

Japan Asia Group to Start Work on Honbetsu SolarWay (1 MW)

Japan Asia Group (JAG), a leading solar and *green community* developer, has announced it will start in spring construction of the Honbestu SolarWay, a solar photovoltaic power plant in Honbetsu Town, Hokkaido, the northernmost island of Japan.

The Honbestu SolarWay is expected to generate power equivalent to approximately 300 household solar systems¹, which will be sold to the Hokkaido Electric Power Company. The project will cost a total of about 4.3 million USD. Panels will be the highly performing copper indium selenide (CIS) modules, which have a solid track record and high energy conversion efficiency, from Solar Frontier (Head office: Tokyo; Director: Shigeaki Kameda). The plant is expected to be operational in the summer of 2013.



Artist's concept, Honbetsu SolarWay

JAG will work with the local community to utilize this plant for regional development, and based on its extensive track record in large scale solar PV development combined with the current feed-in-tariff-induced surge in demand for solar projects, will continue to ensure its projects make a valuable contribution to urban renewal initiatives.

■ Details

Name	Honbetsu SolarWay
Location	Honbetsu-cho, Nakagawa District, Tokachi, Hokkaido
Land type	Mixed
Area	21,000 m ² (approx.)
Output	1 MW (approx.)
Operational by	End of August 2013 (planned)
Panel type	CIS compound panels
Manufacturer	Solar Frontier K.K.



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¹ Based on an average residential solar system capacity of 3 to 3.5 kW.