

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**Aperture VISTA™ 350 Improves Operating Efficiency for organizations managing Enterprise Data Centers**

Stamford, CT – July 19, 2004 -- Aperture Technologies, Inc., today announced the next generation Enterprise Data Center Solution, Aperture VISTA™ 350, for IT professionals managing enterprise data centers. The new release of Aperture VISTA enables superior visual management of the data center physical infrastructure through Web-based technology, the automation of manual processes, and offers significant enhancements in security, performance, and usability. In addition, to address the importance of change management processes within the data center, Aperture Technologies has partnered with the leading enterprise change management solution provider, Remy, to offer an add-on component, which allows IT organizations to deploy a seamlessly integrated solution that leverages the strengths of both applications, Aperture VISTA 350 and Remy Change Management.

About Aperture VISTA™

Aperture VISTA is an enterprise management software solution designed to provide the IT organization with a clear view into the complex environment of the data center. Aperture VISTA provides a structured process to manage the overall physical environment of the data center, including equipment, space, power, environmental and network connectivity. It helps organizations to better align the IT organization with overall business objectives, deliver maximum value to customers and make better business decisions with a higher level of precision and clarity.

Aperture VISTA is the essential component to automate and run world-class data centers in over 10 percent of the Fortune 500 companies, with significant penetration in the financial services, health care and technology industries. Leveraging advanced visualization, Aperture VISTA increases operational efficiency and reduces potential disruptions to service by automating manual processes within the data center, improves the utilization of data center resources, and reduces risks by assessing the impact of changes prior to actual implementation.

Aperture VISTA™ 350 Enhancements

Aperture VISTA 350 incorporates new standards in security, increased application performance, significant user experience enhancements, updated reporting capabilities, and an option to integrate with Remy Change Management. Selected features in Aperture VISTA 350 include:

- Support of SSL encryption between the VISTA browser window and Microsoft IIS
- Enhanced authentication and authorization through LDAP or Active Directory
- Faster visualization capabilities (up to 10x)
- Support for Crystal Reports™ from Business Objects®
- Additional management reports for richer "actionable information"
- Document repository to allow users to add other documentation to the VISTA portal (e.g., Policies & Procedures or Systems Documentation)
- Ability to export data into either Excel or text format
- Usability improvements in project and portal administration

"Whether managing a 10,000 square feet or 1,000,000 square feet data center, Aperture VISTA 350 will easily configure to address the specific requirements of any given customer environment - this

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is the central component to running a world-class data center by ensuring the critical infrastructure resources are available for data center operations and enabling best practice processes for all data center changes," said Brad Zehring, Director of Product Management at Aperture Technologies. "We're proud to demonstrate our ongoing commitment to and leadership position within the enterprise data center market, and to our valued customers – both new and old – with this exciting release of Aperture VISTA."

Aperture VISTA™ 350 Integration with Remedy Change Management

As an add-on component, Aperture VISTA 350 also provides capabilities to integrate with one of the leading change management solutions in the market, Remedy Change Management. Organizations that integrate Aperture VISTA with Remedy Change Management will improve quality and consistency, and reduce the overall cost and risk associated with changes to their infrastructure. As the discipline of change management has grown to be an essential process to deliver IT efficiency, quality and service, the integration of Aperture VISTA 350 increases the value of the Remedy Change Management solution by enabling the proper specifications, review, communication, visualization and implementation of all changes to the physical infrastructure of the data center.

Utilizing industry-standard protocol – Web Services Description Language (WSDL) – Aperture VISTA leverages the Remedy change ticket system to drive further best practices in managing the data center physical infrastructure.

Aperture VISTA provides pre-defined work processes to manage all the logistics related to changes made within the data center, including:

- IT Infrastructure Library (ITIL) "best practices" guidelines
- Data center moves, adds and changes
- Space, power and network infrastructure

About Aperture

Aperture is a global provider of enterprise software solutions that enable organizations to strategically manage their business infrastructure. Our solutions enable companies to increase operational efficiency and make better business decisions. Through advanced visualization and work-process technology, our products and services help organizations optimize their business infrastructure. <http://www.aperture.com>

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