

NextWindow Four-Camera Touch Screen Makes Japan Debut

New ProfileTouch 4S showing at FPD International trade show October 26–28

Pleasanton, CA – October 25, 2011 – NextWindow, a wholly-owned subsidiary of SMART Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: SMT) (TSX: SMA), announces that its ProfileTouch 4S, the company's first four-camera touch screen, will make its Japan debut at the 2011 Flat Panel Displays (FPD) International trade show in Yokohama, Japan. The high-profile event draws the world's top manufacturers of flat panel displays, parts and materials. The ProfileTouch 4S offers sophisticated gesture and writing recognition as well as dual-user capabilities, enabling increased collaboration in meeting spaces and classrooms. The ProfileTouch 4S will be showing October 26–28 in booth 3501.

The ProfileTouch 4S is available in screen sizes ranging from 32" (81.3 cm) to 72" (182.9 cm), and original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) can alternate between landscape and portrait modes. The cameras, one embedded in each corner, enable consistent touch performance over the entire screen and allow two users to simultaneously interact with the display. The touch screen features a reduced border width, for thinner, more symmetrical displays, and runs without the need to first install drivers for Microsoft® Windows®, Mac and Linux® operating systems. This plug-and-play capability makes integrating and setting up the touch screen easy and efficient. NextWindow has developed optical technology-based touch screens for OEMs and manufacturers of large-format touch displays in Japan since 2002. In June 2010, to support expanding relationships with customers in Japan, NextWindow opened a sales and customer support office in Tokyo. Its fourth office in Asia, NextWindow also has offices in Singapore, South Korea and Taiwan.

"We look forward to presenting the new ProfileTouch 4S at FPD International this month as Japan is home to many of our top customers," said Al Monroe, CEO, NextWindow. "With its dual-user capabilities and enhanced writing performance, the ProfileTouch 4S is an ideal collaborative solution for business and education customers throughout the region and around the world."

About NextWindow touch screens

Patented optical technology from NextWindow and SMART is included in all NextWindow touch screens. Known for its accuracy, clarity, flexibility, reliability, scalability and durability, NextWindow optical technology offers many advantages over other touch technologies, including effortless zero-force touch and support for multiple touches as well as multiple users. Optical technology is ideal for use in large-format displays as well as desktop computers and monitors, as OEMs can easily and economically convert traditional displays into touch screens. NextWindow's large-format touch screens offer thin borders and a low profile, enabling easy integration into a wide range of hardware applications.

NextWindow touch screens are available as fully assembled displays complete with glass, or as a kit of components that includes optical sensors, a passive border and a controller board ready to be assembled on a glass substrate. For more information on NextWindow large-format touch screens, visit nextwindow.com/products/index.html.

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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