BMC Software introduces Linux community web site

Online community drives Linux adoption through Linux thought leadership, research and articles

BMC Software (r), Inc. [NYSE: BMC] today announced it is bringing to market a Linux community site, which can be found online at www.LinuxValue.com, http://www.LinuxValue.com. The Web site brings the business value of Linux to readers, helping to accelerate the adoption of Linux in the enterprise by providing business decision-makers with the insight and confidence they need to deploy the technology more aggressively. BMC Software will partner with other Linux Leaders, such as SuSE, to ensure the site features a variety of tools to help visitors understand Linux, including industry news, interviews, articles, case studies, analyst perspectives, book reviews, and links to other Web sites. "As a leading innovator in the Linux marketplace, we feel it is extremely important to continue to provide value and educational information to ensure the success of the Linux platform," said Uwe Heine, Chief Alliance Officer, SuSE Linux. "SuSE welcomes the opportunity to expand the thought leadership available to this market. Working with leading industry experts, analysts, and technology leaders, our goal is to bring the best in Linux education to the market." "BMC Software is a leader in the enterprise management space and continues to lead the market in supporting the four phases of production Linux management," said Lori Allen, vice president, Linux Solutions, BMC Software. "By adding educational resources for the Linux market to our innovative solutions and professional services, we are providing our customers and Linux customers across the board with a solid foundation for helping them be more successful. To this end, we are glad to be partnering with superior Linux partners to provide leading edge information on the Linux platform and we look forward to working with them to advance the Linux marketplace." LinuxValue.com Delivers Real Tools to Enable Real Return on Investment Linuxvalue.com also offers a free return on investment (ROI) model that provides nine steps in an .XLS spreadsheet that will tell customers what their Linux-based IT operations will cost over the analysis period, expressed in today's dollars, compared with existing systems. This document takes the customer through the model, step by step, explaining the various parameters and assumptions. BMC Software also will offer SystemCheck for Linux, a version of its Deployment Manager for Linux (DML) solution announced today available free of charge to any customer, on LinuxValue.com. SystemCheck for Linux enables customers to discover where problems may exist in their Linux deployment. Once problems are determined, IT can fix the problems themselves, or purchase BMC Software's DML. With this new solution, IT now can choose how they want to simplify their Linux application deployment and improve the productivity for their Linux IT staff. (See related release, "BMC Software Expands Enterprise Support for Managing Linux Environments.") For more information on SystemCheck for Linux go to www.bmc.com/systemcheck, http://www.bmc.com/systemcheck. About BMC Software BMC Software, Inc. [NYSE:BMC], is a leading provider of enterprise management solutions that empower companies to manage their IT infrastructure from a business perspective. Delivering Business Service Management, BMC Software solutions span enterprise systems, applications, databases and service management. Founded in 1980, BMC Software has offices worldwide and fiscal 2003 revenues of more than $1.3 billion.

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