



Twisted Metal:Black Online™ Press Release

March 2003 – Sony Computer Entertainment Europe (SCEE) is pleased to announce the forthcoming release of *Twisted Metal: Black Online™* exclusively for PlayStation®2. Based on the successful *Twisted Metal™* franchise, *Twisted Metal: Black Online™* brings a whole new element to the series, catapulting players into an exciting online game environment.

Launched with the Network Adapter across PAL territories *Twisted Metal: Black Online™* is spearheading the PlayStation®2 online revolution as the next phase in console gaming begins. Carnage on a grand scale against multiple intelligent opposition makes *Twisted Metal: Black Online™* one of the most intense online experiences available and an ideal introduction to the fun and social side of Network Gaming.

Designed and developed by the original creators of *Twisted Metal™ 1* and *2* – Incog Inc Entertainment, *Twisted Metal: Black Online™* utilises the PlayStation®2 technological prowess to bring the team's shocking and imaginative vision to life through superior graphics and outstanding special effects. Established in 1995, the *Twisted Metal™* franchise has sold close to five million units in North America alone.

Built upon a world laced with madness and destruction, *Twisted Metal: Black Online™* sets the stage for a gruesome, yet electrifying battle. Calypso, the mastermind behind the Twisted Metal battles, returns once more to host the ultimate contest of wreckage and devastation. He has plucked some prime contestants straight out of an asylum for a titanic battle. Take up the mantle of these twisted souls and test your skills online against people from all over the world

Through the technological capabilities of PlayStation®2, *Twisted Metal: Black Online™* features enhanced player environments with changing weather conditions and interactive objects, making for a highly-charged, living world of destruction. Destruction is at the game's core, but deadly strategy is essential for creative kills, made possible by the many different weapons and combo attacks in *Twisted Metal: Black Online™*. Get ready to rip through the foreboding battlegrounds and nightmarish landscapes with up to 8 players in a wickedly dark world that is sure to bring out the madness in everyone.

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Developer: Incog Inc Entertainment/SCEA Santa Monica Studios **Genre:** Car Combat/Driving and shoot'em up

No. of Players: 1-8 **Platform:** PlayStation®2

Peripherals: Network Adapter, Analog Controller (DUALSHOCK®2), Memory Card (8MB) (for PlayStation®2)

Release Date: Staggered rollout with Network Adapter starting with UK in May 2003

Sony Computer Entertainment Europe Ltd.

Sony Computer Entertainment Europe, based in London, is responsible for the distribution, marketing and sales of PlayStation, PS one and PlayStation 2 hardware and software in 102 territories across Europe, the Middle East, Africa and Oceania. At the end of September 2002, over 36 million PlayStation units had been shipped across these PAL territories and over 92 million worldwide. Between its European debut on 24 November 2000 and 15 January 2003, over 16 million PlayStation2 units have been shipped across the PAL territories, over 50 million world-wide, making it one of the most successful computer entertainment products in history.

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