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Prolifics Announces IBM to Resell J2EE and XML Connector Technology, XMLink™

**Relationship will Expand the WebSphere e-Infrastructure Software to
Bring IBM WebSphere® e-business Solutions to BEA Tuxedo® Users**

New York – August 14, 2001 – Prolifics, an international e-business solutions provider, today announced that IBM will resell XMLink, the company's Java™ and XML connector that brings IBM WebSphere** e-business solutions to BEA Tuxedo customers. XMLink will extend IBM's robust set of existing connectors, provided as part of IBM's WebSphere e-infrastructure software.

Based on the J2EE™ Connector Architecture Specification*, XMLink enables the transformation and integration of back-end business services, including BEA Tuxedo services, to IBM WebSphere. When imported into IBM VisualAge** for Java, XMLink provides easy access from IBM WebSphere to legacy BEA Tuxedo services. Additionally, the connector includes an XML interface that allows you to extend application access to email, browsers or pervasive devices, and positions the future of applications for a Web services architecture.

"By reselling XMLink, we are able to offer thousands of BEA Tuxedo users a practical and accelerated strategy for the application integration and migration to IBM WebSphere," says Rob Lamb, director, Business Process Management, IBM. "WebSphere, recognized for its outstanding performance, reliability and scalability, and its end-to-end e-business support, lowers the customer's total cost of ownership while empowering them to reach new markets and increase profits."

Prolifics also has evolved complementary expert Integration Services, with a proven methodology and best practices, to help organizations adapt to open standards while leveraging their significant IT investments.

"The marriage of IBM WebSphere and Prolifics' integration technology and services benefit organizations by helping them overcome current barriers to e-business, ensuring a seamless flow of information across the extended enterprise," says Devi Gupta, director, Strategic Marketing, Prolifics.

About IBM's (NYSE: IBM) WebSphere Software

IBM WebSphere's customizable family of products provides the industry's most scalable e-business software foundation and application services, and delivers a flexible and open platform on which to build next-generation e-business applications. Based on WebSphere Application Server, the WebSphere family supports business applications from simple Web publishing through enterprise-scale transaction processing. Through modular, integrated application services, such as Lotus Domino for rich collaboration capabilities and WebSphere Commerce Suite for high-performance, scalable commerce sites, the WebSphere family transforms the way businesses manage customer, partner and employee relationships. Tightly integrated business and web content development tools and web site management capabilities deliver the most

advanced and productive end-to-end application development, deployment and integration for sophisticated e-business solutions. Information about the complete WebSphere product line is on the Web at www.software.ibm.com/websphere.

About Prolifics

As 1 of only 5 selected WebSphere Service Providers retained by IBM, Prolifics leverages best practices and WebSphere knowledge experts to deliver high performing enterprise systems for leading customers in finance, telecommunications, healthcare, government, and manufacturing. Founded in 1978, Prolifics has over twenty years experience in solving business problems with technology solutions for a diverse list of well-known companies. With offices throughout America and Europe, Prolifics' solutions help organizations like the United Nations administer Human Resource benefits across international borders - even during field-level crisis management; aid JP Morgan in managing portfolio information on its extensive customer base; and empower GTECH to run 70% of the world's lottery systems. As reported by a leading analyst and research organization, Prolifics has an industry-high 96% success rate of delivering systems on-time and on-budget. For more information, visit our website at www.prolifics.com.

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* Though the J2EE Connector Architecture Specification will be released shortly from Sun Microsystems, inc., it is currently classified as a beta. No changes are expected that would require changes to XMLink, enabling you to begin developing your J2EE applications today.