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Patton Wins INTERNET TELEPHONY® Product of the Year for the Third Consecutive Year

SmartNode™ Digital Telephone Adapter (S-DTA) Recognized for Outstanding Innovation
SmartNode™ VolP... more than just talk

GAITHERSBURG, MD and BERN, SWITZERLAND: GAITHERSBURG, MD and BERN, SWITZERLAND: Patton — the leader in business-class network access, connectivity, and VoIP equipment — together with Patton-Inalp Networks AG — creator of SmartNode™ industry-leading VoIP technology — announced today that Technology Marketing Corporation's (TMC®) INTERNET TELEPHONY

magazine (www.itmag.com) has named the SmartNode™ Digital Telephone Adapter (S-DTA) as a recipient of its 2007 Product of the Year Award.



"The ISDN market demands a high standard of quality," said John Wu, VoIP Product Manager, "SmartNode has a strong track record of exceeding that standard. This is the third year in a row

that a SmartNode model has earned the Internet Telephony Product-of-the-Year award, and we are deeply honored. This news is a great way to start Patton's 25th year as a business."

The low-cost, feature-rich S-DTA seamlessly connects up to 8 ISDN terminals in the home or small-office to a service provider or private VoIP network. Designed for deployment in ISDN homes and small offices, the device supports two concurrent VoIP or T.38 fax calls with Super G3 (V.34) capability.

The low-cost SmartNode™ S-DTA is the only BRI VoIP Gateway on the market that runs carrier-grade software. Patton's SmartWare™ features touchless auto-provisioning, high reliability, and proven interoperability with all the big-name softswitches and IP-PBXs. SmartNode has been offering universal dial-plan support for unified communications for over five years via Patton's SessionRouter™ call-routing and numbering-plan adaptation.

SmartNode™ preserves all the ISDN telephony features that ISDN users depend on and network operators require (AOC, CLIP, CLIR, UD64, overlap dialing, and fax, as well as MSN and DID). Built on the industry's most interoperable VoIP platform, the SmartNode™ S-DTA supports ISDN, SIP, H.323, and MGCP/IUA signaling.

"Patton has proven they are committed to quality and excellence while addressing real needs in the marketplace. *INTERNET TELEPHONY* is pleased to grant a 2007 Product of the Year Award to their SmartNode™ S-DTA," said Rich Tehrani, TMC President and Editor-in-Chief of *INTERNET TELEPHONY* magazine. We're proud to honor their hard work and accomplishments and look forward to more innovative solutions from Patton in the future."

Product of the Year winners will be published in the February, 2008 issue of *INTERNET TELEPHONY* magazine (www.itmag.com).

For more information about TMC, please visit www.tmcnet.com.

About *INTERNET TELEPHONY* magazine

INTERNET TELEPHONY has been the VoIP Authority since 1998™. Since the first issue in February of 1998, *INTERNET TELEPHONY* magazine has been providing unbiased views of the complicated converged communications space. *INTERNET TELEPHONY* offers rich content from solutions-focused editorial content to reviews on products and services from TMC Labs. *INTERNET TELEPHONY* magazine has a circulation of 225,000 including pass-along readers. For more information, please visit www.itmag.com.

About TMC

Technology Marketing Corporation (TMC) publishes Customer Interaction Solutions, *INTERNET TELEPHONY*, Unified Communications, and IMS Magazine. TMCnet, TMC's Web site, is the leading source of news and articles for the communications and technology industries. Ranked in the top 6,000 most visited Web sites in the world by alexa.com*, TMCnet serves as many as three million unique visitors each month. TMC is also the first publisher to test new products in its own on-site laboratories, TMC Labs. In addition, TMC produces *INTERNET TELEPHONY* Conference & EXPO, and Call Center 2.0 Conference. For more information about TMC, visit www.tmcnet.com. (*alexa.com is an amazon.com company that ranks Web sites by their traffic levels. Neither alexa.com nor amazon.com is affiliated with TMCnet.) For more information about TMC, visit www.tmcnet.com.

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About Patton

2007 is Patton's 25th year in business. Patton is a multi-national organization that manufactures voice and data-communications equipment for carrier, enterprise, and industrial networks worldwide. Incorporated in 1984, Patton markets a catalog of over 1000 products including SmartNode™ VoIP solutions that support SIP, H.323, and MGCP for analog and ISDN telephony; ForeFront™ multi-service access infrastructure solutions for TDM and IP service delivery (T1/E1, G.SHDSL, xDSL, dial-up); IPLink™ CPE solutions for last-mile/local-loop access (WAN routers, modems, remote access servers, NTUs, CSU/DSUs); CopperLink™ Ethernet Extenders; EtherBITS™ device servers; EnviroNET™ NEMA4-compliant hardened networking equipment, and a full range of network-connectivity Micro-Products (interface converters, short-range modems, multiplexers, surge protectors).

About Patton-Inalp

Inalp Networks was founded in 1998 to design, develop and market advanced Internet Protocol (IP) based multi-service platforms that deliver voice, video and data services over a converged network. Patton Electronics, Co. (Maryland, USA) and Inalp Networks AG

(Berne, Switzerland) joined forces in 2002 to manufacture and market the SmartNode™ brand of advanced VoIP products. Patton-Inalp Networks AG is the VoIP competency center and Europe-Middle-East-Africa (EMEA) sales organization for Patton's business-class network access, connectivity and VoIP equipment.

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