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Fork Particle Licenses Visual Effects Toolset to Turbine

Pleasanton, California, October 28, 2008 – Fork Particle announced today that it has licensed its Visual Effects Tool and SDK to Turbine, Inc. the company behind *The Lord of the Rings Online™* and *Dungeons and Dragons Online™*.

Founder and CEO of Fork Particle, Inc., Noor Khawaja, welcomed Turbine as a customer. He appreciated the work that the Turbine development team had done and said Fork Particle remained committed to raising the bar for particle effects technology in video games. "We are excited that Turbine has decided to deploy the Fork Particle solution. We expect that their talented team will find the user-friendly interface and powerful toolset key to the production of quality particle system visual effects."

Turbine CTO Christopher Dyl explained the rationale behind deciding to use the Fork Particle technology. "Fork Particle has the essential features we need to build complex and advanced special effects that will give our games that extra kick to dazzle our loyal gamers while cutting down on production time."

The Fork Particle Visual Effects Tool & SDK cross platform solution streamlines the production pipeline for high quality particle system visual effects and enables real-time simulation of effects in-game. Artists enjoy reduced iteration time and instant updates while customizing and tweaking particle effects. The user-friendly authoring tool interface is the key design element of the system: it enables artists to forego programming considerations and focus their creative energies on developing top quality special effects, immediately enhancing the graphics quality of their product.

About Turbine

Turbine, Inc. is a premier creator, operator and publisher of massive, persistent online worlds that foster powerful social gaming communities. Turbine is one of the largest privately-held online gaming studios in North America and was recently chosen by AlwaysOn as one of the OnHollywood 100 Top Private Companies, a power list of the top private emerging technology companies in digital entertainment and media. Turbine has created some of the world's most popular and award-winning online games, including *The Lord of the Rings Online™*, *Dungeons & Dragons Online™* and *Asheron's Call®*. For more information on Turbine, its products and services please visit www.turbine.com.

About Fork Particle

Fork Particle is the leading tools and middleware provider of advanced real-time visual effects simulation software development studios and authoring solutions to video games and virtual simulator software developers. The Fork Particle solution streamlines the effects production pipeline and enables developers to create next generation visual effects to enhance the graphics quality of their products. The Fork Particle technology is licensed by Microsoft, THQ, Turbine, other major game developers. Visit our website www.forkparticle.com.

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