

# **PRESS RELEASE**

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## **New QSystem Monitor Enhancement Helps iSeries Customers Avoid Disk Dramas**

Gillingham, Kent, UK, May 2002 –CCSS, the iSeries systems management software specialists, announce a new enhancement to their leading performance monitoring and reporting solution, QSystem Monitor. The latest enhancement to be added to the product now offers customers a powerful disk usage inquiry command, MONDSKINQ, which helps to identify problems and provides a snap shot of current disk usage.

The new on-line inquiry tool allows operators to interrogate the list of all objects on the local system from the last disk data collection run. The command is run on the 5250 Console and features a number of selection codes, to make the filtered results as specific as possible. This new enhancement can help operations staff in a number of predicaments, which left unattended, could pose a serious threat to the availability of the system. In the event of an ASP (Auxiliary Storage Pool) overflow, an operator can now use MONDSKINQ to quickly identify which objects have been affected for a speedy resolution rather than spending valuable time coordinating a number of system tools and collating the results for an accurate assessment.

The functionality of MONDSKINQ can also be utilised to help maintain an optimally efficient use of space. For example, if a database administrator wanted to determine how much space is currently being occupied by deleted records across the system, or in a business critical application library, they could easily access this information through the inquiry tool. Likewise, if old files are

cluttering up the system, MONDSKINQ can identify their location, allowing the operator to take an informed decision on their disposal. An operator needing to run a Reclaim Storage command (RCLSTG) can also make good use of the on-line inquiry tool to deduce whether there are any damaged objects.

The new disk usage inquiry command is the latest weapon in the fight against disk dramas for iSeries users. As proficient disk management plays an important role in achieving effective systems management across an iSeries network, QSystem Monitor already incorporates a specific disk analysis module. This Disk Summary module allows operators to obtain a graphical display of disk space used by library, object attribute, owner, application and date last used. Operators simply access the module, which will download historical information relating to disk usage to the PC and present the figures in an easy to interpret bar chart display. This breakdown of data is especially useful in highlighting trends for developing applications.

QSystem Monitor, like all products in the CCSS iSeries Systems Management suite, is a recommended 'best-of-breed' performance monitoring solution and features in IBM's iSeries Systems Management Partner Group. CCSS has offices in UK, USA and Germany and is supported by a worldwide agent network.

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