

Elster and SensorLink Announce Successful Completion of Field Trials for Low Voltage AGInode

New technology enhances Elster's smart grid capabilities

Raleigh, North Carolina, February 3, 2009. Elster, a leader in smart metering and smart grid systems and solutions, today announced the successful completion of field trials for its low voltage AGInode™. The low voltage AGInode, incorporating SensorLink's advanced sensing technology, is a metering and monitoring device for low voltage overhead and underground transformers. Pilot installations were performed with utilities in Canada, the United States, and Latin America.

The low voltage AGInode is one of the first products resulting from Elster's Advanced Grid Infrastructure (AGI) Initiative, a collaborative effort between utilities, Elster, and key technology providers to realize innovative solutions for grid modernization.

"Our utility customer field trials provided us with real-world feedback and have allowed us to refine the AGInode technology. The AGInode will be an effective tool for applications such as loss detection, voltage profiling, and transformer monitoring, and provides increased business benefits for utilities deploying Elster's smart grid solutions," said Carl LaPlace, Elster senior product manager.

"Our low voltage sensor technology allows the utility to easily install additional measurement nodes at key distribution points along the utility's power system," said Gary Hielkema, SensorLink president. "This project provides new opportunities for utilities to economically gather information from tactical grid locations to drive new applications for smarter grid management."

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About Elster

Elster, a global leader in smart metering and smart grid solutions, has delivered over 1.5 million smart metering devices worldwide with systems located in North America, Europe, Central America, Australia, New Zealand and the Caribbean. Elster smart metering system solutions provide utilities with energy conservation capabilities via demand response programs, smart grid applications, and operational efficiencies resulting in significant value creation across the utility enterprise. Elster has over 7,500 staff and operates globally in North America, South America, Europe, Africa, Middle East, and Asia. www.elster.com.

About SensorLink

SensorLink Corporation is an industry leading provider of live-line current and voltage sensors used in applications throughout the world. It provides utilities



with safe and reliable meters, recorders and custom sensors for accurate measurements throughout their distribution and transmission systems. SensorLink is located in Acme, Washington. For additional information, visit www.sensorlink.com.