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Stonestreet One and Taiyo Yuden (USA) Form Strategic Alliance

Louisville, Kentucky - March 7, 2001 - Stonestreet One, a U.S.-based provider of Bluetooth products and engineering services, and Taiyo Yuden USA, the North American affiliate of Tokyo-based Taiyo Yuden Co., Ltd., have formed an alliance to provide Bluetooth development platforms and integration services which will incorporate Taiyo Yuden Bluetooth hardware components. The alliance will combine Taiyo Yuden's experience in high frequency technology and Stonestreet One's Bluetooth systems engineering expertise to provide a complete range of Bluetooth solutions. A product of this new alliance is the Bluetooth Developer's Kit from Stonestreet One that features Taiyo Yuden's Bluetooth module.

Bluetooth is a revolutionary new low cost, radio-based technology that provides an open standard for short-range wireless communications. Designed to enable wireless transmission of data and voice, Bluetooth technology eliminates the need for cables.

"We are pleased to add Taiyo Yuden to a growing list of partners who are leaders in the emerging wireless standard," said Dick Smith, President for Stonestreet One. "Taiyo Yuden brings to the table years of expertise in the development of electronic component solutions and a strong commitment to providing advanced, reliable Bluetooth technology while Stonestreet One brings innovative, specialized knowledge of the Bluetooth standard."

Mark Hozoji, Director, Research and Development, for Taiyo Yuden USA said, "we are excited about using Stonestreet One to facilitate the design and development of many new Bluetooth applications for our customers. Stonestreet One has the resources needed to address the hardware and software issues inherent in adding Bluetooth functionality to a new or existing product."

Stonestreet One, based in Louisville, Kentucky, designs, develops, and integrates embedded systems and wireless data applications for a diverse group of customers including leading companies in industries such as computer hardware, mobile communications, food service equipment, biomedical devices and material handling systems. The company, an Associate Member of the Bluetooth Special Interest Group, specializes in Bluetooth technology, offering engineering services, hardware for developers and end users, and a BQB listed Bluetooth Protocol stack. For more information visit <http://www.stonestreetone.com>.

Taiyo Yuden (U.S.A.) Inc., the North American affiliate of Tokyo-based Taiyo Yuden Co., Ltd, offers a wide range of surface mount and leaded passive

electronic components including inductors, ceramic capacitors, ferrite EMI suppression components, piezoelectric products and other specialty electronic components. Established in 1950, Taiyo Yuden operates factories in the United States, Japan, Singapore, Korea, China, the Philippines, Taiwan, Malaysia and Mexico. Worldwide, Taiyo Yuden employs over eighteen thousand people and reports annual sales of nearly \$1.5 billion worldwide. For more information visit <http://www.t-yuden.com>.

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