

Decatur County Solar Facility

Location

Decatur County,
Georgia

Capacity

20 MW

Fuel Resource

Photovoltaic Solar

Ownership

Southern Power



Southern Power acquired the 20-megawatt (MW) Decatur County Solar Facility in early 2015. The project entered into service December 2015.

Southern Company subsidiary Georgia Power is purchasing the energy generated from the 20-MW project under a 20-year power purchase agreement. Southern Power will retain the associated renewable energy credits, which it may sell to third parties.

Size

The solar facility is located on an approximately 169-acre site in Decatur County, Georgia.

Technology

The Decatur County project utilizes approximately 90,000 polycrystalline photovoltaic modules mounted on single-axis trackers.

PV modules generate electricity directly from sunlight through an electronic process that occurs naturally in certain types of material known as semiconductors. Solar energy frees electrons in these materials to travel through an electrical circuit, powering devices or sending electricity to the grid. Tracking systems produce more energy because they track the sun's movement throughout the day.

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