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## **ClearStar.net Partners with SharperLending LLC To Deliver a Broad Spectrum of Credit Data Services**

**CUMMING, GA – October 23, 2007** – ClearStar.net, a leading information services provider for the background, employment and tenant screening industry, announced today the formation of a partnership with SharperLending LLC, technology provider of secure, Web-based lending management platforms. Under terms of the agreement, SharperLending will provide ClearStar.net with real time gateway access to data from all three credit bureaus and its proprietary suite of service offerings in standard MISMO XML format.

“Flexibility and security of credit related data is critical to the decision making capability in background screening and gives us more flexibility to deliver services that ensure that our clients maintain their competitive edge,” explained R.J. Vale, CEO of ClearStar.net. “Now that we can parse and measure the data, we will be able to deliver a tri-merged credit report and bundle the credit data with other data elements to provide total scoring models. ClearStar.net also gains the ability to further analyze data according to industry-specific business rules to more effectively present information in a variety of graphical formats.

“This relationship with ClearStar.net is important because it allows us to reach deep into the tenant and employment screening space – an area where secure access to credit information is highly valued – and begin servicing established industry providers with years of experience in their market,” said Dave Black, President and CEO of SharperLending, LLC.

The partnership comes as a culmination of combined development efforts to build an open architecture gateway based on their common platform of Microsoft .NET and web services.

“We feel that this is an especially effective strategic partnership because both of our companies have demonstrated their commitment to taking privacy, security and compliance to the highest levels within our industries,” stated Black.

“There is velocity in the partnership because we speak the same language with the same understanding of security requirements and certifications,” continued Vale. “We can now move any service through our interface that SharperLending can offer and we can draw on their well

established integrity and core competency to guide us in evolving the use of credit services to add value to our customers.”

**About SharperLending, LLC**

Headquartered in Spokane, Wash., SharperLending, LLC, was founded in 1989 and was the first to offer a complete Web browser-based mortgage credit reporting system on the Internet. The company’s proven technology has processed more than 40 million secure credit-related mortgage transactions with more than 800 million trade lines. SharperLending, LLC, has three divisions under its corporate umbrella: SharperLending Bundled Services Division, the bundled services platform; SharperLending Affiliated Credit Division, technology for the credit reporting industry; and EPN Solutions, the loan origination product packaging division. For more information, visit [www.SharperLending.com](http://www.SharperLending.com).

**About ClearStar.net**

ClearStar.net is a trusted provider of strategic services and decision making information for background screening firms. ClearStar.net’s proven technology infrastructure is HR-XML Consortium certified and sets the foundation for a strong community of progressive, independent retailers who provide risk mitigation, employment and tenant screening services.

A founding member of the National Association of Professional Background Screeners, ClearStar.net and its distribution network have been facilitating confident business decisions by serving consumers of public records from its corporate offices in Atlanta, Georgia, since 1995. For more information, please visit: [www.ClearStar.net](http://www.ClearStar.net).

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