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## **OPENWAVE AND APLIX PARTNER TO BRING JAVA™ TECHNOLOGY TO OPENWAVE PHONE TOOLS**

*Collaboration Will Improve User Experience, Cost and Time-to-Market for Java-Enabled  
Mobile Phones*

**NEW ORLEANS, La., REDWOOD CITY, Ca. and San Francisco, Ca. — March 17, 2003**

— Openwave Systems Inc. (Nasdaq: OPWV), the leading independent provider of open software products and services for the mobile communications industry, and Aplix Corporation, the global leader in deploying Java technology in mobile phones, today announced a collaboration to integrate Aplix's JBlend™ technology with Openwave Phone Tools Version 7.0. This alliance, which is the first download technology partnership for Openwave Phone Tools, will provide handset manufacturers and operators with a faster and more cost-effective way to bring new games, downloadable applications and services to new mass market handsets.

“Openwave Phone Tools V7 is a terrific advancement for mass market phones. Its integrated Mobile File and Application Manager is of the most user-friendly Java application managers on the market,” said Michael Leone, chief technology officer of Aplix Corporation of America. “Combining V7 with Aplix's JBlend platform and both companies' proven leadership in delivering software to mass market phones, we can greatly improve the user experience for mobile services on Java technology-based handsets.”

“Aplix has been instrumental in the success of Java technology and the mobile Internet experience that Openwave customers such as KDDI and J-PHONE have delivered,” said Thomas Reardon, vice president and general manager, client software group, Openwave. “Our joint development efforts are going to open new opportunities for handset manufacturers as operators continue to innovate with new and improved download services. We look forward to working with Aplix to give more mass market phone power to our joint customers.”

### **About JBlend Platform**

The JBlend platform is the de facto solution for running Java applications and services in mobile phones. It includes a high-performance, small-footprint Java virtual machine (JVM™) for a variety of configurations (CLDC, CDC) and profiles/extensions (MIDP, i-mode, Sprint and

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others); and all the porting tools and test suites needed to Java-enable a full line of consumer products. The JBlend platform supports a variety of popular operating systems and microprocessors, and has also been successfully integrated in many digital appliances and embedded devices

### **About Openwave Phone Tools Version 7.0**

Openwave Phone Tools Version 7.0 gives manufacturers and operators a new kind of phone power to create differentiated services that work together to increase mobile data usage. The product line currently includes four key revenue-generating client applications: an upgrade of the market's leading WAP 2.0 browser, a new messaging client, a fully integrated download and file manager, and a powerful multimedia player. The application platform included with V7 ensures that manufacturers can quickly add new client applications that utilize basic components of the architecture. The V7 architecture is designed for best-of-breed customization, providing new opportunities to create consistent branded experiences across the entire handset. V7 brings the excitement of high-end handset functionality and the power of operator and manufacturer marketing to the mass-market phone.

### **About Aplx Corporation**

Aplx Corporation is the global leader in deploying Java technology in mobile phones. The company's JBlend technology has been adopted as the standard Java runtime environment by leading wireless carriers in Japan, and has been shipped in more than 12 million mobile phones and home electronics products. Aplx was first established in 1986 and has been a Sun Java licensee since 1996. It is headquartered in Tokyo with an affiliate in San Francisco and an office in Paris

### **About Openwave**

Openwave Systems Inc. (Nasdaq: OPWV) is the leading independent provider of open software products and services for the mobile communications industry. Openwave is a global company headquartered in Redwood City, California. For more information please visit [www.openwave.com](http://www.openwave.com).

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