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DG Receives Preliminary Funding For Integrated Alternative Energy Project That Will Enable Employment of 100,000 People

The D'Arcinoff Group, Inc. ("DG") and its consortium participants have developed an integrated clean energy generation and distribution system. The system delivers large-scale power from remote locations to urban areas without conventional transmission lines. This transformational system will use efficient designs that facilitate mass production of all equipment components to minimize capital costs and increase the availability of clean alternative energy in populated areas.

DG is pleased to announce that it has received a preliminary commitment for \$3.9 billion in secured financing for the first phase of the DG Consortium's ("Consortium") project through the placement of DG's corporate bonds ("Bonds"). The Bonds will be issued for an average 40% of the total cost of the project's equipment, all of which will be manufactured in the United States. The Bond debt will have cash flow coverage at least three times the Bond debt obligation. The Bond funding will be used in conjunction with commercial equity funding and various State Economic Development participation that is still being finalized to facilitate the immediate start of manufacturing and deployment of the DG Consortium's project. This extraordinary level of available equity was made possible through the help and cooperation of the consortium's participants and the constructive relationship between DG and the United Auto Workers (UAW.) "The UAW is excited to be a part of this project to create much needed good jobs in the U.S., especially because they are jobs in the clean energy sector," said UAW President Bob King.

The first phase of the Consortium's wind turbine, solar energy and water electrolysis equipment manufacturing is expected to directly employ over 11,000 people distributed in New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Ohio and Indiana within six months. Within 18 months, that number is expected to become 100,000 U.S. workers. These new jobs will be distributed at approximately 25 mostly former automotive facilities across the United States. As a result of the project, the Consortium predicts that 1.2 million new jobs will be stimulated from indirect sources once full deployment has been achieved. Additionally, the project's energy and fuel production facilities are expected to directly employ up to 20,000 people from the United States and 110,000 people from Europe and Africa once full deployment has been achieved.

The Consortium's wind and solar energy production facilities in remote locations will produce the electricity to power seawater desalination, water electrolysis, synthetic fuel refineries and other related facilities. The Consortium's construction management and systems integrator, Aker Solutions Americas, Inc, will build all of the facilities in Europe and Africa. "The difficulties of deploying alternative energy equipment in remote locations becomes more practical using the integrated deployment and hydrogen transport equipment designed for DG", said David McMillan President of STX Canada Marine, part of STX Offshore & Shipbuilding.

The Consortium's entire five-phase energy project will provide in excess of 33.75 GW of clean, carbon free emissions electricity, which will be available during peak demand to support power stations serving the European Union. This is equivalent to the power output of 15 times that of Hoover Dam or the burning of approximately 72,270,000 tons of coal per year. The project will also support synthetic jet fuel production in excess of five billion gallons per year that emits 60% less CO₂ than jet fuel derived from petroleum. This amount of fuel is equivalent to the approximate current jet fuel needs of the United States military or two of the world's largest commercial airlines.

The sale of electricity through power purchase agreements to be placed by Ernst & Young's Energy & Environmental Infrastructure Advisory Team to major European power companies and the sale of synthetic jet fuel will represent the source of DG's projected revenue. "By utilizing innovative but practical steps in an integrated energy system DG is able to directly access reliable revenue", said Mark Williamson, Assistant Director of Ernst & Young's Energy & Environmental Infrastructure Advisory Team".

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