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JBoss and Sun Microsystems Expand Collaboration on Standards

New Multi-year Agreement Underscores JBoss' Ongoing Commitment to the J2EE Platform

SANTA CLARA, Calif. and ATLANTA, Ga.—February 7, 2005—JBoss®, Inc., the Professional Open Source company, and Sun Microsystems, Inc. (Nasdaq: SUNW) announced today that they have expanded their collaboration on standards through a new multi-year agreement for JBoss to support the Java 2, Enterprise Edition (J2EE™) platform. The agreement is the latest cooperative development between the two companies.

“At a time when large proprietary vendors are moving to lock in users, JBoss is more committed than ever to J2EE, the Java community and standards that will ease development and use of Java technology,” said Marc Fleury, chairman and CEO, JBoss, Inc. “With this new agreement, JBoss is putting a stake on J2EE and continuing our collaboration with Sun to ensure the future of Java as a development platform.”

Under the terms of the agreement, JBoss will continue to license the Test Compatibility Kit (TCK) from Sun to assure that future versions of the JBoss Application Server are J2EE compatible. Sun will also provide assistance to JBoss during future product certification testing. This agreement underscores JBoss' ongoing commitment to the J2EE platform. Over the last year, JBoss has established itself as a technology leader in the Java community and was recently elected by program members of the Java Community Process (JCPSM) to the Executive Committee (EC) for the Standard/Enterprise Edition (SE/EE). In September, JBoss delivered the industry's first certified J2EE 1.4 compatible, production-ready open source application server, JBoss Application Server 4.0, to the market. JBoss is also an active participant in the Enterprise Java Beans 3.0 (EJB3) specification, Java Specification Request (JSR) 220 and the Java Business Integration (JBI) specification, JSR 208 Expert Groups.

“Sun is pleased by this reinforced support and commitment from JBoss for the J2EE platform and standards, especially given the company's increasingly important role as a technology driver in the Java community,” said David Bryant, senior director of marketing at Sun. “The J2EE platform continues to gain momentum as the platform of choice for developers committed to

application portability. We look forward to continuing our joint efforts to advance Java technologies and maintain Java as the preeminent development and deployment platform.”

About Sun Microsystems, Inc.

Since its inception in 1982, a singular vision—“The Network Is The Computer”—has propelled Sun Microsystems, Inc. (Nasdaq: SUNW) to its position as a leading provider of industrial-strength hardware, software and services that make the Net work. Sun can be found in more than 100 countries and on the World Wide Web at <http://sun.com>.

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Through its Professional Open Source model, JBoss, Inc. is making open source a safe choice for the enterprise. JBoss provides resources, technology direction and core development for popular open source projects and stands behind them with enterprise-grade support and services. The JBoss Enterprise Middleware System (JEMS), built on the Professional Open Source model, includes leading technologies like Tomcat, Hibernate, JBoss jBPM, JBoss IDE and the JBoss Application Server, the industry’s most popular J2EE open source application server in use, with over five million downloads. Companies like Corporate Express, La Quinta Inns and Nielsen Media Research rely on JEMS for mission-critical enterprise applications. Partners who embed or bundle JEMS and resell JBoss services include Computer Associates, HP, Novell and Unisys. JBoss has headquarters in Atlanta, Ga. and Neuchâtel, Switzerland. For additional information, please visit www.jboss.com.

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