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INVACARE PORTABLE CONCENTRATOR IS APPROVED BY FAA FOR AIRLINE TRAVEL

ELYRIA, Ohio (January 20, 2009) – Invacare Corporation (NYSE: IVC) announced today that the Federal Aviation Administration SFAR No. 106 has been amended to include the Invacare® XPO2™ portable concentrator for use onboard passenger aircraft.

Introduced in May 2008, the XPO₂ portable concentrator combines the reliability and durability providers want with the clinical performance patients need to stay oxygenated during use. Now that the XPO₂ has been approved by the FAA, Invacare will approach individual airlines for their approvals regarding in-flight use of oxygen systems. Southwest Airlines has already approved the system.

“We’ve been very pleased with the launch of the XPO₂. Invacare is proud to offer providers oxygen solutions for the entire continuum of care of their patients. Now that the XPO₂ has FAA approval, we will meet an even greater variety of patient needs,” said Joseph Lewarski, vice president, Invacare respiratory division.

The XPO₂ portable concentrator weighs only six pounds and incorporates Sensi-Pulse™ technology, an innovative five-setting pulse dose oxygen delivery system that keeps oxygen patients saturated during all activities of daily living. It operates from battery, AC or DC power. The two-and-a-half hour battery duration (at setting 2) may be doubled to five hours through the use of an optional one-and-a-half pound supplemental battery that attaches easily to the carrying case. Other features include quiet, simple operation, and a contemporary, non-medical look, all of which are very important to oxygen patients.

Invacare Corporation (NYSE: IVC), headquartered in Elyria, Ohio, is the global leader in the manufacture and distribution of innovative home and long-term care medical products that promote recovery and active lifestyles. The company has 6,100 associates and markets its products in 80 countries around the world. For more information about the company and its products, visit Invacare’s website at www.invacare.com.

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