

# Metron-Athene News Release

## LEADING HIGH STREET BANK VIRTUALIZES WITH METRON

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2008, Woodland Hills, California, USA:** One of the UK's leading high street banks, a client for Metron's Athene product since 2001, has now purchased Athene version 8 and a VMware open license as part of their increasing commitment to a virtualized environment.

The bank is keen to reduce costs, improve resource utilization levels and reduce power, heating and cooling costs. The bank's VMware estate is regarded as a key component in achieving these objectives by helping to reduce 'server sprawl', and its associated direct and management costs.

VMware, used in association with Metron's Athene capacity management product, is providing the bank with a very quick, cost-effective and risk-free method of removing and consolidating servers. At the same time, it provides a strategic infrastructure which will enable rapid expansion when needed in line with demanding business growth.

### Notes for editors

#### About Metron-Athene Inc.

Metron Technology was founded in 1986 and is Europe's leading Performance Management and Capacity Planning specialist. Metron-Athene Inc is a wholly owned subsidiary of Metron technology Ltd. At Metron we are committed to continue developing products to provide IT users the maximum benefits at the least cost. We are delivering this by creating automated products that embody an increasing level of intelligence to address the continuing evolution and complexity of hardware environments and software applications.

Metron's Athene performance management software is the most cost-effective product in its class providing fully integrated ITIL-compliant capacity management with automatic performance analysis and reporting for UNIX, Linux, Windows and Mainframe Servers. Athene 8 is the world's most scalable performance management software for real and virtual environments with the Universal Capacity Planning Module interfacing with all third-party systems management products.

In the US Athene is installed for clients such as AIG Inc, Airline Tariff Publishing, CNF Inc, eBay, First Data, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Internal Revenue Service, LA County, Lehman Brothers, Pentagon, Pindar, Safeway, TDS Telecom, Telecheck Services, US Customs. The company works in partnership with leading IT suppliers such as Hewlett Packard, Microsoft Systems, VMware, Computer Associates, IBM, Capgemini, and Oracle. The world's leading outsourcing companies are now using Athene combined with expert ITIL consultancy and training services as a key element of their Service Management and Delivery.

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