

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **XPIENT Solutions Selected by Panera, LLC**

**Charlotte, NC (July 25, 2006)** ~ XPIENT Solutions, LLC, a leading provider of Point-of-Sale (POS) technology has announced that it has signed an agreement with Panera®, LLC.

"We are excited to welcome Panera®, LLC and the Panera brand to our family of clients," said Christopher Sebes, President and Chief Executive Officer of XPIENT Solutions. "We look forward to providing real benefits to the Panera operators and to give them the flexibility to move their business forward with new technology as needed in the future."

Centered on XPIENT's IRIS (Intelligent Restaurant Information System) Point-of-Sale application, the solution also includes credit and stored value card transaction engines, eKitchen for expanded Kitchen video applications, and XBMS Visual Dashboard (eXception Based Monitoring System) for real-time performance monitoring.

"XPIENT has proven themselves to be very flexible in meeting our needs, and helping to create and maintain a version of IRIS that is unique to Panera," said Tom Kish, Vice President of Information Technology, Panera, LLC. "They have been exceptionally responsive in understanding and quickly delivering on requested features and functionality that support the ongoing focus on speed of service and order accuracy for our Guests."

As a certified product, XPIENT's IRIS product is now available for deployment into new and targeted retrofit Cafes, which includes both company and franchise-owned locations.

#### **About XPIENT Solutions**

XPIENT Solutions ( [www.xpient.com](http://www.xpient.com) ) is a leading provider of innovative, results-driven food service technology solutions, including POS, back-office and enterprise management. XPIENT offers a full complement of integrated technologies designed with success in mind. From applications that help restaurant operators efficiently take orders and improve kitchen throughput to labor management, production prep, inventory control, customer loyalty programs and data management tools, XPIENT's solution suite allows them to easily manage every aspect of restaurant operations.