

## For Immediate Release

# Ribbon Cutting held at Camp Verde Unified School District Solar Energy installation

Event marked District's commitment to clean energy, power cost reduction

**Camp Verde, AZ – November 18, 2013** – The Camp Verde Unified School District (CVUSD) has held a ribbon cutting ceremony to officially open its solar power installations.

Comprising 1,628 solar panels made by Canadian Solar and 533 panels made by Trina Solar, the 609 kW DC installation will produce 1,039.46 MW hours annually, helping to offset the Arizona District's energy usage and provide a hedge against rising utility costs.

<u>Enfinity America Corporation</u> provided project finance and also owns and operates the solar installations under a 15-year Solar Service Agreement. Ameresco provided the engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) services for the solar installations. "This project is the culmination of a vision and plan developed by the administration and School Board to bring maximum benefit to the District, its staff and students, while minimizing expenses and taxation impacts for their residents," said Bob Georgeoff, Ameresco Vice President.

School superintendent Amber Marchant-Lee said "This Solar Portfolio is our latest project aimed at reducing the carbon footprint for this school district. The CVUSD has worked with Ameresco in other capacities in the past to streamline our carbon footprint, with multiple energy efficieny measures in existing buildings and across the District's campuses."

The solar panels are mounted on several carports, providing shade for the parking areas throughout the campuses. In addition, the renewable energy project has served to enhance the District's curriculum - the High School Welding Class fabricated the wrought iron fence enclosures around the installation's inverter pads.

Rafael Dobrzynski, Enfinity America Corporation CEO, commented "This is another great project delivered by our ongoing partnership with Ameresco. We have collaborated together on previous, operational projects in Arizona and have a pipeline of future projects here and in other states."

### Enfinity

Enfinity is one of the largest and most experienced solar photovoltaic (PV) development companies, with operations in North America, Europe and Asia-Pacific. To finance and develop solar energy installations, Enfinity works with individual project companies funded by equity investors and banks. The company also owns its own portfolio of renewable energy installations. Enfinity now has over 400 MW of solar energy installed and operational worldwide. <u>www.enfinitycorp.com</u>.

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