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ActionFront Completes First Data Recovery Cases Using SignalTrace™ Technology

*Groundbreaking technology is used to restore
previously unrecoverable digital data*

Chicago, IL, May 9, 2006 – **ActionFront Data Recovery Labs**, a leader in resolving business-critical data loss for all brands and formats of digital media, is pleased to announce the deployment of SignalTrace™ into regular production and the first customer recoveries using this revolutionary drive-independent technology.

SignalTrace™ technology can recover data from media that is so severely damaged it cannot be addressed by traditional recovery methods. By replacing the exacting, optimized signal processing and positioning functions of 'hyper-tuned' disk drives with custom hardware, software and algorithms to precisely locate particular sectors of data, SignalTrace™ recovers each user bit individually – independent of the drive's specific hardware.

Emerging from a comprehensive R & D stage, SignalTrace™ procedures were successfully applied to recover data from drives experiencing significant drive head degradation. Because conventional internal parts replacement recovery methods would prove insufficient, these hard drives were ideal candidates for SignalTrace™ recovery techniques.

SignalTrace™ is the result of many years of research and a substantial investment of ActionFront resources. ActionFront first announced the development of this advanced data recovery procedure and methodology in 2004. From an initial prototype, following extensive testing, SignalTrace™ has now been brought into full production. In his white paper entitled "Recovering Unrecoverable Data, The Need for Drive-Independent Data Recovery," Charles H. Sobey, Chief Scientist of ChannelScience, stated that "SignalTrace™ is the only solution known to date that can recover user data from modern previously un-recoverable drives."

"This is truly a landmark achievement in the data recovery industry," commented Christian Sorensen, ActionFront's Vice President of Technical Operations. "ActionFront's drive-independent recovery methodology opens the door to even

the most challenging recoveries from any brand of hard drive. We are extremely proud to be the first to offer this solution to businesses and individuals who otherwise would have never gained access to their valuable data. We are looking forward to leveraging Seagate's drive engineering expertise and resources in our continued advancement of SignalTrace™ technology."

About ActionFront Data Recovery Labs

ActionFront Data Recovery Labs is a wholly owned subsidiary of Seagate Technology. Since 1989, ActionFront has been an industry forerunner and innovator in recovering inaccessible or corrupted data from all digital media, including computers, servers and back-ups. ActionFront is the world's only ISO 9001:2000 certified recovery services provider serving thousands of consumer and business clients from its facilities around the globe. For more information, please visit www.ActionFront.com.

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