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CASAWORKS OFFERS A SIMPLE SOLUTION FOR HOME THEATER CONTROL AT NEXTGEN 2005 DEMONSTRATION HOME

(CasaWorks, Albuquerque, New Mexico)— CasaWorks, Inc., will be demonstrating their Cielo™ Home Management System at the January NextGen 2005 Demonstration Home at the International CES 2005, Las Vegas Convention Center, Jan 6-9, 2005.

Cielo is a new hardware and software-based solution that gives homeowners the features and functionality of traditional high-end home control and automation systems in an affordable, easy to use, and reliable system. For the installer it offers a reliable, easily installed alternative to the products currently available in the home automation market.

The demonstration in the NextGen home theater room will show the consumer how a DVD movie disc can be used to enhance the movie watching experience on a truly integrated home theater system, replacing the need for fumbling with the remotes to get the movie started. Just insert the DVD in the DVD player then sit down and enjoy the movie because the Cielo theater controller will switch the input on the surround sound receiver to DVD, the video input on the projector to HD1, dim the theater lights, lower the shades, display the theater control interface on the touch panel and even adjust the temperature in the theater room for a comfortable movie watching experience. Cielo does everything but serve the popcorn.

What makes all this available to the home theater owner? CasaWorks has created innovative software technology along with a low cost control system that provides real-time monitoring of system events. When the home theater system controller receives a message from the DVD player over its serial interface that DVD "media" was detected it executes the "Watch a Movie" behavior which has included system actions to control the lights, shades and thermostat.

"We are working to make all new supported consumer electronics devices truly interactive and 'plug and play' while making home theater and digital media entertainment fun to use," said Michael Arendall, President and CEO of CasaWorks. "Many home theater components will soon include support for control and integration through IP connectivity. There is a need for a next-generation technology that provides one touch control for home theater operation and allows the consumer to put away the five remote controls that come with a typical system and replace it with a single unified simple interface on a WiFi enabled touch panel device."

What makes the Cielo Home Management System different from other universal remote controls and custom control systems is that offers out-of-the-box behaviors and user interfaces that can be easily customized by a Cielo dealer, requiring no programming. This significantly reduces the cost of the complete system allowing the homeowner to save money or upgrade to components with more features. Standard Cielo home theater configurations include pre-installed modules for home theater components and optional modules for climate and lighting control are available. Look for more components to be available for Cielo in the near future for additional manufacturers of home electronic equipment.

About CasaWorks

CasaWorks is an embedded hardware and software innovator and is developing technologies necessary to implement control in mainstream homes. Using state-of-the-art software technology and tools, the company is creating innovative products that are easy to install and economical to own. With more than 15 years of experience working with software and hardware automation systems in commercial applications, CasaWorks is now focused on the growing residential market. For more information, see the CasaWorks Web site at <http://www.casaworks.com>.

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