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Encore Proves its Expertise and Earns a New Competency in the Microsoft Partner Program

WINNIPEG, MANITOBA, CANADA – August 11, 2008 – Acknowledging technology partners who have demonstrated their deep skill and ability in implementing infrastructure solutions for small to mid size businesses, Microsoft recognizes **Encore Business Solutions** with the Networking Infrastructure Solutions Competency. This is a new competency achieved by Encore which signifies their commitment to helping customers build a strong infrastructure foundation for their continued success and growth.

“Attaining the Networking Infrastructure Solutions Competency is a remarkable accomplishment for Encore and we are honored to be amongst a select few who have earned this achievement,” remarks Ken Chartrand, CFO, Encore Business Solutions. “This acknowledgement is a powerful example of our teams’ true commitment to ensuring our business retains a competitive edge and that our customers realize their potential with best-in class solutions that fit their business needs.”

Microsoft Gold Certified Partners enrolled in the Networking Infrastructure Solutions Competency have proved their expertise in implementing technology solutions based on either the Microsoft Windows Server 2003 or Windows 2000 Server operating system, with a particular focus on Microsoft Small Business Server 2000 and Windows Small Business Server 2003. These implementations may include crafting solutions that connect Windows-based servers, PC locations and the Internet; installing a server farm; or building a small-business Windows Server stand-alone solution that includes file and print capabilities.

“We place tremendous value on our partners, which help us deliver solutions and applications to customers,” said Allison Watson, corporate vice president of the Worldwide Partner Group at Microsoft Corp. “Solutions competencies provide an integrated partnering framework that recognizes an enterprise’s expertise and rewards it for the effect it has in the technology marketplace. It also allows companies to demonstrate for customers their knowledge of building solutions based on Microsoft technologies, such as setting up networks using Windows Server 2003 R2 and Windows Small Business Server 2003.”

About Encore Business Solutions

Established in 1990, Encore Business Solutions Inc. is committed to helping organizations implement value-added technology and business management solutions such as Microsoft Dynamics. As a

Microsoft Gold Certified Partner, Encore is among the elite of Microsoft's business partners, earning their highest endorsement.

Built on experience, reputation and genuine commitment to customers and business partners, Encore's strength is in their ability to realize the client's full potential through new business applications, automation, integration and ongoing system reviews. For more information about Encore's products and services, visit www.encorebusiness.com.

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