

**Precision-Paragon [P2] provides support for school construction project in Sudan**

[P2] will donate energy-efficient lights, expertise and materials to the Engineering A Brighter Sudan Project

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**Yorba Linda, Calif. 2/4/2011** — Precision-Paragon [P2] announced today that the company will donate energy-efficient light fixtures for classrooms and additional materials to assist the construction of a solar-powered primary school in southern Sudan.

The project is being spearheaded by Engineering A Brighter Sudan, a group formed by four engineering students at the University of San Diego.

The group originally contacted [P2] looking for a source of lighting fixtures. When [P2]’s administrative team learned about the project, they decided to become more deeply involved. [P2] will be donating all the necessary energy-efficient lighting fixtures for the project as well the company’s engineering expertise, lighting ballasts, spare parts, an inverter and the cost of shipping the materials to Sudan.

“We are excited about the opportunity to assist and support the Engineering A Brighter Sudan student team in their effort to help a community by building a much needed school,” said Joe Martin, [P2] vice president and general manager. “We think this is a commendable project, and we are glad to be able to contribute to it.”

The project is located in the remote village of Theou, in a region of Sudan that has been crippled by years of civil war. Mou Riiny, one of the project’s team members, was born in Theou and originally initiated a project with his cousin to build a school there. With the help of students Emmett Perl, Enrique Rayon and Michael Rios, the project was expanded to include a renewable energy component.

In addition to light fixtures and ballasts, [P2] will provide an inverter which will convert direct current (DC) power from the battery bank to alternating current (AC), enabling the use of energy-efficient lights and standard electrical devices in the classrooms.

“The engineers at [P2] have provided invaluable advice and assistance for this project,” said Emmett Perl, Engineering A Brighter Sudan team member. “Energy-efficient lights are an important piece of the project because they affect the overall size of the system and the cost of the project.

Once field tested in Theou, the design is expected to become the basis for energy installations for other schools and health centers constructed with the support of the non-profit Village Help for South Sudan.

The students plan to travel to Sudan this summer to complete the installation.

**About Precision-Paragon [P2]:** For nearly 20 years, [P2] has made high-quality, indoor-and-outdoor energy efficient lighting products for just about any setting – including retail, commercial and industrial spaces. [P2]’s energy-efficient lighting drastically cuts energy consumption, creating big cost savings and significant environmental benefits. Over the last two decades, [P2] has earned a reputation for going the extra distance in customer service and producing high quality, American-made products. [P2] products are manufactured in Gainesville, Fla., Hudson, Wis., and at the company’s headquarters in Yorba Linda, Calif.

**Web site:** [www.p-2.com](http://www.p-2.com)

**About Engineering A Brighter Sudan:** Engineering A Brighter Sudan is led by four University of San Diego engineering students – Emmett Perl, Enrique Rayon, Michael Rios and Mou Riiny – who are applying the knowledge they have attained over the course of their education to establish a clean, reliable, sustainable-energy solution for the Theou village school in southern Sudan.

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