## **SOLAR** PRO. Photovoltaic solar backsheet materials

### What are back-sheet materials for photovoltaic modules?

Back-sheet materials for photovoltaic modules serve several purposes such as providing electrical insulation, environmental protection and structural support. These functions are essential for modules to be safe for people working near them and for the structures to which they are attached.

### Are all photovoltaic backsheets the same?

The mechanical, electrical, optical and chemical properties and durability of backsheets are critical to the long term reliability, durability and safety of the photovoltaic modules. However, not all backsheets are created equal.

## Why should you choose a solar backsheet material?

The PV Backsheet material you choose for your solar panel will have a considerable impact on how it withstands the elements and performs over the course of its lifetime. A reliable backsheet should be able to provide protection from moisture, physical damage and UV rays, while also minimizing electrical discharge and thermal degradation.

## What is a polymeric photovoltaic (PV) backsheet?

The role of polymeric photovoltaic (PV) backsheets is to protect the inner cell matrix from environmental impacts and provide a proper electrical insulation from high operational voltages throughout the module warranted period of 25-30 years.

## Why do photovoltaic cells need a backsheet?

Water and dust particles can lead to corrosion and pitting, posing a threat to photovoltaic cells. The backsheet's role is to shield against moisture-related damage, including corrosion of electrical connections, insulation degradation, and the risk of short circuits.

#### What is a solar backsheet?

Initially, solar backsheets had a three-layer structure (PVDF/PET/PVDF). The outer PVDF layer offers excellent environmental corrosion resistance, the middle PET layer provides insulation, and the inner PVDF layer, combined with EVA, ensures good adhesion.

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