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## Syntune Signs Altima Corp. As Exclusive Distributor in Japan

Stockholm, Sweden (October 12, 2006) – Syntune AB, a leading developer of innovative single-chip tunable lasers and transmitters, today announced it has signed Altima Corp. as its exclusive distributor in Japan. Altima Corp., based in Yokohama, is a leading Japanese distributor and solution provider of electronics products and design services.

"The Japanese market is already one of our largest and as it continues to grow, it is essential for us to have an experienced distributor like Altima to help us meet the needs of the market," said Kevin Green, vice president of marketing and sales at Syntune. "Altima has been very successful in Japan for many years and we look forward to seeing that success continue with our entire product line."

Syntune develops widely tunable products that operate over the entire C-Band and are instrumental in enabling the next generation of Agile Optical Networks. Its patented monolithic design minimizes size, power consumption and cost, while still allowing the fastest possible tuning speeds.

"In the rapid growth of broadband and rise of the next generation network (NGN), the core network equipment is required to offer more flexibility in a smaller size," said Kiyoshi Nakashima, president of Altima. "Through this partnership with Syntune who addresses such requirements, we believe we can support our optical customers in Japan even more deeply."

To learn more about Syntune, visit www.syntune.com; call (847) 894-4589 or e-mail info@syntune.com.

## **About Syntune**

Syntune (www.syntune.com) supplies state-of-the-art widely tunable lasers for applications ranging from fiber-optic communications to sensor systems. In communications, Syntune's lasers

enable universal DWDM transceivers with low power consumption in a small form factor. These drastically reduce overhead costs for sparing and maintaining inventories. Tunability also enables flexible networks, which allows operators to offer innovative services and reduces their operational expenditures. Syntune is backed by InnovationsKapital (www.innkap.se), Teknoinvest Management AS (www.teknoinvest.no) and Vision Capital (www.visioncap.com).

## **About Altima**

Altima Corp. is a leading distributor and solution provider of electronics products from semiconductors, software, subsystems and design services in Japan. As a 100% subsidiary of Macnica, Inc. (Tokyo Stock Exchange: 7631), one of Japan's largest independent distributors, Altima provides highly optimized sales and technical support for leading technology products from the entire world to its customers. Through its extensive knowledge about the technologies, market, customers and applications, Altima stands out for its capabilities to support its customers from product concept and definition to mass production stages through the product life cycle. For more information about Altima, please visit http://altimanet.com.

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