



NextWindow Granted Key Optical Touch Screen Patents

Growing patent portfolio solidifies NextWindow's leadership positions in major international manufacturing and sales markets

Pleasanton, CA – June 1, 2009 – NextWindow, a provider of optical touch screens for all-in-one PCs and large-format displays, has been awarded two key technology patents, one in the US and another in China. The newly granted patents which refer to optical touch systems incorporating light emitters, reflectors and detection methods, help cement NextWindow's leadership positions in the important Chinese manufacturing and US sales markets.

The US patent, number 7,538,759, issued by the United States Patent & Trademark Office on May 26, 2009, is titled, "Touch Panel Display System with Illumination and Detection Provided from a Single Edge." NextWindow previously was granted this patent in Australia, and a request for patent is pending in Canada, Europe, Hong Kong and Japan.

The Chinese patent, number 200480009926, issued by the State Intellectual Property Office of the P.R.C. on March 11, 2009, is titled, "Touch Panel and Method of Optically Detecting the Presence of an Object in relation to the Touch Screen." A request for this patent also has been filed in Australia, the US, Europe, Japan and Korea.

"NextWindow has invested significant research and development resources in the optical touch screen space, and these patents represent the latest additions to our growing IP portfolio extending around the world," said Al Monro, CEO at NextWindow. "That the patents were granted in critical international markets where a number of our customers and partners are based also is significant, given the importance of gaining competitive advantage at this very dynamic time in the growing touch screen market. Likewise, the new patents demonstrate NextWindow's ongoing commitment to innovation, dating back nearly 10 years."

NextWindow has been growing its patent portfolio since 2000. The company previously was granted patents for its optical touch screen technology in the US and Australia, and several other patents relating to its optical touch screen technology are pending throughout the world.

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NextWindow is a leader in touch-screen technology and a major manufacturer of optical multi-touch displays for OEMs, ODMs and resellers. With highly accurate, cost-effective solutions designed for personal and business use, NextWindow provides the hardware necessary to bring touch-screen technology to life—giving software designers the freedom to create exciting and intuitive applications. NextWindow is also the creator of TruRange™ technology, a proprietary solution that provides users with real-time multi-touch capabilities used in gaming and entertainment programs. Founded in 2000, NextWindow is privately held with offices in New Zealand, Taiwan, California and Singapore, with manufacturing facilities throughout Asia. More information about NextWindow is available at www.nextwindow.com.

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