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Trimble Announces New RFID Accessory for Nomad Handheld

SUNNYVALE, Calif., July 26, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- Trimble (NASDAQ: TRMB) announced today a new UHF RFID Reader accessory for its Nomad® rugged handheld computer.

The Trimble ThingMagic® Reader supports reading and writing of EPC Global Gen2 tags which are commonly used for asset and inventory management. The UHF RFID Reader accessory is designed to withstand drops, vibration, humidity, extreme temperatures and immersion, making it ideal for challenging environments.

"The Nomad has been a very successful rugged mobile platform, supplying field workers with a robust tool for data capture and navigation," said Jim Sheldon, general manager of Trimble's Mobile Computing Solutions Division. "The RFID Reader further extends the Nomad's capabilities and offers enterprise management more options in its use."

"Similar to the widespread integration of GPS into today's positioning solutions, we believe RFID is a natural complement to many asset management applications and Trimble solutions," said Tom Grant, general manager of Trimble's ThingMagic Division. "Integrating high-performance RFID technology into high-value products like the Nomad delivers a strong platform for next generation productivity applications."

The UHF RFID Reader is available in two variations: one for use in Europe, and the other for use in the U.S., Canada and most of South America. The Reader is based on the best-in-class ThingMagic M5e Compact UHF RFID module, and includes device drivers and a Software Development Kit to enable systems integrators to add RFID capabilities to their mobile applications.

About Trimble's Nomad Handheld Computer

The Trimble Nomad handheld computer offers capabilities necessary for mobile workers, including barcode scanning, integrated Wi-Fi and Bluetooth wireless connectivity, GPS receiver, 5 MP camera with geo-tagging and cellular WWAN. The Nomad handheld is used worldwide, with 10 different languages supported on its Windows Mobile 6.1 operating system. Its ruggedness and durability have made it the handheld computer of choice for users with both physically and technically demanding tasks.

About Trimble's Mobile Computing Solutions Division

Trimble's Mobile Computing Solutions Division offers innovative products that enable mobile workers to be more efficient in extreme outdoor and industrial environments. The Nomad, Recon®, Ranger™, and Yuma® outdoor rugged handheld computers help users collect accurate field data and work more productively in any outdoor or service-related application. Trimble's handheld computers meet MIL-STD-810F military specifications for drops, vibration, immersion and temperature extremes, and with IP67 and IP68 ratings, are sealed against water and dust.

To learn more, visit: www.trimble.com/rugged.

About Trimble's ThingMagic Division

Trimble's ThingMagic Division is a leading provider of UHF RFID reader engines, development platforms and design services for a wide range of applications. ThingMagic develops products for demanding, high-volume applications and provides consulting and design services to create solutions for challenging applications. ThingMagic's customers include some of the world's largest industrial automation firms, manufacturers, automotive companies, retailers, and consumer companies. Located in Cambridge, Massachusetts, the ThingMagic business was founded in 2000 by a group of visionary PhD graduates from Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Media Lab. ThingMagic is "The Engine in RFID™".

For more information, visit: www.thingmagic.com.

About Trimble

Trimble applies technology to make field and mobile workers in businesses and government significantly more productive. Solutions are focused on applications requiring position or location—including surveying, construction, agriculture, fleet and asset management, public safety and mapping. In addition to utilizing positioning technologies, such as GPS, lasers and optics,

Trimble solutions may include software content specific to the needs of the user. Wireless technologies are utilized to deliver the solution to the user and to ensure a tight coupling of the field and the back office. Founded in 1978, Trimble is headquartered in Sunnyvale, Calif.

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