

Metron News Release

ORACLE EXPERTS FORM NEW PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT AND HEALTHCHECK PARTNERSHIP

Monday 15th December, 2008, Taunton, Somerset, UK: Leading performance management company, Metron, announces a new partnership with JoraPh Consulting with the aim of providing customers with an integrated and holistic approach towards the management of mission critical Oracle database and application environments.

Both companies already have many years Oracle experience. Metron has been working with Oracle since the mid-1990s and the founders of JoraPh formerly worked for the Oracle Corporation for a period of more than 20 years.

The two companies' clients will now have access to a range of consultancy and managed service offerings to assure the health of their Oracle environments.

Commenting on the partnership with Metron, David Phizacklea, managing director, JoraPh Consulting said: "Metron can now offer their clients our extensive expertise in Oracle performance management and capacity planning through the JoraScope health check analyser. It is, of course, a reciprocal arrangement where JoraPh's customers will also have unparalleled access to Metron's technical skill in performance tuning and monitoring provided by their Athene capacity management software suite."

Paul Shimell, a director of Metron added: "More than ever companies are keen to get as much out of their existing IT infrastructure as possible. Bringing together the Oracle expertise of Metron and JoraPh provides an extremely fast, efficient and cost-effective means of achieving this."

Notes for editors

About JoraPh Consulting Ltd.

Established in 2002, by two former Oracle consultants holding over 20 years experience of working within the Oracle Corporation, JoraPh Consulting Ltd provides a dedicated, highly skilled consultancy specialising in Oracle technology.

JoraPh's workforce have over 180 years of Oracle experience in total and as an Oracle Partner they provide an extensive range of services and technical expertise, advising on database design and migration, including change control, impact analysis, installation, performance tuning, patch management, security and capacity planning in addition to providing consultancy expertise for the full development life-cycle. The company holds ISO 9001 accreditation.

JoraPh also offer a range of training from on-site knowledge transfer to classroom based courses, covering the OCA/OCP syllabus and many specialist areas such as Real Application Clusters (RAC), Oracle Application Express (Oracle APEX) and Linux.

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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.

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