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Capstone Turbine Terminates Distributor Agreement With Collicut Energy Services and Signs Regatta Solutions to Represent the Full Line of Capstone Products in Southern California

CHATSWORTH, Calif., March 3, 2010 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Capstone Turbine Corporation (www.capstoneturbine.com) (Nasdaq:CPST), the world's leading clean technology manufacturer of microturbine energy systems, recently terminated its distribution relationship with Collicut Energy Services and promoted Regatta Solutions to represent the full line of Capstone products in Southern California.

Regatta immediately sold three C65 ICHP microturbine systems -- two to a United States military installation in Southern California and one to a private school. The school will use the microturbine's waste heat energy to heat a large competition-level swimming pool.

Collicut Energy and Capstone recently entered into a mutually agreeable termination agreement. "Both parties determined that their respective business models for California were not similar enough to continue on with the distribution relationship. All existing products, including service support and Factory Protection Plans, will be immediately transitioned from Collicut Energy to Capstone and Regatta," said Jim Crouse, Capstone's Executive Vice President of Sales and Marketing.

Capstone elevated Regatta Solutions, headquartered in Rancho Santa Margarita, California, from a Capstone Turbine sales representative for Secure Power data center products to a full distributor that sells, installs and services all Capstone microturbine energy products throughout Southern California.

In its new role, Regatta offers Capstone microturbine systems for the following applications in Southern California: combined cooling, heating and power (CCHP), combined heat and power (CHP), agricultural and biogas markets, wastewater treatment plants, landfills, oil and gas markets, and Secure Power for data centers.

Specific Southern California counties Regatta Solutions serves are Imperial, Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara and Ventura.

"Regatta is the model for how new distributors can jump-start the sales process," said Darren Jamison, Capstone President and Chief Executive Officer. "Regatta has the expertise and service to improve operational efficiency and energy management for

customers using Capstone's clean and reliable products. They have the customer base, contacts and Capstone focus needed to be successful in the busy Southern California market and are an ideal distributor for Capstone," added Jamison.

"Our goal is to sell, install and service Capstone microturbines as energy solutions for prime power, peak shaving and data center solutions," said Steven Acevedo, President, Regatta Solutions. "With Capstone, we can become the leading provider of on-site power generation and aftermarket service in Southern California," added Acevedo.

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 over 5,000 Capstone MicroTurbine(R) 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 9001:2000 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, Singapore and Tokyo.

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