

Island Cruises Signs IT Outsourcing Agreement with Onboard

Miami, FL – October 4th, 2005 – Onboard Technical Services announced today that it has signed a new multi year IT outsourcing contract with Island Cruises. This new contract encompasses an already existing multi-year engagement and includes additional services in infrastructure, IT support, and IT Applications Development. For the past 5 years, Onboard continues to manage Island Cruises' data centers, consumer web sites, internal applications, and enterprise IT infrastructure at six sites located in the UK, Spain, Brazil, and the US.

In addition to their expertise in the core Microsoft technologies, Cisco networking, and Linux/Unix Systems, Onboard provides Island Cruises with a suite of software solutions targeted for the Cruise, Travel, and Hospitality industries. Onboard continues to show its versatility and flexibility with clients, like Island Cruises, whose environments are varied and tend to have a little bit of everything.

Nick Pietrocarlo, Director of Information Technology for Island Cruises highlights that "In the current trade environment it is nice to find a partner that doesn't just provide exceptional IT services as needed but also provides them at reasonable rates! We continue to leverage Onboard not just for their core IT support and help desk services but also the majority of our application design and development. They have become much more than a vendor these past few years and are considered our key IT outsource partner."

"This contract extension is evidence of the strength of our relationship with Island Cruises," said Onboard co-founder and Managing Partner Jimmy Lopez. "Onboard's experience and proven ability to deliver results that meet our clients' evolving technical and software needs are the foundation of this new agreement."

About Island Cruises

Island Cruises, a joint venture from First Choice Holidays, PLC (LSE: FCD.L) and Royal Caribbean Cruises(NYSE: RCL; OSE).Ltd, launched in March 2002 and has carried over 350,000 British guests in the Mediterranean over the last six summers with excellent satisfaction levels.

About Onboard Software and Onboard Technical Services

Onboard provides cruise lines of all sizes with shipboard technical and management services, as well as its suite of software products: CyberCafe@Sea™ a wired/wireless Internet Café, IssuTrax™ AVO a facility maintenance and guest services application, Check-In@Sea™ an e-NOA/D and APIS compliant passenger check-in system, and CurrencyXchange™ a foreign currency exchange system. For more information please visit www.onbts.com or call +1 (305) 860-7760.