

Communications & Power Industries to Help Bring 2010 FIFA World Cup South Africa(TM) to Millions of Football Fans

PALO ALTO, Calif., Sept 25, 2009 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Communications & Power Industries, Inc. (CPI) has been selected by Sentech Limited to provide high-power amplifiers (HPAs) to be used in broadcasting the 2010 FIFA World Cup South Africa(TM) to millions of football fans. CPI, a subsidiary of CPI International, Inc. (Nasdaq: CPII), is a leading provider of microwave, radio frequency, power and control solutions for critical defense, communications, medical, scientific and other applications. Sentech is a State-owned, broadband network business that supplies communications services and solutions to wholesale and retail customers in certain markets in South Africa and the rest of the African continent.

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Under the approximately \$1 million contract, CPI will supply Sentech with outdoor C-band HPAs via its local sales and service representative Comscience (Pty) Ltd. These communications amplifiers will support broadcasts of the 2010 FIFA World Cup South Africa matches from 10 football stadiums in nine cities around the country in June and July 2010. Work on the contract will be performed by CPI's Satcom Division and Microwave Power Products Division.

"We are proud that the world's premiere sporting event is relying on CPI, with our long history of producing high-quality HPAs and our world-class customer support, for its critical satellite broadcasting operations," said Joe Caldarelli, chief executive officer of CPI.

About CPI International, Inc.

CPI International, Inc., headquartered in Palo Alto, California, is the parent company of Communications & Power Industries, Inc., a leading provider of microwave, radio frequency, power and control solutions for critical defense, communications, medical, scientific and other applications. Communications & Power Industries, Inc. develops, manufactures and distributes products used to generate, amplify, transmit and receive high-power/high-frequency microwave and radio frequency signals and/or provide power and control for various applications. End-use applications of these systems include the transmission of radar signals for navigation and location; transmission of deception signals for electronic countermeasures; transmission and amplification of voice, data and video signals for broadcasting, Internet and other types of commercial and military communications; providing power and control for medical diagnostic imaging; and generating microwave energy for radiation therapy in the treatment of cancer and for various industrial and scientific applications.

About Sentech Limited

Sentech Limited is a State-owned, fully commercial national enterprise providing broadcasting signal distribution and telecommunications services in South Africa. The company offers signal distribution services for broadcasting. The company also provides international telephony and business communications solutions, as well as data and multicasting services. Sentech deploys satellite and terrestrial-based technology using IP-based protocols for the services offered. The company serves telecommunications, multimedia, and broadcasting industries. Sentech Limited was incorporated in 1990 and is based in Johannesburg, South Africa.

Certain statements included above constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward-looking statements provide our current expectations, beliefs or forecasts of future events. Forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual events or results to differ materially from the results projected, expected or implied by these forward-looking statements. These factors include, but are not limited to, competition in our end markets; the impact of a general slowdown in the global economy; our significant amount of debt; changes or reductions in the U.S. defense budget; currency fluctuations; U.S. government contracts laws and regulations; changes in technology; the impact of unexpected costs; and inability to obtain raw materials and components. These and other risks are described in more detail in our periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. As a result of these uncertainties, you should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. All future written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to us or any person acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements contained or referred to in this section. New risks and uncertainties arise from time to time, and it is impossible for us to predict these events or how they may affect us. We undertake no duty or obligation to publicly revise any forward-looking statement to reflect circumstances or events occurring after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events or changes in our expectations.

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