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Venstar's ColorTouch Thermostat With Wi-Fi Key Now Features Humidity Control for Ultimate Environmental Comfort

**Thermostat Automatically Adds More Moisture to Dry Environments, Removes
Moisture in Humid Settings, When Connected to a Humidification System.**

CHATSWORTH, Calif., March 13, 2013 — [Venstar®](#), a leading thermostat and energy management systems supplier, today announced two new models to its acclaimed [ColorTouch](#) thermostat line. ColorTouch can now be now purchased with a built-in humidity control. This newest feature enables ColorTouch users to enjoy the ultimate in environmental comfort as the thermostat not only automatically controls temperature but humidity as well. ColorTouch with humidity control works with the thermostat's humidity sensor, which automatically detects changes in humidity in residential or commercial environments and adjusts the conditions via the humidification and HVAC system.

"Humidity is a big factor in maintaining a comfortable environment, which is why the ColorTouch Thermostat with humidity control goes a long way in improving the users' indoor comfort," said Steve Dushane, president and CEO of Venstar Inc. "And, since ColorTouch is adjustable remotely using the mobile app, the Web or locally via the thermostat's touchscreen, users can always count on comfortable indoor conditions."

In addition to being compatible with Dual Fuel systems and being equipped with Reheat for Dehumidification demands, the ColorTouch thermostat's other key features include the Skyport Wi-Fi Key, which connects to [Skyport Cloud Services](#) and, when used with Venstar's free mobile application, allows users to remotely monitor and control their home or commercial thermostats. Compatible with Apple iPhone®, iPod®, iPad®,

Blackberry®, Android™, Mac and PC devices, the ColorTouch thermostat with Skyport Wi-Fi Key is priced well under \$300 (estimated end-user cost).

About ColorTouch Residential Thermostat

The ColorTouch programmable residential thermostat is multi-functional, simple-to-use and richly featured. Its touch screen includes customizable backgrounds, including the users' own photos and more than a dozen pre-set themes, including holiday themes. Compatible with virtually every type of heating and air conditioning system, ColorTouch can be configured to display one of three languages: English, French or Spanish. ColorTouch is the thermostat that thinks it's a digital picture frame!

Once a Skyport Cloud account is created online, users can use the application on their mobile devices or directly from the Web to:

- Monitor thermostat information, including system run time and current usage;
- View incoming alerts based on pre-configured notifications, such as important updates on the health of the system or simply if the inside temperature has gone above or below pre-set limits. If desired, the servicing contractor may also receive email alerts;
- View a pictorial display of the current weather and weather forecast for all thermostat locations; and
- Send text messages from the mobile device to the thermostat display, such as reminders and notes to family members.

About ColorTouch Commercial Thermostat

The ColorTouch programmable commercial thermostat is multi-functional, simple-to-use and richly featured. Its programmable scheduler keeps occupied periods comfortable while reducing energy use for unoccupied periods. Its color touch screen can be set up to show company logos, ads and promotions as well as a picture gallery of up to 100 files to be used as a slideshow. Compatible with virtually every type of commercial heating and air conditioning system, ColorTouch can be configured to display one of three languages: English, French or Spanish.

Once a Skyport Cloud account is created online, users can use the application on their mobile devices or directly from the Web to:

- Instantly access up to 100 commercial locations;
- Easily monitor and control comfort settings at multiple buildings and office locations, including monitoring room temperature, supply air temperature, outdoor air temperature, run-time hours, and more;
- View incoming alerts via email on pre-configured notifications, such as important updates on the health of the system or simply if the inside temperature has gone

above or below pre-set limits. The servicing contractor may also receive email alerts;

- Monitor thermostat information, including system run times and current usage, for each thermostat at all locations;
- View a pictorial display of the current weather and weather forecast for all thermostat locations;
- Schedule holidays for up to 365 days of each year, including reoccurring unoccupied days so that the thermostat can be set to “unoccupied” during those periods;
- Prevent unauthorized use by auto-screen lock or set point limiting; and
- Send text messages from the mobile device to the thermostat display, such as reminders and notes.

For more information, visit: <http://www.venstar.com/Thermostats/>

For product videos, visit: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H8reHhhLdMQ>

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About Venstar Inc.

Founded in 1992, Venstar Inc. is a leading thermostat and energy management system (EMS) supplier, known for providing value to its customers via ease of use and installation, proven cost savings, improved energy efficiency, quality and reliability. Venstar is one of the largest thermostat suppliers in the world and designs and produces Venstar-branded products, as well as OEM thermostat products for the biggest names in HVAC. Venstar’s Surveyor is a leading energy management system, typically saving small-box retailers 25 percent of their energy costs, which translates to millions of dollars in savings and dramatic reductions in CO₂ emissions. Surveyor currently controls the energy usage of more than 15,000 retail locations across the United States, Mexico, Puerto Rico, and Canada.

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