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Progress Software Announces General Availability of JDBC Drivers for Salesforce.com

BEDFORD, MA -- (MARKET WIRE) -- 03/02/11 -- [Progress Software Corporation](#) (NASDAQ: PRGS), a leading independent enterprise software provider that enables companies to be [operationally responsive](#), today announced the general availability of the Progress® [DataDirect Connect XE® for JDBC, Salesforce.com driver](#). The driver, which has been tested successfully in beta for the past five months, enables Java based SQL to connect directly to Salesforce.com using JDBC, making it easier and faster to query and modify data in Salesforce.com from custom-developed and commercial Java-based applications.

During the beta test period, [Jinfony](#), a leader in Java reporting, installed the driver to provide connectivity to Salesforce.com. The solution built by Jinfony provides the ability to create reports and dashboards directly from Salesforce.com. Using the Progress DataDirect Connect XE for JDBC driver, Jinfony's JReport solution can directly access Salesforce.com to create detailed business intelligence reports and dashboards for business and technical users alike.

Greg Harris, Director of Product Management at Jinfony, said: "We've found that the Salesforce.com driver from Progress Software helps us quickly and seamlessly connect JReport to Salesforce.com. Using the DataDirect Connect XE for JDBC driver, we're able to bulk move data to and from Salesforce.com, without a hitch. The ability to scale and plug-and-play made this an ideal choice for connecting JReport to Salesforce.com solutions."

Additional benefits of the Progress DataDirect Connect XE for JDBC, Salesforce.com driver include:

- | Full read / write access
- | Full SQL-92 compliance
- | Type 5 Functionality
- | Bulk insert, update and delete capabilities
- | Connection failover protection

Jonathan Bruce, Senior Product Manager for Progress Software, said: "Progress Software has once again demonstrated its cutting edge technology by being the first to provide SQL access to a cloud data source. The new class of cloud-enabled Progress DataDirect Connect XE for JDBC drivers will complement Salesforce.com by providing open access regardless of platform or operating system. We're delivering JDBC Type 5 functionality to Java developers to allow them to apply their expertise to new cloud data sources such as Salesforce.com. Only DataDirect Connect XE for JDBC drivers provide this connectivity to Java and off-the-shelf applications, which will accelerate the use of cloud-based data across the enterprise."

Progress Software is the software industry's only comprehensive provider of software for connecting the world's most critical business applications to data and services, running on any platform, using proven and emerging standards. Developers worldwide depend on [DataDirect® products](#) to connect their applications to an unparalleled range of data sources using standards-based interfaces such as ODBC, JDBC™ and ADO.NET, XQuery and SOAP. More than 300 leading independent software vendors and thousands of enterprises rely on Progress Software to simplify and streamline data connectivity for distributed systems and to reduce the complexity of mainframe integration.

About Progress Software Corporation

Progress Software Corporation (NASDAQ: PRGS) is a global software company that enables enterprises to be [operationally responsive](#) to changing conditions and customer interactions as they occur -- to capitalize on new opportunities, drive greater efficiencies and reduce risk. The company offers a comprehensive portfolio of best-in-class infrastructure software spanning event-driven visibility and real-time response, open integration, data access and integration, and application development and deployment -- all supporting on-premises and SaaS/Cloud deployments. Progress maximizes the benefits of operational responsiveness while minimizing IT complexity and total cost of ownership. Progress can be reached at www.progress.com or +1-781-280-4000.

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