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VYCON's Clean Energy Storage System Wins *EC&M* Magazine's 2009 Product of the Year Award in Power Sources Category

Los Angeles – March 30, 2009 — VYCON (http://www.vyconenergy.com), the designer and manufacturer of environmentally-friendly, high-speed energy storage flywheel systems, today announced that its new VDC and VDC-XE Direct Connect DC backup systems have been awarded EC&M (www.ecmweb.com) magazine's Category Winner in the 2009 EC&M Product of the Year competition. VYCON's innovative flywheels systems are being deployed in mission-critical operations around the world to mitigate costly power disturbances and provide a greener solution over battery-based uninterruptible power systems (UPSs).

The *EC&M* Product of the Year Award showcases the most innovative products of the past year and recognizes the talent and commitment of the people involved with every aspect of development, from concept through sales.

EC&M magazine is written for 140,000 electrical professionals, including more than 84,500 subscribers in electrical contracting firms encompassing all members of the National Electrical Contractors Association, the Independent Electrical Contractors organization and Engineering News Record's top 50 contracting firms. EC&M is one of the nation's leading publications addressing the estimated \$77.8 billion electrical market.

"We are honored to receive this award and to be recognized by *EC&M's* judging panel for the innovations our VDC and VDC-XE Direct Connect UPS brings to users," said VYCON's chief marketing officer, Frank DeLattre. The VDC system provides users with a smarter and greener approach to power protection by eliminating toxic and environmentally unfriendly lead-acid batteries that are unreliable and require costly cooling to maintain service life. The acceptance and deployment of our new VDC systems has been outstanding."

Utilizing VYCON's patented flywheel technology, the VDC unit provides up to 220kW of DC power while the VDC-XE (Xtended Energy) model supplies up to 300kW of DC power within a single cabinet. For longer run times and higher power capacities, the UL listed VDC models can be easily paralleled without needing a special communications link. For extended power outages, the VDC will seamlessly provide enough ride-through protection to transfer to a standby engine generator for a continuous power system.

Tested and compatible with all major brands of three-phase Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) systems and available from VYCON's channel partners, Eaton and Chloride – the new VDC units feature a 20-year life without a major service interval. Featuring optimized power electronics for significantly improved power density, the new energy storage systems replace traditional lead-acid backup batteries used with UPS systems – providing users with a smarter and greener approach to power protection.

VYCON's innovative VDC backup systems are energy-saving high-speed flywheels that provide clean ride-through back up power that is fast, predictable and seamless. Providing a lower Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) than traditional battery-reliant UPS systems, data centers, hospitals, broadcast facilities and other mission critical applications around the globe are depending on VYCON's innovative flywheel systems to provide reliable and environmentally friendly on-demand power.

For more information on VYCON's innovating green power solutions, contact VYCON at 714-386-3800 or visit VYCON's web site at: www.vyconenergy.com.

About VYCON

Headquartered in Orange County, Calif., VYCON is an innovator in the design and manufacturing of technologically advanced flywheel energy storage systems that enable a highly reliable, cost-effective and "Green" energy storage solution for a variety of applications. VYCON's products are applied in the power quality markets to provide back-up power in mission critical applications and in the energy re-cycling markets for capturing and regenerating energy in crane, electric rail and distributed generation applications.

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