

MicroTouch DST Touch Screens Available to Select Authorized NEC Integrators in 2008

3M Touch Systems, Inc. today announces the January 1, 2008 availability of MicroTouch DST touch screens for select authorized NEC Integrators in North America in popular 32", 40" and 46" screen sizes. Based on 3M's patented Dispersive Signal Technology (DST), MicroTouch DST touch screens offer display integrators an ideal solution for large-format interactive applications that require fast, accurate, reliable touch response. Other unique features include operation unaffected by surface contaminants and "dynamic touch", which ignores static objects on the screen and allows for multi-user touch capabilities.

"DST touch screens offer important ease-of-integration features not available from comparable touch technologies, such as no front surface components to impede bezel integration, easily sealable, and chemically-strengthened glass," says Chris Tsourides, Business Manager, 3M Touch Systems

Dispersive Signal Technology recognizes touch by interpreting bending waves within the glass substrate created by the contact of a finger or stylus on the glass. Since bending waves are unaffected by on-screen contaminants and moderate surface damage, DST touch screens work reliably for most public environments and applications, such as interactive digital signage, public way finders, point-of-information stations, corporate directories, retail product selectors, as well as conference room and education presentation systems.

MicroTouch DST touch screens are currently available as interactive NEC displays or all-in-one computer displays from Richardson Electronics LLC. Companies interested in learning more about DST integration should contact 3M Touch Systems at 888-659-1080 and ask for the DST marketing manager.

Additional information about Dispersive Signal Technology and the MicroTouch DST touch screen is available at www.DSTtouch.com.

About 3M Touch Systems, Inc.

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