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UWG Selects StoreNext's RBO

Back Office solution maximizes IT resources for independent grocers

CHICAGO – May 2, 2004 — Unified Western Grocers, Inc. (UWG) has selected the RBO system from StoreNext Retail Technologies LLC as its preferred back office software platform for its 3,000-plus customers.

The announcement was made at the 2004 FMI Show at McCormick Place in Chicago, May 2-4.

Unified Western Grocers, Inc. is a retailer-owned, wholesale grocery cooperative that supplies independent grocers throughout the western United States.

Mike Brown, general manager of UWG's retail technology department, said that the rollout has already begun with about 15 member stores already installing the RBO platform. Key factors in the decision process included the unique features of RBO's Direct Store Delivery (DSD) receiving functionality and its overall ease of use.

"We evaluated several back office systems and potential suppliers before choosing RBO and StoreNext," Brown said. "StoreNext, with its vision and commitment to independents – as well as their product moving forward – emerged as the clear leader."

According to StoreNext, RBO is the only back-office system that is fully integrated with both ISS45 and ScanMaster, which together account for the dominant percentage of the independent grocery industry's point-of-sale (POS) systems.

"Our RBO solution gives independent grocers a more powerful and uncomplicated system by integrating menus, simplifying database management and providing better overall security," said Ray Carlin, president and CEO of StoreNext. "It's one more example of our focus on delivering wall-to-wall solutions for independents that level the competitive playing field with large national chains."

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RBO, developed by Plano, Texas-based Retalix, is a complete back office solution for the Windows operating system, using an open architecture approach. It is available as a suite of modular components including item maintenance and reporting, store receiving, hand-held terminals for verification and receiving, stock ordering and label and sign printing.

About StoreNext

StoreNext Retail Technologies LLC is the No. 1 supplier of retail technology to independent grocers and small chains. Based in Plano, Texas, StoreNext is a joint venture of Retalix Ltd. (NASDAQ: RTLX) and Fujitsu Transaction Solutions Inc. and markets Fujitsu POS hardware, Retalix's ISS45 POS software and Internet Connected Services for managing stores via Web-enabled applications. StoreNext is the only retail IT company focused exclusively on meeting the needs of this wholesaler-served market with packaged solutions that were previously available, affordable or practical only for large chains.

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