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## **Asteres Inc. and AutoCrib, Inc. Announce an Exclusive Distribution and Product Development Agreement for Retail and Healthcare Markets**

**SAN DIEGO, February 7, 2006** – Asteres Inc., the maker of ScriptCenter®, the industry's first prescription pick-up kiosk for retail pharmacy and AutoCrib, Inc., the leader in developing and marketing "point of use" dispensing systems for industrial applications, today announced an exclusive distribution and product development agreement spanning retail and healthcare markets.

By integrating the AutoCrib product line, Asteres offers the most comprehensive suite of secured self-service kiosks to automate retail and healthcare system pharmacies. From prescriptions to general merchandise, Asteres will offer a broad spectrum of secured storage and self-checkout solutions.

"This Agreement reinforces Asteres' commitment to providing solutions that improve compliance and convenience," said Linda Pinney, Founder & CBO of Asteres Inc. "AutoCrib has proven technology that Asteres can put to work in retail and healthcare."

"AutoCrib products are currently installed in thousands of locations worldwide and this agreement will allow AutoCrib point of use products to reach into new markets" said Stephen Pixley, AutoCrib President and CEO, "Asteres and AutoCrib management are known for and share the same commitment to customer innovation and service."

Asteres Inc. ([www.asteres.com](http://www.asteres.com)) develops secure, self-service kiosks for the storage and delivery of consumer products in the retail marketplace. Asteres' premier product is ScriptCenter®, the first prescription pickup kiosk for retail pharmacy that allows consumers to pick up and pay for their prescriptions even when the pharmacy is closed.

AutoCrib, Inc. ([www.autocrib.com](http://www.autocrib.com)) is based in Huntington Beach, California, and has been in business since 1995. The company is a leader in producing hardware and software solutions that automate and solve many common inventory management problems related to tooling, safety supplies and MRO items. AutoCrib has an excellent reputation for outstanding technical support and customer service for both large and small clients.

These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ from those projected, anticipated or implied.