



FILENET JOINS BUSINESS PROCESS MANAGEMENT INITIATIVE (BPMI.ORG)

FileNET Helps Drive the Development of B2B Process Management Standards, Helping Organizations Worldwide Improve the Integration of eBusiness Transaction Processing Systems and Applications

COSTA MESA, California - December 18, 2000 - FileNET (Nasdaq:FILE), a leading provider of eProcess Management solutions, Monday announced that it has joined the Business Process Management Initiative (BPMI.org), an initiative focused on creating an open specification for eBusiness process management.

"BPMI.org plays an essential leadership role in driving the development of open eBusiness process management standards that can be shared across computing systems and multiple industries," said Dan Whelan, chief technology officer, FileNET. "As a leader in workflow and eProcess management technology over the past decade, FileNET is committed to developing new standards that enable businesses to leverage the power of the Internet, which will improve the management of their business processes over the Web.

"FileNET's eProcess Services will embrace these emerging open standards, ensuring our customers are using the most cutting-edge eBusiness solution available." FileNET's Panagon eProcess Services is an industry-leading eBusiness software solution used by large organizations worldwide to manage complex business processes and extend them to the Web through XML exchange.

"We are pleased to welcome FileNET as a new BPMI.org member," noted Ismael Ghalimi, CEO of Intalio and initiator of BPMI.org. "FileNET has developed unique expertise in the management of complex business processes and is a key contributor to the Workflow Management Coalition (WfMC). We expect their expertise to be leveraged for making BPML processes interoperate with WfMC workflows."

The 60 members of BPMI.org are developing the Business Process Modeling Language (BPML) specification, which will standardize the meta-language for business process modeling over the Web, much like XML Schema has emerged as the meta-language for business data modeling. Members of BPMI.org include Cap Gemini Ernst & Young, Computer Sciences Corp., Epicentric, and Hewlett-Packard. BPMI.org defines open specifications, such as the Business Process Modeling Language (BPML) and the Business Process Query Language (BPQL), that will enable the standards-based management of eBusiness processes, in much the same way that SQL enabled the standards-based management of business data with off-the-shelf Database Management Systems (DBMS).

BPMI.org's goal is to standardize technologies that will enable any company to develop and operate business processes that span multiple applications and business partners, behind the firewall and over the Internet.

About FileNET

FileNET Corp. provides "The Substance Behind eBusiness(TM)" by delivering process-centric eBusiness solutions. FileNET enables organizations around the globe to increase productivity, customer satisfaction and revenue by linking customers, partners and employees through efficient and flexible eBusiness processes.

With headquarters in Costa Mesa, the company markets its innovative solutions in more than 90 countries through its own global sales, professional services and support organizations, as well as via its ValueNET® Partner network of resellers, system integrators and application developers.

Founded in 1982, the company currently employs more than 1,800 people and reported record revenues of \$287 million in nine months, ended Sept. 30, 2000. Additional information can be obtained by contacting the company at 800/FileNET, or via the Internet at www.FileNET.com.

About BPMI.org

Founded in August 2000, BPMI.org (the Business Process Management Initiative) is a non-profit organization that empowers companies of all sizes, across all industries, to develop and operate business processes that span multiple applications and business partners, behind the firewall and over the Internet.

The Initiative's mission is to promote and develop the use of Business Process Management (BPM) through the establishment of standards for process design, deployment, execution, maintenance, and optimization. BPMI.org develops open specifications, assists IT vendors in marketing their implementations, and supports businesses in using Business Process Management technologies. BPMI.org has been initiated by Intalio Inc. and created in August 2000 by a group of 16 enterprise software vendors and consulting firms. Membership is open to all companies, non-profit organizations, and individuals.

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