

PRESS RELEASE

<u>TransData Announces Enhanced Capabilities for MARK-V Energy</u> Meter with Digital PCS/Cellular Phone "Under-Glass"

New Features Expand MARK-V's Role as Advanced Commercial & Industrial Metering Solution as Utilities Begin Utilizing Digital Cellular Networks for Wireless AMR Data Retrieval

Richardson, Texas - May 21, 2001 - TransData, Inc., a leading provider of advanced energy metering systems and integrated wireless AMR technologies, today announces immediate availability of new options and features for their MARK-V Energy Meter equipped with a built-in Digital PCS/Cellular Phone.

The MARK-V is one of the most advanced Commercial & Industrial revenue meters available on the market today featuring wireless AMR telemetry "under-glass", power quality monitoring and time-of-use (TOU) metering capabilities for the competitive energy marketplace. To expand the MARK-V's role as an advanced revenue-grade metering platform, TransData announces the following new features and functionality:

- 8 Channel Load Profiling Energy Usage Recorder
- Automated Power Outage and Power Quality Dial-out Reporting
- SCADA Communications Port with DNP 3.0, Modbus and TransData DTO Protocol Support
- Peaking Generator Control Features

The MARK-V is the only energy meter available with a built-in Digital PCS/Cellular Phone offering utilities a cost-effective remote data retrieval solution with benefits that include: immediate start-up and deployment of AMR meters using existing networks; direct compatibility with existing billing systems; and scalability from dozens to millions of energy meters. With the digital cellular phone and antenna housed completely inside the meter chassis, the MARK-V provides a direct plug-in replacement for existing socket meters.

The MARK-V uses established digital cellular network infrastructure for meter communications with coverage extending to more than 85% of all Commercial and Industrial accounts. Digital cellular telemetry provides a seamless, end-to-end, two-way wireless meter reading solution offering advantages that include:

- Real-time, two-way communications for immediate access to metering data, no network delays
- Direct compatibility with existing Itron/UTS MV-90 billing systems, No third party software required
- Enhanced communications reliability and data security
- Full remote meter programming capability to change meter functions, TOU schedules, synchronize clock
- Eliminates private AMR network investment and maintenance costs

The MARK-V's Digital Cellular Phone is based on advanced CDMA (Code Division Multiple Access) technology, a digital cellular communications standard developed by Qualcomm, Inc., a pioneer and world leader of digital wireless technology. CDMA is the fastest growing digital cellular technology serving more than 80 million subscribers worldwide. Major North American CDMA digital cellular carriers include Alltel, Cellular One, Qwest Wireless, Sprint PCS, Verizon Wireless, Bell Mobility, Grupo Iusacell and Pegaso Telecomunicaciones.

TransData energy metering products with two-way wireless "under-glass" communications are protected by U.S. patent number 6,181,294 with several pending U.S. and International patents.

TransData, Inc. is a privately-held corporation with headquarters in world renowned "Telecom Corridor" of Richardson, Texas. Founded in 1969, TransData is a technology-based company specializing in the design and manufacture of Energy Metering Systems, Wireless Automatic Meter Reading (AMR) Technologies, Load Profiling Demand Recorders, Metering Isolation Relays, 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 2000 customers in more than 20 countries around the world.

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