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## **DRISTAR RECEIVES FDA 510K STATUS**

**Newport Beach, California** -- The age-old problem of incontinence took a high-tech turn in March when the Food and Drug Administration granted 510K Status to the DriStar® Incontinence Management System. This status allows Davstar to actively market the system to hospitals, nursing homes, and physicians.

Developed and manufactured by Davstar California, Inc. of Costa Mesa, Calif., the DriStar system is an easy-to-use external urinary collection system for chronically incontinent women. Davstar is targeting the DriStar System for use by wheelchair assisted and bed-bound women.

"This break-through technology has created great interest in the medical, nursing home and home care industries in the U.S. and Canada," said Lucy Kral, Davstar's vice president of business development. "Urinary incontinence is one of the most unpleasant, time consuming, and costly issues facing managed care facilities and caregivers today. The DriStar System addresses these issues."

Urinary incontinence is the involuntary and inappropriate loss of urine that is so severe as to have social and hygienic consequences. The U.S. Department of Health Services claims 10 million American suffers some sort of urinary incontinence. It is, however, most prevalent and costly among nursing home residents, 80% of which are women.

"The DriStar System offers private management of a personal concern," said Kral. "Our clinical studies have shown it reduces odor, wetness, urine soiled clothing and linens, and 'overflow accidents' while increasing comfort, self-esteem, mobility and personal interaction with others."

The DirStar System is a non-invasive feminine pad collection system. The system consists of a soft flexible tubing, one of which attaches to a specifically designed feminine pad, the other to the DriStar pump unit. When there is a void, the pump draws the fluid away from the body and deposits it into the pump's sanitizing and deodorizing reservoir where it remains until it is convenient to drain.

The DriStar System is portable and discreet in design. The system runs continuously, all day and all night, either on wall power or battery. The unit's internal battery last about eight hours and allows the user to travel away from her residence without the discomfort and embarrassment associated with incontinence.

For more information on the DriStar System or DavStar, call 800-374-7827 or go to www.davstar.com

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