3M Offers Multitouch Capabilities for Windows 7

3M Projected Capacitive and 3M Surface Capacitive Touchscreens Have Earned the "Compatible with Windows 7" Logo

3M Touch Systems, a wholly-owned subsidiary of 3M Company and a leading innovator and manufacturer of touchscreen technology, today announced that <u>3M Projected Capacitive Technology</u> and the <u>3M MicroTouch</u> <u>System SCT3250EX HID</u> touchscreen product have achieved the "Compatible with Windows 7" logo. Engineered to be seamlessly integrated with the Windows 7 operating system, these 3M touchscreen products help application developers and customers take advantage of the operating system's new touch interface.

3M Projected Capacitive touch technology has received Windows Touch Additional Qualification (AQ) status for multi-touch interactivity by meeting 100% of the testing criteria. This 3M touch technology offers Windows 7 developers "true" multitouch functionality with 10-finger simultaneous touch capability for real-world multi-finger and multi-user applications. This technology is currently available as a 19-inch multi-touch developer's kit with details available at <u>www.3m.com/multitouch</u>.

The 3M MicroTouch System SCT3250EX (HID), based on 3M Surface Capacitive touch technology, has received the "Compatible with Window 7" logo for single touch and digitized gesture capabilities. With this certification, customers are assured that their 3M touchscreen displays or 3M touch-enabled devices with 3M USB-HID connectivity will plug and play with the Windows 7 operating system without loading touch drivers. This helps assure ease of integration for VARs and systems integrators who want to take advantage of the touch functionality built into Windows 7 as they rollout new programs or upgrade existing ones. The SCT3250EX HID product is available in display sizes ranging from 6.4 inches to 32 inches with details available at <u>www.3m.com/touch</u>.

"3M is very pleased to have achieved Windows 7 compatibility for our projected capacitive and surface capacitive touch technologies and to support the Windows 7 ecosystem", says <u>Ty Silberhorn</u>, general manager, 3M Touch Systems. "Now, whether they need single touch, simple gesture or "true" multitouch interactivity, Windows 7 customers have two strong 3M offerings to meet their touch application needs."

3M Touch Systems provides innovative touchscreen technology products to customers worldwide under the "MicroTouch" brand. Popular single touch, gesture touch and multitouch applications include casino gaming, retail point of sale, foodservice, hospitality, self-service, industrial, healthcare and interactive digital signage. For more information about 3M MicroTouch products, visit <u>www.3M.com/touch01</u>. For an overview of popular touch technologies and terminology, visit <u>www.touchtopics.com</u>

About 3M Touch Systems, Inc.

3M Touch Systems Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of 3M and provider of innovative touchscreen solutions, operates globally and reports through 3M Electro and Communications Business, headquartered in Austin, TX. For more information, visit <u>www.3M.com/touch</u>.

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 \$25 billion in sales, 3M employs 75,000 people worldwide and has operations in more than 60 countries. For more information, visit <u>www.3M.com</u>.

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For high-resolution images of these 3M MicroTouch products are available by contacting Jane Kovacs, 3M Public Relations, 512-984-6747, <u>jkovacs@mmm.com</u>. For all other inquiries, visit <u>www.3M.com/touch01</u>

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