

OPENLINK SOFTWARE UNLEASHES NEW HIGH-PERFORMANCE DATA ACCESS DRIVERS FOR MAC OS X

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OpenLink Extends ODBC & JDBC Data Access Middleware Leadership

Burlington, MA. January 8, 2002 - OpenLink Software, Inc., industry and technology leaders in the development and deployment of secure, high-performance database connectivity drivers for ODBC™ and JDBC™, announces the commercial release of version 4.2 of its Universal Data Access Drivers Suite™ for Mac® OS X.

The new products release includes performance and functionality enhancements across the entire portfolio of OpenLink's high-performance database connectivity drivers for ODBC and JDBC. Support is provided for; Oracle®, Microsoft® SQL Server™, IBM®, DB2® and Informix™, Sybase®, CA-Ingres®, Progress®, PostgreSQL®, MySQL®, and any other ODBC compliant database engines.

This product release includes the much anticipated high-performance Single-Tier Drivers that enable direct access to backend database engines without the installation of any additional software on the Mac OS X clients or the backend database server machines. A typical use of these drivers would be direct connectivity connections to Windows™- hosted databases such as Microsoft SQL Server, and or Linux®/UNIX®- hosted databases such as MySQL and PostgreSQL.

"With Release 4.2, UDA for Mac OS X re-emphasizes our unwavering commitment to unveiling the universal importance of database independence to application developers and end-users alike on the Macintosh. OS platform, we continue to provide users and developers with their choice of driver format, across database engines and host operating systems, like no other vendor in this space," said Kingsley Idehen, OpenLink Software's President & CEO. "Macintosh OS developers have the same data access drivers and SDKs at their disposal as do their counterparts in other operating system realms, as a result of our pioneering efforts," he added.

About OpenLink Software

OpenLink Software is a privately held software company with offices in the U.S.A., United Kingdom, France, and Malaysia. It has been the leading provider and technology innovator in the database

connectivity market since 1993. Its products are currently used by over 10,000 companies world-wide for post-pilot and post-evaluation ODBC and JDBC based solutions.

Additional information on OpenLink Software can be obtained from the web site at:
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