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Novell SLES9 to Desktop - S2D(tm); New Linux Terminal Services Distribution

The first terminal service bundle of its kind

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Dec. 10, 2004 /Send2Press Newswire/ -- Lumen Software (www.lumensoftware.com) has announced the release of its new line of "maintenance free" Linux terminal services solutions, S2D(tm) for Novell's SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 9 (SLES9). This is the first terminal service bundle of its kind created for SLES 9, Novell's EAL 4+ security rated operating system.

Lumen Software is a long time supporter and contributor of the Linux LTSP project and the new S2D(tm) solutions continue the utilization of this project. The new S2D line of solutions provide the same functionality as Lumen's proven "maintenance free" EzThin product offering only with better security and enhanced management capabilities possible through Novell's SLES 9 and Lumen's new suite of applications.

Further validation of Lumen Software's S2D(tm) solution can be found in the recent approval of this solution by the state of Missouri's eMINTS program. This is a state-wide classroom learning lab solution which eMINTS has been testing through a pilot for over a year.

Novell's K-12 Strategist, David Brower said, "This is a significant achievement by Lumen Software. They are a Novell partner at many levels and we have been very impressed with their products and services. This further confirms Novell's commitment to providing cost effective solutions to the K-12 market and beyond."

"We are always looking for partners that bring differentiating solutions that compliment Novell's commitment to Open Source," adds Juan Carlos Cerrutti, Novell's VP and Area General Manager. "Lumen's continued commitment to developing and delivering robust solutions for the K-12, Financial, and Retail markets once again reinforces that commitment by delivering a truly compelling solution."

Lumen Software's Integration Services Group also provides customers with a full range of integration and consulting services including integration with Active Directory, eDirectory, UNIX, etc. With our expertise in Linux compatibility, Lumen also addresses software compatibility issues.

"For us, this rounds out the Linux Desktop offerings that customers have been requesting," commented Ted Lymer, Marketing and Sales Director for Lumen. Lymer went on to say, "With Novell's recent release of Novell Linux Desktop (NLD) and now our server based version S2D, we can provide a complete solution that rivals any solution available today."

Don Keeler further added, "Users in most organizations require both a desktop version for the power users and a server based version for limited task users, such as students in education, tellers in banks, call centers, and so on. We have done extensive work on a wide-range of hardware from Pentium I's to Macintosh systems, thus protecting the technology investment of our customers now and in the future. This truly rounds out the Linux desktop ecosystem needs from both an organization and user perspective."

#### About Lumen Software

Lumen Software is a leader in providing Linux based solutions offering a wide range of products and solutions that meet the technology needs of organizations in a Linux environment. The Lumen Genesis Initiative(tm) - the

rapid adoption of Linux by empowering the creation of easy solutions - focuses the company's technology in three key areas. Rapid application development for Linux, Linux Terminal Services, and Linux support services. Lumen Software is wholly owned by GeKL Technologies, Inc.

For more information on the solution, visit <http://www.lumensoftware.com> or call 816-880-0066.

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