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AQM Solutions Announces APC 4.5 for TriTune and DSPC 1.5, New Solutions for Mainframe Performance Tuning

Reno, Nevada, December 4, 2006 – AQM Solutions, a TRILOGexpert company, announces the general availability of APC 4.5 for TriTune™ 4.0 and Dynamic SQL Performance Control (DSPC) 1.5. The new offerings build on AQM Solutions' leadership in mainframe environments by enabling the enterprise to decrease IT operating costs and improve mainframe application efficiency and performance. AQM Solutions will unveil APC 4.5 for TriTune 4.0 and DSPC 1.5 at CMG 2006, booth #219, December 3 to 8, in Reno, Nevada.

“The new frontier in managing mainframes is achieving excellence in application performance especially as more enterprises move to distributed computing,” said Osman Aykut, chief technology officer of TRILOGexpert and director of AQM Solutions, Inc. “With the debut of TriTune 4.0 in September, AQM Solutions introduced the next generation for mainframe performance tuning. Now, we are pleased to announce the unveiling of APC 4.5 for TriTune for optimizing mainframe performance management and DSPC 1.5 for simplifying performance analysis.”

As companies continue to deploy distributed applications that access data on the mainframe, it is increasingly important to gain insight into how these applications consume and/or misuse valuable resources. AQM Solutions provide visibility into distributed technologies that leverage z/OS resources including Java on Websphere/zOS, DB2 Distributed Data Facility and DB2 Stored Procedures. This helps mainframe performance specialists and applications developers quickly and easily solve performance problems in this complicated environment.



"The mainframe's re-emergence as a strategic IT asset is due, in part, to automated performance tuning and its ability to reduce manual efforts," said Stephen Elliot, analyst at IDC Research. "Whenever you can address both sides of the equation -- reducing consumption of mainframe resources while improving IT's alignment with business priorities -- the benefits to the bottom line become clear."

APC 4.5 for TriTune is the automation component for the TriTune product that makes Application Quality Management (AQM) easier and more productive. Because APC 4.5 for TriTune automates over 90 percent of the AQM process, it makes performance tuning initiatives more productive by reducing analysis time and focusing analyst efforts on applications with the greatest tuning potential. It does this by continuously tracking thousands of batch and online systems running across z/OS-based DB2 environments, discovering runaway tasks, and highlighting hidden tuning opportunities with minimal manual intervention. Among other enhancements, the newest release collects performance information for CICS Transactions and shows a significantly improved baseline.

DSPC 1.5 is a performance analysis solution for conducting intense performance tuning on dynamic SQL workloads in z/OS-based DB2 environments. DSPC optimizes individual dynamic SQL statements that originate either from mainframe or distributed applications. By providing statement level granularity with a negligible amount of overhead, DSPC bridges the gap in the performance management process for monitoring dynamic SQL statements.

"AQM Solutions' embrace of the distributed mainframe acknowledges the emerging appreciation in the IT market of the mainframe's unique architectural and performance advantages," said Richard Ptak, senior analyst with Ptak, Noel & Associates. "AQM's new tool set and focus on automated tuning allows a more effective response to fluctuating workloads through asset reallocation to better manage service delivery."

TriTune 4.0

TriTune is specifically designed to seamlessly integrate into the Automated Application Quality Management Package, creating the most advanced software technology for measuring, analyzing and tuning mainframe applications. TriTune pinpoints system, database, I/O, and application performance delays through an advanced interactive interface that reveals opportunities to optimize batch or online applications that use CICS, DB2, IMS, COBOL, PL/I, JAVA, Adabas/Natural, and other dominant mainframe technologies.



About AQM Solutions

AQM Solutions (a TRILOGexpert company), is the application quality and performance management company that provides automated performance tuning and resource optimization to Fortune 1000 companies. With AQM Solutions' offering, mainframe companies can decrease their IT operating costs significantly

About TRILOGexpert

Since 1990 TRILOGexpert has helped its clients save time and money through its products that automatically identify, initiate measure and report on applications so that they can be tuned for optimal application efficiency and performance. Unlike performance management tools that focus on one application instance or execution, AQM Solutions combines process automation with in depth-application performance analysis so customers can proactively optimize the performance throughout the application lifecycle. By using AQM Solutions' products, enterprises can reduce the amount of time they spend on manual tuning by over 90%, costly hardware and software upgrades can be deferred or avoided. AQM Solutions' services are invaluable to enterprises that rely on mainframes to manage their IT tasks. Clients in the US and Europe include: AUDI, AXA, BMW, EDS, Guardian, Swisscom IT Services, UBS, Volkswagen, Geico and Zurich.