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## **Digital Ocean Ships Pen-Based, Handheld Computer** *Tarpon Combines Newton Technology with Wireless Data and Voice Communications*

**Lenexa, KS, June 14, 1996--** Digital Ocean, Inc. is now shipping to the general public, Tarpon, a rugged, weather-resistant personal digital assistant that offers a complete solution for applications requiring a mobile computing platform.

Based on Apple Computer's Newton 2.0 Operating System, Tarpon features a built-in wireless LAN receiver, backlighting and improved handwriting-recognition software. Ruggedization, water resistance and backlighting make the Tarpon ideal for outdoor, warehouse and other harsh conditions.

In addition, Tarpon supports forms-based data entry, optional voice communications, RS-232 inputs and Global Positioning Systems (GPS).

Standard configuration integrates Digital Ocean's dual-diversity wireless adapter that links Tarpon with a communications server up to 500 feet away. Optional long range antennas are also available. The wireless LAN permits data exchange at up to 2Mbps or optionally, full-duplex voice communications with a 300- to 3,000Hz bandwidth. Tarpon is also offered without WLAN.

Tarpon is based on the SuperTech 2000, developed under a partnership with Harris Corporation, Camarillo, CA. Tarpon with WLAN is available directly from Digital Ocean for \$3,300. Tarpon also retails without wireless LAN for \$3,000.

Digital Ocean is a leading state-of-the-art developer and manufacturer of mobility-based products. Founded with the goal of transforming mobile work by combining wireless data services with handheld and portable computers, Digital Ocean produces a family of PDAs that offer a variety of communication options for in-building and remote applications. Digital Ocean also produces a family of wireless LAN devices for the entire line of Apple's desktop, portable, and pen-based devices. The company has numerous patents granted and pending for its development of wireless technologies. Digital Ocean is a Newton licensee based in Lenexa, Kansas.

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