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thoroughbred news release

Thoroughbred Software releases *Solution-IV*™ Accounting 8.41

*Latest release provides Client-Server access from any
UNIX or Windows-based Database product to
accounting data.*

Somerset, NJ, February 17, 1998: Thoroughbred Software International, Inc. announced today the release of *Solution-IV* Accounting version 8.41. *Solution-IV* has been enhanced to interface with Thoroughbred's open database products: TS Oracle DataServer™, TS ODBC DataServer™, and VIP™ 4.01 (Thoroughbred's Graphical User Interface and Communications Server). *Solution-IV* is completely YEAR 2000 compliant.

Solution-IV will run with Oracle databases using **Thoroughbred's TS Oracle DataServer**, and when combined with Thoroughbred's **TS ODBC DataServer**, all *Solution-IV* Accounting data is accessible from any ODBC-compliant product such as Seagate Crystal Reports™ and Microsoft's Word™, Excel™ and Access™. Building upon its successful Windows graphical release last year, *Solution-IV* is now one of the most competitive object-oriented, 4GL-based and YEAR 2000 compliant accounting solutions on the market today.

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ODBC access increases sales opportunities

Mark Lewis, Thoroughbred Vice President of Sales and Marketing stated, "The ability to create reports using a Windows-based graphical report writer, such as Crystal Reports, with live accounting data will really appeal to the decision maker at a prospect demonstration. This feature, combined with the Graphical User Interface incorporated into *Solution-IV* will dramatically assist our resellers in closing new sales."

Oracle and ODBC Client-Server

Solution-IV also implements ODBC Client-Server, enabling users to choose the database technology that is most appropriate for their system. Using *Dictionary-IV*TM, Thoroughbred's data definition structure, any or all files and tables may reside in any Oracle or ODBC-compliant database, giving the user complete freedom of database choice.

Several other *Solution-IV* features were enhanced as well, such as improved graphical screens using VIP 4.01, direct deposit, extended capabilities in financial reporting, new Office 97TM interface, and laser printed checks. It is also integrated with Thoroughbred's TS ReportServer, a comprehensive windows-based report processor, and TS ChartServer, Thoroughbred's tool for creating graphical charts of any data in the *Solution-IV* database. The *Solution-IV* accounting product line provides one of the most cost effective, comprehensive accounting solutions in the UNIX and Windows 95/NT operating environments available today. It consists of ten general purpose Financial and Distribution modules. In addition, many third party packages are integrated, such as manufacturing, job shop and human resource management.

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Graphical or Character-Based System

Solution-IV operates as either a graphical or a character-based application, with the same application code. Heads-down production data entry functions can be accomplished with a simple-to-use character-based operator interface, while power-users can use a familiar Windows GUI that is compatible with their other decision making tools.

Pricing

Solution-IV Accounting is priced based on platform and number of concurrent users from \$575 to over \$150,000, end user list price. Discounts are available for qualified resellers.

Thoroughbred Software International, Inc. is a privately held company that designs and markets software for developers and end-users in the Object-Oriented, 4GL and 3GL communities. The Thoroughbred North American headquarters is in Somerset, NJ and its European headquarters is in Romford, Essex, England. Over 250,000 Thoroughbred systems have been installed and are used for a variety of commercial applications, including general accounting, distribution, transportation, manufacturing, hotel and restaurant management and medical systems. Thoroughbred products are available directly and through Value Added Resellers. Thoroughbred maintains sites on the World Wide Web at www.tbred.com or www.solution-iv.com.

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