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Information Security Advisory

Effective July 1, 2010, Microsoft will discontinue their support of the Windows 2000 operating system. The Payment Card Industry Payment Application Data Security Standard (PA-DSS) requires all components of the payment processing system to be supported by the vendors with security updates. Therefore, effective July 1, 2010, any payment processing products operating only on the Windows 2000 operating system will become non-compliant with the terms of the PA-DSS.

Merchants who are processing, storing or transmitting cardholder data as part of authorization or settlement are required to comply with the terms of the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI-DSS). The PCI-DSS requires Merchants to use only PA-DSS compliant payment processing applications. Therefore, any Merchants using a payment processing application that is not PA-DSS compliant are also not PCI-DSS compliant. Any Merchants who are compromised and found not to be PCI-DSS compliant at the time could be subject to significant fines and penalties by the Cardholder Industry. For more information on the PA-DSS, please refer to the following link on the Payment Card Industry Security Standards Council (PCI-SSC) web site:

https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/security_standards/pa_dss.shtml For more information on the PCI-DSS, please refer to the following link on the Payment Card Industry Security Standards Council (PCI-SSC) web site: https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/security_standards/pci_dss.shtml

MICROS Systems, Inc. currently offers two versions of its RES Point-Of-Sale (POS) product that are Currently PA-DSS compliant and validated. These two RES versions operate only on the Windows 2000 operating system. They are:

RES Version 3.2 SP7 HF6

RES Version 3.2 SP7 HF7

You will find these products, as well as other PA-DSS validated MICROS products on both the MICROS web site and the PCI-SSC web site at the following links:

MICROS Systems, Inc List of PA-DSS Validated Applications:

<http://www.micros.com/NR/rdonlyres/E4170024-05DD-48BA-8E5A-459C345DC40F/0/MICROSSystemsIncProductValidationandExpirationScheduleNovember112009.pdf>

PCI-SSC List of PA-DSS Validated Applications:

https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/security_standards/vpa/

MICROS strongly recommends that any Merchants using either of these two RES versions upgrade to a more contemporary PA-DSS validated version of the RES application before July 1, 2010. Please contact your MICROS sales representative if you have any questions or to schedule an upgrade.