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New OCR and Forms Recognition/Processing Modules Featuring The Industry's Most Comprehensive Multi-Threaded OCR Engines

Charlotte, NC (October 23, 2008) - - LEAD Technologies, Inc, the leading provider of imaging development toolkits, announced today the release of version 16 which includes all new OCR and Forms Recognition modules. LEADTOOLS is a collection of SDKs (software development toolkits) designed to enable programmers to quickly and easily integrate digital imaging technology into applications.

The LEADTOOLS OCR modules are multi-threaded for both 32 and 64 bit platforms. The new .NET architecture is intuitive and simplifies development, practically eliminating any learning curve, and making rapid OCR application development a reality.

An important feature of the new OCR design is the support of multiple OCR engines. The ability to choose the right engine for a specific solution gives unprecedented flexibility to the developer. To reduce complexity and overall development time, the new design hides the underlying engine details from the programmer through the use of a common .NET class library. Changing underlying OCR engines based on the requirements of the project requires virtually no change to the developer's application code.

Additionally, the all new Forms Recognition module adds functionality to automatically classify various documents to predefined master forms. When used in conjunction with the new LEADTOOLS OCR modules, specialized forms processing features are available to extract fields from the form making LEADTOOLS a complete form recognition and processing SDK.

LEAD Technologies has made further enhancements to the LEADTOOLS Document Imaging product including a new AutoBinarize function to convert color or grayscale images to 1 bit bi-tonal images, while preserving important aspects of the image such as text. Additionally, a new Deskew algorithm has been introduced that is specifically tailored to images with text. With these new functions added to the existing document image cleanup functions, LEADTOOLS Document Imaging is capable of preprocessing any image for improved OCR and Forms Processing results.

For more information please visit www.leadtools.com/sdk/document-imaging.htm

Pricing and Availability
LEADTOOLS OCR and Forms Recognition/Processing modules add on to LEADTOOLS Document and Medical Imaging toolkits. Both products are shipping and are available for order now. For more information about the products, please visit www.leadtools.com or contact a LEAD sales representative at 704-332-5532.

About LEADTOOLS
LEADTOOLS is a family of award-winning imaging developer toolkits for integrating raster, vector, document, medical and multimedia imaging technology into applications. LEADTOOLS toolkits are used by nearly every Fortune 500 company, including Microsoft, HP, Kodak, GE, Canon and Sony. These customers, and tens of thousands of others, leverage the time-tested and robust LEADTOOLS libraries in their internal and commercial software applications. By using LEADTOOLS, developers are able to significantly reduce time-to-market for their applications, thereby maximizing productivity and ensuring the greatest possible return on investment.

About LEAD Technologies
LEAD Technologies, Inc., is a privately-held company based in Charlotte, North Carolina, and is a leading provider of imaging technology for software developers and end users. Since inception, in 1990, LEAD has been a pioneer in the field of digital imaging and compression technology offering best of breed standards-based technology, as well as superior proprietary alternatives. Every day, LEAD's innovative technology is used on tens of millions of computers throughout the world.

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