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Progress Software Expands Big Data Connectivity With New HiveServer2 and Cloudera Support

New DataDirect Connect® *for ODBC* Driver Technology Boosts Data Warehouse Performance, Enables Better Data Access for ODBC Interfaces

BEDFORD, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- [Progress Software Corporation](link) (NASDAQ: PRGS), a global software company that simplifies and enables the development and deployment of business applications, today expanded its leading Big Data connectivity capabilities with the availability of new ODBC driver technologies that make it easier to leverage the newest and most powerful data warehousing applications. With new support for HiveServer2 *and Cloudera CDH 4.1 Hadoop distributions,* Progress® DataDirect Connect® XE *for ODBC 7.1* reduces complexity for developers while enabling fast, reliable and secure access from multiple data sources.

HiveServer2, the latest iteration *of [Apache Hive](link),* is the data warehouse system for [Hadoop](link), one of the most commonly used Big Data frameworks in the market today. It enables organizations to easily summarize data, execute ad hoc queries and process large sets of data within the Hadoop framework — key functionalities in today's data saturated business environment. In order to capitalize on this system, fast, reliable and secure data access technology is critical.

The new HiveServer2 support featured in the latest DataDirect Connect XE *for ODBC 7.1* service pack delivers improved performance for ODBC interfaces, allowing easy management of concurrent HiveServer2 connections. It also provides improved scalability and high availability for HiveServer2 applications requiring extremely efficient database access. Additionally, improved HiveServer2 authentication allows the use of plain text passwords for improved usability, and better overall authorized access.

DataDirect Connect XE *for ODBC 7.1* now includes support for [Cloudera](link) CDH 4.1, Cloudera's leading enterprise Hadoop distribution.

Additional features in this service pack (SP1) include:

- Platform certification for Windows 8 and Microsoft SQL Server 2012
- PostgreSQL 9.1 support
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 6.3 support
- Upgraded support for [Salesforce.com](link) API 26

Progress Software is the leading provider of comprehensive 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 Progress [DataDirect products](link) to connect their applications to an unparalleled range of data sources using standards-based interfaces such as ODBC, JDBC and [ADO.NET](link), 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.

Quotes:

Michael Benedict, Vice President and Business Line Executive, Progress DataDirect: "Hadoop is rapidly becoming the standard for Big Data management. Progress DataDirect enables the fastest, most secure and most reliable data access for a comprehensive range of Hadoop distributions. With support for all of the major Big Data frameworks, we're helping customers leverage their existing data, no matter where it's stored."

Additional Resources:

Learn more: [DataDirect Connect XE *for ODBC 7.1* service pack](link)

Learn more: Article ["Hurdles for Hadoop"](link) in Network World

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