



News Release
For Immediate Release
Jan. 20, 2009

**VIBRAFEE 5-IN. RANDOM ORBIT SANDER AND RECIPROCATING SAW
FEATURE ACTIVE VIBRATION CANCELLING TECHNOLOGY**

Charlotte, N.C. — Everyone's heard that opposites attract – now opposites can virtually eliminate vibration in portable power tools. *Research shows that over 50 percent of workers exposed to high frequency vibration on the job exhibit symptoms of HAVS (Hand-Arm Vibration Syndrome) – a serious and painful condition. Source: "Hand-Arm Vibration: A Comprehensive Guide," OEM Press.*

Rockwell® Power Tools has developed vibrafree™ technology that cancels harmful vibration by harnessing forces continuously moving in opposite directions to each other. This active vibration cancelling technology has been applied to Rockwell's new vibrafree 5-in. Random Orbit Sander and vibrafree Reciprocating Saw.

The **vibrafree 5-in. Random Orbit Sander's** patented design incorporates two counter-acting pads always moving in opposite directions to reduce vibration. Thus, the vibration is redirected back into sanding instead of your hand. You get twice the removal rate with half the vibration.

The vibrafree sander also features the bag-less, filter-less Cyclonic/Dust/Air Separator™ system. This breakthrough dust collection system has an advanced air flow design with centrifugal force dust extraction that guides and traps particles in the dust box, while air escapes. The cyclonic system won't clog while collecting up to 50 percent more dust than competitive sanders.

The single-speed 5-inch diameter random orbit sander is powered by a 2.7 amp motor that delivers 12,000 orbits-per-minute (no load speed) for fast, smooth material removal. Random 1/8- in. orbital action helps achieve smooth swirl-free finishes.

-more-

vibrafree 5-in. Random Orbit Sander and Reciprocating Saw/Add One

The power tool's ergonomically designed palm grip handle with comfort grip provides optimum balance and control. The sander's on/off rocker switch is sealed for longer life and conveniently located. The included vacuum adaptor provides connections to either 2 ½ or 1 ¼ in. dust collection hoses.

The sander's 5-in.diameter, aluminum base assures exact flatness and extra durability. It accepts hook and loop sanding discs in two pieces (for inner and outer discs). Other features include a cyclonic dust box, dust port adaptor, 10-ft. power cord and rugged storage case.

The **vibrafree™ Reciprocating Saw** virtually cancels out vibration for smooth, efficient cutting, as well as comfortable operation and control. The 12-amp saw's patented vibrafree technology reduces vibration by up to 70 percent, compared to competitive models with conventional counter-balance mechanisms.

The heavy duty saw incorporates a reciprocating rod and counter-balance sleeve that always move in opposite directions to each other. This design actively cancels out saw vibration in every load condition, as well as reducing vibration in the work piece and in the operator's hands and arms.

The reciprocating saw is driven by a 12-amp motor, which develops plenty of power to cut wood, metal, tubing, plastics and fiberglass. Its variable-speed trigger provides no-load speeds from 0 to 3000 strokes per minute (spm), depending on the material being cut. An LED light illuminates the cutting area when the trigger is squeezed.

Another of the saw's advanced feature is its four-position orbital action, controlled by a top-mounted slide switch.

vibrafree 5-in. Random Orbit Sander and Reciprocating Saw/Add Two

The reciprocating saw's keyless, lever-action blade clamp provides fast and easy blade changes. A tool-free, adjustable pivoting front shoe slides in and out, and locks in place to set the length of cut.

The saw also features a comfortable ergonomic, overmold handle and easy-to-grip front boot, external brush exchange, 10-ft. power cord and storage case.

The vibrafree 5-in. Random Orbit Sander (#RK4245K, \$99.99) and vibrafree Reciprocating Saw (#RK3637K, \$149.99) are available from Rockwell at rockwelltoolsdirect.com and other online Websites, including Amazon.com. It also is available through Menards and other local and national home improvement retailers.

For additional information contact:

Mike Mangan, MKM Comm.
847/255-1903
mkmcomm@gmail.com

Craig Taylor, Rockwell
704/749-1668
craig.taylor@positecusa.com

About Rockwell

Rockwell Power Tools has been designing, engineering and manufacturing power tools since 1994. The Rockwell brand offers the performance-minded do-it-yourselfer and the price-conscious tradesman with innovative options compared to higher priced professional power tool brands. For more information about Rockwell, visit www.rockwelltools.com

#

#