

PRESS RELEASE

Falck Renewables SpA: three solar plants in commercial operation for more than 13 MW in Sicily

- **The solar plants will supply approximately 20,000,000 kWh per year**
- **Subscribed in July a loan agreement in project financing non recourse for the total amount of 47 M€ for the implementation of the plants.**
- **The installed capacity of Falck Renewables in the photovoltaic sector is now more than 16 MW.**

Milan, 25 April 2011 – Falck Renewables SpA, through the subsidiary company Actelios Solar SpA, has started up three photovoltaic plants in Cardonita (Enna), 3,8 MW, Spinasanta (Catania), 6 MW, and Sugherotorto (Ragusa), 3,3 MW, for a total of 13,1 MW.

These three solar plants, made up of 56,800 panels, will yearly supply approximately 20,000,000 kWh of energy from renewable sources equal to the need of approx. 20,000 inhabitants of a small town.

The plants will produce energy free of noise pollution and pollutant, avoiding the annual production of over 10,000 tons of carbon dioxide, as much as the emissions of about 3,900 high-efficiency cars calculated on annual basis. Every single component installed, at the end of its lifecycle, is entirely recyclable.

“Thanks to these three Sicilian plants, our company has more than 16 MW of solar installed capacity, fully in line with our industrial plan” - remarked Piero Manzoni, CEO of Falck Renewables.

In order to implement these projects a loan agreement of 47 million euros has been subscribed through project financing, with a pool of banks composed by Meliorbanca S.p.A. – Gruppo Banca Popolare dell’Emilia Romagna – , as agent, Banca Popolare dell’Etruria e del Lazio S.C., Banca Agrileasing S.p.A. and Cassa di Risparmio di Bolzano S.p.A., assisted by Legance law firm in Milan and EOS Consulting in Rome.

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