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LEAD Technologies Announces Availability of LEADTOOLS Web Services

**Remote Imaging Technology including LEADTOOLS File Service, Image Service,
OCR Service and Command Service**

Charlotte, NC (July 1, 2003) - - - LEAD Technologies, Inc., a LEADing provider of imaging developer toolkits, announced today the release of LEADTOOLS Web Services, a comprehensive set of imaging services that allows developers to process, convert, upload, download, and OCR images via the web. LEADTOOLS Web Services was built with Microsoft's® Visual Studio®.NET 2003 and the .NET framework 1.1.

LEADTOOLS Web Services consists of four different services, LEADTOOLS Image Service, LEADTOOLS File Service, LEADTOOLS OCR Service, and LEADTOOLS Command Service. Because remote image processing can be bandwidth intensive, LEAD has developed the Image Web Service based on a concept of batch processing with predefined image processing command sets. Based on this concept, images are first uploaded to the web service server using the LEADTOOLS File Service. Then images are processed using pre-defined command sets that tell the LEADTOOLS Imaging Service how to process the images. These command sets can be built using the LEADTOOLS Command Web Service utility. OCR can also be applied using the OCR Web Service after a file is uploaded. Images can be converted to any of the text, document, spreadsheet and database formats supported by the LEADTOOLS OCR Web Service. When the image processing has been completed, the LEAD File Service downloads the processed images to your local site.

"The release of LEADTOOLS Web Services provides yet another level of flexibility and control for developers of imaging applications. Having a Web Services version of our toolkit enables our customers to run everything on our server, they install nothing on their machines. Also, when they develop an application with our Web Services, there are no distribution DLL's, so they don't have to ship anything from LEAD," said Rich Little, President of LEAD Technologies.

For more detailed information and demos that use the LEADTOOLS Web Services, or to register for a free LEADTOOLS Web Services account, go to <http://www.leadtools.net>. For questions about LEADTOOLS Web Services, contact sales@leadtools.com.

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About LEAD Technologies, Inc.

Founded in 1990, LEAD grew out of years of research headed by Moe Daher to find a comprehensive compression standard for digital images. LEAD is now the world-leading supplier of imaging development toolkits, providing technology of the future, today. LEAD brings to the market the most innovative and technically superior products that provide the greatest possible value for its customers. LEAD's award winning imaging technology is chosen by Microsoft, Hewlett Packard, Intel, Boeing, Xerox and thousands of other companies for use in their high volume applications and internal systems.