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## **A Decade of Development - CCSS Celebrates ten years in the Software Industry**

Gillingham, Kent, UK, April 2002 – This month, CCSS celebrates its tenth anniversary as specialist software vendors for the IBM eServer iSeries. Originally launched as the IBM Application System/400 (AS/400) in 1988, the iSeries has swiftly evolved into one of the world's most popular business computing systems. Mirroring this development, CCSS has spent the past decade developing a suite of complimentary systems management software that now helps some of the world's leading corporations to manage their iSeries networks.

Ray Wright, Managing Director of CCSS, believes synchronising the rate of development between his company and IBM has been one of the most demanding but rewarding approaches he has taken: 'We're constantly developing our solutions and pushing the boundaries of technology. The rate of development is so fast – just looking at recent history we've embraced e-commerce, m-commerce, Logical Partitioning, Clustering, Enterprise Management Solutions – much of this is not solely about where technology is heading but rather, is driven by the new means people are discovering of running their businesses. Efficiency, economy, accuracy and productivity are measurable quantities in every business – our products have always strived to meet these aims for iSeries customers.'

CCSS has always enjoyed a close developer association with IBM and in the past few years has solidified their relationship by becoming an Advanced Business Partner and member of the iSeries Systems Management Partner Group (SMPG), with all CCSS solutions, QSystem Monitor,

QMessage Monitor and QRemote Control, approved directly by IBM systems management experts and marketed globally through IBM/SMPG channels.

The CCSS product suite is made up of QSystem Monitor, a real-time performance monitoring and reporting solution, QMessage Monitor, a message management solution capable of filtering over 90% of all system messages generated throughout a network and QRemote Control, a wireless, interactive solution that uses GSM and SMS technology to help users retain control of their systems via a mobile or cell phone device. At present, CCSS is actively promoting their latest version of QMessage Monitor (Version 5) which boasts many additional features including a new PC maintenance module, advanced escalation features, looping job monitor and full calendar processing. QMessage Monitor Version 5 will be exhibited at COMMON (Nashville) this month along with QSystem Monitor and QRemote Control.

With headquarters in the UK, subsidiaries in USA and Germany, together with a global agent network that spans China, Indonesia, Portugal, Brazil and The Netherlands, CCSS look set to maintain the pace set by today's technological demands. Ray Wright says, 'Ten years ago it would be hard to envisage just how radically computer technology would shape all our lives – the fact that today's kids are so at ease with mobile computing products is just one significant indicator of where we might be in another ten years.'

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