

# Welcome to



# Devens, Massachusetts





- Largest fully integrated solar panel manufacturing facility in North America
- Size = 450,000 sf. under roof
- Annual Output = 160 megawatts
- Employees = ~650
- Quad Furnaces = 400 (design)
- Miles of String Ribbon per year = 8000
- Total Solar Panels per day = 2000

### The Solar Industry



#### On Grid

- ► Environmentally driven market, largely subsidized
- Applications
  - Residential
  - Commercial / industrial
  - □ Roof tiles & building products





#### **Rural Electrification**

- Targeting 2 billion people worldwide without electricity
- Applications
  - Solar home systems
  - Village power
  - Water pumping
  - □ Commercial / industrial





#### Wireless Power

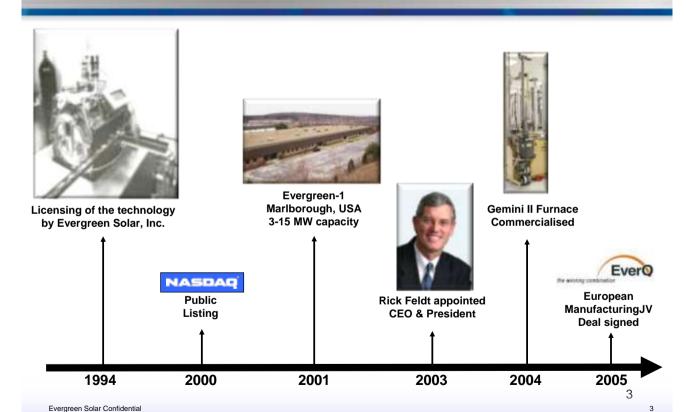
- Lowest cost, highest reliability solution for remote requirements
- Applications
  - Remote homes
    - Recreation vehicles
    - Telecom / instrumentation
    - Remote lighting





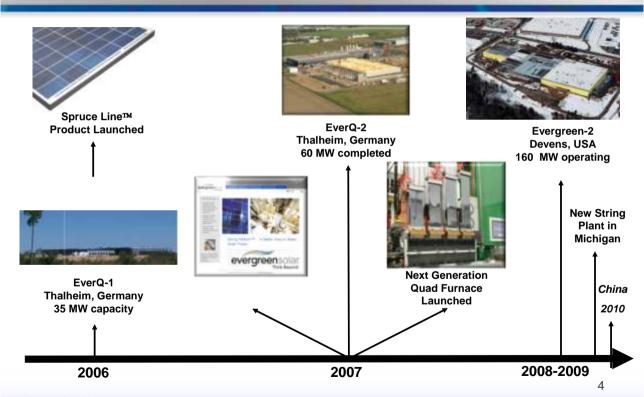
# Progress Since 1994





# **Accelerating Growth**





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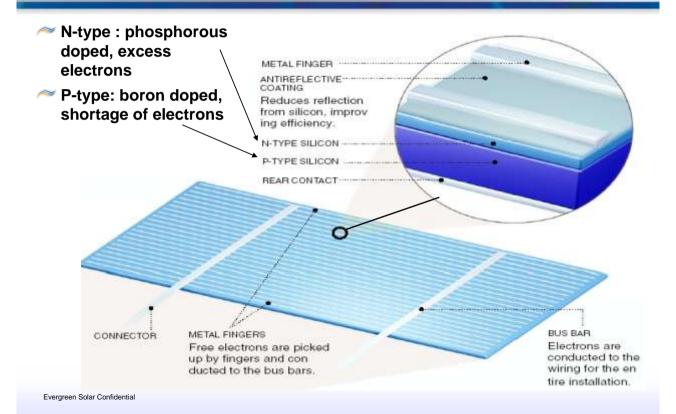




### How photovoltaic solar power works

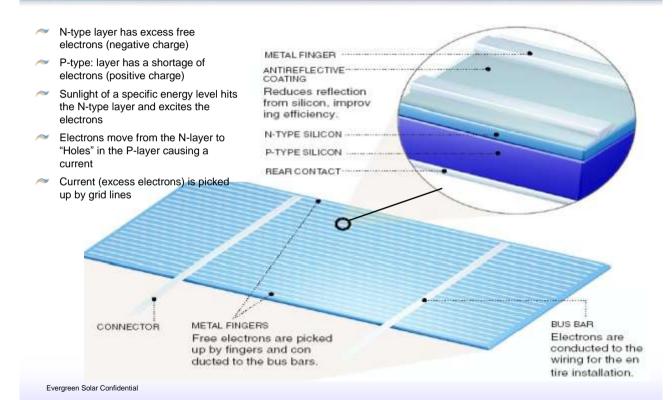
#### Solar Cells: basic building block of a panel





