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RIPit & Spicers Announce Distribution Agreement

Spicers Adds RIPit's SpeedSetter® VM CtP Series & Award-Winning OpenRIP® Symphony Workflow to Portfolio

October 15, 2006 – CHICAGO (Graph & Converting Expo) – RIPit® Imaging Systems, Inc. and Spicers, a division of PaperlinX Canada, have signed a distribution agreement whereby Spicers will add the RIPit SpeedSetter VM2 and VM4 Violet Metal CtP systems; as well as award-winning Open RIP Symphony workflow software, to its product portfolio for customers in Canada. The two companies made the announcement today, here at Graph & Converting Expo 2006.

According to Spicers' Reg Stevens, National Product Manager, Graphic Products; the RIPit equipment and software line, in concert with a new Violet Plate Spicers recently added to its catalog, adds a new dimension of offerings for the company. "These new products, in conjunction with our thermal offering, make possible a broader market opportunity for Spicers."

"As Violet CtP technology gains momentum in the Canadian market, Spicers is well positioned to respond to our customers needs with these new and innovative products. In this new partnership, Spicers and RIPit are able to offer Canadian printers proven, repeatable printing performance while maintaining simplicity of operation," says Stevens.

"We've seen growing interest in the Canadian marketplace -- particularly among small- to mid-sized commercial and quick printers -- for CtP and workflow solutions that are proven to streamline production," says Wayne Wasulko, RIPit Founder & President.

"However," Wasulko continues, "High quality, affordable options have been limited, until now. We believe that with Spicers, our SpeedSetter VM series and OpenRIP Symphony workflow will fill the gap for high quality, affordable turnkey CtP solutions in Canada."

Fast, Affordable, & Quality CtP and Workflow

The SpeedSetter VM series is available as a complete, turnkey CtP system which also includes RIPit's powerful OpenRIP® Symphony™ core RIP, with advanced features available including raster preview, CIP3 support, in-RIP trapping, raster imposition; and economical solutions for proofing and hybrid screening. Customers can also add a photopolymer plate processor.

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About Spicers

Spicers is a customer-driven distributor of consumables and leading technologies relative to printing papers, graphic arts supplies, equipment, software, packaging materials and facility supplies for the commercial printing and packaging markets. Using sophisticated logistics in conjunction with a team of knowledgeable application and technical specialists, the organization provides essential support for these fast-paced industry segments. Custom converting, quick ship and staged delivery programs satisfy just-in-time requirements for over 3,000 graphic and allied operations across Canada. In March 2006, PaperlinX acquired Cascades Resources. The company was subsequently renamed as Spicers, leveraging a well-established PaperlinX corporate brand.

For more information about Spicers, a division of PaperlinX Canada, visit: www.spicers.ca; email: reg.stevens@spicers.com or contact Reg Stevens at 416-679-6838.

About RIPit Imaging Systems, Inc.

Since 1990, RIPit has been designing its imaging solutions to be customizable to suit a variety of prepress production environments worldwide. Today, RIPit's superior workflow and CtP solutions for the small to mid-size print shop are the choice of the majority of quick printers and franchises in North America. Award-winning, Adobe PostScript 3 RIP technology is the cornerstone of RIPit's unique line of hardware and software solutions, and today the company is one of the first to start adding support for Adobe's new PDF Print Engine offering.

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