

## News Release

### Xantrex launches next generation Solar Charge Controller in Europe

**VANCOUVER, B.C., March 3, 2008** – Xantrex Technology Inc. (TSX:XTX) today announced the launch of the CE marked Xantrex XW Solar Charge Controller designed for back-up and off grid applications. Xantrex has designed the XW Solar Charge Controller to stand out from its competition, with a reliable, compact and efficient design.

The Xantrex XW Solar Charge Controller is a photovoltaic (PV) charge controller that offers Maximum Power Point Tracking (MPPT) technology, which allows maximum energy harvest from the solar array to deliver the optimal available current for charging batteries. When charging, the XW Solar Charge Controller regulates battery voltage and output current based on the amount of energy available from the PV array and state-of-charge of the batteries. Unlike other MPPT charge controllers on the market, the XW Solar Charge Controller continuously adjusts the solar array to fine-tune energy generation, which is particularly critical during periods of fast moving cloud cover.

“We are proud to bring our next-generation charge controller to the market as we strive to make solar and backup power more cost-effective for an increasing number of home and business owners,” said John Wallace, Xantrex CEO.

The XW Solar Charge Controller has a 60 amp maximum charge rate and can be used with 12, 24, 36, 48, and 60 volt DC battery systems. It is able to charge a lower nominal-voltage battery from a higher nominal-voltage array. This provides flexibility for installers to use longer wiring runs without compromising efficiency. The charge controller is also convection cooled and works without a fan, which improves reliability.

The Xantrex XW Solar Charge Controller includes a standard five-year warranty and meets all European directives and safety standards.

For more information on the Xantrex XW Solar Charge Controller, visit [www.xantrex.com](http://www.xantrex.com)

#### About Xantrex

Xantrex Technology Inc. ([www.xantrex.com](http://www.xantrex.com)) is a world leader in the development, manufacturing and marketing of advanced power electronic products and systems for the renewable, programmable, and mobile power markets. The company’s products convert and control raw electrical power from any central, distributed, renewable, or backup power source into high-quality power required by electronic and electrical equipment. Headquartered in Vancouver, British Columbia, the company has facilities in Arlington, Washington; Livermore and San Diego, California; Elkhart, Indiana; Barcelona, Spain; and Reading, England. Xantrex is listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "XTX".

Note that this news release contains forward-looking statements related to Xantrex Technology Inc. Such statements reflect

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