

Empower Software joins OpenTech Alliance Partner Program

INSOMNIAC Self-Service Kiosk Available for Storage Commander Facilities

SCOTTSDALE, Arizona – December 18, 2003 – OpenTech Alliance, Inc. announced today that Empower Software Technologies, LLC, has joined its Alliance Partner Program. Developers from both companies are working together to ensure all of the latest features found in Empower's Storage Commander™ can be leveraged through INSOMNIAC™, the self-service kiosk for self-storage facilities.

“Many facility managers know and love Storage Commander,” said Curtis Sojka, Vice President of Marketing for OpenTech. “We’ve combined forces with Empower to extend its rental and payment functionality into INSOMNIAC’s kiosk form. Now it’s just like having a manager on staff 24-hours a day to help customers.”

“Kiosks turn walk-ups into effortless rentals,” said Thomas V. Smith, Managing Director of Empower. “We’re excited to team with OpenTech to offer a powerful kiosk solution that leverages the great features built into Storage Commander. INSOMNIAC even captures a snapshot and fingerprint of each new tenant, placing them into Storage Commander so managers can review them later on.”

Storage Commander is one of the industry's leading management software solutions. It provides an innovative, interactive site map, full management capabilities, universal gate control, and numerous easy-to-read reports. The software also has many customizable options including a photo ID kit, check and card reader, and market analyzer.

INSOMNIAC is an integrated self-service solution (similar to an ATM for a bank) designed specifically for the self-storage industry. The system allows tenants to rent a unit, make a payment, update their account information, schedule a move out, purchase tenant insurance, view a video presentation about the facility and much more.

To learn more about how INSOMNIAC and Storage Commander can help your facility, please contact Empower Software at (877) 672-6257.

About Empower Software Technology, LLC

Empower Software Technology, LLC is located in Sun City, California. The company is a leader in developing management software for the self-storage industry. For more information, please call (877) 672-6257 or visit www.storagecommander.com.

About OpenTech Alliance, Inc.

OpenTech Alliance, Inc. has developed a vendor neutral, self-service kiosk that improves customer service, reduces operating costs and increases revenue for self-storage facilities. For more information on OpenTech, please visit www.opentechalliance.com or call (480) 235-4528.

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