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Canadian purchases slow in October

ESI buys GRAB Technologies

MONTREAL - Montreal's ESI Technologies Inc., specializing in information storage and security, said Thursday it has bought GRAB Technologies to add infrastructure integration to the range of services it provides for telecommunications and other networks.

Greg Rokos, co-founder of the 16-year-old ESI, said GRAB's highly qualified team and expertise "developed in the Sun Microsystems/Solaris environment will widen our client base and speed our growth in Quebec and across Canada."

ESI, a privately-held company, did not reveal the terms of the deal.