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PALO ALTO, Calif. – As part of the company's Total Care initiative to better serve small and medium businesses (SMB), HP unveiled more than a dozen products, solutions and services designed to help customers manage, protect and grow their businesses, even in today's challenging market.

Along with new HP Officejet inkjet printers that deliver up to 50 percent cost per page and energy savings compared to laser printers, the new HP Total Care portfolio features special financing offers and HP Insight Remote Support automated remote management software to increase SMB customers' efficiency.

The company also unveiled new partner programs designed to help SMB customers quickly identify HP partners who can maximize their technology investments.

"In today's economic climate, it's not just about making every dollar count, but about making fewer dollars do more," said Kathy Chou, vice president, Worldwide Commercial Sales, HP. "Today's announcements further demonstrate our commitment to SMB customers and exemplify how we are helping them get more results from their technology investments through HP Total Care."

"Total worldwide technology spending will only grow by 0.5 percent in 2009, but SMB technology spending will grow by 3.2 percent, despite the economic downturn," said Ray Boggs, vice president, SMB Research, IDC. "SMBs are feeling the heat to optimize their technology investments by coordinating new purchases with existing resources while also ensuring that they have enough support and funding. Technology providers like HP are in the best position to benefit from this growing segment because they take a comprehensive approach to meeting the diverse needs of SMB customers."

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networking options, fast speeds and automatic two-sided printing.

- For a multitude of features at an affordable price, the HP Officejet 6500 All-in-One series includes four-in-one capabilities and wireless and automatic two-sided printing options for \$149-\$199.
- Designed to help small businesses affordably produce high-impact materials, newly formulated HP 940 Officejet Inkjet Cartridges are available for the HP Officejet Pro 8500 All-in-One and 8000 Printer series. The cartridges are like liquid laser toner, providing premium print durability and archive-quality, water-resistant documents. When paired with ColorLok technology-based papers, the cartridges deliver deep, sharp blacks and brilliant colors for professionallooking

print projects that resist smudging.

The printers are expected to be available for purchase worldwide later this month and feature a new package design with vibrant images and easy-to-reference icons that make it easier for customers to choose the right product for their needs.

To help customers manage their business more efficiently and simplify daily tasks, HP also unveiled:

- Fast, reliable scanning with advanced paper handling capabilities and simple controls with the HP Scanjet 5000 Sheet-feed Document Scanner (\$799).
- Versatile image capturing options so users can easily send scans to email or a network file with the HP Scanjet N6350 Networked Flatbed Document Scanner
 - (\$899), expected to be available in June.
- Advanced scanning features with HP Precision Feed Technology and convenient manageability through HP Web Jetadmin with the HP Scanjet 7000 Sheet-feed

Document Scanner (\$999).

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• A boost in productivity with the HP USB Graphics Adapter allows users to easily connect monitors to a PC through a standard Universal Serial Bus (USB) port. The compact adapter allows businesses to incorporate multiple display capabilities across several open applications.

New services and solutions

HP broadened its Total Care portfolio with new services and solutions to help customers better grow and manage their businesses while using fewer resources.

- HP Insight Remote Support software helps SMBs save time and money with simple, reliable and around-the-clock remote support. The software provides a direct link between SMBs and their HP solution providers, delivering continuous, automated and secure remote monitoring and fault detection services.
 Additionally,
 - it generates service dispatches for hardware issues on HP servers and storage without active involvement of staff or support phone calls, helping avert disruptions.
- Value-added resellers (VARs) get help entering the cloud services market, and SMBs can access critical applications as a monthly subscription service, thanks to HP's agreement with USA.NET, a leader in hosting services.
 The agreement enables VARs in the United States to offer customers a comprehensive
 - suite of private-label messaging and collaboration solutions, including Microsoft Exchange 2007, Microsoft Windows® SharePoint Services, Commercial Messaging
 - Services, Mobile Messaging, E-mail Archiving and Enhanced Messaging. HP and USA.NET's collaboration ensures that VARs have comprehensive portfolios with a range of technology alternatives for SMBs.

• Making it even easier to acquire critical server, storage and networking

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Special offers and free resources

To help SMBs get the best value from the technology they need to manage and grow their businesses, HP unveiled special offers and free resources.

- SMBs can receive up to \$1,000 cash back and are eligible for a free Total
 Care Access card (\$49 value), while supplies last, when they purchase new
 HP LaserJet or HP Officejet Pro printers with the HP Trade-in and Save offering.
 Customers also receive free recycling of their old printer for added cost
 savings and convenience.
- To help SMBs grow their business, HP has expanded the HP Creative Studio for Business, a comprehensive web-based resource, to include the Small Business Marketing Guide, an online community focused on small business marketing. The community will provide free advice on do-it-yourself brand marketing strategies
 - and feature a series of webinars and articles by prominent small business experts, including John Jantsch, Guy Kawasaki and Anita Campbell.
- HP is making it simple and affordable for small businesses to continue investing in technology with several financing promotions available through HP Total Financing. One offer is a zero percent 12-month promotion that allows small businesses to invest in new technology while managing cash flow; after term the equipment can be purchased for one dollar. Another offer is a zero percent 36-month lease that provides a fair market value purchase option at the end of the lease term.

New partner programs enhance SMB customer experience

The HP Solution Partners Organization has enhanced its award-winning PartnerONE

Program to help reseller and distributor partners serve SMB customers.

• SMB Elite is the latest addition to HP's portfolio of PartnerONE

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Deal registration benefits are now available to all HP partners.

Additional information about HP's partners program is available at www.hp.com/go/hpchannelnews.

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