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### HitachiSoft and Pointsec join forces to improve security

#### *HitachiSoft distributes Hibun AE Full Disk Encryption under OEM agreement for Pointsec for PC*

**Stockholm, SWEDEN – April 12, 2006** – Pointsec Mobile Technologies, the global leader and the provider of the de facto standard for enterprise security software for laptop and desktop PCs, PDAs and smartphones, and Hitachi Software Engineering Co., Ltd. (HitachiSoft) today announced the formation of a new partnership. As the first step in their collaboration, HitachiSoft has obtained OEM rights from Pointsec for its flagship product, Pointsec for PC, which protects against information leakage from lost, stolen or discarded notebooks and PCs through full-disk encryption. HitachiSoft will distribute Pointsec for PC under the name "Hibun AE Full Disk Encryption" ("Hibun AE FDE") as part of its Hibun series of products.

"Pointsec is committed to providing customers around the world with the strongest and most manageable security to protect the business and confidential information stored on their PCs, laptops and mobile devices," said Peter Larsson, CEO of Pointsec Mobile Technologies. "The partnership and OEM agreement with HitachiSoft provides us with a stronger footprint in the Japanese market, where data protection is a critical requirement for conducting business."

By joining forces, HitachiSoft and Pointsec are bringing protection to enterprises around the world that are increasingly concerned about the threat of information loss through lost equipment as they continue moving toward a mobile work environment. HitachiSoft's "Hibun" product family is the best selling information protection solution in Japan, with an installed base of 2.5 million licenses at the end of 2005. Pointsec is currently the worldwide market leader for mobile data protection, with a global installed base of more than 2.5 million users and significant operations in Europe, U.S. and Asia.

HitachiSoft currently offers per disk data encryption, removable media encryption and file encryption through Hibun AE Information Cypher (Hibun AE IC). By incorporating Pointsec for PC in its product line under the name Hibun AE FDE, HitachiSoft is adding full-disk encryption to its offerings to provide its customers with the highest level of protection against the loss of confidential information from lost, stolen or discarded laptops and PCs. Hibun AE FDE will further enrich HitachiSoft's Hibun series of products to satisfy diversified customers' encryption needs.

HitachiSoft and Pointsec plan to further strengthen their partnership by exploring mutual OEM opportunities as well as the potential co-development of new products.

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#### **About Pointsec**

Pointsec is the worldwide de facto standard for mobile device security – with the most customers deployed, highest level of certification and more complete device coverage than any other company. Pointsec delivers a trusted solution for automatic data encryption that guarantees proven protection at the most vulnerable point where sensitive enterprise data is stored – on mobile devices. By securing sensitive information stored on laptops, PDAs, smartphones, and removable media, enterprises and government organizations can protect and enhance their image, minimize risk, shield confidential data, guard information assets, and strengthen public and shareholder confidence. Pointsec's customers include blue chip companies and government organizations around the world. Founded in 1988, Pointsec Mobile Technologies AB is a wholly owned subsidiary of Protect Data AB, publicly traded (PROT) on the Stockholm stock exchange. The company has two U.S. offices, nine EMEA offices, three APAC offices, two offices in India and one office in Dubai, Middle East. Pointsec can be found on the web at: [www.pointsec.com](http://www.pointsec.com).