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DTE Energy Technologies Selects Coactive Networks Internet Gateways to Roll Out New Class of E-Services to Businesses

Coactive Gateways to Reduce Operating Costs and Deliver Competitive Advantage to Energy Provider

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA (CONNECTIONS 2000), May 3, 2000 – Coactive Networks, the leading provider of residential gateways for connecting the Internet to all devices in homes and businesses, has been selected by DTE Energy Technologies as the premier supplier of a complete gateway solution for delivering e-services to its business customers. DTE Energy Technologies is an affiliate of Detroit Edison, the nation's seventh largest electric utility, and a subsidiary of DTE Energy Company.

DTE Energy Technologies is using the Coactive Connector® gateway to roll out two innovative Web-based service bundles, energylnow and safetylnow. Energylnow is a unique combination of energy monitoring and data services that helps businesses achieve significant operating cost reductions, while safetylnow integrates temperature monitoring with other systems to help ensure food safety for a wide range of businesses involved in food service.

“Our commitment to using leading-edge technologies to enhance the customer experience and reduce operating costs led us directly to Coactive,” stated Jim Gariepy, vice president information technologies for DTE Energy Technologies. “The Coactive Connector provides a flexible yet cost-effective platform for introducing a growing range of innovative new services across diverse customer classes.”

“This collaboration between Coactive and DTE Energy Technologies signals the importance of a gateway solution for delivering true value to customers and ultimately, for securing a preeminent competitive advantage in the smart enterprise and in the new digital home,” said David Gaw, president of Coactive Networks. “The Coactive Connector gateway will provide DTE customers with a new class of e-services – making the business of the future, a reality today.”

About the Coactive Connector Product Family

Coactive's commercial and residential gateways are unique in enabling e-services that go beyond PC Internet access. The Coactive Connector provides a central Internet connection to multiple devices – from energy meters to security systems to dishwashers – which enables a new class of telemetry e-services. As a result, the Coactive Connector gateway gives service providers access to new revenue streams and in turn, a competitive advantage. The Coactive Connector incorporates the patent-pending distributed object technology of Coactive's IOConnect Architecture™, providing the reliability, scalability, and manageability required for complex and large-scale systems.

About DTE Energy Technologies

DTE Energy Technologies is a diversified high-technology company offering a broad range of products and services to solve the energy-related challenges of commercial, residential and industrial customers. Among these are energy systems that provide generation (both on-site power and stand-by) such as fuel cells from Plug Power, a leading residential fuel cell developer originally formed as a joint venture between DTE Energy and Mechanical Technology Inc.

DTE Energy Technologies' parent company, DTE Energy, is an \$11 billion (assets) diversified energy company involved in the development and management of energy-related businesses and services nationwide. Its principal operating subsidiary is Detroit Edison, an electric utility serving 2.1 million customers in Southeastern Michigan. More information can be obtained at DTE Energy's Website, www.dteenergy.com.

About Coactive Networks

Coactive Networks extends Internet access to every device, appliance, control system and computer -- connecting networks to the real world. The Coactive Connector® and Coactive Router product families deliver a new class of telemetry e-services to homes and businesses worldwide. The leader in Internet telemetry, Coactive Networks delivers affordable, scalable connectivity with a highly integrated third-generation residential gateway platform and the patent-pending distributed object technology of the IOConnect Architecture™. Coactive is a privately held corporation based in Sausalito, California. More information on Coactive can be found at <http://www.coactive.com>.

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