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**VIKING COMPONENTS ANNOUNCES COMPACTFLASH SUPPORT
FOR THE NEW TRGpro HANDHELD COMPUTER**

RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA, Calif. – January 4, 2000 – Viking Components, one of the world's largest and fastest-growing manufacturers of component technology, today announces CompactFlash™ memory support for the new TRGpro™ handheld computer in capacities ranging from 4 MB to 80 MB. A 128 MB card for the TRGpro will ship in the first quarter of 2000.

“Viking is excited to be working directly with TRG in support of the industry's first Palm OS® handheld specifically designed for the enterprise arena,” said Shannon Biggs, executive vice president of manufacturing and engineering, Viking Components. “We are committed to the mobile and handheld platform and expect to release new products based on this platform in the near future.”

“TRG Products is dedicated to quality and relies upon TRGpro hardware and software providers to match our high-quality reputation in the products they provide,” said George Wood, vice president and general manager, TRG Products, Inc. “As a leading supplier of CompactFlash memory, Viking offers TRGpro users reliable and transportable storage.”

About TRGpro

The TRGpro supports the Palm™ desktop software and is the only total solution to offer corporate Information Technology managers a combined hardware and software system; one that can facilitate the development and installation of applications, update them from remote locations and safeguard critical information and data. The TRGpro ships with 8MB RAM, 2MB Flash Memory and one CompactFlash Type I/II card slot (for adding additional storage, modem, bar code scanner, GPS receiver, etc.).

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Viking CompactFlash Information

Based on NAND technology, Viking's cards also include PCMCIA compatibility, solid state, non-volatile technology and low power consumption. All Viking CompactFlash cards ship with a five-year warranty and are available through resellers/retailers nationwide. Capacities and part numbers are as follows:

<u>Viking Upgrade</u>	<u>Part Number</u>
4 MB	CF4M
8 MB	CF8M
16 MB	CF16M
24 MB	CF24M
32 MB	CF32M
48 MB	CF48M
64 MB	CF64M
80 MB	CF80M
128 MB Type II	CF128M (soon to be released)

About TRG Products

TRG Products, Inc., a privately owned company headquartered in Des Moines, Iowa, has partnered with Palm Computing since 1997, and announced this month their agreement with Palm to be a licensee of the Palm OS. It is the only company to date to design, develop and deliver additional memory capacity and technology available on Palm platform products (including the IBM WorkPad) based on industry-standard CompactFlash Technology. Since 1997, TRG's Internet sales model has allowed them to sell application and software utility packages directly in 90 countries on all seven continents. For more information about products, customers can email: sales@trgpro.com or visit www.trgpro.com.

About Viking Components

Viking Components Inc., one of the world's largest and fastest-growing manufacturers of component technology, is best known for its leadership position in the computer memory, flash and communication product marketplaces. Viking offers more than 2,000 products to leading OEM, VAR and retail businesses and markets its products through a broad network of worldwide distributors and reseller chains. Viking

has ISO registered facilities in its Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif. headquarters (ISO 9001) and its Dublin, Ireland facility (ISO 9002). For more information about Viking Components, please call 800-338-2361, or visit the Viking Web site at www.vikingcomponents.com.

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