solar power, sustainability and lean practices; it is this belief that drives the company's growth and contribution to technical advancements. Mannarino states, "To Madico, manufacturing backsheets is beyond being able to laminate multi-layered films. It is a commitment to sustainability and safety, providing module manufacturers with a backsheet designed specifically to meet and exceed 25 years in the field."

About Madico Inc.

Madico Inc. has been developing innovative materials for more than a century. Its unrivaled commitment to research and development has enabled the company to pioneer a number of industry-first products and processes for emerging safety and energy markets. The company's award winning Specialty Film products have been proven to increase reliability and energy generation in the growing renewable energy sectors. Madico's corporate headquarters is located in Woburn, Massachusetts.