



# CleanCapital and BlackRock Announce New Partnership to Drive Capital into Distributed Clean Energy Markets

*New partnership backs largest acquisition to date, a 46.9 MW portfolio from ATN International, Inc. subsidiary Ahana Renewables*

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CleanCapital is pleased to announce a new partnership with BlackRock’s global renewable power platform today with the closing of a 46.9 MW portfolio of solar assets from ATN International, Inc. subsidiary, Ahana Renewables. The portfolio consists of 60 operating solar projects located in California, Massachusetts and New Jersey. The acquisition is CleanCapital’s largest to date.

This transaction highlights both CleanCapital and BlackRock Real Asset’s ability to execute on large, complex deals in the distributed clean energy space. CleanCapital’s technology-driven approach, coupled with access to dedicated capital from funds managed by BlackRock,

streamlines and expedites due diligence and analysis, allowing complex deals to close efficiently. In partnering with CleanCapital, BlackRock Real Assets has expanded its footprint in the renewable power sector and further demonstrated its commitment to the attractive investment opportunities in sustainable real assets presented by the global energy transition.

With today’s announcement, CleanCapital has now acquired nearly \$250m of operating solar assets in the United States since its founding less than 3 years ago. It has done so by pairing institutional capital with technology solutions that simplify underwriting in this fragmented space. In fact, this was the first acquisition that was managed entirely through CleanCapital’s diligence software platform.

“This transaction ushers in a new phase for CleanCapital as we launch our partnership with one of the world’s leading renewable power investors, BlackRock, leveraging our cutting edge software,” said Thomas Byrne, CEO of CleanCapital. “As the energy landscape becomes cleaner and more distributed, CleanCapital will continue to create solutions and partnerships that deliver capital throughout this transforming market.”

“BlackRock Real Assets is excited to launch this new partnership with CleanCapital, which will allow us to more efficiently deploy capital in the distributed generation sector of renewable power on behalf of our clients. Investors are increasingly interested in the investment opportunities presented by the rapidly changing clean energy space, and we’re pleased to invest in solar assets that are well-positioned to capitalize on those trends,” said David Giordano, Managing Director and Head of Renewable Power Americas and APAC at BlackRock. “We look forward to working with CleanCapital as we continue to grow our investments in distributed clean energy.”

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About CleanCapital

Founded in 2015, CleanCapital is a financial technology company that makes it easy to invest in clean energy. CleanCapital has built a proprietary technology platform that identifies, screens, and manages clean energy projects enabling project owners an opportunity to exit their portfolios while providing accredited investors, including institutional investors, family offices, and investment funds, unique access to the clean energy investment market. Stay up to date on the evolving market of clean energy finance by following the company on Twitter or Facebook or connecting via LinkedIn. Learn more at <http://www.cleancapital.com>.

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#### About Ahana Renewables

Ahana Renewables, a subsidiary of ATN International, Inc., is a specialized investment firm focused on alternative energy and long-lived real assets. The company brings its experience to various infrastructure asset classes, capitalizing on bankable technology and strong project fundamentals. Ahana Renewables' core expertise lies in deal sourcing, public/private contract negotiations and financial structuring to take controlling, owner/operator positions in projects and portfolios. Headquartered in San Francisco with offices and affiliates in Massachusetts, Singapore, and Hyderabad, the company currently operates distributed solar portfolios in India. More information is available at [www.ahanarenewables.com](http://www.ahanarenewables.com).

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