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OutBack Power Systems Products Implemented in 9 Solar Decathlon Entries

WASHINGTON, DC, October 4, 2005 – OutBack Power Systems, Inc., a manufacturer of cutting-edge power conversion equipment, is excited to announce their support for 9 teams participating in the U.S. Department of Energy's Solar Decathlon.

To be held at Washington DC's National Mall on October 7-16, 2005 in Washington, the Solar Decathlon competition features newly constructed homes using the latest innovations in energy efficient architecture, engineering, and technology. The ultimate goal is to demonstrate modern homes that generate as much energy as they consume. The 18 participating teams from the US, Canada and Spain will be judged in 10 categories which include architecture, livability, comfort, and power generation for heating and cooling, water heating, and powering lights and appliances.

OutBack Power Systems' MX60 MPPT solar charge controllers, FX, VFX, and GVFX series inverter/chargers, and PS2 and PS4 balance-of-systems components are being used by 9 competing teams to achieve optimum power generation from their solar panels in safe and attractive installations.

The 9 teams using OutBack Power Systems products in their homes are:

- California Polytechnic State University
- Cornell University
- New York Institute of Technology
- Rhode Island School of Design
- University of Colorado, Denver and Boulder
- University of Maryland
- University of Michigan
- University of Missouri, Rolla and the Rolla Technical Institute
- Washington State University

"The Solar Decathlon is a great opportunity to demonstrate the exceptional performance and value of OutBack Power Systems products in a real world environment," said Christopher Freitas, Vice-President of Sales and Marketing for OutBack Power Systems. "The use of our products by 9 of 18 participants is evidence in the belief that we are at the forefront of renewable energy generation technology."

Founded in 2001, OutBack Power Systems is a privately held company with over 50 employees. A US based manufacturer whose engineers have decades of power conversion design and equipment installation experience, we share a passion for leading the industry into a new era of power conversion equipment performance, ease of use, and standardization. Now a global leader in the design and manufacturing of cutting-edge power conversion systems, OutBack Power Systems provides reliable products for renewable energy, back-up power, mobile, and industrial applications. We are a total solutions component provider, offering both the electronic power conversion systems as well as the required components to install our products in a safe, attractive and code compliant manner.

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About OutBack Power Systems, Inc.

OutBack Power Systems, Inc. is a global designer and manufacturer of cutting-edge power conversion solutions that provide reliable electric power for renewable energy, back-up power, mobile, and industrial applications. OutBack Power's engineers have decades of power conversion electronics design as well as equipment installation experience and share a passion for leading the industry into a new era of performance, ease-of-use, and standardization. OutBack Power Systems is a privately held corporation located in Arlington, WA USA with a European sales office in Barcelona, Spain.

About the Solar Decathlon

Eighteen teams of college students from the United States, Canada, and Spain will participate in the U.S. Department of Energy's Solar Decathlon, a competition to design, build, and operate the most attractive and energy-efficient solar-powered home. They build a "solar village" on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., and welcome the visiting public, October 7 to October 16, 2005. The competition consists of ten contests. Some evaluate the teams ability in architecture, home design, and communications, and others test the production of electricity and hot water from solar panels to perform all the functions of a home.

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