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Suzo-Happ Group Acquires Starpoint Developments Ltd., a Supplier of Gaming & Amusement Components

Company's Fifth Strategic Add-on Acquisition Expands Product Line

ELK GROVE VILLAGE, IL (November 1, 2006) — Suzo-Happ Group today announced the acquisition of Starpoint Developments Ltd., a UK-based supplier of electro-mechanical devices used in the gaming and amusement markets. The acquisition is the company's fifth since October 2005, strengthening Suzo-Happ's position as the leading global supplier of amusement and gaming parts and accessories with over 30,000 SKUs, customers in 80 countries, and more than 450 employees in 18 locations. Pfingsten Partners is Suzo-Happ's majority shareholder.

"This transaction reinforces our position as a global one-stop shop for amusement- and gaming-related parts and accessories sold both to OEMs and through distribution to a broad array of gaming operators," said Chuck Turnbull, President and CEO of Suzo-Happ Group. "Starpoint's products, engineering capabilities, and manufacturing operations all complement our portfolio and give customers one more reason to source components from our company."

"The combined Suzo-Happ organizations of Happ, Suzo and AESI are household names in our industry, and becoming part of the group has clear benefits for all parties involved," said Colin Crossman, Managing Director of Starpoint. "This will simplify the sourcing process for our customers, increase the resources we can devote to continued product development, and allow us to take advantage of strategies developed by our new parent company to deliver the best products at the best prices and with the best customer service."

Starpoint (www.starpoint.uk.com) was founded in 1968 and has 60 employees, a factory close to London that will remain in operation under Suzo-Happ's ownership, and customers in over 30 countries. The company manufactures reel mechanisms and flexistrips for slot machines, illuminated push buttons for gaming and vending machines, and assorted game devices and accessories.

Suzo-Happ will continue operating Starpoint as a separate entity and will integrate the Starpoint line into its catalog for easy sourcing. The firm also plans to extend Starpoint's current global sourcing capabilities through Pfingsten Partners Hong Kong, the private equity firm's dedicated sourcing office in China.

Suzo-Happ Group's most significant previous strategic addition was its October 2005 purchase of Advanced Electronic Systems, a sales, technical support and service organization for slot machine peripheral devices. The



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company also acquired ProSource Group, a manufacturer of coin doors, ticket dispensers and related products, in May 2006; Mazzco, a North American parts distribution company, also in May 2006; and Sadelectronics, a European gaming parts distributor, in July 2006.

The Starpoint acquisition closed on October 31. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

About the Suzo-Happ Group

The Suzo-Happ Group was formed in 2004 with the merger of Suzo International, headquartered in The Netherlands, and Happ Controls, headquartered in Elk Grove Village, IL. The combined organization holds a global leadership position in the gaming and amusement parts and accessories market with customers in 80 countries. The company has manufacturing, engineering, distribution and service capabilities and over 450 employees on three continents. More information is available at www.suzohapp.com, www.suzo.com, www.gamingstuff.com and www.happcontrols.com.

About Pfingsten Partners

Deerfield, IL-based Pfingsten Partners is an operationally oriented private equity firm formed in 1989 to make equity investments in middle market manufacturing, distribution and specialty media companies. Since completing its first investment in 1991, Pfingsten Partners has acquired 51 companies and built value by providing capital, corporate finance and operating resources necessary to improve operations and achieve profitable business growth at its platform companies in partnership with management. For more information, visit www.pfingstenpartners.com.