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TREK 2000 INCORPORATE NEC ELECTRONICS' TECHNOLOGY FOR THE WORLD'S FIRST ANTI-PIRACY SOLUTION CHIP

A second partnership of Trek with NEC Electronics, this new chip aims at preventing piracy

SINGAPORE, 6 August 2003 – Singapore's main board listed engineering solutions provider, Trek 2000 International Ltd ("Trek" or "the Company") today announced that TREK would incorporate silicon technology from NEC Electronics into Trek's latest anti-piracy solution, SAKE. Trek plans to invest close to US\$1.0M for this project.

"This is the second project that Trek uses the silicon technology from NEC Electronics and we are confident that the project will bring a wealth of experience and benefits to both our organisations." said Mr Henn Tan, Chairman of Trek.

SAKE is the acronym for Storage, Anti-piracy, Key (Public Key Infrastructure or "PKI") and Encryption. This anti-piracy solution or SAKE, developed for adoption in vertical applications, was introduced by Trek at the beginning of 2003. It is an answer to the world's need to prevent anti-piracy and strengthen the protection of Intellectual Property Rights. It is a particularly significant breakthrough for content providers on the internet. The implementation of the SAKE solution will encourage content providers to make their contents easily accessible. With their contents protected and duly recognised, content providers can now be assured that their works are disseminated to the respective rightful owners.

Globally, piracy is a major issue facing industries like publishing and e-book, software, gaming and music. Another dimension is the medical, legal, learning and financial institutions where there is a rising need for security and encryption as well as user identification. The powerful security and encryption capabilities of the SAKE solution can be adapted for use in many industries for the transportation of sensitive and confidential information, a prime example of which is the healthcare and medical industry – making inroads into the vertical application arena.

"NEC Electronics' security technology can meet the highest level of security performance required by TREK for the SAKE chip. We are targeting to enhance our market penetration using this security technology, and SAKE project is a big step toward that goal." said Mr. Minoru Matsuda, General Manager for 3rd System LSI Division, NEC Electronics.

The development of the SAKE chip is targeted for completion by the first quarter of 2004 and the chip will be available in the market by the second quarter of 2004. The patent for this SAKE solution chip has been filed by Trek.

This latest development has no significant financial impact on the Company's performance for the current financial year.

About Trek 2000 International Ltd

Trek 2000 International Ltd offers state of the art design solutions ranging from portable storage devices, digital audio and video products to sophisticated ASIC design – all catering to the fast changing digital industry. Trek has offices all over the world including the U.S., Malaysia, Thailand, India, Hong Kong, Singapore, the Netherlands, France, the People's Republic of China, the Philippines and Japan, to serve the rapidly expanding markets in the region. A public company on the Singapore Stock Exchange (SGX:TREK), Trek 2000 International is named by Forbes Global as one of the Best Small Companies in the world for 2000 and 2002. Trek 2000 International Ltd is also ranked as the Best Managed Small Company in Singapore by AsiaMoney of EuroMoney.

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