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Amino Communications buys MiriATE®

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Amino selects MiriATE® to enhance set-top box testing

Miriforce Ltd to integrate their MiriATE® testing product at Amino

23 March 2009 – Amino Communications has purchased the MiriATE testing solution from Miriforce Ltd, underlining its ongoing commitment to providing outstanding set-top box performance and reliability.

The MiriATE product will be integrated into Amino's existing facilities to provide accurate and repeatable results from sophisticated automated tests.

Niall Buckingham, Director and Founder at Miriforce, says, "Amino already has a great reputation for quality and performance, which we look forward to enhancing. Amino's decision to add MiriATE to its existing test environment is a testament to the power and ease of use that the product offers. MiriATE's ability to interface with the systems that Amino has used to date provides a further benefit, preserving Amino's existing test system investment."

Mike Greenall, SVP Client Software at Amino, says "MiriATE will allow us to build on our stringent quality control and testing processes, enabling our skilled staff to deliver an even better service level to our customers".

For a set-top box manufacturer, quality is critical in winning new business and in minimizing the cost of field support. Improvements in set-top box reliability also reduce the total cost of ownership for the IPTV network operator.

MiriATE provides Amino with the ability to automatically drive large numbers of set-top boxes through suites of stringent tests, including realistic endurance testing. MiriATE offers advanced features such as video analysis, such as motion detection, region comparison and optical character recognition (OCR); these are critical in automating the majority of tests, as they replace the need for manual recognition and verification. Additional benefits include multiple concurrency and test scheduling on a platform which offers 24/7 availability, resulting in reduced costs and time-to-market.

Niall Buckingham adds "Our MiriATE product is also used by network operators for acceptance and regression testing of set-top boxes and services. The resulting improvement in set-top box and network service reliability reduces the total cost of ownership for the operator. "

Deployment of MiriATE starts off with a 16 STB solution and, due to the system's scalability, this can be increased in increments of 16 to very large systems of 384 boxes and more.

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Amino Communications at stand 24
Mirifice Ltd at stand 340**

About Mirifice

Mirifice Ltd is headquartered in Bath, UK. Formed in 2004, it provides key software development, project management and consultancy staff to the broadcast industry. The company's product range includes MiriMON, the award-winning system for real-time monitoring of live Digital TV networks, and MiriATE, a powerful technical environment for testing and control of set-top boxes and other devices.

Customers include BSkyB, BT, Virgin Media, Top-Up TV, Comstar Direct, Pace, Open TV, Tandberg and Thomson.

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About Amino Communications:

Amino specialises in digital entertainment solutions for IPTV, Internet TV and in-home multimedia distribution.

Amino's range of software and set-top box systems can be tailored for telecom, broadcast and hospitality firms to offer highly scalable and targeted services. The award-winning AmiNET™ and Mood range is used by leading service operators in over 80 countries.

Amino's 'AssetHouse' technology opens the door for content producers, telecoms companies, broadcasters and web TV firms to maximise opportunities through better services, targeted content and greater choice. It takes IPTV to the next level by allowing clients such as BT Vision to think like

retailers and package, personalise and refresh extra revenue-generating services to viewers.

Amino Communications and AssetHouse are wholly owned subsidiaries of Amino Technologies PLC. Listed on the London Stock Exchange AIM, symbol AMO. Amino's HQ is based near Cambridge, UK, with offices in the US, China and Sweden.

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