IBM sets new record for TPC-C price/performance

August 19, 2002 ... IBM® today published the lowest price/performance result ever achieved with the TPC Benchmark C, Version 5.0. This new IBM result, which ranks number one in the Top Ten TPC-C by Price/Performance, eclipses the price/performance achieved by Dell Computer Corporation.

The eServer™ xSeries™ 235 achieved performance of 17,559.31 tpmC at a price/performance of $2.99/tpmC with availability of August 16, 2002. The x235 server used a single Intel® 2.4GHz/512KB (1) Xeon™ processor and ran Microsoft® SQL Server 2000 Standard Edition and Microsoft Windows® 2000 Server.

The Dell PowerEdge 4600, configured with one 2.2GHz/512KB Xeon processor, and running Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Standard Edition and Microsoft Windows 2000 Server, achieved performance of 12,579.04 tpmC at price/performance of $3.31/tpmC with availability of June 26, 2002.

The executive summaries for these results can be found at the Transaction Processing Performance Council (TPC) Web site at www.tpc.org.

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(1) GHz only measures microprocessor internal clock speed; many factors affect application performance.

Results referenced are current as of August 19, 2002.

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