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Mi-Forms Software from Mi-Co Empowers Edvocacy in Its Quest to Identify Learning Disabilities in Children

Public Charity Pilots Cost Effective Mi-Forms Software System

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, NC and BOSTON, MA. - April 22, 2004. Mi-Co, the mobile data capture company, announced today that Edvocacy Research Corporation is using the Mi-Forms Software platform in its efforts to simplify and automate literacy assessment for all children. In late 2003, Edvocacy began testing the Mi-Forms technology in concert with the Logitech io Digital Pen in a pilot and demonstration mode. Edvocacy is now moving to Version 4 of the Mi-Forms System with the Logitech io Pen.

Geoff Cronin, CEO of Edvocacy, stated, "We have found the Mi-Forms Software System to be a groundbreaking method of capturing information in the processes of screening and testing children for learning disabilities. For example, we have worked with Mi-Co staff in developing electronic data capture forms for the top literacy assessment systems, in use today in well over 5000 U.S. schools."

"Combining the power of the Mi-Forms System with the Logitech io Digital Pen as the input device" continued Cronin, "shows real promise in placing a system in the hands of educators that can be implemented on a broad scale. This is so important because if screening is implemented on a wide scale, we can displace the "wait to fail" system that denies many children a fair chance to learn."

"Mi-Co is pleased to be working with the Edvocacy team," said Jim Clary, CEO of Mi-Co. "Edvocacy's goals as a public charity include making early detection of dyslexia systems available throughout all the school systems in America. In order to reach this goal, Edvocacy is identifying technologies that reduce the cost of capturing data in many locations and requires virtually no upfront training. Mi-Co's focus on mobile data capture with a handwriting interface has been specifically designed to meet the type of issues that Edvocacy faces."

Key components of the Mi-Forms Solution for Edvocacy include the ability to:

- easily build and convert paper forms into electronic forms for use with Mi-Forms software and Logitech io Digital Pens for data capture
- add any business rules to the data entry forms to increase the quality of the collected data
- provide automatic data transfer to back end data bases from the io Digital Pen using the Mi-Forms data path technology
- implement a cost effective data capture system that requires little training for the end user (who simply uses the Logitech io Pen and then simply cradles the pen at the end of the day)

As additional screening tests are identified through out the US these will be incorporated into the Mi-Forms System being implemented by Edvocacy.

About Edvocacy

Edvocacy Research Corporation (www.edvocacy.org), based in Burlington, Massachusetts, is a public charity that aims to make early detection of dyslexia and other learning deficiencies available for every child in America, while also providing an online platform to train K-3 teachers how to help these children succeed in a mainstream, inclusive setting. Edvocacy (1) automates the process of comprehensive and affordable screening accessible for all children K-3, utilizing existing, standardized, research-based assessment methods and (2) is establishing a national distance learning program to give teachers the requisite tools to provide classroom-specific prescriptive instruction.

About Mi-Co

Mi-Co, the mobile data capture company, provides digital writing software to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the process of capturing and using data. Mi-Co's end-to-end enterprise Mi-Forms Software System enables flexible forms design and the capture, handwriting verification and communication of forms based data for enterprise users. Mi-Forms supports enterprise data capture using the Tablet PC, the Logitech io Digital Pen, Pocket PC and signature capture devices. Mi-Co is headquartered in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina. For more information on Mi-Co, visit www.mi-corporation.com