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Chartwell Releases Version 2.1 Poker Software

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Calgary, Canada, July 27, 2006, Chartwell Technology Inc. (TSX:CWH), a leading provider of gaming software systems to the online and remote gaming industry is pleased to announce the release of Version 2.1 of Chartwell's multiplayer poker product. This new feature-rich product offers immediate benefits to Chartwell's clients as well as supporting the expansion plans of Chartwell's poker community (www.pokernexus.com).

Version 2.1 includes both player-side enhancements and back-end optimizations. Player-side enhancements include, display filters and a "Favorites" area allowing players to quickly find and join a free table with their preferred parameters. Other display improvements include color-coded player plaques, a tabbed login area, a Mini-View feature that lets the player view up to four tables at once, short cut keys, and links to operator news and support information from the lobby. Forthcoming features include a new user-friendly table design with larger buttons, Player Avatars and Buddy Lists.

Equally important are the changes that have been made to the system architecture. The communication protocols have been optimized in order to reduce the bandwidth requirements to operate, and prepare the system for the upcoming launch of our Flash Poker product. Architecture optimization allows us to prepare for enhanced scalability, as customer and player activities increase; allowing us to provide the players with a better playing environment.

"We are absolutely delighted with the latest release of our poker software," says Peter van Tuyl, Chartwell's Poker Product Manager. "Given our in-depth knowledge and research of the poker space, our team of experts have developed a fabulously enhanced version of our poker software for the players and the poker network. The new back-end and front-end features allow for better game play and an over-all better user experience. Feedback has been extremely positive and we look forward to continually enhancing the product to support our growth."

About PokerNexus

Chartwell Poker is licensed exclusively as part of PokerNexus, a worldwide network of Chartwell's poker licensees. Combining players from across many sites generates larger numbers of players, allowing more games, more game selection, and higher revenue potential. Licensees maintain full control of their own marketing, payment processing and player database while hosting and day-to-day operations are handled by ECM Management, an independent company acting as Chartwell's exclusive agent in the provision of managed services.

About Chartwell

Chartwell specializes in the development of leading-edge gaming applications and entertainment content for the Internet and wireless platforms and other remote access devices. Chartwell's Java and Flash based software products and games are designed for deployment in gaming, entertainment, advertising and promotional applications. Chartwell does not participate in the online gaming business of its clients. Chartwell's team of highly trained professionals is committed to delivering the highest quality software and maintaining its leading edge through continuous development and unparalleled customer support.

Chartwell invites you to preview our company and gaming applications at www.chartwelltechnology.com

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