

# **Fonix Speech Interface on New Electronic Dictionary from Seiko Instruments, Inc.**

## **Fonix text-to-speech on new e-dictionary in Japan**

**SALT LAKE CITY, UT (February 28, 2007)** Fonix Speech, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Fonix Corporation (OTC BB: FNIX) specializing in embedded speech interfaces for mobile devices, handheld electronic products, video game systems and processors, announces Fonix DECtalk® text-to-speech (TTS) on a new electronic dictionary manufactured and sold by Seiko Instruments, Inc. (SII), a world-leading producer of consumer electronics. The new SII e-dictionary, model SR-E6000, will be available in Japan in April. Fonix receives unit royalties from the sale of each device.

“Seiko Instruments, Inc. looks forward to introducing our newest e-dictionary to the Japanese market,” says Ichiro Tsuyoshi, Division Manager, Personal Instruments Division, Seiko Instruments, Inc. “The SR-E6000 model includes a text-to-speech feature using Fonix technology that clearly pronounces word definitions and teaches device users the proper pronunciation of words and phrases. The result is a useful educational device with robust technological features.”

The SR-E6000 incorporates Fonix DECtalk, the industry leading TTS technology for embedded devices with limited memory capacity. SII’s application is built upon the Epson S1C33 processor chip. Fonix and Epson partnered in 2003 to provide electronics manufacturers with a powerful processing solution optimized for the development of speech interface applications. Fonix TTS for e-dictionaries ‘speaks’ word definitions and phrases in multiple languages with multiple voices.

“We are pleased to partner with Seiko Instruments, Inc. to meet the growing demands for e-dictionaries in Japan,” says Walt Nawrocki, Senior VP and GM, Fonix Speech. “SII’s handsome new handheld dictionary utilizes the best Fonix and Epson technologies for electronic devices.”

The SII SR-E6000 will be available in Japan in April. For more information about SII’s line of e-dictionary products, visit [www.sii-dictionary.com](http://www.sii-dictionary.com).

For more information about Fonix speech solutions, visit [www.fonix.com](http://www.fonix.com), or call 801-553-6600 and say “Sales.”

### **About Seiko Instruments, Inc.**

Seiko Instruments, Inc. (SII) was established in 1937 as a key watch manufacturing company for the Seiko Group. Based on its sophisticated micromechatronics and nanotechnology techniques developed through decades of experience in precision machinery manufacturing and low-power consumption technologies, the company provides micromechatronic products and services including watch and HDD components; semiconductors, FPD and electronic devices; network solutions systems; nanotechnology

equipment; scientific instruments; and large-format inkjet printers. Visit [www.sii.co.jp](http://www.sii.co.jp) for more information.

## **About Fonix**

Fonix Corporation (OTC BB: FNIX), based in Salt Lake City, Utah, is an innovative speech recognition and text-to-speech technology company that provides value-added speech solutions through its wholly owned subsidiary, Fonix Speech, Inc., currently offering voice solutions for mobile/wireless devices; interactive video games, toys and appliances; computer telephony systems; the assistive market and automotive telematics. Fonix provides developers and manufacturers with cost-effective speech solutions to enhance devices and systems. Visit [www.fonix.com](http://www.fonix.com) for more information, or call (801) 553-6600 and say “Sales.”

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