Synaptics Introduces New SecurePad(TM) for the Notebook Market

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SANTA CLARA, Calif. and TAIPEI, Taiwan, June 4, 2007 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Synaptics Incorporated (Nasdaq: SYNA), a leading developer of interface solutions for mobile computing, communications, and entertainment devices, today announced its second generation of SecurePad(TM), a biometric TouchPad solution created for notebooks.

Synaptics' exclusive partnership with Validity Sensors, Inc. allows Synaptics to offer TouchPad interface solutions that incorporate Validity's LiveFlex(TM) fingerprint sensing technology for convenient and reliable biometric security in the notebook market. The latest SecurePad is based on Validity's smaller VFS 201 sensor, offering even further integration with the touchpad and therefore more flexibility for the notebook market customers from a design and ergonomics standpoint. The VFS 201 is also based on Validity's breakthrough LiveFlex technology that offers the industry's most durable, accurate and reliable fingerprint solution. Designed to be compatible with industry's most recognized standard software solutions, SecurePad offers OEMs complete design flexibility to customize security solutions to meet their specific requirements for the corporate and consumer markets.

Synaptics incorporates the Validity VFS201 sensor into the touchpad design for a totally integrated solution. This completely flexible solution offers OEMs with built-to-order or customize-to-order options from Synaptics without having to source the technology from multiple suppliers. With the LiveFlex sensor, users simply swipe their finger over a durable plastic surface to enter login information, provide identification and view secure data, eliminating the need to remember multiple usernames and passwords. In addition, the LiveFlex sensor solves design challenges of current fingerprint sensors by separating the interface from the silicon, dramatically increasing sensor resistance to electrostatic discharge (ESD).

"Today's announcement enhances Synaptics' leadership position in the notebook market by offering corporate customers and consumers reliable, easy-to-integrate security solutions like SecurePad," explained Mark Vena, Vice President of the PC Business Unit of Synaptics. "Our exclusive partnership with Validity allows us to offer best in class security solutions that meet the expanding needs of notebook OEMs and addresses the growing importance of protecting and securing data in the PC market."

"The Synaptics and Validity partnership is helping to offer our customers a flexible and integrated solution of the touchpad with the Validity Fingerprint sensor," said Mariel van Tatenhove, Vice President of Marketing and Business Development at Validity, Inc. "The latest generation SecurePad, with the smaller VFS201 sensor, offers our customers an easy build-to-order or configure-to-order solution."

Availability

Production samples are available today. For more information on Synaptics' SecurePad interface solutions, visit http://www.synaptics.com/products/securepad.cfm or email sales@synaptics.com.

About Synaptics

Synaptics (Nasdaq: SYNA) is a leading developer of interface solutions for the mobile computing, communications, and entertainment industries. The company creates interface solutions for a variety of devices including notebook PCs, PC peripherals, digital music players, and mobile phones. The TouchPad(TM), Synaptics' flagship product, is integrated into a majority of today's notebook computers. Consumer electronics and computing manufacturers use Synaptics' solutions to enrich the interaction between humans and intelligent devices through improved usability, functionality and industrial design. The company is headquartered in Santa Clara, California. http://www.synaptics.com

About Validity Sensors, Inc.

Headquartered in San Jose, California, Validity Sensors, Inc. is a provider of the world's most durable, high performance fingerprint sensors for the PC & Networking, Wireless, Portable Storage, and Access Control markets.

Validity's biometric security products enable a wide range of product enhancements across numerous market segments including password replacement for PCs and applications, centralized management for corporate network security, secure mobile transactions, protection of portable data, identity verification for government and military applications and physical access control.

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