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ICC-SRCC is the first certification body accepted into the Global Solar Certification Network

The consortium is working to streamline certification of solar thermal products internationally

Brea, Calif. – ICC Evaluation Service (ICC-ES) announced that the Solar Rating & Certification Corporation (ICC-SRCC) joined the <u>Global Solar Certification Network</u> (GSCN). The GSCN is an international consortium of certification bodies, inspection bodies, test labs and solar thermal industry representatives that are working together to make solar thermal collector test data and factory inspection reports more portable between certification bodies across the globe.

ICC-SRCC <u>recently joined ICC-ES</u> and is the first certification body accepted into the GSCN. The network's goal is to minimize the need for redundant testing and inspection to meet certification requirements in each new country where solar thermal products are marketed and sold. This is done by standardizing the common elements in participating programs and facilitating connections between inspectors and certification bodies worldwide.

The GSCN does not replace regional certifications, recognizing the need for these certifications to continue to meet unique local conditions and regulatory structures. However, by working to reduce the need to retest and reinspect, the GSCN saves manufacturers valuable time and money. Consumers will benefit from more choices as it becomes easier for innovative solar thermal technologies to be certified and sold more widely.

"We are very proud of our acceptance into this groundbreaking network," said ICC-SRCC Director Shawn Martin. "We believe that the GSCN will make it easier for North American manufacturers to export their products and expand their markets. We also expect that our involvement will make it possible for more international manufacturers to bring new and innovative solar thermal technologies to North America by certifying with ICC-SRCC."

"ICC-SRCC's involvement in the GSCN attests to its position as a leading certification body in the renewable energy industry," said ICC-ES President Shahin Moinian, P.E. "Actively participating in the GSCN is just one way that ICC-SRCC continues to demonstrate our focus first and foremost on providing our clients with the best customer service and most up-to-date solutions for their certification needs."

About the International Code Council

The International Code Council is a member-focused association. It is dedicated to developing model codes and standards used in the design, build and compliance process to construct safe, sustainable, affordable and resilient structures. Most U.S. communities and many global markets choose the International Codes.

About ICC-ES

The <u>ICC Evaluation Service</u> (ICC-ES), a member of the ICC Family of Companies, is a nonprofit, limited liability company that does technical evaluations of building products, components, methods and materials. ICC-ES <u>evaluation reports</u>, <u>building product listings</u> and <u>plumbing</u>, <u>mechanical and fuel gas</u> <u>listings</u> provide evidence that products and systems meet requirements of codes and technical standards.

About ICC-SRCC

The <u>Solar Rating & Certification Corporation</u> (ICC-SRCC) is a program of the <u>ICC Evaluation Service</u> (ICC-ES), a member of the <u>ICC Family of Companies</u>. ICC-SRCC provides authoritative performance ratings, certifications and standards for renewable energy products.