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**Keeping Communities Safer: Schlage Supports the National Sheriff's Association at Annual Conference**

*America's most trusted brand in security<sup>1</sup> sounds the alarm for law enforcement*

**Nashville, Tenn. (June 14, 2012)** – Schlage, America's most trusted brand in security<sup>1</sup> and a brand of Ingersoll Rand will provide in-booth demonstrations (booth No. 919) of traditional and electronic residential security solutions at the National Sheriff's Association Annual Conference this week. As a corporate platinum sponsor, Schlage will showcase its new Alarmed Lock ([www.alarm.schlage.com](http://www.alarm.schlage.com)) – an innovative residential door lock with an audible built-in alarm that sounds the moment there is activity at the door, and other security products to help keep communities safer. The conference takes place at Nashville's Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center, and attracts sheriffs, deputies and other law enforcement, public safety professionals, and concerned citizens nationwide.

During the conference, Schlage will demonstrate Alarmed Lock, deadbolts, keypad locks and products that connect with Nexia™ Home Intelligence, a smart home automation system that allows consumers to control home functions including security, lighting, heating and air conditioning and more remotely from anywhere with their smart phone or computer.

**Helping to educate and safeguard communities**

In an effort to make it easier for community groups to educate others about the principles of home security, Schlage will distribute its Home Security Kits to National Sheriff's Association conference visitors who visit booth No. 919. The kits include a Grade 1 demonstration deadbolt, home security brochures, a CD containing a security presentation and videos and product literature. Those not attending the conference who are interested in a Schlage Home Security Kit can visit [www.schlagesecuritykits.com](http://www.schlagesecuritykits.com) for more information.

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As a leading security brand for 90 years, Schlage is committed to helping residents make their neighborhoods safer. This spring, Schlage spearheaded a national neighborhood safety initiative in conjunction with crime prevention program National Neighborhood Watch- USAonWatch in honor of its 40th anniversary. Schlage donated more than 400 alarmed locks to local Neighborhood Watch block volunteers located in 40 different cities across the U.S. The block volunteers distributed the alarmed locks to residents in an effort to deter potential burglaries and other criminal activity.

“Our local watch group unites neighbors in the fight against crime,” said Carol Maxey, Neighborhood Watch Indianapolis Block Captain. “We feel fortunate that we received the Alarmed Lock donation from Schlage to help keep our homes and our neighbors’ homes safer. Schlage and National Neighborhood Watch’s mission to reduce criminal activity nationwide is one that we share and stand behind every day.”

“Schlage is dedicated to protecting families with high-quality security products and innovative solutions,” said Ann Matheis, Schlage brand director. “We are proud to partner with law enforcement groups, home security educators and safety organizations like the National Sheriff’s Association and Neighborhood Watch that make a real difference in reinforcing the importance of home security and safety in America’s communities.”

#### **About Ingersoll Rand**

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#### **About the National Neighborhood Watch-USAonWatch:**

Since 1972, the National Sheriffs’ Association (NSA) has managed and housed the National Neighborhood Watch program. The Neighborhood Watch-USAonWatch (NW) Program maintains a database of over 25,000 watch groups. NW is the primary source of information and technical assistance for local law enforcement agencies and citizens. NSA plays a vital role in the development and dissemination of training and resources for agencies to use in training their individual watch groups and officers. NSA is trusted by law enforcement and has a long history of representing the Nation’s Sheriffs. For more information on NSA programs and Neighborhood Watch visit [www.usaonwatch.org](http://www.usaonwatch.org) and [www.sheriffs.org](http://www.sheriffs.org).

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