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## Fujitsu To Acquire Optimal Robotics' Self-Checkout Business

**FRISCO, Texas – April 5, 2004** – Fujitsu Transaction Solutions Inc. has signed a definitive agreement with Optimal Robotics Corp. (NASDAQ: OPMR) to acquire Optimal's self-checkout business for \$35 million in cash and an assumption of liabilities. The agreement is subject to approval by Optimal's shareholders.

The agreement covers self-checkout systems and related services marketed by Montreal-based Optimal under the U-Scan® brand. U-Scan is a leading self-checkout system in North America.

“Self-checkout is a key component of our strategy to aggressively expand Fujitsu's share of the retail market,” said Austen Mulinder, president and CEO of Fujitsu Transaction Solutions. “We have strong momentum among retailers making next generation decisions and this capability can further underpin that momentum.”

The agreement also would enable StoreNext Retail Technologies LLC, the market leading 50/50 joint venture between Fujitsu and Retailix Ltd. (NASDAQ: RTLX), to offer self-checkout solutions to wholesalers and independent grocers through its extensive dealer network.

U-Scan systems enable shoppers to scan, bag and pay for their purchases with little or no assistance from store personnel. Available in many of the top grocery chains, U-Scan self-checkout systems have been deployed throughout the U.S. as well as in Canada and the U.K.

## **About Fujitsu Transaction Solutions**

Fujitsu Transaction Solutions Inc., headquartered in Frisco, Texas, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Fujitsu Limited (TSE: 6702) and the IT "lifecycle solutions" provider for retailing technologies. Focused on helping customers relentlessly reduce costs, Fujitsu's offerings include infrastructure management services, point-of-sale hardware and software, mobile devices and self-service machines. The company has operated in North America for more than 30 years and has 1,000 employees in the U.S., Canada and the Caribbean. It serves customers such as Albertsons, Best Buy, ChevronTexaco, Nordstrom, REI, Staples, Stop & Shop and The TJX Companies, among others. The company also has a 50/50 joint venture with Retailix Ltd. (NASDAQ: RTLX) in StoreNext Retail Technologies LLC, the No. 1 supplier of retail technology to independent grocers and small chains. Web site:

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U-Scan is a registered trademark of Optimal Robotics Corp.