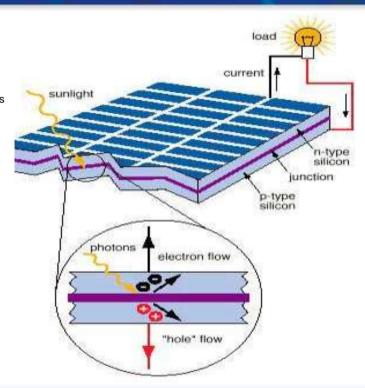
# n-p junction diode







- N-type layer has excess free electrons (negative charge)
- P-type: layer has a shortage of electrons (positive charge)
- Sunlight of a specific energy level hits the N-type layer and excites the electrons
- Electrons move from the N-layer to "Holes" in the P-layer causing a current
- Current (excess electrons) is picked up by grid lines



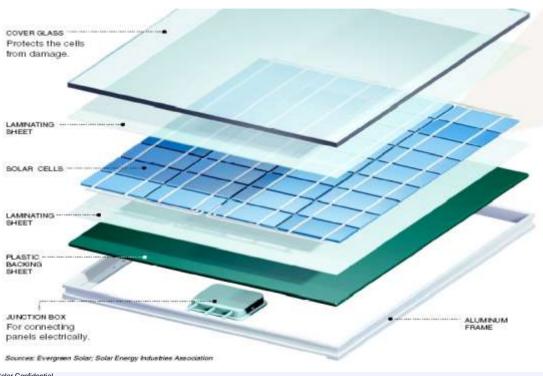




## **Manufacturing Process**

## Solar Panels

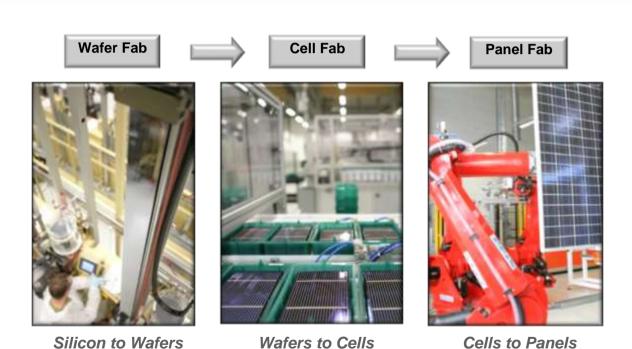




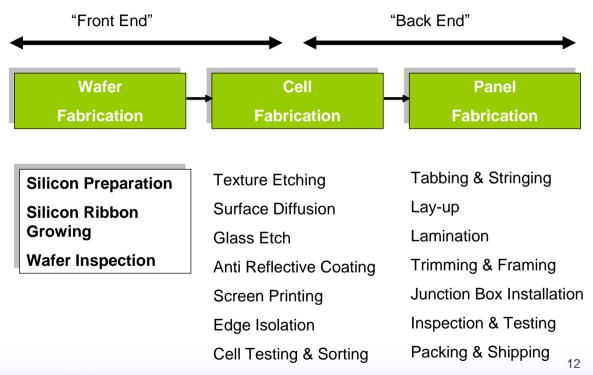
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## Three main manufacturing steps



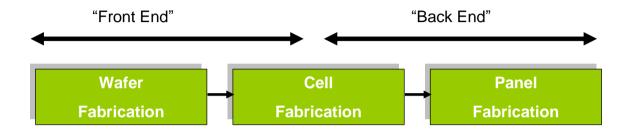
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### Focus on Cell Fab: Wafers to Cells





Silicon Preparation

Silicon Ribbon Growing

Wafer Inspection

**Texture Etching** 

**Surface Diffusion** 

**Glass Etch** 

**Anti Reflective Coating** 

Screen Printing

**Edge Isolation** 

**Cell Testing & Sorting** 

Tabbing & Stringing

Lay-up

Lamination

Trimming & Framing

Junction Box Installation

Inspection & Testing

Packing & Shipping

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