



News Release

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Nuance Introduces OmniPage 17; Delivers Paperless and Mobile Innovations that Unlock the Green Office

New Version of Leading Document Conversion and OCR Application Boosts Accuracy by 40 Percent, Delivers First Scan-to-Kindle Capabilities and Innovative Smartphone Features

BURLINGTON, Mass., May 13, 2009 – Nuance Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: NUAN), a leading provider of speech and imaging solutions, today introduced its OmniPage® Professional 17, the newest version of the world's best-selling and most accurate document conversion and scanning application for Microsoft Windows. Nuance has designed OmniPage 17 to help unlock the potential of the green office, delivering innovations that enable an easy and practical transition from paper to paperless – at home, in the office and on-the-go.

“With OmniPage 17, Nuance has focused first on the most important element of document conversion solutions – accuracy – delivering a stunning 40 percent increase in accuracy for turning paper into editable digital documents,” said Robert Weideman, general manager and senior vice president of the Nuance Document Imaging Division. “We also implemented a range of ease-of-use and mobile capabilities that greatly expand the audience that will benefit from using OmniPage. The new version gives a dual meaning to the phrase ‘going green,’ first in helping people reduce their reliance on physical paper, and second through the money and time everyone can save by using OmniPage.”

OmniPage 17 tackles complexity first by putting scanning and document conversion directly into Microsoft Office, integrating a “Direct OCR” button with Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint. This makes it easier than ever to turn paper and PDF into fully formatted documents, complete with text, columns, tables and graphics, from within today's popular desktop applications.

OmniPage 17 then cuts the cord from the scanner, letting users capture paper documents, articles and even signs using the built-in cameras on mobile phones, such as the Apple iPhone and other devices. (Mobile phones currently number 3.84 billion worldwide). (1) The enhanced OmniPage 3D-Capture technology automatically corrects for distortions caused by images that are misaligned, with the images then accurately turned into editable text and searchable PDF documents by OmniPage.

OmniPage 17 also tackles the most significant historical barrier to the green office – the lack of a practical alternative to the portability and convenience of paper. By leveraging recent advances in eBook technologies, highlighted by the popularity of the Amazon Kindle 2, OmniPage 17 includes features that maximize the value of ‘electronic paper’ to not only save trees but also deliver advantages over physical

paper. The new release includes support for various eBook and PDF formats, as well as the first-ever “Scan-to-Kindle” feature, with documents automatically re-formatted specifically for easy reading and navigating using the Kindle 2 form-factor. This is an important new feature in light of recent analyst predictions that, in the future, 75 percent of all book sales will be sold in an eBook format. (2) OmniPage also creates the document text needed for using search and the synthesized text-to-speech (TTS) “read-aloud” feature from Nuance that is [built into the Kindle 2 and other devices](#).

The accuracy and convenience delivered by OmniPage 17 also expands the benefits of the productive green office to nearly everyone who works with documents. Analyst research has shown that individual office workers spend 3-4 hours each week – representing salary costs of \$4,500 to \$5,700 per year – simply recreating and reformatting documents. (3) This is valuable time that can be saved by using OmniPage to automate those manual tasks. Using averages for typing speed and accuracy, OmniPage can save 15 minutes per page compared to manual typing, or more than an hour for a simple five-page document. (4) OmniPage also enables scan-to-Microsoft SharePoint, enabling the centralized archiving of paper as searchable PDF and Microsoft XPS formats in the popular content management system. The dramatic productivity gains delivered by OmniPage are a major reason for its popularity, especially when organizations are seeking tools that help overcome increasing workloads and shrinking staff.

“The productivity benefits delivered by Microsoft Office and Office SharePoint Server 2007 are readily accessible when organizations are able to easily move paper into a digital process,” said Owen Allen, Sr. Product Manager for SharePoint ISV Partners. “OmniPage 17 provides an important paper-to-digital bridge, enabling organizations to use highly accurate conversion to turn paper and PDF into the open XML formats used by Microsoft Office and Office SharePoint Server 2007.”

For a complete list of the exciting features in OmniPage 17, please visit www.nuance.com/omnipage.

Pricing and Availability

OmniPage Professional 17 is available through Nuance’s global network of reseller partners. OmniPage Professional 17 is \$499.99 for individual users, with volume discounts available through the Nuance Open License Program. Upgrade pricing and support products are also available. For additional information on features, pricing and volume licensing programs, please visit www.nuance.com/omnipage or call (1) 800-443-7077.

About Nuance Communications

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Data Sources

1. According to the Market Intelligence & Consulting Institute
2. Analysts predict that eventually 75% of all book sales will be sold in an eBook format. (Gartner: Emerging Trend: The E-Book's Day Is Finally Ready to Dawn, December 19, 2008)
3. Past analyst research has shown that individual office workers spend 3-4 hours each week – representing salary costs of \$4,500 – \$5700 per year simply recreating and reformatting documents. (IDC, Proving the Value of Content Technologies Study, 2004)
4. The automated conversion provided by OmniPage could save the average typist 15 minutes or more per page compared to manual conversion and layout, or more than an hour for a simple five-page document (Nuance)

Additional Data for Consideration

- Recent studies have shown that most people type at just 35 words per minute (WPM) and with just 52% accuracy. (Nuance)
- Scan-enabled devices to capture and convert paper are growing at a rate of 22.2% each year in the U.S. (U.S. MFP 2006-2010 Forecast and Analysis (IDC #201304); U.S. High-Speed Document Imaging Scanner 2006-2010 Forecast (IDC #203552))
- More than 38M scan-capable devices will ship in the US alone in 2009 (Forecast: Printers, Copiers and MFPs, Worldwide, 2006-2012; Gartner)
- America's white-collar workers have been generating less paper since 2001, and that trend is likely to continue. (InfoTrends)

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