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SirsiDynix Announces Release of Horizon PocketCirc 1.0

PROVO, UT, January 23, 2009 – SirsiDynix, the world leader in library automation technology, is pleased to announce the release of Horizon PocketCirc 1.0, a handheld circulation solution that allows library staff to perform circulation tasks from any location—not just at the circulation desk.

With Horizon PocketCirc, staff can perform circulation tasks anywhere in the library in online mode or outside the library in offline mode, such as at community events or in bookmobiles. This flexible solution gives libraries many benefits, including efficiency, convenience, and improved workflow.

Horizon PocketCirc allows staff the freedom to perform inventory functions in the stacks, gather in-house statistical counts at sorting shelves or shelving carts, and perform circulation outside the bounds of the library. Horizon PocketCirc offers deep functionality and flexibility, allowing staff to:

- Conduct online and offline checkout, check-in, in-house use count and inventory
- Block checkout of delinquent borrowers or items which should not circulate (online mode)
- Set due dates based on circulation rules set up for the location, Itype and Btype (online mode)
- Set due date based on date configured for the device (offline mode)
- Trap items which should be placed on hold or in transit (online mode)
- Create an action report for items which need special attention (offline mode)
- Back-date check-in for book-drop purposes or for bookmobile schedule problems
- Perform online inventory scanning and receive immediate alerts or error messages for misshelved items or items with an incorrect status (online mode)
- Review an inventory action report with errant materials after inventory data upload (offline mode)
- Gather statistics on in-house use (either online or offline mode)

Betsy Brooks, Library Director at Clinton Essex Franklin Library System, said, “I found that PocketCirc was very easy to use for inventory. It was especially easy to stop and start up again when I was interrupted, and it had good visual and audible cues to assist in setting problem items aside without breaking the flow. It can be used offline or online, and there are well designed reminders to tell staff when uploading data is necessary. The HP IPAQ we used is very reliable and the barcode scanner works well. I am hoping this will make it possible for our small libraries to do inventory easily and efficiently.”

SirsiDynix CTO, Talin Bingham, said, “We are excited to offer this new solution to our Horizon customers. We expect Horizon PocketCirc to assist libraries in streamlining workflow and improving efficiency and productivity. In addition, we hope librarians will enjoy the new freedom PocketCirc gives them to conduct business when away from the circulation desk. We look forward to continued success and support for our Horizon customers and desire to help them reach their goals in the most efficient manner possible.”

Horizon PocketCirc 1.0 is available in English for use with Horizon 7.4.1 or higher. Libraries may choose an HP IPAQ Pocket PC or a DataLogic Pagaso for their handheld device. For more information or a demo, please contact a sales professional at 1-800-288-8020 or sales@sirsidynix.com.

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