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JBoss Extends Certification to Software as a Service Applications

Certification toolkits, methodologies and management from Red Hat middleware division to ensure high availability and scalability of software as a service applications

JBoss WORLD, LAS VEGAS, June 13, 2006—JBoss, a division of Red Hat (NASDAQ: RHAT), today announced it is extending its certification program to software as a service (SaaS) providers. The Certified SaaS Program is designed to support companies that develop and deliver their products as services. The program helps software vendors and hosting providers build and deploy their hosted solutions using the JBoss Enterprise Middleware Suite (JEMS) as part of their SaaS infrastructures. With its open source approach, JEMS offers an ideal platform for enterprise web applications where scalability from one to many users is critical.

The Certified SaaS Program provides industry-validated testing tools and a methodology for certifying optimum performance and interoperability. The Certified SaaS Partners will be able to access advanced management and monitoring capabilities through JBoss Operations Network (JBoss ON). Through JBoss ON, a partner can configure, monitor, update and provision their SaaS infrastructure, from operating system to JEMS-based applications, for maximum uptime and high availability. JEMS also provides a standards-based framework for SaaS applications that can be extended and customized through service-oriented architectures (SOA).

“SaaS is built on a revenue model that is focused on high quality service and value provided to customers,” said Tom Cooper, vice president of worldwide channels, JBoss, a division of Red Hat. “Our partners have utilized JEMS to launch new certified products with speed and confidence. JBoss offers the flexibility, security and low cost required for companies to quickly launch service-based products in new markets.”

Partners such as Agistics, FiveRuns, Jamcracker and Net.Orange are realizing the scalability of their applications as they add more customers and grow their delivery of software as a service.

“As a longtime JBoss partner that’s been supporting JEMS in our on-demand software infrastructure, we see the value in being ‘JBoss Certified,’” said Jeremy Bauer, CTO, Success Factors. “Our customers rely on Success Factors to provide high quality software as a service with continuous uptime and performance. Ensuring that our hosted applications conform to JBoss’ quality assurance standards is critical.”

Through the Certified SaaS Program, JBoss partners can certify that their applications integrate with JEMS technologies through a process that includes standard JBoss unit tests, customizable product

implementation tests, performance snapshots and expert analysis by JBoss engineers. For additional information, please visit <http://www.jboss.com/partners/service>.

This is the latest addition to the certification program offered by JBoss to ensure third-party technologies, solutions and services adhere to JBoss' standard of quality and are interoperable with JEMS products. Certification programs are available for professionals; solutions on JBoss Application Server and Hibernate; and partners providing training, services, systems integration and complementary software and hardware.

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