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## **Leader® Awarded Patent on Core Collaborative Communications Technology**

*Digital Leaderboard® software technology will be vital to future, large-scale Internet-based communication methods*

**COLUMBUS (Nov. 17, 2006) - Leader Technologies**, a communications software and services company, has been issued a patent by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for its Digital Leaderboard® technology, the core technology that drives its suite of voice, video and data collaboration products and services.

"Ten years ago I anticipated that the Internet would become the primary way people and enterprises would collaborate on a massive scale," said Michael T. McKibben, chairman and founder of Leader, and inventor of the Digital Leaderboard® technology. "The granting of this patent validates our vision, leadership, perseverance and it protects our valuable intellectual property."

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### **About the Patent**

Leader's U.S. Patent (#7139761) describes the Digital Leaderboard®, Leader's unique web-based method for securing and organizing information in any number of workgroups, relationships, applications, users, permission levels and file types while automatically retaining knowledge of how the elements relate to one another. It is a universal method for organizing workflow, managing knowledge, securing intellectual property, setting priorities, tracking performance, and providing voice, video and data communication tools simultaneously.

### **About Leader Technologies®**

Leader® connects voice, video & data across existing application systems to enhance collaboration & decision making. Its patented and patent pending communications software will dramatically improve productivity and reduce costs by giving businesses more control over their communications, leadership, strategy, knowledge management and intellectual capital. Included in the integrated Digital Leaderboard® suite are LeaderPhone® enhanced teleconferencing services, Leader Dialog™ free teleconferencing and blogging, Leader Alert® voice alert notification, Leader WebDemo™ web conferencing, as well as other advance voice, video and data features.

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