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Alltel Wireless Offers Handmark Pocket Express on Smart Phones
*Service delivers news, sports, maps and more
to wireless handsets*

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. and KANSAS CITY, Mo. – (12 October 2006) Alltel Wireless, America's largest network, and Handmark®, the leading on-device portal company, today announced that Pocket Express wireless services are available for Palm Powered™ and Windows Mobile®-based smart devices and BlackBerry handhelds™ from Alltel. With totally free news, sports and weather, as well as two-week free access to 14 additional subscription services, Pocket Express offers Alltel customers an even greater range of productivity and convenience.

"Pocket Express makes an ideal companion to our portfolio of advanced mobile devices," said Wade McGill, senior vice president of product management for Alltel Wireless. "Our smart device customers choose these specialty devices because of their wide enterprise acceptance and ability to deliver the information that is essential to their business and their daily lives. Pocket Express extends that functionality by providing customers with even more essential real-time information."

Pocket Express delivers news, sports, weather, stock quotes, street maps and turn-by-turn directions, movie reviews and show times, the New Oxford American dictionary, 411-directory search and more. The "Extras" section of the application even lets users browse and install new software applications directly to their phones so they can add functionality to their mobile devices from anywhere. With intuitive navigation, robust personalization features, and speed considerably faster than traditional mobile browsing, Pocket Express has emerged as the leading independent portal on the market.

The service is currently available to Alltel customers at www.handmark.com/alltel and will be included with a host of new devices launching in the near future. "Pocket Express is a great addition to a smart device," said Douglas Edwards, Handmark co-founder and chief marketing officer. "With something for everyone, Pocket Express will become the preferred wireless portal for Alltel customers using a wide array of converged wireless devices."

About Handmark

Handmark is a global leader in the development and distribution of mobile content solutions. Pocket Express™ wireless on device portal service offers consumer-friendly access to news, reference and infotainment content on mobile phones as well as BlackBerry, Palm Treo, Motorola Q and other Windows Mobile wireless handhelds. The company holds key mobile content distribution patents including Java-based push technology for wireless devices; has technology and distribution relationships with CNN International, The Associated Press, Oxford University Press, Hasbro, MobiTV, TV Guide, JAMDAT Mobile and Zagat Survey as well as all major U.S. Mobile Operators; and dominates the market for mobile software sold through retail channels. Handmark has R&D facilities in Gothenburg, Sweden; Kansas City, Missouri; and Dallas, Texas, with sales offices in Kansas City, San Francisco, Stockholm, and London. For more information, visit www.handmark.com.

About Alltel

Alltel is owner and operator of the nation's largest wireless network and has more than 11 million wireless customers.

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