IBM sets new record for TPC-C price/performance

June 4, 2002 ... IBM® has posted the lowest price/performance result ever achieved with the TPC-C benchmark. This new IBM result, which ranks first in the Top Ten TPC-C by Price/Performace, eclipses the price/performance and performance results achieved by a similarly configured Dell system.

The IBM xSeries 220 achieved performance of 12,009.46 tpmC at a price/performance of $3.52/tpmC with TPC-C, Version 5.0. The total solution availability is June 3, 2002. The xSeries 220 server used a single Intel® 1.4GHz/512KB(1) Pentium® III processor and ran Microsoft® SQL Server 2000 Standard Edition and Microsoft Windows® 2000 Server.

The Dell PowerEdge 2500, configured with one 1.26GHz/512KB Pentium III processor, and running Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Standard Edition and Microsoft Windows 2000 Server, achieved performance of11,537.02 tpmC at a price/performance of $3.68/tpmC with availability of March 12, 2002.

The executive summaries for these results as well as information about the TPC-C benchmark can be found at the Transaction Processing Performance Council (TPC) Web site at www.tpc.org.

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

Results referenced are current as of June 4, 2002.