

## **i4i Inc. and the Microsoft injunction**

Toronto, ON February 3, 2010 — i4i Inc., a world leader in the design and development of collaborative content solutions technologies, affirms that their existing products are unaffected by the injunction against Microsoft. i4i will continue to develop and service all its product lines and will be releasing a new product to assist those affected by the injunction.

On December 22, 2009 the US Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit affirmed i4i's successful patent<sup>1</sup> infringement lawsuit against Microsoft and as a result, as of January 11, 2010, Microsoft was enjoined from licensing the ability to open Word documents that contain custom XML<sup>2</sup>.

In response, Microsoft has made available a patch that removes all custom XML from Word 2007 on the "Open" command. This patch applies to versions of Word sold in the US on or after January 11, 2010. Microsoft has also released a utility that can determine whether a Word document contains custom XML<sup>3</sup>.

Michel Vulpe, CTO and founder of i4i, commented:

"We are concerned that our customers may be uncertain as to the impact of this injunction and the patch on their i4i products. They can be assured that our products, based on our patented invention, are not affected.

i4i appreciates the market's concern that the Microsoft's patent infringement has raised. We are preparing a solution to assist those that are directly affected. We will do our utmost to ensure that the users affected by the court ruling have the ability to utilize their investment in custom XML."

### About i4i

Based in Toronto, Canada, i4i ([www.i4i.com](http://www.i4i.com)) is a world leader in the design and development of XML-based collaborative content solutions and technologies. The company has a proven record of accomplishment and innovation having authored international standards and patented its technology. Through the use of i4i's comprehensive suite of products and solutions, life sciences, government and other industry around the world can author, verify, submit and manage structured content.

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For complete details on the lawsuit, please visit [www.i4ilp.com](http://www.i4ilp.com)

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<sup>1</sup> U.S. Patent No. 5,787,449

<sup>2</sup> customXML a.k.a Custom XML, custom XML and, CustomXML, is what Microsoft refers to as 'user defined' XML.

<sup>3</sup> Details on this can be found at [http://blogs.technet.com/gray\\_knowlton/archive/2010/01/20/scanning-tool-to-detect-custom-xml-markup-in-docx-and-docm-files.aspx](http://blogs.technet.com/gray_knowlton/archive/2010/01/20/scanning-tool-to-detect-custom-xml-markup-in-docx-and-docm-files.aspx)