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Swisslog Awarded Carrier-Speed Patent

Company's robust patent portfolio underscores commitment to ongoing technology development

DENVER, Colo. (October 26, 2011) – Swisslog, a leading provider of automated materials transport and medication management solutions for hospitals, today announced that the United States Patent and Trademark Office has issued patent number 7,950,879 for its systems and methods of controlling the speed of carriers in a pneumatic tube system (PTS).

A carrier is a reusable polycarbonate container that holds and protects small medical items sent through a PTS.

The patent, entitled "Variable Speed Drive for Pneumatic Transport System," protects the systems and methods Swisslog uses to control the amount of energy transferred from the pneumatic tube system to a carrier and, hence, its contents. The patent-protected technologies vary the speed of a carrier as it passes through the PTS. Such varying of the velocity allows for reducing the total forces applied to the carrier, thereby protecting the sensitive items such as lab samples or medications often sent through the PTS. One method, for example, adjusts the power output of a power source connected to a compressor device.

"Swisslog is pleased the U.S. Patent Office has again recognized the creative and innovative aspects of our products," said Charlie Kegley, president of Swisslog Healthcare Solutions North America. "We have a significant commitment to technology development on behalf of our clients. This addition to our patent portfolio underscores that commitment and our capabilities."

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[Swisslog Healthcare Solutions](#) is the leading supplier of logistics automation solutions for healthcare facilities. Swisslog has installed [automated materials transport](#) and [medication management systems](#) in more than 3,000 hospitals around the world, including more than 2,000 in North America. Swisslog offers total systems design, manufacturing, installation and customer support providing a complete supply chain management approach to the logistics challenges of hospitals. The North American division of Swisslog Healthcare Solutions is based in Denver, Colo.

About Swisslog

Swisslog is a global provider of integrated logistics solutions for warehouses, distribution centers and hospitals. Its comprehensive services portfolio ranges from building complex warehouses and distribution centers to implementing Swisslog's own software to intra-company logistics solutions for hospitals.

Swisslog's solutions optimize customers' production, logistics and distribution processes in order to increase flexibility, responsiveness and quality of service while minimizing logistics costs. With years of experience in the development and implementation of integrated logistics solutions, Swisslog provides the expertise that customers in more than 50 countries rely on.

Headquartered in Buchs/Aarau, Switzerland, Swisslog currently employs over 2,000 staff in about 20 countries worldwide. The group's parent company, Swisslog Holding AG, is listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange (security number: 1232462, Telekurs: SLOG, Reuters: SLOG.S). For more information, visit www.swisslog.com.

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The logo for Swisslog, featuring the word "swisslog" in a lowercase, sans-serif font. The letters are a dark red or maroon color. The "i" and "s" are connected, and the "o" is a simple circle. The logo is positioned in the bottom right corner of the page.