OpenSource Advisors™ Introduces Unique Business-Oriented Open Source Software Solutions for Enterprises of All Sizes

Needham, MA – July 26, 2004 – "While the open source software movement has revolutionized the IT industry, it has yet to realize it's full potential for business applications. Until now, that is," said Paul Campbell, Managing Partner and Co-founder of *OpenSource Advisors™.*

"Open source software has been accurately described as the exclusive domain of a large, dedicated virtual community of software developers," continued Mr. Campbell. "The beauty of open source, of course, is that it is free to all users. The only requirement to pure open source is that any improvements to an open source program must be shared with the entire community or a user must choose from one of many variant licenses. While this promotes freedom from proprietary vendor-controlled solutions, it has created a confusing and chaotic environment that is antithetical to most users of business applications software.

"*OpenSource Advisors*, on the other hand, is now available to help IT departments overcome the chaos, bringing order, control, and measurable objectives to enterprises of all sizes," he said.

OpenSource Advisors at-a-glance

Stressing a blended approach of open and commercial software, *OpenSource Advisors* delivers lower costs of software, development and support, with minimal or no licensing fees. Users receive 90% of commercial functionality for 10% of the cost.

More hardware options are available to users through *OpenSource Advisors'* unique platform independent approach, with no forced vendor upgrades. The user -- with consultation from *OpenSource Advisors* -- decides when and if resources to upgrade are allocated.

Because many routine business functions are supported through open source products, companies leverage existing code to expedite application development. The user has flexibility to decide how to utilize the software, and has the source code so it can be modified without jeopardizing existing support contracts. The user can eliminate unwanted functionality to improve performance and maintenance or add new company-specific functionality.

Control utilizing an open source environment is dramatically improved because the user decides how to configure a system specifically for the business; decides if or when to upgrade or apply patches; determines who you will pay for technical support; and will always have the source code.

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