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## TREND MARINE LAUNCHES NEW CANVAS ROOF SYSTEM

### *Revolutionary new electrically operated canvas sunroof range delights leading OEM yacht designers and producers*

GLOVERSVILLE, N.Y. – Oct. 2, 2012 – A member of the U.S.-based Taylor Made Group, Trend Marine Products — the UK-based world leading producer of glass and glazing solutions for the leisure marine market and acclaimed manufacturer of carbon fibre skeletal roofs and roof drive systems — has launched a new electrically operated and controlled folding canvas sunroof range.

Responding to customer feedback, and designed for use in the OEM yacht sector, the new canvas roof system features a “plug & play” control interface which both folds and stacks the canvas roof as it opens. Featuring an integral nose cone, the waterproofed roof is double-skinned and extremely durable.

The sunroof is available in either 12V or 24V options with all motors being IP65 rated. It features a robust and durable drive system, which has successfully withstood the rigorous product lifecycle-testing regime utilised by Trend Marine during product development and pre-delivery testing.

The roof system is available in two sizes: large apertures for 90’-130’ yachts, and a smaller version for the 40’-90’ market.

Jeremy Usher, Trend Marine’s OEM Sales Manager, commented: “This is a fantastic opportunity for Trend to deliver sunroof applications that meet OEM yacht designers and builders quality and cost expectations. They have asked for this and we have delivered”.

### **About Trend Marine Products Ltd**

Part of the Taylor Made Group of companies, Trend Marine Products Limited is the world's leading manufacturer of marine glazing systems and door systems. Employing 200 people at its 5-acre site in north-east Norfolk UK, the company principally operates in the marine sector and has supplied major UK boat manufacturers for many years, beginning with Fairline and Princess in 1975, Sunseeker in 1979 and Sealine in 1986. In the last decade, expansion has been principally in export markets with new customers being diverse in range and including Groupe Bénéteau, Hanse, Bavaria, Westport, Horizon, Riviera, Gulf Craft, Marquis Yachts, Searay, Lazzara and Palmer Johnson. Trend Marine has recently acquired sag bending and chemical toughening equipment to support its increasing number of superyacht customers.

### **About the Taylor Made Group, LLC**

Headquartered in Gloversville, N.Y., Taylor Made Group, LLC has more than 100 years of experience as one of the recreational marine industry's largest, most diversified suppliers to boatbuilders and the aftermarket. The Taylor Made Group includes Taylor Made Products, Taylor Made Systems, Taylor Made Glass Systems, Ameritex Fabric Systems, Trend Marine Products Limited, Taylor Made Glass & Systems Limited, Water Bonnet and Taylorbrite. The Group operates 8 facilities in the United States, the Republic of Ireland, the United Kingdom and Mexico. Employing more than 1000 associates, its products are distributed through a worldwide distribution network.

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