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Triumph® Bone Collector Muzzleloader

ROCHESTER, N.H. (January 15, 2009) –Thompson/Center Arms Company Inc., a Smith & Wesson company, has introduced two new models of muzzleloading rifles designed by Thompson/Center Arms engineers and Professional Hunter Michael Waddell. The new Triumph® Bone Collector Series consists of two top-of-the-line .50 caliber magnum muzzleloaders that carry the look, feel and attitude of Waddell’s latest television venture, “The Bone Collector”, on The Outdoor Channel.

Built on one of Thompson/Center Arms’ most popular platforms, the Triumph Bone Collector Series has a look and feel all its own. From the styling of the stock to the advanced Weather Shield® corrosion resistant finish, the Triumph Bone Collector Series embodies the spirit of Michael Waddell and offers hunters a muzzleloader that is rugged, accurate and capable of handling magnum charges with ease. The Triumph Bone Collector Series is available with a composite stock in dark gray or in Realtree® AP® camo finish. Both models feature a FlexTech® stock and are equipped with four Energy Burners™ that have been placed at precise locations to allow the stock to slightly compress during recoil. This design is easy on the shooter’s shoulder and reduces felt recoil by 43 percent.

The new Triumph Bone Collector Series features Thompson/Center Arms’ patented Power Rod®, a solid aluminum ramrod with pivoting handle plus the patent-pending Speed Breech® XT breech plug, which can be removed by hand for quick cleaning or unloading. The rifle is complete with black traction grip panels on the forend and black Weather Shield receivers and barrels to lock out corrosive elements along with a distinct Bone Collector logo on the grip cap. The new Triumph Bone Collector muzzleloader features a 28” fluted barrel with the QLA® muzzle system to aid in accuracy and loading. Each barrel also features adjustable Fiber Optic sights and is drilled and tapped for scope mounts.

The Triumph Bone Collector muzzleloader will be available in early 2009 with an anticipated retail price of between \$550 and \$600, depending on model. For more information on Triumph Bone Collectors, or to view the complete line of Thompson/Center Arms firearms and accessories, visit www.tcarsm.com.

About Thompson/Center and Smith & Wesson

Smith & Wesson Holding Corporation is parent company to Smith & Wesson Corp., one of the world’s largest manufacturers of quality firearms and firearm safety/security products. Smith & Wesson Holding Corporation is also the parent company to Thompson/Center Arms Company Inc., a premier designer and manufacturer of premium hunting rifles, black powder rifles, handguns, interchangeable firearms systems and accessories under the Thompson/Center Arms brand. Smith & Wesson also licenses shooter protection, knives, apparel, and other accessory lines. Smith & Wesson is based in Springfield, Massachusetts with

manufacturing facilities in Springfield, Houlton, Maine, and Rochester, New Hampshire. The Smith & Wesson Academy is America's longest running firearms training facility for law enforcement, military and security professionals. For more information on Smith & Wesson, call (800) 331-0852 or log on to www.smith-wesson.com. For more information on Thompson/Center Arms, log on to www.tcarms.com.

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