

Test and Demonstration of Solar Products and Systems

SolarTAC, a partnership among private industry, the research community, and government, is located on a 74-acre site in Aurora, Colorado.



Testing Supported by SolarTAC's Facility Include the Following:

- Solar Technologies—Photovoltaic and Thermal
- Balance of System Components (inverters, trackers, controls, turbines, batteries)
- Performance Testing and Validation
- Standards Development
- Grid Interconnection
- Dispatch-ability
- Reliability
- O&M
- Energy Storage

Benefits of SolarTAC Membership

Membership in SolarTAC offers significant benefits to organizations providing solar products and systems:

- A comprehensive venue for researching, testing, and demonstrating solar energy technologies, system components, and grid integration.
- A developed and permitted site with all utilities and support services.
- Optimum location with easy access to the Denver airport.
- Acreage immediately available for member build-out and installation.
- A robust partnership enabling government-funded R&D, cost shared "members only" projects, and proprietary projects.
- Availability of technical resources from MRIGlobal, the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), Colorado Renewable Energy Collaboratory (CREC), Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), and Xcel Energy.
- Workforce development and on-site training.

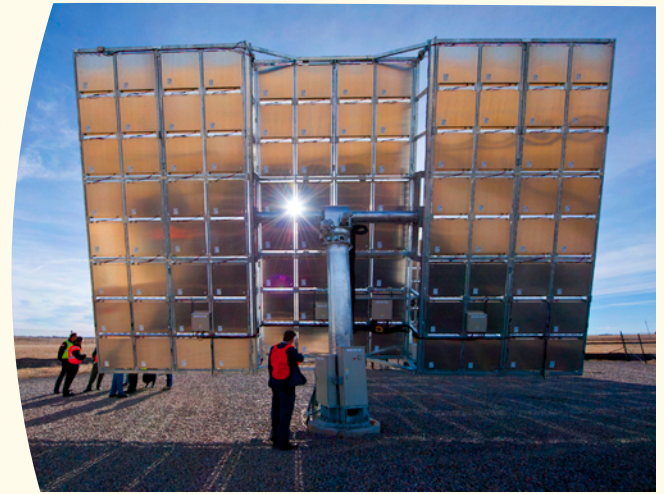


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SolarTAC is a world-class test facility where industry can test and validate near-market solar technologies. The SolarTAC mission is to increase the efficiency of solar products and rapidly deploy them to the commercial market. Situated on a 74-acre site near the Denver International Airport in Aurora, Colorado, the SolarTAC site offers flat, graded topography, and 300 days of sunshine a year in one of the most progressive renewable energy states in the country. Additional acreage is readily available for future expansion.



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SolarTAC is managed and operated by MRIGlobal, a not-for-profit contract research organization headquartered in Kansas City. Founded in 1944, MRIGlobal is one of the nation's leading research institutes, conducting programs in the areas of energy, national security and defense, life sciences, agriculture and food safety, and transportation. In addition to operating its own laboratories, MRIGlobal manages and operates laboratories for the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD). MRIGlobal is one of two partners in Alliance for Sustainable Energy, LLC, which manages and operates the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) for the U.S. DOE. MRIGlobal has managed NREL since its inception as the Solar Energy Research Institute in 1977. MRIGlobal also supports DOE's work in fossil energy at the National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL). In addition, MRIGlobal has focused capabilities in algal and biomass fuels, gas transportation fuels, microbial enhanced resource recovery, and energy technology evaluations.



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