

Press Release

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Handheld Group expands its reach into Australia

Handheld today announced its continued global expansion by joining forces with Australian based distributor, AvanTEC Pty Ltd.

Led by General Manager and seasoned industry veteran Dave Cawsey, AvanTEC Pty Ltd distributes rugged mobile computers via an extensive partner network throughout the Oceania region.

"We are excited to join forces with AvanTEC and jointly expand our reach for the growing world market for rugged computer use", said Jerker Hellström, CEO and Chairman of the Handheld group. "One goal in our global expansion is to work with partners that can add that extra level of support, service and business know-how to our superb product line up and AvanTEC is a perfect match with our ambitions".

"We are thrilled to bring the extensive product line from Handheld into the Oceania market", said Dave Cawsey. "The diversity of our product line now allows us to offer our customers more options to manage their mobile workforce effectively and efficiently. The addition of Handheld's ultra rugged, cutting edge and excellent value technology, will allow our customers to find a mobility solution that really works best for them".

About AvanTEC:

AvanTEC supply and support the world's best in Rugged Notebook, Tablet, Laptop, Handheld, UMPC Mobile Computers and GPS Vehicle Tracking Solutions from General Dynamics Itronix, LXE, Navman Wireless and now Handheld. Owned by TEC Group, who provide holistic solutions to information technology, civil engineering, construction and technological problems. With successful projects throughout Australia, Oceania, South America and South-east Asia, our experience enables us to provide clients with innovative, cost effective and technically superior solutions. For more information about AvanTEC Pty Ltd see www.avantec.com.au

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About Handheld:

The Handheld Group was founded in 1997 and is today one of the world leading suppliers of durable handheld computers for industries such as forestry, geodesy, construction, maintenance, the military, transportation and logistics. The focus of the group is, together with its collaborating partners, to deliver comprehensive solutions for the mobile field professional. HHCS Handheld AB is the parent company of the group, which also is comprised of Handheld Europe AB, Handheld Scandinavia AB, Handheld Finland Oy, Handheld Benelux BV, Handheld US Inc and Handheld Italia Srl. The company headquarters is based in Lidköping, Sweden with local offices in Finland, USA, Italy and in the Netherlands. For more information about Handheld see www.handheldgroup.com

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