

Press Release

ISS Group Announces Its Support of New Upstream Oil and Gas Reference Architecture Initiative

Perth, WA – June 15, 2010 -- Digital oilfield strategies and integrated operations efforts over the past several years have shown that a robust data dictionary and data broker are critical elements in leveraging advances in digital technology, and they work best with a supporting architecture with integrated applications and data management systems.

ISS Group is pleased to announce its endorsement of the Microsoft Upstream Reference Architecture Initiative. ISS Group will work to align its key product offerings in the oil and gas sector with a common information technology (IT) framework developed through the on-going collaboration of the Reference Architecture Initiative participants, led by Microsoft Corp. ISS will focus specifically on its flagship product line centered around BabelFish™. The key elements of the BabelFish Data Management Server are a federated data dictionary and a federated data broker, both critical attributes of a common, IT framework and a key component of delivery to most mutual ISS and Microsoft clients.

Microsoft is taking the lead on this initiative to provide a dependable and cost-effective environment for applications integration, data sharing, and workflow integration development.

“Microsoft’s robust ecosystem of worldwide industry partners provides the ideal environment to launch the Microsoft Upstream Reference Architecture initiative,” said Ali Ferling, managing director of Worldwide Oil and Gas Industries at Microsoft. “Our commitment is to lead an ongoing effort to create and build over time industry consensus for an open framework for collaboration and efficient work processes that furthers the flow of digital oilfield information.”

“ISS values its relationship with Microsoft as a critical component in its technology platform, R&D, marketing, and business strategy. Our participation in this reference architecture initiative is a natural evolution of that relationship,” said Grant Eggleton, global business development manager for ISS.

The focus is on enabling each person in the oil and gas industry to contribute to meeting today’s challenges. With access to near-real-time data, the tools to easily analyze and report on that data, and the ability to collaborate with colleagues, vendors and partners around the world, people can make better geo-scientific, technical and business decisions faster across the entire oil and gas supply chain.

“This initiative is designed to create a framework that will allow multiple parties with multiple technologies to work together efficiently through better integration and interoperability among upstream applications,” Ferling said. “This IT foundation is critical in delivering a common, integrated approach to digital oilfield operations. Microsoft is committed to an ongoing journey of development

and promotion of this technology framework to facilitate better collaboration and flow of vital industry information.”

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