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ABNOTE GROUP JOINS MULTOS CONSORTIUM

FORT LEE, NEW JERSEY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2009: The ABnote Group, a leader in the provision of services and products to the payment and government identification markets, has joined the MULTOS Consortium, a group of international blue chip organizations responsible for the ongoing maintenance and development of the MULTOS specification.

ABnote, which takes pride in its ability to implement customer driven solutions without favour to any particular smartcard technology, is pleased to join a diverse membership group which reflects the interests of companies in many sectors including telecommunications, e-commerce, travel, entertainment, retail, media, and government.

Thomas Ziemkus, senior vice president of ABnote, says that "By becoming a member of the MULTOS Consortium, ABnote will increase

its awareness of developing smartcard standards, and will therefore be able to provide the best advice to its customers. Joining MULTOS was driven by the need to fully accommodate both existing and potential customers, and we anticipate that ABnote's long history as a security solution provider will enable us to make a valuable contribution to the consortium."

Today, ABnote engages in manufacturing, data preparation and personalisation of many MULTOS applications, including MChip4, Paypass, CAP, VSDC and the latest MasterCard Integrated Chip Application (MICA).

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About the ABnote Group:

ABnote, based in Fort Lee, New Jersey, USA, is a holding company which operates through its subsidiary companies, ABnote North America, ABnote South America, ABnote Europe, and ABnote Australasia. ABnote, which traces its founding to 1795 and American patriot Paul Revere, is a global supplier of secure documents, services and systems. For more information on ABnote, visit www.abnote.com, or call +1-201-592-3400.