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## Questel•Orbit Acquires 12.5% of Lingway's Capital

Paris – Washington, DC – July 27<sup>th</sup> 2004 - Questel•Orbit, a leading provider of intellectual property information services worldwide, announced today the acquisition of 12.5% of Lingway's capital.

Lingway, based in Paris, France, specializes in the design, development and implementation of linguistic-based software solutions. Specifically, Lingway's technology consists of a natural language search engine, categorization of coding tools, software for generating an XML structure from textual documents, as well as information extraction and document visualization functions. For more information, see [www.lingway.com](http://www.lingway.com)

Questel•Orbit and Lingway have been partnering for the last year in creating the soon to be released, PatReader product, a tool to improve full-text patent reading efficiency.

"This investment in Lingway reinforces our offer", says Charles Besson, Questel•Orbit CEO, "and will give us leading edge linguistic technology in which we can offer in our patent products."

"We are excited in having Questel•Orbit invest in our company giving us the opportunity to full realize the value of our linguistic technology" added Bernard Normier, Lingway's Chairman and CEO, "and we look forward to working with them on new engineering projects."

### **About Questel•Orbit, Inc.:**

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