

RiverOne Unveils Robust New Architecture as Cornerstone of INTERACTIVE Version 6.0

Revolutionary Adaptive Supply Chain Architecture (ASCA) Empowers Electronics Leaders to Define and Operationalize Unique Partner Relationships

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RiverOne, the fastest growing provider of supply chain software and services for the electronics industry, announced today the next generation of its INTERACTIVE software solution. INTERACTIVE 6.0 delivers the revolutionary new RiverOne Adaptive Supply Chain Architecture (ASCA), enabling rapid deployment of a highly flexible and configurable supply chain control system.

INTERACTIVE 6.0 builds on the strength of RiverOne's flagship product, which is currently deployed by industry leaders such as Flextronics, SMART Modular Technologies, Universal Scientific Industrial (USI), and ViaSat Inc. Version 6 is based on proven new technologies, including the Microsoft® .NET environment and advanced services oriented architecture (SOA). In addition, Version 6 allows companies to accomplish program-based management of their supply chains, making possible a greater degree of intimacy for trading partner communities.

“The best supply chain wins, particularly in electronics. As an OEM, we view our ability to synchronize and measure the performance of our outsourced value chain as a key competitive differentiator,” said Ray Barger, director of procurement at ViaSat. “We are working with RiverOne on a fast track implementation of 6.0 as the underpinning of our V-Chain' supplier initiative. This will result in forward-looking supply chain collaboration that sets the stage for a very good ROI.”

“RiverOne has worked closely with the world's most successful electronics manufacturing organizations over the last five years, and we have experienced first-hand how supply chain leaders operate,” said Chris Smith, CEO of RiverOne. “We see again and again that success is not based on a ‘lowest common denominator’ approach, but through managing partner-by-partner and program-by-program. With the outstanding configurability offered by the new ASCA architecture, INTERACTIVE supports this requirement for even the most complex electronics supply chains.”

About INTERACTIVE 6.0

INTERACTIVE 6.0 is an inter-enterprise supply chain control system, optimized for heterogeneous IT environments, multi-level organizational hierarchies, and multiple partners executing shared and innovative supply-chain processes. It delivers a level of inter-company coordination and efficiency otherwise associated with an integrated manufacturing strategy. This web-native system integrates connectivity, execution, planning, and powerful metrics into a single backbone that allows structured collaboration ‘outside the four walls.’

INTERACTIVE 6.0 includes major enhancements in each of the four primary inter-enterprise areas:

Any-to-Any Connectivity – INTERACTIVE V6 is built on Microsoft's robust .NET framework with native web services to support emerging service oriented architectures. This accelerates inter-company application connectivity and shared process management. Version 6 also delivers an integrated best-in-class business to business integration (B2Bi) layer, while also allowing customers using the RiverOne licensed software model to leverage their current investments in connectivity solutions.

Business Process Coordination – INTERACTIVE 6.0 adds a wizard-based configurable state model for every process, as well as an accessible business rules engine to adapt precisely to customers' specific processes, even down to the trading partner level. As in previous versions, the complete web UI can be configured to work with existing terminology, protocols and systems.

Program-Based Control – INTERACTIVE 6.0 codifies the way most successful electronics companies deploy and manage inter-enterprise processes – at the program level. This innovative approach parses the supply chain into distinct programs allowing companies to securely deploy programs seamlessly across multiple parties in the extended supply chain

Exception Management – INTERACTIVE 6.0 adds user-configurable alerts for precise management control. As in previous versions, exception-based reporting is also supported.

Availability

RiverOne INTERACTIVE 6.0 will be generally available in Q1 2005, as either a hosted or licensed software product. Pricing is based on the scope of each deployment including the number of supply chain programs supported and the number of partners connected.

About RiverOne

RiverOne is the fastest growing provider of supply chain management solutions to the electronics industry. The company's customers include OEMs, EMS companies, and component suppliers who account for more than 25% of global outsourced manufacturing. The company's INTERACTIVE software solution enables business processes across the "inter-enterprise" delivering integrated execution, planning, and metrics through a single business application for structured collaboration 'outside the four walls.' Only RiverOne fosters supply chain intimacy by enabling organizations to define and drive their supply chain operations partner-by-partner, and program-by-program. RiverOne's professional services team and business consulting partners help customers redesign business processes to take full advantage of the power and flexibility of INTERACTIVE solutions. RiverOne serves a global market, including Acer, Flextronics and Solectron. Founded in 1999, RiverOne has received industry recognition for its consistent growth and product innovation, and is headquartered in Irvine, California.

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