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RECOGNITION TOOLKIT RELEASE

Charlotte, NC (November 21, 2000) - LEAD Technologies, Inc., a LEADing provider of imaging developer toolkits worldwide, announces the release of LEADTOOLS Forms Recognition. LEADTOOLS Forms Recognition is a full-featured, flexible Application Programmers Interface (API) that allows software developers and system integrators to incorporate a variety of forms processing and character recognition support into comprehensive forms processing and data entry systems.

With LEADTOOLS Forms Recognition, developers have available many pre-processing, reading and post processing options, which optimize overall recognition, speed and accuracy. Intelligent Character Recognition (ICR) technology is available, and can be tailored to meet specific application requirements. These functions can be utilized to develop a document processing application from the ground up or can be easily integrated into an existing document processing system.

Highlights of features found in the LEADTOOLS Forms Recognition toolkit

- Load, recognize and save forms
- Recognize words including machine print and hand-written text
- Recognize characters and alternate characters and numbers with confidence levels
- Edit and manipulate forms, including targets, fields and characters
- High level of recognition accuracy on low resolution or poor quality documents

Comprehensive preprocessing document imaging filters such as:

- Despeckle
- Deskew
- Favor black
- Scale to gray
- Erode
- Dilate
- Remove dot
- Remove line
- Remove border
- 1 bit file format support such as TIFF, MODCA, CALS, etc.
- Color file format support such as JPEG, PNG, PSD, etc.
- Support for annotations

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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.