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**Somfy Systems Introduces the New WireFree™ Solar Pack**

**Dayton, N.J. (October 24, 2011)** – Somfy Systems, Inc., the world’s largest manufacturer of radio-controlled motors (Radio Technology Somfy® – RTS) for interior and exterior window coverings, introduces the WireFree™ Solar Pack. Somfy’s latest technology offering, harnesses renewable solar energy to prolong battery life for all WireFree™ motorized window coverings.

This patented energy-saving technology provides users with a convenient and cost-effective way to control motorized window coverings in the home or office. In addition, the solar panel technology is ideal for hard-to-reach battery tubes, such as second story windows where battery replacement can be challenging.

Compatible with all WireFree™ motors, each WireFree™ Solar Pack kit includes a photovoltaic panel (PV), ‘Y’ harness connector and Ni-MH rechargeable battery and battery tube.

Photovoltaics produce solar energy by converting solar radiation (sunlight) into direct electricity. In the case of the WireFree™ Solar Pack, the PV panel is mounted on the inside of the window opening and converts the sun’s light into electrical energy. The harnessed electrical energy is stored within a special rechargeable (Ni-MH) battery which powers any Somfy WireFree™ motorized window covering, resulting in a maintenance-free, environmentally friendly alternative to disposable lithium batteries.

“The use of renewable solar energy brings us to the forefront in advanced motorized window covering technology,” said Somfy North America Applications Manager Brent Holup. “The WireFree™ Solar Pack will contribute to our environment while creating a positive experience for our customers.”

**About Somfy Systems, Inc.**

Somfy, the world leader in manufacturing of specialized motors and electronic controls for residential and commercial interior and exterior window covering markets, has North American headquarters located in Dayton, N.J. For more than three decades, engineers at Somfy have been designing products to motorize interior and exterior window coverings such as interior shades, wood blinds, draperies, awnings, rolling shutters, exterior solar screens, projection screens and more. Somfy motorization systems are easily integrated with security, HVAC, and lighting systems, providing total home or building automation. For more information, visit [www.somfysystems.com](http://www.somfysystems.com).

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