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WPC TO DEMO WORLD'S MOST ADVANCED RESONANT WIRELESS CHARGING SYSTEM COMPATIBLE WITH EXISTING 40+ MILLION QI PHONES

New backward-compatible Qi extension will allow extended device placement freedom, multidevice charging and high efficiency

Las Vegas – January 6, 2014 – The <u>Wireless Power Consortium</u> (WPC) today announced it will demonstrate the next evolution of Qi wireless charging at the 2014 International Consumer Electronics Show: industry-leading magnetic resonance.

The WPC is developing a resonance extension to the Qi spec that will maintain backward compatibility with the installed base of 40+ million devices and products worldwide, including the 60 models of Qi-compatible phones, tablets, and chargers sold today. The first examples of the extension's capabilities will be unveiled by WPC members ConvenientPower and PowerbyProxi at the WPC booth, SL-2 in the South Hall 3 lobby, located on the upper level.

The Qi resonant extension will allow charging with higher efficiency and lower radio frequency interference than typical resonant solutions. In addition, the extension allows for multiple device charging and charging at longer distances, all while maintaining backward compatibility.

For consumers, this means it will be possible to charge without worrying about the exact position of their devices so they can charge anywhere, safely and quickly.

For companies, this means greater flexibility in designing products when integrating Qi in cars, furniture, chargers, and accessories.

"Qi is the leading global wireless charging standard because its 190-plus member companies thrive in the WPC's competitive-and-collaborative environment and are constantly innovating to produce the best wireless charging experience," said John Perzow, Vice President of Market Development for the Wireless Power Consortium. "The WPC has created a standard that ensures safety and compatibility and frees OEMs to differentiate. That's why Qi is used in more phones, tablets, cars, and products than any other wireless charging solution."

The WPC will demonstrate examples of advanced magnetic resonance technology from ConvenientPower and PowerbyProxi along with the newest Qi-compatible wireless charging products and prototypes from Devant, Haier, Leggett & Platt, Nokia, Samsung, Texas Instruments, and others.

On display will be a wide array of Qi-enabled devices including:

- Latest Qi-enabled smartphones and tablets
- Automotive Qi cradles and chargers
- The industry's first wireless avionics charger
- Hospitality-venue chargers and services
- Gaming accessories
- Accessories for iPhone 5s, Galaxy S4, and other leading smartphones

The WPC will also demonstrate Qi's unique capabilities to enable value-added experiences wherever you are. For example, in cars, Qi-compatible devices can charge and make next-generation infotainment possible. In hotels, Qi-compatible devices can be charged and networked to provide interactive guest services.

Mobile carriers around the world including China Mobile, NTT DoCoMo, Telefónica, and Verizon, are contributing to the adoption of Qi by selling tens of millions of phones integrated with Qi wireless charging. There are now over 400 unique Qi-enabled devices including mobile phones and compatible products like the Samsung Galaxy S4 and S3, Nokia Lumia 1020, LG G2, Motorola Droid Maxx and Mini and the Google Nexus 5 phone and Nexus 7 tablet.

Qi is the leader in the automotive industry, available in automobiles including the 2014 Jeep Cherokee, the Ssangyong Chairman, and the Toyota Avalon, Prius, and Harrier. After exhaustive safety and efficacy testing, the CE4A made Qi their wireless charging choice for Mercedes-Benz, BMW, Volkswagen, Audi, and Porsche.

For more information, visit: www.wirelesspowerconsortium.com and the CES Virtual Press Office.

About Qi and the Wireless Power Consortium

In December 2008 a group of leading consumer electronics companies created the Wireless Power Consortium to establish Qi as the interoperable global standard for wireless power. The more than 190 members of the WPC include Blackberry, ConvenientPower, Devant Technologies, Energizer, Foxconn, Haier, HTC, LG, Motorola, Nokia, Panasonic, PowerByProxi, Qualcomm, Royal Philips, Samsung, Sony, Texas Instruments, Toshiba, Verizon Wireless, ZTE and infrastructure providers such as wireless operators, furniture, and automotive parts companies. As the leading wireless charging standard worldwide, Qi has brought more than 400 new wireless charging products to market. Qi products are available in North America, South America, Asia Pacific, Europe, India, Africa, and Australia.

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