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## **EZConnect EDI-XML Implementation Toolkit Enables SAP Shops to Bypass iDocs, set up XML Trading Partner Documents Fast, at Low Cost**

LONG BEACH, California, September 3, 2008 – ACOM Solutions, Inc. has introduced a SAP-specific implementation toolkit for its NET-compliant EZConnect [EDI and XML data translation](#) and trading partner management solution that speeds and simplifies mapping of electronic trading partner documents for exchange between the SAP software environment and software systems used by customers or vendors, it was announced today by Mark Firmin, senior vice president of marketing and product management.

The toolkit provides preconfigured XML document maps for widely used SAP trading partner documents, including purchase orders and invoices, as well as a means for users with limited technology skills to create additional trading partner documents quickly and easily.

“In the native SAP environment, trading partner document exchanges typically are accomplished using iDocs, or Intermediate Documents, which provide intermediate storage of e-business documents such as purchase orders, invoices, advance ship notices and others,” Firmin said. “Mapping these documents can be complex and time-consuming, requiring extensive knowledge of the German mnemonics on which the system is based, as well as on how EDI documents are adapted to the iDoc structure, including such things as non-ANSI standard locations of document elements.”

Conversely, Firmin said, ACOM’s EZConnect [SAP EDI-XML](#) implementation toolkit allows users to import an iDoc schema and convert it to an XML template for the desired document – a purchase order, invoice or advance ship notice, for example. Then, with drag-and-drop entry of the trading partner information into the XML document template map, the new document is mapped and ready to use.

The process essentially bypasses the Intermediate Document stage, proceeding directly to the exchange of active electronic trading partner documents between SAP R/3 and other business management software. Besides expediting the launch of new trading partner relationships, the semi-automated implementation toolkit virtually eliminates the need to deploy expensive in-

house or contract programming resources as well as minimizes the possibility of errors and flawed document design.

“Priced as much as 40 percent below competing solutions with comparable features and capabilities, EZConnect EDI-XML already delivers the top price-performance value in the SMB market,” Firmin said. “With ACOM’s new SAP implementation toolkit dramatically reducing the cost and complexity involved in setting up trading partner documents, the price-performance advantages become even more dramatic for this extensive user community.”

### **About EZConnect EDI-XML**

EZConnect EDI-XML is a Windows-based, any-to-any data translation and partner management platform that supports direct integration to one or multiple databases as well as flat file and XML interfaces to applications. It is compliant with all EDI standards, including ANSI X.12 and EDIFACT, and all XML and database document formats. EZConnect EDI-XML 9.x is available without charge, including eight hours of training, to users under maintenance by contacting [sales@acom.com](mailto:sales@acom.com) or calling EZConnect sales at 800-699-5758.

### **About ACOM Solutions, Inc.**

Now in its 25th year of business, ACOM Solutions, Inc. develops modular software systems for document output, document management, secure corporate payments, and B2B EDI/XML e-commerce applications, marketing them domestically and through overseas partners. Corporate headquarters are in Long Beach, California; System i Software Division headquarters are in Duluth, Georgia; and regional offices are located in several major U.S. cities.

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