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Capstone C1000 Sales Exceed Management's Expectation

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Capstone Turbine Corporation (www.microturbine.com) (NASDAQ:CPST), the world's leading clean technology manufacturer of microturbine energy systems, today announced that it received additional orders for 10 megawatts of C1000 systems. This brings the total of C1000 family orders to date to 26 units or 24.6 megawatts.

Like the C200 pre-orders, the C1000 sales have been very strong and exceed management's expectations. These orders further demonstrate that the market continues to look for ultra-clean and highly reliable power generation solutions in the multiple megawatt space.

"We are extremely pleased with the early market adoption of both the C200 and C1000 products. We continue to focus attention on reaching our internal cost and margin targets," stated Darren Jamison, Capstone Turbine Corporation's President and Chief Executive Officer. "In addition, we are working to improve our inventory turns to lower our working capital requirements as we ramp up the business," Jamison added.

Every installed C1000 Capstone MicroTurbine solution is equivalent to removing up to 700 average U.S. passenger vehicles from the road, based on EPA emissions and efficiency data for the average US power plant and average passenger vehicle, or the equivalent of planting 730 acres of pine and fir forest, based on CO2 reduction.

Capstone Turbine Corporation expects to deliver its first commercial C1000 Series product in January 2009.

Capstone Turbine Corporation (www.microturbine.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 4,000 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 Turbine is headquartered in the Los Angeles area with sales and/or service centers in New Jersey, New York, Mexico City, Milan, Nottingham, Shanghai and Tokyo.

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