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## Microscan and Cogiscan Announce a New Strategic Partnership

**RENTON, WA, July 13, 2009** — Microscan, a global technology leader focused on precision data acquisition and control solutions, in collaboration with Cogiscan Inc., the leading track, trace and control solutions provider for the electronics manufacturing industry, is pleased to announce the signature of a long term strategic partnership.

This high-level agreement includes a number of different initiatives ranging from joint product development to cross-selling of each company's products.

According to Jeff Timms, President for Microscan, "This is a highly strategic partnership for our company that will greatly benefit our customers. Microscan already has a great technology portfolio of barcode and machine vision, which combined with Cogiscan's patented RFID technology and their complete software platform, provides comprehensive solutions for track, trace and control. Cogiscan has unique technology and position within the electronics manufacturing industry. Their modular approach provides short ROI and allows seamless integration with legacy systems, which is exactly what the market needs right now."

François Monette, Co-President for Cogiscan stated, "We believe that this partnership represents a key turning point for our company. Our vision and our products are perfectly aligned and together we will be able to achieve more, and faster, than working separately. Overnight Microscan will be able to offer a wide range of Cogiscan's existing products through Microscan's existing channels and vice-versa. Over the long run we expect even more synergies as we expand our joint product and market development efforts."

### About Cogiscan Inc.

Cogiscan is the leader in Material Control for the electronics manufacturing industry. The company offers real-time tracking, traceability, and control of all materials (feeders, components, PCBs, solder paste) throughout SMT and other assembly processes.

Cogiscan provides cost-effective and scalable solutions that ensure the right material is at the right place at the right time.

### About Microscan

Microscan is a global leader in technology for precision data acquisition and control solutions serving a wide range of automation and OEM applications. Founded in 1982, Microscan has a strong history of technology innovation which includes the invention of the first laser diode barcode scanner and the 2D symbology, Data Matrix. Today, Microscan remains a technology leader in automatic identification and machine vision with extensive solutions for ID tracking, traceability and inspection.

Microscan focuses on technologies of automatic identification (auto ID), machine vision, and illumination with application solutions ranging from basic barcode reading up to complex machine vision inspection, gauging, and measurement. Our solutions help manufacturers around the world drive down cost and waste, automate critical manufacturing processes, and increase yields.

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