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To thank consumers worldwide who participated in the Windows Live OneCare beta program for this major release, which included some 5,400 customers in , a special offer will be sent via e-mail to beta users for a significant discount off the annual subscription fee when they sign up at <http://onecare.live.com>. From January 23 to February 12, Windows Live OneCare beta users who take advantage of this offer will receive a year's service at approximately 60 percent off the regular price.

"This new release marks Microsoft's continued commitment to evolving and expanding our all-in-one PC care service around the world — both for Windows XP and now Windows Vista customers," said Peter Watson, Chief Technology Advisor at Microsoft. "In addition to helping guard against viruses, spyware, phishing scams and other security threats, OneCare also handles a variety of essential PC care practices behind the scenes so our customers can have peace of mind that their PC is being taken care of and will be able to spend their valuable time on other things."

Windows Live OneCare offers automated protection, maintenance, performance tuning and support for PCs running either Windows® XP Service Pack 2 or the Windows Vista operating system. Designed to evolve with the changing needs of consumers, Windows Live OneCare continuously delivers new and updated features to subscribers while they're online. Support for Windows Vista Operating System

Windows Live OneCare completes the security picture for Windows Vista adopters by providing real-time anti-virus protection and managing firewall policies to address new and evolving threats. The service goes beyond security to help simplify important maintenance tasks such as backing up photos, music and other files to a variety of storage devices and defragmenting the hard drive to help increase the performance of consumers' PCs.

### Pricing and Availability

Windows Live OneCare will be available in Australia from January 30, priced at an annual subscription rate of A\$99.95 (recommended retail price\*) for up to three PCs. Consumers can download the Windows Live OneCare subscription service at <http://onecare.live.com> or purchase OneCare from leading retail stores.

Microsoft will also be offering Australian beta customers a Windows Live OneCare annual subscription at a special discounted price of \$39.95 from January 23 to February 12.

### About MSN and Windows Live

MSN® attracts more than 465 million unique users worldwide per month. With localised versions available globally in 42 markets and 21 languages, MSN is a world leader in delivering compelling programmed content experiences to consumers and online advertising opportunities to businesses worldwide. Windows Live, a new set of personal Internet services and software, is designed to bring together in one place all the relationships, information and interests people care about most, with enhanced safety and security features across their PC, devices and the Web. MSN and Windows Live will be offered alongside each other as complementary services. Some Windows Live services entered an early beta phase on November 1, 2005; these and future beta

updates can be found at <http://ideas.live.com>. Windows Live is available at <http://www.live.com>. MSN is located on the Web at <http://www.msn.com>. MSN worldwide sites are located at <http://www.msn.com/worldwide.ashx>.

### About Microsoft

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