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## **Vision Solutions and IBM Collaborate to Provide Enterprise-Class High Availability and Cluster Management Solutions**

*Powerful combination breaks new boundaries to protect Prescription Solutions' systems*

**IRVINE, Calif. (Jan. 7, 2008)** Vision Solutions, the leading high availability and disaster recovery solutions provider in the IBM® System i™ and System p™ markets, today announced it is extending its business continuity solutions and services through collaborations with IBM. As a result, many enterprise customers are benefiting from enhanced cluster management, replication and monitoring capabilities that protect their business.

"IBM and Vision Solutions are working collaboratively to combine the strengths of IBM's cluster services with Vision Solutions' offerings," says Vision's Executive Vice President and Chief Technology Officer, Alan Arnold. "Our integrated offerings represent the future for System i customers."

Integrating IBM's cluster services with **Vision Solutions' products** results in new levels of flexibility and fault tolerance to meet the highest availability demands, while providing outstanding levels of monitoring and management. "This not only makes the most complex implementations easy to monitor, it also ensures systems are protected with built-in autonomics," adds Arnold.

"IBM is delighted to have the investment and support Vision Solutions brings to our business and customers. Simply put: we value our collaborative, long-standing relationship with this outstanding organization," says Jim Herring, director, high end power systems, IBM Systems and Technology Group. "Customers and partners expect this level of collaboration and we are pleased to provide it."

Vision is IBM's only Premier Business Partner in high availability. The Company's solutions that utilize IBM's cluster services technology are being deployed daily to enterprise customers. These solutions are capable of delivering the level of usability, flexibility and fault tolerance required by many enterprise class customers.

Prescription Solutions, a leader in the pharmacy benefit management industry, promotes the appropriate use of prescription medications to improve clinical quality and total patient care, thereby helping its clients and members improve outcomes while managing overall healthcare costs.

To protect its vital systems, this quality conscious company relies on Vision's high availability and cluster management solutions, which work in concert with IBM's switched disk, cross site mirroring and cluster services. The Vision-IBM solution is easy to manage and enables substantially faster switch times.

"MIMIX has greatly enhanced and simplified the switch process for our three-node installation," say customers Ron Yohe and Reid Parker, both senior systems analysts for Prescription Solutions.

**Vision Solutions** and IBM are delivering the next generation of availability solutions by combining IBM's cluster services capabilities and XSM-based solutions (such as Geographic Mirroring, Global Mirroring and Metro Mirroring) with Vision's high availability and cluster-management-based solutions. Vision and IBM's bundled offerings are protecting System i and related investments by meeting enterprise-class availability and disaster recovery standards with enhanced levels of flexibility, fault tolerance and push-button ease.

**About Vision Solutions**

**Vision Solutions, Inc.** is the world's leading provider of high availability, disaster recovery and data management solutions for the IBM® System i and System p markets. With a portfolio spanning the industry's most innovative and trusted HA solutions from **ORION™**, **MIMIX®** and **ITERA™** brands, Vision keeps critical businesses information continuously protected and available. Affordable and easy to use, Vision products help to ensure business continuity, increase productivity, reduce operating costs and satisfy compliance requirements. Vision also offers advanced cluster management and systems management solutions, and support for i5/OS®, Windows®, and AIX® operating environments. As IBM's largest high availability Premier Business Partner, Vision Solutions oversees a global network of business partners and services and support professionals to help our customers achieve their business goals. Privately held by Thoma Cressey Bravo, Inc., Vision Solutions is headquartered in Irvine, California with offices worldwide. For more information visit [www.visionsolutions.com](http://www.visionsolutions.com) or call 800.957.4511.

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