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Digipede Honored as Codie Award Finalist for Its Windows Grid Computing Solution

The Digipede Network Chosen as Finalist in Best Distributed Computing Solution category

OAKLAND, Calif., – January 26, 2006 – Digipede Technologies (www.digipede.net), the leading provider of distributed computing solutions for the Microsoft Windows platform, has been selected by the Software & Information Industry Association (SIIA) as a 2006 Codie award finalist in the Best Distributed Computing Solution category for its Digipede Network™, an affordable distributed computing solution built entirely on Microsoft .NET that dramatically improves the speed and performance of demanding real-world business applications.

"We founded the Codie Awards 21 years ago so that the pioneers of the then-nascent software industry could evaluate and honor each other's work," said Ken Wasch, SIIA president. "The Codies have grown along with the markets they represent, and today competition is fiercer than ever, so being selected as a Codie finalist is not only an honor, but is a significant achievement and great recognition for Digipede and its Windows distributed computing solution."

The Codie Awards, also known as the "Oscars of the Software Industry," is the most prestigious and credible peer-reviewed awards program. The judges are made up of a cross-section of software industry experts including industry analysts, technology journalists and product reviewers, consultants and other industry experts. Judges looked at more than 1,026 product nominations submitted by more than 500 companies before identifying the top finalists. This year's 348 finalists will be recognized across 71 categories.

"We are delighted that the Digipede Network has been recognized by our peers and industry experts as a top-tier distributed computing software solution. Being named a finalist is a testament to the value that our grid computing solution offers customers," said John Powers, CEO of Digipede. "Our enterprise customers rely on the Digipede Network to deliver improved application performance on the Microsoft platform, in a package that's far easier to deploy and use than competing solutions."

The Digipede Network is available in two editions: the Digipede Network Team Edition meets the needs of small departments and labs that may only have up to 20 computers, while the Digipede Network Professional Edition supports large departments and enterprises with hundreds or thousands of desktops, servers, and cluster nodes across a network. Both editions include the Digipede Workbench, which is designed to shorten the learning curve so that users can become productive immediately. Through a familiar Windows user interface, users can run

distributed computing jobs with ease. Wizards assist users with learning and using the system quickly, and powerful designers provide access to greater system functionality. No complex scripting is required.

Availability and Pricing

The Digipede Network is available now directly from Digipede Technologies. The Digipede Network Team Edition starts at \$995 for a system licensing one Digipede Server and five Digipede Agents. The Digipede Network Professional Edition starts at \$4,000 for a similar configuration. Additional Agents work with either edition, and can be licensed for \$199 each. Current customers of the Digipede Network Team Edition can upgrade to the Professional Edition at a discount. Both editions of the Digipede Network include the acclaimed Digipede Framework SDK at no additional charge, providing unprecedented flexibility for grid-enabling enterprise applications. For additional information about pricing and configuration options, visit Digipede's online store at www.digipede.net, or contact Digipede at sales@digipede.net.

Winners of the 21st Annual Codie Awards will be announced at the SIIA Codie Awards Gala on May 16 in San Francisco at the Westin St. Francis Hotel. For a complete list of the 2006 Codie Award finalists visit:

<http://www.sii.net/codies/2006/finalists.asp>.

To learn more about Digipede's leading Windows distributed computing solutions visit: www.digipede.net.

About Digipede Technologies

Digipede Technologies is the leading software provider of grid computing solutions for the Microsoft .NET platform. Digipede is led by a proven team of technology visionaries who have developed best-in-class Windows applications for more than 15 years. Digipede is a Microsoft Gold Certified Partner. Headquartered in Oakland, California, Digipede is expanding rapidly. For more information visit www.digipede.net.

About SIIA

The Software & Information Industry Association (SIIA) is the principal trade association for the software and digital content industry. SIIA provides global services in government relations, business development, corporate education and intellectual property protection to more than 800 leading software and information companies. For further information, visit www.sii.net.

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