

# Nextar Announces Q4-MD Advanced GPS Navigation System

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(PhysOrg.com) -- Nextar advanced Navigation System with MSN Direct Service (free for 12 months) will be available at all US retail stores in spring of 2009. The unit (Q4-MD) is part of the Nextar Q4 series and includes an easy-to-see 4.3" touch-screen display, built-in speaker, and voice-guided turn-by-turn prompts for maps covering all 50 states as well as Canada.

With the inclusion of MSN Direct, the Q4-MD provides a unique resource to a wide-range of information. With the addition of MSN Direct, your navigation experience is enhanced by offering relevant, timely, location-specific information.

MSN Direct also provides drivers with up-to-the-minute traffic reports, current and three-day weather conditions for a local or national areas and gas-price comparisons for stations nearby. You can also get updated news headlines, stock quotes, and a listing of local events.

The Q4-MD comes with a 4.3" TFT touch-screen display that provides large, clear, colorful images of maps from all 50 US states and Canada's 10 provinces and three territories. Equipped with a special automatic night mode, the unit offers additional screen lighting for easier-on-the-eye viewing. With voice-guided directions you get clearly audible turn-by-turn voice prompts through a built-in speaker. Road and highway names are clearly pronounced with the advanced text-to-speech technology. English, French, and Spanish languages are fully supported on this device.

The Q4-MD provides 1.6-million POI's (points of interest), including hotels, shopping centers, gas stations, and restaurants; route recalculation is provided in case a driver misses a turn. Tele Atlas is the Digital map provider, which is a leading global provider of digital maps and dynamic content.

## **Other features include:**

- Storage capability for up to 300 addresses of favorite destinations
- 2D and 3D map-viewing modes
- SD card slot for additional memory
- Capability to play MP3 files and display JPEG images
- Built-in rechargeable Lithium-Ion battery supplies power

The Q4-MD measures 4.5" x 3.1" x .08" and weights approximately 2.3 pounds. Accessories include: MSN Direct receiver, AC adapter, car adapter, USB cable, protection pouch, suction cup, and a stylus/touch pen.

The Nextar Q4-MD navigation system with MSN Direct will be available at US retailers in spring 2009. It has a SRP of \$329.99 and comes with a one-year limited warranty.

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