

## **SOLAR HEARING AID BATTERY**

A solar rechargeable hearing aid battery that was originally designed for developing countries is now available in the United States through SoundBytes, a Hicksville, N.Y. Company specializing in equipment for deaf and hard-of-hearing people. Solar Aid battery kits include Ni-MH batteries and chargers that work with both solar and AC power. They are manufactured in Botswana by hearing aid manufacturer Godisa - an African word meaning "to do something that will help someone grow." The batteries were previously available only through humanitarian groups. Each battery can be recharged up to 300 times, lasting up to two years. A kit with charger, AC adapter and four batteries sells for \$75.

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