

## GeoMetrix Offers ASP.NET Version of Training Partner Online

**Victoria, BC; April 4, 2006:** GeoMetrix Data Systems Inc. has released an ASP.NET version of its learning management system, Training Partner Online. Training Partner Online .NET leverages many of the performance and scalability benefits of a .NET solution, while maintaining a system that clients can easily modify while still receiving upgrades.

When GeoMetrix developed Training Partner Online, the key goal was to provide a powerful system in which clients could alter online pages to meet their business practices without preventing or hampering their ability to utilize upgrades. Unlike many other Online learning management systems, Training Partner Online generates pages through a set of rules that can be tailored. Using the built-in Online Designer, clients can alter not just the look-and-feel of the online pages but also the business rules and information displayed — and even have the option of adding new functionality by creating new pages.

"Most LMSs deliver online pages via ASP, Perl-scripts or Java-code. However, these rely on fixed pages of code. If an organization requires changes to the code, someone must modify these fixed pages. When releasing upgrades or bug fixes, the vendor typically provides the client with a new set of pages," noted Justin Hearn, President of GeoMetrix. "Accepting the fixed-code pages means the client must redo changes on each page that has been modified. The cost of implementing and maintaining versions of the software can exceed the original cost of the software."

Unlike these other LMSs, Training Partner Online manages online delivery by generating its pages through a series of rules built into elements created in the Online Designer. While this method maintains complete flexibility (the web developer can use elements to create any type of page required), dynamic page generation always has a performance cost.

Microsoft's introduction of its .NET compiling technology for web pages (ASP.NET) greatly increases the performance of server-based web applications. Even compared to existing ASP technology, ASP.NET often performs dramatically faster. However, ASP.NET is a page-based technology and suffers the same issues identified above. Clients wishing to customize pages to adapt to specific business logic or look-and-feel modifications run into the same upgrade issues as the previous page-based systems.

GeoMetrix's goal for Training Partner Online.NET is to leverage the significant performance increase of the ASP.NET code while maintaining the upgrade advantages of the current Training Partner Online. The system accomplishes this by publishing all of the business logic and page alterations to a set of ASP.NET pages. If a client modifies the online interface to display a table row under certain circumstances, Training Partner exports a .NET page that contains the same logic. So flexible is the system, the GeoMetrix will run its corporate/product website through Training Partner Online.NET.

"The unique design of Training Partner Online.NET incorporates an upgradeable architecture and rapid prototyping with the leading edge performance of Microsoft ASP.NET," said Justin Hearn, President of GeoMetrix Data Systems Inc. "The Training Partner Online provides organizations with complete control of their learning environment without the expense of developing and maintaining a custom system."

### About GeoMetrix Data Systems Inc. and Training Partner

GeoMetrix consistently delivers integrated systems that address business, technology and learning challenges. Training Partner is the only LMS in the industry to offer total control of a learning environment without the expense of developing and maintaining a custom system.

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