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Circon Systems Partners with Coactive Networks to Deliver Circon WebControl™

RICHMOND, B.C., February 7, 2000 -- Circon Systems Corporation, a solutions provider and manufacturer of integrated building automation systems, today announced the availability of Circon WebControl™, a web interface for control networks developed in partnership with Coactive Networks of Sausalito, California.

Building on the Coactive Connector 1000®, Circon WebControl provides Internet access to LonWorks® networks. "Integrated building automation systems can be monitored and controlled through a web browser client. Circon WebControl will provide customers with universal access to their control system and its information via the Internet," stated James Dodds, President and CEO of Circon Systems.

Unlike other solutions that may require a retrofit of an installed system or an architecture change, Circon WebControl adds to the existing system with minimal impact to the network. Bundled in with the product are Java applications or applets that communicate with the Coactive Connector 1000 to give a web interface to Circon's HVAC, lighting, card access, intrusion, and frequency drive-interface controllers. These applets can be easily incorporated into customized web pages.

"Coactive Networks is pleased to be part of the Circon WebControl solution. We value the long-term partnership that has evolved between our companies and the opportunity to offer a new class of e-services together," said David Gaw, President of Coactive Networks.

"This relationship represents a very significant step in our strategy to maintain Circon's leadership position in integrated building automation systems using LonWorks," added Dodds. Circon WebControl will complement Circon's award-winning Windows®-based graphical user interface, Visual Integrator™.

About Circon Systems

Circon Systems Corporation is a leading-edge provider and manufacturer of LonWorks facility automation and information systems built on an open, robust, distributed network platform. Circon offers a technically advanced system accessible through local or Internet-enabled interfaces that fully integrates all facility functions covering applications such as HVAC, lighting, intrusion detection, energy management and many other third-party applications.

About Coactive Networks

Coactive Networks delivers open solutions for connecting devices and control systems to enterprise networks and the Internet. The company offers a full line of routers, thin servers, and gateways for enabling a new class of e-services, and is dedicated to enabling the Internet to reach all of the devices, appliances, and computers in homes

and businesses. Coactive is a privately held corporation based in Sausalito, CA. Detailed information on Coactive products, news announcements, training, and support is available on the World Wide Web at <http://www.coactive.com>.

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