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New Alarmed Lock Keeps Families Safe and Secure

Schlage launches first and only residential door lock with a built-in alarm, providing added security you can hear instantly, even before the door is opened

Carmel, Ind. (December 13, 2011) – Homeowners often rely on security systems to keep their families safe, yet most alarms trigger too late – after an intruder has already kicked in a door. Now it's possible for homeowners to hear instantly what's happening at the door, even before it has been opened, with the launch of the first and only alarmed lock from Schlage, America's most trusted brand in security¹.

Schlage, a business of Ingersoll Rand, is first to market with an alarmed lock that combines the security of a strong, secure lock with the added safeguard of a sensor alarm that sounds the moment there is activity at the door. Specifically engineered to detect vibration and motion at first contact with a door or handle, the alarmed lock is easily adjusted to a choice of settings that can be changed either day-to-day or over the years as security needs change. The easy-to-install, battery-operated units are around \$99 and are available at homedepot.com, select The Home Depot stores, lowes.com, amazon.com and build.com. The alarmed lock will be available later in 2012 at Lowe's stores. The lock initially comes in Schlage's most popular style and finishes in the keyed function and can be previewed at alarm.schlage.com.

"At Schlage, our passion is around protecting homeowners and their homes," said Chris DeSchamp, Schlage Portfolio Leader. "Our new alarmed lock provides peace of mind right at the door and addresses both security and comfort needs in a way that won't gouge homeowners' pocketbooks. Instead of having a security system and monthly fee, homeowners can be alerted with a customized security solution right at the door."

Peace of mind at the door

Homeowners can select alert settings and sensitivity levels within three alarm modes, all of which have the approximate loudness of a standard smoke alarm:

- *Forced Entry Alert.* The Schlage unit comes preset to this mode because statistics show that nearly 70 percent of home break-ins are caused by forced entry². The alarm sounds a shrill, steady siren at first impact, making it ideal for nighttime use or when no one is home. It will sound for three minutes when a

significant force pushes against a door, such as when someone is attempting to kick it in.

- *Tamper Alert* sounds one long alarm when the doorknob or lever has been disturbed, making it perfect for monitoring either a main or secondary door. The 15-second alarm in this mode, the most sensitive alert setting, can detect even the slightest movement at the handle or lock, acting as a deterrent and making it perfect for overnight use.
- *Activity Alert* sounds two short beeps every time a door opens or closes, making it ideal for monitoring doors while people are home. For example, homeowners can use the activity alert to monitor whether a small child, elderly parent or special needs person is trying to get out of the home, ensuring greater safety.

Security, quality and convenience

Schlage's new alarmed lock has one of the highest security ratings in the industry and features rugged, all-metal construction. It comes with a lifetime-limited warranty on mechanical components and finish, plus a one-year electronics warranty. Designed to fit on existing pre-drilled doors, it installs with just a screwdriver, requiring no wiring. It operates on two AAA batteries, which are included.

"Technology has become such an important part of our lives, impacting how we drive, entertain and work; it's only natural that we would extend that concept to the home security space," DeSchamp added.

Consumers who wish to learn more about the alarmed locks and other Schlage products are invited to visit Schlage's mobile site via their smart phones (www.schlage.com). The site features installation information, a lock selection guide, the ability to send a product image and specifications to a friend via email, the ability to find a store and more.

With a 90-year heritage, Schlage is the most preferred residential door lock brand by consumers¹ and most used by builders³. For more information on Schlage electronic locks, visit www.alarm.schlage.com.

Win a shopping spree in the "Security You Hear Instantly Giveaway"

As part of the launch, Schlage is giving away one alarmed lock each week for 10 weeks and a \$1,000 home improvement shopping spree each month for three months through the Security You Hear Instantly Giveaway. From December 13, 2011 through February 17, 2012, consumers are invited to visit an interactive neighborhood, in which each house represents one of the three alert settings of the lock with built-in alarm. Participants are rewarded with an entry into the giveaway for visiting each house in the neighborhood. To participate, visit www.alarm.schlage.com.

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²*U.S. Department of Justice - Federal Bureau of Investigation*

³*Builder Magazine, April 2011*