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LEAD Receives Visual Studio Magazine Readers Choice Award
2006 Marks Tenth Year LEAD is Recognized as Readers Choice Award Recipient

Charlotte, NC (June 26, 2006) - LEAD Technologies is pleased to announce that the LEADTOOLS Document Imaging Suite SDK was chosen for a Visual Studio Magazine Readers Choice Award. The award was presented at the Readers Choice Awards Ceremony, during the Microsoft TechEd Conference in Boston on July 14. These awards, chosen by Visual Studio Magazine's readers, honor excellent software in 22 development categories.

LEAD was awarded the Readers Choice Award in the Imaging and Graphics category for the LEADTOOLS Document Imaging Suite toolkit. With LEADTOOLS Document Imaging Suite, developers can leverage the power of the .NET Framework and LEADTOOLS in their document imaging application. Features include OCR, annotations, bitonal image processing, display filters and enhanced performance, specialized storage and compression including MRC and JBIG, high-speed Twain scanning, and more. This is LEAD's tenth year of being honored as a Readers Choice recipient.

"We are so pleased to be recognized again this year by the readers of Visual Studio Magazine. It is a great feeling to know that VSM readers consider LEADTOOLS their number one choice in imaging tools, said Heather Wacker, Marketing Manager at LEAD Technologies. We will continue to listen to our customers and the needs of the market to develop new toolkits and technology that make it easier for developers to finish their applications in less time, with less overhead."

About LEAD Technologies
Since 1990, LEAD Technologies, Inc. has been a global leader in the imaging developer toolkit market, providing programmers with feature-rich tools to "image-enable" their software applications. LEAD Technologies pioneered the fastest software-only image compression and continues to lead the field in advancing new imaging technologies and offering those technologies to programmers worldwide.

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