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PORTUGUESE WIRELESS OPERATOR OPTIMUS SELECTS AVANQUEST SOFTWARE FOR HIGH-SPEED INTERNET SERVICE

Cellular Connection Manager bundled with 'Kanguru' 3.5G and PC Cards

Avanquest Software, a leading developer and publisher of business and consumer software for the global PC and cellular markets with operations in Europe, the U.S. and Asia, today announced that Portuguese wireless operator Optimus is bundling Avanquest's Cellular Connection Manager software with a 3.5G and network PC card for its new "Kanguru Xpress" Mobile Broadband Internet access service.

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Kanguru, which provides wireless high-speed Internet access virtually anywhere, is part of the initial wave of broadband Internet service for PC users available over HSDPA (High Speed Downlink Packet Access). The UMTS Forum forecasts that there will be almost one billion active users of HSPDA networks by 2012 and anticipates that HSPDA will significantly stimulate data ARPUs, generating €56 billion (\$71 billion) in annual revenues for mobile operators by 2012.

Kanguru subscribers surf the Web with download speeds up to 1.8 Mbit/s without having to search for Wi-Fi hot spots. Avanquest's Cellular Connection Manager -- a customized version of the popular Mobile PhoneTools application -- provides a user interface that enables one-click installation and internet connectivity.

"Kanguru is a breakthrough in high-speed mobile Internet service," said David Wright, President, Avanquest Software's Denver-based OEM Division. **"Advanced wireless infrastructure like the Optimus 3.5G network enables service providers to deliver truly mobile broadband. This gives us a tremendous opportunity to add value with our proven software solutions."**

Paulo Simões, Optimus 3G Launch Office Director, adds: **"Avanquest's Cellular Connection Manager software is a key part of our 3.5G Internet access offer. The software allows our customers to connect their laptops to our high-speed 3.5G network in the most user friendly way possible: one click installation and connection."**

The Avanquest software, branded as "Kanguru Connection Manager," is available for Windows XP/2000 PC.

About Avanquest Software

Avanquest Software is a global developer and leading publisher of best-selling personal and professional software designed for utilities, office productivity, communications and mobility worldwide. Headquartered in France, with operating units, subsidiaries and offices located in United States, France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, Spain, China and Korea, Avanquest Software products are marketed in over 100 countries, through e-commerce, OEM partnerships and IT resellers. Founded in 1984 as BVRP Software and listed since December 1996 on Euronext (ISIN FR0004026714), Avanquest Software forms part of the Eurolist, NextEconomy segment and SBF 250 index. In 2005, Avanquest Software posted record financial results, with revenue of €70.6M (\$90.6M) and net income of €6.9M (\$8.8M).

Additional information on Avanquest Software is available at <http://www.avanquest.com>.

About Optimus

From its beginning in 1998, Optimus has been steadily growing in the Portuguese market, having in view a sole objective: to be the leader in the Portuguese telecom market, providing its Customers with high-quality services and mobile phones that improve people's lives because they simplify, bring near and amuse. At the end of 2005, Optimus had already over 2.3 million customers.

Optimus is the only mobile communications company in the world to have won three consecutive GSM Awards, a distinction that reinforces its international recognition. In Portugal, the new operator has also won a number of important awards.

Its technological excellence has also been recognized by the Institute of Communications of Portugal by means of the results of a survey carried out by the sector regulator regarding the quality of mobile networks in Portugal.

By constantly launching new products and services in the Portuguese market – mobile portals, SMS news services, entertainment services, GPRS and UMTS services – Optimus is also the leader in terms of the usage of new technologies.

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