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New Schlage[®] Touchscreen Deadbolt Lock Puts Strength and Control at Homeowners' Fingertips

Fully loaded multi-function lock unites Nexia Home Intelligence with keyless entry and built-in alarm technology to create a lock like no other

CARMEL, Ind., January 3, 2013 – Redefining what it means to be secure, Schlage[®], a brand of Ingersoll Rand, unites brains and brawn in the new <u>Touchscreen Deadbolt</u> lock, putting the highest grade of security at homeowners' fingertips. The Schlage Touchscreen Deadbolt, a 2013 Electronic House Product of the Year award winner, is a strong, innovative lock that brings together the industry-leading home automation features of <u>Nexia™ Home Intelligence</u>, the worry-free convenience of keyless entry, and protection of a built-in alarm, to create a lock like no other on the market. The multifunction lock offers keyless control using simple access codes, so homeowners never have to worry about losing, hiding, carrying or forgetting their house keys again.

To celebrate the launch, during the month of January Schlage will choose 13 lucky winners to take home a new Touchscreen Deadbolt as part of a New Year, New Lock promotion. For a chance to witness the Touchscreen Deadbolt difference, visit the Schlage Facebook page.

Every aspect of the Touchscreen Deadbolt has been designed with homeowners' security in mind. Backed by more than 90 years of inventive Schlage design, the Touchscreen Deadbolt delivers an American National Standards Institute (ANSI) grade 1 security rating, the highest residential rating awarded on the market, as certified by Builders Hardware Manufacturers Association (BHMA).

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The Touchscreen Deadbolt can hold up to 30 unique access codes and is designed to support temporary codes for homeowner convenience. Codes can be tailored to specific days and times of the week to provide home access only when scheduled, such as for cleaning service personnel. Depending on the current setting, the built-in alarm technology enables homeowners to hear instantly when someone goes in or out, tampers with the lock or tries to break into the home.

"We call it a fully loaded lock for a reason," said Chris DeSchamp, Schlage electronics portfolio leader. "It has the most features on the market - the highest security rating, a built-in alarm, plus the ability to control it remotely – ultimately creating a self-monitored security system for your front door. This is our strongest lock and it changes everything."

Keyless touchscreen control: faster, easier, more secure

The Touchscreen Deadbolt is specifically engineered to provide security and technology that complements the needs and lifestyles of today's homeowners. There's no need to worry about whether or not the door is locked, as the Touchscreen Deadbolt motorized bolt automatically locks and unlocks when a four-digit user code is entered. Its lock-andleave functionality requires only one touch to instantly safeguard the home.

Other features include a fingerprint-resistant touchscreen that ensures access code numbers won't wear and become detectable after repeated use, a slim exterior escutcheon that prevents interference with storm doors, and an anti-pick shield that protects the lock against tampering.

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Built-in alarm lock technology

Keeping families safe, the Touchscreen Deadbolt is armed with built-in alarm technology, sensing a range of activity and alerting homeowners with three different automated sounds for three different situations. For example, the Activity Alert sounds when it detects that someone is leaving or entering the house; the Tamper Alert sounds when the lock is being disturbed; and the Forced Entry Alert sounds after identifying significant pressure, such as a kick to the door, or a shove to the lock by someone trying to break in.

Nexia: Control locks and more from anywhere

Tapping into the latest technology, the Touchscreen Deadbolt connects with Nexia Home Intelligence, enabling homeowners to manage their home security from anywhere in the world, from their smartphones or tablets. For example, users can unlock a door from work to let a dog walker inside, manage unique key codes and settings from the airport, or receive text alerts if a lock is activated or an alarm is triggered while on vacation.

With Nexia compatibility, Touchscreen Deadbolt users can also choose to control many additional home functions through their smartphones or tablets, including heating and cooling, video surveillance, lights, shades and whole-home energy usage.

The Schlage Touchscreen Deadbolt will be available in mid-January for between \$199 -\$229 at Amazon.com, Build.com, and HomeDepot.com. Visit Schlage.com for additional outlets. The Nexia Home Bridge and standard subscription plan are required for remote capability. The Nexia Home Bridge and the Standard Subscription Plan (\$8.99 per month) allow consumers to add more than 200 compatible products to their systems and connectivity with smartphone, tablet and computer devices. For more information on Nexia Home Intelligence and service, visit <u>nexiahome.com</u>.

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