

Pawpaw Solar Facility

Location

Taylor County, Georgia

Fuel Resource

Photovoltaic Solar

Capacity

30 MW

Ownership

Southern Power



Southern Power acquired the 30-megawatt Pawpaw Solar Facility in May 2015. The electricity and associated renewable energy credits generated by the facility are sold under a 30-year power purchase agreement with Southern Company subsidiary Georgia Power, which will have the option to keep or sell the RECs, for the benefit of its customers or renewable energy programs.

DEPCOM Power serves as the engineering, procurement and construction contractor. Construction began in June, and the facility entered commercial operation in March 2016.

Size

The facility is located on approximately 416 acres in Taylor County, Georgia.

Technology

The project consists of approximately 137,000 multicrystalline solar modules from Trina Solar mounted on single-axis tracking tables manufactured by NEXTracker.

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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