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Connamara launches QuickFIX/n, a pure .NET port of QuickFIX for Trading Firms to simplify the implementation of FIX enabled .NET applications

Chicago, IL, November 30, 2011 – Connamara Systems, LLC (Connamara), who provides end-to-end trading systems, market data solutions and development services, announced today the release of QuickFIX/n, a new open source, native .NET implementation of the original and industry recognized Open Source FIX libraries QuickFIX and QuickFIXj. After receiving many requests from users at trading firms to release a native .NET version of QuickFIX to simplify implementation and improve performance, Connamara invested around 900 man hours in the new release.

QuickFIX/n helps build FIX enabled applications using Microsoft .NET technologies. Until now, any financial firm's .NET developers using QuickFIX required using a C# wrapper provided with QuickFIX. This process introduced implementation complexities through non-idiomatic use of C#, and increased overall message latency as compared to the unmanaged C++ version of QuickFIX. By introducing QuickFIX/n, Connamara is reducing both the complexity and latency.

Being Open Source, QuickFIX/n is FREE to use and is released under the same liberal license as the original QuickFIX and QuickFIX/J. Users of QuickFIX/n will receive the same level of commitment from Connamara in the support of the QuickFIX/n community as it has given to the communities of QuickFIX and QuickFIX/J. Connamara has been a maintainer of QuickFIX since the inception in 2002 and a longtime committer to the QuickFIX/J code base. To get started using QuickFIX/n, please visit the QuickFIX/n web site (http://www.quickfixn.org/).

Jim Downs, Founder and CEO, said, "We at Connamara have always been supporters of Open Source, QuickFIX, and FIX. Our hope is that the QuickFIX community embraces QuickFIX/n with the same enthusiasm and support as they have with QuickFIX and QuickFIX/J."

About FIX:

The Financial Information eXchange (FIX) Protocol is a "language" which defines specific kinds of electronic messages for communicating securities transactions between two parties. FIX defines only the format of the messages and the session-level interaction between two applications. More information on FIX can be found at the <u>FIX protocol web site</u>.

About Connamara:

Founded in 1998 by Jim Downs, a long time index options market-maker at the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Connamara offers premier global trading organizations next generation, end-to-end trading solutions and development services, including order and execution management, algorithmic trading, exchange connectivity and market data integration. Incorporating the client's specific needs with the most advanced, tested technology, Connamara

takes a made-to-measure approach to their software. Connamara operates using a one-time licensing fee in which the product code is consigned to the client. Connamara is headquartered in Chicago.

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