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TOTO Introduces Auto-Flush WASHLET+ Toilets

Hands-free Flushing Technology is Latest High-Tech Innovation

(Morrow, GA) January 8, 2019 — To its popular line of WASHLET+ Toilets, which neatly conceal WASHLET'S power cord and water supply hose for a clean installation, TOTO adds a new sensor operated auto-flush feature. TOTO's proven touchless technology enables the toilet to automatically



flush when the user simply rises and walks away. There is no need to wave a hand over a sensor to activate it; the unit responds automatically.

In addition, users may manually flush the unit if they desire by using the toilets' trip lever. TOTO maintains its auto-flush toilets' aesthetic appeal by retaining their original trip lever (or push buttons on dual-flush models).

One- and Two-Piece Models

TOTO's new auto-flush feature is available on the Aimes, Legato, Nexus (1.28 gpf and 1.0 gpf) and Aquia IV

Dual Flush WASHLET+ One-Piece Toilets. It is also be available on the Nexus (1.28 gpf and 1.0 gpf), Connelly and Aquia IV Dual Flush (Standard and Universal Heights) two-piece models.

WASHLET S550e

Nearly 40 years ago, TOTO created a new product category when it introduced WASHLET, the original luxury bidet seat that offers users clean, comfortable personal cleansing. To date, the company has sold more than 40 million WASHLETS worldwide. Building on its original concept, TOTO continues to push the



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boundaries of innovation, technology and design with WASHLET, developing an extensive product line with each new model offering more advanced functionality.

TOTO's new auto-flush WASHLET+ Toilets offer its popular <u>WASHLET S550e</u> bidet seat with warm, aerated water to cleanse, warm air dryer, and heated seat; auto open/close; in-bowl catalytic deodorizer; and energy- and water-saving features.

Two Unparalleled Flushing Systems

The new auto-flush WASHLET+ Aimes, Legato, Nexus, and Connelly toilets are available with its high-performance TORNADO flushing technology, which siphons water with two powerful nozzles, harnessing the power of water and gravity to maximize cleaning and use water more effectively to clear the bowl completely. Its rapidly rotating vortex of water thoroughly and efficiently cleans every inch of the bowl and rim with every flush.

The auto-flush WASHLET+ Aquia IV Dual Flush models offer its powerful <u>DYNAMAX TORNADO flushing</u> <u>technology</u>, which enables users to select the level of water used each time the toilet is flushed—1.0 or 1.28 gallons per flush (gpf) for solid waste or 0.8 gpf, for liquid. The DYNAMAX TORNADO flush removes waste completely as it cleans the entire bowl and rim with 360-degrees of cyclonic rinsing action.

Sustainability

Extremely important for water conservation, TOTO's new auto-flush models consume only 1.0 or 1.28 gpf when auto- or manually flushed (both single flush and full flush on dual-flush toilets). For dual-flush models' light flush, they consume a mere 0.8 gpf when auto- or manually flushed.

Cleansing Technologies

To keep the bowl fresh and clean on its new auto-flush WASHLET+ toilets, TOTO's extraordinarily smooth CEFIONTECT nanotechnology glaze is applied to the bowl's surface during manufacturing. The CEFIONTECT glazed surface is smooth down to the nano level of a millionth of a millimeter, preventing particulate matter from adhering to the bowl's surfaces. The ion-barrier in CEFIONTECT keeps the bowl cleaner, longer. Less cleaning means fewer chemicals in the environment and less water used for cleaning.

Next, TOTO's PreMist function ensures the greatest possible bowl cleanliness from the very first moment by spraying its surface with tap water prior to use. This film of water over the CEFIONTECT glaze helps eliminate waste and grime's sticking 80% better than dry porcelain.

Finally, after each flush, <u>EWATER+</u> mists the bowl with electrolyzed water, which has a slightly acidic pH value, to clean the bowl. EWATER+ is environmentally friendly and can be returned to the water cycle without worry because it returns to its original H₂O form shortly after use.



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Journalist's Note: High-resolution digital images of TOTO's new Auto-Flush WASHLET+ Toilets are available for download from TOTO's Online Press Room or immediately upon request.

About TOTO

TOTO USA is headquarters for the Americas Division of the TOTO Global Group, which was established in 1917 with the founding of TOTO, Ltd., in Kitakyushu, Japan. TOTO is the world's largest manufacturer of bathroom fixtures and fittings with \$5.2 billion dollars in annual sales (as of March 2018). For the past 100 years, TOTO has been the recognized leader in innovation, technology, performance, and design with products that enhance the luxury bathroom experience. Today, the company maintains 32,481 employees in 20 countries and owns manufacturing facilities around the world in countries as diverse as Japan, Mexico, Germany, the USA, India and China. Guided by its corporate philosophy, the TOTO Global Group strives to create a great company, trusted by people all around the world, which contributes to the betterment of society. Dedicated to engineering products that respect the environment while meeting people's needs for comfort, beauty and performance, TOTO is the sole plumbing manufacturer to maintain a research and development center devoted to universal design, advanced science, and technology. Consumers enjoy the peace of mind that comes from knowing they purchased a brand that innovates to improve people's quality of life. Winner of numerous domestic and international awards and recognitions, TOTO is the only plumbing manufacturer honored as Water Efficiency Leader by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The company continues to raise industry standards and consumer expectations as to what is possible in the bath space, as TOTO believes a high-quality bathroom is an experience and an everyday luxury people value and appreciate.

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