

Press Release

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POKERTEK AND ARISTOCRAT EXTEND DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT

Matthews, NC – January 6, 2009: PokerTek, Inc., (NASDAQ: PTEK), the industry pioneer and worldwide leader in automated poker tables and related software, and Aristocrat Technologies Limited, a world leader in slot machine gaming technology, announced the extension of their worldwide distribution agreement today. The agreement provides Aristocrat with the exclusive right to distribute PokerTek's award winning PokerPro gaming products outside of North America for a period of ten years, comprised of a one year initial term followed by a possible nine year extension.

"Aristocrat has been a good ally for PokerTek on several levels," said Chris Halligan, CEO of PokerTek. "Not only have they performed well in growing PokerPro's international market share, they've been an excellent business partner. We are delighted to continue our working relationship with them."

"PokerPro has been an excellent complement to our product range, and working with PokerTek has been a pleasure," said Simon Kelly, CFO of Aristocrat. "Our two companies share business goals and the communication and support we receive from PokerTek is outstanding."

During the first three years of the relationship, Aristocrat has placed almost 100 PokerPro tables worldwide including installations in Australia, Bulgaria, Panama, Hungary, Malaysia and elsewhere.

In addition to the partnership on PokerPro, Aristocrat will also continue to serve as a distributor for Heads-Up Challenge, PokerTek's industry leading amusement poker game.

About PokerTek, Inc.:

PokerTek, Inc. (NASDAQ: PTEK), headquartered in Matthews, NC, develops and markets products for the casino and amusement industries. PokerTek developed PokerPro automated poker tables and related software applications to increase casino revenue, reduce expenses and attract new players into poker rooms by offering interactive poker that is fast, fun and mistake-free. Heads-Up Challenge is a two-player table that allows bars and restaurant patrons to compete head-to-head in various games for amusement purposes, increases earnings for game operators and provides patrons unique and challenging on-site entertainment. Both

products are installed worldwide. For more information, please visit the company's website at: www.PokerTek.com, or contact Tracy Egan at 704.849.0860 x106.

About Aristocrat:

With over 50 years industry experience and over 2000 staff globally, Aristocrat has built on its Australian market leadership and reputation to become a premium supplier of groundbreaking technologies and services to the international gaming industry. Aristocrat enjoys a well-earned reputation for outstanding performance and strong brand equity in more than 200 jurisdictions around the world. The diverse product line-up extends from electronic gaming machines to complete gaming solutions, including systems, services, electronic tables, and ancillary equipment. For more information, please visit the company's website at www.aristocratgaming.com.

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, which are made in accordance with the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All forward-looking statements are subject to the risks and uncertainties inherent in predicting the future. Our actual results may differ materially from those implied in these forward-looking statements as a result of many factors, including, but not limited to, overall industry environment, customer acceptance of our products, delay in the introduction of new products, further approvals of regulatory authorities, adverse court rulings, production and/or quality control problems, the denial, suspension or revocation of permits or licenses by regulatory or governmental authorities, termination or non-renewal of customer contracts, amendment or termination of our loans, disruption of our relationships with our suppliers, competitive pressures, general economic and political conditions, such as political instability, credit market uncertainty, inflationary pressures from higher energy and fuel costs and the rate of economic growth or decline in our principal geographic markets, each of which may be amplified by recent disruptions in the U.S. and global financial markets and our financial condition. These and other risks and uncertainties are described in more detail in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, as well as other reports and statements that we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made and should not be relied upon as representing our views as of any subsequent date. We undertake no obligation to update or revise such statements to reflect new circumstances or unanticipated events as they occur, except as required by applicable laws, and you are urged to review and consider disclosures that we make in this and other reports that we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission that discuss factors germane to our business.