

ST. PETERS, Mo., Feb. 10 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- MEMC Electronic Materials, Inc. (NYSE: WFR) today announced a secondary offering by TPG Wafer Holdings LLC of 34 million shares of its MEMC common stock under an effective resale shelf registration statement that was previously filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. TPG Wafer Holdings LLC is a member of an investor group led by Texas Pacific Group, including funds managed by Leonard Green & Partners, L.P. and TCW/Crescent Mezzanine Management III, LLC. Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. is acting as the sole underwriter for the offering. TPG Wafer Holdings LLC has advised MEMC that in connection with the offering TPG granted Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. an over-allotment option to purchase an additional 5.1 million shares.

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such an offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

Copies of the prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus relating to the offering may be obtained, when available, from Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., 60 Wall Street, New York, New York 10005.

MEMC is a leading worldwide producer of wafers for the semiconductor industry. MEMC has been a pioneer in the design and development of wafer technologies over the past four decades. With R&D and manufacturing facilities in the U.S., Europe and Asia, MEMC enables the next generation of high performance semiconductor devices.