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SMA America and SMA Canada

SMA Releases Online Version of Sunny Design for PV System Configuration

SMA's Popular Design Software Optimized for Mobile Devices and Tablets

ROCKLIN, Calif., December 4, 2012—SMA has launched a new, user-friendly Web version of its [Sunny Design](#) software for installers and solar professionals. Sunny Design Web offers the same useful features as the desktop software and includes additional enhancements in a free (with registration), easy-to-use web format.

Sunny Design was previously available as desktop software for download, and will still be available as a desktop application. The new Web version makes the program accessible for Mac, iPad and tablet users as well as PC users, and is also optimized for use with mobile devices. Current users who want to switch to the Web version can import projects from Sunny Design 2.0 into Sunny Design Web. Accessibility and work flow of the program will remain similar to Sunny Design 2.0.



SMA's Sunny Design

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"We've learned from our customers that Sunny Design is an extremely valuable tool," said Henry Dziuba, president and general manager of [SMA America](#) and president of [SMA Canada](#). "With this new offering, SMA wanted to increase the flexibility of that tool so that designers can have access to it anywhere on any type of device or browser. With the Web version, that is now possible."

SMA's Sunny Design program helps solar installers and system planners visualize possible PV plant designs and select the optimum configuration quickly and easily. Based on module selection and other basic system parameters, Sunny Design recommends inverter models and string sizing that accommodate the desired system size. Complex plants with several different sub-arrays and inverter types can be combined into a single project.



New benefits of using Sunny Design Web include customized access when users create a login identity and password, allowing them to save projects and preferences. Sunny Design Web also includes project management, battery storage systems and polystring design on a single MPPT. It offers an extensive database of all PV modules and specifications and inverter data. Another feature is the ability to schedule system monitoring and evaluation.

For each project, Sunny Design Web can estimate the potential rate of consumption, investment costs and the effect of the most important parameters on energy consumption. It will also provide a technical assessment of the design in a customized results report.

Sunny Design Web can be accessed at SunnyDesignWeb.com. It will be compatible with Mozilla Firefox 4 and above, Microsoft Internet Explorer 8 and above, Google Chrome 14 and above, Safari 5 and above and Opera 11 and above.

About SMA

The SMA Group generated sales of €1.7 billion in 2011 and is the global market leader for solar inverters, a key component of all PV plants. It is headquartered in Niestetal, near Kassel, Germany, and is represented in 21 countries on six continents. The Group employs more than 5,500 people worldwide, plus a number of temporary employees that varies on a seasonal basis. SMA's broad product portfolio includes a compatible inverter for every type of module on the market and for all PV plant sizes. The product range includes inverters both for grid-connected PV plants and for off-grid systems. SMA can therefore provide an ideal inverter solution for all plant sizes and types. Since 2008, the Group's parent company, SMA Solar Technology AG, has been listed on the Prime Standard of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (S92) and also in the TecDAX index. In recent years, SMA has received numerous awards for excellence as an employer and in 2011 and 2012 achieved first place in Germany's nationwide Great Place to Work® competition. www.SMA-America.com/www.SMA-Canada.ca

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