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BCD and Zend become industry's primary resource for PHP-on-IBM i development through expanded partnership

Industry leaders will tightly integrate to help IBM i organizations succeed at all stages of the PHP development lifecycle.

Mansfield, MA – March 23, 2015 - BCD Software LLC., a Quadrant Group company and an IBM i industry leader for almost 40 years, and Zend, the PHP company and provider of the #1 application server for mission-critical PHP applications, have announced a significant expansion to their existing partnership, establishing them as the industry leaders in PHP development on the IBM i platform.

Under the new agreement, BCD will provide custom PHP web application development professional services for Zend's IBM i customers. BCD will also serve as a vital sales partner in providing Zend's technology integrated with WebSmart PHP, BCD's rapid web application development solution.

BCD and Zend, both leaders in application modernization on IBM i, first joined forces in 2012 and have helped thousands of IBM i organizations develop, deploy, manage and scale PHP solutions. The new agreement better enables BCD and Zend to serve IBM i customers across the full PHP lifecycle, from rapid application development and professional services to application deployment and management.

According to Stu Schmidt, President of Zend Technologies, "We picked BCD as a partner because they provide world-class IBM i web application development services and support. We see BCD as a key strategic partner who will help modernization efforts and PHP in general on IBM i grow and prosper while providing tremendous value to our IBM i clients."

"Zend is synonymous with PHP, and BCD is the leader in IBM i modernization and application development. This partnership will further solidify BCD and Zend's positions as IBM i leaders in PHP web application development and deployment," says Stephen Woodard, CEO of the Quadrant Group. "We're very excited to deepen our partnership and provide even more integrated solutions for our collective customers."

About BCD

BCD is a Quadrant Software company and one of the most successful software organizations in the IBM i marketplace. BCD has almost 40 years in the industry and has successfully helped thousands of organizations worldwide modernize.

BCD is part of the Quadrant Group, which also includes:

- Quadrant Software, a leading provider of document distribution, spool file beautification and business intelligence solutions
- ExcelSystems, which develops and supports BCD solutions
- NetLert, which develops an Avaya call center performance analysis solution
- SoftBase, which provides application testing and tuning solutions for IBM's DB2 database utilizing the OS/390 and z/OS operating systems

For more information, please visit <http://www.bcsoftware.com>.

About Zend Technologies

Zend partners with businesses to rapidly deliver modern apps across mobile and cloud. Founded in 1999, Zend helped establish the PHP language, which today runs more than one-third of the world's web sites. Today, Zend is the leading provider of software and services for developing, deploying and managing business-critical applications in PHP. Zend's award-winning PHP solutions including Zend Server and Zend Studio are deployed at more than 40,000 companies, including NYSE Euronext, BNP Paribas, Bell Helicopter, France Telecom and other leading brands worldwide. Learn more at www.zend.com.

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