



Press Release

New UHF RFID Gen2 Handheld Reader by Convergence Systems Limited Delivers Breakthrough Performance

CSL unveils price structure of industry's first affordable high-end handheld reader

SEATTLE, Washington, October 29, 2008 – RFID technology provider Convergence Systems Limited (CSL) today announced breakthrough performance for its CS101 UHF Gen2 RFID handheld reader, establishing new benchmarks of read range and inventory throughput far exceeding competitive offerings. CSL also unveiled its price structure for the CS101 and announced the first set of North American solution providers authorized to resell the CS101.



With a read range exceeding 25 feet with standard dipole passive tags and a throughput reaching 400 tags per second, the CS101 delivers performance equivalent to that of a fixed reader, a first in the industry and over twice the performance level of similar high-end readers.

*CSL's CS101 RFID handheld reader:
a new benchmark for the industry*

"The amazing performance of the CS101 opens new doors for SimplyRFID to develop new asset tracking and supply chain management applications in our target markets of Defense, logistics and security", said Carl Brown, CEO of SimplyRFID. "UHF handheld readers have long been pricey pieces of equipment offering medium performance compared to fixed readers – the CS101 fundamentally changes this state of affairs".

The CS101 also features the industry's first high-performance "Geiger counter" tag search and item locate function.

"Boeing is very impressed with the functionality of the CS101's "Geiger counter" mode", said Steve Villa, research engineer at The Boeing Company. "In this mode, the reader's ability to singulate and locate tags, even in a highly reflective environment, is excellent".

The CS101 is a fully integrated stand-alone reader based on the Microsoft Win CE 5.0 Professional operating system. Manufactured in CSL's ISO 9001 facilities, the CS101 including main accessories retails between \$1,950 and \$2,500 depending on volume (end

user price). A plug-on GSM/GPS module providing global connectivity and real-time positioning will be offered in the coming months.

CSL is currently broadening its network of solution partners in North America. Current partners include:

- AssetPulse (www.assetpulse.com)
- Bentonville International Group (www.bigincusa.com)
- KeyTone Technologies (www.keytonetech.com)
- Queralt, LLC (www.queraltllc.com)
- RFID Global Solution (www.rfidgs.com)
- RFideaWorks (www.rfideaworks.com)
- Ship2Save (www.ship2save.com)
- SimplyRFID (www.simplyrfid.com)

The CS101 is available in production quantities. More information can be found at www.convergence.com.hk, by contacting Dimitri Desmons at dimitri.desmons@comcast.net or by calling any of the above companies.

About Convergence Systems Limited

Founded in 2000, Convergence Systems Limited (CSL) is a leading engineering company and manufacturer of RFID (radio frequency identification) readers, antennas, RFID modules, and RFID tags. CSL's readers have built-in middleware and edge server application software supporting iPx and EPC Gen2 specifications. CSL was established to deliver a broad portfolio of RFID products to distributors and system integrators in logistic management, supply chain, manufacturing, pharmaceutical, access control, asset and security management, transportation, and retail industries around the world. CSL is a member of EPCglobal. www.convergence.com.hk

CSL is affiliated with Chung Nam Electronics (CNE) and is a member of the Chung Nam Group. The group was founded in 1935 and has over 12,000 employees with global operations. CNE is a value-added Electronics Manufacturing Services (EMS) Company with OEM and ODM capabilities. CNE provides total outsourcing solutions to international clients through value engineering and interactive design. Specializing in RF & wireless technologies, CNE's products include: RFID tags and readers, 802.11 a/b/g/n Network Interface Modules/Cards, Wi-Fi Internet Radio Products, RF Point-Of-Sales System and GPS/GSM tracking systems. www.cne.com.hk

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