

News Release

Xantrex introduces new line of affordable sine-wave inverters

VANCOUVER, B.C., June 2, 2009 – Xantrex Technology Inc., a subsidiary of Schneider Electric, announces the launch of Xantrex PROwatt™ SW Inverters, a new line of affordable true sine-wave inverters designed for the commercial vehicle, recreational vehicle (RV), and marine markets.

The PROwatt SW represents the evolution of the PROwatt product line, which has been a bestseller for many years. The reinvented true sine-wave inverter is an affordable solution that gives users the ability to power alternating current (AC) variable speed hand tools, household appliances and other electronics. The PROwatt SW is available for North American and international markets.

The North American 600, 1000 and 2000 watt 12-volt models have UL 458, CSA and FCC regulatory approvals. They also feature dual 120-volt AC ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) outlets and include an innovative USB port for convenient charging of portable electronic devices. The international models are available in 700, 1400 and 2000 watt 12 and 24-volt versions and feature a 240-volt AC SHUKO, UK or Australian outlet. All models have a compact and lightweight design that allows them to be installed easily in virtually any small space.

An on/off remote panel is available as an accessory. The remote panel adds a user selectable ignition lockout feature to the PROwatt SW, which prevents a vehicle's battery bank from being drained when the ignition is not engaged.

"We are always reviewing our product offerings in response to the needs of our customers," said Richard Gaudet, Xantrex Director of Product Management. "These sine-wave inverters are designed to suit the evolving needs of original equipment manufacturers and aftermarket customers, offering upgraded features at an affordable price with unparalleled value in the market."

Xantrex PROwatt SW Inverters are now available in several countries. To find a Xantrex distributor near you, please click www.xantrex.com/web/id/2/distr.asp. For more information on Xantrex PROwatt SW Inverters, please visit www.xantrex.com/prowattsw.

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, India, 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 114,000 employees achieved sales of more than 18.3 billion euros in 2008, through an active commitment to help individuals and organisations "Make the most of their energy™".

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