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### **SEIA Forms New Committee Dedicated to PV Mounting System Manufacturers**

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The Solar Energy Industries Association (SEIA) today announced the formation of the *PV Mounting System Manufacturers Committee* (MSMC). This committee will work with other SEIA members to ensure the industry is working together to advance solar products, services and policies. It will bring together manufacturers of the components that literally hold the solar industry together.

“With solar now the fastest-growing clean energy segment in America, it’s more important than ever for the industry to speak with a unified voice,” said Rhone Resch, SEIA’s president and CEO. “This committee will provide a platform for manufacturers of PV racking and mounting systems nationwide to come together and deliver both input and clarity on the key codes, standards and regulatory policies that affect the day-to-day operations of solar energy in the U.S.”

Don Massa, product manager of Mounting Systems, Inc., will chair the committee, which will represent all PV mounting and racking segments including residential, commercial and utility-scale products.

“Now, for the first time, PV mounting system manufacturers can band together in the development of practical, cost-effective codes and standards that directly impact the PV industry, especially racking and mounting,” said Don Massa, product manager of Mounting Systems, Inc. “We, as manufacturers, see an opportunity in working with SEIA to provide and promulgate industry best practices, education and training.”

The committee will work closely with SEIA’s Codes & Standards Committee and will solicit input into the development of building and electrical codes and standards specific to PV racking and mounting. It also will promote clarity and cost-effective standardization and provide training and education on the best installation practices and procedures consistent with [SEIA’s Solar Business Code](#).

Participation in the *PV Mounting System Manufacturers Committee* will be open only to SEIA members.

Founding members of the MSMC represent the largest mounting and racking suppliers in the industry and include: S-5, Roof Tech, Pegasus Solar, Anchor Products, Unirac, PanelClaw, Quick Mount PV, SnapNrack, Everest, and more.

### **About Mounting Systems**

Mounting Systems, Inc. is the US-based affiliate of Mounting Systems, GmbH, headquartered in Rangsdorf, Germany. In 2010, Mounting Systems, Inc. was established in West Sacramento,



California as a manufacturer of racking systems and components for the U.S. and Canadian market. Mounting Systems, Inc. is ISO 9001 certified and in 2011, was honored with the “Patriotic Employer” award for its support of the National Guard and Reserve.

Together, Mounting Systems, Inc. and Mounting Systems GmbH continue to build on an 8GW history of excellence and product technological leadership with a continued focus on the surpassing of customer expectations.

#### **About SEIA®**

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