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Carolina Power & Light Selects TransData® MARK-V Electricity Meter with Nationwide Wireless Automatic Meter Reading (AMR) Technology for Metering Major Industrial Accounts

Richardson, Texas - June 14, 1999 In a significant development of wireless Automatic Meter Reading (AMR) technology, Carolina Power & Light Co., Raleigh, North Carolina selected the TransData MARK-V Series Electricity Meter equipped with a wireless modem for metering their major industrial accounts.

This project marks the first major deployment of commercial and industrial electricity meters equipped with ARDIS wireless AMR technology by an investor-owned electric utility. The MARK-V meters purchased by Carolina Power & Light are equipped with an internal Motorola wireless modem and proprietary internal antenna design housed completely under glass to communicate meter billing data, energy usage profiles and power quality reports using the ARDIS nationwide data network.

In 1997, the TransData MARK-V became the industry's first electricity meter to offer a nationwide wireless AMR solution using the ARDIS network. TransData currently supports a large quantity of ARDIS equipped MARK-V meters deployed in the deregulated California market for revenue metering applications. The MARK-V meter includes systems for Load Profile Recording, Power Quality Monitoring, Event Recording and Outage Reporting. TransData presently has a utility field trial under way in Canada for certification of the MARK-V on the Canadian ARDIS network.

ARDIS, owned by American Mobile, operates the largest nationwide wireless two-way data network providing coverage to more than 10,700 cities across the United States, encompasses more than 90% of all business activity. The ARDIS network provides utilities an economical, nationwide solution for retrieving energy consumption data without the cost of traditional phone lines, or building-out a dedicated network.

Trace Gleibs, TransData, Inc., Executive Vice President said "Carolina Power & Light has taken a significant step towards preparing for competition by automating data retrieval from their major accounts using an existing, two-way wireless data network".

The MARK-V meter is remotely interrogated over the ARDIS network using either MV-90/MV-COMM software available from Utility Translation Systems, an ITRON subsidiary, EnergyAxis software by ABB Information Systems, Inc., or with complete turnkey wireless meter reading services provided by Star Data Services.

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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