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Itron First to Achieve G3-PLC Certification for Linky Smart Meter

Certification reinforces Itron's ability and commitment to support ERDF's smart meter rollout in France

LIBERTY LAKE, Wash.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Itron, Inc. (NASDAQ: ITRI), a world-leading technology and services company dedicated to the resourceful use of energy and water, announced today that it is the first company to achieve G3-PLC certification for its Linky smart meters, receiving certification for its single-phase meters. G3-PLC certification verifies the performance, conformance and interoperability of Linky smart meters that use G3 Power Line Carrier (PLC) communications technology. The meters are an important part of ERDF's (Électricité Réseau Distribution France) Linky smart meter program.

Certification testing was performed by Laboratoire des Applications Numériques, a third-party testing laboratory selected by the G3 PLC Alliance. The tests validate the interoperability of Itron's Linky meter as well as its conformance to the G3-PLC protocol. Additional tests confirmed the meter's performance, including communications robustness against various types of interference.

"Itron is proud to be the first company to achieve G3-PLC certification of our Linky smart meter. This certification is a testament to Itron's commitment to quality and a significant milestone for the second phase of the Linky smart grid program," said Mark de Vere White, president of Itron's Electricity business line. "Smart grid technology will play an important role in helping ERDF drive increased energy efficiency, deliver more efficient service to its customers, improve distribution operations and manage integration of renewables. With the certification of our Linky G3 meter, Itron is prepared to support ERDF in realizing this vision as it rolls out approximately 35 million smart meters."

About Itron

Itron is a world-leading technology and services company dedicated to the resourceful use of energy and water. We provide comprehensive solutions that measure, manage and analyze energy and water. Our broad product portfolio includes electricity, gas, water and thermal energy measurement devices and control technology; communications systems; software; as well as managed and consulting services. With thousands of employees supporting nearly 8,000 customers in more than 100 countries, Itron applies knowledge and technology to better manage energy and water resources. Together, we can create a more resourceful world. Join us: www.itron.com.

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