

# Ameranth Technology Systems Inc. Announces Investment by Microsoft.

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Ameranth Technology Systems(TM)Inc., announced Monday that Microsoft Corp. is making an undisclosed investment in their company.

Ameranth is a San Diego-based wireless software development company specializing in the integration of wireless handheld computers, back office systems and the Internet. Ameranth's products and solutions allow service providers to take automation directly to the customer via Internet and wireless, thereby improving service and reducing cost.

As a Microsoft Pocket PC launch partner, Ameranth recently announced the integration of its revolutionary 21st Century Communication(TM) middleware with Microsoft's Pocket PC platform handheld computing devices. The investment was exchanged for an undisclosed amount of equity in the privately held Ameranth.

"We are very pleased with the Microsoft investment," said Ameranth CEO, Dr. W.J. Kitchen. "From the beginning, Ameranth made a unilateral decision to align its products and vision with the entire suite of Microsoft products. We are extending this integration to the Microsoft Windows-powered Pocket PC platform because the platform will enable us to offer the handheld computer interfaces and systems integration our customers are demanding."

"Ameranth is occupying a critical space in information technology, and we are confident it has the wherewithal to exploit this space to great end," said Doug Dedo, group product manager of the Mobile Devices Division at Microsoft Corp. "Ameranth provides a total turnkey solution integrating Pocket PCs with wireless networks and linking them to PC servers and the Internet. Through this integration, Ameranth's customers are reducing costs and increasing productivity for their businesses and the customers they serve."

Ameranth has recently announced a number of wins:

-- Pyxis Corporation and Ameranth developed the PYXISVERI5(TM) Medication Verification and Documentation System for healthcare facilities. This application will allow healthcare professionals to use the Symbol PPT 2740 with Pocket PC to access patient records--via Ameranth's 21st Century

check for allergies and interactions prior to administering medications.

- Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide, Inc. and Ameranth have developed a room inspection application on Ameranth's Pocket PC-enabled UltraPad(TM) handheld computer, which will be used during housekeeping inspections to track the overall cleanliness of hotel guestrooms.
- The Jamba Juice Company and Ameranth are working closely together to finalize a Pocket PC application to enable Jamba Juice to "bust lines" during peak periods using the UltraPad 2700, a Symbol Spectrum 24 wireless network., and Ameranth's 21st Century Communication middleware.
- The Improv Comedy Clubs is currently using Ameranth developed software for their wireless, Internet and box office ticketing system.

## About AMERANTH TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

AMERANTH(R) Technology Systems Inc. ([www.ameranth.com](http://www.ameranth.com)), founded in 1996 and headquartered in San Diego, California, is a leading systems integrator facilitating data exchange between mobile wireless computers and fixed information systems via Wireless Local Area Networks (WLAN), Local Area Networks (LAN) and/or the World Wide Web.

As the leading innovator in the routing and synchronization of data moving between mobile wireless computers, fixed information systems, and the Internet, Ameranth's 21st Century Restaurant(TM), 21st Century Hotel(TM), 21st Century Casino(TM), 21st Century Retail(TM) and 21st Century Healthcare(TM) products are set to become the industry standards in enterprise wireless systems.

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