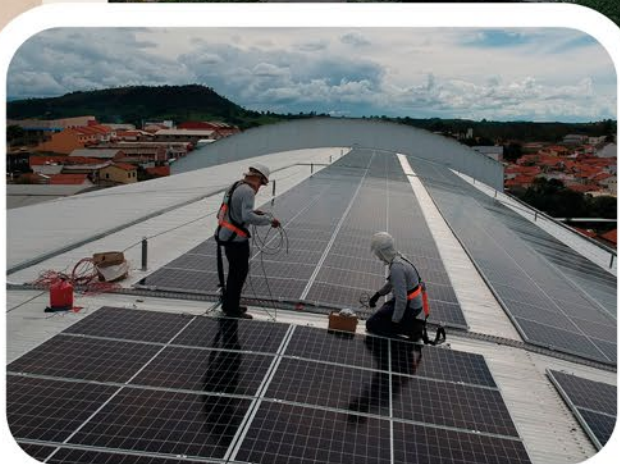


Renewable energy has been for sure one of the priorities of many countries over the last decades. Although here in Brazil most of energy is generated by hydroelectric power plants, we do have thermal power plants, which aren't really environment friendly. Taking into consideration its commitment to the environment, COOMAP decided to implement a...



Photovoltaic Power Station



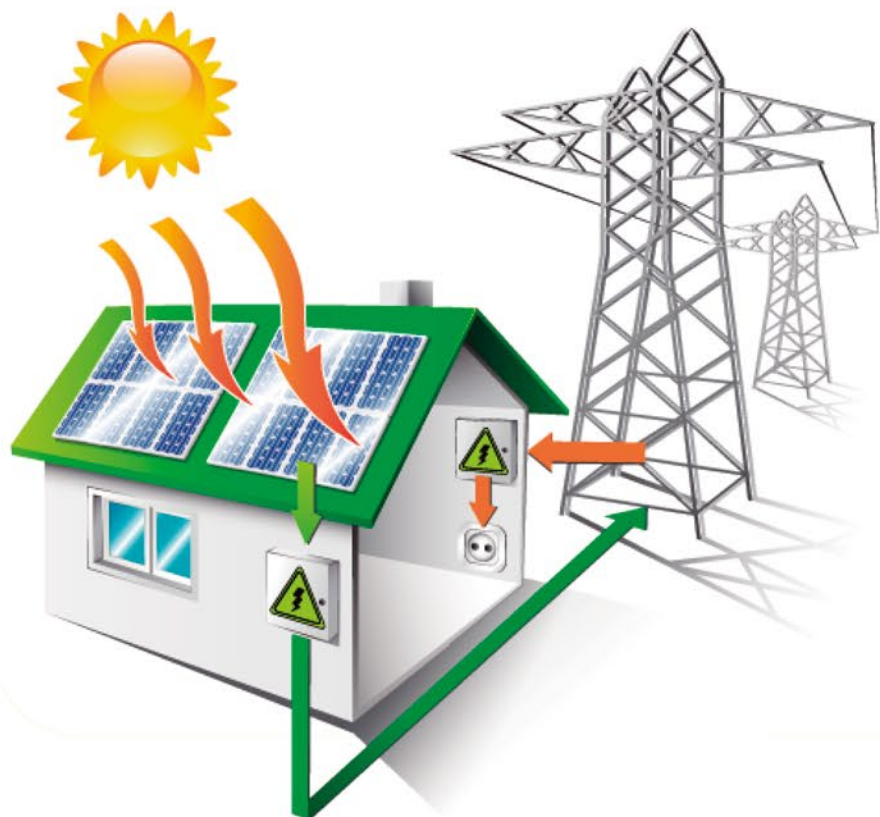
COOMAP might not have a plant as big as a huge, anyway we do need plenty of energy to get our processing plant, offices, warehouses and other facilities running,

which makes electricity bill a considerable item in our budget. Because of both environmental and financial aspects, last December a photovoltaic plant was installed at COOMAP. Since we are located in the industrial district of our small town, there wasn't much space available for it, but we did have place to set solar modules on top of our warehouses and that's what we did. 468 of them were set on top of our main warehouse and now this station is able to generate **7 thousand kilowatts a month**, which is about **30% more than what we currently**

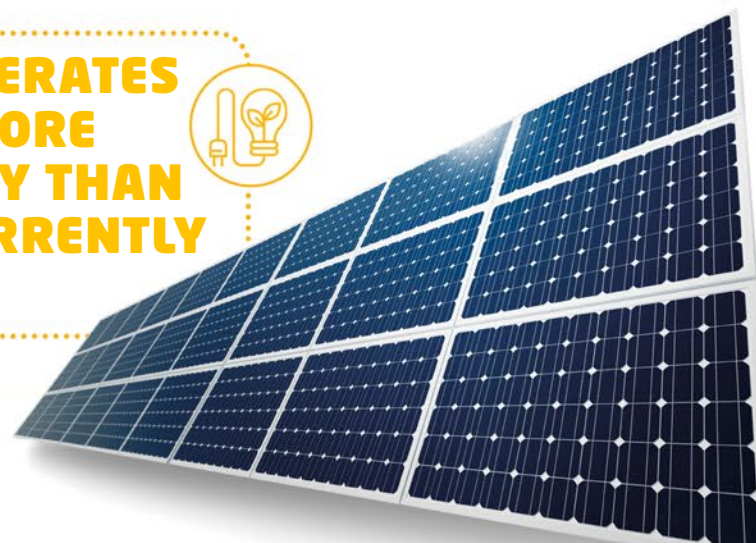
use. This took into consideration the expected growth for the next years. The good side of this energy surplus is that it goes to the conventional energy system, generating credit to be used in the future, during occasions when we haven't got plenty of sunlight or even during the night.

Good to the environment, this project has also reduced substantially our cost with energy. In fact, it is now close to nothing. It really isn't zero because we have to pay the public energy system availability fee and some energy charges, like when our plants work overnight. We believe that the economy generated by the system will pay off all of the expenditures we had in its implementation within 36 months!

By putting this project into practice we are really keeping our commitment to being an environmentally sustainable co-op at the same that time we continue working efficiently, exactly according to our mission, which is to promote economic, social, ENVIRONMENTAL and technological development! But what about providing clean energy to our member's farms? This is already being planned, but it's a topic for a future edition!



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Grower Of The Month

This month we are going to feature a lovely couple which cherishes living at a farm and is really proud of contributing to feeding the world... and all of it in a very professional way. We are sure you're going to like Fabiana and Henrique!



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