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TACHOMETRY DRIVES OPEN SOURCE ADOPTION
FOR THE ENTERPRISE

WALNUT CREEK, Calif., (August 5, 2004) - At LinuxWorld, the world's biggest open source event happening this week in San Francisco, Tachometry Corporation announced the official launch of their Technology Adoption Plan for Open Source (TAP/OS).

This comprehensive new program is designed to guide corporate IT decision makers through a beneficial but often perilous conversion to the emerging open source software (OSS) development model. The collaborative open source community represents a significant culture shift that can surprise and derail initial OSS adoption efforts of well-meaning IT project managers and in-house developers.

TAP/OS starts by establishing an unambiguous and measurable business objective, rather than an arbitrary technology goal. The corresponding business benchmark is then used throughout the program to evaluate its incremental effectiveness for improving ROI over time. Early program deliverables, including an open source readiness assessment and the resulting OSS adoption profile, provide critical insight into existing open source capabilities within an organization. This information is then used to tailor the TAP/OS program for the specific needs of each company. Compatible open source products are selected based upon a balanced evaluation of core functionality and community vitality to ensure the ultimate success of the initiative.

The TAP/OS program has been well received. "Our clients tell us that they are ready and willing to use open source. They just need a bit of guidance and support to get started," says Tom Evans, President of Tachometry. "Our TAP/OS program delivers the process and metrics IT decision-makers need to understand the value proposition behind open source software."

Tachometry Corporation is a privately-held technology services company located in Walnut Creek California. Tachometry offers a broad range of professional services and support for open source technology, including enterprise architecture, application integration, and custom application development. For more information, please visit the Tachometry web site at <http://www.tachometry.com/> or call (925) 262-5015.

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