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TransData® Receives Patent for Digital Wireless Communications Technology Housed Inside Electric Meter Chassis for Wireless Automatic Meter Reading (AMR) Applications

Richardson, Texas - January 31, 2001. TransData, an industry leader in development of integrated, digital wireless "under-glass" automatic meter reading (AMR) and electric metering technologies announces it has received a patent for proprietary digital wireless communications technology housed inside an electric meter chassis.

TransData has led the industry in the design and integration of digital wireless communications systems into the MARK-V Energy Meter chassis, and as a result, developed several new and unique technologies for which patent applications were filed.

The MARK-V is the world's first energy meter available with integrated Digital PCS/Cellular Phone and ARDIS/Motient Wireless Network Modem communications allowing utilities to use established, nationwide public wireless networks to retrieve metering data from their Commercial and Industrial accounts.

"The new Digital Wireless Communications Technology patent further substantiates TransData's innovations in the field of wireless metering telemetry", said Trace Gleibs, TransData, Inc., Executive Vice President. "TransData anticipates licensing our patented technology to other companies who are either in the process of designing or considering digital wireless communication systems inside the electric meter chassis".

As the utility industry deregulates, the need for electricity meters with integrated wireless communications has increased dramatically. The MARK-V's built-in Digital PCS/Cellular Phone is compatible with existing Itron/UTS MV-90 reader systems and provides utilities a seamless, end-to-end, nationwide wireless meter reading solution.

"TransData plans to expand its patented wireless communications technology into several additional product offerings that will utilize existing public digital wireless network infrastructure for communications and delivery of advanced services", said Steve Clegg, TransData, Inc., Vice President of Business Development.

The MARK-V is an ANSI and California ISO certified, and Industry Canada approved polyphase revenue meter used by more than 200 utilities in a variety of Commercial – Industrial, Substation and Generation applications. Major users include AES, Carolina Power & Light, Wisconsin Electric Power, Reliant Energy, Dynegy, TXU Electric, American Electric Power, Commonwealth Edison, Duke Energy, Enron, First Energy, Southern Company and Dominion-Virginia Power.

Company Profile

Founded in 1969, TransData, Inc. is a privately held corporation with headquarters in Richardson, Texas. TransData is a technology-based company specializing in the design and manufacture of intelligent, Energy Metering Systems, Wireless Automatic Meter Reading (AMR) Technologies, Load Profiling Demand Recorders, Power & Energy Transducers, Isolation Relays and Portable Metering Test Equipment. The company's products are used for measuring and managing energy consumption by electric utilities and industry, including 49 of the top 50 largest U.S. utilities. TransData serves over 1800 customers in more than 20 countries around the world.

For additional information, visit the TransData website at (www.transdatainc.com) or call 1-800-342-9993. TransData is a registered trademark of TransData, Inc.