

## Siliken starts production of PV modules in Windsor, ON

As promised, Siliken Canada Corporation met last week its announced target of starting production in the second half of April 2011. An open doors Plant Tour is scheduled for May 5<sup>th</sup> in cooperation with the CanSIA conference in Windsor. The official ribbon-cutting is expected shortly afterwards.

Siliken Canada's General Manager Paco Caudet raised the flags outside the Production Plant in Windsor last week, surrounded by the team of Spanish and Canadian professionals who have started up operations. "We are very proud of the accomplishment made in such a short period of time", he said. "And we are very thrilled to work with Windsorites."



Siliken's first two production lines are already in place and the first groups of assemblers have started their training. Siliken plans to expand production in Ontario, adding up to 50 MW of output capacity by the end of the year. The plant will generate above 150 direct jobs in Windsor, and the modules will be installed and maintained by unnumbered professionals all across the province, thus developing a long-term basis for a Green Economy.

Plant Manager Miguel Ángel Ibáñez, Production Manager Richard Monk and the rest of our team will be hosting the Plant Tour scheduled for the afternoon of May 5<sup>th</sup>, with buses leaving the CanSIA conference at the Caesar's Palace between 2 and 4:30 pm. Please register through the [www.cansia.ca](http://www.cansia.ca) web site and use this opportunity to see the details of a Siliken 3-4-1 production unit and how domestic content is provided in assembling a PV module.

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The modules produced out of Windsor will generate clean electricity at the lowest long term cost, equivalent to the consumption of about 19.000 homes. This will avoid the emission into the atmosphere of 40.000 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> per year and the generation of 40 grams of highly radioactive residue. They will also reduce electricity imports into Ontario during peak-time consumption hours.

This new production plant will join the others the Siliken group currently runs in Spain, Romania and the US, offering high quality UL-certified modules to Canadian development and installation companies, as required in order to fulfill the Domestic Content Requirements stipulated in the FIT program. With its incorporation in Canada, the Siliken group will reinforce its current international presence (Spain, Italy, Germany, France, UK, Czech Republic, Greece, Belgium, Holland, USA, India and Japan) and increase its production capacity, adding up to 325 MW per year worldwide.

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