

FACT FILE: Aurora-Rietvlei Solar

- Aurora-Rietvlei Solar's shareholders include Old Mutual Life Assurance Company SA, J&J Aurora Holdco, Engie Solar and Aurora Solar Community Trust.
- The solar field comprises 36,440 x 300kW Renesola modules manufactured by Solaire Direct Technologies, and has an installed capacity of 10.93MW
- It is situated in the Bergrivier Local Municipality, within the town of Aurora in the Western Cape province, and spans 15.4 hectares.
- Land: Portion 3 (Onder Rietvlei) of the Farm Rietfontein, No.18, Registration Division Piketberg, Western Cape.
- Construction of the solar field commenced in 2013
- Commercial Operation Date was achieved in 2014.
- Construction partners: Schneider Electrical South Africa, Brand Engineering, Schletter South Africa, Inter Coast Civils & Element Consulting Engineers
- Operations & Maintenance partners: Solaire Contracting Proprietary Limited & Maintenance Contractor, Lerole.
- The solar field is connected to the Vredelus Substation Substation. It generates approximately 10.93MW of clean, renewable energy to the national grid, addressing the ongoing and increasing need for electricity in South Africa.
- The solar field produces enough green electricity to supply approximately 9250 medium-sized South African homes.
- Aurora-Rietvlei Solar positively impacts the communities in the Bergrivier Local Municipality area, including Aurora, Piketberg, and Redelinghuys.