

NextWindow Launches Four-Camera Optical Touch Screen

New dual-user ProfileTouch 4S touch screen showing at KES

Pleasanton, CA – October 11, 2011 – NextWindow, a wholly-owned subsidiary of SMART Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: SMT) (TSX: SMA), announces the ProfileTouch 4S, the latest addition to its comprehensive line of large-format optical touch screens. The new touch screen features four cameras, one embedded in each corner, enhancing writing performance and offering improved accuracy, gesture recognition and dual writing capability. The optical technology also allows two users to simultaneously interact with the touch screen, enabling increased collaboration. NextWindow will unveil the new ProfileTouch 4S at the Korea Electronics Show (KES), with a demonstration in booth M1475 from October 12 to 15. Korea and KES are important to NextWindow as the company has many original equipment manufacturer (OEM) customers in this region.

The ProfileTouch 4S builds on the success of other NextWindow large-format touch screens. A reduced border width enables a thinner, more symmetrical display. The ProfileTouch 4S is available in screen sizes ranging from 32" (81.3 cm) to 72" (182.9 cm), and OEMs can alternate between landscape and portrait modes. In addition, the new ProfileTouch 4S 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 NextWindow ProfileTouch 4S easy and efficient. Tens of thousands of NextWindow large-format touch screens are used by customers around the world, including Hard Rock Café, N3L Optics and Microsoft. For more information, visit nextwindow.com/showcase/case_studies.html.

"Today, business, consumer and education users alike expect a seamless touch experience that supports dual-user interaction and gesture recognition," says Al Monro, CEO, NextWindow. "The new ProfileTouch 4S delivers a dual-user touch experience that is fluid and consistent, making it the ideal choice to enhance collaboration in interactive meeting spaces for all users."

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 original equipment manufacturers 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.](#), 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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