#### EVERGREEN SOLAR

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Source: Eric Martinot, World Bank; PV Energy Systems

#### **Photovoltaics market growth**

- Growing at an increasing rate
- Fueled by subsidies in on-grid markets
- 2005 developments:
  - > Spain, Italy, other Europeans
  - China

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 California, Texas, New York, Arizona, Colorado, DC, Pennsylvania



Source: PV Energy Systems



## Germany fuels the 2004-2006 market



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German 20-year Feed-in Rates

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## **Technology trends**

 Crystalline silicon still dominates, but all are growing

#### 2004 Growth by Technology

Thin film	<b>63%</b>

Polycrystal silicon 64%

Monocrystal silicon 77%







## **Evergreen Solar's technological advantage**

String Ribbon wafers:

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- 1/3 less silicon targeting 2/3 less  $\succ$
- Fewer process steps  $\geq$
- No sawing cost  $\geq$
- No acid pre-processing >
- More energy efficient  $\succ$





## Manufacturing in Marlboro since May 2001

- Third generation technology
  - > 2.2-inch single ribbon
  - 3.2-inch single ribbon
    33% faster pulling speed
  - 3.2-inch double ribbon
    12% faster pulling speed
- 115 furnaces operating 24/7





## **Aggressive R&D**



#### 150 Micron Ribbon



150 micron ribbon – fourth generation

- Half the silicon of current Gemini
- Built on Gemini platform
- Quad ribbon
  - Simplified growth technique (patent pending)
  - Another doubling of wafer output with 4 ribbons per furnace
- High efficiency cells
  - Currently 13%
  - Targeting 14 15%

**Quad Ribbon** 







## **Joint Venture with Q-Cells**

#### JV Highlights

- Announced January 2005
- Evergreen 75%, Q-Cells 25%
- Q-Cells is world's largest and most rapidly growing independent cell producer
- JV will manufacture in Germany: 30 MW mid-2006 (initially)

#### **Strategic Benefits**

- Combining Evergreen technology with Q-Cells execution
- Accelerates and lowers risk of volume ramp and European market penetration

