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B2D's Live Performance Management™ Composite Application Achieves SAP® xApps™ Certified Status

Provides Manufacturing Customers Using SAP Solutions a Snap-on Application that Automatically Identifies and Takes Action to Capture Operational Improvements

Cleveland – BusinessWire – November 14, 2006 – [B2D Solutions Inc.](#), the leading provider of fast-cycle closed-loop continuous improvement solutions for manufacturers, announced today that SAP AG has certified its Live Performance Management composite application (LPM) for use on the SAP NetWeaver® platform and for integration with SAP® ERP Central Component (ECC) Release 5.0. B2D's LPM 3.1 composite application has demonstrated compatibility and met all business and technical requirements for achieving "SAP xApps Certified – Powered by SAP NetWeaver" status.

The B2D [Live Performance Management](#) composite application running on SAP NetWeaver transforms live data streams from a large number of disparate sources (factory equipment, sensors, RFID, operations personnel, business systems) into business relevant information with real-time visibility and analytics that automatically trigger and execute continuous improvement business processes.

"B2D's Live Performance Management solution takes manufacturing intelligence to the next level. In addition to real-time dashboards, reports and intelligent alerts, the LPM composite application automatically identifies improvement opportunities and drives the actions necessary to capture and sustain improvement," said John Mahoney, President of B2D Solutions. "There are many applications certified for integration with SAP, but only a handful have achieved the rigorous SAP xApps Certified status. Certification assures SAP customers that B2D's LPM composite application can be seamlessly integrated with the SAP NetWeaver platform thereby enhancing the value of

existing and future investment in SAP solutions.” Achieving “SAP xApps Certified - Powered by SAP NetWeaver” further strengthens B2D’s support of SAP solutions and squarely aligns B2D with SAP’s vision for adaptive manufacturing.

Through SAP xApps Certified status, partners and ISVs deliver on the promise of enterprise service-oriented architecture following the principles and standards of SAP’s composite architectural guidelines. The SAP xApps family of composite applications enables continuous business innovation, and provides the flexibility necessary to respond quickly and profitably to business change. SAP xApps composite applications extend the value of core business investments and maximize the return on strategic assets: employees, knowledge, products, business relationships and IT.

About B2D Solutions Inc.

B2D’s innovative fast-cycle closed-loop operational performance management solution delivers results. Utilizing open standard technologies, B2D’s Live Performance Management solution automatically identifies opportunities and executes business processes that generate improvement in throughput, inventory, quality and capital efficiency. Progressive manufacturers in medical, automotive, converting and other industries and have selected B2D to support and drive their strategies for continuous operational improvement. For more information visit www.b2dsolutions.com.

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