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StoreNext Announces Support for Blackhawk Gift Card Program

Independent Grocers Get Plug and Play Gift Card Technology

SAN DIEGO – Jan. 30, 2006 – StoreNext Retail Technologies LLC’s ISS45 point-of-sale (POS) software now supports the Blackhawk Gift Card program, one of the retail industry’s best-known gift card systems. Interfaces will be released on both ISS45 versions 7 and 8, giving independent grocers the same powerful gift card facilities as some of the largest national chains. The Blackhawk interface is accompanied by several additional shopper service and productivity enhancements in ISS45’s new version 8.11, shown at this week’s MARKETECHNICS exhibition in San Diego.

“Gift cards offer independent grocers a huge profit opportunity that’s remained largely untapped,” said Tony Van Seventer, vice president, products and marketing, of Plano, Texas-based StoreNext. “Our support of the Blackhawk program gives these independents and regional chains a convenient, low-cost, high return-on-investment product that drives shopper satisfaction and loyalty. And instead of requiring special customization to support Blackhawk, ISS45’s gift card support is plug-and-play.”

Blackhawk currently markets gift cards for about 50 major brands, including Starbucks, Circuit City, Barnes & Noble and Major League Baseball. Blackhawk currently supplies more than 30,000 retail locations. Independent grocers and regional chains will be served via a combination of channels including wholesalers and direct sales.

Independent grocers interested in implementing the BlackHawk gift program will need current ISS45 version 7 or 8 POS software, the WinEPS/Open EPS electronic payment system and a payments processor that is Blackhawk compliant. StoreNext’s ScanMaster version 2 also supports Blackhawk in its new 2.3 release.

About StoreNext

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

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