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## **Nordisk Mobiltelefon Calls On Progress Software to Bring New Services to Market**

Sonic™ ESB and DataXtend® Semantic Integrator enable Scandinavia's pioneering telco to rapidly roll out a new network

BEDFORD, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--May 19, 2008--Progress Software Corporation (NASDAQ: PRGS), a global supplier of application infrastructure software used to develop, deploy, integrate and manage business applications, today announced that Scandinavia's Nordisk Mobiltelefon (NMT) is using the Progress® Sonic™ ESB and Progress® DataXtend® Semantic Integrator (SI) to support the rollout and standards-based integration of their operational and business support applications (OSS/BSS).

NMT is a Swedish broadband communications operator that delivers services in Sweden, Norway, Denmark, and Iceland, and is known as an innovator in the mobile telecommunications industry.

NMT operates with both its own in-house teams and several partners to achieve its business goals. In order to support such a business model, a flexible IT infrastructure is a critical business requirement. NMT is using the federation capabilities of Sonic ESB and the standards-based data interoperability of DataXtend SI to connect outsourced service providers in a loosely coupled, flexible framework.

"The challenge for Nordisk Mobiltelefon is to integrate all of our different partners so that they work together seamlessly as part of one organization. For example, we have our own customer database and billing system, but the operation and maintenance is outsourced to another company," explained Thomas Norberg, CIO at NMT. "We rely on DataXtend SI to ensure semantic consistency between the applications."

The industry model-based data services created by DataXtend SI (in this case using the TM Forum's SID, or Shared Information/Data model) have made it easier to add and remove applications to support changing business requirements. "Having a flexible IT platform is critical for managing changes to our business. For traditional carriers, the time to configure systems to support bringing new products to market is somewhere between 6 to 12 months," said Norberg. "We rolled out our DataXtend SI pilot project in four weeks, in the middle of a holiday period!"

Additionally, the change management tools in DataXtend SI facilitated the effort to replace their existing customer database with one that will support the new mobile services offered. "For most telecoms operators, the idea of changing their customer database is unthinkable, but we have found that with DataXtend SI it's not a problem," Norberg added.

"Placing the inherent flexibility and integration capabilities of the Sonic ESB and DataXtend SI at the heart of their complex IT infrastructure is enabling Nordisk Mobiltelefon to achieve their aggressive business goals," said John Wilmes, Chief Technical Architect, Communications Sector at Progress Software. "We're looking forward to playing a continuing role in their ongoing success and expansion into new territories."

### **About Progress Software Corporation**

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