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METRO INTRODUCES ADVANCED MONITORING SYSTEM AT AHRMM11 ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION

MetroMonitor™ Dashboard System provides real-time power management and advanced analytics for mobile computing workstations

WILKES-BARRE, Pa. (August 8, 2011) – Metro, a world leader in providing technology, storage and transport solutions for healthcare facilities, today introduced MetroMonitor Dashboard System version 2.0, an intelligent management and monitoring dashboard system for mobile computing workstations. Metro’s enterprise software enables web-based access of workstation performance, including power system and network connectivity, to streamline fleet management and increase workstation uptime.

“In combination with the MetroMobile point-of-care computing workstations, the MetroMonitor Dashboard System allows our customers to pro-actively monitor power systems and computing technology to support fleet readiness and reliability,” said Rob Sobie, vice president of healthcare marketing at Metro. “This advanced web-based capability can be seamlessly deployed to improve real-time visibility into fleet performance, allowing proactive system management.”

“The System is scalable, designed to meet the needs of virtually any healthcare facility, whether it has 10 workstations or a thousand,” Sobie added. In addition to the centralized dashboard and base reporting, MetroMonitor 2.0 provides alerts when a workstation or group of workstations requires attention. Advanced reporting features, including usage rates, real-time updates on number and type of alerts and other data to support predictive maintenance & efficient fleet management, are also available as optional features.

Metro will showcase the MetroMonitor Dashboard System along with its supply & medication storage & transport solutions, point-of-care computing workstations and automated dispensing systems at the Association for Healthcare Resource & Materials Management (AHRMM) Conference and Exhibition, August 7 – 10 in Boston, Massachusetts. Metro’s booth (#701) will highlight solutions for nearly every department in healthcare, long-term care and alternative care facilities, from automated medication dispensing to clinical documentation and specialized procedure carts.

“We are excited to launch this important new product at the AHRMM conference to showcase the increasing breadth of our healthcare product family designed to optimize workflow, maximize space and enhance productivity,” said Sobie. “At AHRMM we will highlight our ongoing focus on creating and launching new technologies and effectively integrating them to improve clinician efficiency and enhanced workflow. We will continue to leverage our combined capabilities and the strength of

Emerson's global resources to swiftly respond to the changing needs of customers and make Metro the product line and partner of choice."

Metro's booth will also feature product demonstrations at AHRMM, including:

- **Expanded Storage and Transport Solutions** that optimize workflows, maximize space and enhance productivity in virtually every department within the hospital. Products on display at AHRMM will include: Metro Top Track High Density System that offers maximum storage capacity, enhance productivity and clean design for antimicrobial protection; the Flexline anesthesia cart, featuring lightweight polymer construction, advanced security features and spacious work surfaces; the Lifeline Emergency Cart that offers quick, safe transport to a code incident and multi-person access to medication and supplies; and the NEW Metro Case cart line of high and low profile closed case carts providing the most combined storage capacities in their five sizes with ergonomically designed handles, reduced footprint and your choice of stainless steel or polymer casters provide you with superior maneuverability.
- **Diverse Point-of-Care Computing Solutions** that help hospitals improve patient care by bringing accurate, reliable information to the point of care – a critical issue for improving the patient experience and meeting the 'meaningful use' standard for federal financial incentives. The demonstration will feature the NEW MetroMonitor Dashboard System, a web-based tool that provides a convenient way to manage workstation battery health to increase productivity and reduce downtime; and MetroMount™ Wall Solutions that provide the ultimate ergonomic point-of-care computing solution. MetroMount enables arm adjustments with a single-handed motion from a seated to standing position and vertical adjustment, making it ideal for sharing between two patient beds.
- **Advanced Bedside Medication Management**, focused on the features and functionality of Metro's new Flo 1760Rx workstation with the SecureRx™ Med Module, a highly mobile system designed to optimize nursing workflow and improve patient care by combining access to real-time information with secure and accurate point-of-care medication delivery.
- **Automated Medication and Supply Dispensing**, featuring the Metro MedDispense Series that offers secure, 24/7 access to medications – even when pharmacists are not on duty – at about one-third the cost of other systems. MedDispense is designed for flexibility, enabling healthcare facilities to customize solutions that ensure patient care and control of medications and supplies while saving time and money, reducing errors and improving efficiency.

For more information on Metro and its diverse breadth of healthcare products, visit

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About Metro

For more than 80 years, Metro has been the world's leading manufacturer of technology, storage and transport products in commercial products, food service, healthcare and consumer products. Committed to understanding the needs of customers and channel partners, Metro provides complete solutions that optimize space, improve workflow and ensure overall safety. InterMetro (Metro) is a division of Emerson.

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