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ABnote Leads in Developing Secure Technology for Enabling Mobile Phones' Transformation Into Tap & Go® Payment Devices

Fort Lee, New Jersey - September 8, 2011 - ABnote Global, the leading supplier of [secure payment products, documents and service systems](#), is providing the secure payment technology enabling ANZ Bank and MasterCard in New Zealand to transform mobile phones into secure, fast & convenient payment devices via a 'PayPass'™ chip sticker that can be attached to a mobile phone or micro SD card to put inside the phone. ABnote's first such offering and the first ever in the trans-Tasman market, is a pilot for our global launch. "We are very pleased to be working with the teams at both organizations to deliver the first project of this nature, said ABnote's Marc Airo-Farulla, Financial Sales Manager-Australasia; ANZ is the first bank in NZ to test this technology, which puts them at the forefront in providing their customers with the tools they need to manage everyday finances with convenience and value."

MasterCard's New Zealand Country Manager, Albert Naffah, said the technology enabled by ABnote means that customers will be able to enjoy even more secure and convenient payment options. "The future of payments is undeniably linked to faster and more convenient payment solutions. Mobile devices are clearly a natural fit with this vision and MasterCard is committed to driving innovation in all areas of contactless payments. We have already seen the success of payments via mobile devices overseas and expect that Kiwi's will readily adopt this technology as we trial this in the New Zealand market."

"A technology like this one can only operate in collaboration with many partners each providing their strength and foresight to actively develop state of the art products and bring the components together into a workable solution. In this pilot we are pleased to be in the forefront of development where ANZ provides the banking services, MasterCard the PayPass technical support and ABnote the product and services provisioning," said Justin D'Angelo CEO of ABnote Australasia.

ABnote is continuing to work in collaboration with our customers world-wide to develop new technologies as a way of creating easier and faster transactions. As users adapt to new ways of making payments, ABnote will be there to facilitate the growth in consumer demand.

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About ABnote Global

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