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Tidel Shipping New USA \$5 Note Validation Software

Carrollton, Texas - March 11, 2008 — Tidel Engineering, L.P., the world leader in Cash Management Systems and Robbery Prevention products, announced it is shipping software on all Sentinels which will accurately validate the new USA \$5 Note. The new \$5 Note begins shipping in mid-March and Tidel began shipping Release 2.42 software with all new shipments of Sentinels as of March 3, 2008.

Tidel has worked with MEI, Cash Code and JCM, the top 3 note validator companies in the world, and is now shipping validation software on all Sentinels that will validate the new USA \$5 Note when it hits the street in March 2008. "It's very important to ship the validation software before the new notes hit the street, or else a retailer will be faced with rejection of a good note as a counterfeit. Obviously that situation is not good for customer satisfaction", says Ed Grondahl, EVP Sales and Marketing at Tidel.

"The beauty of the Sentinel family is that our vast customer base of USA customers will be able to update their current Sentinels over their network. All of our competitors are faced with telling their customers that they must drive out to all of their stores and update their validators one store at a time", Grondahl continued.

Please visit Tidel's website at www.tidel.com.

ABOUT TIDEL

Tidel, a wholly owned subsidiary of Sentinel Technologies, Inc. (a private holding company), has been a manufacturer of cash security equipment designed for specialty retail marketers since 1978. Tidel designs and manufactures products for cash security and robbery prevention, as well as retail cash management. To date, Tidel has sold more than 250,000 systems in the U.S. and over 50 other countries. Tidel provides a 24-hour, seven-day customer service center and offers customer service and support in over 120 countries worldwide. Information about the company and its products may be found on the company's website at www.tidel.com or email sales@tidel.com.

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