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DATACARD GROUP PUTS MORE CONTROL IN ID CARD PROGRAMS

Industry-leading Datacard® ID Works® identification software offers increased usability and security features

Paris, France – November 7, 2006 – Datacard Group, the world leader in secure ID and card personalization solutions, today introduced the newest release of its bestselling ID Works® identification software at CARTES 2006. This software provides the core set of tools needed to produce professional looking ID cards quickly and efficiently. In addition, it provides enhanced usability and security tools to simplify card design, production and reporting for ID programs of any size. This enhanced version of software is available in English and will follow with other language editions shortly.

ID Works 6.0 software is built on a robust software platform that intuitively allows card issuers to design cards, reports and production forms with speed and simplicity. Easily upgradeable, the software offers four standard editions to meet each individual organizations changing needs.

New features include customized card printing installations, advanced search capabilities, increased user password security, as well as the ability to import and export card designs between projects and batch import and export photos and images. The ID Works Software Developer's Kit can further extend users' abilities to create custom designs, reporting and interfaces. The combination of these enhancements maximizes the power of this software and puts more control and efficiency in the user's hands.

“We have added more functionality and features to a modular and flexible platform that is known as one of the most powerful, yet affordable ID software programs in the industry,” said Ramesh Ajitaprasad, senior product manager for Datacard Group. “This release's user-friendly interfaces, simplified import and export capabilities and advanced data and record search give users in corporate, government, education and retail markets more control over their programs.”

A new platform edition of this software release, Datacard® ID Works® Intro identification software, is also available. Ideal for small, start-up ID programs, this version has the same look and feel as the more advanced editions, but caters to a market segment that needs a quick and

simple way to produce ID cards. Intro software offers simple features to manage card design and production efficiently, and then easily upgrade as needs change.

Datacard Group offers the world's best-selling secure ID and card personalization solutions. The company's portfolio includes systems for high-volume card issuance, card delivery, secure ID issuance and passport production, plus extensive service and supplies offerings (www.datacard.com).

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