

**3M Library Systems Launches Automated Self-Pay Options
As Part of Its SelfCheck Systems**

*New Options Give Customers Efficient Checkout Solution,
Free Up Staff, Speed Revenue Collection*

SEATTLE, WA, January 19, 2007 – Check out an item and pay a fine or fee, using cash, credit or debit card, without any assistance from library staff? Libraries can now offer this easy, convenient service with new automated self-pay options from 3M Library Systems.

A comprehensive solution for automated checkout and fine and fee payments was announced here today at the American Library Association’s annual Mid-Winter Meeting, held at the Washington State Convention & Trade Center.

“This is a logical extension of 3M’s automated services for libraries,” said Rory Yanchek, business manager, 3M Library Systems. “Integrating self-pay capability with self-service encourages on-time returns and improves circulation, while freeing library personnel to be more productive. It also helps make revenue collection from fines and fees substantially more efficient.”

3M Library Systems will offer a “basic” fines and fees self-pay option that allows for payment with credit or debit card, and a “flexible” option that adds a cash payment alternative, along with credit and debit cards. The flexible option includes an automated payment machine that accepts paper currency and change.

3M SelfCheck Systems, introduced in 1992, pioneered the field of automated library collection management and circulation functions. 3M SelfCheck Systems employ radio frequency identification (RFID) technology and/or barcodes to process the checkout and return of collection items. For highest material security, 3M offers its Tattle-Tape Security Strip technology.

3M Library Systems can be visited at the ALA Mid-Winter Meeting in booth 1415.

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