

REC launches the REC TwinPeak 2 BLK2 Series, a full-black multicrystalline panel up to 285 Wp

Munich, Germany – March 29, 2017: REC, the world's most trusted brand for solar panels, today begins commercial production of the new REC TwinPeak 2 BLK2 Series, a full-black variant of the REC TwinPeak 2 Series launched in January 2017.

Through the implementation of its highly innovative proprietary cell technology, REC has succeeded in the production of uniformly black-colored multicrystalline cells. When assembled together with a black frame and black backsheet, the result is the first full-black panel from REC. Available globally, the REC TwinPeak 2 BLK2 is of real benefit in residential markets in the U.S.A. and European countries such as Belgium, Denmark, Germany, the Netherlands, and the U.K. where panel aesthetics are highly valued.

"REC continues to accomplish new feats with multicrystalline technology," says Cemil Seber, Vice President, Global Marketing and Product Management at REC. "In addition to reaching power levels that were once unimaginable on this platform, REC can now produce black multicrystalline cells for a truly full-black multicrystalline panel, resulting in a product with high power output, renowned REC quality and optimized aesthetics."

With a nominal power rating of up to 285 Wp, the REC TwinPeak 2 BLK2 is the second product in the REC TwinPeak 2 family and packs in several evolving REC TwinPeak technologies:

- Cells made from larger wafers for increased current production
- Five busbars for reduced cell resistance
- Half-cut cell technology to further reduce internal resistance
- PERC (Passivated Emitter Rear Cell) technology for increased light capture
- Split junction box spread across the middle of the panel, allowing an innovative panel design and improved performance in shaded conditions

This '60-cell' full-black panel from REC is certified according to IEC 61215 and IEC 61730, as well as UL 1703 and has a maximum system rating of 1000V and is 100% free from potential induced degradation (PID), avoiding power losses even in the harshest conditions. More information about the REC TwinPeak 2 BLK2 Series and other REC solutions can be found at www.recgroup.com/en/products-solutions

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About REC:

Celebrating its 20th anniversary in 2016, REC is a leading European brand of solar panels. Through integrated manufacturing from polysilicon to wafers, cells, panels and turnkey solar solutions, REC strives to help meet the world's growing energy needs. Founded in 1996, REC is a Bluestar Elkem company with headquarters in Norway and operational headquarters in Singapore. REC concluded 2015 with 2,000 employees worldwide, 1.3 GW solar panel production capacity, and annual revenues of USD 755 million. Find out more about REC at www.recgroup.com