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New Transcend[®] CPAP offers peace of mind for travelers with sleep apnea

MINNEAPOLIS (April 4, 2013) – An innovative new product called [Transcend[®]](#) is providing peace of mind for travelers with sleep apnea. Transcend is the world's smallest, lightest, and most portable continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) and battery system and is made by Somnetics International Inc., the Minneapolis-based innovator of sleep apnea products.

Transcend offers campers, over-the-road drivers, business travelers, and people who vacation on cruise ships or are frequently in an airplane reliable sleep apnea therapy. And because it is the most portable and compact CPAP system in world, Transcend is easy to transport and use with or without a direct power source. Weighing about one pound, Transcend can fit in the palm of your hand and is about the size of a soda can.

Jerry, a frequent flier who recently purchased the Transcend system from SleepVIP.com, an online retailer of Transcend products, shared his experience with Transcend. "This unit works as well as the more expensive bulky unit and is perfect for travel. I used a small roller bag that fits in a regional jet overhead and had a pair of shoes, two pair of slacks, three shirts, socks, etc. plus toiletry bag AND the Transcend unit all in there without cramming anything. Perfect for the three nights in Connecticut and then two more in St. Louis. And it used the exact same mask and headgear that I use with my other unit, so I can leave the big one at home and travel with the Transcend unit. James at SleepVIP was terrific to work with. I love it!"

Deb, another SleepVIP.com customer who travels the world frequently shared, "I want to let you know how wonderful our little Transcend CPAPs are! Really! I can't believe such a small package does exactly what my old, clunky one does. This will fit into my small carry-on bag along with my computer, iPad, and cameras. It truly does fit in the palm of my hand (and I have small hands!). I can't wait to use it this summer when we will FINALLY be able to go backpacking and camping with the addition of the battery packs. No more noisy generators! We

haven't been able to go tent camping for over 20 years due to the no-battery issue with the old CPAPs.”

Battery Power and Solar Recharging

Transcend is the *only* CPAP available with portable battery power *and* solar power recharging options. Small (the size of a deck of cards), lightweight, long-life battery systems provide reliable power in remote locations making Transcend ideal for airplanes, boats, RVs, cruise ships and in hotels.

The batteries also provide backup power for the CPAP during power outages, which makes Transcend very attractive to those who live in storm-prone regions or areas that experience frequent power outages. The Transcend Portable Solar Charger™ uses sunlight to recharge Transcend batteries for campers, boaters, hikers and over-the-road truckers or motorcyclists that may have limited access to electrical power.

Two portable battery options are available: The P4 Overnight Battery System™ provides approximately one night of therapy and the P8 Multi-Night Battery System™ provides approximately two nights of therapy before needing recharge. Both battery options are rechargeable with AC power supply, the DC Mobile Power Adaptor or the Transcend Portable Solar Charger.

The Transcend Sleep Apnea Therapy Starter System™ includes the Transcend CPAP, a standard six-foot CPAP hose that is compatible with any mask, universal AC power supply, travel bag and user guides. Transcend can then be customized to include portable power options and more. All of this easily fits into the small travel bag that can be packed and stored in carry-on luggage.

For information about Transcend visit www.mytranscend.com or call 877-621-9626.

About Somnetics

Somnetics International, Inc. is a privately-held medical device company based in Minneapolis, Minn. It is an emerging leader in innovative customer-driven design, development and production of respiratory medical devices to treat sleep apnea and related issues. Somnetics' mission is focused on integrating technology, customer input and employee creativity to provide innovative, high quality products that improve quality of life for people with respiratory disorders. Transcend received the 2011 Medtrade *Innovation Award*, the 2012 Medtrade *Provider's Choice Award*, and the 2012 *Best Practices Award for Product Differentiation* in the Sleep Disordered Breathing market from Frost & Sullivan. Somnetics received FDA market clearance for the Transcend CPAP machine in July 2010 and CE Mark in February 2012. Transcend and associated technology is protected by several issued and pending U.S. and foreign patents.

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