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ECD Systems Announces Last Chance for First Annual Independent Game Developers Showcase; Winners to be Announced at E3 2006

MARSTONS MILLS, Mass. --(Business Wire)-- March 28, 2006 -- ECD Systems, the innovator in anti-piracy and copy protection software, announced that Friday, March 31, is the final deadline for entries into the company's Independent Game Developers Showcase. The competition is designed to bring greater visibility to the games currently being marketed by independent developers.

The copy protection software maker launched the showcase last week at the Game Developers Conference in San Jose, California, where they partnered with indie developer Broken Attitude Studios. As part of the launch, the companies debuted a demo version of Broken Attitude's forthcoming title Transient Shift, demonstrating that ECD's copy protection software does not negatively impact the gaming experience.

ECD's showcase will recognize independent game developers as a vital creative engine within the multibillion-dollar video game industry. Up to four games will be selected as finalists for the showcase, and the finalist titles will be available for E3 attendees to play and vote for the winner at ECD's booth #6453 at the E3 conference, May 10-12 in Los Angeles.

"As a champion of innovative computer game thinking, ECD has started this program to recognize independent developers' contributions to the industry," said ECD Systems CEO Jack Hart. "We share these developers' passion for gaming, which is why we are committed to copy protection that does not install drivers, take control of peripherals, or interfere with game play."

For additional information on ECD's Independent Game Developers Showcase, please visit www.ecdsystems.com or write to contest@ecdsystems.com for an entry form and rules.

About ECD Systems, Inc.

The technology leader in protecting valuable title assets during entire product life, ECD Systems, Inc. was founded in 1999. ECD is focused on providing robust protection for independent to large publishers against the theft of digital content throughout the life cycle of a product. ECD has developed unique patent-pending technologies that combine to form the Digital Armor(TM) solution that protects a product from its earliest transfer from design studio to design studio, internal and external product testing and review, mastering and replication and finally, protection for when the product is in the hands of the end-user. By providing life-cycle product protection, ECD has taken a major step in preventing unplanned or unauthorized product releases. Additional information can be found at www.ecdsystems.com.

