



'Combo' Tech Products Ready For Holidays

(NAPSA)—Holiday shoppers may not like being squeezed into a bus or subway, but they will like new "combo" products technology companies are rushing to market that squeeze together functions such as cell phones, digital cameras, video recorders, PCs and other devices.

For example, products now are



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available that combine cell phones and handheld computers, as well as cell phones and digital cameras. Going even further, Hewlett-Packard recently introduced the Media Center PC that combines the functionality of a PC, DVD and CD players and recorders, TV and personal video recording, digital jukebox and other consumer electronics components.

By clicking a remote control, users can command HP's Media Center PC to play CDs, DVDs and MP3s or view digital videos and photos from across the room.

The product is the only PC sold this holiday season in North America with the new Microsoft Windows XP Media Center Edition software. A TV tuner card also is included that allows certain configurations of the HP Media Center PC to record up to 100 hours of TV shows.