

Metron-Athene News Release

METRON ANNOUNCES CAPACITY MANAGEMENT SERVICE ACCELERATION KIT FOR VMWARE

Monday 23rd June 2008, Woodland Hills, California, USA: Metron, the world's leading capacity management specialist and VMware Technology Alliance Partner, announces the availability of its new VMware Capacity Management Service Acceleration Kit.

Designed to support VMware's Operations Framework, which provides industrial strength processes and toolsets to meet the demands of enterprise production IT environments, the VMware SAK utilizes Metron's long-standing experience in capacity management and the proven strength of its Athene software. VMware SAK for capacity management comprises:

- A free 30 day trial of the Athene Virtual Appliance
- Capacity Management best practice descriptions and demonstrations
- Extensive marketing support documentation
- Case studies and success stories
- Licensing, pricing and support details

The Service Acceleration Kit, for the VMware Professional Services Organization and VMware VAC partners, is available for download from the VMware Partner Central web portal, with further details at www.metron-athene.com/partners

Paul Shimell, a director of Metron said: "Capacity management is fundamental to a successful virtual infrastructure. Metron has been developing capacity management services and software for over twenty years and was an original co-author of the ITIL definition for capacity management. Given this depth of experience, we are the ideal partner for VMware and their focus on VMware Operations Framework."

The VMware SAK will give valuable support for VMware clients as they implement Virtual Infrastructure 3. It will provide the opportunity for increasing the consulting revenues of the company's partners and deliver the confidence to decision makers that VMware will continue to deliver the benefits of virtualization after migration from physical to virtual environments.

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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