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Criterion HPS and Cray Announce North American Reseller Agreement for the New Cray CX1

Vienna, VA – December 2, 2008 - Criterion HPS, a leading provider of high performance solutions and services to U.S. federal government and commercial clients, and Cray, the global leader in supercomputing, announce today that Criterion HPS is an authorized Cray CX1 reseller supporting critical U.S. federal government customers. The Cray CX1 desk-side high performance personal computing platform, unveiled on September 16, 2008, will dramatically extend access to high performance capabilities for customers requiring increased performance at economical pricing.

Mike Dillard, COO of Criterion HPS and former VP Worldwide Research and Development for Texas Instruments, stated, "We are proud to be associated with Cray supporting the critical US federal government market. Criterion HPS is the market leader in moving high performance computing out of the traditional computer room to the organization's operational edge. Whether this edge is the analyst's desk-side or some other location within the company's sphere of operation, our partnership with Cray will enhance capabilities by placing high performance computing solutions where they can provide the biggest benefit."

Ian Miller, Senior Vice President, Sales and Marketing of Cray stated, "We are very excited about the partnership with Criterion HPS and supporting their vision of high performance computing at the edge. Criterion HPS is a unique organization that brings extensive operational expertise, deep technical capabilities and thought leadership to support our customer's needs. In addition, as a Microsoft Gold Partner, they are positioned to support our strategic relationship with Microsoft, and to introduce our supercomputing community to the power, ease and value of Windows HPC 2008."

Today's announcement is part of the overall Criterion HPS strategy of being the end-to-end solution partner for governments and commercial customers to help them transform business operations by moving high performance computing out of the data center to the operational edge.



“We are proud to announce our relationship with Cray,” said Promod Sharma, Criterion President & CEO. “Partnering with Cray, a company that is shaping the supercomputing marketplace, is a real honor and complements our expertise in moving high performance computing from the computer room to the operational edge. This is a moment of market inflection that we believe will forever change the way business is conducted.”

Computing @ the edge is a fast developing market. Expect more announcements from Criterion HPS in the very near future.

About Criterion HPS

Headquartered in Vienna, VA, Criterion HPS is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Criterion Systems, Inc. a leading provider of information technology services to Government and commercial clients. The Criterion HPS mission is to help our customers efficiently deploy high performance computing solution sets throughout their enterprise, based on highly optimized reference architectures that maximize the performance characteristics of industry leading software and computing technologies. Computing @ the edge will forever change the way business is conducted. For more information on Criterion HPS please visit: www.criterion-hps.com

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