

### **NextWindow™ Introduces ProfileTouch 2S Touch Screen**

*New optical touch screen supports large multitouch hardware applications*

Pleasanton, CA – August 17, 2011 – NextWindow, a wholly-owned subsidiary of SMART Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: SMA) (TSX: SMT), announces the NextWindow ProfileTouch 2S, a new touch screen designed for high-volume original equipment manufacturers (OEM), large-format hardware applications, such as those found in corporate, retail and education environments. The ProfileTouch 2S does not require software drivers, affording plug-and-play capability that makes it easy for systems integrators and OEMs to integrate the touch screen into a wide range of products. The NextWindow ProfileTouch 2S touch screen is now available globally.

The ProfileTouch 2S is offered in a range of sizes from 32" (81.3 cm) to 72" (182.88 cm). The larger screen size makes the touch screen ideal for both business and commercial locations, including conference rooms, shopping malls, restaurants and tourist destinations. The ProfileTouch 2S offers thin borders and a low profile, enabling easy integration into a wide range of hardware applications. The new touch screen supports Microsoft® Windows® 7, Mac OS X and Linux® operating systems and recognizes common multitouch gestures, such as zoom, rotate, tap and press-and-tap. The ProfileTouch 2S is available as a fully assembled touch screen, which includes glass, or as a kit of components. The touch screen component kit is ready to be assembled on a glass substrate and includes optical sensors, a controller board and a passive border, which is available in standard sizes that can be cut to fit custom displays. As the component kit does not include glass, customers can reduce both transportation costs and inventory risk. For more information on the NextWindow ProfileTouch 2S, visit [nextwindow.com/products/2s.html](http://nextwindow.com/products/2s.html).

“The use of large multitouch displays in business, consumer and education environments has become increasingly popular around the world,” says Anthony Uhrick, Vice President, Large Format Displays, NextWindow. “We are pleased to foster further development in touch screen innovation with the ProfileTouch 2S, which enables us to better serve customers who require fully assembled products while also meeting the needs of systems integrators and OEMs as they build applications for their customers.”

#### **About NextWindow**

NextWindow, a wholly-owned subsidiary of [SMART Technologies Inc.](http://SMARTTechnologies.com), is a supplier of optical touch panels and touch-screen components to electronics manufacturers. With accurate, cost-effective solutions designed for easy integration into all-in-one computers, computer displays and large-format screens, NextWindow develops the hardware necessary to bring touch-screen technology to life. Founded in 2000, NextWindow has offices in New Zealand, Taiwan, the United States, Singapore, Korea and Japan, with manufacturing facilities throughout Asia. SMART Technologies is a leading provider of collaboration solutions that transform the way the world works and learns.

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