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### PPM 2000 RENEWS STATUS AS A MICROSOFT GOLD CERTIFIED PARTNER

**Meeting Microsoft's highest standards for design integrity, functionality and scalability.**

Edmonton, Alberta, Canada—March 16, 2007—PPM 2000, a leading developer of Incident, Investigation and Case Management solutions for Security, Safety and Risk Management, announced today that Microsoft has renewed the company's status as a Microsoft Gold Certified Partner with a competency in ISV/Software Solutions. This is PPM 2000's second consecutive year with Gold status, and the company's ninth year as a Microsoft Certified Partner.

"Customers are looking for partner companies that can bridge the gap between their business demands and technology capabilities," said Allison Watson, Vice President of the Worldwide Partner Sales and Marketing Group at Microsoft Corp. "They need to trust in a company that can act as an expert adviser for their long-term strategic technology plans. Microsoft Gold Certified Partners, which have certified expertise and direct training and support from Microsoft, can build a positive customer experience with our technologies. Microsoft recognizes PPM 2000 as a Gold Certified Partner for demonstrating its expertise providing customer satisfaction using Microsoft products and technology."

In order to renew the company's Gold status, PPM 2000's software applications had to pass rigorous compatibility and reliability tests, and the successful implementation of these applications had to be proven in real-world environments. With their renewal as a Microsoft Gold Certified Partner, PPM 2000 has, once again, demonstrated the highest level of competency and expertise with Microsoft technologies, and they have proven their ability to meet the needs and expectations of their clients.

More specifically, PPM 2000's competency in ISV/Software Solutions demonstrates the company's successful record of developing and marketing software based on Microsoft technologies. "Solutions competencies are an important way for Microsoft to better enable ISVs to meet customer needs," said Sanjay Parthasarathy, Corporate Vice President of the Developer & Platform Evangelism Group at Microsoft. "They allow ISVs to keep and win customers through their deep knowledge of solutions-based Microsoft platform technologies. Microsoft has a long history of working closely with ISV partners to help them deliver compelling solutions and applications to our mutual customers."

Don Murphy, President & CEO of PPM 2000 remarked, "Our elite status as a Microsoft Gold Certified Partner reflects our ongoing dedication to quality software solutions and service. Having earned the closest possible working relationship with Microsoft, we are continually

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backed, trained and supported by Microsoft. We also continue to receive exclusive technical support, advanced product and solution training opportunities, pre-releases of Microsoft business products and monthly updates on new products and solutions. These benefits enhance our ability to develop leading-edge Incident Management software backed by a demonstrated commitment to quality, practicality and customer service.”

Albert Hancock, Chief Technology Officer for PPM 2000, added, “As a Microsoft Gold Certified Partner, we can better align Microsoft’s technologies with our development strategies to meet the changing needs and expectations of our clients. By building solutions on the Microsoft platform, and by working closely with Microsoft, we can release stronger products, with greater functionality, in less time.”

**About the Microsoft Partner Program:**

The Microsoft Partner Program was launched in October 2003 and represents Microsoft’s ongoing commitment to the success of partners worldwide. The program offers a single, integrated partnering framework that recognizes partner expertise, rewards the total impact that partners have in the technology marketplace, and delivers more value to help partners’ businesses be successful.

**About PPM 2000 Inc.:**

PPM 2000 was established in 1988 to develop Incident Reporting and Investigation Management software for the Corporate Security industry. The company’s enterprise-level solutions help organizations accomplish their security, risk management and compliance objectives through data-driven decision making and knowledge management. Thousands of organizations have implemented a PPM solution, and the company’s clients span all industries and include many of the Fortune 1000. PPM 2000 is a Microsoft Gold Certified Partner. For more information, visit [www.ppm2000.com](http://www.ppm2000.com) or call (888) 776-9776.

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