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Solar firm expands to match demand for “sunshine online”

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Sungevity allows homeowners to get a quote for solar on their specific home through the internet

Solar leasing company Sungevity is to expand its headquarters in Oakland, California, to keep pace with the growth in demand for its solar power services.

Sungevity is adding the space at its Jack London Square head office to 68,000 square feet to facilitate its rapid business and workforce growth, due in part to the company's successful East Coast expansion and new partnership with home improvement retailer, Lowe's.

The expanded office space includes its current square footage in the historic 66 Franklin Street building and increased space located in the newly constructed 55 Harrison Street Building.

“Jack London Square is proud to be housing prominent companies in emerging industries, such as green technology, that support local businesses including on-site retailers and restaurants,” said Will Miller, Vice President of Leasing for real estate firm Ellis Partners LLC.

“This is another great step towards cultivating relationships with growing businesses focused on renewable energy and sustainability, a core value of Jack London Square’s ongoing revitalization.”

Sungevity’s headquarters will be located on the third floor of the new LEED silver certified 55 Harrison Street building at Jack London Square.

“We are very pleased with the rapid growth of our business and the opportunity to share our success with the City of Oakland as we expand our presence at Jack London Square,” said Andrew Birch, Sungevity’s Chief Executive Officer.

Sungevity previously had been leasing 19,000 square feet at the historic 66 Franklin Street building at Jack London Square.

“The emerging clean and green technology industries are a priority focus for the City of Oakland and we’re honored to have growing companies such as Sungevity choosing us as a base,” said Mayor Jean Quan of Oakland.

“Oakland’s central location, highly educated workforce, consistent ranking as one of the top green cities in the nation and great arts and restaurant scene attract leaders like Sungevity – making Oakland both a thriving economy and attractive destination for both work and pleasure.”

Since its founding in 2007, Sungevity has specialised in offering an internet-based system for providing home estimates to consumers, bringing “Sunshine Online.”

Sungevity’s proprietary software uses satellite images and aerial photography to remotely and accurately assess a home’s solar potential. The system measures available roof space, determines the tilt and direction of the roof, and identifies possible shade obstacles that might interfere with a solar installation.

Sungevity then designs two to five system size options, taking into account all available rebates and incentives to provide the most affordable solar solution for your home.

Sungevity consultants personally design every system to fit specific solar goals. While most traditional solar companies require an onsite assessment, Sungevity and its Network of Preferred Installers save consumers time and money by bringing this process online.

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