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New Collaboration Seeks to Increase Support for Solar Saves Lives
EnergyBin leverages member network to support solar + storage installations in Puerto Rico

WASHINGTON, D. C. – A new collaboration formed between EnergyBin and The Solar Foundation will provide opportunities for solar companies to support solar + storage installations for health clinics, community centers and other critical facilities in Puerto Rico. In support of the Solar Saves Lives initiative, EnergyBin is leveraging its exclusive member network to pull together solar and storage equipment, monetary donations, and other resources. As a wholesale solar B2B exchange with over 1,000 members, EnergyBin combines the totality of the supply chain with its brevity to increase awareness and support for the Solar Saves Lives initiative.

Solar Saves Lives is an initiative led by The Solar Foundation to coordinate the delivery of solar and battery storage equipment to areas of urgent need in Puerto Rico. Partners include major humanitarian relief organizations and Puerto-Rico based solar installers.

The collaboration announcement comes just one year after Hurricanes Maria and Irma swept across Puerto Rico in September 2017 devastating the lives of more than 3 million American citizens. The need for reliable electricity for critical facilities like health clinics and community centers remains urgent today. Restoring power in health clinics is crucial for medical personnel's ability to provide care. This is particularly true for clinics in remote areas, which are sometimes the only health care providers for the surrounding population.

"When we learned the need for solar equipment for Puerto Rican projects remains a critical issue, we recognized that EnergyBin could help," notes Melissa Schmid, Business Development Manager at EnergyBin, "The collaboration with The Solar Foundation aligns well with our Corporate Social Responsibility strategy. EnergyBin launched two years ago in September 2016. With Puerto Rico's need coinciding with EnergyBin's anniversary, we realized it made sense to commit to this cause."

"Solar Saves Lives is committed to using solar and battery storage to build a stronger, more resilient Puerto Rico," said Andrea Luecke, President and Executive Director at The Solar Foundation. "We're grateful that EnergyBin is supporting this initiative by providing a platform for solar companies interested in giving back."

Through the collaboration, EnergyBin members, who comprise solar companies across the supply chain, can support Solar Saves Lives through cash and solar equipment donations or offer equipment at reduced price. EnergyBin will honor solar companies that make donations with a one-month complimentary membership to the wholesale solar B2B exchange. In addition, for every solar company who joins EnergyBin as a new member through the Solar Saves Lives cause, EnergyBin will donate 10% of the membership dues back to The Solar Foundation.

To learn more about the Solar Saves Lives / EnergyBin collaboration, visit <https://energybin.com/giving-back>. To learn more about Solar Saves Lives, visit <http://www.solarsaveslives.org>.

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