

PRESS CONTACT:

Ashley Sparks
704/227-2625
ashley@leadtools.com

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**LEAD TECHNOLOGIES ANNOUNCES BETA RELEASE of
FORMS RECOGNITION DEVELOPER TOOLKIT**

Charlotte, NC (September 21, 2000) -- LEAD Technologies, Inc., developer of the award-winning LEADTOOLS line of imaging toolkits, today announced the beta release of LEADTOOLS Forms Recognition, a new toolkit that incorporates OCR, ICR, forms recognition and image clean up and allows developers to incorporate high speed, high volume forms processing functionality into their application. This new developer toolkit has an expected final release date sometime in the Fall.

- LEADTOOLS Forms Recognition toolkit offers developers an easy way to add forms processing abilities into their applications including:
- Loading, saving and recognizing forms, including machine print and hand-written text · Editing forms, including targets, fields and characters
- Offers an unbeatable combination of file format support and image processing tools

The LEADTOOLS team is looking for beta testers, specifically in the forms processing development field, to provide feedback about forms recognition components, both client side and server side.

In order to participate in this program, developers may email LTformsbeta@leadtools.com expressing an interest. Space for the forms recognition beta test is limited and beta opportunities will be offered on a first come, first served basis.

-###

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.