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Capstone Secures 1MW Order From Regatta Solutions for CCHP Installation at Hawaiian Resort

CHATSWORTH, Calif., Jan. 7, 2014 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Capstone Turbine Corporation (www.capstoneturbine.com) (Nasdaq:CPST), the world's leading clean technology manufacturer of microturbine energy systems, announced today it recently received an order for a C1000 to be used in a combined cooling, heat, and power (CCHP) application at a resort in Hawaii.

Regatta Solutions secured the order for a Capstone C1000 dual mode propane high humidity microturbine from Critchfield Pacific Inc., a design-build mechanical contractor located in Hawaii that specializes in the installation of HVAC systems with an emphasis on energy efficiency. According to Ron Swenson, President of Critchfield Pacific, "Capstone microturbines were chosen as the preferred option for power generation due to their high efficiency and ability to provide stable power in Hawaii, where the utility grid can be expensive and unreliable."

The Capstone C1000 implemented in a CCHP configuration allows the hotel to also utilize the exhaust heat of the microturbine to provide domestic hot water and pool heating via a hot water heat exchanger, while also able to satisfy the cooling needs of their facility through the use of an absorption chiller. Utilizing the Capstone microturbine in a CCHP application cut the payback period in half, making it the clear choice from a financial standpoint.

"Trigeneration provides high efficiency onsite energy production to help customers reduce rising electric costs," said Mark Gilbreth, Chief Technology Officer at Regatta Solutions. "I look forward to this installation being an example for future clients to drive CHP/CCHP technology adoption."

In addition to boosting the site's overall energy efficiency and reducing costs, the microturbines are dual mode, which enables the facility to function uninterrupted in the event of a power outage. "Capstone's ability to parallel with the existing grid or work independently from the grid ensures the hotel has the energy reliability and availability it requires," said Jim Crouse, Executive Vice President, Sales and Marketing of Capstone Turbine Corp. "Many of our customers have recognized the value in using Capstone products to improve efficiency plus assure power and thermal energy in the event of a utility power outage."

"In addition, Capstone's low maintenance, low emissions, and ability to operate without lubricating oil and cooling fluids make it a perfect fit for the project. Environmental impact in Hawaii is a key issue, and the choice to use Capstone's clean and green microturbines reflects that," added Crouse.

About Capstone Turbine Corporation

Capstone Turbine Corporation (www.capstoneturbine.com) (Nasdaq:CPST) is the world's leading producer of low-emission microturbine systems and was the first to market commercially viable microturbine energy products. Capstone Turbine has shipped approximately 7,000 Capstone Microturbine systems to customers worldwide. These award-winning systems have logged millions of documented runtime operating hours. Capstone Turbine is a member of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Combined Heat and Power Partnership, which is committed to improving the efficiency of the nation's energy infrastructure and reducing emissions of pollutants and greenhouse gases. A UL-Certified ISO 9001:2008 and ISO 14001:2004 certified company, Capstone is headquartered in the Los Angeles area with sales and/or service centers in the New York Metro Area, Mexico City, Nottingham, Shanghai and Singapore.

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