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Western Michigan University goes solar! Developers integrate Mounting Systems' Sigma I Steel Ground Mount into this 1 MW Project



West Sacramento, CA – After installers drove the last pile and mounted the last panel, [Consumers Energy](#) can finally celebrate the completion of a 1 MW solar project on the grounds of [Western Michigan University's](#) (WMU) College of Engineering and Applied Sciences campus in Kalamazoo, MI. This photovoltaic development is part of Consumers Energy's community Solar Garden program to harvest clean solar energy, which has also been recently implemented at [Grand Valley State University](#) in Allendale, MI. These Solar Gardens provide an opportunity for students to learn about the benefits of solar and our environmental impact on the community.

Consumers Energy worked with WMU to construct this project, which spans across nearly 10 acres. They also collaborated with [Mounting Systems'](#) project managers to support the PV array with patented Sigma I Steel ground mounts. These ground mounts utilize a new, proprietary cold-rolled steel with [Clickstone technology](#) for speed and ease of installation. With ISO-9001 and UL 2703 certification, contractors could depend on the efficiency and reliability of ground mount installations through Mounting System's services.

WMU is the second largest high-profile project to capitalize on Sigma I Steel ground mounts, following Grand Valley State University who used the ground mounts for their 3 MW solar array. Mounting Systems and Consumers Energy are excited to contribute to Michigan's large-scale utility



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developments, especially over a relatively short amount of time.

“The Sigma I Steel mounting system utilizes advanced technologies in steel coating as well as the most innovative techniques in racking pre-assembly,” said Holger Giebel, CEO of Mounting Systems, Inc. “This results in a highly durable, long-lasting product that is both easy to install and extremely cost effective.”

With over 8 GW projects internationally and 22 years of experience, [Mounting Systems](#) is proud to contribute to another successful and economical improvement towards solar development.

About Mounting Systems:

As a global company serving customers in over 50 countries, Mounting Systems is one of the leading international developers and producers of racking systems for photovoltaic and solar thermal facilities. With over 20 years of expertise in the market, Mounting Systems continues to build on an 8GW history of excellence and product technological leadership with a continued focus on surpassing customer expectations. Mounting Systems is ISO 9001 certified with US and German offices that offer engineering, logistics, and manufacturing services.

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