

Oak Ridge

REINDUSTRIALIZATION

An Asset Revitalization Initiative

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Ribbon cutting ceremony for the Vis Solis solar array at Heritage Center

Heritage Center Celebrates Second Solar Array

A new solar installation was dedicated recently at Heritage Center at East Tennessee Technology Park (ETTP) in Oak Ridge. This solar project is the second at ETTP and highlights the continued growth of the solar industry in Tennessee as well as the industrial park's suitability for renewable energy production.

Vis Solis, LLC, based in Franklin, TN, is leading the project, partnering with TVA, the German Energy Agency, DEGERenergie (Germany's leading solar manufacturer), and the Community Reuse Organization of East Tennessee,

who works to develop Heritage Center. The system consists of seven ground mounted geo-trackers that rotate, following the sun to maximize the amount of collected light. Each rotating tracker holds 30 solar panels, and the 50-kilowatt photovoltaic system will produce enough power to serve about 15 homes.

"We are pleased to welcome such an innovative solar project and international partnership to Oak Ridge, a city with a rich history in energy innovation and leadership," said Oak Ridge Mayor Tom Beehan. "This solar project further boosts Oak Ridge's reputation as a cutting edge science and technology hub that's open for business."

This project was sited in an area not suitable for traditional development and highlights DOE and CROET's commitment to efficient reuse of land assets at the former K-25 uranium enrichment plant.



Newly installed tracking solar panels

