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IGRAFAX ANNOUNCES PARTNERSHIP WITH SIGMA BREAKTHROUGH TECHNOLOGIES, INC. TO INCREASE CUSTOMERS' RETURN ON SIX SIGMA INVESTMENTS

Leading Six Sigma Consultancy Selects iGrafx for Process Management

TUALATIN, Ore. — September 30, 2004 — iGrafx, a leading provider of business process analysis solutions, announced a strategic partnership with Sigma Breakthrough Technologies, Inc. (SBTI), to incorporate iGrafx® into SBTI's Master Black Belt, training curriculum. The new curriculum is immediately available in the B4 elective.

“We chose to incorporate iGrafx into our Master Black Belt curriculum because of its process simulation solution for the Six Sigma community,” said Joe Ficalora, Vice President of Technology, SBTI. “Our clients will benefit from the addition of the iGrafx solution—including the best simulation and links to Minitab and JMP software in its class—helping them to realize even greater business returns from their Six Sigma investment.”

“We are very pleased to be working closely with SBTI,” said Ken Carraher, president, iGrafx. “Six Sigma is an important market for us and leading consultancies, like SBTI, are a key component to help deliver a complete solution to Six Sigma practitioners. Our partnership with SBTI further establishes our position as the leading process analysis solution for Six Sigma.”

iGrafx developed the first process solutions specifically designed to make Six Sigma more efficient, more powerful, and easier to implement. iGrafx provides a visual framework for providers of Six Sigma training, quickly exposing the origins of hidden factories, bottlenecks, and other drivers of time, cost, and rework. The iGrafx process-centric approach helps decrease costs and increase the average number of training projects completed per year.

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About iGrafx

iGrafx provides a comprehensive suite of business process analysis solutions that help organizations understand, analyze and optimize their processes. iGrafx solutions create a team-based collaborative process visualization and analysis environment that enables companies to gain and sustain leadership and increase return on investment. The iGrafx business process analysis solutions assist in reducing costs, and increasing utilization, allocation and deployment of resources. iGrafx is a division of Corel Inc. (www.igrafx.com).

About Sigma Breakthrough Technologies, Inc.

Sigma Breakthrough Technologies, Inc. (www.sbtionline.com) is an internationally recognized consulting firm for enterprise wide business process solutions, offering an expansive portfolio of products and services to improve businesses in all disciplines at all levels. SBTI has assisted companies in a variety of industries including chemical manufacturing, assembly, transportation and power generation and distribution. Some of SBTI's customers include 3M, American Standard, Celanese, and Invensys. SBTI is headquartered in San Marcos, TX and currently has four international offices serving a host of multinational clients.

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