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Brazil City of Recife's Computer Technology Organization Finds Long-Term Reliability with Red Hat Solutions

City's IT system benefits from stability, compatibility and cost reduction with Red Hat and JBoss solutions

RALEIGH, N.C — September 19, 2007 — Red Hat (NYSE: RHT), the world's leading provider of open source solutions, today announced that the City of Recife's Computer Technology Organization (Emprel) in the state of Pernambuco, Brazil is experiencing long-term success with Red Hat solutions. Emprel first selected Red Hat Linux in 1998, has since migrated to Red Hat Enterprise Linux for its critical applications and currently utilizes the full suite of Red Hat solutions.

Before migrating to open source solutions in 1994, Emprel was struggling with several problems in its proprietary-based IT infrastructure. It was experiencing operating system instability and budget limitations with its legacy software. It turned to open source to find a reliable, stable and cost-effective solution. Over time and after exploration of various open source solutions, it selected and deployed Red Hat Linux in 1998. With Red Hat Linux, Emprel was able to make its processing solutions available online, allowing the organization to take the municipal tax and urban planning systems to the city's service centers. Then, the company updated and developed its tax, planning, health, education, budget, financial and shopping port software.

In 2002 Emprel upgraded its real estate and commercial records and implemented them on the Red Hat Linux platform.

Updating our records was a big challenge for us because these involve highly critical and complex systems which had been running on mainframes since day one,

said Luís Siqueria, IT infrastructure director at Emprel.

But since we were finding success with Red Hat solutions already, and because we have always pioneered innovation, we decided to install Red Hat Linux on our mainframe. That was a deciding step toward the consolidation of Emprel's open source software strategy.

Today, most of the company's critical services have been migrated to Red Hat Enterprise Linux. Its IT infrastructure comprises databases including DB2, Oracle, PostgreSQL and MySQL. Its application servers include JBoss Application Server and WebSphere and it utilizes an Apache webserver and firewalls. Of Emprel's 60 servers, 50 currently run on Red Hat solutions.

Since implementing Red Hat solutions, Emprel has enjoyed an extremely stable platform, compatibility with other commercial software versions and cost reduction for its management of over 2,000 machines.

The adoption of Red Hat solutions allows us to ensure compatibility and the knowledge that we can install its solutions without concern. Additionally, we didn't have to use Red Hat support, which in our opinion is an excellent sign of stability and reliability,

said Siqueria.

This allows our tasks to be executed without interruption ⎯ the goal of any data processing center working 24x7.

We're thrilled to see that Emprel has found such long-term success with Red Hat and JBoss solutions,

said Paul Cormier, executive vice president of engineering at Red Hat.

Emprel's use of Red Hat solutions since 1998, in addition to its migration to Red Hat Enterprise Linux for its mainframes and critical applications, is a testament to the reliability and effectiveness of our solutions.

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