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CABA AND GRIDWISE ALLIANCE INK COOPERATION AGREEMENT

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The Continental Automated Buildings Association (CABA) and the GridWise Alliance today announced the signing of a memorandum of understanding (MOU) to share information and work in a collaborative manner on intelligent home and building issues that further the development of a smart grid in the United States.

The GridWise Alliance is a consortium of 100 public and private organizations working together to provide real-world technology solutions to transform the nation's electric grid. The Alliance believes that emerging energy and information technologies can radically improve the efficiency and operation of the existing grid and thereby provide significant benefits to utilities, businesses and consumers.

As part the agreement, CABA will establish forums with the Alliance to engage a broad array of stakeholders including the utility industry, regulatory agencies, energy, building automation, telecommunications, controls and information technology vendors, technology companies, consumer groups, government and non-governmental organizations.

"CABA is very pleased to be partnering with the GridWise Alliance. This forward-thinking memorandum of understanding will set in motion a chain reaction that will accelerate the application of intelligent technologies in homes and buildings to aid in the deployment of the smart grid," stated Ronald J. Zimmer, CABA President & CEO.

"We hope to move quickly with our collaboration," said Katherine Hamilton President, GridWise Alliance. "Buildings account for 40 percent of energy consumption in the United States, and any reductions in energy consumption through information and more efficient technologies will aid in our goal of building a smarter electricity superstructure."

About CABA

The Continental Automated Buildings Association (CABA) is a leading industry association that promotes advanced technologies in homes and buildings in North America. More information is available at

www.caba.org.

About the GridWise Alliance

The GridWise Alliance was founded in 2003. The Alliance advocates a vision of an electric system that integrates the infrastructure, processes, devices, information and market structure so that energy can be generated, distributed, and consumed more efficiently and cost effectively; thereby achieving a more resilient, secure and reliable energy system. Its members include utilities, IT companies, equipment vendors, new technology providers and educational institutions. More information is available at www.gridwise.org.

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