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## MultiSpeak® Extends Compliance Testing Contract With Utility Integration Solutions Inc. (UISOL)

**LAFAYETTE, CA – June 2, 2008** Utility Integration Solutions, Inc. (UISOL), the utility industry business integration specialist, announced today that it recently executed a contract extension agreement with the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association's (NRECA) MultiSpeak® collaboration as its independent compliance testing agent.

Since 1999, the MultiSpeak integration specification has helped vendors and utilities develop interfaces so that software products from different vendors can interoperate without requiring the development of extensive custom programming. As a result, MultiSpeak has lowered the cost and risk of application integration for utilities. Since 2005, UISOL has completed certification testing for over 20 vendors and systems in its role as MultiSpeak independent certification agent.

UISOL Vice President Terry Nielsen remarked, "We're delighted to extend our contract relationship with MultiSpeak. UISOL drives open integration standards as a foundation of our smart integration approach that lowers the cost and increases the flexibility of the services and solutions we deliver to our utility industry customers."

Using a fully automated test harness, UISOL performs testing requested by system vendors and issues compliance certificates for conforming software. In recent years, the list of certified MultiSpeak interoperable systems has grown to include a wide range of advanced metering, outage management, SCADA and customer information systems.

Bob Saint, NRECA's MultiSpeak program manager said, "The utility members of our collaborative gain significant added value from projects that incorporate certified interoperable vendor products. Our continuing partnership with UISOL enables a cost effective approach to our ongoing independent certification testing program."

Nielsen concluded, "UISOL commits to the advancement of MultiSpeak not only in our role as compliance testing agent, but also in our capacity as a certified MultiSpeak system integrator for utilities of all sizes."



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### **About UISOL**

Utility Integration Solutions, Inc. (UISOL) is the utility industry business integration specialist. UISOL offers a range of services to help its clients transform their business performance through the power of smart integration for market operations, advanced metering, smart grid systems, meter data management and more. Visit [www.uisol.com](http://www.uisol.com) or call 925-939-0449.

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### **About the MultiSpeak Initiative**

The MultiSpeak Initiative fosters business process improvement and simplifies data integration at electric cooperatives through collaboration between NRECA and more than 40 software companies and consultants who serve electric utilities. MultiSpeak has released a series of specifications that enable popular utility software applications to exchange data in a predetermined manner.

MultiSpeak3, the latest release, has defined 30 interfaces that encompass nearly every commonly used software application deployed at electric distribution co-ops, including automatic meter reading, customer information system, customer relationship management, engineering analysis, load management, mapping, outage management, SCADA, and staking. To view the specification and for more information, visit [www.multispeak.org](http://www.multispeak.org).

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