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SpringSource Announces Enterprise Maintenance Policy

New Policy Guarantees Long-term, Stable Application Platform for Customers to Build, Run and Manage their Spring-Powered Applications

SAN MATEO, Calif.—September 17, 2008 – SpringSource, the company behind Spring, the de facto standard in enterprise Java, today announced that it has implemented a new [maintenance policy](#) for Spring. The policy provides Spring production users with a long-term, stable application platform to build, run and manage their Spring-powered applications.

Customers who are using SpringSource Enterprise, available under a subscription, will receive maintenance releases for three years from the general availability of a major new version. These customers receive ongoing, rapid patches as well as regular maintenance releases to address bugs, security vulnerabilities and usability issues, making SpringSource Enterprise the best option for production systems.

After a new major version of Spring is released, community maintenance updates will be issued for three months to address initial stability issues. Subsequent maintenance releases will be available to SpringSource Enterprise customers. Bug fixes will be folded into the open source development trunk and will be made available in the next major community release of the software.

"The maintenance policy provides IT teams responsible for building and running mission-critical production systems with the quality, assurance and peace of mind that comes from reliable, predictable and guaranteed support direct from the source," said Mark Brewer, vice president of enterprise delivery for SpringSource. "And, the policy will always give the developer community access to the same cutting-edge innovations they have come to expect with Spring."

About SpringSource

SpringSource created, developed and leads Spring, the de facto standard platform to build, run and manage enterprise Java applications. SpringSource is also the leading support provider for Apache Tomcat. SpringSource delivers an end-to-end platform that is designed from the ground up for complete portability and scalability for today's data center and for next-generation virtualized, grid and cloud deployments. Nearly half of the Global 2000, including many of the world's largest financial institutions, retailers, manufacturers, healthcare, technology and public sector clients are SpringSource customers. For more information visit: www.springsource.com.

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