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Are you VISTA ready? ***Staples Business Depot Makes it EASY***

Toronto, ON (January 26, 2007) - Staples Business Depot is getting ready for Microsoft VISTA customers. The office supply leader expects to sell approximately 16,000 software units and Vista-loaded computers in stores and on-line the first week of availability. Windows Vista is available January 30, 2007.

"This is an exciting product with unique features," said Pete Gibel, VP of Merchandising with Staples Business Depot. "We know our customers have been anxiously awaiting the launch, and our stores and associates are all working hard to be ready for January 30."

Staples Business Depot promises to make the Windows Vista upgrade EASY for customers by offering a free computer system analysis through the company's ***Easy Tech Force*** team. ***Easy Tech Force*** makes customers feel secure by providing a detailed report on a computer's ability to run Windows Vista, and by recommending the edition that will best fit a purchaser's needs.

About *Easy Tech Force*

The Easy Tech Force is comprised of a team of technicians specially trained to solve your PC computer problems. Whether you are buying your first computer, seeking preventive maintenance, or upgrading your existing equipment, the Easy Tech Force makes it stress-free.

Special Vista Offers

Customers who purchase any version of Windows VISTA will receive free installation (with the additional purchase of any ***Easy Tech Force*** service), and a coupon book worth over \$500 in savings.

All versions of Windows Vista (Home Basic, Home Premium, Business and Business Ultimate) will be available for sale, on-line and in-store on January 30, 2007. For more details please visit www.staples.ca

About STAPLES Business Depot

STAPLES Business Depot was founded in Toronto in 1991. It is Canada's largest supplier of office supplies, business machines, office furniture and business services for the small business and home office customer. The company is an everyday low price retailer. The chain operates stores in all provinces across Canada under the banners STAPLES ® Business Depot™ and BUREAU EN GROS™. The company has over 13,000 employees serving customers through more than 265 office superstores, catalogue, and e-commerce. STAPLES ® Business Depot™/BUREAU EN GROS™ is committed to making shopping easy by offering customers three ways to shop - online, by catalogue and in-store. More information is available at www.staples.ca.

Attention Media

The media is invited to preview Windows Vista with a Staples Business Depot product expert at any Staples location across the country. For more information on Staples Business Depot, to book a preview or media interview with a Vista-ready Staples associate, please contact:

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