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Beta 3D Graphics Drivers Now Available From Xi Graphics
Completely re-designed OpenGL pipeline and X server set new performance standards

DENVER — Xi Graphics Inc., a privately held firm that specializes in premium graphics support software for Linux and UNIX systems, announced today the Beta release of Version 2.0 of their Accelerated-X 3D Linux Graphics Drivers (LGDs). The most sophisticated upgrade thus far, Version 2.0 offers an accelerated and re-designed OpenGL pipeline, delivering exceptional desktop and laptop graphics performance on more than 30 popular graphics cards. A free trial download for testing the 3D Beta's capabilities is available at www.xig.com.

"We're setting the industry standard for 3D graphics performance," said Jon Trulson, Xi Graphics' engineering manager. "The new OpenGL pipeline offers incredibly high speed – up to 10 times faster than we've previously achieved – and is easily portable to other operating systems. The unified driver interface also allows us to support new cards much more quickly."

In addition to supporting different cards and laptops in Linux, Trulson noted that by the time the full product is released, Solaris will also be supported. The full 3D product line should be announced shortly and will be available as a free upgrade to those with a valid license key for v1.1.

A Beta LGD can be unlocked by anyone with a valid 3D AX 1.1 license key. Xi Graphics is encouraging current and prospective customers to download and evaluate the 3D 2.0 Beta demo at www.xig.com and provide feedback. The demo package includes a complete OpenGL rendering pipeline, Accelerated-X server and associated libraries as well as the OpenGL 1.2.1 Development kit.

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About Xi Graphics Inc.

Xi Graphics Inc., developers of the Accelerated-X Display Server product line, specializes in premium graphics support software for laptop and desktop graphics hardware operated with Linux and UNIX®. Founded in 1994 and located in Denver, Colo., the company provides retail products sold direct and through resellers and OEMs worldwide. Products include free customer support via phone and e-mail. For more information, contact Xi Graphics at 800-946-7433 or visit their Web site at www.xig.com.

Xi Graphics is a member of the Video Electronics Standards Association, The Open Group's X Project Team and a member of the Board of Linux International. Xi Graphics' innovative systems software enables Linux and UNIX to run on desktops, laptops and multi-head configurations with 2D and 3D hardware acceleration.

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