Redsky Solar has been nominated for a Solar Power Portal Award, recognising ‘best of British Solar expertise’ for the company’s first large-scale solar rooftop project.

Redsky was launched last year by leading building envelope contractor Longworth to capitalise on the group’s roofing expertise and offer solar installation by roofing experts.

Redsky partnered with TATA steel on the construction of a £6.5 million purpose-built automotive steel store for distributor A V Dawson and has now been nominated in the ‘greater than 250kW’ installation category for the 250KW Solar PV array.

Managing Director Paul Smith said: “We are delighted to have been nominated for such a prestigious award so soon after launching Redsky Solar.

“Delivering a super-sized solar array can be extremely challenging and this project perfectly demonstrated how Longworth’s 150 years of roofing expertise is the perfect base on which to build a renewables company that can deliver quality Solar Pv installations.

“Being recognised for our expertise with this nomination is a great honour and is an early success that we can build on as we continue to grow Redsky Solar.”

The project involved Redsky designing and installing a 1,000 Solar PV panel system to the warehouse roof to power heat pumps which maintain a constant temperature for steel storage and eradicate the risk of condensation.

Redsky faces competition from four other solar installers for the award. When announcing the nominations Solar Power Portal said: “All of the shortlisted projects have overcome significant challenges to deliver truly standout solar arrays that will serve as the vanguard of the UK’s solar rooftop revolution.”

The winner will be announced at the Solar Power Portal Awards dinner in October.