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**Linux OpenGL Graphics Drivers For IBM ThinkPad A31 Notebooks
Released By Xi Graphics**

Includes drivers for A31p model with ATI Mobility™ FireGL™ 7800 64MB

DENVER ---- Xi Graphics, Inc. announced today the release of eight high-performance OpenGL Linux graphics drivers for the A31 ThinkPad Notebook Series from IBM. Four of the drivers support the A31p ThinkPad models that have the new ATI Mobility FireGL 7800 graphics chip and a 15 inch 1600x1200 resolution LCD panel, while the other four drivers support the models that have the ATI Mobility RADEON™ 7500 graphics chips. The A31 notebook drivers also differ in feature sets and in 2D or 2D+OpenGL 3D capabilities.

Features such as OpenGL, DualView, and Video Window are available on all A31 models. Quad-buffered Stereo (on an external monitor) is available for the A31p model. Feature descriptions and benchmark test data for the Summit graphics drivers are available from the Xi Graphics Web site, <www.xig.com>. According to the Xi Graphics, Linux OpenGL benchmark data confirms IBM's designation of the A31p ThinkPad notebook with the FireGL 7800 graphics chipset and a 1.7GHz Pentium 4 CPU as a "Mobile Workstation."

All of the A31 ThinkPad OpenGL drivers utilize the same Xi Graphics' OpenGL high-performance rendering pipeline that is used for their Workstation graphics drivers for high-end graphics cards such as 3Dlabs' Wildcat III 6110, and which has been tested with high-end 3D applications packages in various industries.

Each Summit v2.1 graphics driver is available in demo mode for free download from the Xi Graphics Web site for compatibility and performance testing. Users can purchase a Summit License Key on-line which when installed converts a demo into permanent product. A license is required for each computer on which an Accelerated-X Summit driver is used as permanent product. Prices for a notebook License Key range from \$69 to \$139, depending upon the features desired. Quantity discounts are available.

Customer support, which the Company claims is prompt, courteous and competent, is also free via phone and e-mail to its Denver, Colorado facilities.

About Xi Graphics Inc.

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