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Show Your Photos On The Big Screen

(NAPS)—Photo buffs are finally able to get the big picture. Technology companies are helping them enjoy PC-based digital photos on their favorite television or big screen. What adds to the excitement is that this can now be done without additional wiring or special equipment.

How important is this trend? Important enough for big companies such as Microsoft to enter the PC to TV convergence arena and raise the bar. The result of these big companies adding their knowledge to this concept lays a foundation for the home of the future. That home will be a place where viewers can watch their once-PC-based digital images and movies throughout their home on multiple TVs with surround sound and without wires.

What is PC to TV convergence? One user compared it to the photo slide shows his parents used to display when he was a kid—but better. It's a whole new world, where photos, even DVDs, are no longer limited to a small computer screen.

Now he uses a wireless system called the X10 Showtime kit. It includes the hardware and software to connect your personal computer to your television. The hardware uses a video transmitter



You can now watch and organize your digital photos on your television screen.

to send the photos to any television, while the software allows you to navigate through pictures and videos and sort through albums with ease. According to *ComputerEdge Magazine*, "If you want an easy way to view and show off those reams of digital pictures on your computer's hard drive, X10's ShowTime can do the job."

Parade magazine called the kit "the most elegant solution yet for liberating digital pictures and movies from the clutches of a computer's puny 15-inch monitor."

The bundled X10 remote makes it possible to wirelessly zoom in, print and e-mail your favorite family vacation bloopers from the comfort of your own couch.

For more information about the X10 Showtime system, go to www.x10.com on the Internet.