

# Candle expands management support for Linux in the Enterprise

Candle Corporation, a leading enterprise infrastructure management provider, today announced the expansion of its offerings for Linux environments by providing new Linux support for IBM WebSphere MQ management, as well as 64-bit platform support across its entire Linux management solution portfolio. Building on the debut of its Linux support in August 2000, Candle today offers a full portfolio of Linux enterprise management solutions. "Our Linux management solutions empower organisations to migrate mission-critical applications to Linux environments as part of cost-saving mainframe server consolidation initiatives," said Teri Soken, vice president, Data Centre Management, Candle Corporation. "We are witnessing increasing demand from new and existing customers for Linux tuning, testing and management solutions as organisations focus on migrating to a common operating system to reduce cost and complexity."

Gartner, Inc. underscores the growth of Linux on the mainframe in John Phelps' February 25, 2003, report, "IBM Mainframe Futures: Better Than Many Believe." The report states, "Linux grew to account for at least 15 per cent of the net new MIPS shipped in 2001 and grew to more than 20 per cent of the new MIPS shipped in 2002." The report also states that most of the Linux MIPS shipped in 2002 were trials.

Candle strengthened its Linux offerings with the debut of OMEGAMON XE (Extended Edition) for Linux - an end-to-end solution for testing, tuning and managing the performance and availability of Linux on IBM eServer zSeries mainframes. Candle's expanding Linux solution suite underscores its commitment to supporting customers' enterprise Linux deployments.

"The groundswell of momentum surrounding Linux with IBM software continues to build as organisations focus on deploying the open source operating system to enhance business performance and reduce the cost of enterprise computing," said Scott Handy, director, Linux Software Solutions, IBM. "As organisations expand the scope of their Linux deployments, IBM and IBM partners, such as Candle, are providing customers with the solutions infrastructure to capitalise on the compelling benefits of using Linux."

## PathWAI Monitor for WebSphere MQ Linux Support

Candle's solution for WebSphere MQ, PathWAI\* Monitor for WebSphere MQ delivers a high level of control and availability across the WebSphere MQ application infrastructure. Candle's PathWAI is the market-leading tuning, testing, management and configuration solution for IBM WebSphere. Analyst firm WinterGreen Research Inc. reports\* that Candle's PathWAI Monitor for WebSphere MQ owns a dominant 65 per cent market share in the mission-critical middleware messaging system management market.

## OMEGAMON XE for Linux

OMEGAMON XE for Linux delivers solutions for technical managers testing applications before implementation and in deployment. The offering also supports the requirements of business managers focused on analysing performance to assess computing service-level management and return on investment. OMEGAMON XE for Linux monitors critical system characteristics, such as disk inode, disk use, file system and network connections, as well as systemwide performance statistics and processes. OMEGAMON XE for Linux also identifies hard-to-diagnose conditions that could cause outages or performance issues, and generates alerts and reports that warn of potential problems before they occur.

Candle's expertise in harnessing Linux performance is reflected by its contribution to an IBM Redbook that details best practices for Linux optimisation and configuration. Candle contributed insight into managing Linux on z/VM to the Linux on IBM eServer zSeries and S/390: Performance Measurement and Tuning redbook.

## About Candle Corporation

Candle Corporation provides solutions to manage and optimise business-critical infrastructures, systems, service levels and other information technology assets. By enabling companies to manage the performance and availability of their systems and applications across multiple environments, Candle empowers customers to align IT investments with business value. More than 3,000 of the world's largest companies use Candle products and consulting services, including 73 per cent of the Global 100. With more than 5,000 customer sites in 60 countries, Candle is one of the world's largest independent software and services companies. Candle is headquartered in El Segundo, California. For more information, visit [www.candle.com](http://www.candle.com).

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\* WinterGreen Research Inc. "Message Oriented Middleware (MOM) Opportunities, Strategies, and Forecasts, 2003 to 2008."

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