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GLENDALE SELECTED BY CANADIAN COMPANY FOR NEW SOLAR MANUFACTURING FACILITY

GLENDALE, Ariz. -- Linamar Solar Systems, a division of Linamar Corporation based in Canada, has selected Glendale for its new Power Conversion Unit (PCU) production facility. Linamar Solar signed a five-year lease for a 76,000-square-foot industrial building in Glendale's Airpark.

Linamar Solar Systems plans to hire 52 positions and expand to 75 employees by its third year of operation. The company will produce and assemble the PCUs for Stirling Energy Systems (SES) utility scale solar SunCatcher™ systems. Glendale estimates the economic impact to the city at \$500,000 during the course of the lease. Glendale worked with the Greater Phoenix Economic Council (GPEC) to locate Linamar in the city.

“Solar energy manufacturing and related jobs is an opportunity to diversify our economy locally and statewide,” said Brian Friedman, Glendale Economic Development Director. “Glendale’s thrilled that Linamar, a multi-billion dollar company, chose to invest its renewable energy component in our city.”

Linamar Solar’s parent company, Linamar Corp., is the second largest Canadian automobile parts manufacturer and had more than \$2.1 billion in sales in 2008; \$1.7 billion last year. For more information on Linamar, visit www.linamar.com, and for more information on Glendale’s Economic Development Department, go to www.glendaleaz.com.

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