

New Releases of Paragon Tools

Support Smart Cards, Multi-Currency, Cash Deposits and Text-to-Speech

Paragon offers complementary solutions to assist in ATM and POS testing

Hot topics in the ATM industry include smart cards, multi-currency dispense, bunch note acceptance (cash deposits) and audio support for the visually impaired. Paragon Application Systems recently announced availability of these features in the newest releases of their **WorkSmart Suite™**. The suite, comprised of **ConfigBuilder™ 4.1**, **ATMulator™ 2.1**, and **FASTest™ 2.2**, supports these and many other features including alphanumeric states, GIF images and a parsed view of the message log.

Collaborating with ACI to develop its **EMV testing tool**, Paragon enables users to create and use **virtual smart cards** instead of physical cards during testing. With virtual smart cards, users can "see what's in the chip" and review modifications to issuer scripts during testing, eliminating the mystery surrounding physical card failures.

To support ACI's advanced customers, Paragon developed support for **multi-currency** and **non-currency configuration** and testing.

The new Paragon releases also simulate cash accepting terminals, known as **bunch note acceptors (BNA)** for NCR ATMs.

With text-to-speech technology available on the ATM, Paragon announced practical support of voice guidance for the visually impaired. Paragon's Text-to-Speech support in **ATMulator™** plus **ConfigBuilder™** provides an easy way to build and test audio narratives and realistically comply with the latest Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines.

Banks, Financial Institutions and companies using Paragon's products:

ABN AMRO, ACI Worldwide, Alaska Option, CGI (CANADA), CSFI, China Bank, Citibank USA, Citibank N.A., Concord EFS & Star Systems, Diebold, EDS Corporation, First Data Resources, Fiserv, Genpass Technologies, Intrieve, Metavante, NCR Corporation, S2 Systems, Total System Services, XP Systems, Bank One, Citicorp Card Services, Household International, VISA USA, Tranax and others

Text-to-speech, video display, bunch note acceptance, and EMV are just a few of the more recent enhancements to meet the needs of ATM users. Staying current with these requirements can be a daunting task, and ensuring new features are properly tested and configured prior to implementation is a necessary aspect of product rollout.



Paragon Application Systems, Inc. headquartered in Holly Springs, North Carolina, offers configuration, simulation and testing solutions to assist in ATM configuration and testing, as well as POS and Host systems functionality and stress testing solutions.