

SMA Solar Technology AG - Press Release

Jürgen Dolle Resigning from SMA Managing Board Due to Health Reasons

Niestetal, May 14, 2013 – Jürgen Dolle, Chief Human Resources & Operations Officer of SMA Solar Technology AG (SMA), who has been ill since November 2012, is resigning from his position with SMA effective May 15, 2013 due to health reasons. Dolle's duties will be taken on by other SMA Managing Board members. Lydia Sommer, Chief Financial, Legal & Compliance Officer, will assume responsibility for Human Resources and the position of Labor Director, and Chief Executive Officer Pierre-Pascal Urbon will be responsible for Operations.

"Jürgen Dolle has played a profound role in shaping SMA and has handled the challenges in phases of rapid growth with forward-looking concepts," said Günther Cramer, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, responding to Jürgen Dolle's resignation. Above all, however, Jürgen Dolle stands for the prize-winning corporate culture of SMA, which is based on values like cooperation, trust and participation. "With his remarkable dedication, his contribution has been crucial to SMA being repeatedly honored as one of the best employers and in ensuring that employees participate in the company's success with their hearts, minds, and their wallets," Cramer said. "He was instrumental in initiating the corporate philosophy and has wholeheartedly represented and practiced our values. I deeply regret that Jürgen Dolle is ending his work with SMA for health reasons and, on behalf of the Supervisory Board, would like to thank him for his many impressive achievements and his work on the Managing Board."

When he joined SMA in 2001, Dolle served as Vice President of Human Resources. There he designed new models for personnel development, among other things, and anchored the special corporate culture throughout the company. In April 2010, he was appointed to the SMA Managing Board, where he was initially responsible for Human Resources and later was given the added responsibility for Operations.

About SMA

The SMA Group generated sales of €1.5 billion in 2012 and is the global market leader for solar inverters, a key component of all PV plants and, as an energy management group, offers innovative key technologies for future power supply structures. It is headquartered in Niestetal, near Kassel, Germany, and is represented internationally in 21 countries. The Group employs more than 5,000 people worldwide. SMA's broad product portfolio includes a compatible inverter for every type of module on the market and for all plant sizes. The product range includes both inverters for photovoltaic plants connected to the grid as well as inverters for off-grid systems. SMA is therefore able to



provide ideal technical inverter solutions 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 achieved first place in the nationwide "Great Place to Work[®] competition in 2011 and 2012.

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