



Press Release

StarDot Technologies makes a major commitment to the Linux operating system

Buena Park, California. April 2, 2002 - StarDot Technologies, the technology leader in Internet-ready, high resolution image capture products, announced today that it has committed to the use of the Linux operating system in all of its new development projects.

“We used a special version of Linux in Our NetCam™ combined camera/webserver product. Besides the camera’s impressive performance, we have been gratified to receive so much praise from our customers,” said Vance Kozik, Project Manager of the Imaging Products Group. “Of course our use of Linux is invisible to our customers. What they see is a ‘set up and forget system’. That reliability comes from high quality hardware and software design including the use of Linux,” he added.



Linux is an open source operating system originally developed in 1991 by Linus Torvalds. It is continually developed and upgraded by a worldwide team of volunteer programmers who continue to add new capabilities to this powerful operating system. It is now supported by and used by such industry heavyweights as IBM and Sun. It can be freely downloaded and modified. Among its many advantages is its relative invulnerability to virus attacks. This invulnerability has made it the most popular operating systems for “firewalls”, servers that protect a network from unauthorized access. It is an amazingly versatile system that scales from embedded controllers to massively parallel clusters for super-computers.

“NetCam utilizes uClinux, a version of Linux designed for non-memory management of CPUs (Central Processing Units) and micro-controllers. It is very efficient at handling the rapid image processing required by the camera’s high-resolution CCD (charge coupled device) imaging sensor. And since Linux is open source, our engineers can easily upgrade the software to add more features,” added Vance Kozik.

“From a sales standpoint, “the best part about NetCam is that you don't have to know anything about how it operates to capture great images and view them at your web-site,” interjected Linda Zazueta, Regional Sales Manager “We have done all the worrying for you to create a great, reliable and robust camera.” she added.

“StarDot Technologies will be using the Linux operating system in several of our exciting new products that will be released this year, including our new video server, and wireless camera,” commented James Chan, StarDot’s President. “We will be issuing press releases on some of these new products in April,” he added.

About StarDot Technologies

Founded in 1989, StarDot built upon its impressive engineering talent to become the premier manufacturer of affordable high-resolution network cameras for the remote monitoring industry worldwide. This business sector includes tourism, security, construction, education, government and many other users who need high-resolution image capturing and processing. Its product line includes **NetCam™**, an integrated camera and web server, **Video Server**, a device that connects up to six video cameras to a network. In addition, it produces special NetCams™ combined with Weather stations, Gamma radiation monitors, and other special instruments to meet the remote monitoring needs of Industry and Government.

StarDot’s new **Wireless NetCams™** give users a choice of remote [global access](#) though the Iridium system, ground based [national access](#) through wireless data networks, and [local access](#) through 802.11b (WiFi) networks. Its products are sold through international distributors and through its direct sales staff. For more information, go to www.stardot-tech.com.

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