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**C2** – Very elegantly constructed website. I like the personal bio section; provides brief insight into the group members while still maintaining a professional feel to the website. My only suggestion would be to increase the font size for the entire website. You have lots of room to play with and on the screen I used (I tried it on three different screens), the text can be hard to read at times. Also, the “Time will tell” comment under the News/Updates section for future dates is a little strange – probably could do without that.

**C3** – I like the graphic banner at the top of your website and the overall scheme of things. The edge shading and well chosen colors give your site a professional feel. There are, although, a few parts of your website that confuse me. I did not understand the headings entitled “The Product” and “The Process;” in order to find what I needed I had to hunt through both of them. Also, your website is short and squatty – on my screen you have a substantial amount of blank space on the right and left that could be utilized.

**C4** – Great job having a video to watch! I like the picture on your homepage – having a visual there gives the viewer a jump start in understanding your project. As for the menus on the left, when I click on most of them, they lead me to error pages. Even if the menu has a drop down, it would be nice to see a page come up if someone happens to click on them.

**D1** – Good start to your website but still needs a little work. Your logo is great and sits perfectly in your webpage layout, but would look even better if it were surrounded by a few graphics, either of your project or some generic solar power pictures. Also, quite a few of your links on the left are dead links, it would be nice to let the view know that some parts of the page are under construction. Great work on the personal bios.

**E1** – I was impressed with your website construction until I read your opening text on your homepage, “This is the first page of your Web site that visitors will see. On this page, explain your site’s purpose, content, and layout...” I think it’s time to change the stock text that came with your website software! Also, although I find the quote at the top of your page amusing, I doubt it should be included on a professional website. With regard to the picture on your homepage...what is it? Looks like an upside-down wooden pin thingy.

**E2** – I like your opening homepage – the football is a good graphic to have under your menu (although your menu text doesn’t stand out that well) and the CAD model gives the viewer a good idea of what your project is all about. Also, thank you for making sure your menus don’t contain any dead links, it makes the visit to your website much more enjoyable.

**E3** – With such a clever name, you need to make it clear who you are on the homepage – make that graphic larger! I like the update bar on the left and the personal bios you have included. I would suggest including something under the “Executive Summary” heading.