

News Release

Xantrex™ solar inverters win “Best Quality Award” in Spain

BERLIN, GERMANY, November 5, 2008 – Xantrex Technology Inc., a subsidiary of Schneider Electric, has been honored with a Best Quality Award by Elektroprofesional magazine, a publication of the REED Business Information Group in Spain.

Xantrex received the quality award for its line of solar power products ranging from off-grid to three phase solar power inverters. The winners of the “Premio de Calidad e Innovación” (Quality and Innovation Awards) were determined by an independent survey of 365 solar power system installers throughout Spain. The installers were asked which inverters they valued most in terms of innovation and quality. Xantrex inverters won in terms of quality, and ranked 4th in terms of innovation. Installers from the southern region of Andalucia and the Northeastern part of Spain were among those who voted most in favor of Xantrex. The study was conducted during March and April 2008 by an external research company.

“We are very pleased to receive this award,” said Nazir Mulji, General Manager of Xantrex. “It demonstrates that our products meet the needs of solar power system installers and often exceed their expectations.”

The award was presented to Xantrex at a ceremony in Madrid, Spain on October 30, 2008.

For more information on the complete line of Xantrex products, please visit www.xantrex.com.

About Xantrex

Xantrex Technology Inc. (www.xantrex.com), a subsidiary of Schneider Electric, is a world leader in the development, manufacturing and marketing of advanced power electronic products and systems for the renewable 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 equipment and the electricity grid. Xantrex is headquartered in Vancouver, Canada, with facilities in the United States, Germany, Spain, and a joint venture in China.

About Schneider Electric

As a global specialist in energy management with operations in more than 100 countries, Schneider Electric offers integrated solutions across multiple market segments, including leadership positions in energy and infrastructure, industrial processes, building automation, and data centres/networks, as well as a broad presence in residential applications. Focused on making energy safe, reliable, and efficient, the company's 120,000 employees achieved sales of more than 17.3 billion euros in 2007, through an active commitment to help individuals and organisations “Make the most of their energy™”.

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