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TransData® Announces Agreement to Acquire Aptech Metering Isolation Relay and Isolation Buffer Product Lines

Richardson, Texas – December 15, 1999, TransData, Inc. announces that it has entered into a definitive agreement to acquire the Metering Isolation Relay and Isolation Buffer product lines from APTECH, Inc. of Charlotte, North Carolina. APTECH, Inc. has been a leading manufacturer of Isolation Relays and protection devices used by electric utilities since 1986. This acquisition furthers TransData's strategy to offer additional electricity metering related products to expand our core business at electric utility companies.

"TransData's acquisition of the Isolation Relay and Isolation Buffer product lines will compliment sales our MARK-V Series Energy Meters used by utilities for Commercial & Industrial revenue billing, Generation and Substation metering applications" said Trace Gleibs, TransData, Inc. Executive Vice President. "In addition, the Isolation Relays and Isolation Buffers are compatible with all brands of electricity meters".

Isolation Relays and Isolation Buffers are used for electrically isolating the relay pulse outputs from electricity meters to protect network components, energy management (SCADA) systems and other recording or totalizing devices from damage in the event of a surge condition. Using advanced solid-state technology, Isolation Relays and Isolation Buffers isolate the pulse output wiring to eliminate surges being transmitted across them.

In many cases, electric utilities provide pulse outputs that are connected to an Industrial customer's energy management system for monitoring energy usage. By installing an Isolation Relay or Isolation Buffer, the Industrial customer's equipment will be protected from surge related damage being transmitted through the electric meter via pulse output wiring into the customers premises, and in turn, it protects the electricity meter from surge damage originating from within the customer's premises.

The Company

TransData, Inc. is a technology-based company specializing in the design and manufacture of intelligent, solid-state energy metering systems, automatic meter reading (AMR) technologies, load profile recorders, power & energy transducers, 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. Founded in 1969, TransData is a privately held corporation with headquarters in Richardson, Texas.

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