

3M's Large-format Touch Screens Available to European Integrators in 2008

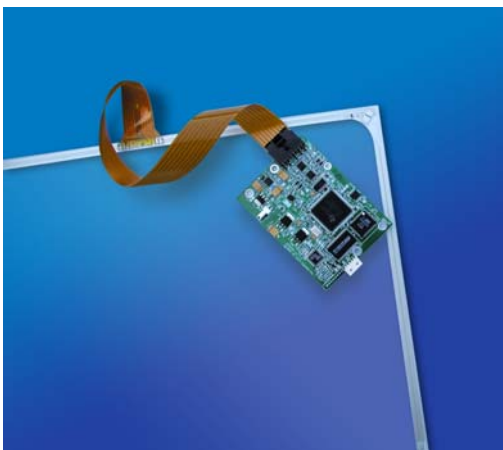
MicroTouch DST from 3M offers display integrators a reliable, fast and accurate solution for large-format interactive applications

Bracknell, UK, 26 November 2007 – 3M, the diversified technology company, today announced the 1st January 2008 availability of MicroTouch DST touch screens in popular 32", 40", 42" and 46" screen sizes to integrators across Europe. Based on 3M's patented Dispersive Signal Technology (DST), MicroTouch DST touch screens offer integrators an ideal solution for large-format interactive displays in most public environments and applications, including digital signage, retail point-of-sale, point-of-information, conference rooms and education presentation systems.

"DST touch screens offer unique qualities not available from existing large format touch solutions," commented Francesco Fasoglio, European Business Manager, 3M Touch Systems. "In addition to offering fast, accurate and reliable touch response, and exceptional light transmission, the touch screens are easy to integrate. They have no front surface components to impede bezel integration, they are easily sealable, and feature chemically-strengthened glass to ensure operation is unaffected by surface contaminants. Furthermore, their "dynamic touch" feature ignores static objects on the screen to allow for multi-user touch capabilities."

Dispersive Signal Technology recognises touch by interpreting bending waves within the glass substrate created by the contact of a finger or stylus on the glass. Since bending waves are unaffected by on-screen contaminants and moderate surface damage, DST touch screens are inherently robust making them a compelling solution for customers in many of today's high productivity, vertical applications.

Additional information about Dispersive Signal Technology and the MicroTouch DST touch screen is available at www.DSTtouch.com.



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About 3M Touch Systems, Inc.

3M Touch Systems Inc., a subsidiary of 3M, operates globally and is part of the 3M Display & Graphics business, headquartered in St. Paul, Minn. For more information please visit www.3M.com/uk/touch.

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3M is a \$22.9 billion diversified technology company, creating innovative products that help make the world smarter, faster, healthier and safer. Well known 3M brands include Scotch, Post-it, Scotchgard, Thinsulate and Scotch-Brite.

3M has pioneered innovation since 1902 and, today, invests more than \$1.5 billion a year in R&D. It has applied its expertise in RFID technology to deliver biometric passports; it is using its understanding of the healthcare industry to provide hospitals with infection prevention and detection solutions; and its digital signage offerings are revolutionising the way businesses communicate with their customers, their employees and the general public.

3M employs 75,000 people worldwide to deliver more than 55,000 products to customers in some 200 countries. Its diverse technologies touch nearly every aspect of modern life, serving markets such as consumer and office, display and graphics, electronics and communications, healthcare, industrial and transportation, safety and protection services, and security systems.

The UK and Ireland is home to one of the largest 3M subsidiaries outside the USA, employing 3850 people across 17 locations, including 11 manufacturing sites. Products manufactured in the UK include coated abrasives, respirators, adhesive tapes, industrial microbiology products, drug delivery systems, high-performance coatings, secure documents and passport scanners.

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