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## **SOLADIGM ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF 2012 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

### ***Two DeSoto County, Mississippi Students Receive Full-Tuition Scholarships***

**Milpitas, Calif. and Olive Branch, Miss.—April 19, 2012—**Soladigm, a manufacturer of highly energy-efficient Dynamic Glass for next-generation buildings with commercial manufacturing facilities in Mississippi, today announced the 2012 winners of the Soladigm College Scholarship. The award recognizes two DeSoto County high school seniors who demonstrate exceptional academic and leadership skills. Created to foster the state's next generation of engineers and scientists, the scholarship provides each winner with full tuition to any public or private college or university in the state of Mississippi in the fields of science or engineering.

The 2012 winners are Hannah Hoggard from Olive Branch High School and Sebastian Galante from Southern Baptist Educational Center in Southaven. Hoggard is planning to pursue a degree in chemistry at Mississippi State University. Galante will be pursuing a degree in chemical engineering at Mississippi State University.

“Soladigm is proud to be a member of the Mississippi business community and to help support the next generation of engineers and science professionals in the state,” said Dr. Rao Mulpuri, CEO of Soladigm. “We are very impressed by the interest this program has generated in the local schools and the high quality of the applications we received. I would like to congratulate Ms. Hoggard and Mr. Galante and wish them well as they pursue the next stage in academic and career development.”

Judges, including local business leaders and elected officials, considered applicants on a combination of factors including academic achievement, personal essays, letters of recommendation and extra-curricular activities. The process concluded with a banquet, during which 10 finalists delivered a presentation expressing why they merit being a scholarship recipient.

“Soladigm continues to play a positive role in creating a culture of innovation in engineering and science in DeSoto County,” said Sam Rikard, Mayor of Olive Branch and a scholarship judge. “We were proud to see so many thoughtful and enthusiastic applications from our students here in DeSoto County. We applaud Soladigm for acting as an excellent business partner and community member.”

Soladigm plans to continue this program—now in its second year—annually to support the development and education of Mississippi’s most promising students in engineering and science. The scholarship is available to any DeSoto County high school senior in good academic standing who is planning to pursue a degree in physical science or engineering at any four-year Mississippi college or university. Nominations for next year’s scholarship will open in January 2013.

### **About Soladigm**

Soladigm is a manufacturer of next-generation green building solutions designed to improve energy efficiency. The company’s highly energy-efficient Dynamic Glass switches from clear to tinted on demand, resulting in significant cost savings, environmental benefits, and quality of life enhancements. Soladigm is headquartered in Milpitas, California and has high volume manufacturing facilities in Olive Branch, Mississippi. For more information, visit [www.soladigm.com](http://www.soladigm.com).