



PRESS RELEASE

Thélem assurances selects “le Point XIRING V2” to accelerate the development of its health insurance business

Suresnes, May 12, 2009: XIRING, a security solutions provider for remote transactions, today announced that Thélem assurances, a French mutual insurance company, has selected the “le Point XIRING V2” service for its network of branches. The solution will provide agents with quick access to up-to-date information stored in patients’ Vitale card, such as the National Health Insurance data, making it possible to draw up a health insurance contract immediately for their clients.

Launched by mid-2007, the “le Point XIRING V2” remote update service operated by XIRING helps keep the 48 million Vitale cards issued by the French Health Insurance fund up to date. An up-to-date Vitale card guarantees the validity of administrative information, patient’s rights and exonerations. It also facilitates claim form management, speeds up the reimbursement process and lowers the costs resulting from errors and litigation. The “le Point XIRING V2” service is already used by more than 60% of pharmacies in France, and by many other health professionals (laboratories, medical testing centres, hospitals and clinics), providing more than 15,000 update terminals.

In order to accelerate the development of its health insurance business, Thélem assurances recently decided to equip its network of branches with “le Point XIRING V2” health card terminals. Drawing up a health insurance contract requires access to information concerning the patient’s National Health Insurance centre and the rights covered. Thanks to the “le Point XIRING V2” terminal enabling the service, the insurance agent access to up-to-date information, as patients usually carry their Vitale card with them. In this way, the “le Point XIRING V2” service allows the insurer to propose and sign a contract on the spot – saving time for both the agent and the patient, who no longer needs to return to the agency with their Vitale card statement.

In addition, as of the second half of 2009, the National Health Insurance fund will gradually issue all insured persons with new generation Vitale 2 cards. These will be sent to beneficiaries, who

will then have to activate them on the National Health Insurance Network via remote update terminals such as the “le Point XIRING V2”. Thélem assurances branches will be referenced on the National Health Insurance Fund Website.

“More than 15,000 health professionals have already chosen the “le Point XIRING V2” service to update Vitale cards and we are proud to see that this service is now being extended to private complementary health insurance companies. This partnership with Thélem assurances opens up a new market for us, with significant potential for 2010-2011”, commented Franck Favier, Director of the Healthcare Business Unit at XIRING.

About Thélem Insurance:

Thélem assurances was founded in 1820 and has headquarters in Chécy (45). As a mutual insurance company, it does not have shareholders, but all its clients are “partners”. Thélem Insurance’s clients include private customers, farmers and small companies and the company covers families (health and accident insurance and savings), property (home, automobile, professional equipment, etc.) and liability (personal and professional).

Today, the company insures 417,000 clients, mainly in the centre of France, but also in the Loire, Brittany, Normandy and the Paris region, via 243 agencies. These are mainly represented by general insurance agents, but many insurance brokers also choose Thélem assurances to insure their clients.

For further information, visit the company’s Website at: <http://www.thelem-assurances.fr>

About XIRING

Created in 1998, XIRING is a security solutions provider and develops security software embedded in smart card readers for strong authentication and digital signature. XIRING has distributed over 10 million strong authentication solutions based on banking cards and compliant with MasterCard and Visa programs, and is the leader of the professional solutions market for the SESAM-Vitale French healthcare scheme. In 2008, XIRING posted a turnover of €28.5 million, up 20%, and an operating margin of €3.5 million, up 62%. XIRING has been listed on the Alternext compartment of the NYSE-Euronext Paris exchange since September 18, 2006. ISIN code: FR0004155612, Mnemonic: ALXIR.

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