

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Engineering Excellence Continues with New Leadership at Blue Oak Energy

# Long-time Project Lead, Danny Lee, PhD, ME, to Head Firm

DAVIS, Calif. (March 29, 2018) – Danny Lee, PhD, has been named senior vice president of Blue Oak Energy, a nationally recognized solar engineering firm and wholly owned subsidiary of Coronal Energy. Now in his 13<sup>th</sup> year with Blue Oak, Dr. Lee has become synonymous with the organization, having started his solar career as engineering manager during Blue Oak's first year of operation. Since then he has headed business development while assembling a team of engineers and designers that have delivered over 2.4 GW of commercial and utility-scale PV systems across North America and abroad. Over the past two years, Dr. Lee has also overseen Blue Oak's integration with Coronal Energy, a leading solar independent power producer (IPP) that incorporates Blue Oak's engineering capabilities within its end-to-end development model.

"Danny Lee was the clear choice for leadership at Blue Oak Energy," said Jamie Evans, executive vice president of Coronal Energy. "He is respected throughout our industry as a solar engineering veteran who combines his intellect and hands-on experience with an easy, customer-centric demeanor that has always typified the Blue Oak brand."

As senior vice president, Dr. Lee manages the daily operations of the firm, including leadership of a multidisciplinary civil, structural, and electrical engineering team focused on the planning and design of commercial and utility-scale solar projects as large as 300 megawatts.

"Our team is driven by the inevitability of solar energy, and renewables in general," said Lee. "There's nothing more gratifying than doing what we do best, which is designing real-world solutions that allow our developer, IPP, and EPC customers to put more solar on the grid."

Prior to joining Blue Oak Energy in 2006, Dr. Lee worked as a research assistant at the University of California at Davis, while earning his PhD in mechanical and aeronautical engineering. Published in university and scholarly engineering journals, he also holds a BS in mechanical engineering from the University of California at Berkeley, a MS in mechanical engineering from Portland State University, and is the inventor of a patented motion sensor.

### **About Blue Oak Energy**

Blue Oak Energy is a comprehensive solar engineering services firm supporting utility-scale, commercial, agricultural, and industrial clients since 2007. Blue Oak's ground-breaking team of multi-disciplinary engineers—known for their technical due diligence and delivery of challenging designs for prestigious clients—has supported more than 2.4 GW of operating solar facilities, including storage projects, globally. Blue Oak Energy is a wholly owned subsidiary of Coronal Energy, powered by Panasonic. Additional information can be found at <a href="http://www.blueoakenergy.com">http://www.blueoakenergy.com</a>

### **About Coronal Energy**

Coronal Energy, powered by Panasonic, is a leading independent power producer providing turnkey solar energy solutions tailored for diverse enterprise customers across North America, including utilities, corporations, and the public sector. It unites the financial strength of a Fortune Global 500 company (#110) and Panasonic's award-winning history of solar innovation and sustainability leadership with the



project development, finance, engineering, construction, and asset management experience of Coronal Energy. The result is smarter solar that translates to smarter business for customers. The collective experience of Coronal Energy, powered by Panasonic, includes projects in 40 states totaling 2.3 GW, with more than 3.4 GW of greenfield and brownfield projects under construction/contract or in development. For more, please visit CoronalEnergy.com and follow us @CoronalEnergy on Twitter.

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