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DUTTON ASSOCIATES ANNOUNCES INVESTMENT OPINION: ACCESS INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGIES SPECULATIVE BUY RATING IN INITIATING COVERAGE BY DUTTON ASSOCIATES

EL DORADO HILLS, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--May 12, 2005--Dutton Associates initiates its coverage of Access Integrated Technologies (AMEX:AIX - News) with a Speculative Buy rating. The 28-page report by Dutton senior analyst Jon Ziegler, CFA is available at www.imdutton.com as well as from First Call, Bloomberg, Zacks, Reuters, and other leading financial portals.

Access Integrated Technologies represents a virtual pure play on the potential conversion of the motion picture industry's distribution format from analog film to digital. Whereas consumer and professional still photography has been undergoing the transition from film to digital for years, the movie industry is currently in the incipient stages of this transition. AccessIT's new division, operating under the brand name Digital Express e-Courier, has established the software and infrastructure designed to deliver movies digitally from studios to exhibitors. We expect AccessIT to promulgate the transition to digital and to be a major beneficiary of the highly favorable economics to be derived from such conversion. AccessIT has positioned itself from the get-go to provide all the technologies and services - many brought in through its active acquisition program representing the sine qua non for effective execution of digital delivery. Competition comes from many sources but no other firm offers the complete palette of software and services provided by AccessIT in approaching this new market. The economics are compelling - an estimated 36,000 domestic screens and another 105,000 internationally. On average, there are about 200 major Motion Picture Association (MPA) releases per year. The average major theatrical release goes to an average of 5,000 domestic prints and perhaps another 7,000 internationally. Converting a major portion of the first-and second-run theaters to digital files, over a period of years, would save on the order of three-quarters of a billion dollars in physical product and create a market of about \$250 million to be served by AccessIT. And this does not include the extra potential to be generated by advertising, trailers, live events and independent films (indies) plus foreign markets.

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