Trident Systems Adds 3M MicroTouch DST Technology to Expand Extensive Touch Offering

3M Touch Systems, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of 3M and a leading innovator and manufacturer of touch technology, today announces that long-time touch solutions provider, Trident Systems Inc., will offer interactive signage displays integrated with 3M MicroTouch $^{\text{TM}}$ DST touch technology in screen sizes ranging from 32" to 46".

"Trident Systems has been offering touch solutions for nearly 20 years, so we are very pleased that a company with their extensive touch experience has chosen the MicroTouch DST feature set to meet their customers' interactive signage display needs," said Chris Tsourides, business unit manager, 3M Touch Systems.

Based on 3M's patented Dispersive Signal Technology (DST), MicroTouch DST touch systems offer display integrators an ideal solution for large-screen 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.

"After almost two decades of providing touch solutions to a wide array of markets, we see DST as a truly unique touch interface that will provide our customers with the robust touch display they need for their large-screen interactive signage applications," said Gary Mundrake, VP Integrated Systems Production Division, Trident 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 surface scratches, DST touch screens are well suited for 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.

3M Touch Systems provides fast, reliable and accurate touch products to customers worldwide under the "MicroTouch" brand. Popular interactive applications include casino gaming, retail point of sale, foodservice, hospitality, self-service, mobile handheld, and interactive digital signage. For more information about MicroTouch products, visit www.3M.com/touch01.

About Trident Systems Inc.

Trident Systems Incorporated is a veteran-owned business that has been providing hardware and software systems to military and commercial clients since 1985. Trident's in-house electronic design capabilities, software engineering expertise and proven network of manufacturing partners enable us to deliver a broad range of technology solutions. For more information visit www.tridsys.com.

About 3M Touch Systems, Inc.

3M Touch Systems Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of 3M, operates globally and reports through the 3M Electro and Communications Business, headquartered in Austin, TX. For more information visit www.3M.com/touch01.

About 3M

A recognized leader in research and development, 3M produces thousands of innovative products for dozens of diverse markets. 3M's core strength is applying its more than 40 distinct technology platforms – often in

combination – to a wide array of customer needs. With \$23 billion in sales, 3M employs 75,000 people worldwide and has operations in more than 60 countries. For more information, including the latest product and technology news, visit http://www.3m.com/.

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