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H&W announces enhanced performance, new file visibility tools in 6.5 release of SYSB-II software

BOISE, Idaho – May 22, 2013 – Today H&W Computer Systems, Inc. announced the release of the 6.5 version of its leading SYSB-II® software, which maximizes CICS availability by processing batch while files are still online to CICS.

“This release builds on SYSB-II’s already strong foundation,” said Richard Newman, H&W’s chief technology officer. “Not only have we enhanced performance, but we’ve added new interfaces to provide customers with better visibility into important file-sharing activities. Release 6.5 includes the first of a series of planned modernization updates, based on customer needs, that will keep SYSB-II relevant and valued for years to come.”

Improvements in SYSB-II release 6.5 include:

- A new browser-based Active Job Display feature that improves systemwide views into file-sharing activity and provides enhanced parameter support.
- Optimized buffer retention to improve performance of file-sharing jobs.
- A new browser-based Recovery Insight tool that provides more information about recovery events.

SYSB-II helps organizations keep business-critical CICS applications that rely on VSAM available to users around the clock, which allows them to process more CICS transactions to accommodate growing business. SYSB-II also allows companies to process more batch transactions because batch workloads can be spread throughout the day instead of being confined to the traditional nightly batch window. By load-leveling this way, businesses can also avoid CPU spikes and save on software costs based on CPU usage.

Additionally, SYSB-II can benefit companies that need to incorporate existing VSAM-reliant CICS applications into services for the Web or mobile but can’t afford for them to be unavailable for hours each day while batch runs. Organizations can continue to employ these reliable, trusted CICS applications without changes to source code or the cost, complexity, and risk of rearchitecting applications, data structures, or both.

About H&W

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